

**SUBJECT: POLICY REGARDING ANIMALS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY**

**Animals on School Property**

To maintain a safe school environment for all children:

- a) Animals will be prohibited from school events, including sporting events
- b) Animals will be prohibited from being on school property from thirty (30) minutes before school begins through thirty (30) minutes after school ends on days the schools are in session.
- c) At all other times, animals must be leashed and controlled. Owner must clean up after their animal and remove waste from district premises.
- d) For educational purposes, animals may be allowed with prior approval.
- e) If the school principal (or designee) concludes that there is noncompliance with this policy or with the Town By-laws regarding animals, they are authorized to contact the Superintendent of Schools and/or Animal Control/Police Department requesting assistance to enforce this policy and the Town By-laws.
- f) This policy exempts service animals.

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