# RESPONSIBILITIES OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

## **BACKGROUND**

The charter board recognizes the need to provide continuous instruction to students and endorses the employment of substitute teachers for such a purpose.

### **DEFINITIONS**

## Substitute Teacher

An individual possessing a valid Alberta teaching certificate employed on a day-to-day basis without a written contract of employment.

#### **PROCEDURES**

- 1. Human resources shall hire all substitute teachers for the board.
  - 1.1 The principal shall select a substitute teacher where the vacancy is anticipated to be less than five (5) days.
  - 1.2 The principal shall inform human resources if a substitute teacher is to be hired in the same position for five (5) or more consecutive days.
  - 1.3 The duties and responsibilities of the substitute teacher shall include all those tasks associated with the instruction of students in the absence of a regular classroom teacher including:
    - 1.3.1 demonstrating enthusiasm and a positive attitude toward teaching;
    - 1.3.2 following and, if necessary, adapting lesson plans provided by the classroom teacher in an appropriate manner;
    - 1.3.3 preparing lesson plans where appropriate;
    - 1.3.4 using appropriate teaching strategies, methods of presentation and techniques to motivate students to meet lesson plan requirements;
    - 1.3.5 maintaining and/or developing class rules, procedures, routines and consequences as required to promote a safe, orderly learning environment;
    - 1.3.6 making use of the services and supports in the school;
    - 1.3.7 assessing student work and progress, as required, and providing feedback to students and the classroom teacher;
    - 1.3.8 keeping accurate attendance records;
    - 1.3.9 maintaining an accurate record of the events of the day and providing a written record for the classroom teacher;
    - 1.3.10 carrying out the classroom teacher's supervisory duties as directed by the principal;
    - 1.3.11 carrying out other professional duties assigned by the principal when the classroom teacher's preparation periods appear on the timetable;
    - 1.3.12 leaving the classroom in order;
    - 1.3.13 maintaining an appearance appropriate to the teaching activity;

- 1.3.14 arriving at the school in sufficient time to prepare for the day's assignment minimum 15 minutes before the start of class and 15 minutes after school ends; and
- 1.3.15 reporting to the school office to complete the appropriate forms, obtain the information package for substitutes and to leave information for the classroom teacher.

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