

**WINNER SCHOOL DISTRICT 59-2
OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD POLICY**



DEFENSIVE SPRAYS AND DEVICES PROHIBITED

The Board of Education of the Winner School District, believes that the School facilities and school-sponsored activities should be free of any weapons or other threatening devices. The Board also believes that defensive sprays or devices represent a further threat to the health and safety of students, parents, guests, faculty and staff, and that the presence of such devices is counter-productive to the goals of the District. Therefore, it is the official policy of Winner School District #59-2 that no defensive sprays or devices shall be permitted at any time on the premises of any school building within the Winner School District, in any vehicle while it is upon school property, or at any school sponsored activity. For purposes of this policy, the term "defensive sprays and devices" shall include, but shall not be specifically limited to, any device which contains or is designed for the delivery of mace, tear gas, pepper spray, pepper gas spray or other defensive liquid or gas substances; pepper mitts; air tazers or auto tazers; stun guns; batons, night sticks or nun chucks; and any other products and devices which are designed or intended for defensive personal safety use. Any defensive sprays and devices found in the possession of any student, in violation of this policy, shall be confiscated, and the parents or guardians of the offending student (s) shall be notified. Appropriate disciplinary action and/or legal action shall be pursued by the building principal and the superintendent of schools. Any defensive sprays and devices found in the possession of any person other than a student, in violation of this policy, may be confiscated and turned over to law enforcement authorities. The offending person or persons may be reported to law enforcement for appropriate legal action if any is warranted. Further, the Board of Education may bar the offending person or persons from entering upon any school premises or school activities for up to one (1) year. Any person thus barred for any period of time may request, in writing, a hearing before the Board, provided such request is delivered to the Superintendent's office within ten (10) days of the Board's initial decision to bar such person from school premises and activities.