

## SCHOOLS of INSTRUCTION

Each lodge in the District shall participate in a full five hour School of Instruction as required by the Board of Custodians effective January 9, 2009 and called annually by the District Deputy Grand Lecturer. A minimum of at least three (3) officers and two (2) members must attend the full five (5) hours of instruction of the school. It is highly preferred that the officer attendance include all the principal officers and deacons but all others are encouraged to attend. If any lodge fails to meet the requirements for two consecutive Schools of Instruction, a fifteen-hour Lecture Service shall be held for that lodge in order to remove the deficiency.

Regular attending officers of each lodge should fill their elective or appointed stations and places at a School of Instruction. Certified Lecturers and Certified Instructors should not fill a station or place during a School of Instruction unless filling a station or place to which they have been elected or appointed.

The red work should be covered as necessary at each School.

A minimum of five hours work shall constitute a School of Instruction, which may be in one five-hour session, or two sessions totaling five hours within fifteen consecutive days.

Suggested topics to be covered at Schools of Instruction are shown on the following outline. Not all topics need to be covered at each School; however, exemplification of each degree should be covered at least once on an annual basis. **The DDGL should determine how best to divide the topics for coverage at each school.**

### ANNUAL OUTLINE FOR SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

1. Open a Master Mason's Lodge. Include purge and prayer. Observe Reg. 24-1 (5).
2. Dispense with labor as at emergent communication. Include Regulation 71-4.
3. Open a Lodge on the First Degree. Include purge and prayer if using Emergent Communication form of the Entered Apprentice Degree. Observe Regulation 45-9 (2).
4. Exemplify First Degree. Include reading and prayer. Omit lecture and charge. Observe Regulation 59-2(49).
5. Close Lodge on First Degree. Include Prayer.
6. Open a Lodge on the Second Degree. Include purge. Include prayer if using Emergent Communication form of the Fellow Craft Degree.
7. Exemplify Second Degree. Include reading and Portions of lecture necessary. Omit charge. Observe Regulation 59-2(49).
8. Close Lodge on Second Degree. Include Prayer.
9. Receiving Grand Master and District Deputy Grand Master. (North Carolina Masonic Ceremonies).
10. Resume labor.
11. Call from labor to refreshment.
12. Call from refreshment to labor. Include purge.
13. Examining and vouching for visitors.
14. Administering catechisms.
15. Preparing for and carrying out the Masonic Funeral Service.
16. Dispense with labor as at stated communication.
17. Exemplify first section of Master Mason's Degree. Include reading. Observe Regulation 59-2 (49).
18. Exemplify second section of Master Mason's Degree, short form.
19. Proceed from point of change and exemplify in full form the second section of the Master Mason's Degree. Include prayer. Omit lecture and charge.
20. Close Master Mason's Lodge. Include prayer.
21. Balloting in the lodge.
22. Lodge etiquette.
23. Masonic education program, or other appropriate topics not on this list, as time permits.