FFEB: Interview of Students by Officials of Other Agencies

Normally, no interview with a child will be granted during the school day or on school grounds unless the parent or guardian of the child has been contacted and has given permission at the request of the parent/guardian, a member of the staff will be present for the interview.

An exception to the requirement for parental notification and presence of parent or school staff exists when an alleged case of child abuse or neglect is being investigated. In this event the investigator is requested to confirm that the interview is for the purpose of investigating a report of suspected child abuse or neglect.

The Superintendent shall not disclose any information shared for the purpose of securing the interview to anyone, including the child's parents.

NOTE: Investigations by police officers investigating matters other than suspected child abuse or neglect are governed by the provisions of Policy FHBA and do <u>not</u> include any waiver of the requirement that parents be promptly notified and be allowed to be present at the conference.

Cross Ref: Policy LEF: Relations with Department of Human Services

Legal Ref: NDCC Ch. 50-25.1: Child Abuse and Neglect Act

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