#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### How many days need to be worked during the school year to be credited for that year?

Full time experience is defined as working for pay for more than one-half of the number of contract days in a school year during the term of Public and/or Private teaching.

#### When will I be placed on the correct salary for my experience?

All newly-hired teachers will be placed at the CTA Salary Schedule minimum until the teaching experience verification forms have been received, processed and approved. Once completed, the pay will be retroactive back to the date of hire into the teaching position (if the documentation was received within the initial 90 days). Experience must be as a certified teacher.

REHIRED RETIREES: Retired Teachers returning to teaching (rehired from Florida or elsewhere), who are reemployed as Teachers in the District may be placed up to \$46,200.

#### Will I get credit for being a substitute or an assistant teacher?

No. Only experience gained while working as a Regular Certified Teacher in a contracted teaching position can qualify.

### What if the Teaching Experience Verification Form (PBSD 2044) arrives after the ninety (90) days of my date of hire?

If received after the 90 days from the date of hire, experience credit will begin the first day of the next fiscal year. It is the instructional employee's responsibility to make sure that the PBSD 2044 Verification of Previous Public/Private Experience form has been completed and submitted to the Compensation & Employee Information Services (CEIS) Department within the 90 day time period.

For general HR information, please call our HR Customer Care Center at

561.434.8777 (PX 48777) 877.477.3722

or email your question to:

AskHR@palmbeachschools.org



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# Credit for Teaching Experience Public/Private



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Division of
Human Resources
School District of
Palm Beach County

#### How do I get credit for previous *Public School* teaching experience?

To receive credit for previous teaching experience at a <u>public school</u>, the instructional employee should send the Verification of Previous Public/Private Teaching Experience form (PBSD 2044) to their previous employer. The form must be returned to the Compensation & Employee Information Services department within 90 days after the employee's date of hire.

#### How do I get credit for previous *Private School* teaching experience?

To receive credit for previous teaching experience at a <u>private school</u>, the instructional employee should:

- Send the Verification of Previous Public/Private
  Teaching Experience form (PBSD 2044) to
  their previous employer. The form must be
  returned to the Compensation & Employee
  Information Services (CEIS) department within 90
  days after the employee's date of hire.
- Send a copy of your state-issued teaching certificate issued during the period of private school employment to the CEIS department (address on this brochure).
- Have held a minimum of a Bachelor's degree during the time of service.

**NOTE:** The private school must be accredited by a District recognized accrediting agency and must operate a regular session with two or more teachers encompassing more than one grade level.

The Verification of Previous Public/Private Teaching Experience form (PBSD 2044) can be downloaded from the District website at:

www.palmbeachschools.org/forms/formsearch

#### Teaching Experience Processing Information

Please allow at least two weeks after you have sent the form\* to your previous employer before checking with the Compensation & Employee Information Services department to see if we have received your information. When we receive the form, the Compensation Team will review it for:

- Correct form completion
- Stamp/seal from the school
- School accreditation
- Stamp/seal from the "Ministry of Education" for foreign degrees
- Received date. Must be received within 90 days
  of hire to be retroactive to hire date. (If received
  after the 90 days from the date of hire, experience
  credit will begin the first day of the next fiscal
  year).

\*Please note: It is the employee's responsibility to make sure that the *PBSD 2044 Verification of Previous Public/Private Experience* form has been completed and submitted to the Compensation & Employee Information Services department within the 90 day time period.

#### Vocational Experience Processing Information

To receive credit for previous vocational experience, the vocational instructional employee should:

 Send a completed Employment Verification of Occupational Experience for Vocational Employees form (PBSD 2275) to the Compensation & Employee Information Services department.

<u>Vocational experience must be related to the</u> <u>employee's current vocational position.</u>

The CTA Bargaining Agreement allows for up to 10 years of experience for compensation purposes.

#### How will I know my Teaching Experience has been processed?

Once the Teaching Experience has been evaluated, one or more of the following will take place:

- If the employee's Teaching Experience has been fully or partially approved, the employee's compensation screens will be updated and a confirmation letter will be sent to the employee.
- If any information is missing, or if more information is needed, a letter will be sent to the employee requesting the information.
- If the teaching experience does not meet the requirements specified in the CTA Bargaining Agreement, a letter will be sent to the employee detailing the reason why the experience does not qualify.



## When will I see the compensation for the Teaching Experience reflected in my paycheck?

#### **Teaching Experience Compensation**

Once Teaching Experience is updated in the employee's Compensation screens, the employee should see an increase in the paycheck immediately following the processing date. (Due to the process of scanning the documentation before sending it out, the employee may actually see the increase before receiving the confirmation letter).

#### **Teaching Experience Retroactive Compensation**

The Payroll Department is notified regarding any retroactive monies that may be due, and will process it as soon as possible.