SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GREEN LAKE **POLICY**

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Students

446.2 - Canine Searches

The School District of Green Lake reserves the right to use canines trained for drug detection accompanied by law enforcement officers for purposes of exploratory sniffing of the outside of lockers, vehicles parked in school district parking lots, and any other areas of school property or on property leased by the school district, deemed appropriate. This activity will be carried out on a random or periodic basis and/or when reasonable suspicion exists. These searches will be at the discretion of the district administrator in conjunction with the principal. Canines will be used when 1) there is a reasonable suspicion that controlled substances may be hidden in the building; 2) there is a reasonable suspicion that controlled substances may be hidden in vehicles parked on school property or on property leased by the school district, or 3) there is a belief that a random preventive search will be beneficial to the ongoing drug prevention efforts of the school district. Canine searches may be used without prior notification to students or school personnel. Students will be restricted to classrooms and kept out of hallways while canine searches are being conducted.

Evidence/Contraband

Anything found in the course of a search conducted in accordance with this policy may be seized and admitted as evidence in any disciplinary hearing. Any item seized must be marked for identification at the time seized and must be kept in a secure place by a school administrator or the administrator's designee, or turned over to a law enforcement agency. At the discretion of a school administrator or the administrator's designee, any item found during a search may be returned to a parent or guardian of the student from whom it was seized.

Notice

Students will be given notice of this policy at the beginning of each school year.

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Legal Ref.: Section 118.32 and 948.50 of the Wisconsin State Statutes; Wisconsin Constitution, Article I, Section H

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