Policy Introduction

OSBA Model Sample PolicyParkrose School District 3

Code: GBNAB/JHFE-AR(2) Adopted: NEW CODE/8.27.18

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OSBA Summary (same as GBNAA/JHFF, GBNAA/JHFF-AR, GBNAB/JHFE, GBNAB/JHFE-AR, JHFE/GBNAB, JHFE/GBNAA-AR)

Recent revisions to ORS 339 affecting reporting of child abuse and sexual conduct were adopted by the 2021 Legislature. The passing of these bills revised the definition of 'sexual conduct' and 'licensed administrator' as it relates to reporting and helps define the persons who can be designated to receive and respond to these reports. Additionally, a new definition was added for 'commission licensee' to distinguish between district employees suspected of sexual conduct that shall be reported to and investigated by TSPC and those that shall be reported to and investigated by ODE. The effective date of these changes are immediate.

Additionally, because of the requirements of staff involved in child abuse reporting, a second code has been added to model policy JHFE and its administrative regulations. This policy can now be inserted into section G (if desired) of the board's policy manual and support informing staff of these reporting requirements.

Abuse of a Child Investigations Conducted on District Premises

The Department of Human Services (DHS) or a law enforcement agency has the authority to conduct an investigation of a report of child abuse on school premises according to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 419B.045. The school administrator must be notified that the investigation is to take place, unless the administrator is a subject of the investigation. The investigator is not required to reveal information about the investigation to the school as a condition of conducting the investigation.

After the investigator provides adequate identification, school staff shall allow access to the child and provide a private space for conducting the interview. The investigator shall be advised by a school administrator or a school staff member of a child's relevant disabling conditions, if any, prior to any interview with the child. The school administrator or designee may, at the investigator's discretion, be present to facilitate the investigation.

School staff may only notify DHS, the law enforcement agency or school employees that are necessary to enable the investigation. School staff may not notify any other persons, including the child's parent(s) or guardian(s).

Investigator Name (Printed)	Name of Agency
Name of Worker's/Investigator's Supervisor	Supervisor Contact Information
Investigator Position and Badge or ID Number	Student Name
	School
Investigator Signature	Date
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	Investigator refused to sign. District staff should not deny entry based on refusal to sign.	
FOR COMPLETION BY DISTRICT STAFF		
	Student not available for interview Student refused to be interviewed Administrator participated in interview	
Naı	me of Administrator Notified	
Naı	me of Office Staff Involved	
Naı	me of Participating Administrator	
This form should be placed in a separate secure file and <u>not in the student's file</u> .		