



## Child Abuse Reporting Policy

The State requires as a condition of our license that CCNS maintain a policy complying with the Connecticut Child Abuse Reporting Laws (CT. Genl. Stat. Sec. 17a-101). These laws require a report to be made to the Connecticut Department of Children and Families (DCF) at any time that a teacher or other paid staff member of CCNS has reasonable cause to suspect or believe that a child attending CCNS has been abused or neglected by a parent, guardian, or authorized caregiver. Specific indicators of “abuse” and “neglect” are defined under the law.

Once annually the Administrative Director shall conduct a review session in which the reporting policy is circulated to all staff, read and discussed, with particular stress on making accurate determinations based on physical and other evidence.

A copy of the state’s guidelines for compliance shall be kept in the office of the Administrative Director, and is available to all parents and guardians for their inspection. The Administrative Director shall be available to answer any questions from parents and staff that may arise with regard to CCNS policy.