NEOLA UPDATE 34-2 SPRING 2020

- **1.** <u>**REMINDER:**</u> The Department of Labor (DOL) has changed the threshold for exempt white-collar employees minimal salary level to \$38,000, effective January, 1, 2020.
- 2. **<u>REMINDER</u>**: The minimum wage in Michigan is now \$9.65.
- 3. **<u>REMINDER</u>**: The IRS mileage rate is 57.5 cents.
- 4. **<u>REMINDER</u>**: Federal Law Poster Requirements (See DOL website):
 - 1. EPPA
 - 2. FLSA
 - 3. FMLA
 - 4. USERRA
 - 5. WORKPLACE SAFETY
 - 6. WHISTLE BLOWER PROTECTION
- 5. **LEGAL ALERT:** Emergency Operation Plan. The EOP needed to be developed and implemented by 1-1-20. (Policy 8402).
- <u>LEGAL ALERT</u>: Student Abuse Policy. Districts received a request from the MDE whether they have adopted a policy. Districts are not required to have a policy. NEOLA continues to monitor this issue and will respond appropriately.
- 7. **LEGAL ALERT:** Professional Development. Recent revisions to the School Aid Act allow up to 38 hours of PD to be counted as instruction time (Policy 8210).
- 8. **LEGAL ALERT:** Read by Grade Three. Information can be found in the MDE 2018-19 annual report.
- 9. **LEGAL ALERT:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. For 2020 the rate of required tests is 50%.

- 10. <u>POLICY 2210: CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT -</u> <u>APPROVED COURSES (REVISED)</u> This policy revision is based on MDE requirements and should be adopted to maintain accurate policies. (MPAM) (Michigan Pupil Accounting Manual)
- 11. **POLICY 1212: HOME BOUND INSTRUCTION (REVISED).** This policy revision now allows physician's assistants to apply for individual home instruction and should be adopted to maintain accurate policies. (MPAM)
- 12. <u>POLICY 2414: REPRODCUTIVE HEALTH AND FAMILY</u> <u>PLANNING (REVISED).</u> This revision provides clarification to existing policy and should be adopted to maintain accurate policies. (MPAM)
- 13. **POLICY 3362.01: THREATENING BEHAVIOR TOWARDS STAFF MEMBERS (REVISED).** This revision clarifies the characterizations of "threatening behavior" and is recommended for adoption. (NEOLA)
- 14. <u>POLICY 4162: CONTROLLED SUPSTANCE AND ALCOHOL</u> <u>POLICY FOR COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHILE DRIVERS AND</u> <u>OTHER EMPLOYEES WHO PERFORM SAFETY SENSITIVE</u> <u>FUNCTION (REVISED)</u> Specific notification and reporting requirements have been added in response to audit recommendation from the Department of Transportation and should be adopted to maintain accurate policies. (DMV, CFR).
- 15. **POLICY 5200: ATTENDANCE (REVISED).** This policy revision reflects additional requirements for students that are counted as full-time and should be adopted to maintain accurate policies. (MPAM)
- 16. <u>POLICY 5335: CARE OF STUDENTS WITH CHRONIC</u> <u>HEALTH CONDITIONS (NEW).</u> This policy has been requested by clients and should be considered for adoption. (NEOLA)

17. <u>POLICY 6107: AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT AND</u> <u>DISTRIBUTE ELECTRONIC RECORDS AND TO USE ELETRONIC</u> <u>SIGNATURES (REISED)</u>. Language has been added to broaden the use of electronic signatures, in particular with IEP's and is recommended for adoption. (USC)

18. **POLICY 8210: SCHOOL CALENDAR (REVISED).** These revisions reflect the change in how hours of Professional Development that may be counted as hour of instruction. (MPAM, MCL)

19. POLICY 8400: SCHOOL SAFETY INFORMATION

(REVISED). These revisions reflect the latest reporting and posting requirements regarding disciplinary action and should be adopted to maintain accurate policies. (Title IX, MCL)

20. **POLICY 8462: STUDENT ABUSE AND NEGLECT**

(REVISED). These revisions should be reviewed and adopted if the district has a policy addressing sexual abuse of children. (MCL)

21. **POLICY 8600: TRANSPORTATION (REVISED).** These revisions reflect requirements for transporting homeless and foster care students and should be adopted. (MCL)

22. <u>AMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES</u>

AG 2412—Homebound Instruction (Revised) AG 4162B—Handling of Test Results, Record Retention, And Confidentiality (Revised) AG 5460.01—Graduation Requirements Career and Technical Education (CTE) (Revised) AG 8431A—Integrated Pest Management (Revised)

4162 F4—(**FORMS)** Authorization to Conduct Limited Query (New)