

Title: Child Abuse and Dependent Adult Abuse Reporting and Investigation

The administration shall develop abuse reporting, identification and training procedures that comply with legal requirements. All school employees or other mandatory reporters as defined by law, who in the scope of professional practice or in their employment responsibilities, examines, attends, counsels or treats a child and reasonably believes such child has suffered abuse, are required to orally report such suspected cases of child abuse to the Department of Human Services within 24 hours of becoming aware of the abusive incident. A written report shall be filed within 48 hours of the oral report. Employees who are not mandatory reporters are encouraged to report to the Department of Human Services or a supervisor.

All building administrators and other authorized personnel shall cooperate with abuse investigators by providing confidential access to the student named in the report and to other students alleged to have relevant information for the purpose of interviews. The investigators shall determine who shall be present at the interviews. The immunity granted by Iowa Code section 232.73 applies to the good faith actions or omissions of such administrators and other authorized personnel and the District.

Cross References:

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Legal References:

Iowa Code, Chapters 232.68, 232.69,
232.70, 232.71B, 232.73

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