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Office of the Deputy Superintendent, Support Services

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SUBJECT: BULLETIN NO. J-3
ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY REGARDING
FIREARMS ON SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY

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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this bulletin is to clarify the District's zero tolerance policy relative to the possession of firearms on District property.

II. RELEVANT CALIFORNIA LAW

California Penal Code section 626.9 makes it a crime to possess a firearm on the grounds of a public or private school within 1,000 feet therefor, with specified exceptions. Education Code section 48915 requires school boards to expel students who are found to possess, sell, or otherwise furnish a firearm at school or at a school related activity.

III. POLICY

In an effort to preserve a safe environment at District schools and work sites, the possession of firearms on District property will not be tolerated. In furtherance of this policy:

- A. All individuals found in possession of firearms on District school property shall be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency for prosecution under Penal section 626.9.
- B. Students found in possession of firearms will be subject to mandatory expulsion under Education Code section 48915.
- C. Employees found in possession of firearms on District property will be the subject of a recommendation for dismissal to the Board of Education.

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