

Replica/Toy Guns

Schools, parents and other community members should be aware of the potential danger of toy and replica guns.

While such guns may be considered toys, many replica and toy guns can be easily mistaken as real. Whenever reports of a handgun are received, it typically results in a rapid, high-level police response as **law enforcement must treat all such reports a real firearms threat.**

Some replica guns are so realistic, they can easily be seen as an actual weapon and may result in a defensive action when pointed at someone. **Police officers and other security personnel are trained to draw their own weapons in defense when threatened.**

Possession of a real or replica weapon in school or on school grounds violates district policy and will result in serious consequences for students.

Schools, parents and other community members should be aware of the potential danger of replica guns, particularly to the person holding the gun. **Police may respond with force if they are unsure whether a weapon is real or fake.**

Parents are urged to monitor their children's belongings to be aware of the very real dangers in owning or using these "toys."

