

**STUDENT TEACHING AND  
INTERNSHIPS**

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The Board recognizes its responsibility to improve the quality of teacher training, and as such, authorizes the Superintendent to arrange for the supervision and training of a reasonable number of student teachers and interns.

The importance of the teacher training function to the future of education and the need to assure high quality performance in our schools requires student teachers and interns to be placed with experienced teachers of demonstrated competence. Therefore, teachers new to the school system and those having three years or less of teaching experience normally will not be asked to undertake the additional responsibilities of a student teacher or intern. Teachers with less than three years of experience, but who demonstrate outstanding competence, may supervise interns pursuant to a joint agreement between the Orange County School System and the intern's agency or institution. No staff members will be required to supervise student teachers or interns.

Teacher training institutions will be expected to provide liaison and supervisory personnel who will coordinate with the Human Resources Department, building principal and supervising teachers to effect a smooth and cooperative student teacher/intern program. It is expected that student teachers/interns will provide the necessary instructional services and teach the objectives which have been provided/taught by the Orange County Schools. Furthermore, it is expected that the teacher training institution will provide ample time for their student teachers and interns to be in direct contact with students in order to provide continuity, breadth, and depth of experience for both students and student teachers/interns. No student/intern will be placed without prior approval of the Human Resources Department.