LOCKER SEARCHES

A student locker is provided by the district for the convenience of the student to be used solely and exclusively for the storage of outer garments, footwear and school-related materials. No student shall use the locker for any other purpose.

The school locker assigned to a student is the property of the School District of Jefferson. At no time does the School District of Jefferson relinquish its exclusive control of such lockers. A locker may be searched as determined necessary or appropriate without notice, without student consent and without a search warrant. The search may be conducted by the Superintendent, a building principal, an assistant principal, a police-school liaison officer or a school employee designated by the Superintendent or building principal. Any unauthorized item found in the locker may be removed and retained by the district or, where appropriate, turned over to law enforcement authorities.

Items removed from the locker may be held by the school for return to the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the student (without liability to the school for safekeeping) or retained for disciplinary proceedings, if any, unless the inspecting authority suspects that possession or storage of the unauthorized item found in the locker involves a violation of law in which case the suspect material removed from the locker shall be turned over to law enforcement officials. The student and his/her parent(s)/guardian(s) shall be notified by the inspecting authority of items removed from the locker and of the delivery thereof to law enforcement officials.

The district shall disseminate this policy at least annually to students by publication in handbooks and/or other.

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