

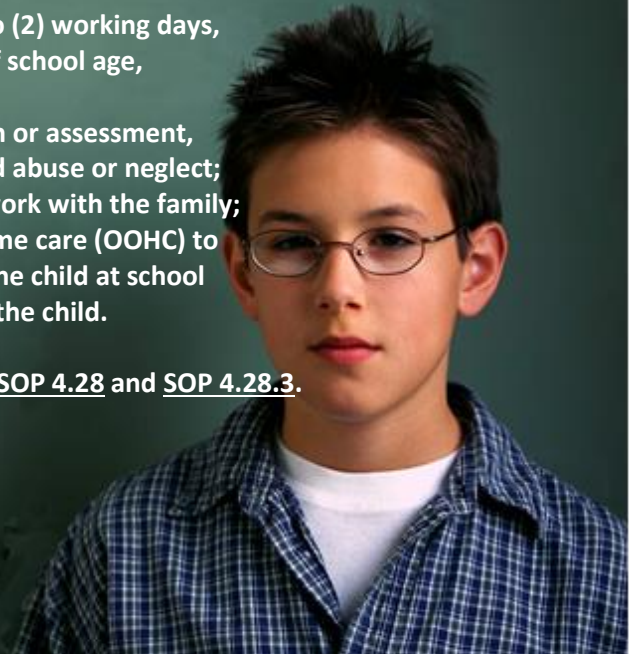
Did You Know?

- School disruption can cause extreme emotional stress for a child and may affect academic performance, development and/or overall well-being. DCBS can attempt to minimize the effects on the child through collaboration with their educators. Ensuring that the schools know who at DCBS to contact will aid in building relationships between the agencies and will minimize disruptions for the child.

- Communication with the child's school is necessary at various stages of casework with local education staff. Please remember that the school must be notified within two (2) working days, when school is in session and the child is of school age, in all of the following situations:

- At the beginning of an investigation or assessment,
- when the child is a victim of alleged abuse or neglect;
- At the conclusion of the agency's work with the family;
- When a child is placed in out of home care (OOHC) to provide a list of who may contact the child at school and who may pick up and drop off the child.

For additional information, please refer to [SOP 4.28](#) and [SOP 4.28.3](#).



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