

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Superintendent of Schools

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TO: Board of Education

FROM: Kyla Johnson-Trammell, Superintendent
Tara Gard, Deputy Chief Talent Officer, Talent Division

SUBJECT: Application for Variable Term Waiver – CBEST and Program - California Commission on Teacher Credentialing- Named Employees for School Year 2017-2018

ACTION REQUESTED

Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 1718-0014 - Application for Variable Term Waiver - CBEST and Program – California Commission on Teacher Credentialing – on behalf of the following employees for School Year 2017-2018:

1. Frank Forte, 10-12th Grade Mathematics, Castlemont High School;
2. Lindsey Hodnett, K-5th Grade SDC Mild/Moderate, Howard Elementary School;
3. Dione Mason, 9-12th Grade SDC Mild/Moderate, Castlemont High School;
4. Caterina Riley, 9-12th Grade Spanish, Fremont High School;
5. Wali Walker, 9-12th Grade Math, McClymonds High School;
6. Aris Tunson, 6-8th Grade SDC Mild/Moderate, Roosevelt Middle School;
7. Anwar Mohamed, K-5th Grade Social Science, Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary School;
8. Brenda Lanford-Allen, 9-12th Grade SDC Moderate/Severe, Oakland Technical High School;
9. Peno Din, 6-8th Grade SDC Moderate/Severe, Roosevelt Middle School;
10. Christina Breeden, K-5th Grade SDC Mild/Moderate, Brookfield Elementary School;
11. Maria Robles, 9-12th Inclusion Support Teacher, Coliseum College Prepaatory Academy;
12. Edward Puzycy, 9-12th Physics, MetWest High School.

BACKGROUND

Since July 1994, the Commission on Teacher Credentialing has had the authority to issue waiver documents that have expressly to do with educator preparation and credentialing and with the ability of employers to employ or assign persons who are not appropriately credentialed for their assignment. All other waivers are under the legal authority of the State Board of Education or the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

A Waiver is issued or denied based upon the Commission’s established criteria and factors such as an employer’s continuing needs; the support the employer will provide to the applicant; or extenuating, extraordinary and unanticipated circumstances.

When an employing agency reviews its staffing needs and starts recruiting for various positions, all attempts must be made to fill a position with an appropriately credentialed employee. Employing agencies are required to first recruit a candidate who is qualified to participate in and enrolls in an approved internship program in the region of the employing agency and secondly, a candidate who is scheduled to complete preliminary credential requirements within six months.

If a fully credentialed candidate is not available employing agencies must recruit candidates in this order:

- A candidate who is scheduled to complete his or her preliminary credential requirements within six months

- A candidate who is qualified to participate and to enroll in an internship program
- A candidate who qualifies to use a local assignment option
- A candidate who qualifies for the Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) or the Short Term Staff Permit (STSP)

If the employer is unable to find an individual who qualifies for one of the staffing options listed above, the Variable Term Waiver may be requested for the most qualified candidate.

DISCUSSION

The Board of Education, as the Governing Board, may approve an application seeking a Variable Term Waiver, from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, as may be necessary for certain certificated employees of the District. For the 2017-2018 school year, BCLAD, CBEST and/or Program waivers are being sought for the following employees:

1. Frank Forte, 10-12th Grade Mathematics, Castlemont High School;
2. Lindsey Hodnett, K-5th Grade SDC Mild/Moderate, Howard Elementary School;
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11. Maria Robles, 9-12th Inclusion Support Teacher, Coliseum College Preparatory Academy;
12. Edward Puzycki, 9-12th Physics, MetWest High School.

Frank Forte is requesting a Variable Term Single Subject: Mathematics Program Waiver. Mr. Forte graduated from California State University, East Bay with a Bachelor's in Engineering. This waiver will allow him time to complete requirements to enroll in a University Intern credentialing program.

Lindsey Hodnett is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Education Specialist: Mild/Moderate waiver. Lindsey graduated from the University of Minnesota with a Bachelor's in Family Social Science. This waiver will allow her time to complete CBEST.

Dione Mason is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Education Specialist: Mild/Moderate waiver. Dione graduated from Walden University with a Bachelor's in Education. This waiver will allow him time to complete CBEST.

Caterina Riley is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Single Subject: Foreign Language – Spanish waiver. Ms. Riley graduated from Baylor University with a Bachelor's in German. This waiver will allow her time to complete CBEST.

Wali Walker is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Single Subject: Mathematics waiver. Mr. Walker graduated from Thomas Edison State University with a Bachelor's in Math. This waiver will allow him time to complete CBEST.

Aris Tunson is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Education Specialist: Mild/Moderate waiver. Mr. Tunson graduated from Menlo College with a Bachelor's in Mass Communication. This waiver will allow him time to complete CBEST.

Anwar Mohamed is requesting a Variable Term Single Subject: Social Science Waiver. Mr. Mohamed graduated from San Jose State University with a Bachelor's in Justice Studies. This waiver will allow him time to complete CBEST.

Brenda Lanford-Allen is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Education Specialist: Moderate/Severe waiver. Ms. Lanford-Allen graduated from San Francisco State University with a Bachelor's in Psychology. This waiver will allow her time to complete CBEST.

Peno Din is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Education Specialist: Mild/Moderate waiver. Mr. Din graduated from San Francisco State University with a Bachelor's in Child and Adolescent Development. This waiver will allow him time to complete CBEST.

Christina Breeden is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Education Specialist: Mild/Moderate waiver. Ms. Breeden graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson University with a Bachelor's in Criminal Justice. This waiver will allow her time to complete CBEST.

Maria Robles is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Education Specialist: Mild/Moderate waiver. Maria graduated from the San Francisco State University with a Bachelor's in Spanish. This waiver will allow her time to complete CBEST.

Edward Puzycki is requesting a Variable Term CBEST Single Subject: Physics waiver. Mr. Puzycki graduated from Lehigh University with a Bachelor's in Physics. This waiver will allow him time to complete CBEST.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 1718-0014 - Application for Variable Term Waiver - CBEST and Program – California Commission on Teacher Credentialing – on behalf of the following employees for School Year 2017-2018:

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**RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Resolution No. 1718-0014**

- Application for Variable Term Waiver – CBEST and Program – California Commission on Teacher Credentialing –
Named Employees for School Year 2017-2018 -

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, may approve an application to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing seeking a Variable Term Program Waiver, as may be necessary for a certificated employee of the District for a specific period of time,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Application for Variable Term Waiver, BCLAD, CBEST, and Program – to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing in behalf of the candidates listed below for School Year 2017-2018:

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Passed by the following vote:

AYES: Jody London, Aimee Eng, Shanthi Gonzales, Jumoke Hinton Hodge, Vice President Nina Senn, President James Harris

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Roseann Torres

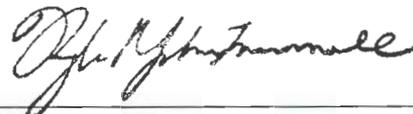
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution passed at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held August 23, 2017.

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