

**EAST  
STROUDSBURG  
AREA  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SECTION: EMPLOYEES

TITLE: STUDENT TEACHERS/INTERNS/STUDENT OBSERVERS

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	<p>307. STUDENT TEACHERS/INTERNS/STUDENT OBSERVERS</p>
1. Purpose	<p>The Board encourages cooperation with PA accredited colleges and universities within the state in the training of student teachers and interns.</p>
2. Authority	<p>The Board establishes that district schools shall accept qualified student teachers, student observers and administrative interns from PA accredited institutions with which the district has a cooperative agreement approved by the Board.</p> <p>Student teachers and interns shall not be accepted into district schools until they have complied with the mandatory background check requirements for criminal history, child abuse, FBI Criminal History Check, TB tine test and the district has evaluated the results of those screenings processes.</p>
3. Delegation of Responsibility	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible to assign student teachers/student observers and administrative interns in training to the schools.</p> <p>Recommendations for selection of cooperating teachers/principals for administrative interns shall be made by the Superintendent or designee with the agreement of the college or university supervisor.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall ensure distribution of student teachers/interns/student observers throughout the district so that no single group of students or teachers will be subject to excessive student teacher classroom hours.</p>
4. Guidelines Title 28 Sec. 23.43 SC 111,1418  Pol. 414  23 Pa. C.S.A. 6301 et seq	<p><b><u>Student Teachers</u></b></p> <p>Student teachers shall be assigned only to those persons designated as their cooperating teachers.</p> <p>All requests for student teacher placement by colleges or universities must be processed through the office of the Superintendent or designee.</p> <p>It shall be the responsibility of the school principal to see that the student teaching program functions in the best interests of the students, teachers, student teachers, and the institution providing the student teachers.</p>



<p>23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6344.3</p> <p>SC 111</p> <p>SC 111 23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6344.3</p>	<p>While serving in district schools, a student teacher or intern shall be required to report to the Superintendent or designee, in writing, within seventy-two (72) hours of notification, that s/he has been listed as a perpetrator in the Statewide database, in accordance with the Child Protective Services Law.</p> <p>A student teacher or intern shall be required to submit a current criminal history background check report if the Superintendent or designee has a reasonable belief that the student teacher or intern was arrested or has been convicted of an offense required to be reported by law, and the student teacher or intern has not notified the Superintendent or designee.</p> <p>Failure to accurately report such arrests and convictions may subject the student teacher or intern to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the program and criminal prosecution.</p>
<p>Pol. 907</p> <p>School Code 1418</p> <p>PA Code Title 28 Sec. 23.43</p> <p>Board Policies 414, 907</p>	<p><b><u>Student Observers</u></b></p> <p>Student observers, interns and faculty of other educational institutions shall be offered the opportunity to visit district schools and observe classes. Such observers must be treated as any other visitor and shall be under the direct supervision of the principal.</p> <p>“Short term” college student observers, assigned two (2) weeks or less, should make arrangements through the school principal. Clearances and TB tine are not required in these cases. An introductory letter from the sending college naming the student, the type of experience requested, and the length of time at the building shall be presented to the principal and a copy shall be forwarded to personnel prior to the first day of school. The college student will also be required to present a photo ID to the school principal, who shall approve such requests.</p>
	<p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 111, 510, 1418</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 8.1 et seq.</p> <p>State Department of Health Regulations – 28 PA Code Sec. 23.43, 23.44, 23.45</p> <p>Child Protective Services Law – 23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 6301 et seq.</p> <p>Board Policy – 314, 907</p> <p>NOTES:</p> <p>Chapter 8 of the State Board of Regulations has not been updated since August of 1990 and does not reflect current statutory requirements.</p> <p>SC 111.1. Employment History Review does not apply to student teachers.</p>