

9.1 CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT REPORTING

Vanguard Academy supports early intervention in the child abuse-abuser cycle and also supports taking early protective measures to prevent said cycle. The daily contact of education personnel with children places them in a unique and ideal position for identifying and referring suspected cases of abuse or neglect. To be better informed on identifying neglect, physical, emotional, and sexual abuse, Vanguard employees are trained annually on child sexual abuse prevention.

Any school employee, who knows or reasonably believes that a child has been neglected, or physically or sexually abused, shall immediately notify the West Valley Police Department or the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS), as required by Utah Code Section 62A-4a-403, and the Director.

Vanguard Academy shall cooperate with social services and law enforcement agency employees authorized to investigate charges of child abuse and neglect. Vanguard Academy shall also ensure the anonymity of those reporting or investigating child abuse or neglect in a manner required by Section 62A-4a-412.

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