

# An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 1622

By: Rogers of the House

and

Stanislawski of the Senate

An Act relating to schools; amending Section 3, Chapter 394, O.S.L. 2013, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2016 (70 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 18-114.14), which relates to the minimum teacher salary schedule; requiring school district to provide notification to teacher under certain circumstances; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Teacher salaries

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 394, O.S.L. 2013, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2016 (70 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 18-114.14), is amended to read as follows:

Section 18-114.14 A. Beginning with the 2013-2014 school year, teachers in the public schools of Oklahoma shall receive in salary and/or fringe benefits not less than the amounts specified in the following schedule:

## MINIMUM SALARY SCHEDULE

Years of Experience	Bachelor's Degree	National Board Certification	Master's Degree	Doctor's Degree
0	\$31,600	\$32,600	\$32,800	\$34,000
1	\$31,975	\$32,975	\$33,175	\$34,375

2	\$32,350	\$33,350	\$33,550	\$34,750
3	\$32,725	\$33,725	\$33,925	\$35,125
4	\$33,100	\$34,100	\$34,300	\$35,500
5	\$33,500	\$34,500	\$34,700	\$35,900
6	\$33,900	\$34,900	\$35,100	\$36,300
7	\$34,300	\$35,300	\$35,500	\$36,700
8	\$34,700	\$35,700	\$35,900	\$37,100
9	\$35,100	\$36,100	\$36,300	\$37,500
10	\$35,950	\$36,950	\$37,575	\$39,625
11	\$36,375	\$37,375	\$38,000	\$40,050
12	\$36,800	\$37,800	\$38,425	\$40,475
13	\$37,225	\$38,225	\$38,850	\$40,900
14	\$37,650	\$38,650	\$39,275	\$41,325
15	\$38,075	\$39,075	\$39,700	\$41,750
16	\$38,500	\$39,500	\$40,125	\$42,175
17	\$38,925	\$39,925	\$40,550	\$42,600
18	\$39,350	\$40,350	\$40,975	\$43,025
19	\$39,775	\$40,775	\$41,400	\$43,450
20	\$40,200	\$41,200	\$41,825	\$43,875
21	\$40,625	\$41,625	\$42,250	\$44,300
22	\$41,050	\$42,050	\$42,675	\$44,725
23	\$41,475	\$42,475	\$43,100	\$45,150
24	\$41,900	\$42,900	\$43,525	\$45,575

Years of Experience	Master's Degree + National Board Certification	\$42,325	\$43,325	\$43,950	\$46,000
0		\$33,800			
1		\$34,175			
2		\$34,550			
3		\$34,925			
4		\$35,300			
5		\$35,700			
6		\$36,100			
7		\$36,500			
8		\$36,900			
9		\$37,300			
10		\$38,575			
11		\$39,000			
12		\$39,425			
13		\$39,850			
14		\$40,275			
15		\$40,700			
16		\$41,125			
17		\$41,550			
18		\$41,975			
19		\$42,400			

20	\$42,825
21	\$43,250
22	\$43,675
23	\$44,100
24	\$44,525
25	\$44,950

B. 1. When determining the Minimum Salary Schedule, "fringe benefits" shall mean all or part of retirement benefits, excluding the contributions made pursuant to subsection A of Section 17-108.1 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes and the flexible benefit allowance pursuant to Section 26-105 of ~~Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title from the flexible benefit allowance funds disbursed by the State Board of Education and the State Board of Career and Technology Education pursuant to Section 26-104 of ~~Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~ this title.

2. If a school district intends to provide retirement benefits to a teacher such that the teacher's salary would be less than the amounts set forth in the minimum salary schedule specified in subsection A of this section, the district shall be required to provide written notification to the teacher prior to his or her employment, or if already employed by the district, no later than thirty (30) days prior to the date the district elects to provide retirement benefits such that the teacher's salary would be less than the minimum salary schedule.

C. Any of the degrees referred to in this section shall be from a college recognized by the State Board of Education. The Board shall accept teaching experience from out-of-state school districts that are accredited by the state board of education or appropriate state accrediting agency for the districts. The Board shall accept teaching experience from out-of-country schools that are accredited or otherwise endorsed by the appropriate national or regional accrediting or endorsement authority. Out-of-country certification documentation in a language other than English shall be analyzed by an educational credential evaluation service approved by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES). The person seeking to have credit granted for out-of-country teaching experience shall be responsible for all costs of the analysis by a

credential evaluation service. The Board shall accept teaching experience from primary and secondary schools that are operated by the United States Department of Defense or are affiliated with the United States Department of State.

D. For the purpose of state salary increments and retirement, no teacher shall be granted credit for more than five (5) years of active duty in the military service or out-of-state or out-of-country teaching experience as a certified teacher or its equivalent. Nothing in this section shall prohibit boards of education from crediting more years of experience on district salary schedules than those allowed for state purposes.

E. The State Board of Education shall recognize, for purposes of certification and salary increments, all the years of experience of a:

1. Certified teacher who teaches in the educational program of the Department of Corrections, beginning with fiscal year 1981;

2. Vocational rehabilitation counselor under the Department of Human Services if the counselor was employed as a certified teacher by the State Department of Education when the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation was transferred from the State Board of Career and Technology Education or the State Board of Education to the Oklahoma Public Welfare Commission on July 1, 1968;

3. Vocational rehabilitation counselor which were completed while employed by the Department of Human Services if such counselor was certified as a teacher or was eligible for certification as a teacher in Oklahoma;

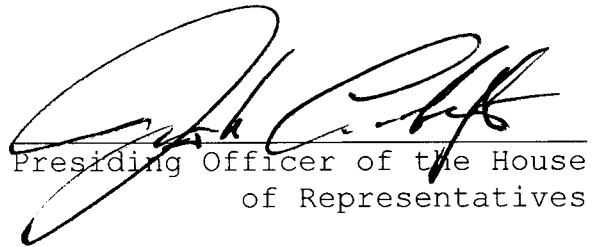
4. Certified teacher which were completed while employed by the Department of Human Services Child Study Center at University Hospital, if the teacher was certified as a teacher in Oklahoma; and

5. Certified school psychologist or psychometrist which were completed while employed as a doctoral intern, psychological assistant, or psychologist with any agency of the State of Oklahoma if the experience primarily involved work with persons of school- or preschool-age and if the person was, at the time the experience was acquired, certified as, or eligible for certification as, a school psychologist or psychometrist.

F. The provisions of this section shall not apply to teachers who have entered into postretirement employment with a public school in Oklahoma and are still receiving a monthly retirement benefit.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of March, 2017.

  
Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 10th day of April, 2017.

  
Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 11<sup>th</sup>

day of April, 20 17, at 2:33 o'clock P M.

By: Audrey Redwell

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 13<sup>th</sup>

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