

Employing Retired Teachers and Administrators

One of the Board's personnel goals is to recruit, select and employ the best qualified personnel to staff the schools within the District. As such, retired employees who leave the District in good standing may be re-employed according to the following guidelines:

1. The District may employ a person previously employed as a school district or charter school instructional, pupil service, or other certificated staff member, certificated teacher or administrator who is receiving retirement benefits from the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI) for positions requiring such certification provided such individuals were not promised "rehire" by the District before their retirement was in effect. Said employees are referred to below as "retiree" or "retirees".

In addition, effective until June 30, 2026, the District may hire individuals who retired from any PERSI-eligible employer, so long as the individual retired on or after age 55, and so long as the individual acknowledges they may not accrue additional retirement benefits. All such employment under Idaho 59-1356(5) must end on or before June 30, 2026.

These employees are considered to be employed "at-will" and in accordance with the Standard Retired Teacher Contract or Standard Retired Administrator Contract form that has been approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and which expires at the end of every school year.

2. Any employment contract between the District and retirees shall be separate and apart from the collective bargaining agreement between the District and the local teacher's association.
3. Retirees employed consistent with this policy and state law shall accrue one (1) day per month of sick leave. No annual sick leave shall be accumulated unless additional sick leave has been negotiated between each individual retiree and the District at the time of employment. Sick leave accrued under Idaho Code § 33-1004H does not qualify for unused sick leave benefits under Idaho Code § 33-1228.
4. The District will not provide health insurance/life insurance benefits for retirees hired consistent with this policy.
5. The District shall not employ certificated teachers and administrators who receive or received benefits under the early retirement program provided in Idaho Code 33-1004G.
6. Retirees who qualify to be rehired are those who have: A) reached the Rule of 90; B) are not participating in the early retirement program; and C) who are retired on or after 62 years of age.

Legal Reference:

I.C. § 59-1302	Definition – School Employee
I.C. § 59-1356	Reemployment of Retired Members
I.C. § 33-1004H	Employing Retired Teachers and Administrators
I.C. § 33-514	Issuance of Annual Contracts
I.C. § 33-1004G	Early Retirement Incentive
I.C. § 33-1271	School Districts-Professional Employees-Negotiation Agreements
I.C. § 33-1273	School Districts-Professional Employees-Negotiations
I.C. § 33-1228	Severance Allowance at Retirement

Cross Reference:

5100	Hiring Process & Criteria
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