

the applicable schedule provided for teachers in subsection (b) for schools with the following number of assistant teachers:

<i>One assistant</i>	<i>\$ 400.00</i>
<i>Two to five assistants</i>	<i>600.00</i>
<i>Six to nine assistants</i>	<i>900.00</i>
<i>Ten to nineteen assistants</i>	<i>1,200.00</i>
<i>Twenty to twenty-nine assistants</i>	<i>1,500.00</i>
<i>Thirty to thirty-nine assistants</i>	<i>2,500.00</i>
<i>Forty to forty-nine assistants</i>	<i>2,800.00</i>
<i>Fifty or more assistants</i>	<i>3,100.00</i>

And provided further that for the purposes of this subsection a principal of a school with thirty or more assistants shall be employed on a twelve-month basis. A principal of a school with twenty to twenty-nine assistants may be employed on a twelve-month basis and shall be paid \$700 in excess of the schedule in this subsection.

(f) Aides I and II.—The salary of the position of aide I shall be \$2,700 and the salary of the position of aide II shall be \$2,500.

(g) Minimum salary upon entry into system of any political subdivision.—Each teacher or principal who enters the public school system of any political subdivision in Maryland shall receive a minimum salary equal to that which is required to be paid hereunder to a teacher or principal having equivalent experience and grade of certificate who is already in the public school system of that political subdivision.

(h) Payments in excess of schedules.—The county board of education of any county and the Board of School Commissioners of Baltimore City may, in its discretion, pay to teachers and principals annual salaries in excess of the salaries provided for in this section.

(i) Levy to meet schedule.—The county commissioners of each county and the mayor and city council of Baltimore shall levy sufficient funds to meet the schedule of salaries herein established.

(j) Duty-free lunch periods for teachers.—Every teacher in the public elementary and public secondary schools in the counties and in Baltimore City shall be provided with a duty-free lunch period each regularly scheduled school day. The period shall extend for at least thirty minutes, but where the pupils have a regular lunch period of less than thirty minutes, the duty-free period shall coincide with such regular period of less than thirty minutes. The board of education in each county and the board of school commissioners in Baltimore City may employ teacher aides for the purpose.

113. Discrimination on account of race, religion, color, national origin, or sex unlawful.

It shall be unlawful for the State Superintendent of Schools or any of his assistants, and for any board of education and any superintendent of schools or any of his assistants to make any distinction or discrimination in favor of or against any teacher who may be employed in any of the public schools of this State, on account of race, religion, color, national origin, or sex except where the employment of a certain sex may be reasonably necessary by reason of the nature of the employment, it being the intent and purpose of this section that the provisions thereof shall apply with reference to the