

BOULDER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2
RESOLUTION 21-12 in Support of Secure Storage

Whereas, Evidence strongly suggests that secure firearm storage is an essential component to any effective strategy to keep schools and students safe;

Whereas, An estimated 4.6 million American children live in households with at least one loaded, unlocked firearm;

Whereas, Every year, nearly 350 children under the age of 18 unintentionally shoot themselves or someone else;

Whereas, Another 590 children die by gun suicide each year, most often using guns belonging to a family member;

Whereas, In incidents of gun violence on school grounds, 75 percent of active shooters are current students or recent graduates, and 78 percent of shooters under the age of 18 obtained their guns from their own home, a relative's home, or from friends;

Whereas, The U.S. Secret Service National Threat Assessment Center recommends the importance of appropriate storage of weapons to prevent school attackers from acquiring firearms; and,

Whereas, Research shows that secure firearm storage practices are associated with up to a 78 percent reduction in the risk of self-inflicted firearm injuries and an 85 percent reduction in the risk of unintentional firearm injuries among children and teens.

Therefore, Be it resolved that the Boulder Valley Public Schools Board of Education calls upon the Governor and the Legislature of the State of Colorado to support legislation to promote gun storage and gun safety in general.

Adopted this 16th day of March, 2021.

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By: _____
Tina Marquis, President, Board of Education

Attest:

By: _____
Laura Shafer, Secretary