STUDENT FIELD EXPERIENCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE 2014 - 2015



THIS AGREEMENT made at Louisville, Kentucky this 1ST day of July, 2014, between the Board of Education of Jefferson County, Kentucky, hereinafter called the "Board," and the University of Louisville, hereinafter called the "University."

WITNESSETH:

- 1. The University and the Board Is authorized to enter into cooperative agreements with universities/colleges for the purpose of providing professional practicum learning and clinical experiences for the social work profession.
 - 2. The Board and the University accept the joint responsibility to train qualified social work students.
- 3. The Board and University agree that all arrangements in reference to this program shall be governed and consistent with Kentucky law, and policies of the Board, as well as those of the University.
- 4. The social work students placed in Jefferson County Public Schools shall agree to abide by all policies, rules and regulations of the University and the Board. Failure to abide by this provision shall be grounds for removal from the program. It shall be the responsibility of the University to inform all prospective social work students of this provision and secure agreement from the student.
- 5. The University shall provide pertinent information about each student to the Board in advance of placement in a Jefferson County Public School. Pursuant to the Board's established procedures, the student will satisfactorily complete a criminal background check at the student's expense.
- 6. The Board, through its staff, shall make assignments of social workers subject to its limitations and in accordance with its philosophy of education. Nothing in this agreement shall preclude the Board from exercising its right to remove from its schools social work students who, in the judgment of its staff, have an adverse influence on the welfare of pupils, or detract from the total school program. The University assumes the responsibility for attempting to replace the student in another school system if such is necessary or required and that this student-supervising social worker agreement is not to be construed as a third party beneficiary contract for the benefit of any student who may be an applicant for student social work in the Jefferson County Public Schools or may be accepted for such a position by the Jefferson County Public Schools.
- 7. The Board shall submit to the University upon request a list of properly qualified social workers from within the Jefferson County Public Schools under whose direct supervision the student will practice. The number of students assigned to and accepted by a Jefferson County School or program at any given time shall be agreed upon by representatives of both the University and the schools and programs.
- 8. The qualified supervising social worker, and if applicable the FRYSC coordinator, shall have the responsibility to provide the social work student placed under their supervision with proper experience and instruction and collaboration with the University faculty to develop a progressive practicum learning experience for the social work student. A written report to the University, concerning the progress and accomplishments of the student shall be made by the supervising social worker. Final grade assignments are ultimately the responsibility of the university faculty.
- 9. The University shall designate one (1) representative to serve as liaison between it and the Board. That person, as representative of the University, shall have access to all Board staff and schools necessary to properly facilitate communication and relationships between the Board staff as designated by the Superintendent, supervising social worker, and the social work student.

- 10. For purposes of providing supervision for social work students, it is understood that social workers of the Jefferson County Public Schools will not receive remuneration.
- 11. The University and the Board agree not to discriminate in recruitment or employment, development, advancement, and treatment of their employees on the basis of age, color, creed, handicap condition, marital or parental status, national origin, race, sex, veteran status or political opinion or affiliation.
- 12. No student shall be denied equal educational opportunities by the University because of his or her age, color, handicap condition, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, or veteran status.

IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED by and between the parties that the period covered by this agreement shall be from <u>July 1, 2014</u> to <u>June 30, 2015</u>, inclusive, and supersedes all previous contracts between the parties, and such will automatically renew unless either party provides written notice of non-renewal at least 30 days prior to the end of the term.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we the undersigned, duly authorize representatives of the parties to this agreement, have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the date first above written.

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION	UNIVERSITY
BY: Dr. Donna Hargens (Superintendent)	BY: Dr. Shirley Willihnganz (Provost)
DATE:	DATE: