

REGULATIONS

SUBJECT: Child Abuse and Neglect
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1. The Superintendent of Education, responsible for Special Education, on an annual basis, shall review the Administrative Procedures to ensure compliance with the Child and Family Services Act.
2. Principals will review with school staff, on an annual basis, the legal requirements and Administrative Procedures for reporting suspected child abuse.
3. All Lambton Kent District School Board employees must remain vigilant about neglect and abuse. In the event an employee suspects that abuse or neglect has occurred, the employee will report forthwith his/her suspicions to the Children's Aid Society.
4. When reporting suspected abuse or neglect, employees will follow the reporting procedures as outlined in the Administrative Procedures.
5. Employees will NOT take on the responsibility of investigating suspected cases of abuse. Proving abuse or neglect is the responsibility of Children's Aid Society workers.
6. The dignity and legal rights to privacy of those affected by an abuse disclosure will be respected.

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Reference: Child and Family Services Act
Policy
Administrative Procedures