

WEAPONS ON CAMPUS

AP No. 3530

PROHIBITION OF WEAPONS ON CAMPUS

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I. Prohibition of weapons

- A. ~~Firearms, knives, explosives, or other dangerous objects, including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife, or explosive are prohibited on any District campus or at any District center, or in any facility of the District.~~

The Rio Hondo Community College District prohibits firearms, knives, explosives, or other dangerous objects at any District facility. This prohibition includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. ~~Any facsimile firearm, knife, or explosive;~~
All firearms, both loaded and unloaded
2. ~~Both loaded and unloaded firearms; and~~
Any facsimile firearm, knife, or explosive
3. *Persons holding a valid license to carry a concealed firearm except as specified below.*

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PPC's edits in blue

- B. *The District prohibits bringing or possessing weapons including, but not limited to: any dirk, dagger, ice pick, or knife having a fixed blade longer than 2.5 inches to any District facility.*

Section II recommended for removal by PPC after consultation with legal counsel

II. Exemption for Prior approval

- A. ~~The Superintendent/President may grant prior written approval to a Any person legally authorized to may possess a firearm or other weapon at a District facility. so long as the Superintendent/President grants prior approval. Any person authorized to have a knife, including kitchen knives, must exercise caution in using and storing the knife. Written approval will be maintained by the office of Human Resources.~~
- B. ~~The Superintendent/President will inform the Board of Trustees, via an agendized item, of any individual granted authorization.~~

II. Exemption for law enforcement

~~Any person who believes that he or she may properly possess a firearm or other weapon on campus or in a District center or other facility of the District must promptly notify the Superintendent/President or designee.~~

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~~Duly appointed peace officers who are engaged in the performance of duties may possess firearms or weapons at any District facility.~~

- A. The following activities and/or persons utilizing firearms or other weapons conducted under the direction of District officials, *Division of Public Safety*, or as authorized by an official law enforcement agency shall be reported to the Superintendent/President or designee before taking place, and are exempt:
1. *A duly appointed peace officer as defined in the California Penal Code, Chapter 4.5 of Title 3 of Part 2 who is carrying out official duties*
 2. *A full-time paid peace officer of another state or the federal government who is carrying out official duties while in California*
 - ~~3. *Any person summoned by any of these officers to assist in making arrests or preserving the peace while they are actually engaged in assisting the officer*~~
 4. *A member of the military forces of this state or of the United States who is engaged in the performance of their professional duties requiring a firearm*
 5. *An armored vehicle guard, engaged in the performance of his or her duties, as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 7582.1 of the Business and Professions Code.*
- B. *Additionally, prohibition of weapons does not apply to an existing shooting range on the college campus or to police cadets while participating in an approved course of instruction with or under the direction of the Rio Hondo College Police/Corrections Academy.*
- ~~III. Bringing or possessing any dirk, dagger, ice pick, or knife having a fixed blade longer than 2 1/2 inches upon the grounds, unless the person is authorized to possess such a weapon in the course of his or her employment, has been authorized by a District employee to have the knife, or is a duly appointed peace officer who is engaged in the performance of his or her duties is prohibited on any District campus or at any District center, or in any facility of the District.~~
- III. *Prohibition of prior approvals*

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A. *No District official, including the Superintendent/President, shall have the authority to grant permission, written or otherwise, to carry a weapon at any District facility.*

IV. *Sources/References:*

A. Penal Code Sections 626.9 and 626.10

B. *Penal Code Chapter 4.5 of Title 3 of Part 2*

C. *Administrative Procedure 3510*

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