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### **New Policy - Vol. 35, No. 1**

#### **3120.02 – ADJUNCT TEACHERS**

The School Board supports filling all teaching positions in the School Corporation with certificated employees but recognizes that there may be times when it is necessary to employ persons who have not completed their certification to teach. In an effort to fill a vacant teaching position, offer a new program or class, or supplement a program currently being offered, the Board may issue an adjunct teacher permit to an individual if the following minimum requirements are met:

- A. The individual has at least four (4) years of experience in the content area in which the individual intends to teach.
- B. The Corporation conducts an expanded criminal history check and expanded child protection index check concerning the individual as required under I.C. 20-26-5-10.
- C. The individual has not been convicted of a ~~(-)~~ felony ~~[-minimum-required-]~~ ~~(-)~~ offense ~~[END-OF-OPTIONS]~~ listed in I.C. 20-28-5-8(c) or (d) or the individual's conviction has been reversed, vacated, or set aside on appeal.
- D. ~~(-)~~ \_\_\_\_\_
- E. ~~(-)~~ \_\_\_\_\_

The Corporation may enter into an employment agreement with an individual to whom the Board has issued an adjunct teacher permit as a part-time or full-time teacher of the Corporation. The individual who holds the adjunct teacher permit may teach in any content area in which the Corporation allows the individual to teach and in which the individual has at least four (4) years of experience. Provided, however, that:

- A. the individual must be assigned a teacher mentor for support in pedagogy; and
- B. the individual must complete the following training within the first ninety (90) days of employment:
  1. I.C. 20-26-5-34.2 (bullying prevention).
  2. I.C. 20-28-3-4.5 (training on child abuse and neglect).
  3. I.C. 20-28-3-6 (youth suicide awareness and prevention training).
  4. I.C. 20-28-3-7 (training on human trafficking).

An adjunct teacher shall not provide special education instruction.

Except as otherwise provided in a collective bargaining agreement entered into or renewed before July 1, 2022, an employment agreement entered into between the Corporation and an individual to whom the Board has issued an adjunct teacher permit is not subject to a collective bargaining agreement entered into under I.C. 20-29. Furthermore, it is not an unfair practice for the Corporation to enter into an employment agreement with an individual to whom the Board has issued an adjunct teacher permit.

The Corporation shall report the following information to the State Department of Education if it hires an adjunct teacher:

- A. The number of adjunct teachers who hold an adjunct teacher permit that the Corporation has hired each school year, disaggregated by the grade level and subject area taught by the adjunct teacher.

B. The following information for each adjunct teacher:

1. The name of the adjunct teacher.
2. The subject matter the adjunct teacher is permitted to teach.
3. A description of the adjunct teacher's experience that qualifies the adjunct teacher for the adjunct teacher permit.
4. The adjunct teacher's total salary and any other compensation paid to the adjunct teacher during the school year.
5. The number of previous adjunct teaching employment agreements the adjunct teacher has entered into with the Corporation or any other school corporation.

The Corporation shall post a vacant adjunct teacher position on the State Department of Education's online adjunct teacher portal.

The Corporation ~~(-)~~ may ~~[statutory] (-) shall (-) shall not [END OF OPTIONS]~~ notify the parents of students enrolled in the Corporation of a vacant adjunct teacher position.

The Board shall announce any vacant adjunct teacher positions at Board meetings.

An individual who holds an adjunct teacher permit issued by the Board is not required to be employed on a uniform teacher's contract or a supplemental service teacher's contract. An employment agreement entered into between the Corporation and an individual who holds an adjunct teacher permit issued by the Board must:

- A. be in writing;
- B. be signed by both parties; and
- C. contain the following:
  1. the total salary and any other compensation to be paid to the adjunct teacher during the school year;
  2. the method and frequency of salary payments;
  3. the number of classes the adjunct teacher is to teach;
  4. the classes and subject matter areas that the adjunct teacher will be teaching;
  5. an expiration date that is not later than the end of the school year.

This employment agreement is a public record open to inspection. An adjunct teacher may enter into employment agreements with more than one (1) school corporation. An employment agreement between an adjunct teacher and the Corporation is not subject to I.C. 20-28-9-1.5, which governs salary increases for a teacher employed by the Corporation.

An adjunct teacher holding a permit issued by the Board is not a "school employee" within the meaning of I.C. 20-29-2-13, for purposes of collective bargaining. However, the use of adjunct teachers is a mandatory subject of discussion between the Corporation and the exclusive representative of its certificated employees.

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Legal	I.C. 10-13-3-39
	I.C. 20-19-3-25
	I.C. 20-28-5-27
	I.C. 20-28-6-7.3
	I.C. 20-28-9-1.5(m)
	I.C. 20-29-6-7(16)