Mandated Reporter Training – Additional Information

What is CANRA?

It is a state law that requires all District employees to report known or suspected child abuse or neglect. Employers are required to identify "Mandated Reporters" and secure acknowledgment of their reporting obligations as a condition of employment. California requires that school employees receive annual training on the identification and reporting of child abuse and neglect.

Training Requirement

California's law has been further updated with the passage of AB 1432. The law requires mandated-reporter training for child care employees and contractors in programs operated by school districts and county offices of education including state pre-school, Head Start and before- and after-school programs. This training focuses on detection of child abuse and neglect and the proper action that personnel should take in suspected cases of child abuse and neglect.

Educational institutions must show proof that mandated reporters hove completed this training within the first six weeks of each school year or within six weeks of that person's employment.

Under AB Mandated reporting law or procedures have not changed. The requirement and procedure for training and documentation of training has.

The law requires that Mandatory Reporting training instruct school personnel in these three areas:

- Child abuse and neglect detection
- Mandatory reporter obligations and procedures
- Information that the failure to report is a misdemeanor—punishable by six months in jail, a \$1,000 fine, or both

MANDATORY REPORTING COURSE INCLUDES:

- 1. Information on the different types of child abuse/child maltreatment and indicators to assist in identifying abuse and neglect
- 2. Laws regarding mandatory reporting (CANRA) and California Penal Codes 11164-11174.3
- 3. Proper action that school personnel should take in suspected cases of child abuse and neglect
- 4. Who is a mandated reporter and how, where and when to report
- 5. Penalties for not reporting suspected abuse or neglect and immunities
- 6. Where to get more information on child abuse prevention

DISTRICT CONSIDERATIONS

Internal Reporting: State law does not require a mandated reporter to notify school administration of a report. The district encourages employees who file a report to notify school administration for purposes of awareness.

ACCESS TO RESOURCES

- Link to Mandated Reporting Forms will be posted on the Human Resources Page on the districts web site
- Contact information for Social Services and Law Enforcement will be posted on the Human Resources Page on the districts web site
- Notification of site administration

MANDATED REPORTING CONTACT INFORMATION

- **24 Hour Child Protective Services (CPS)** Child Protective Services are mandated by Federal and State Law to investigate and respond to all allegations of suspected child abuse and neglect.
- Reports of abuse and neglect can be reported to these hotlines:

1-800-606-6618 or 831-755-4661

• In addition to calling the hotline, Mandated Reporters may fax or email the Suspected Child Abuse Report (SCAR) provided below:

Suspected Child Abuse Report (41.8 KB)

Suspected Child Abuse Report Instructions (41.8 KB)

Suspected Child Abuse Report (42 KB)

 Reports of child abuse are to be called into the hotline. In addition to calling the hotline, Mandated Reporters can fax or email reports of child abuse. Confidential email address for use by Mandated Reporters

ReportChildAbuse@co.monterey.ca.us.

- Confidential Fax number 831-796-8529 for use by Mandated Reporters More information about child protection program and forms can be found at the State of California Office of the Attorney General at www.ag.ca.gov/childabuse/forms.php.
- Salinas Police
 - Dispatch (Non-Emergency) 831.758.7321
 - Watch Commander (831) 758-7250