

SOUTHERN LEHIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES

TITLE: STUDENT TEACHERS

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407.1 STUDENT TEACHERS

The Board of School Directors of the Southern Lehigh School District believes that it is the obligation of every public school system to assist educational institutions with in-school opportunities for student teaching by college students who are preparing for teaching careers. Any agreement between the School District and the board of trustees of a teacher-training institution must be approved by the Superintendent in accordance with the school laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The district superintendent or his/her designee shall bear the responsibility for general administration and supervision of the program for student teaching. Such administration and supervision shall include an obligation by the district superintendent to present recommendations for the acceptance or the non-acceptance of student teacher candidates to the School Board of Directors. It shall be the responsibility of the Board of School Directors to vote upon such recommendations.

Care should be taken in the assignment of student teachers so that a pupil in the School District shall receive instruction from no more than two such teachers during a single year.

The number of student teachers assigned to work within a certain school shall be determined by the appropriate Principal.

All evaluations of student teachers shall be the combined responsibility of the appropriate Southern Lehigh Principal, the cooperating teacher, and the supervisory officer of the training institution concerned.

Student teachers are not considered employees of the District and do not enjoy the privileges and rights that employees retain under any collective bargaining agreement or the Public School Code.

The Board directs the Superintendent or designee to ensure that Student teachers comply with all relevant provisions of the Public School Code and state and federal laws applicable to student teachers.

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