PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN NOTICE

NOTICE OF LIMITED NONCONSENT

Request for Written Child Protection Information | KANSAS

Date: [Date] Parent / guardian: [Full name]

Mailing address: [Street, city, state, ZIP] Contact (optional): [Email / phone]

To: Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF), Prevention and Protection Services — [Office / worker]

Re: [Child initials / reference number]

To the child protection investigator and supervisor:

I understand DCF investigates reports of suspected abuse or neglect under K.S.A. 38-2226. Please identify the assigned response category and accurately distinguish voluntary requests from legally required investigative actions.

NOTICE REGARDING VOLUNTARY CONSENT

I do not give blanket advance consent to voluntary interviews of me, consensual nonemergency entry or searches, optional adult testing or evaluations, blanket releases of confidential records, or proposed voluntary services and safety plans. I will consider each request individually, including after consulting counsel. This notice does not prohibit a lawful child interview, emergency action, or valid court order.

STATE-SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS AND RIGHTS

- DCF Policy 2140 (July 1, 2026) distinguishes abuse/neglect investigations from Family in Need of Assessment (FINA). Qualifying suspected-victim interviews may occur without prior parental permission; a FINA child must NOT be interviewed at school without parental consent. Documented email, text or verbal consent may be accepted as alternatives to a signature under policy procedures.
- DCF must generally attempt same-day parent notification after a qualifying abuse/neglect child interview without consent; policy treats non-familial collateral child interviews differently. A DCF employee cannot enter a residence solely to interview a child without a resident's permission absent separate legal authority.
- Policy 2500 applies a clear-and-convincing-evidence standard to abuse/neglect case findings (not to FINA service assessments). Under Policy 2570/K.A.R. 30-7-68, eligible substantiated perpetrators must have a WRITTEN fair-hearing request RECEIVED by DCF within 30 days of the finding-notice date, plus 3 days if notice was mailed.

PLEASE PROVIDE IN WRITING

- Names and contact information for the investigator and supervisor, case number, disclosable allegations, and whether this is an abuse/neglect investigation or FINA assignment.
- PPS 2000 or PPS 2001 interview forms where applicable; the proposed place/purpose of child interviews and type of parental permission used; the authority claimed for required entry, adult testing, records releases, services or safety plans.
- If substantiated, the PPS 2012 finding notice, fair-hearing form, delivery address and receipt-based filing instructions; lawfully available records and complaint procedures.

Please place this notice in the agency record and acknowledge receipt. Routine, nonurgent requests may be delivered in writing; urgent child-safety concerns can be communicated promptly.

Parent / guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed name: _____

LEGAL REFERENCES: K.S.A. § 38-2226; Kansas DCF Policies 2140 (July 1, 2026), 2500, 2570; K.A.R. 30-7-68.

CAUTION: This is not an appeal or a directive to stop lawful interviews. FINA school interviews require parental permission, but the policy allows documented consent methods besides signing. Verify individual notice dates; not attorney-certified.

IMPORTANT - NO APPEAL FILED: This notice does not file an appeal, hearing request, grievance, or court petition; it does not pause any deadline. Follow the case-specific notice and filing instructions.