

SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE AND/OR NEGLECT REPORTING PROCEDURES

The Amber-Pocasset Public Schools Suspected Child Abuse Report will include

1. The names and addresses of the student and parents or other persons responsible for the student's care
2. The student's age
3. The nature and extent of the student's injuries, including any evidence of previous injuries
4. The nature and extent of the student's dependence on a controlled dangerous substance
5. Any other information that the maker of the report believes might be helpful in establishing the cause of the injuries
6. The identity of the person(s) responsible, any information or any part of any information of the abuse or neglect known to the person making the report

School nurses are designated to oversee all official suspected child abuse reports with a centralized filing system. When a child progresses from the elementary level (K-5) to the secondary level (6-12), copies of any suspected child abuse and/or neglect reports and documentation on file with the elementary nurse will be transferred to the secondary nurse. All child abuse reports will be transmitted under separate cover as "Confidential File."

All employees of the district will receive information about the reporting process and procedures to be followed during the yearly OSHA training.