

Dear Parents and Guardians:

**For the Safety and Protection of Children**

**If schools suspect abuse,  
they are required to report it to  
the ward office or a child counseling center.**

In Yokohama, it's everyone's responsibility to protect children from abuse such as violence, malnourishment, etc.

If schools suspect that a child is being abused they are required to report it to the ward office or child counseling center immediately. It's federal law.



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Japanese Federal Law Child Abuse Prevention Act

Article 5 (Obligation to Detect Child Abuse Early)

Article 6 (Obligation to Notify Child Abuse)