## Lakeland Joint School District No. 272

PERSONNEL 5400

## 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. If the Board delegates this authority it shall ratify or nullify the action regarding the request for a leave of absence at the next regularly scheduled meeting, or at a special meeting should the next regularly scheduled Board meeting not be within a period of 21 days from the date of such action.

## 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.

Legal Reference: 42 USC 2000(e) Equal Employment Opportunities

I.C. § 33-513 Professional Personnel

I.C. § 33-1216 et seq. Sick and Other Leave

I.C. § 33-1228 Severance Allowance at Retirement

## **Policy History:**

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