REPORTING CHILD ABUSE / CHILD PROTECTION

REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW AT SCHOOL (CPS-1047A)

	<u>Date</u>
Name of School	
Address (No., Street, Ste. No, City, State, ZIP	
RE:	
(Child(ren)'s Name(s)	

I am a Child Protective Services Specialist employed by the Arizona Department of Economic Security. Child Protective Services (CPS) is mandated by law to investigate allegations of child abuse and neglect. Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 8-800 and § 8-802. As part of my investigation, I need to speak with one or more children at this school. Please provide me with immediate access to the above-named child(ren).

I am authorized by A.R.S. § 8-802(C)(4) and A.A.C. R6-5-5508(C) to interview a child without notice to or consent of the parent, guardian or custodian. See Arizona Attorney General Opinions (AG Opinions) 175-219, 175-234, 188-062, 104-003. Do not contact, directly or indirectly, the parents, guardians or custodians of the above-named child(ren) unless specifically requested or authorized by me, the assigned CPS Specialist.

Because of the sensitive and confidential nature of a CPS investigation, school personnel and others are not permitted to be present during the interview(s) of the child(ren) nor can they be informed of what was discussed. See A.R.S. § 8-807, AG Opinion 198-008.

If at any time I determine, pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-821, that temporary custody is clearly necessary to protect the child(ren) from abuse or neglect, I will provide you with a Notice of Removal (PS-058) and provide the parents, guardians, or custodians a Temporary Custody Notice (CPS-1000A) in accordance with A.R.S. § 8-823.

Under state and federal law, any information you have or may obtain during this investigation is confidential, including this form and the fact that the

above-named child(ren) have been contacted regarding allegations of abuse or neglect. DO NOT disseminate this information to any person unless specifically authorized by applicable law or court order.

Thank you for your cooperation.

CPS Specialist's Name		Address (No., Street, Ste. No., City, State, ZIP)	
Phone No.	Fax No.		E-mail Address
CPS Specialist's Name			

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