

JCABB Searches of Students

Building administrators **Principals** are authorized to search students if there is reasonable suspicion that district policies, rules or directives are being violated. Strip searches shall not be conducted by school authorities. All searches by the building administrator **principal** shall be carried out in the presence of another adult witness.

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The student shall be told why a search is being conducted. The student shall be requested to empty items such as, but not limited to, pockets, purses, shoulder bags, book bags and briefcases. The ~~building administrator~~ **principal** shall attempt to call the student's parent/s and may call law enforcement. Items which the ~~building administrator~~ **principal** believes may be connected with illegal activity shall remain in the custody of the ~~building administrator~~ **principal** unless the items are turned over to law enforcement officials. If the student refuses to cooperate, the ~~building administrator~~ **principal** may take disciplinary action and/or seek assistance from law enforcement. (~~See JDD and JGAG~~)

If law enforcement assistance is present, further search of the student shall be with cooperation and assistance of law enforcement officials. The ~~building administrator~~ **principal** shall remain with the student and be present during any search of the student made by law enforcement officials on school property. The ~~building administrator~~ **principal** shall receive and file a receipt for items turned over to law enforcement officials.

If the ~~building administrator~~ **principal** believes a student is in possession of an object which can jeopardize the health, welfare or safety of the student or others, the student shall be removed to a safe location. This determination may be based on any information received by the ~~building administrator~~ **principal** or any member of the faculty or staff.

~~A written report of each search shall be made by the building administrator and submitted to the superintendent. The superintendent shall keep a copy of the written report on file.~~

Written documentation of each search shall be maintained by the principal.

(Whenever the ~~building administrator~~ **principal** is mentioned in this rule **policy**, it shall be construed so as to include the superintendent "or designated representative.")