

Mandated Reporting

Mandated Reporting and Violations Resulting in Students Being Criminally Charged and Arrested (Georgia Code Section 20-2-1184)

a) Any teacher or other person employed at any public or private elementary or secondary school or any dean or public safety officer employed by a college or university who has reasonable cause to believe that a student at that school has committed any act upon school property or at any school function, which act is prohibited by any of the following:

- (1) Aggravated Assault, if a firearm is involved
- (2) Aggravated Battery
- (3) Sexual Offenses
- (4) Carrying deadly weapons at public gatherings.
- (5) Carrying weapons at school functions or on school property or within school safety zones.
- (6) Illegal possession of a pistol or revolver by a person under 18 years of age.
- (7) Possession and other activities regarding marijuana and controlled substances, shall immediately report the act and the name of student to the principal or president of that school or the principal's or president's designee.

(b) The principal or designee who receives a report made pursuant to this Code section who has reasonable cause to believe that the report is valid shall make an oral report thereof immediately by telephone or otherwise to the appropriate school system superintendent and to the appropriate police authority and district attorney.

Violations of the Georgia Criminal Code, or local ordinance may cause a student to be charged and arrested.