

Student Health & Safety – Child Abuse/Neglect

Policy No. 302.4

The Board of Education, School District No. 91 (Nechako Lakes), believes that the physical, emotional and mental health and the safety of students are to be promoted and safeguarded through all reasonable means.

The Board recognizes that the responsibility for the protection of children from abuse and neglect is a shared responsibility which lies with the family, the community and the school.

To that end, all employees of the School District have a duty to report reasonable suspicions of physical or sexual abuse and neglect to the Ministry for Children and Families. Such suspicions and subsequent reports must be dealt with quickly and efficiently according to the governing legislation and locally developed protocols.

Informing an administrator or supervisor of suspicions does not absolve the employee from the duty to report.