# Superintendent’s Memo #221-20

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**COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA   
Department of Education**

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: James F. Lane, Ed.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction

## SUBJECT: Local Interagency Agreement for Responding to Reports of Child Abuse and Neglect

The purpose of this memo is to share the revised model local interagency agreement between school divisions and local departments of social services for coordinating the response to reports of child abuse and neglect (refer to the model agreement on the [Child Abuse and Neglect](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/support/prevention/child_abuse/index.shtml) webpage). The model agreement has been updated to reflect legislative changes to [§ 63.2-1506.1](https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title63.2/chapter15/section63.2-1506.1/) of the *Code of Virginia*.

Additionally, [House Bill 683](https://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?141+ful+CHAP0412) (2014) requires school divisions to report to the Board of Education the status of these interagency agreements. Beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, the status of the agreement between the school division and the local department of services is collected through the [Educational Registry Application](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/info_management/data_collection/educational_registry/index.shtml) (ERA) with a field located on the **Division/Details page.**

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