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PROFESSIONAL STAFF SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Certain positions assigned to professional staff members may require extra responsibility or extra time beyond that required of all professional staff members. When the Board and administration determine the need, qualified staff selected for such positions are provided supplemental contracts and additional compensation.

The Board approves the positions and the compensation for these assignments. Supplemental contracts for such assignments are awarded by the Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Supplemental contracts are limited contracts given for terms not to exceed five years. Supplemental contracts expire automatically at the end of their terms, with or without Board action.

The Board directs the Superintendent/designee to identify those supplemental contract positions that supervise, direct or coach student activity programs that involve athletic, routine/regular physical activity or have health and safety considerations. Individuals accepting these contract positions must complete the requirements established by the Ohio Department of Education and State law.

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LEGAL REFS.: ORC 3313.53; 3313.539

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CROSS REFS.: GBQ, Criminal Records Check

GCB, Professional Staff Contracts and Compensation Plans

GCKA, Professional Staff Extra Duty

GDBB, Support Staff Pupil Activity Contracts IGD, Cocurricular and Extracurricular Activities

IGDJ, Interscholastic Athletics

CONTRACT REF.: Teachers' Negotiated Agreement

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NOTE: Concussion Management

House Bill 143 (effective April 23, 2012) added requirements to State law for concussion management in athletics. The specific requirements are outlined in Ohio Revised Code Section (RC) 3313.539. The law states that if districts are subject to the rules of an interscholastic athletic conference, they will be in compliance if the rules of the organization are substantially similar to that of State law. Districts who are part of the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) should already be implementing procedures that are similar to what is now in State law. If your district is not a member of OHSAA, or has sports that are not recognized as OHSAA sports, check with your regulatory organization to ensure compliance with State law.

OHSAA has already made a concerted effort to provide educational resources to member schools on concussion management. This information is outlined in the OHSAA Bylaws and sports regulations.

Specifically, OHSAA has adopted the following sports regulation:

"Any athlete who exhibits signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion (such as loss of consciousness, headache, dizziness, confusion or balance problems) shall be immediately removed from the contest and shall not return to play until cleared with written authorization by an appropriate health care professional." HB 487 (2014) amended the requirements for who can clear a student to return to practice or play, after the student was removed for exhibiting signs or symptoms of a concussion. The requirements are outlined in RC 3313.539.

In Ohio, an "appropriate health care professional" shall be a physician, as authorized under RC 4731 and includes both doctors of medicine (M.D.), doctors of osteopathy (D.O.) and an athletic trainer, licensed under RC 4755.

OHSAA has further defined parameters to guide OHSAA licensed officials, medical personnel and member schools in implementing these guidelines. Information is provided by OHSAA on recognizing signs and symptoms consistent with a concussion. Specific guidelines and expectations for coaches, officials, and students for concussion management are outlined in the OHSAA general sports regulations. Details are additionally outlined in these regulations for when athletes can be returned to play and who is able to decide whether a student is fit to return to practice or competition.

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HB 143 amended the requirements for the issuing or renewal of a pupil-activity program permit to coach interscholastic athletics. These permits are issued by the Ohio Department of Education. To receive a first time permit, each individual must successfully complete a training program that is specifically focused on brain trauma and brain injury management. To renew a permit, individuals must present evidence that they have successfully completed a training program in recognizing the symptoms of concussions and head injuries within the previous three years.

OHSAA has a Web page dedicated to sports safety, which includes links to concussion resources. Visit www.ohsaa.org/medicine/sportssafety.htm for more information.

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