

WEAPONS POLICY

No employee, volunteer or visitor may possess a weapon, concealed or not, on Diocesan property (Chancery, School or Parish campus or building) at any time.

“Weapon” as utilized in this policy shall include all firearms, including but not limited to pistols, all knives having blades longer than 2 ½ inches, folding knife with a blade that locks into place, razors with an unguarded blade, Tasers, stun guns, dirks, daggers, ice picks, screwdrivers or other instruments with sharp points or blades, and object that propels metallic objects, such as a BB or pellet, CO2 pressure, spring action, or any spot marker gun.

Possession of a firearm in a school zone, defined by Penal Code § 626.9, as being within 1000 feet of a public or private school (K-12) is also a crime and punishable as either a felony or misdemeanor.

If an employee, volunteer or visitor is lawfully in possession of such a weapon, and transports such weapon in his or her vehicle, the weapon must remain locked in the trunk of that person’s vehicle, or in other non-visible location within the vehicle, throughout the time such person is present on and not opened while on the Diocesan property.