WAKULLA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

CREDIT FOR ADVANCED DEGREE RECOMMENDATION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRINCIPALS/ADMINISTRATORS: Submit this form to the WCSB Human Resources office for each employee with an advance degree. <u>Prior to completion of this form</u>, the <u>employee</u> must submit to Human Resources one of the following:

District school boards may not use advanced degrees in setting a salary schedule for instructional personnel or a school administrator hired on or after July 1, 2011, unless the degree is held in the individual's area of certification and is only a salary supplement. F.S. 1012.335. Acceptable documentation indicating the degree earned must be in the area of certification as evidenced in one of the following ways:

Teachers:

- 1. Florida Doe issued certificate with the master's degree earned on certificate, or
- 2. Official college transcripts with conferred date clearly stating there is an "emphasis in _____," which MUST be an area listed on the individual's Florida DOE issued certificate, or
- 3. A letter on official letterhead from the university/college stating that the individual's master's degree has an "emphasis in _____," which MUST be an area listed on the Florida DOE issued certificate.

Paraprofessionals:

- 1. Official, sealed transcript with conferred date
- 2. CDA/CDA Equivalent Certificate

<u>Pay will be effective on the conferment date.</u> The employee has three (3) months from the date of degree conferment to submit the transcripts/documentation to the Human Resources in order to receive retroactive pay. <u>After the three (3) month period</u> has lapsed, advanced pay will be effective the date transcripts are received or the date all required documentation has been received in the Human Resources office and there will be no retroactive pay.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend the following employee for the Advanced Degree supplement:

Employee Name	 EIN		School	
Degree Received: (Check one)	□ Bachelors CDA Equivalent	□ Masters	□ Specialist	Doctorate

DEGREE CONFIRMATION AND PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION

has submitted acceptable proof of completing an advanced degree program

and has been recommended by Human Resources for the advanced degree supplement. Please place this

employee at the ______ level of the Salary Schedule effective ______