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R277. Education, Administration.

R277-629. Paid Professional Hours for Educators.

R277-629-1. Authority and Purpose.

- (1) This rule is authorized by:
 - (a) Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3, which vests general control and supervision over public education in the Board; and
 - (b) Subsection 53E-3-401(4), which allows the Board to make rules to execute the Board's duties and responsibilities under the Utah Constitution and state law.
 - (c) Section 53F-7-203, which directs the Board to distribute program funds to LEAs to provide to educators consistent with the statute.
- (2) The purpose of this rule is to establish rules for distribution of program funds.

R277-629-2. Definitions.

"Program funds" means funds allocated to LEAs in accordance with Section 53F-7-203.

R277-629-3. Distribution of Funds.

- (1) The Superintendent shall distribute program funds to LEAs annually based on November 15 licensing information.
- (2) An LEA shall distribute program funds in compliance with Subsections 53F-7-203(3) and (4).
 - (3)(a) An LEA may only use program funds for educator salary and benefits.
 - (b) An LEA may not use program funds to cover indirect costs.
 - (4)(a) An LEA shall disburse program funds to educators by June 30 annually.
 - (b) The Superintendent may:
 - (i) offset unused program funds against future allocations to the LEA; or
 - (ii) require the LEA to return unused program funds by September 30 of the next school year.

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Authorizing, and Implemented, or Interpreted Law: Art X Sec 3; 53E-3-401(4); 53F-7-203