

Investigations of Suspected Student Misconduct

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To protect the safety and welfare of students and school personnel and maintain order and discipline on school property or at school-sponsored activities or events, school authorities may search a student's locker or desk and its contents, personal property, or automobile under the circumstances described in policy and may seize any illegal, unauthorized or contraband materials.

School lockers, desks and other storage areas provided for student use on school premises are school property and remain at all times under the ownership and control of the school. Lockers, desks, and storage areas, as well as the contents therein, are subject to inspection at any time, without notice and without cause, at the discretion of Jeffco Public Schools. No student shall lock or impede access to any locker or storage areas except with a lock provided or approved by school authorities.

Searches of a student's person or personal effects such as a backpack, purse, book bag, electronic devices, motor vehicle, etc., within the school or on school grounds may be conducted by the principal or designee when that official reasonably suspects that the search will uncover evidence of a violation of Board and/or district policies, school rules, or federal, state, or local laws or uncover the presence of an item that presents an immediate danger of physical harm or illness to any person.

For additional information, please refer to **District Policy JIH, Student Interviews, Interrogations, Searches, and Arrests** [↗](#), which now includes the previous Regulation JIH-R.

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