

# TEACHER LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

## BY LAWS

### ARTICLE I NAME

This organization shall be known as:

Teacher Leadership Council

Slogan: **Teach Lead Collaborate**

### ARTICLE II PURPOSE AND GOALS

#### Section 1 – Purpose

The Teacher Leadership Council, within Brevard Public Schools, will exist to promote and support four core tenets of professionalism which include advocacy, leadership, communication and outreach. This council will meet to plan and work on initiatives and events that support these tenets.

#### Section 2 – Goals

1. Increase teacher awareness of educational policies legislation and methods for communicating with local and state policy makers and also to promote internal and external support for pre-service, novice and veteran teachers and the teaching profession as a whole.
2. Promote teacher leadership within local schools by providing leadership opportunities and professional development for teachers.
3. Facilitate communication between the District Office and the TOY within local schools. Inform and educate local teachers and the community about the mission and goals of the leadership council.
4. Support community, government, and business programs that benefit students in Brevard County.

### ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

#### Section 1 – Admission to Membership

Membership is extended to:

- 1 year membership to the current school teachers of the year
- 2 year membership to the current district teacher of the year finalists

- Permanent membership to the previous district teachers of the year, the current district teacher of the year, and appointed district and community liaisons.

Members must comply with the Code of Ethics of the Education Profession in Florida as stated here within:

**6A-10.080 Code of Ethics of the Education Profession in Florida.**

1. The educator values the worth and dignity of every person, the pursuit of truth, devotion to excellence, acquisition of knowledge, and the nurture of democratic citizenship. Essential to the achievement of these standards are the freedom to learn and to teach and the guarantee of equal opportunity for all.
2. The educator's primary professional concern will always be for the student and for the development of the student's potential. The educator will therefore strive for professional growth and will seek to exercise the best professional judgment and integrity.
3. Aware of the importance of maintaining the respect and confidence of one's colleagues, of students, of parents, and of other members of the community, the educator strives to achieve and sustain the highest degree of ethical conduct.

Section 2 – Inactive Members

Above members will be deemed inactive after three absences without executive director approval.

**ARTICLE IV**

**LEADERSHIP**

Section 1 – Personnel

The leadership of the council shall consist of:

District Office Liaison: Director of Professional Learning and Development

Brevard School Foundation Director or Designee: Appointed by the Brevard School Foundation

Executive Directors: Appointed by Governing Board

Chairperson: Previous District Teacher of the Year

Treasurer: Nominated and voted upon by board members

Secretary: Nominated and voted upon by board members

Governing Board Members: (see Article III Members)

#### Section 2 – Duties

In the event of an absence, members should notify one of the Executive Directors. Members may be provided a leave of absence at the discretion of the Executive Directors.

### **ARTICLE V**

#### **MEETINGS/EVENTS**

The Teacher Leadership Council will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month for approximately 60 minutes. Meeting minutes will be taken and forwarded to all members.

The TOY Summit will be held annually in the spring.

### **ARTICLE VI**

#### **COMMITTEES**