

## DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

# **GBRGB-R** Tutoring for Pay

7/25/16

#### RATIONALE/OBJECTIVE:

Cobb County School District (District) recognizes that it may be improper for employees to receive remuneration of any form from students assigned to them. Therefore, employees involved in tutoring/instructing students outside the school day shall adhere to District Rules and the Georgia Code of Ethics for Educators.

#### **RULE:**

#### A. GEORGIA CODE (CODE) OF ETHICS FOR EDUCATORS:

- 1. Standard 6 of the Code, "Improper Remunerative Conduct", states that, "an educator should maintain integrity with students, colleagues, parents, patrons, or businesses when accepting gifts, gratuities, favors, and additional compensation."
- 2. Standard 6 of the Code, defines unethical conduct to include, but not be limited to:
  - a. "Tutoring students assigned to the educator for remuneration unless approved by the local board of education/governing board or superintendent; and
  - b. "Coaching, instructing, promoting athletic camps, summer leagues, etc. that involves students in an educator's school system and from whom the educator receives remuneration unless approved by the local board of education/governing board or the superintendent."

# B. COBB COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION (BOARD)/SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED PROGRAMS:

1. Private tutoring for pay whether by an employee or non-employee must be done off campus. Private tutoring for pay by an employee shall not include students assigned to the employee.

#### 2. School-Administered Programs:

- a. School-administered programs are those initiated at the local school level to provide tutoring outside the school day in a program developed by the individual school
- b. District employees may be employed for pay as instructors and/or supervisors in school administered programs. District employees may also utilize school facilities, materials or equipment for the purpose of tutoring students for pay in a school administered program when approved by the Superintendent or Level Assistant Superintendent.
- c. Approval for school-administered programs must be requested by the Principal.
- d. Written requests must be submitted to the Level Assistant Superintendent thirty (30) days in advance and include the following information:
  - (1) Name of program;
  - (2) Purpose of program;
  - (3) Students to be served; and
  - (4) Funding of the program.
- e. Approval for school-administered programs must be re-submitted annually.
- f. Fiscal management must be administered by the school.
- g. District employees may be employed for pay as instructors and/or supervisors in school-administered programs.

# 3. District-Wide Programs:

a. District-wide programs are those initiated at the Central Office level and approved by the Superintendent or Chief Leadership Officer.

b. District employees may be employed for pay as instructors and/or supervisors in district-wide programs. District employees may also utilize school facilities, materials or equipment for the purpose of tutoring students for pay in an approved district-wide program.

### C. SCHOOL SUPPORT ORGANIZATION PROGRAMS:

The term "private tutoring for pay" does not include activities performed by District employees engaged by school support organizations, as defined in Administrative Rule KG-R (Use of School Facilities) using school facilities for fundraising activities, provided the school support organization adheres to the following:

- 1. The use of school facilities by school support organizations for fundraising must be in compliance with Administrative Rule KG-R (Use of School Facilities).
- 2. Fiscal management must be administered by the sponsoring school support organization.
- 3. Compensation paid to employees by school support organizations must comply with the provisions of Administrative Rule GBRG-R (Non-School Employment).

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