

Farmingdale State College's Policy on Mandatory Reporting and Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse

Any employee or student of or volunteer for Farmingdale State College who witnesses or has reasonable cause to suspect any sexual abuse of a child occurring on Farmingdale State College property or while off campus during official College business or College-sponsored events shall have an affirmative obligation to report such conduct to Campus Police immediately. Such report should include the names of the victim and assailant (if known), other identifying information about the victim and assailant, the location of the activity, and the nature of the activity. Upon receiving such a report, Campus Police shall promptly notify the Commissioner of University Police at SUNY System Administration who shall report such incidents to the Chancellor for periodic reporting to the Board of Trustees.

In addition, to aid in the prevention of crimes against children on property of Farmingdale State College and/or during official College business at events sponsored by the College, relevant employees should be trained on the identification of such crimes and proper notification requirements. Vendors, licensees or others who are given permission to come onto campus or to use the College's facilities for events or activities that will include participation of children shall ensure that they have in place procedures for training, implementation of applicable pre-employment screening requirements and reporting of child sexual abuse.

For purposes of this policy, the applicable definitions of child sexual abuse are those used in the NYS Penal Law in Articles 130 and 263 and Section 260.10, and "child" is defined as an individual under the age of 17. To review these definitions go to <http://ypdcrime.com/penal.law/index.htm> and scroll down to the Laws of NY-Penal Code.

All inquiries related to this Policy should be directed to the Internal Control Office, Horton Hall, Room 135.