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Statement of.....

Policy and Responsibility

SUBJECT: STAFF POSSESSION OF FIREARMS

It is the policy of the Murray City School District that teachers, administrators, all other district personnel, and volunteers, may not carry or possess a firearm (loaded or unloaded, real or look-alike) on or about school premises or any other district property, including buses and parking lots. This policy applies regardless of any permits or licenses the individual might otherwise have to carry or possess firearms.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. This policy does not apply to certified law enforcement officers.
- B. Unloaded firearms may be used for demonstration purposes in connection with a lawful, safe instructional activity, provided the activity and the proposed use of the firearm are approved in writing by the Superintendent (or his or her designee) prior to the activity, and provided the staff member responsible maintains safe control of the firearm. Live ammunition is prohibited in such demonstrations. Black powder may be used when demonstrating flintlock rifles or similar historical black powder weapons.
- C. Under Utah law, "firearm" means "a pistol, revolver, shotgun, sawed-off shotgun, rifle or sawed-off rifle, or any device that could be used as a dangerous weapons from which is expelled a projectile by action of an explosive." See Utah Code 76-10-502 (2) (g). For the purpose of this policy, the term "firearm" also includes pellet guns and similar weapons capable of ejecting a dangerous projectile and any "look-alike" facsimile of a firearm.
- D. District employees or volunteers who violate this policy are subject to disciplinary action, including the possibility of suspension and/or dismissal.
- E. District employees or volunteers who violate this policy are subject to prosecution under any applicable laws and regulations.
- F. Violations of this policy shall be reported immediately to the superintendent (or his or her designee).