



1 charter schools. A job-share classroom teacher may receive a  
2 prorated share of the amount provided to a full-time classroom  
3 teacher. The district school board and each charter school  
4 board shall provide the funds no later than September 30 of  
5 each year directly to each teacher as a stipend to purchase,  
6 on behalf of the school district or charter school, classroom  
7 materials and supplies to be used in the instruction of  
8 students assigned to the teacher. Each teacher shall have sole  
9 discretion regarding which classroom materials and supplies  
10 best meet the needs of the students, when they are needed, and  
11 where they are acquired. The funds expended by individual  
12 teachers shall not be subject to state or local competitive  
13 bidding requirements. Disbursement of Florida Teachers Lead  
14 Program Stipend funds directly to each teacher and to each  
15 charter school shall complete the school district's  
16 expenditure of these funds.

17 (3) Each teacher shall sign a statement acknowledging  
18 receipt of the funds, agreeing to keep receipts to show the  
19 expenditure of the funds used to purchase classroom materials  
20 and supplies for use in the instruction of the students  
21 assigned to them, and agreeing to return any unused funds by  
22 the end of the regular school year. The statement to be signed  
23 and dated by each teacher for receipt of the Florida Teachers  
24 Lead Program Stipend shall include the wording: "I, ...(Name  
25 of teacher)..., am employed by the .... County District School  
26 Board or by the ( Charter School) as a full-time  
27 classroom teacher. I acknowledge that Florida Teachers Lead  
28 Program Stipend funds are appropriated by the Legislature for  
29 the sole purpose of purchasing classroom materials and  
30 supplies to be used in the instruction of students assigned to  
31 me. In accepting custody of these funds, I agree to keep

1 receipts for all expenditures. I understand that if I do not  
 2 keep receipts showing these funds were spent to purchase  
 3 classroom materials and supplies for use with my students, it  
 4 will be my personal responsibility to pay any federal taxes  
 5 due on these funds. I also agree to return any unused funds to  
 6 the district school board at the end of the regular school  
 7 year for deposit into the School Advisory Council account of  
 8 the school at which I was employed at the time of the receipt  
 9 of the funds or for deposit into the district's teacher lead  
 10 program account of the district in which the charter school is  
 11 sponsored, as applicable."

12 (4) Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend funds shall  
 13 be provided to each teacher in addition to any other funds  
 14 appropriated for public school operations.

15 (5) Any unused funds ~~that which~~ are returned to the  
 16 district school board shall be deposited into the School  
 17 Advisory Council account of the school at which the teacher  
 18 returning the funds was employed at the time of the receipt of  
 19 the funds or for deposit into the district's teacher lead  
 20 program account of the district in which the charter school is  
 21 sponsored, as applicable.

22 (6) For purposes of this section, the term "classroom  
 23 teacher" includes certified teachers employed by a public  
 24 school district or a public charter school on or before  
 25 September 1 of each year whose full-time or job-share job  
 26 responsibility is the classroom instruction of students in  
 27 prekindergarten kindergarten through grade 12, including and  
 28 full-time media specialists and guidance counselors who serve  
 29 students in prekindergarten kindergarten through grade 12 who  
 30 are funded through the Florida Education Finance Program. A  
 31 job-share classroom teacher is defined as two teachers whose

1 combined full-time equivalent employment for the same teaching  
2 assignment equals one full-time classroom teacher. Only school  
3 district and public charter school personnel employed in these  
4 positions are eligible for the classroom materials and supply  
5 stipend from funds appropriated to implement the provisions of  
6 this section.

7           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.  
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