SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Substitute teachers must

- be at least 18 years old;
- hold a high school diploma or have passed a high school equivalency examination approved by the Board of Education;
- pass a criminal background check;
- pass a Department of Social Services Central Registry check; and
- pass a tuberculosis (TB) screening.

The Westmoreland County School Board seeks to employ substitute teachers, especially those engaged as long-term substitutes, who exceed these requirements.

A substitute teacher, as used in this policy, is (i) one who is employed to substitute for a contracted teacher for a temporary period of time during the contracted teacher's absence, or (ii) one who is employed to fill a teacher vacancy for a period of time, but for no longer than 90 teaching days in such vacancy, unless otherwise approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction on a case-by-case basis, during one school year. However, during the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years, the Westmoreland County School Board may employ a substitute teacher to fill such a vacancy for a period not to exceed 180 days during one school year.

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