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3120.04 - **EMPLOYMENT OF SUBSTITUTES**

The Board of Education recognizes the need to procure the services of substitutes in order to continue the operation of the schools as a result of the absence of regular personnel.

Substitute personnel are subject to a criminal history record check. See Policy 3121.

The Superintendent shall employ substitutes for assignment as services are required to replace temporarily-absent regular staff members and fill new positions. Such assignment of substitutes may be terminated when their services are no longer required. A substitute, however, who is employed directly by the District for 150 days or more during a school year of not less than 180 days, except under circumstances identified in statute, shall be given, during the balance of that year as well as during the succeeding school year, the first opportunity to accept or reject a contract for which the person is certified and qualified, provided that all other District teachers have been reemployed in accordance with the negotiated, collectively-bargained agreement.

Substitutes must possess a valid Michigan professional certificate and a permit, if substitute teaching in a subject for which s/he is not certified, except under the following circumstances:

- A. The Superintendent may employ noncertificated, nonendorsed substitutes to teach, in grades 9-12, a course in computer science, foreign language, mathematics, biology, chemistry, engineering, physics, robotics, or any other course approved by the State Board, providing they meet all of the conditions established by law and by the Superintendent.
- B. The Superintendent may also employ a substitute without a valid teaching certificate if the person has at least sixty (60) semester hours of college credit or an associate degree from a college or university or community college. The sixty (60) semester hours do not need to be from the same college, university or community college. ~~and, for substitute teaching in grades 9 to 12, is at least twenty two (22) years of age.~~
- C. The Superintendent may employ noncertificated, substitutes to teach in an industrial technology education program or career and technical education program providing they meet all of the conditions established by law and by the Superintendent.

In order to retain well-qualified substitutes for service in this District, the Board will offer competitive compensation at a rate set annually by the Board.

A substitute, employed directly by the District in one (1) specific teaching position, shall, after sixty (60) consecutive days in that assignment, be paid a salary not less than the minimum salary on the current salary schedule and granted the privileges provided regular staff.

A substitute shall be paid actual hours worked.

The Board may enter into a contract with a person or entity (a partnership, nonprofit or business corporation, labor organization, limited liability company, or any other association, corporation, trust, or other legal entity) to furnish substitute teachers to the District as necessary to carry out the operations of the District. A contract entered into under this section shall include the following provisions:

- A. Assurance that the person or entity will furnish the School District with qualified teachers in accordance with the School Code and any implementing rules and regulations.
- B. Assurance that the person or entity will not furnish to the School District any teacher who, if employed directly by the School District, would be ineligible for employment by the District as a substitute teacher under the School Code.
- C. A description of the level of compensation and fringe benefits to be provided for the employees of the person or entity who are to be assigned to the District as substitute teachers.
- D. A description of the type and amounts of insurance coverage to be secured and maintained by the person or entity and the School District.
- E. Assurance that the person or entity, before assigning an individual to serve as a substitute teacher in the District, will comply with and provide to the Board the criminal history record information obtained under section 1230 and with the results of the criminal record check under section 1230a of the School Code.

[X] A school district that contracts with a person or entity to furnish substitute teachers under this section may purchase liability insurance to indemnify and protect the school district and the person or entity against losses or liabilities incurred by the district and person or entity arising out of any claim for personal injury or property damage caused by the District, its officers, employees, or agents. A district may pay premiums for the insurance out of its operating funds.

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