

Decatur County Board of Education

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- 1 In an efficiently administered program of student teaching, the students are provided opportunities for
- 2 laboratory experiences in practical teaching situations under the guidance and supervision of experienced
- 3 classroom teachers, principals and supervising personnel.

- 4 The local system, in addition to rendering a much needed service to the teaching profession, has the
- 5 opportunity of observing beginning teachers and evaluating their ability and potential in applying for
- 6 vacancies when they occur.

- 7 Student teachers shall be accepted or refused by either the principal or the cooperating teacher.

- 8 Student teachers will be expected to observe all rules and regulations established by the board.

- 9 A student teacher shall be granted the same protection of the laws as a certified teacher and shall comply
- 10 with all policies and procedures of the board and observe all duties of teachers as set forth in state statute.¹

- 11 In addition, student teachers shall be required to fulfill all normal local responsibilities, both school and
- 12 extracurricular, and shall familiarize themselves with the policies of the board and the school.

- 13 No classroom student shall have more than one (1) student teacher per year in a given subject. Any
- 14 exception to this policy must have prior approval from the director of schools.

- 15 The evaluation of a student teacher shall be based upon a joint agreement between the cooperating
- 16 teacher and the student's supervising teacher.

- 17 A student teacher may be asked to terminate his or her service upon the mutual consent of the principal,
- 18 the cooperating teacher and the supervising teacher at any time during the term.

Legal References

1. TCA 49-5-403(c); TCA 49-5-201