

## RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## **Reporting Child Abuse/Neglect**

In accordance with Wisconsin law, all public school employees are mandated reporters and must receive DPI training about the identification of abused or neglected children, and the laws and procedures governing the reporting of suspected or threatened child abuse/neglect. All River Valley employees shall receive this training annually.

Any public school employee having reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been abused or neglected, or if there is reason to believe that a child has been threatened with abuse or neglect and that said abuse or neglect will occur, is required to immediately contact the appropriate county agency. Pupil Services staff are available for consultation. A report may be requested by the building principal and/or pupil services staff member and once completed, would be kept confidential except as otherwise specifically provided by state law. Reporting child abuse/neglect report information to an unauthorized person may have legal consequences.

The reporting staff members shall not investigate further or inform the parents/guardian of the report. Failure to report suspected cases of child abuse and neglect by mandatory reporters is punishable by a fine and/or jail sentence.

Dane County: (608) 261-5437 (Dane County Department of Human Services) Iowa County: (608) 930-9801 (Iowa County Department of Social Services) Richland County: (608) 647-8821 (Richland County Health and Human Services) Sauk County: (608) 355-4200 (Sauk County Department of Human Services)

Legal Reference: Wisconsin Statutes: Sec. 118.07(5)

Sec. 48.981 Sec. 940.203 Sec. 940.225 Sec. 944. 30 Sec. 948.02 Sec. 948.03

Cross Reference: School Safety Plan

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