**Students** BP 5141.4(a)

**CHILD ABUSE REPORTING**

**Child Abuse Reporting**

The Board recognizes that child abuse has severe consequences, and that College and Career Advantage (CCA) has a responsibility to protect students by facilitating the prompt reporting of known and suspected incidents of child abuse. The Executive Director or designee shall establish procedures for the identification and reporting of such incidents in accordance with law.

*(cf. 0450 - 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. Mandated reporters shall not investigate any suspected incidents but rather shall cooperate with agencies responsible for investigating and prosecuting cases of child abuse and neglect.

The Executive Director or designee shall provide training regarding the reporting duties of mandated reporters.

In the event that training is not provided to mandated reporters, the Executive Director or designee shall report to the California Department of Education the reasons that such training is not provided. (Penal Code 11165.7)

*Legal Reference: (see next page)*

BP 5141.4(b)

**CHILD ABUSE REPORTING**  (continued)

*Legal Reference:*

*EDUCATION CODE*

*32280-32288 Comprehensive school safety plans*

*33308.1 Guidelines on procedure for filing child abuse complaints*

*44690-44691 Staff development in the detection of child abuse and neglect*

*44807 Duty concerning conduct of students*

*48906 Notification when student released to peace officer*

*48987 Dissemination of reporting guidelines to parents*

*49001 Prohibition of corporal punishment*

*51220.5 Parenting skills education*

*PENAL CODE*

*152.3 Duty to report murder, rape, or lewd or lascivious act*

*273a Willful cruelty or unjustifiable punishment of child; endangering life or health*

*288 Definition of lewd or lascivious act requiring reporting*

*11164-11174.4 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act*

*WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE*

*15630-15637 Dependent adult abuse reporting*

*CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5*

*4650 Filing complaints with CDE, special education students*

*Management Resources:*

*CDE LEGAL ADVISORIES*

*0514.93 Guidelines for parents to report suspected child abuse*

*WEB SITES*

*California Attorney General’s Office, Crime and Violence Prevention Center: http://safestate.org*

*California Department of Education, Safe Schools: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss*

*California Department of Social Services, Children and Family Services Division:* [*http://www.childsworld.ca.gov*](http://www.childsworld.ca.gov/)

*U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information: http://nccanch.acf.hhs.gov*

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