

Leaves of Absence

The Board believes that the provision of leaves in addition to the contractual leaves provided by the Master Agreement helps to attract and retain staff members who will continue to grow professionally, maintain their physical health, and have a feeling of security.

The Board has the authority to grant any employee's request for a leave of absence. A leave of absence may be at the request of the employee or may be done involuntarily by action of the Board. The Board may also delegate this authority to a designee.

Delegation of Authority

Through this policy, the Board has delegated this ongoing authority to the Superintendent, both with regard to acceptance of an employee's request for leave of absence as well as an action of placing a certificated employee on an involuntarily leave of absence.

Upon the Superintendent's action to place a certificated employee on a period of involuntary leave of absence, the Board shall ratify or nullify action of the Superintendent at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board or at a special meeting of the Board should the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board not be within a period of 21 days from the date of the action. Whether such leave is with pay or without pay shall be determined when applying the appropriate principles of Section 33-513(7), Idaho Code.

A Superintendent's acceptance of a certificated employee's request for leave of absence shall be put before the Board for ratification at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board or within twenty-one (21) days, whichever comes first.

All leave aside from sick leave shall be non-accumulative from year to year unless otherwise stated in administrative procedure.

Leave requirements and privileges shall be the same for classified employees as for certificated employees unless otherwise stated. Leave privileges for part time employees shall be pro-rated based on weekly work hours, and 40 hours per week will be considered full time employment.

For all leave information, refer to administrative procedure.

Accrual of Unused Sick Leave

Employees may accrue unused sick leave. Upon retirement, an employee's accumulated unused sick leave must be reported by the District to the public employee retirement system.

Abuse of Leaves of Absences

Abuse of leaves of absences shall be considered as grounds for non-renewal of employment.

Legal Reference: 42 USC 2000(e)	Equal Employment Opportunities
I.C. § 33-513	Professional Personnel
I.C. § 33-1216 <i>et seq.</i>	Sick and Other Leave
I.C. § 33-1228	Severance Allowance at Retirement

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