Firearm Policy

It shall be the policy of the Peoria Public Schools to arm its security personnel with firearm and assign them to designated school buildings for the safety and security of students, staff, and visitors to the schools. The Superintendent or designee shall determine the number of security personnel that will be armed in order to meet the security needs of the district.

The primary purpose of the policy is to deter and prevent threats from the outside whether by someone unrelated to the school district, an employee, or a student bent on doing grave harm to our students and employees.

The policy shall be in effect alongside a companion Administrative Procedure and a department manual that would provide clear guidance about the following…

A. Qualifications and training of security staff
B. Conditions and regulations for carrying a firearm
C. Use of a firearm
D. Use of other types of potential deadly force
E. Active shooter situation

The Administrative Procedure and department manual shall be reviewed periodically and updated as events warrant.

CROSS REF.: 5:400 (Student Resources Officers); 5:410 (Taser).

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