

REPORTING CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT

All employees of the School District of Amery who have reasonable cause to suspect that a child seen in the course of professional duties has been abused or neglected, or having reason to believe that a child has been threatened with abuse or neglect and that abuse or neglect will occur, shall immediately contact the appropriate county agency and inform the agency of the facts and circumstances which led to the filing of the report. The District Administrator, or designee, shall also be contacted.

District employees must complete appropriate training within six (6) months of initial hiring and at least every five years thereafter.

No district employee shall be disciplined for making a child abuse or neglect report. In addition, state law guarantees immunity from any civil or criminal liability that may result from making a report on child abuse or neglect and provides for the protection of the identity of any individual who makes such a report.

Failure to report suspected cases of child abuse or neglect is punishable by a fine and/or jail sentence.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 48.981(2)(a)16m Wisconsin Statutes
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940.227

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