

INSPECTION OF STUDENT LOCKERS

The use of a locker is not a right, but rather a privilege extended to the student and controlled by the School Principal or designate.

The School Principal or designate has the authority to inspect lockers that have been assigned to a student within the school premises. The School Principal or designate shall do so when there is reasonable suspicion that the locker is being used to store items that are illegal, present a health or safety concern, or contribute in some potentially serious way to undermining school or School District policies, guidelines or expectations of proper student conduct.

1. Prior to assigning a locker to a student, the school will receive a form signed by the parent acknowledging the terms and conditions under which the school provides a student with the use of a locker.
2. The School Principal or designate will inspect a locker when there is a reasonable suspicion that the locker is being used to store items that are illegal, present a health or safety concern or contribute in some potentially serious way to undermining school or School District policies, guidelines or expectations of proper student conduct.
3. The following efforts will be made when inspecting a locker:
 - a. The School Principal or designate will try to do the inspection accompanied by another adult, preferably a staff member. This expectation is not necessary when the situation is an emergency or evidence is likely to be removed from the locker.
 - b. The School Principal or designate will try to do the inspection in the presence of the student to whom the locker is assigned. This expectation is not necessary when the situation is an emergency or evidence is likely to be removed from the locker.
 - c. If the inspection is undertaken because of a reasonable suspicion that the student is involved in a serious misdemeanor or criminal transgression, then the School Principal or designate should seek advice from the police.
4. A student who has committed a serious breach of conduct by means of the use of a school locker may be denied the use of a locker during the current and future school years at the School Principal's discretion.