



## Reimbursement for Travel Expenses

### Travel Request

Travel requests must be approved by the staff member’s immediate supervisor prior to submission to the superintendent. Out-of-district travel must be approved by the superintendent. The travel request must show meals, lodging, transportation and any other estimated expenses for which reimbursement is to be charged.

### Reimbursement of Claims

Certified claims must be submitted to the district business office at least 15 Days prior to the regular board meeting. A mileage report is to be submitted each month for reimbursement of mileage in a personal vehicle inside the district. The report must show each point of departure and destination. A statement of expenses is to be submitted for each trip for which reimbursement is being requested.

### Reimbursement Expenses

Lodging	Reasonable rates	Itemized receipt required
Meals	Paid at per diem or reasonable rates	No receipt required to be paid at per diem or itemized receipts to be paid actual expenses.
Airline, Train, Bus fare	Tourist rate	Cancelled ticket serves as receipt
Taxi, Parking, Toll		Receipt preferred
Mileage--personal car	<p><b>Inside the district:</b> Reimbursement allowed only when approved in advance by the staff member’s supervisor. When travel is a necessary part of performing one’s work, the staff member may receive blanket approval for the year.</p> <p><b>Outside the district:</b> Reimbursement allowed only in connection with an approved travel request and when there is evidence that a district vehicle was not available for use on the day of travel. Reimbursement shall be at the IRS approved rate.</p>	

- A. **Hotel and Motel Expenses:** Individual receipts are required from each staff member who obtains reimbursement from the district. When two or more people share a room the room shall be registered to all of the occupants. Each person shall obtain and pay a bill for the share of the room charge when possible. If the hotel or motel will not provide that service, the person paying the bill and requesting reimbursement shall note on the receipt all other staff members who shared the room. Hotel or motel charges are not to be billed directly to the district unless the hotel was pre-confirmed with a purchase order.
- B. **Airline Tickets:** Airline tickets (coach rate) may be charge to the district through a local travel agency for any approved travel.

### **Travel Advances**

- A. A written request for a travel advance must be submitted to the district fiscal officer.
- B. Travel advances are paid in the form of a check payable to the staff member.
- C. A statement of expense must be submitted to the district fiscal officer within ten days following completion of the travel. If the actual expenses are less than travel advance, the staff members shall reimburse the district for the difference.
- D. The Advance Travel Revolving Fund should not be issued for payment of airline tickets, pre-registration fees or for reimbursements to staff or officers for travel expenses already incurred.

### **Non Reimbursable Expenses**

The following expenses are not reimbursable:

- A. Alcoholic beverages, meals or snacks other than regular meals.
- B. Personal telephone calls, postage and memberships
- C. Mileage to and from home
- D. Mileage for school levy promotions and other nonofficial school functions
- E. Entertainment
- F. Expenses for travel extending beyond the time required for the meeting or business, unless it is in the district's financial interest to extend the travel over a Saturday night or such other rate advantages.
- G. Expenses incurred by non-employees traveling with the staff member, including room surcharges.

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