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### **Purpose**

The Board School Directors (“Board”) of Springfield School District (“District”) encourages cooperation with colleges and universities within the Commonwealth in the training of student teachers. Therefore, the schools of this District will accept student teachers from accredited institutions of higher learning with which the District has a cooperative agreement approved by the Board.

### **Authority**

The Board delegates the authority to select student teachers to the Superintendent or designee. Recommendation for said selection shall be made by the DOTL with the agreement of the supervising teacher.

Student teachers shall comply with the health examination requirements of the Commonwealth and the policy of the district as it applies to certificated personnel. [\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)[\[4\]](#)

No candidate shall be employed until such candidate has complied with the mandatory background check requirements for criminal history and child abuse and the District has evaluated the results of that screening process. Candidate applications must comply with applicable law and District policy. [\[5\]](#)  
[\[9\]](#)

Student teachers while serving in the District schools shall be mentored by the teacher and managed by the building principal.

The Superintendent, or designee, shall ensure the distribution of student teachers throughout the District so that no single groups of pupils or teachers will be subject to excessive student teacher classroom hours.

Student teachers or faculty of other educational institutions shall be offered the opportunity to visit and observe in the District schools. Such observers must be treated as any other visitor and shall be under the direct supervision of the building principal. [\[8\]](#)

### **DISCLAIMERS:**

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[1. 24 P.S. 1418](#)

[2. 28 PA Code 23.43](#)

[3. 28 PA Code 23.44](#)

[4. 28 PA Code 23.45](#)

[5. 24 P.S. 111](#)

[6. 22 PA Code 8.1 et seq](#)

[7. 23 Pa. C.S.A. 6301 et seq](#)

8. Pol. 907

[9. 23 Pa. C.S.A. 6344](#)