

Section: **INSTRUCTION**

Policy Title: **Live Animals as Part of the Instructional Program**

Non-caged animals are not allowed in Kelso schools. Animals must remain caged at all times, except as provided for on the Application to Permit Caged Animals in the Classroom as Part of the Instructional Program (see Regulation 2029).

Requests to include caged animals in the instructional program of the classroom or school shall require the approval of the principal and the attached form must be completed and on file in the school office. Health issues (allergies, vaccinated status of the animal, waste disposal, cleaning procedures) involving students and staff shall be addressed before permission is given to allow the animal in the school.

In special circumstances, e.g. school assemblies, etc., the superintendent/designee may make an exception to this policy.

Animals shall not be transported in a school vehicle.

This policy does not apply to service animals for the disabled.

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