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SECTION 600 – Students

**POLICY 638: CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT**

**BACKGROUND**

The Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act RSA (2000) states clearly the requirements placed upon Division employees regarding the welfare of children attending Division schools. The Division recognizes these responsibilities and obligations and affirms that its employees will be active partners with other agencies in supporting children in need of protective services.

The Division further recognizes and supports the rights and responsibilities of intervention services caseworkers.

**POLICY**

The Board expects that the Division's professional staff will be aware of and will comply with the requirements of the Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act RSA (2000) related to child abuse and neglect.

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE**

[638 P 001 – Child Abuse and Neglect](#)

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE- EXHIBIT**

[638 E 001 – Child Youth and Family Enhancement Act: Definitions](#)

**REFERENCES**

Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act RSA (2000)

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