RECOMMENDED

Descriptor Code: DKA

REDUCTION-IN-FORCE POLICY

The Board shall have the sole right to determine the necessity for and scope of a reduction in force for reasons including, but not limited to, lack of funds, uncertainty of funds, declining enrollment, or other reasons of necessity.

Criteria

The Superintendent shall recommend teacher(s) for reduction in force in accordance with the following criteria:

- 1. Attrition, including retirements and resignations.
- 2. When attrition is not sufficient to alleviate the necessity for reduction in force, the Board shall retain teachers with the greatest adaptability to meet present and future District staffing and educational needs, both curricular and extracurricular.
- 3. When teachers within the same area of licensure are deemed to be of equal adaptability, the Board shall retain the teacher with superior academic and professional preparation beyond minimum licensure requirements in his/her teaching field.
- 4. When teachers are deemed to be of equal adaptability and have equal academic and professional preparation within their teaching fields, the Board shall retain the teacher who has taught in the District for the greater period of time.

Notices & Hearing

If a decision is made to reduce the teaching staff, any teacher affected thereby shall be given such notice and hearing as may be required by law.

Any teacher who is nonrenewed under the provisions of this policy may request and shall be given consideration for teaching vacancies for which said teacher is qualified and which occur within 9 months after receipt of written notice of the nonrenewal decision. It shall be the sole responsibility of said teacher to provide the District with a current address. Any teacher who is offered re-employment hereunder and fails to accept the same within fifteen (15) days after it is offered shall be deemed to have rejected said offer and shall forfeit all future recall rights if an offer of equal employment is rejected.

Complementary Documents

• DKA-E, Reduction in Force Rubric

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