



## **BOARD POLICY 446**

### **446      -      Searches and Seizures**

A teacher or administrator may conduct a search of a student's person or personal items (e.g., purse, backpack, duffel bag or similar items) if the search is based on reasonable suspicion, that is a result of personal observation or reliable information from a third party, that the student has a dangerous or illegal item or substance in his/her possession. In deciding whether a search is appropriate, a certified employee will consider the information available and the circumstances of the situation.

Strip searches of students shall not be conducted by any School District employee. If a situation requires a strip search, the police shall be contacted.

Legal Ref.:      Section 118.32, Wisconsin Statutes

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