

**LUZERNE
INTERMEDIATE
UNIT #18**

**SECTION: PUPILS
TITLE: SEARCHES
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226. Searches	
1. Purpose	The Board acknowledges the need for safe storage of books, clothing, school materials and personal property and may provide lockers for storage purposes.
2. Authority SC 510	It shall be the policy of the Board that all lockers are and shall remain the property of the intermediate unit or member school district. As such, students shall have no expectation of privacy in their lockers. No student may use a locker as a depository for a substance or object that is prohibited by law, Board policy or program, or constitutes a threat to the health, safety or welfare of the occupants of the intermediate unit buildings.
Title 22 Sec. 12.14	The Board reserves the right to authorize its employees to inspect a student's locker at any time, based on reasonable suspicion, for the purpose of determining whether the locker is being used improperly for the storage of contraband, a substance or object the possession of which is illegal, or any material that poses a hazard to the safety and order of the intermediate unit or its programs.
3. Delegation of Responsibility	The Board authorizes the administration to conduct random searches of lockers at any time. Students, parents and staff shall be notified at least annually, or more often if deemed appropriate by administration, concerning the contents of this policy. The Executive Director or designee shall develop procedures to implement this policy. The building administrator or program supervisor shall be present whenever a student locker is inspected, based on reasonable suspicion.
Pol. 225	The building administrator or program supervisor shall open a student's locker for inspection on the request of a law enforcement officer only on a presentation of a duly authorized search warrant or on the intelligent and

<p>4. Guidelines</p> <p>School Code 510</p> <p>Pa. code Title 22 Sec. 12.14</p> <p>Board Policy 225</p>	<p>voluntary consent of the student.</p> <p>The building administrator or program supervisor shall be responsible for the safekeeping and proper disposal of any substance, object or material found in a student’s locker in violation of law, Board policy or program rules.</p> <p>The building administrator or program supervisor shall be responsible for promptly recording in writing each locker inspection; such record shall include the reason (s) for the search, persons present, objects found and their disposition.</p> <p>Intermediate unit officials are authorized to search a student’s personal possessions or motor vehicle parked on intermediate unit property when there is reasonable suspicion that the student is violating law, Board policy or program rules, or poses a threat to the student or the intermediate unit population.</p> <p>Student shall assume responsibility for maintaining the security of their lockers.</p> <p>Searches conducted by the administration may include but not be limited to utilization of certified drug dogs, metal detection units, or any device used to protect the health, safety and welfare of the intermediate unit population.</p>
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