

# Houston County Board of Education

Monitoring: <b>Review: Annually,                  in January</b>	Descriptor Term:  <h2 style="text-align: center;">Physical Assault Leave</h2>	Descriptor Code: <h3 style="text-align: center;">5.307</h3>	Issued Date: <h3 style="text-align: center;">06/10/19</h3>
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A teacher who is absent from assigned duties as a result of personal injury caused by physical assault or other violent criminal acts committed in the course of the teacher's employment duties shall receive workers' compensation or comparable benefits without loss of accumulated or granted sick, personal, or professional leave.<sup>1</sup>

The school system shall continue to pay the teacher's full benefits, including but not limited to health insurance benefits, until the earlier of the date on which the teacher is released by the teacher's physician to return to work or the date on which the teacher is determined by the teacher's physician to be permanently disabled from returning to work.<sup>2</sup>

A signed statement listing the cause of the absence shall be provided by the employee on forms furnished by the Director of Schools and shall promptly be given to the immediate supervisor in support of all claims. A certificate from the physician on forms furnished by the Director of Schools may also be required to verify the extent of the injury.<sup>3</sup>

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Legal References

1. TCA 49-5-714(a)
2. TCA 49-5-714(b)
3. TRR/MS 0520-01-02-.04(4)(b)

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Cross References

- Worker's Compensation 3.602
- Sick Leave 5.302
- Long Term Leaves of Absence 5.304

