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Lampasas Independent School District

Welcome to Lampasas ISD. We appreciate your service to the students of Lampasas ISD. Please refer to the handbook for additional information regarding the substituting process.

Questions concerning substitutes should be directed to the Human Resources office at 207 W. 8th Street, or by telephone at 512-564-2848.

Substitute Application Process

Lampasas ISD uses ReadySub, an online system that sends substitute job notifications by email. Due to viruses and spam, Lampasas ISD blocks Yahoo and AOL e-mail accounts. Please provide an e-mail address other than Yahoo or AOL. Any e-mail sent from Yahoo or AOL address will not be received by the district.

Please read all instructions on this page.

- ❖ Contact from Human Resources throughout the process below will be via e-mail.
- ❖ Please be sure to check the Spam/Junk folder of your e-mail throughout the process.
- ❖ The entire process, from packet submission to activation as a substitute, could take 2-4 weeks to complete.

**Substitute applications are accepted
Mondays – Thursdays, from 9AM – 4PM**

- If you *have not* been fingerprinted for a school system in Texas, you will need to be fingerprinted. Lampasas ISD will initiate this process with the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and you will receive a link e-mailed to you, to schedule your fingerprint appointment. This is a national background check. *Fingerprinting previously done for an entity other than a Texas school system (such as daycare, real estate license, license to carry, etc.) are not accepted by the Texas Education Agency.*
 - If you *have* been fingerprinted for a school system in Texas, you will not need to be again.
- Complete all forms in the Substitute Application packet and submit the packet **in person** to the Human Resources office. *The Cover Letter, Peanut/Tree Nut, Bloodborne Pathogens handouts, and Substitute Handbook are for your reference, please keep these handouts for your records.*
 - Include a copy of your highest form of education. *GED, high school diploma, unofficial transcript, or teaching certificate.*
 - I-9 Employment Eligibility Verification
 - Complete Page 1 only. Do not fill out Page 2 in any way.*
 - Bring original forms of identification as required for I-9. *We must see the original forms of ID and cannot accept a copy. An official list of all accepted forms of ID is included with the I-9. This list specifies what forms of ID we can accept, and in what combination. Please read it carefully.*
- Once all above items have been completed and processed, Human Resources will notify you to complete the safety training below and to set up an appointment with Payroll.
 - Complete the interactive online Safety Training located at: www.lisdtx.org → Staff Resources → Staff Training → SafeSchool Training – login is last name first initial or last name first two initials

If you are unable to access, e-mail Barby Roberts at robertsb@lisdtx.org. HR will be notified when complete.

After all information above has been submitted, reviewed, and approved, you will be notified by Human Resources via email with the final step to be activated as a substitute.



Lampasas ISD Peanut/Tree Nut Safe Campus



Lampasas ISD is a Peanut/Tree Nut Safe Campus. We have numerous students on each campus with life threatening allergies to peanuts and/or tree nuts. In order to provide a safe setting for these students, LISD discourages peanut/tree nut consumption on school grounds. Tree nuts include almonds, pecans, walnuts, cashews, pine nuts, etc.

What does it mean if a child is allergic to nuts?

An allergy to tree nuts can be life threatening. A food allergy is a disease not a choice. Some children with a peanut/tree nut allergy can't eat, smell, or come into contact with any nut products. It is more than just not liking nuts. If a child with a severe allergy accidentally comes in contact with a nut, then they could break out in a rash, having swelling of the face and airways, or could stop breathing. In extreme cases and without medical care, a severe food allergy can be deadly.

What is a Peanut/Tree Nut Safe Campus and how can I help?

Lampasas ISD wants to provide a safe place for all students to go to school. We have made the following changes to keep students with a peanut/tree nut allergy safe.

- Make sure you ask the teacher you are substituting for if any students in the class have a severe food allergy.
- No peanut or tree nut products are served in the cafeteria
- **Everyone** is encouraged to pack peanut/tree nut free snacks and lunches. This includes peanut butter sandwiches, peanut butter crackers, peanuts, almonds, pecans, etc. **If you must bring a nut product to school for lunch or snack, please let your campus nurse know so a plan can be implemented to keep others safe.**
- If you eat a nut product, please brush your teeth and wash your hands so you do not endanger students with a severe allergy.
- Do not bring food to share with students in a classroom. Enforce the no eating or drinking policy in the classroom to keep students safe. Exceptions should be made for students with an Individual Health Plan or Individual Education Plan that allows for food or drinks.
- If you are making food for a school party, please remember the peanut/tree nut policy and leave those items off your food choices.
- Wash your hands after you eat meals and snacks.
- Food allergies are serious. Say “no” to teasing, negative comments, and tricks.



Do you have a relative who works for Lampasas ISD or who serves on the School Board? Yes No

If yes, please provide the relative's name and relationship:

Can you perform all the essential job function(s) of the position(s) for which you are applying, with or without reasonable accommodation? YES NO

List any accommodations:

Are you eligible to work in the United States? YES NO

Please note: Applicants are not obligated to disclose sealed or expunged records of conviction or arrest.

Have you ever been arrested, charged or convicted of a criminal offense other than a minor traffic violation? YES NO

If yes, explain, giving dates: _____

Please note: A conviction will not necessarily bar you from employment. Facts, such as date of occurrence and rehabilitation will be considered. This information will be used only for job-related purposes and only to the extent permitted by applicable law.

Have you ever had any indicated finding of child abuse filed in your name? YES NO

If yes, explain, giving dates: _____

Does your name appear on any Sex Offender Database in any state or country? YES NO

CERTIFICATION & ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I certify that all of the information submitted by me on this application is true and complete, and I understand that if any false information, omissions, or misrepresentations are discovered, my application may be rejected and, if I have already been employed, may be grounds for immediate termination. I authorize the references listed above to give you any and all information concerning my previous employment and any pertinent information they may have, personal or otherwise, and release all such parties from liability for any damage that may result from furnishing the same to you. I understand that the district is required by Texas Education Code to review criminal history of applicants.

Educators with TEA Certification

Pursuant to Texas Education Code 21.048(c-1), the results of the certification examinations in the Educator Certification Online System (ECOS) are confidential. I agree to allow Lampasas ISD to view my credentials for the purpose of certification and highly qualified determination if applicable for my position.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

SOCIAL SECURITY # _____

This application becomes the property of the district. The district reserves the right to accept or reject it. This application shall be considered active for twelve (12) months. If you have not received a response during this time period, you may reapply or reactivate your application.

Equal Opportunity Employer Lampasas Independent School District is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, gender, age, national origin, disability, military status, genetic information, or on any other basis prohibited by law.

The district Title IX Coordinator is the Assistant Superintendent, 207 W. 8th Street, Lampasas, TX 76550, 512-556-6224.

THIS FORM IS NOT TO BE USED AS A CONSENT/AUTHORIZATION FORM.

Agency to retain this CCH Verification Form for DPS auditing purposes.

DPS Computerized Criminal History (CCH) Verification Form

Section 1: Applicant must acknowledge the information in Section 1. Signature & date required.

Applicant Name (Print):

I acknowledge that a Computerized Criminal History (CCH) check may be performed by accessing the Texas Department of Public Safety Secure Website and may be based on name and DOB identifiers. Authority for this agency to access an individual's criminal history data may be found in Texas Government Code 411, Subchapter F <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/>.

Name-based information is not an exact search and only fingerprint record searches represent true identification to criminal history record information (CHRI), therefore the organization conducting the criminal history check is **not** allowed to discuss with me any CHRI obtained using the name and DOB method.

Optional Only: If the agency directly requests that I also have a fingerprint search performed to clear any misidentification based on the result of the name and DOB search, I can make an appointment with the Fingerprint Applicant Services of Texas (FAST) by visiting the [Crime Records General Information | DPS \(texas.gov\)](#) *Review of Personal Criminal History* or call the DPS Program Vendor at 1-888-467-2080, submit a full and complete set of fingerprints, request a copy be sent to the agency listed below, and pay a fee of \$25.00 to the fingerprinting services company. Once this process is completed the information on my fingerprint criminal history record may be discussed with me.

Applicant Signature:

Date:

Sign and date to acknowledge the statement above.

Section 2: Agency use only. Must be completed by authorized personnel conducting search.

Agency Name:

Authorized Searcher:

Signature of Authorized Searcher:

Date of Search:

Section 3: Agency use only. Name Based CHRI /CCH Tracking information. Check all that apply.

Purpose for CHRI Search.	<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Is any part of CHRI stored by agency?	Reminder: DPS does not recommend storing any part of CHRI. <input type="checkbox"/> NO, CHRI is not stored by agency. <input type="checkbox"/> YES, CHRI is stored by agency.
CHRI Retention Period	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporarily Only <input type="checkbox"/> Annual <input type="checkbox"/> None Stored/Saved <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
CHRI Storage Method	<input type="checkbox"/> Physical/Printed (paper copy) <input type="checkbox"/> Digital/Electronic (on device/computer)
CHRI Retention Purpose	Explain:
Date CHRI Destroyed	Reminder: CHRI must be destroyed after authorized purpose has ended.
Destruction Method	Explain:

[CHRI + Audit Resources \(CJIS Launch Pad\) link](#)

Lampasas Independent School District

Criminal History Release Form

Confidential

The Lampasas Independent School District is required by state law to obtain criminal history record information on all applicants for employment with the district (Texas Education Code 22.083). Your application for employment will not be considered complete unless the school district has been provided the information requested below. Applicants may be required to obtain and pay for fingerprinting.

I understand the information I am providing about age, sex and ethnicity will not be used to determine eligibility for employment. I have read and understand the proceeding. I do hereby authorize the Lampasas Independent School District to have complete access to any and all criminal history record information pertaining to me, and I hereby grant permission for the proper law enforcement agencies to release all said criminal history information to the Lampasas Independent School District.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name _____
Last First Middle

List any other names you have had _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Social Security Number _____

Driver License State _____ Driver License Number _____

Date of Birth _____ Male _____ Female _____

Ethnicity _____ White
_____ Black
_____ Other

Signature of Applicant Date

Please complete both sides of this form.

This form will be removed from the application and filed separately in the human resource office.



Employment Eligibility Verification

Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

USCIS
Form I-9

OMB No.1615-0047
Expires 05/31/2027

START HERE: Employers must ensure the form instructions are available to employees when completing this form. Employers are liable for failing to comply with the requirements for completing this form. See below and the [Instructions](#).

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION NOTICE: All employees can choose which acceptable documentation to present for Form I-9. Employers cannot ask employees for documentation to verify information in **Section 1**, or specify which acceptable documentation employees must present for **Section 2** or Supplement B, Reverification and Rehire. Treating employees differently based on their citizenship, immigration status, or national origin may be illegal.

Section 1. Employee Information and Attestation: Employees must complete and sign Section 1 of Form I-9 no later than the **first day of employment**, but not before accepting a job offer.

Last Name (Family Name)		First Name (Given Name)		Middle Initial (if any)	Other Last Names Used (if any)	
Address (Street Number and Name)			Apt. Number (if any)	City or Town		State ZIP Code
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	U.S. Social Security Number		Employee's Email Address			Employee's Telephone Number
I am aware that federal law provides for imprisonment and/or fines for false statements, or the use of false documents, in connection with the completion of this form. I attest, under penalty of perjury, that this information, including my selection of the box attesting to my citizenship or immigration status, is true and correct.	Check one of the following boxes to attest to your citizenship or immigration status (See page 2 and 3 of the instructions.):					
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1. A citizen of the United States					
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2. A noncitizen national of the United States (See Instructions.)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3. A lawful permanent resident (Enter USCIS or A-Number.)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> 4. An alien authorized to work until (exp. date, if any)					
If you check Item Number 4. , enter one of these:						
USCIS A-Number		OR	Form I-94 Admission Number		OR	Foreign Passport Number and Country of Issuance
Signature of Employee					Today's Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	

If a preparer and/or translator assisted you in completing Section 1, that person **MUST** complete the [Preparer and/or Translator Certification](#) on Page 3.

Section 2. Employer Review and Verification: Employers or their authorized representative must complete and sign **Section 2** within three business days after the employee's first day of employment, and must physically examine, or examine consistent with an alternative procedure authorized by the Secretary of DHS, documentation from List A OR a combination of documentation from List B and List C. Enter any additional documentation in the Additional Information box; see Instructions.

	List A	OR	List B	AND	List C
Document Title 1					
Issuing Authority					
Document Number (if any)					
Expiration Date (if any)					
Document Title 2 (if any)	Additional Information				
Issuing Authority					
Document Number (if any)					
Expiration Date (if any)					
Document Title 3 (if any)	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you used an alternative procedure authorized by DHS to examine documents.				
Issuing Authority					
Document Number (if any)					
Expiration Date (if any)					

Certification: I attest, under penalty of perjury, that (1) I have examined the documentation presented by the above-named employee, (2) the above-listed documentation appears to be genuine and to relate to the employee named, and (3) to the best of my knowledge, the employee is authorized to work in the United States.

Last Name, First Name and Title of Employer or Authorized Representative		Signature of Employer or Authorized Representative		Today's Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
Morphis, Terry HR Secretary				
Employer's Business or Organization Name		Employer's Business or Organization Address, City or Town, State, ZIP Code		
Lampasas ISD		207 W. 8th Street Lampasas, Tx 76550		

For reverification or rehire, complete [Supplement B, Reverification and Rehire](#) on Page 4.

LISTS OF ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS

All documents containing an expiration date must be unexpired.

* Documents extended by the issuing authority are considered unexpired.

Employees may present one selection from List A or a combination of one selection from List B and one selection from List C.

Examples of many of these documents appear in the Handbook for Employers (M-274).

LIST A Documents that Establish Both Identity and Employment Authorization	OR	LIST B Documents that Establish Identity	AND	LIST C Documents that Establish Employment Authorization
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport Card 2. Permanent Resident Card or Alien Registration Receipt Card (Form I-551) 3. Foreign passport that contains a temporary I-551 stamp or temporary I-551 printed notation on a machine-readable immigrant visa 4. Employment Authorization Document that contains a photograph (Form I-766) 5. For an individual temporarily authorized to work for a specific employer because of his or her status or parole: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Foreign passport; and b. Form I-94 or Form I-94A that has the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The same name as the passport; and (2) An endorsement of the individual's status or parole as long as that period of endorsement has not yet expired and the proposed employment is not in conflict with any restrictions or limitations identified on the form. 6. Passport from the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) or the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) with Form I-94 or Form I-94A indicating nonimmigrant admission under the Compact of Free Association Between the United States and the FSM or RMI 	OR	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Driver's license or ID card issued by a State or outlying possession of the United States provided it contains a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, sex, height, eye color, and address 2. ID card issued by federal, state or local government agencies or entities, provided it contains a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, sex, height, eye color, and address 3. School ID card with a photograph 4. Voter's registration card 5. U.S. Military card or draft record 6. Military dependent's ID card 7. U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Card 8. Native American tribal document 9. Driver's license issued by a Canadian government authority <li style="text-align: center;">For persons under age 18 who are unable to present a document listed above: 10. School record or report card 11. Clinic, doctor, or hospital record 12. Day-care or nursery school record 	AND	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Social Security Account Number card, unless the card includes one of the following restrictions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) NOT VALID FOR EMPLOYMENT (2) VALID FOR WORK ONLY WITH INS AUTHORIZATION (3) VALID FOR WORK ONLY WITH DHS AUTHORIZATION 2. Certification of report of birth issued by the Department of State (Forms DS-1350, FS-545, FS-240) 3. Original or certified copy of birth certificate issued by a State, county, municipal authority, or territory of the United States bearing an official seal 4. Native American tribal document 5. U.S. Citizen ID Card (Form I-197) 6. Identification Card for Use of Resident Citizen in the United States (Form I-179) 7. Employment authorization document issued by the Department of Homeland Security <p style="margin-left: 20px;">For examples, see Section 7 and Section 13 of the M-274 on uscis.gov/i-9-central.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">The Form I-766, Employment Authorization Document, is a List A, Item Number 4, document, not a List C document.</p>

Acceptable Receipts

May be presented in lieu of a document listed above for a temporary period.

For receipt validity dates, see the M-274.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receipt for a replacement of a lost, stolen, or damaged List A document. • Form I-94 issued to a lawful permanent resident that contains an I-551 stamp and a photograph of the individual. • Form I-94 with "RE" notation or refugee stamp issued to a refugee. 	OR	<p>Receipt for a replacement of a lost, stolen, or damaged List B document.</p>		<p>Receipt for a replacement of a lost, stolen, or damaged List C document.</p>
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*Refer to the Employment Authorization Extensions page on [I-9 Central](#) for more information.

**Texas Education Agency
Texas Public School Student/Staff Ethnicity and Race Data Questionnaire**

The United States Department of Education (USDE) requires all state and local education institutions to collect data on ethnicity and race for students and staff. This information is used for state and federal accountability reporting as well as for reporting to the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC).

School district staff and parents or guardians of students enrolling in school are requested to provide this information. If you decline to provide this information, please be aware that the USDE requires school districts to use observer identification as a last resort for collecting the data for federal reporting.

Please answer both parts of the following questions on the student's or staff member's ethnicity and race. *United States Federal Register (71 FR 44866)*

Part 1. Ethnicity: Is the person Hispanic/Latino? (Choose only one)

- Hispanic/Latino** - A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- Not Hispanic/Latino**

Part 2. Race: What is the person's race? (Choose one or more)

- American Indian or Alaska Native** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains a tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- Asian** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- Black or African American** - A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- White** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Student/Staff Name (please print)

(Parent/Guardian)/(Staff) Signature

Student/Staff Identification Number

Date

This space reserved for Local school observer – upon completion and entering data in student software system, file this form in student's permanent folder.

Ethnicity – choose only one:

_____ Hispanic / Latino

_____ Not Hispanic/Latino

Race – choose one or more:

_____ American Indian or Alaska Native

_____ Asian

_____ Black or African American

_____ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

_____ White

Observer signature:

Campus and Date:



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Lampasas Independent School District

Acknowledgement of Confidentiality Procedures

As an employee or volunteer of Lampasas ISD, I understand that I may have access to confidential information about students, students' families, and staff. My signature below recognizes and acknowledges that confidential information is to be treated as such as required by board policy, state, and federal law. Any disclosure of confidential information will be made in accordance with applicable board policy and law.

Among the most critical information is documentation related to employee's Personally-Identifiable Information (PII) such as health, benefits, financial, family members, or other personal information. Violators will be subject to discipline, employment termination, and/or may be reported to the appropriate legal authorities. Violations of some protected information, such as health or medical information, is also protected by federal laws, such as HIPPA.

By signing below, I am indicating my understanding of my responsibilities to maintain confidential information and agree to the following:

1. I understand that unless my specific role requires the disclosure of confidential information or the viewing of confidential records, no discussion of confidential information will occur in or out of the workplace.
2. I agree that all discussions, records, and information generated or maintained in connection with my duties will not be disclosed to any unauthorized personnel. Unauthorized personnel includes anyone who does not have an educational or reasonable need to know the information.
3. I understand that any confidential discussion, records, and written information generated or maintained in connection with my duties as a substitute will be maintained in private in a location where other staff, students, parents or the community at large does not have open access to hearing or viewing. The work area should be reviewed at the end of each workday before leaving to ensure that all confidential information has been properly secured.
4. I agree to notify my assigned administrator immediately should I become aware of a breach of the confidentiality of any student or staff member, whether this be on my part or on the part of another person.
5. I understand that a breach of these confidentiality procedures may be grounds for disciplinary action including but not limited to: verbal reprimand, written reprimand, suspension from my duties as determined appropriate and/or termination.
6. I accept the above directives and expectations of Lampasas ISD and will take all steps necessary to ensure that the confidentiality of all district records is maintained.

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

Please complete both sides of this form.

Employee Handbook Receipt

The LISD Employee Handbook is available on the school district's web-site, www.lisdtx.org. A printed copy is available in the Human Resources office. I agree to read the handbook and to abide by the standards, policies, and procedures defined or referenced in the handbook for Lampasas Independent School District. The information in this handbook is subject to change. I understand that changes in the district policies may supersede, modify, or render obsolete the information summarized in the handbook. As the district provides updated policy information, I accept responsibility for reading and abiding by the changes. I understand that no modifications to contractual relationships or alterations of at-will employment relationships are intended by this handbook.

I understand that I have an obligation to update any changes in personal information such as phone number, address, etc. through Employee Access. I also accept responsibility for contacting my supervisor or the human resource office if I have any questions or concerns and need further explanation.

Non-School Employment

Employees are required to disclose in writing to their immediate supervisor any outside employment that may create a potential conflict of interest with their assigned duties and responsibilities or the best interest of the district. This includes any private tutoring of district students for pay.

Affordable Care Act

As of January 1, 2014, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) requires you to have health insurance for yourself and your dependents. Signing below states that you have reviewed the "Notice to Employees – Requirements of the Affordable Care Act" document available on the district website under Departments → Finance → Payroll / Benefits → Health Insurance, or contact the Payroll department with any questions.

Electronic Communications System

The Responsible Use Policy is located in the Employee Handbook. Each staff member is responsible for reviewing the Responsible Use Policy every fiscal year. District computer use is not private and the District will monitor activity on the computer system. Staff shall be authorized to access the district's system(s) for job-related purposes only. Use of the system(s) for personal reasons or benefit will result in disciplinary action, up to and including employment termination.

Assignment of Access and Passwords - Access to data systems shall be based on the specific job duties and responsibilities of each staff member. Each staff member shall be responsible for securing their assigned (selected) password. At no time shall passwords be shared with others or posted in visible locations within the staff member's work space. Each staff member shall take appropriate steps to ensure that their respective computer system is managed in a controlled environment to prevent unauthorized access. At no time (including lunch breaks) shall a computer system be logged on to a system while unattended by the respective staff member. All computer systems shall revert to a screen lock after 30 minutes of nonuse. Violators shall be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to employment termination.

Revoking Access - Access to data systems are subject to change and/or revocation when changes occur to a staff member's position, duties or responsibilities. Access to data systems are also subject to revocation when a staff member violates the Responsible Use Policy.

By signing below, I am indicating that I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the provisions of the R.U.P. policy and all applicable sections referenced. In consideration for the privilege of using the District's Electronic Communications System, and in consideration for having access to the public networks, I hereby release the District, its operators, and any institutions with which they are affiliated from any and all claims and damages of any nature arising from my use of, or inability to use, the system, including, without limitation, the type of damages identified in the District's policy and administrative regulations.

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Pursuant to Texas Education Code 21.048(c-1), the results of certification examinations in the Education Certification Online System (ECOS) are confidential. I agree to allow Lampasas ISD to view my credentials for the purpose of certification and highly qualified determination if applicable for my position.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please complete both sides of this form.



MEMORANDUM

TO: New Employee/Substitute
SUBJECT: **Letter of Reasonable Assurance**
DATE: 2026-27 School Year

This letter provides notice of reasonable assurance of continued employment with the district when each school term resumes after a scheduled school break. By virtue of this notice, please understand that you may not be eligible for unemployment insurance benefits drawn on school district wages during any scheduled school breaks including, but not limited to, the summer, winter, and spring breaks. This assurance is contingent upon continued school operations and will not apply in the event of any disruption that is beyond the control of the district (e.g., lack of school funding, natural disasters, court orders, public insurrections, war, etc.).

This is not an employment contract. Your continued employment is on an at-will basis. Employers may terminate at-will employees at any time for any reason or for no reason, except for legally impermissible reasons. At-will employees are free to resign at any time for any reason or for no reason. At-will employees shall be subject to assignment, reassignment, or reclassification at any time during employment.

Your services on behalf of the students of the district are appreciated, and we hope that you will be able to continue your association with the district.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Whitney Walker".

Whitney Walker
Director of Human Resources

Name (Print)

Signature

Date

PRE-EMPLOYMENT OR PRE-SERVICE AFFIDAVIT FOR EDUCATIONAL ENTITIES

Pursuant to Texas Education Code (TEC) §22A.055, a person applying for employment with or who will act as a service provider for an educational entity (school district, district of innovation, open- enrollment charter school, other charter entity, regional education service center, or shared services arrangement) **must** submit, using a form adopted by the agency, a pre-employment or pre-service affidavit.

Section 1 - Penalties for Failure to Disclose Required Information

A person commits an offense, a Class B misdemeanor, if the person fails to disclose information required to be disclosed under TEC §22A.055. Additionally, a determination that an employee or person providing services failed to disclose information required to be disclosed by a person under TEC §22A.055 is grounds for termination of employment or service.

Section 2 – Disclosure of Work History and Consent for Release of Records

<p>Have you previously been employed by or acted as a service provider, or are you currently employed by or acting as a service provider for a public or private school?</p>	<p>Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Do you consent for release of your prior employment records?</p> <p><i>Pursuant to TEC §22A.055, a person applying for employment with or who will act as a service provider for an educational entity must consent for release of the person's employment records.</i></p>	<p>Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>

Section 3 – Disclosure of Investigation or Placement on the Do Not Hire Registry

<p>Have you ever been terminated, non-renewed, or discharged from a public or private school?</p>	<p>Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Have you ever resigned, in lieu of being terminated or discharged, from a public or private school?</p>	<p>Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>

<p>Have you ever been investigated by a law enforcement or child protective services agency for, or charged with, adjudicated for, or convicted of, an offense involving the following conduct described by TEC §22A.051(a)(2)(A), (B), (C), or (D) ?:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • abused or otherwise committed an unlawful act with a student or minor, including by engaging in conduct that involves physical mistreatment or constitutes a threat of violence to a student or minor and that is not justified under Chapter 9, Penal Code, regardless of whether the conduct resulted in bodily injury; • was involved in or solicited a romantic relationship with or solicited or engaged in sexual contact with a student or minor; • engaged in inappropriate communications with a student or minor, as defined by board rule; • failed to maintain appropriate boundaries with a student or minor, as defined by board rule; <p><i>Adjudication and conviction refer to a conviction, plea of guilty or no contest (nolo contendere), probation, suspension, or deferred adjudication.</i></p> <p><i>Charge refers to a formal criminal charge as documented by a primary charging instrument (a complaint, information, or indictment) under the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.</i></p>	<p>Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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<p>If you answered YES to any question in this section, disclose all relevant facts known to you pertaining to the matter, including, if applicable to the action, whether the allegation was determined to be true or false.</p>	

Section 3 – Declaration of Applicant

Name (First, Middle, Last)

Date of Birth

Address (House/Unit # and Street Name)

Address (City, State, Zip Code)

County

Signature

Date Signed

LISD Substitute Acknowledgment

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Please read and initial beside each question.

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Work Area Restrictions: Minimize splashing as much as possible. Do not eat, drink, put in contacts, or apply cosmetics or lip balms in areas with possible exposure.

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- Plumbers and Building Maintenance employees who work in areas of waste products which can be contaminated by blood or other potentially infectious body fluids
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- School Resource Officers that deal with injury related emergencies and behavior that may cause exposure to blood or OPIM
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- Secretaries, office aides or designated person to cover the health clinic when health services personnel are unavailable
- The job descriptions for the above-named employees present potential occupational exposure risks to blood borne pathogens or OPIM. This list is inclusive, but not limited to the employees identified above



Lamparas
Independent School District

**SUBSTITUTE
HANDBOOK**

**FOR TEACHERS, TEACHING
ASSISTANTS, AND CLERICAL**

FOREWORD

Welcome to Lampasas ISD. Badger Pride runs deep throughout Lampasas and Lampasas County. We recognize the strong community support for the school district and understand the important role we play in the everyday lives of our students, parents, staff and community.

We appreciate the substitutes in our schools for the support in maintaining the educational programs of the district and the service to the students of Lampasas ISD.

This guide will provide assistance in defining areas of responsibility and will serve as a valuable reference. This guide does not encompass the entire scope of duty of the substitute, nor does it address every question. It is important to remember that the welfare of all students should be of utmost importance at all times.

Questions concerning substitutes should be directed to the Human Resources office at 207 W. 8th Street.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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(512) 564-2314

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Principal – Lindsay Duhon
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Lampasas Middle School (Grades 6-8)
Principal – Wes Graham
Secretary – Iva Nuckles
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Kline Whitis Elementary (Grades PreK-5)
Principal – Leanne Bobo
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Taylor Creek Elementary (Grades PreK-5)
Principal – Mark Sheppard
Secretary – Tanja Blackwell
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PROFESSIONAL ETHICS OF THE SUBSTITUTE

The substitute shall endeavor to exhibit a positive role in school and public relations.

When serving in an assignment, the substitute must remember that substituting is a position of public trust. *Confidential information concerning individual students/schools must not be discussed.*

Criticism of students, school personnel and school policies should only be made to the principal of that campus in a professional manner.

Do not use your association with the school to inquire about your own or other children.

Substitutes should not have social media contact, communicate electronically, or share a personal phone number with a student at any time.

It is the responsibility of the substitute to read the Substitute Handbook and to be fully informed of the policies contained therein.

GENERAL INFORMATION

District Policies – It is important that all substitutes have access to current policies. Employment policies as well as all other district policies are available on the LISD website at <http://www.lisdtx.org>

Dress Code – The substitute’s appearance should reflect professionalism and good taste. The dress and grooming of substitutes shall be clean, neat, and in a manner appropriate for their assignments.

Change in Status – Any change in address, telephone number, email address or educational status should be reported to the Human Resources office. Name changes require a copy of the Social Security card.

Accepting a Substitute Assignment – All substitute assignments will be listed on the ReadySub website. Substitutes may access available assignments as soon as a request is posted. Check page 7 of your ReadySub Substitute User Guide for detailed instructions to access ReadySub. If you are not receiving notifications, check your notification preferences in ReadySub and your email Junk/Spam/Clutter folder.

It is good practice to regularly check for open jobs. Check for announcements and new information. Keep your contact information up to date. Good communication depends on having a valid email address.

Please note: To help reduce cyber threats through email, LISD has blocked all Yahoo and AOL email. Any email sent to LISD from a Yahoo or AOL email address will not be received in the Human Resources department and will not work with ReadySub.

Canceling a Substitute Assignment – If a substitute accepts an assignment and later is unable to fulfill it, they **must** cancel the job in ReadySub as soon as possible, so the assignment will show available again in ReadySub and another substitute may fill it. Only accept assignments you know you can fill. Quickly accepting assignments and then cancelling them may affect how often you are requested.

Hours of Duty – Assignments in ReadySub will list the time to report to the respective campus and whether the assignment is for a full or half-day. Half-day assignments are considered to be four consecutive hours and may occur any time throughout the day. Half-day assignments will be paid half of the full day rate. If a substitute leaves campus, she/he should report to the secretary in the main office before leaving and when returning.

Instructional times vary slightly between campuses but are generally 7:55am – 3:30pm. Substitutes should arrive on campus 30 minutes before the beginning of instruction.

If the employee you are substituting for has an assigned duty, the substitute is responsible for that duty, i.e. before or after school, lunch, and bus duty.

Substitute Sign-In and Sign-Out Requirements – At the beginning of each substitute teaching day, the substitute must go to the school office and sign in. Make sure the administrative staff is aware of your arrival and departure.

Please remember that if you are being paid as a full-day substitute, you are to be available to substitute for the complete day. During conference periods, substitutes will need to check in with the secretary to see if there are other positions that need to be filled. Substitutes will be allotted the same lunch time as their assigned teacher.

Failure to sign the substitute time sheet or any other paperwork for LISD with your name as shown on your social security card could complicate and delay the substitute's paycheck.

Payment for Services – All teacher substitutes, certified and non-certified, earn \$110 per day. Substitutes are paid semi-monthly.

Substitutes do not receive benefits and do not pay into the Teacher Retirement System. Instead, Social Security is deducted from all substitute checks. (If you are retired and receiving a monthly annuity check from a retirement system, you are not required to make contributions into Social Security. Exemption form is available from the Payroll department.)

Employee Access – Employee Access is available to all active employees of the district including substitutes. Employee Access allows you to view your pay stub, W-2, and much more. Please allow two weeks after paperwork and fingerprinting is complete with HR before accessing this information.

User ID: lastnamefirstinitial
 Password: MMDDYYYY (birth date)
 (Do NOT click on forgot your login password)

The instruction manual is available on the district website under District > Staff Resources. For your own security, do NOT share your password. If you have any questions or if your user id or password does not work, please contact the payroll department at 512-556-6224 or email buntingw@lisdtx.org

Network Access – Teacher Substitutes will need to contact the campus secretary to get a username and password for access to the school network.

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Equal Opportunity and Nondiscrimination – Lampasas ISD is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, gender, age, national origin, disability, military status, genetic information, or on any other basis prohibited by law.

Annual Renewal Process for Returning Substitutes – Substitutes are required to be renewed annually. Renewal forms will be mailed to substitutes in May of each year. Those interested in returning for the following school year must submit these forms to the Human Resources department in order to be renewed.

If you do not return these forms by the deadline, you may be required to re-apply for substitute employment.

CAMPUS RULES AND REGULATIONS

Phones – The use of cell phones in the classroom is strictly prohibited while students are in the classroom.

Smoking – Lampasas Independent School District is a smoke free/tobacco free school district. It is a violation of district policy for anyone including staff or students to smoke, vape, or dip on Lampasas ISD property.

Drugs – The district prohibits the unlawful distribution, possession, or use of illicit drugs and alcohol on school premises or as part of any district activity. Employees who violate this prohibition shall be subject to disciplinary sanctions. Such sanctions may include referral to drug and alcohol counseling or rehabilitation programs or employee assistance programs, termination from employment with the district, and referral to appropriate law enforcement officials for prosecution.

Name Tags – School campuses require substitutes to wear name tags. This regulation must be followed if you plan to continue as a substitute. Substitute name tags will be issued by the Campus office. You **must** have your name tag visible at all times while you are on campus performing duties for the district.

Parking – Substitutes may need to check with the staff on each campus regarding the appropriate place to park while substitute teaching. In most cases, substitute teachers are allowed to park in the faculty parking area on each campus.

Videos – Substitutes are not allowed to bring videos to the school without approval by the principal. ALL VIDEOS THAT ARE SHOWN AT SCHOOL MUST BE APPROVED BY THE CAMPUS PRINCIPAL.

Computers – Computers are for school use only; no personal use of computers is allowed. Personal tablets, e-readers, and other hand-held computer devices should not be used while substituting.

Books/Novels – While performing duties as a substitute for Lampasas ISD, you should refrain from reading personal novels or books. Reading books from the teacher's classroom library to the students is acceptable.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SUBSTITUTE

General Responsibilities – Arrive promptly at the assigned time and location to receive necessary directions and to assemble materials needed for the day.

Report directly to the main office for instructions regarding classroom responsibilities and duties for each day.

Complete the time sheet. This will ensure proper reporting to the district payroll department of the days employed.

If you must drop a job, give at least 24 hour notice and note the reason in ReadySub.

Check the regular teacher's mailbox for notices or communications.

Perform any special duties assigned to the classroom teacher.

Requests for information on a student or the release of a student from class must be directed to the main office.

Before leaving the campus, notify the school office. If any serious problems have taken place during the day, please leave the information in a note to the teacher and notify the main office. This is good protection for the substitute, the school, and the district.

Instructional Responsibilities – Assume the same responsibilities as a regular classroom teacher for students, equipment, and other assigned materials.

Follow the lesson plans provided by the teacher and maintain the regular routine of the class. IF time permits, the substitute's own innovations may SUPPLEMENT the daily program. You will need to grade written assignments IF requested by the regular classroom teacher. Graded assignments should be left for the regular teacher to review and record.

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Notify a neighboring teacher if assistance is needed from the principal's office when you cannot reach the main office by phone. **AT NO TIME SHOULD A CLASS BE UNATTENDED.**

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MANAGING CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR

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- * Get to know students' names.
- * Introduce yourself to the students. Be sure they know your name.
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