School/Community/Home Relations

Relations with Social Service Agencies / Investigating Child Abuse

Child Abuse Investigation with Children
Department of Social Services are permitted to interview students at Southeast Tech without parent notification in order to investigate suspected child abuse or neglect under the following conditions.

1. Department of Social Services shall contact Southeast Tech administration or designee and request that an interview time and place be established.

2. Upon arrival at Southeast Tech, each Department of Social Services worker shall report to the building office and display proper identification.

3. The administrator or designee shall call the student to the place where the interview is to occur.

4. The Department of Social Services worker shall conduct the interview. Southeast Tech personnel are not to be present or participate in any manner in the interview.

5. Parental contact regarding the interview is the responsibility of the Department of Social Services.

Legal Reference:
SDCL 26-8A through 26-9

RELATED POLICIES:
JLF/STI/JLF-R/STI – Reporting Child Abuse/Child Protection
KLG/STI/KLG-R/STI – Relations with Law Enforcement Authorities

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