

Contract for Out-of-Region (OOR) Placements

The following conditions apply for any placement out-of-region (OOR):

1. The Department's decision to permit or revoke a teacher candidate's request for an out-of-region placement is largely based on the candidate's degree of success on all previous practice teaching and in-faculty work to date.

Practicum performance evaluations must have been **at least a mid to high P2**. If a candidate's in-Faculty work has not yet been completed, faculty advisors *may* consider approving an OOR placement if the candidate has consistently demonstrated diligence, high success, and regard for professional standards.
2. Requests are *not processed unless they are submitted on the OOR request for placement form, accompanied by the signed OOR Contract form* and processed through the Out-of-Region Placement Coordinator.
3. OOR Request forms and contracts must be signed by teacher candidates. **A signature is evidence that the candidate agrees to all of the conditions for out-of-region placements.**
4. *Request forms and contracts must be signed by a faculty advisor.* A signature is evidence that the faculty advisor supports the candidate's application at the time of submission. A faculty advisor may withdraw the candidate's application at a later date if there is evidence during the ensuing term (in-Faculty and during teaching block II) that an out-of-region placement should not be granted.
5. Teacher candidates may request a placement in one school board only. Due to a conflict of interest placements will not be made in schools where teacher candidates have personal contacts.
6. Teacher candidates must accept the placement assigned to them by the school board. Cancellation of a placement because of health or other problems is completed only by the Out-of-Region Placement Coordinator. **Requests for a change in a school board and/or an assigned school WILL NOT be processed.**
7. Materials related to the placement (Associate Handbook, Evaluation Form, etc.) will be forwarded to the placement school by the Out-of-Region Office.
8. All travel and accommodation arrangements for out-of-region placements are made by the candidate.
9. Teacher candidates may be asked to apply for an additional police background check (with a vulnerable sector screening). The decision regarding the need for an additional background check will be based upon the policies of the requested school board. If a teacher candidate does require an additional background check he/she will apply for it before January 31, 2014.
10. The Out-of-Region Office has the right to cancel a placement request if an out-of-region placement has not been secured within a reasonable amount of time in relation to the start date of Block 2b (P/J/I) or Block 3 (I/S). **If an out-of-region placement has not been secured by March 14, 2014 (I/S) or April 11, 2014 (P/J/I) the placement request will be cancelled and a placement in-region will be secured.** For P/J/I teacher candidates, we will communicate with your Block 2a associate teacher to confirm that the placement in-region placement can be extended to the entire 6 weeks.

Please note that your request for preferred schools is sent to the requested school board. The final placement decision is made by the school board. Therefore, there is no guarantee of preferred school placement. In signing this contract you are committing to an Out-of-Region placement with the requested school board, even if the placement is not in one of the preferred schools you have listed.

I understand and will honour the conditions listed.

Teacher Candidate's Name (Please Print): Cohort: []

Teacher Candidate's Signature:

Date:

Brock e-mail address: