BP/SP5141.4 Child Abuse Reporting Procedures
Students

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The Modoc County Superintendent of Schools and the Modoc County Board of Education are committed to supporting the safety and well-being of County Office students and desire to facilitate the prevention of and response to child abuse and neglect. The County Superintendent or designee shall develop and implement strategies for preventing, recognizing, and promptly reporting known or suspected child abuse and neglect.

The County Superintendent or designee may provide a student who is a victim of abuse with school-based mental health services or other support services and/or may refer the student to resources available within the community as needed.

Child Abuse Prevention

The County Office's instructional program shall include age-appropriate and culturally sensitive child abuse prevention curriculum. This curriculum shall explain students' right to live free of abuse, include instruction in the skills and techniques needed to identify unsafe situations and react appropriately and promptly, inform students of available support resources, and teach them how to obtain help and disclose incidents of abuse.

The County Superintendent or designee shall seek to incorporate community resources into the child abuse prevention programs. To the extent feasible, the County Superintendent or designee shall use these community resources to provide parents/guardians with instruction in parenting skills and child abuse prevention.

Child Abuse Reporting

The County Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for the identification and reporting of known and suspected child abuse and neglect in accordance with law.

Procedures for reporting child abuse shall be included in the County Office comprehensive safety plan.

Employees who are mandated reporters, as defined by law and administrative regulation, are obligated to report all known or suspected incidents of child abuse and neglect.

The County Superintendent or designee shall provide training regarding the reporting duties of mandated reporters.

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE
32280-32288Â Comprehensive school safety plans
33195Â Heritage schools, mandated reporters
33308.1Â Guidelines on procedure for filing child abuse complaints
44252Â Teacher credentialing
44691Â Staff development in the detection of child abuse and neglect
44807Â Duty concerning conduct of students
48906Â Notification when student released to peace officer

48987Â Dissemination of reporting guidelines to parents
49001Â Prohibition of corporal punishment
51220.5Â Parenting skills education
51900.6Â Sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and prevention
PENAL CODE
152.3Â Duty to report murder, rape, or lewd or lascivious act
273aÂ Willful cruelty or unjustifiable punishment of child; endangering life or health
288Â Definition of lewd or lascivious act requiring reporting
11164-11174.3Â Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act
WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE
15630-15637Â Dependent adult abuse reporting
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
4650Â Filing complaints with CDE, special education students
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42
11434aÂ McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; definitions
COURT DECISIONS
Camreta v. Greene (2011) 131 S.Ct. 2020