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This policy is designed to provide guidance to school-based and vocational technical administrators to ensure the safety and welfare of staff, students and visitors on Orange County Public Schools (OCPS) facilities. These guidelines mirror current Orange County, Florida Municipal Code as it pertains to domestic animals.

The following policy outlines the responsibilities of staff, students and visitors with respect to dogs and other domestic animals on OCPS property:

1. Permitting animals to trespass

- a. This policy prohibits trespassing by domestic animals. No dogs/domestic animals are permitted on OCPS property whether leashed or not.
- b. No pet owner/keeper shall permit their animal to trespass on OCPS property without proper authorization from the OCPS Safety Department.
- c. The presence of pets on OCPS property is restricted except for worker dogs (i.e. police, search, guide, companion dogs and dogs in training) where necessary and provides equity of access to people with disabilities.

2. Unleashed animal

- a. No animal is allowed to run unrestricted in the OCPS property. If there is an unleashed animal on your school grounds, contact Animal Services at (407) 836-3111 to remove the animal.
- b. OCPS will NOT be responsible for any cost incurred by an animal owner/keeper in retrieving their pet from Animal Services.