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The Wellington Catholic District School Board is committed to “Fostering the dignity and growth of each person in a nurturing and safe environment”. The Board considers the health, welfare and safety of its students to be a matter of highest priority.

Therefore in cooperation with the appropriate social service agencies, the Board will strive to better promote the best interests, protection and well being of children.

In compliance with the Child and Family Services Act, the Wellington Catholic District School Board mandates all employees whose duties include any services to pupils enrolled in schools to report suspected cases of child abuse and children in need of protection. This reporting procedure will be completed in accordance with the established protocol which is documented as a regulation supporting this policy.

A review, and if appropriate a revision, of the Child Abuse and Protection Policy will be completed by a committee once every five years or whenever deemed necessary.