

Investigation of Child Intervention Complaints On School Premises



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Staff members of Edmonton Catholic Separate School District No. 7 shall cooperate with personnel from the Child and Family Services Authority and Police Services in the investigation of suspected cases of children in need of protective services.

Background

The investigation of child protection complaints is the responsibility of child welfare workers from the local Child and Family Services Authority, who may, where appropriate, be assisted by Police Services.

Under the *Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. C-12, caseworkers have the same rights as parents for those children who are temporary or permanent wards of the government (Child and Family Services Authority). Furthermore, child welfare workers and police officers have the authority to apprehend a child where there is sufficient reason to believe that the child is in need of protective services. In such cases, the Child and Family Services Authority immediately assumes guardianship and other parental rights for the child (later confirmed or altered in Family Court).

Child welfare workers are authorized to apprehend a child from the school premises during the course of an investigation.

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