



NEBRASKA

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**To: Nebraska Public and Nonpublic Superintendents,
ESU Administrators**
CC: NDE Cabinet Leadership
RE: Substitute Teaching Permits

The Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) is aware of the need by schools to have substitute teachers during the 2020-21 school year due to the inability of individuals to fill that role for numerous personal reasons during this pandemic.

Therefore, if an individual has filed an application with the NDE for a local substitute teaching permit, paid the fee for such permit, and the superintendent or local governing body of the school system or district has submitted the form indicating the desire to have such applicant be employed as a substitute teacher in that system or district, then the school district or system may employ that person in a class as a substitute teacher during the time period it takes the NDE to process and issue a permit to the applicant.

The NDE is working diligently to process all applications for any certificate or permit, so please do not send inquiries about pending applications for a local substitute teaching permit as that only requires staff spend time responding to the inquiry instead of processing applications.

Any questions can be directed to Brad Dirksen at brad.dirksen@nebraska.gov.

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