

Indianapolis Metropolitan High School Metal Detector Policy

The Board of Directors of the Indianapolis Metropolitan High School ("Board") is committed to protecting the health, safety, and welfare of all students, staff, and visitors of the School and to ensuring a safe school environment. In light of the escalating school violence across our state and country, the Board authorizes the principal to develop and implement a security program that utilizes metal detectors on school property in order to protect the health, welfare, and safety of students, staff, parents and other visitors, and school property. Metal detectors will be used only in accordance with the school's metal detector procedure. This document is to supplement but not replace school-wide school safety and student discipline plans—including other policies of the Board and provisions in the Student Handbook.

The principal shall require that notice of the school's intent to conduct such searches is provided at least annually to all staff members, students and their parents, and visitors. Notice of the Board Policy and the school's corresponding procedure will be sent to parents/guardians pursuant the procedure.

The Board authorizes the search of all persons entering school buildings, boarding or riding school buses/vehicles owned by, or contracted for, the school, entering school property, attending events on school property, and attending school activities off site. Such searches may be conducted using metal detectors as a part of a comprehensive program of safety and security. Persons that do not consent to a metal detection screening may be denied admittance.

The metal detector checks shall be neutral and non-discriminatory. No person shall be selected to be searched based solely upon his/her gender, race, ethnicity, religion, disability, physical appearance, manner of dress, or association with any particular group of persons.