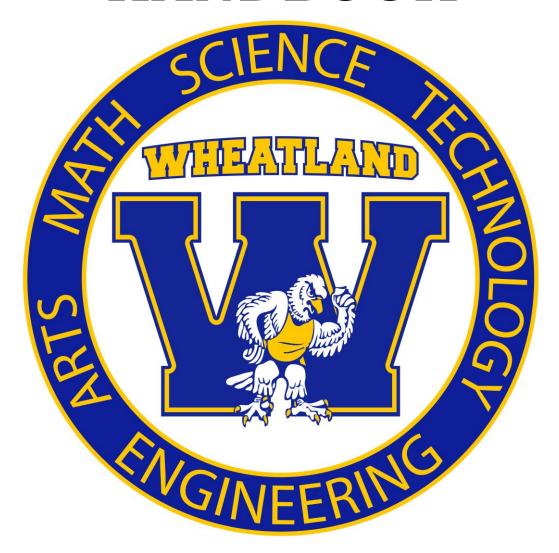
# SUBSTITUTE TEACHER HANDBOOK



# Wheatland J1 School District

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## STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

Your continued assignment as a substitute teacher is contingent upon your ability to comply with professional standards of conduct. Our school community is diverse. Sensitivity to racial, ethnic, cultural, socio-economic, and religious differences is required of all employees. Employees must safeguard the privacy of all student information kept in schools, whether on paper, on the computer, or in oral communications.

# **PROFESSIONALISM**

Your job as a professional in the classroom is to engage students in meaningful work. Your task each day is to make sure STUDENT LEARNING occurs. This is Wheatland's overall mission. To help establish your professionalism, please dress appropriately when teaching. If you look like a professional, students will be more likely to treat you as one. It is also important to keep in mind the grade level and subject when dressing. Teaching physical education, for example, requires that you dress differently than when you are teaching 4th grade or middle school mathematics.

# QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE THE STUDENTS ARRIVE ...

Familiarize yourself with the setup of the classroom and the building as soon as possible.

- Is there a class list/seating chart that can be written on?
- What is the procedure for emergency drills?
- Are there any duties to be aware of (i.e., recess, bus duty)?
- Is there a teacher's area to eat lunch?
- What are the procedures for moving about the building?
- Who should I contact about questions concerning the lesson plans?
- What are the procedures for dismissal?
- Do I have students with special needs in my classroom medications, seizures, allergies?
- Who is the correct contact for severe discipline problems?
- Are there students who go special classes during the day? Does the special teacher pick them up or does the substitute walk them to the special?
- Who are the neighboring teachers and staff?

# DURING CLASSTIME . . .

The substitute teacher has the prime responsibility to teach, as well as possible, what the regular teacher has outlined. The following suggestions will help you eliminate classroom management problems, establish good classroom routine, provide an efficient learning situation, and establish mutual respect between you and the students.

#### CONDUCT YOURSELF AS THE TEACHER AND ACCEPT THE ROLE OF A PROFESSIONAL

 $\circ$  Greet students at the door as they enter the classroom. Introduce yourself and write your name on the board . . . SMILE!  $\ \ \odot$ 

#### BE READY

 Materials and plans for the day are a must. The regular teacher has left plans that you should follow. Go over these plans carefully to ensure that you know what you want the class to be doing during the day. Begin class on time to avoid restlessness and disinterest. Learn as many names as you can.

#### • DEMONSTRATE RESPECT FOR ALL PERSONS

 Be present. Be positive. Be optimistic. Take your job seriously and treat students with respect and they will respond in kind. Do not make – or allow anyone in the class to make – remarks that put people down.

#### EXPECT GOOD BEHAVIOR

Students tend to respond to whatever we expect of them. Think positively. A positive approach is worth a hundred negative rules. Behavior problems arise when students are bored, frustrated, see no relevance in what you are teaching, do not understand behavioral expectations, are experiencing external problems, or the teacher lacks external awareness. Speak positively!

#### BE PATIENT

 It is natural for a class to test a substitute. You represent change for them. Patience, understanding, firmness, and respect toward the students will diminish distrust. Be quick to forgive and difficult to offend. Don't lose your cool.

#### MAKE CLEAR PRESENTATIONS AND USE EFFECTIVE TEACHING METHODS

• What the students gain from the lesson will depend on how well you present it.

#### PROVIDE FOR STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

o Involve students in the discussion, planning, questioning, and classroom activities. Be sure that directions are clear and supervision is provided. Interact with the students and involve them in the teaching/learning. Be up and walking about the classroom to stay engaged with the students.

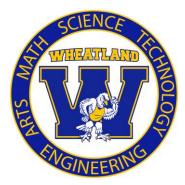
#### BE FAIR AND CONSISTENT

Your success in classroom management will depend in a great extent on your degree of fairness and consistent treatment. Students must know what to expect of you and what you expect of them. Uncertainty is a breeder of misbehavior. Deal with problems one-onone and don't embarrass a student in front of classmates.

#### USE COMMON SENSE

 All rules, regulations, guidelines, and directive in the world are not substitute for it. Be flexible!

#### KEEP YOUR SENSE OF HUMOR! HAVE FUN! SMILE!



# PROTECT THE STUDENTS AND YOURSELF

**NEVER** touch a student without the student's explicit permission to do so. Teachers may need to touch students in situations where it is necessary to protect the student, other students, or the teacher from physical harm. It is best to contact an administrator for assistance in these situations.

## AT THE CLOSE OF THE DAY . . .

#### SECURE THE CLASSROOM

o Leave it as you found it

#### • LEAVE A REPORT

You must let the regular teacher know how the day went; lessons, behavior, what you observed. Specifics are appreciated. Handwritten, typed, or emailed notes are acceptable. Be positive and "to the point" in your comments. You may want to include your telephone number or email address at this time. Let the teacher know you can be called or emailed directly with questions or to arrange future assignments.

#### CHECK OUT

 You must complete your final checkout at the office. Please return all the materials that were released to you. You may leave the building at 3:30 pm.

Substitute teaching is a very demanding job. We hope that this handbook provides the information you need to make your role with Wheatland Center School successful. We welcome all suggestions and comments in order to make us a better team.

Comments or suggestions can be made to:

Drew Halbesma – Principal

drew.halbesma@wcspk8.org or just stop on in to chat!

### Skyward Teacher Access Post Attendance

Login to Skyward Teacher access:

https://skyward.iscorp.com/scripts/wsisa.dll/WService=wseduwheatlandwi/seplog01.w

Click on Teacher Access. Then click the drop down for Post Daily Attendance.



#### Under attendance options click list by name.



#### Click to check the absent or present for student.



Alert Legend | Show Today's Attendance for All Periods | View Class Summary | Print Class Roster

Alerts	Student Indicators	Home Entity	<u>Last Name</u> ↑	First Middle	GR	Sch	Absent	Tardy	Present	Absent Count	Tardy Count
		100	ANDERSON	NOLAN	K	WCS					
		100	DALY	RILEY	K	WCS					
		100	DOWELL	LAYLA	K	WCS					
		100	GERE	JETTA R	K	WCS					
		100	HOVORKA	JAMES CHARLES	K	WCS					
		100	IDE	KEELY	K	WCS					
		100	JUERGENS	AARON S	K	WCS					
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# WHEATLAND CENTER SCHOOL SUBSTITUTE PROCEDURES

- 1. Sub begins work at 7:30 am and ends the day at 3:30 pm.
- 2. Student day begins at 8:00 am and ends at 3:25 pm.
- 3. Students can enter the building at 7:30 am and should report to one of the cafeterias for breakfast during that time. At 7:50 am, students can begin making their way to their Warhawk classroom.
- 4. Attendance should be entered into Skyward by 9:00 am or earlier.
- 5. When sending a student to the office, please send them with a pass that clearly states their reason for the office visit or call the main office (ext. 3905) and let the office know why the student is coming to the office.
- 6. Review the emergency guidelines posted in each room. Please know the procedures for lockdowns, fire drills and tornado drills.
- 7. Use a "student pass" when a student leaves the classroom.
- 8. If a parent is picking up a student, they must sign them out in the office, not at the classroom.
- 9. Please dress for inclement weather as you may have a recess supervision duty.
- 10. Please refrain from using your personal cell phones or electronic devices while students are present.
- 11. In dealing with disciplinary issues, if their was a "minor" violation of expectations with an individual student, please make sure that is reported in your end of day notes to the regular teacher. If there is a situation with a "major" violation occurs, please call the main office (ext. 3905) or Mr. Halbesma (ext. 3900) so that situation can we dealt with swiftly. In the case of a "major" violation, it is the substitute's responsibility to fill out a "Wheatland Discipline Notice" (Appendix). A copy can be found in this handbook as well as hard copies can be found in the office copy room.

#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS & EXTENSIONS**

MAIN OFFICE (Heather or Amanda) – ext. 3905 PRINCIPAL (Drew Halbesma) – ext. 3900 SPECIAL EDUCATION (Emily Lynd) – ext. 3916 NURSE (Kathy Trecker) – ext. 3919 TECHNOLOGY (Tom Hartley) – ext. 3928 HUMAN RESOURCES (Sue Reidenbach) – ext. 3902

# **Wheatland Discipline Notice**

This side to be filled out by Staff Member submitting notice.

Student Name:	Gr	ade Level:
Staff Member Referring:	Da	ate of Incident:
Minor Incident / Major Incident	Tiı	me:
LOCATION  Classroom Hallway Playground Gafeteria Gym Bathroom Library Bus Locker Room	OTHERS INVOLVED  None Peers Teacher Substitute Teacher Para-professional Bus Driver Staff Member Other	POSSIBLE MOTIVATION  Obtain Peer Attention  Avoid Tasks/Activities  Obtain Items/Activities  Obtain Adult Attention  Avoid Adult(s)  Avoid Peer(s)  Unknown  Other
☐ Special Event/Field Trip☐ Other		
<ul> <li>□ Abusive/Inappropriate Language</li> <li>□ Academic Dishonesty</li> <li>□ Alcohol/Drugs/Tobacco</li> <li>□ Bullying</li> <li>□ Dishonesty</li> <li>□ Disruptive Behavior</li> <li>□ Dress Code</li> </ul>	PROBLEM BEHAVIOR  ☐ Fighting ☐ Harassment ☐ Inappropriate Display of Affection ☐ Insubordination/Disrespect ☐ Physical Aggression ☐ Technology/Electronic ☐ Device Violation	<ul> <li>□ Theft</li> <li>□ Transportation Violation</li> <li>□ Vandalism/Property</li> <li>□ Damage</li> <li>□ Other: Please Specify</li> </ul>
	DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT	
Signature of Person Referring:		Date:

# **Wheatland Discipline Notice**

This side to be filled out by Administrator.

ACTION TAKEN/DATES	
Student Conference / Warning	Dates
☐ Recess Detention	
Lunch Detention	
Loss of Privilege	
In-School Suspension	
Loss of Electronic Device	
☐ Apology Letter	
☐ Parent Conference	
☐ Bus Suspension	
☐ Community Service	
Out-of-School Suspension	
☐ Action Pending	
☐ Other:	
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTES	
ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE:	DATE:
Administration Contacted Parent By: Phone E-Mail Left Messag	ge Meeting
Date:	Undeted Avenue 2017

# ABSENCE MANAGEMENT

# **Automated Substitute Calling System**

(Frontline Education . . . aka AESOP)



Website:	https://aesoponline.com/login2.asp
My ID:	
My Pin:	

# **PAY RATE**

All substitutes will receive \$130 for a full day and \$65 for a half day. All assignments will be either full day or half day assignments. During time periods in the day when you are not with students and you are prepped for the remaining periods, please contact the office to see if there is any additional assignment(s), which you need to cover or if there is work in the office that needs to be done.

# **PAY PERIODS**

If you substitute between the 1st and 15th of the month: pay is on the 30th of the month.

If you substitute between the 16th and end of the month: pay is on the 15th of the following month.

You will access payment information through Skyward. Your Skyward information will be given to you by Sue Reidenbach (Human Resources). All payments will be direct deposit.

# SUBSTITUTE SCHOOL DAY

7:30 AM - 3:30 PM

# TO BE COMPLETED BY SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Class Report for		(Teacher's Name)
Substitute Name:		
Date:	Phone or email:	
Student's Absent:		
Γhe class		
Γhe following students		
Assignments		
Comments		