



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

Veteran's Preference Claim

Complete **ONLY** if you are claiming Veteran's Preference

Social Security Number

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As defined in Section 1.01(14) Florida Statutes, the term Veteran means a person who has served in the active military, naval or air service and who was discharged or released under honorable conditions only or who later received an upgraded discharge under honorable conditions, notwithstanding any action by the United States Department of Veterans' Affairs on individuals discharged or released with other than honorable discharges. To receive benefits as a wartime veteran, a veteran must have served in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized or during one of the following periods of wartime service shown below (documentation of such service must be provided at time of application).

Upon acceptance of full-time employment with a covered employer, a Veteran may use the preference for a one time promotion. The preference may be used again when applying for promotion upon return from active duty deployment. If an applicant claiming Veteran's Preference for a vacant position is not selected, he/she may file a complaint with the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs, Mary Grizzle Office Building, 1151 Ulmerton Road, Largo, FL 33778. A complaint must be filed within 21 days of the applicant receiving notice of the hiring decision made by the employing agency or within 3 months of the date of application when filed with the employer if no notice is given.

The Palm Beach County School District complies with state statutes on Veteran's Preference and federal, state and local statutes on non-discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, pregnancy, religion, national origin, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, family status, gender identity or expression.

Print Full Name _____ Date of Entry _____

Branch of Service _____ Discharge Date _____

During which period(s) of wartime service did you serve? (check all that apply)

Spanish-American War: April 21, 1898, to July 4, 1902, and including the Philippine Insurrection and the Boxer Rebellion

World War II: December 7, 1941, to December 31, 1946

Mexican Border Period: May 9, 1916, to April 5, 1917, in the case of a veteran who during such period served in Mexico, on the borders of, or in the waters adjacent to Mexico.

Korean War: June 27, 1950 to January 31, 1955

World War I: April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918; extended to April 1, 1920, for those veterans who served in Russia; also extended through July 1, 1921, for those veterans who served after November 11, 1918, and before July 2, 1921, provided such veterans had at least 1 day of service between April 5, 1917, and November 12, 1918.

Vietnam War: February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975

Persian Gulf War: August 2, 1990, to January 2, 1992

Operation Enduring Freedom: October 7, 2001 and ending on the date thereafter prescribed by presidential proclamation or by law.

Operation Iraqi Freedom: March 19, 2003 and ending on the date thereafter prescribed by presidential proclamation or by law.

Check the appropriate statements as applicable to you:

*A veteran with a service-connected disability who is eligible for or receiving compensation, disability retirement benefits or pension under public laws administered by the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Defense.

*The spouse of a veteran who cannot qualify for employment because of a total and permanent service-connected disability, or the spouse of a veteran missing in action, captured, or forcibly detained or interned by a foreign government or power.

A veteran of any war who has served on active duty for one day or more during a wartime period, excluding active duty for training and who was discharged under honorable conditions from the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

Campaigns and expeditions of the Armed Forces since WW II (see attachment on Campaigns and Expeditions of the Armed Forces).

*The unmarried widow or widower of a veteran who died of a service-connected disability.

**A statement of disability certification from the Department of Veterans' Affairs must be submitted at the time of application.*

Check yes or no to the following questions:

Yes No Are you claiming Veteran's Preference (Attach DD214 form)

Yes No Have you ever been employed in a full-time capacity by the State of Florida or any political subdivision of the State to include public school districts?

Yes No Did you claim Veteran's Preference when initially hired with the School District of Palm Beach County or for a promotion?

Signature of Veteran

Date