ACCORDING TO NEW YORK STATE LAW, A DEADLY WEAPON IS DEFINED AS:
Any loaded weapon from which a shot, readily capable of producing death or other serious physical injury may be discharged, a switchblade knife, dagger, billy club, expandable baton, blackjack, metal knuckles, plastic knuckles, pilum ballistic knife, or metal knuckle knife.

ADDITIONALLY, THE FOLLOWING WEAPONS ARE PROHIBITED ON SCHOOL GROUNDS, ACCORDING TO NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION REGULATIONS:
Stun gun, air guns, spring guns, BB gun, paintball gun, box cutter, all knives, mace, pepper spray, sling shot, slung shot.

ACCORDING TO NEW YORK STATE LAW, DANGEROUS INSTRUMENT IS DEFINED AS:
Any instrument, article or substance, including a vehicle, which, under the circumstances in which it is used, attempted to be used, or threatened to be used, is readily capable of causing death or other serious physical injury.