

# SANBORN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Sanborn Parents and Guardians:

The New Hampshire Legislature has enacted laws to ensure safe school zones for students of our state. The Sanborn Regional School Board has also adopted a ZERO TOLERANCE philosophy for certain illegal and/or unacceptable behaviors anywhere on school grounds or at school-related events. It is the goal of the school board, teachers, and administrators to create a safe environment.

Public and private school employees have been instructed by law to report acts of theft, destruction, or violence to local law enforcement agencies. We feel that you need to know about this requirement so that you can make sure that your child (ren) is aware that certain inappropriate behaviors will result in a report to the Kingston or Newton Police Department.

There are three levels of response by school personnel to the awareness of an incident of inappropriate action by a student. Most situations will be addressed by school personnel as has always been the case. The new requirement to file a police report will be used with incidents of a more serious nature. The third level of response includes the participation of police in the investigation of incidents which are violations of state and federal laws.

The following are some of the infractions that would mandate referral to law enforcement and disciplinary action per the Sanborn Regional School Board policy:

- Threatening to harm others
- Physical altercations
- Possession of weapons
- Possession of drugs and/or drug paraphernalia
- Smoking or vaping

Sanborn Regional School Board Policies can be found on our website [www.sau17.net](http://www.sau17.net) under the tab for School Board/Board Policies.

School personnel want to work with you to make sure that our schools are safe for every child. Thank you for your help in this important effort.

Sincerely,



Thomas J. Ambrose  
Superintendent of Schools