Calvert County Public Schools 1305 Dares Beach Road Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Administrative Procedures for Policy #6315 (Personnel) of the Board of Education Regarding Substitute Employee Notification and Assignment

Definitions

- A. <u>Substitute Employee</u> an eligible person who facilitates and/or follows the sequence of planned activities in the absence of the regular employee as appropriate
- B. <u>Electronic Substitute System</u> the centralized substitute employee notification and assignment system

II. Process

A. Every effort will be made to provide a sufficient number of substitute employees to meet the needs of Calvert County Public Schools.

The Director of Human Resources or designee will implement and administer a centralized substitute notification and assignment system. The following guidelines are to be followed in its implementation.

III. Guidelines

- A. Responsibilities of the Absent Employee utilizing the Electronic Substitute System
 - 1. Notify principal prior to workplace absence, with the exception of absence due to illness where accrued sick leave is used
 - 2. Enter absences due to illness and charged to accrued sick leave directly in the electronic substitute system
 - 3. Enter absences charged to accrued personal leave in electronic substitute system with prior approval by the principal or designee
 - 4. When entering the absence data in electronic substitute system for accrued sick or personal leave, include date of absence, reason for absence, time frame for absence, and whether a substitute is required for that specific absence
 - 5. Except in emergency situations, employees requesting a substitute should enter their absence in the electronic substitute system no later than one hour prior to the employee's assigned reporting time
 - 6. Employees may assign a specific substitute when entering their absence in the electronic substitute system only if they have confirmed the substitute's availability in advance
 - Absent employees requesting a substitute must also follow the Administrative Procedures 6070.1 regarding entering leave in the Employee Access Center (EAC)
- B. Responsibilities of the Absent Employee not using the Electronic Substitute System

- 1. Notify supervisor or designee prior to workplace absence
- 2. Absent employees must also follow the Administrative Procedures 6070.1 regarding entering leave in the Employee Access Center (EAC)

C. Responsibilities of the Principal or designee

- 1. Enter absence data in the electronic substitute system for any absences that are not entered by an employee
- 2. Review the electronic substitute system daily for employee absences and substitute assignments
- 3. Orient the substitute employee on instructional plans for the day and any procedures unique to the school
- 4. Reconcile employee absences and substitute employee assignments in the electronic substitute system by the close of business each day
- 5. When an anticipated long-term (ten days or more) absence is necessary, consult with the Director of Human Resources or designee to secure a substitute employee to serve in a consistent substitute role for the duration of the absence
- 6. Report any concerns regarding substitute employees to the Director of Human Resources or designee
- D. Responsibilities of the Director of Human Resources or designee
 - 1. Coordinate and conduct the hiring process for substitute employees
 - 2. Schedule and facilitate substitute employee orientations throughout the year
 - 3. Maintain all substitute employee data in the electronic substitute system and make modifications as needed
 - 4. Monitor the rate of substitute employee vacancies
 - 5. Strives to increase the fill rates of substitute employees
 - 6. Maintain an official list of substitute employees in the electronic substitute system
 - 7. Communicate with schools to ensure substitute staffing needs are met for long-term and emergency absences
 - 8. Process bi-weekly payroll records for substitute employees and submit to the Finance Department
 - Compile substitute employee utilization reports as needed
 - 10. Survey substitute employees each year to determine which substitutes wish to remain on active status
 - 11. Investigate and resolve complaints and/or concerns about substitute employees

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- 12. Review substitute employment database annually and purge non-active substitute employees
- 13. Maintain a current substitute staff handbook resource for substitute employees

E. Responsibilities of the Substitute Employee

- 1. Satisfy substitute employee requirements pursuant to CCPS Administrative Procedures 6030.2 Regarding Hiring: Substitute Instructional Personnel
- 2. Utilize electronic substitute system to select preferred schools, review employee absences and secure available substitute assignments
- 3. File a renewal request with the Human Resources Department each year to maintain active status

F. Preferred Substitute Listings

- 1. Principals may select substitute employees who are familiar with the school and/or provide special skills or knowledge to support the instructional program in the absence of the regular employee.
- 2. Individual employees may select substitute employees who are familiar with their classroom and/or provide special skills or knowledge to support the instructional program in their absence.
- 3. Substitute employees do not have to be on the preferred substitute listing to be eligible to fill an absence.

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