

## SEARCH AND SEIZURE

### Individual Searches

In determining whether reasonable suspicion exists, school officials shall consider:

1. The student's age and previous behavior patterns.
2. The prevalence and seriousness in the school of the problem to which the search was directed.
3. The urgency requiring the search without delay.
4. The substantive value and reliability of the information used as a justification for the search.
5. The location of the student at the time of the incident which gave rise to reasonable suspicion.

Searches shall be made in the presence of a least one other district employee. Employees will not conduct strip searches or body cavity searches.

### Use of Trained Dogs

Dogs shall not be used in rooms occupied by persons except for demonstration purposes, with the handler present. When used for demonstration purposes, the dog may not sniff the person of any individual and shall be well separated from the audience.

Only the dog's official handler will determine what constitutes an alert by the dog. If the dog alerts on a particular item or place, the student having the use of that place or responsibility for it shall be called to witness the search. If a dog alerts on a locked vehicle, the student who brought it onto District property shall be asked to unlock it for inspection.

*(cf. 5144 - Discipline)*

*(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)*