

School District #62 (Sooke)

CHILD ABUSE	No.: C-410
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SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

The Board recognizes its responsibility to ensure the safety and well-being of all students within the jurisdiction of School District No. 62 (Sooke).

Pursuant to this responsibility, the Board believes there is a shared responsibility on the part of all who come in contact with students to recognize and sensitively handle problems and symptoms of abuse & neglect. The Board expects its employees to be aware of their legal obligation to report any suspected cases of child abuse and neglect as prescribed in the Child, Family & Community Services Act.

Moreover, the Board of Education recognizes the special trust placed in their employees by parents who send their children to the schools in the district.

The Board, therefore, will not condone any inappropriate involvement with children of school age on the part of any employees.

If it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Board that an employee has been inappropriately involved including, but not specifically restricted to, sexual involvement with any student under the jurisdiction of School District No. 62 (Sooke), the Board will consider such conduct a fundamental breach of the employee's duties and obligations to the School District and may discipline or dismiss the employee.