

## Rowan College of South Jersey

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The Board and College community recognizes its fundamental moral obligation to protect minors on campus (individuals under 18 years of age) as well as its obligation under law. This protection will be afforded to minors, while participating in College programs, when interacting with College staff or visiting.

Every member of the College community has an obligation to immediately report instances or suspected instances of abuse or inappropriate interactions with minors.

Any allegation of inappropriate conduct or suspicion of child abuse must be reported. While there are several agencies and methods for reporting, the College also offers the services of a liaison, the Vice President, Chief Diversity Officer, located in the College Center, telephone number (856) 415-2154. If the minor is in immediate danger, call 911. A concerned caller does not need proof to report an allegation of child abuse and can make the report anonymously.

Reports can also be made to the appropriate department head and, under New Jersey law, to Division of Child Protection and Permanency at 1-877 NJ ABUSE (1-877-652-2873).

Any person who knowingly fails to report suspected child abuse or neglect according to the law is guilty of a crime.

The President will have administrative procedures developed for the protection of minors on campus.

References:

Rowan College of South Jersey Administrative Procedure, 2001 Minors on Campus