Non-Certified Instructional Personnel

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- 1. <u>Introduction</u>. In St. Johns County there are persons who possess expert skill in or knowledge of a particular subject or talent but do not hold a Florida teaching certificate. These persons are a valuable educational resource.
- 2. <u>School Board Policy</u>. Non-certified instructional personnel will not be used until a posting and reposting of the teaching vacancy has failed to yield qualified candidates. The policy can only be used to fill vacancies in programs designated by the Superintendent.
- 3. <u>Procedure</u>. In order to be considered for a position as a non-certified instructor, the applicant must:
 - a. Duly submit an application for employment.
 - b. Meet such educational requirements as the Superintendent may prescribe.
 - c. Have a minimum of six (6) documented years of experience in the field that will be taught.
 - d. Submit a minimum of ten (10) page/minute portfolio highlighting the applicant's accomplishments in the field that will be taught.
 - e. Preference will be given to those applicants who agree to take and pass the four (4) sections of the General Knowledge Exam in the first year of employment.
- 4. <u>Additional Requirements</u>. The following requirements shall apply:
 - a. Health and age. Health and age requirements shall be the same as those required for certified instructional personnel.
 - b. Employment procedures. Employment procedures shall be the same as those followed for certificated instructional personnel, except that non-certified instructional personnel shall not be entitled to a contract as prescribed by Rule 6A-1.604(1), F.A.C.
 - c. Salary. The Board will set salary for full-time and part-time noncertified instructional personnel.
 - d. Assignment, suspension, and dismissal. Procedures for the assignment, suspension, and dismissal of non-certificated

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instructional personnel shall be adopted and provided in writing to each such employee at the time of employment.

- e. Assessment of performance. Procedures for assessing the performance of duties and responsibilities by non-certificated instructional personnel shall be the same as for certified personnel.
- f. Student Welfare and Instructional Responsibilities. Each noncertificated instructional person shall possess a clear understanding of applicable rules and policies relevant to student welfare and the employee's instructional responsibilities.
- 5. <u>Designated Instructional Fields</u>. The Superintendent may authorize the hiring of non-certified personnel in such fields as the Superintendent determines would be in the best interest of the District.

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