



AP 3530 Weapons on Campus

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The Butte College Police Department will strictly enforce existing weapons laws on or near District property.

Firearms, knives with fixed blades longer than 2 ½ inches, dirks, daggers, ice picks, stun guns, Tasers explosives or other dangerous objects, including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife or explosive, are prohibited on any District campus or at any District center, or in any facility of the District and vehicles. The prohibition of firearms on any District campus, District center, or in in any District facility includes both loaded and unloaded firearms, and applies to persons holding a valid license to carry a concealed firearm. This prohibits the possession of any firearm or ammunition on any District owned/leased property with the following exceptions:

- Duly appointed Peace Officer as defined in Penal Code Sections 830, et seq.
- A full-time paid Peace Officer of another state or the Federal Government who is carrying out official duties while in California.
- Any person summoned by any of these officers to assist in making arrests or preserving the peace while they are actually engaged in assisting the officer.
- A member of the Military Forces of this state or of the United States who is engaged in the performance of their duties.
- Weapons used by the Butte College Police Academy.
- Honorably retired Peace Officers.

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 Butte College Police Department before taking place.

Any person who believes that they may properly possess a firearm or other weapon on campus or in a District center or other facility of the District, except as outlined above, must promptly notify the Butte College Police Department, and obtain written permission from the Butte College Chief of Police to possess a firearm or other weapon on campus.

Bringing or possessing any dirk, dagger, ice pick, or knife having a fixed blade longer than 2 1/2 inches upon the grounds, unless the person is authorized to possess such a weapon in the course of their employment, has been authorized by the Butte College Police Chief to have the knife, or is a duly appointed peace officer, who is engaged in the performance of their duties, is prohibited on any District campus or at any District Center, or in any facility of the District. Any student or employee who the Butte College Police Chief has authorized to have a knife, including kitchen knives, must exercise caution in using and storing the knife.