

STUDENT TEACHERS

The Board of Education recognizes the importance of assisting the colleges and universities with their teacher training programs. The South Portland School Department shall cooperate insofar as it is possible, to provide student teachers with opportunities to work and train with fully certified and highly qualified professional teachers. In order to ensure that student teachers are afforded appropriate supervision to learn and grow as professionals, their employment as substitute teachers is discouraged.

Student teachers will be accepted under the following conditions:

1. The training college or university must properly submit all requests for student teacher placement to the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee.
2. Proper grade level or subject area positions must be available before student teachers can be assigned.
3. Students accepted will fulfill all obligations required by the college or university.
4. Students will abide by all rules and regulations in keeping with the Board's policies including the specific rules and regulations of the individual school and that of the supervising teacher.
5. Students accepted will strive to the best of their abilities to maintain the standards of the South Portland School System.

Adopted: Prior to 1985