

Student Guide to Field Experience

Field Experience Placement

- All field experience placement assignments are assigned by the Teacher Education Program (TEP) at Broward College.
- Students are **not** guaranteed a placement in the same city in which they reside. They will, however, be placed within the geographical region of the address they provide when registering. **No** changes will be granted to placements for reason of distance.
- Students are required to communicate with their cooperating teacher(s) within **one week** of being placed to create a tentative field experience schedule.
- Students needing multiple field experience assignments may be placed at the same school to complete all hours, however this is not guaranteed.
- It is recommended that once students are placed, they should visit the school's website to familiarize themselves with the school's operations.

Placement Site Requirements

Dress Code

- Regardless of what cooperating teachers wear to work, these following guidelines **MUST** be adhered to by all Broward College Students:
 - Broward County security clearance badge must be visible at all times.
 - **Avoid the following clothing options:** t-shirts, flip flops, jeans, low cut shirts, cutoffs, shorts, and any clothing that is revealing and/or provocative in nature.
 - Professional attire and a neat and clean appearance is expected at all times.
- Students observed dressing inappropriately at a school site will be asked to leave the school and must make up the hours at a later time.
- **If you are unsure of proper attire, please contact the TEP office for assistance at 954-201-2500.**

Attendance/Punctuality

- Arrive at the placement school 10-15 minutes early and check in at the main office. Let the office staff know that you will be coming on a regular basis.
- Always sign in/out using your badge at the school's front office upon arrival and departure in order to comply with each school's security procedures.
- Maintain a regular schedule and adhere to it. Consistent attendance and punctuality are mandatory to fulfill your required hours.
- Attend all scheduled sessions. If an emergency arises, notify the cooperating teacher and TEP Office prior to the start of that day. Make-up sessions are required for all absences.

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Maintain Professional Conduct

- Students are expected to respect the internal rules of the school in which they are placed
- During the first visit, provide the cooperating teacher with:
 - a copy of the course syllabus relevant to course assignment
 - Cooperating Teacher Guide (found on the TEP website)
- Demonstrate professional and ethical behavior at all times and avoid negative comments about the college, school staff, students and/or the cooperating teacher.
- Broward College students should **never** be left alone in the classroom.

Reaction Form

- Each classroom visit must be recorded on the **Cooperating Teacher Reaction Form**. The cooperating teacher must sign the form after **each visit** for verification purposes.
- At the conclusion of the field experience hours, the cooperating teacher is asked to complete the reaction section.
- **EDF 1005 and EDF 2085** students must submit the completed Cooperating Teacher Reaction Form to their professor.
- Upper division TEP students will submit their reaction forms in LiveText.
- All reaction forms received at the TEP office will be verified through an email to the cooperating teacher confirming all school site visits.

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If you have any questions, please contact:

TEP Main Office
Phone: 954-201-2500