

## CHAPTER 6.00 – HUMAN RESOURCES

### PROFESSIONAL LEAVE

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Professional leave may be granted to an administrative or instructional staff member with or without pay in accordance with the following provisions:

Professional leave is defined as leave granted to a member of the administrative or professional staff to engage in activities resulting in professional benefit or advancement including earning of college credits and degrees or that shall contribute to the professional of teacher. Extended professional leave is such leave extending for more than thirty (30) consecutive days. Professional leave or extended professional leave ordinarily will be initiated by the employee and will be primarily for his/her benefit or that of the teaching profession and only incidentally for the benefit of the school system.

- (1) Professional leave, not to exceed six (6) days, may be approved by the Superintendent, but such leave in excess of six (6) days shall require approval by the Board.
- (2) Professional leave during the post-school conference shall not be granted to a person who will not be returning the ensuing school year.
- (3) Leave for both the post-school and pre-school conference periods shall not be approved except where the applicant may need to attend two (2) sessions to complete work for a required degree and such would be to the advantage of the school district.
- (4) Personnel employed for ten (10) months and employed for the summer program are not eligible for professional leave during this extra period of employment.

#### STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

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