Bridger School District

NONINSTRUCTIONAL OPERATIONS 8500

Animals in the School

Persons bringing animals into the school must receive prior permission from the supervising teacher and the building administrator. Animals, including all vertebrates and invertebrates may be brought into the classroom for educational purposes only. However, they must be appropriately housed, humanely cared for and properly handled.

Neither students nor visitors to the schools shall bring pets of any kind on to school property or to any school function unless invited to do so by a teacher in the interests of an educational, instructional purpose. Any person bringing a pet, or attempting to conceal a pet in a school building or to a school sponsored function, shall be directed to leave the premises until they can return without the animal in their possession. The only exception to this policy will be guide dogs or helper animals properly trained for those functions.

Guidelines published by the American Humane Association, "Care and Management of Animal Visitors at School," may be obtained from the American Humane Association, P.O. Box 1266, Denver, Colorado, 80201.

This policy and its rules shall be published in the student & staff handbooks.

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