

- Policy Number: 560
 - Policy Name: Inclusion of Animals in the Classroom (new)
 - Date of Original: April 11, 2007
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RATIONALE

The Board believes that the inclusion of animals in the classroom enhances the educational experience for students. In order to ensure the safety of staff and students and the humane treatment of animals, this policy has been introduced.

POLICY

The inclusion of animals in the classroom is to be permitted, subject to the regulations concerning care and responsibility and the suitability of the animal to classroom life.

NOTE: "Classroom" as used in this policy refers to any learning environment under the jurisdiction of the school district, other than an animal's natural habitat.