## STAFF PERSONNEL Series 400

Policy Title: SICK LEAVE

Code: 403.1

Each professional employee shall be credited with twelve (12) days of sick leave allowance per year, accumulated at the rate of one (1) day per month during the contract year.

Professional employees employed on a part-time basis or for part of a school year will receive a pro-rated portion of the annual sick leave. Accumulation of unused portion of such allowance shall be unlimited.

Sick leave is to be used for absences caused by personal illness or emotional upset, by accident or illness, or circumstances, which render the employee incapable of carrying on his/her teaching duties, including childbearing.

Professional employees shall be allowed to use sick leave when such absence is due to personal attendance required by the illness of a member of the employee's immediate family. For purposes of this section, immediate family is defined as any of the following: spouse, children, parents, brothers, sisters, grandparents, grandchildren, or any other relative living in the employee's domicile on a long-term, permanent basis.

After three (3) days absence, a doctor's statement may be required by the superintendent as proof of illness, however, a doctor's statement may be required at any time to protect the District from any employee abusing sick leave through such actions as malingering or false claims of illness. If the Superintendent or designee makes such a request of any employee, the employee shall provide written documentation from a provider of the healing arts as to the illness and/or necessity of the employee to be absent from work to the District Administrative Office.

Abuse of sick leave is cause for discipline up to and including termination.

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**Related References:**