

NC Model Teacher Contract

Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee

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S.L 2013-360, Section 9.6(e)

SECTION 9.6.(e) The State Board of Education shall develop by rule as provided in Article 2A of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes a model contract for use by local boards of education in awarding teacher contracts. The State Board may adopt a temporary rule for a model contract as provided in G.S. 150B-21.1 to provide a contract to local boards of education no later than January 1, 2014, but shall replace the temporary rule with a permanent rule as soon as practicable.

NC Model Teacher Contract Development Process

- Review of Existing Models From Other States
- Review of Existing Contracts in NC
- Begin with Existing Contract, Modify and Create Draft
- Circulate to External Stakeholders for Input
- Use Model Contract to Draft Rule
- Submit for SBE/DPI Staff Internal Rules Review
- Present to SBE for Discussion, Adoption
- Submit to Rules Review Commission for Rulemaking

Indiana

REGULAR TEACHER CONTRACT

Prescribed pursuant to Ind. Code 20-28-6-3 as the regular and uniform contract for the employment of teachers pursuant to Ind. Code 20-28-6-4(b)

This regular teacher contract ("Contract") is by and between the governing body of the [name of school corporation] ("Corporation") and [teacher's name] ("Teacher"). [Teacher's name] is a teacher as defined in Ind. Code 20-18-2-22.

In exchange for the Teacher's services described below, the Corporation and the Teacher agree that:

- The Teacher shall teach in the schools of the Corporation for the school term, beginning [month day, year], and ending on [month day, year]. Ind. Code 20-28-6-2(a)(3)(A)
- The school term described in paragraph 1 immediately above for services under this Contract consists
 of [number of days] days. Ind. Code 20-28-6-2(a)(3)(B)
- Unless governed by an existing collective bargaining agreement, or as discussed pursuant to Ind. Code 20-29-6-7, the number of hours per day the Teacher is expected to work under this Contract is
 Ind. Code 20-28-6-2(a)(3)(E)
- The Corporation shall pay the Teacher for services under this Contract the total salary of \$ [\$ amount of annual salary] during the school year. Ind. Code 20-28-6-2(a)(3)(C)
- The Corporation shall pay this amount in [number of installments] installments on a
 [weekly/biweekly/monthly/twice a month] basis. Ind. Code 20-28-6-2(a)(3)(D) Ind. Code 20-28-6-5(1)
- This Contract may be cancelled during its term for any of the grounds set forth in Ind. Code 20-28-7.5-1(e) pursuant to the procedures set forth in Ind. Code 20-28-7.5-2 and Ind. Code 20-28-7.5-3.
- This Contract is a public record pursuant to Ind. Code 20-28-6-2(d) and Ind. Code 5-14-3.

Agreed this day of	, 20		
Teacher	School Corporation by: President		
Attested:			
Superintendent	Secretary		

Mississippi

CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT WITH MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, PRINCIPAL AND LICENSED EMPLOYEE

This agreement is made and entered into as of the dates indicated below by and between

Superintendent

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Social Security Number
(employee), and the employee having been	duly elected and approve	d for employment by the s	School District (employer), with the chool board of the employer.
This agreement provid	es:		
That the employee will position of		loyer for the scholastic yea	ar(s) 20 20 and shall hold the
	Assistant Superintendent, Pri	ncipal, Licensed Employee	
That the employee wa available to perform	ill be employed for m assigned duties b . 20 . or otherwise.	days during said sch	colastic year. And that the employee shall be , 20 and ending on the employer due to an emergency or other good
cause in accordance wi	th the policies of the emp	loyer.	
ACCUSED AND PROPERTY OF THE PR			And that the school term will consist of he policies of the employer.
That the employee agre	ees to reassignment durin	g the school term to any ar	ea for which a valid license is held.
with an annual salary of that the annual salary in Adequate Education P amount from the local which other duties are salary by a pro rata da	of \$, while setablished in accordant rogram Salary scale for salary supplement scale of to be performed by the only amount in order to contain the salary supplement scale of the salary supplement scale of the salary supplement in order to contain the salary supplement salary supplement scale or salary scale o	nich shall be paid on a basi ace with the policies of the the appropriate license an of the employer, and/or an employee. The school dist comply with the school dis	e employer agrees to compensate the employee is as determined by the local school board. And e employer and is based on an amount from the id years of experience of the employee and an amount from the employer as compensation for frict may reduce the employee's state minimum trict employee furlough provisions provided in adequate education funds provided for salaries.
Educator Code of Ethi	es and Standard of Cond		and regulations of the employer, the Mississippi loard of Education, and the laws of the State of the
The state of the s	yment has been executed authorized superintenden	And the second s	s indicated as witnessed by the signature of the

Employee

Sources of Input

- Public
- Local Boards of Education
- Local Superintendents
- Local Board Attorneys
- North Carolina School Boards Association
- North Carolina Association of Educators
- Professional Educators of North Carolina
- State Board of Education Members

This profess	sional employment contract is	s entered into by and
between	("Teacher") and	the
Board of Ed	lucation (the "Board"). Pursι	uant to this Contract,
Teacher sha	all hold the position of	This
Contract is	effective only if approved by a	a majority of the
Board at an	officially called meeting of th	e Board. Teacher
and the Boa	ard agree to the following tern	ns and conditions,
consistent v	vith the laws of the State of N	orth Carolina.

1.	Term: Teacher is employed pursuant to this Contract for a term of
	school year(s), beginning with the school year
	through the school year Teacher's
	dates of employment for each school year consist of
	months of employment consistent with the North Carolina General Statutes
	and the school calendar adopted by the Board. At the conclusion of this
	year term of employment, the Board may, but is not
	required to, re-employ Teacher by offering Teacher a subsequent contract as
	provided by law. The Board may offer such contract for any length permitted
	by law.

2. <u>Compensation:</u> Teacher shall be compensated for the professional services performed pursuant to this Contract at a rate consistent with the North Carolina General Statutes, the salary schedule for teachers established by the State of North Carolina, and any local supplement that may apply. If teacher is paid from local funds, the compensation will be consistent with the local salary schedule adopted pursuant to G.S. 115C-302.1(h).

- 3. Qualifications: Throughout the term of this Contract, Teacher shall maintain a North Carolina teaching license valid for Teacher's area of assignment. In the event that Teacher's license is revoked, suspended, expired, or not renewed for any reason, Teacher shall inform the Board's Human Resources Office. Teacher is solely responsible for obtaining and maintaining all required licenses.
- 4. <u>Duties:</u> Teacher shall perform all duties assigned by the Superintendent, or Superintendent's designee, and required by the laws of the State of North Carolina. This Contract creates no right to any particular assignment or school site. Teacher agrees to become familiar with and abide by the policies and practices of the Board and the North Carolina State Board of Education, and to abide by the laws of the State of North Carolina and the United States.

- 5. Extra or Special Duties: If there are special duties or assignments for which the Board has agreed to compensate Teacher, those will be described in a separate agreement and the additional compensation will not be considered salary for the purpose of computing Teacher's salary under the provisions of 115C-325.1 et seq. Any return to regular duties is not a demotion as defined by law.
- 6. <u>Benefits:</u> Teacher shall be entitled to health benefits, earned leave and such other benefits as are available pursuant to the laws of the State of North Carolina and the policies and practices of the Board.
- 7. Termination of Contract by Teacher: Teacher may terminate this Contract pursuant to the provisions and procedures provided in N.C.G.S. 115C-325.1 *et seq*.

- **8.** Termination of Contract by the Board: The Board may alter the terms or terminate this Contract pursuant to the provisions and procedures provided in N.C.G.S. 115C-325.1 *et seq*.
- Modification: This Contract is subject to modification as a result of subsequent legislative enactments.
- **10.** Severability: If any provision of this Contract is held to be invalid or unenforceable, such provision shall be severed and shall be inoperative, and the remainder of this Contract shall remain in full force and effect.
- **11. Governing Law:** This Contract is governed by the laws of the State of North Carolina.

All contracts between a local board of education, as defined in G.S. 115C-5(5), and a teacher, as defined in G.S. 115C-325.1(6), shall contain the following:

- (a) A statement that the contract is effective only if approved by a majority of the local board at an officially called meeting of the local board.
- (b) The term of the contract. Such term may be for any length permitted by law. At the conclusion of the contract term, the local board may, but is not required to, re-employ the teacher by offering the teacher a subsequent contract as provided by law.

(c) An indication of the compensation that the teacher shall receive for professional services performed pursuant to the contract. Such compensation shall be at a rate consistent with the North Carolina General Statutes, the salary schedule for teachers established by the State of North Carolina, and any local supplement that may apply. If the teacher is to be paid from local funds, the compensation will be consistent with the local salary schedule adopted pursuant to G.S. 115C-302.1(h).

(d) With respect to qualifications:

- (1) The teacher's obligation to maintain a North Carolina teaching license valid for the teacher's area of assignment.
- (2) The teacher's obligation to inform the local board's Human Resources Office in the event that the teacher's license is revoked, suspended, expired, or not renewed for any reason.
- (3) A statement that the teacher is solely responsible for obtaining and maintaining the required licensure.

(e) With respect to duties:

- (1) A requirement that the teacher shall perform all duties assigned by the superintendent or superintendent's designee, and required by the laws of the State of North Carolina.
- (2) A statement that the contract does not give the teacher a right to any particular assignment or school site.
- (3) A requirement that the teacher agrees to become familiar with and abide by the policies and practices of the local board and the North Carolina State Board of Education, and to abide by the laws of the State of North Carolina and the United States.

- (f) With respect to special duties:
 - (1) A statement that, if there are special duties or assignments for which the local board has agreed to compensate the teacher, those will be described in a separate agreement and the additional compensation will not be considered salary for the purpose of computing the teacher's salary under the provisions of G.S. 115C-325.1 et seq.
 - (2) A statement that any return to regular duties is not a demotion as defined by law.
- (g) A provision that explains the teacher's entitlement to health care benefits, earned leave and such other benefits as are available pursuant to the laws of the State of North Carolina and the policies and practices of the local board.

- (h) Any requirements for termination of the contract initiated by the teacher pursuant to the provisions and procedures provided in G.S. 115C-325.1 et seq.
- (i) Any requirements for alteration or termination of the contract by the local board pursuant to the provisions and procedures provided in G.S. 115C-325.1 et seq.
- (j) With respect to modification, a statement that the contract is subject to modification as a result of subsequent legislative enactments.

- (k) With respect to severability, a statement that if any provision of the contract is held to be invalid or unenforceable, such provision shall be severed and shall be inoperative, and the remainder of the contract shall remain in full force and effect.
- (I) A statement indicating that the contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of North Carolina.
- (m)Any other provisions deemed necessary or appropriate by the parties, or as required by law.

Next Steps

- Approval from SBE
- Present Temporary Rule to Rules Review Commission for Publication on Agency and OAH Websites
- Present Permanent Rule for Public Hearing and Public Comment
- Final SBE Approval and Adoption
- Submit to Rules Review Council for Review
- RRC Approves or Objects