Child Abuse Reporting Statement

California Penal Code section 11166 requires any child care custodian who has knowledge of or observes a child in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment whom he or she knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse to report the known or suspected instance of child abuse to a child protective agency immediately, or as soon as practicably possible, by telephone and to prepare and send a written report thereof within thirty-six (36) hours of receiving the information concerning the incident.

UHS will provide/require annual staff training on the mandated reporting requirements, using the online training module provided by the State Department of Social Services or a similar method, to employees who are mandated reporters. Mandated reporter training will also be provided to employees hired during the course of the school year. This training will include information that failure to report an incident of known or reasonably suspected child abuse or neglect, as required by Penal Code section 11166, is a misdemeanor punishable by up to six (6) months confinement in a county jail, or by a fine of one-thousand dollars ($1,000), or by both imprisonment and fine.

The Head of School or designee shall ensure that the provisions of this policy are carried out in accordance with the law.