School Board Resolution

Opposing Potential Legislation Regarding Guns on School Grounds

WHEREAS, the Monona Grove School District (MGSD) is committed to providing safe learning environments for all students, staff, parents, visitors, and volunteers;

WHEREAS, current state law prohibits people other than law enforcement officers from possessing a firearm on the grounds of a school;

WHEREAS, the MGSD looks to their first responders to address safety and security concerns, and believes that allowing others, who may not be prepared and trained in accordance with rigorously thought-out plans are armed in a school or on school grounds, jeopardizes the lives of our students, staff, parents, visitors, volunteers, and police officers;

WHEREAS, the MGSD does permit a weapon in the possession of and under the control of law enforcement personnel in their official capacity to be in school buildings and elsewhere on school grounds, as well as in school-provided transportation and at any school-sponsored activity;

WHEREAS, the MGSD does permit a weapon in the possession of and under the control of off-duty law enforcement personnel to be in school buildings and elsewhere on school grounds, as well as in school-provided transportation and at any school-sponsored activity;

WHEREAS, the MGSD does not permit a person with a Concealed Carry Weapon (CCW) license/permit to use or possess a firearm, whether loaded or unloaded, in school buildings and elsewhere on school grounds, as well as in school-provided transportation and at any school-sponsored activity;

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Monona Grove School District Board of Education opposes legislation at the state or federal level that would reduce or eliminate required training for concealed carry licenses and that would legalize any further ability for anyone to bring a weapon or possess a weapon, concealed or otherwise, in school buildings and other buildings, on school premises, in school-provided transportation, or at any school-sponsored or school supervised activity.
Dated this 28th day of June, 2017

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