

**SOMERSET PUBLIC SCHOOLS and SOMERSET BERKLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
APPLICATION FOR TUITION REIMBURSEMENT**

Somerset Public Schools and Somerset Berkley Regional School District members shall be entitled to tuition reimbursement of \$2,750 for the term of the contract (9/1/17 to 8/31/20), not to exceed \$1,500 per contract year. **The course must be consistent with the employee's individual professional development plan (IPDP), district strategic plan, school improvement plan, SMART Goals and/or with his/her efforts to acquire a provisional or professional license.**

THE COURSE MUST BE APPROVED IN ADVANCE BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

The course must be one of the following:

1. Upper-level or approved equivalent or lower-level undergraduate course.
2. Upper-level undergraduate course or approved equivalent (only when substantially new to the employee); or
3. Graduate-level or approved equivalent.

A grade of 80 or better must be attained, or a pass in a course offered only on a pass/fail basis.

TO APPLY FOR REIMBURSEMENT:

1. Fill out the lower portion of **this form** and **attach a course description**. This must be submitted prior to the start date of the course.
2. Submit a signed copy of your individual professional development plan (IPDP). Beginning teachers may submit their Student Learning and Professional Practice goals and/or the school/district goals that connect to the PD they want to take.
3. Submit this form to Central Office for the Superintendent's approval. (you will receive a copy of this form with the Superintendent's signature; retain this copy for your records.) After you have received the approval, a purchase order must be submitted.

These forms are to be completed and submitted to Central Office prior to the start of the course.

For any course ending before June 30 of the current year, you MUST have submitted the appropriate forms (listed above) by MAY 15th of the current year. If you do not submit these forms by May 15th, it will not be possible to reimburse you.

You MUST complete the course within two months of the "Date of Course" completion listed below. If you do not complete the course within these two months, you must submit a new application for the course listed.

4. Upon completion of the course, submit:
 - An original (a copy or fax is not acceptable) receipt/proof of payment from the college showing:
 - Student name
 - Course number/name
 - Total cost of the course
 - Payment made, reflecting a balance owed of \$0
 - Original Receipt for Books/Supplies (if applicable)
 - Official College Transcript or *Certified* Grade Report
 - Voucher; and
 - Receiving copy of the purchase order.

Reimbursement shall be received by the employee no later than (30) days after receipt of the documents specified above. Failure to submit the correct documentation will delay the processing of your request.

Employee Name: _____ **Position/School:** _____

College or University Issuing Credits: _____ **Cost** _____

Name of Course: _____ **Course Number:** _____

Exact Dates of Course: _____ **Semester/Academic Year** _____

Signature of Employee

Signature of Superintendent

Signature of Principal

Signature of Director of Curriculum and Assessment

Date: _____

Date: _____