

POLICY	5460 Adopted: August 22, 2006 Student Policies
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SUBJECT: SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE AND MALTREATMENT

The Greater Southern Tier BOCES recognizes that because of their sustained contact with school-aged children, professional and support staff members are in an excellent position to identify abused or maltreated children and refer them for treatment and protection.

Pursuant to applicable law, any staff member who has reasonable cause to know or suspect that a child has been subjected to abuse or maltreatment must immediately report this to the Principal.

The District Superintendent will prepare and implement all regulations necessary to accomplish the intent of this policy. The District Superintendent will also develop a plan for the implementation of a training program designed to address the identification and reporting of suspected child abuse and maltreatment.

A copy of this policy, along with the appropriate administrative regulations explaining the reporting requirements, shall be distributed to all members of the professional and support staff.