

# Obion County Board of Education

Monitoring: <b>Review: Annually, in April</b>	Descriptor Term: <b>Zero Tolerance Offenses</b>	Descriptor Code: <b>6.309</b>	Issued Date: <b>12/04/06</b>
		Rescinds: <b>6.309</b>	Issued: <b>06/06/05</b>

1 In order to ensure a safe and secure learning environment, the following offenses will not be toler-  
2 ated:

## 3 **WEAPONS & DANGEROUS INSTRUMENTS**

4 Students shall not possess, handle, transmit, use or attempt to use any dangerous weapon in school build-  
5 ings or on school grounds at any time, or in school vehicles and/or buses or off the school grounds at  
6 a school-sponsored activity, function or event.<sup>1</sup>

7 Dangerous weapons for the purposes of this policy shall include, but are not limited to a firearm or  
8 anything manifestly designed, made or adapted for the purpose of inflicting death or serious bodily  
9 injury or anything that in the manner of its use or intended use is capable of causing death or serious  
10 bodily injury.<sup>2</sup>

11 Violators of this section shall be subject to suspension and/or expulsion from school.

## 12 **Firearms (as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 921)<sup>3</sup>**

13 In accordance with state law, any student who brings or possesses a firearm on school property shall  
14 be expelled for a period of not less than one (1) calendar year. The director of schools shall have the  
15 authority to modify this expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis.<sup>4</sup>

## 16 **DRUGS**

17 In accordance with state law, any student who unlawfully possesses any drug including any controlled  
18 substance or legend drug shall be expelled for a period of not less than one (1) calendar year. The direc-  
19 tor of schools shall have the authority to modify this expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis.<sup>5</sup>

## 20 **BATTERY**

21 In accordance with state law, any student who commits battery upon any teacher, principal administrator,  
22 any other employee of the school or school resource officer shall be expelled for a period of not less than  
23 one (1) calendar year. The director of schools shall have the authority to modify this expulsion requirement

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on a case-by-case basis.<sup>5</sup>

**ALCOHOL**

Consumption, possession, or selling of alcoholic beverages or intoxicants of any kind shall not be permitted on school-owned property, school buses, at school sponsored activities, or while under school supervision (including school events off school grounds). Any student who violates this policy shall be subject to suspension and/or expulsion from school.<sup>6</sup>

**NOTIFICATION**

When it is determined that a student has violated this policy, the principal of the school shall notify the student’s parent or guardian and the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system as required by law.<sup>7</sup>

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Legal References:

- 1. TCA 39-17-1309
- 2. TCA 39-11-106(a)(5)(A)(B)
- 3. 18 U.S.C. 921
- 4. 20 U.S.C. § 8921; TCA 49-6-4216(b);TCA 49-6-3401(g)
- 5. TCA 49-6-3401(g);TCA 49-6-4216(b)
- 6. TCA 39-17-715
- 7. TCA 49-6-4209; TCA 39-17-1312

Cross References:

Suspension/Expulsion/Remand 6.316