

REPORTING PHYSICAL OR SEXUAL ABUSE OF STUDENTS**2740**

The Board of Trustees in compliance with Penal Code Sections 11165 and 11165.5 stipulates that the policy of this district shall require that cases of suspected physical abuse or sexual abuse of students under 18 years of age shall be reported to the local law enforcement authorities.

When academic or administrative employees of this district, as well as certain classified employees defined under Penal Code Section 11165.5, observe or become aware of such injuries, those employees shall make an immediate oral report to the authorities and shall then notify the President/Superintendent, or designee in absence of the President/Superintendent.

Within 36 hours of the initial observation or receipt of information concerning the incident, the employee shall prepare and send a written report to law enforcement. A copy of the report shall be sent to the President/Superintendent.

Notification to law enforcement authorities shall be telephoned to the:

1. Sheriff's Juvenile Detective
2. County Children's Protective Services Office
(County Department of Social Services)

Newly-employed academic personnel shall read and sign the acknowledgment form for reporting of physical abuse as listed in Board Policy 2745 as a prerequisite to employment with this district.

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