



College Achieve Central Charter School

Locker Policy

For the convenience of the its students, the District “may” provide lockers, which are to be used for the storage of books, clothing, school materials and other personal property. Although assigned to students, lockers remain the property of the District. Students have exclusive use of their lockers and are “expected” to keep them locked. Use of the lockers to store or conceal any prohibited items shall result in the imposition of discipline, including potential expulsion, in accordance with the District’s discipline policies and procedures provided in Board Policy, Student Discipline. Valuables should not be kept in lockers as the school is not responsible for items left in/and or taken from the locker during proper and improper usage.

The Board and administration reserves the right to have school officials search and inspect a student’s locker without obtaining consent of the student, if there exists a reasonable suspicion that the locker contains prohibited items. A locker may also be searched when odors, smoke, fire and/or other threats to student health, welfare or safety emanate from the locker. Closed containers or other objects within lockers are also subject to opening and inspection of their contents.

Student lockers are also subject to periodic, random, unannounced “inspections” or “sweeps” by trained detection canines sniffing the exterior surface of lockers for prohibited items which may be stored within the lockers [see Section V, below]. If a trained detection canine “alerts” to the presence of prohibited items within a locker, reasonable suspicion shall exist for school officials, without a student’s consent, to open and search the locker an any closed container(s) or object(s) within the locker.

If the principal or administrative designee inspect and search a student’s locker as authorized by this policy, the locker shall be opened in the presence of another adult witness. Except where factors of health, safety or welfare of the campus dictates otherwise, reasonable efforts shall be made to contact the student to inform the student of the grounds for the inspection and search, and to give the student the opportunity to be present.

Inspections and searches should be conducted in a manner that minimizes the degree of intrusiveness. Site administrators shall limit their search to items which are prohibited on school property. Site administrators should not damage personal possessions, nor read personal notes or entries in diaries or journals.

Lockers are not required, however, should a student wish to acquire a locker, they must pay a yearly \$5.00 maintenance fee, complete a locker request form signing they understand the given policy, and provide their own combination lock for use for their assigned lockers only. Locker combinations and lockers themselves are not to be shared with other peers. Additionally, students must submit their locker combination to the school and this will remain on file.

Scholars may only enter lockers before school, after school, and at given designated times provided to students in accordance to the policy.

Failure to comply with the policy and conduct associated with this policy will result in loss of locker privileges.