

**Albers Elementary School
Sexual Abuse Investigation Policy**

The following policies and procedures concerning sexual abuse investigations at Albers Elementary School District #63 will be followed:

1. The school will not interview the alleged victim regarding details of the alleged incident of sexual abuse until after the completion of the forensic interview of that victim is conducted at the Children's Advocacy Center;
2. If asked by a law enforcement agency or a DCFS investigator who is conducting the investigation, the school will inform those individuals of any evidence the school has gathered pertaining to an alleged incident of sexual abuse as permissible by federal or State law;
3. The school will only view the electronic recording of the forensic interview conducted by the Children's Advocacy Center after it receives (i) approval from the multidisciplinary team investigating the case, and (ii) informed consent by a child over the age of 13 or the child's parent or guardian; and
4. If the school determines that it needs to interview the alleged victim to successfully complete its investigation and the victim is under 18 years of age, a child advocate will be made available to the student and may be present during the school's interview.

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