

2560 LIVE ANIMALS IN SCHOOL

The Board recognizes the educational value of having live animals in the school building for educational purposes and establishes this policy which allows for this practice while considering the safety of all pupils.

A pupil or staff member may bring a live animal to school for educational study only under the following conditions:

1. A written request for the permission of the visit, including the education purpose of the visit, has been granted by the Superintendent.
2. Proof that the animal has been protected by a rabies vaccination or a written statement from a veterinarian that the animal is not susceptible.
3. The classroom teacher approves of the animal for educational purposes as assumes responsibility for the visit.
4. The animal is properly caged or leashed and supervised at all times.
5. No animal shall be permitted on school buses.

Dangerous species of animals or reptiles will not be permitted in classrooms without express permission of the Superintendent, and must be under the constant supervision of a person qualified and trained to handle such species of animal reptile.

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