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Animals on School Premises

At any given time, the District may have several different animals on campus (e.g. dogs, cats, horses). In order to manage the risks associated with the presence of animals on district property, the following restrictions apply to animals on school grounds and in buildings.

- No animals (with or without a leash) are allowed on district property between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. on any school day, unless preapproved by the District Administrator.
- No animals are allowed at any time on athletic fields.
- No animals are permitted at district events at any time, neither inside nor outside, and no matter the venue location.
- Other animals may be authorized by the District Administrator, such as animals in the classroom, after the submission and approval of an "Animals in the School Request Form" (See 836 Exhibit)
- At all other times, animals must be leashed and controlled by owners. handlers.
- Owner Handlers must clean up after their animals and remove waste from district premises.

Exceptions are:

- Service animals (See Policy 834 Service Animals) and certified therapy animals (See Policy 834.1 Certified Therapy Animals) and dogs used in law enforcement activities.
- Organized school fairs, pet shows, vaccination clinics, and obedience schools which may be authorized by the District Administrator.

The District will comply with state and federal law concerning the rights of persons with service animals and will permit such animals on school premises in accordance with those laws.

This policy is in effect not only for the cleanliness of our campus, but for the safety of our staff and students.

CROSS REFERENCE:	834 Service Animals
	834.1 Certified Therapy Animals
	836 Exhibit Animals in the School Request Form

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