

Ephrata School District #165: **CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORT**

Pursuant to RCWs 26.44.020, 26.44.030, 26.44.040, Policy 3421 and Procedure 4310 District professional staff members are required to make oral and written reports concerning matters of child abuse or neglect. Staff members who knowingly fail to do so shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. When any member of the professional school staff has reasonable cause to believe that a child has died, or has had physical injury or injuries inflicted upon him/her, other than by accidental means, or is found to be suffering from physical neglect, or sexual abuse, he/she shall:

1. Report such incident to the building principal.
2. Report incidents of sexual abuse to local law enforcement.
3. Report incidents of abuse and neglect orally to **Child Protective Services** (weekdays: **1-800-557-9671**, nights/weekends: 1-866-363-4276)
4. In the event that Child Protective Services cannot be notified, contact local law enforcement (911). If the child appears to be in imminent danger, this report shall be made to the local law enforcement agency for immediate intervention on behalf of the child's welfare.
5. This report shall be signed by the reporting staff member and the principal.
6. This report shall be sent to the district office to be kept on file. A completed Child Abuse and Neglect Report shall be available to the agency and/or law enforcement upon request.

This report shall be made at the first opportunity, but in no case longer than 48 hours after reasonable cause to believe that the child has suffered abuse or neglect.

Name of Child (include age):	DOB:	Native American? Y or N
Address:	Phone(s):	
Biological Mother:	Biological Father:	
Other children in home (include ages):	Guardian (if different):	

CURRENT SAFETY THREATS from the National Resource Center for Child Protective Services July 2011 <i>(please circle all that apply)</i>

1. The family/facility situation results in no adults in the home/facility performing parenting/childcare duties and responsibilities that assure child's safety.
2. The family/facility situation is that the living/childcare arrangement(s) seriously endanger the child's physical health.
3. Caregivers are acting/behaving violently or dangerously and the behaviors affect child safety.
4. There has been an incident of domestic violence that affects child safety.
5. Caregivers will not or cannot control their behavior which affects child safety.
6. Caregivers perceives child in extremely negative terms.
7. Caregivers do not have or do not use resources necessary to meet the child's immediate basic needs which present an immediate threat of serious harm to a child.
8. Caregiver's attitudes, emotions and behavior are such that they are threatening to severely harm a child or are fearful they will maltreat the child or request placement.
9. Caregivers intended to seriously hurt the child.
10. Caregivers lack the parenting knowledge, skills, or motivation necessary to assure a child's safety.
11. Caregivers overtly reject intervention, refuses access to a child, or there is some indication that they will flee.
12. Caregivers are not meeting, cannot meet or will not meet the child's exceptional physical, emotional, medical or behavioral needs.
13. Caregivers can/will not explain child's injuries or maltreating conditions or explanation is not consistent with the facts.
14. A child has serious physical injuries or serious physical conditions resulting from maltreatment.
15. A child demonstrates serious emotional symptoms, self-destructive behavior and/or lack of behavioral control that results in provoking dangerous reactions in caregivers.
16. A child is extremely fearful of the home/facility situation or people within the home/facility.
17. Child sexual abuse is suspected, has occurred, or circumstances suggest sexual abuse is likely to occur.

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AGENCY CONTACTED:

Date: _____ Person from agency receiving report: _____

Explain what was reported to the agency, including but not limited to the impact the abuse/neglect is having on the child, any previous abuse/neglect and potential action the agency will take (attach any documentation you feel is appropriate i.e. pictures of incident, child's drawings, etc.):

Signature of Reporting Staff Member

Date

Signature of Principal

Date

INTERVIEW OF CHILD BY LEGAL AUTHORITY:

Guardian notification of the interview shall occur at the earliest possible point in the investigation that will not jeopardize the safety or protection of the child or course of the investigation. If the interviewing agency prohibits guardian notification, the reason for denial must be put in writing below. If the child was interviewed by a Child Protective Services worker, indicate date, individuals present, and content of interview:

Signature

Agency

Date

Position

Phone #

Time

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REMOVAL OF CHILD BY LEGAL AUTHORITY:

When a student is to be removed from school by law enforcement, no warrant is required, however a guardian must be notified of the student's release. If law enforcement prohibits guardian notification the reason for denial must be put in writing below. If a Child Protective Services worker removes a child, then a warrant is required and must be attached to this report (unless directed otherwise by a state agency and/or law enforcement).

Name of Guardian Contacted:	Date:	Time:
Indicate written or oral notification:	Telephone:	

I take responsibility for _____, as I am about to remove him/her from:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Columbia Ridge Elementary School
<input type="checkbox"/> Grant Elementary School
<input type="checkbox"/> Parkway Elementary School
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Ephrata Middle School
<input type="checkbox"/> Ephrata High School
<input type="checkbox"/> Sage Hills High School |
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I have instructed the school/building to NOT contact the child's guardian for the following reason(s):

Signature	Agency	Date
Position	Phone #	Time