



## SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 (KOOTENAY LAKE) POLICY PRO FORMA

**Title of Proposed Policy:**

Dogs on School District Property

**Purpose and rationale for the proposed Policy:**

To set clear protocol for dogs on school district property based on applicable municipal and regional district bylaws.

**Suggested wording:**

The Board of Education is responsible for maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment at all schools and School District sites.

In School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake), Municipal and Regional District of Central Kootenay bylaws, with respect to animal control, will apply to all School District property and school sites.

Specifically, all dogs must be kept on a leash and under the immediate and effective control of a responsible person on school district property. In the event a dog defecates on school district property, the responsible person in control of the dog must immediately remove and dispose of the defecated matter in a sanitary manner.

Notwithstanding this policy, under the School Act, the principal of the school has the authority to remove any person / animal which poses a safety or health concern to the school learning environment. Information which may support local school conversations and planning can be found at:

[The City of Nelson Animal Regulation and Control Bylaw](#)

[Town of Creston Animal Care and Responsibility Bylaw](#)

[Regional District of Central Kootenay Dog Control Bylaw](#)

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