



Policy

3530 Weapons on Campus

Firearms or other weapons shall be prohibited on any college or District center or in any facility of the District except for activities conducted under the direction of District officials or as authorized by an official law enforcement agency. Pursuant to California Penal Code Section 626.9 this policy, and accompanying procedure, does not apply to a duly appointed peace officer as defined in Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 830) of Title 3 of Part 2, or to honorably retired peace officers authorized to carry a concealed or loaded firearm by an official law enforcement agency.

References:

Penal Code Sections [626.9](#) and [626.10](#)

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Administrative Procedure**3530 Weapons on Campus**

Firearms, knives, explosives or other dangerous objects, including but not limited to any facsimile firearm (with the exception of color guard rifles), knife or explosive, are prohibited on any District campus or at any District center, or in any facility of the District. The prohibition of firearms on any District campus, District center, or in any District facility includes both loaded and unloaded firearms, and applies to persons holding a valid license to carry a concealed firearm.

Activities involving firearms or other weapons conducted under the direction of District officials or as authorized by an official law enforcement agency shall be reported to the college president before taking place.

Any person who believes that he/she may properly possess a firearm or other weapon on campus or in a District center or other facility of the District must promptly notify the respective college president, and obtain written permission from the respective college president to possess a firearm or other weapon on campus.

Anyone who brings an illegal or unauthorized weapon on the campus of Modesto Junior College, Columbia College or District property will be subject to the provisions of the California Code of Regulations Title V, Section [41301](#) and California Penal Code Sections [626.9](#) and [626.10](#) including administrative disciplinary action, and/or criminal arrest and prosecution. Campus Safety will investigate any unauthorized possession of an illegal weapon on campus.

Certain instructional programs will require students to bring knives to campus for use in laboratory activities. Such knives shall be transported in an appropriate case or knife wrap and remain there except for use in classroom activities. Approval to carry these knives is authorized by enrollment in an appropriate course or lawful use in food preparation or consumption, as per Penal Code [626.10\(2.e.\)](#).

In addition to any firearms, Tasers, bringing or possessing any dirk, dagger, ice pick, or knife (other than above) having a fixed blade longer than 2 ½ inches upon the grounds, unless the person is authorized to possess such a weapon in the course of his or her employment or a student as part of fulfilling course requirements, has been authorized by a District employee, as described below, to have the knife, or is a duly appointed peace officer, who is engaged in the performance of his or her duties, is prohibited on any District campus or at any District center, or in any facility of the District.

Should there be a need to bring a weapon(s) on campus to meet an instructional need or a cultural event sanctioned by the college, the following procedure must be followed:

- I. Prior written permission to bring a weapon(s) on campus is to be secured by the employee by completing the Exception Request to Board Policy 3530 Form.
- II. The College Security Office and College President are to be provided a copy of the Exception Request to Board Policy 3530 Form in advance of bringing the weapon(s) on campus. The College President or his/her designee will have final approval.

- 1 III. On the day the weapon(s) is brought on campus, the weapon(s) must first be presented
2 to the security office for review and inspection. This must be done prior to taking the
3 weapon to any other location on campus.

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- 5 IV. The weapon(s) must be carried on campus in such a way as not to distract or disrupt
6 students, faculty or staff. The weapon(s) must be secured in a case. If there isn't a case,
7 it should be wrapped up or covered.
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9 **References:**

10 Penal Code Sections [626.9](#) and [626.10](#)

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**Exception Request to Board Policy
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Current Date: _____

YCCD employee making request: _____

Description of type of weapon: _____

Date, time and place weapon(s) to be displayed: _____

Name, phone number and address of person bringing weapon(s) on campus: _____

Purpose/value of having this weapon(s) on campus: _____

I have read, understand and will abide by Board Policy 3530 and associated procedures.

Signed by person bringing weapon(s) on campus: _____

Approved by College President or his/her designee: _____

Send Copies to:

- Campus Security (Original)
- College President
- Department Dean or Department Manager
- Person making request

Person bringing weapon(s) on campus on the date indicated above.

The weapon bearer must bring his/her weapon and his/her copy of this form to the security office **on the day the weapon is brought on campus**. Security will sign off that they have reviewed and inspected the weapon.

The weapon bearer must have this form with them during the entire time they are on campus with the weapon(s).

The weapon(s) listed above has been reviewed and inspected on _____ by _____ of YCCD/Campus Security.