

Reporting Child Abuse Board Policy 402.2 Reporting Child Abuse:

“To comply with state law and to provide protection to victims of child abuse, the board believes incidents of alleged child abuse should be reported to the proper authorities. Employees are encouraged, and licensed employees are required as mandatory reporters, to report alleged incidents of child abuse of which they become aware within the scope of their professional practice. The definition of child abuse is in the accompanying regulation. When a reporter suspects a student is the victim of child abuse, the mandatory reporter shall orally or in writing notify the Iowa Department of Human Services. If the reporter believes the child is in immediate danger, the local law enforcement agency shall also be notified. Within forty-eight hours of the oral report, the reporter shall file a written report with the Iowa Department of Human Services. Within six months of their initial employment, mandatory reporters shall take a two-hour training course involving the identification and reporting of child abuse, or submit evidence they have taken the course within the previous five years. The course shall be re-taken as a requirement of licensure renewal at least every five years. All certified staff shall receive in-service training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse.

Level I Investigator The Code of Iowa, Chapter 235 A.3 requires all certified school employees to report suspected child abuse to the appropriate authorities. The school district has appointed a Level I investigator and alternate Level I investigator. The school district has also arranged for a trained, experienced professional to serve as the Level II investigator. If a parent has a concern that a school employee has been abusive to their child, they are to call the Level I Investigator at 856-0601. Alternate investigator is the person serving the district in the superintendent’s position. The Level II investigator is the person who has experience in the legal system/investigative skills per the expectations of the law when it is deemed necessary.

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