AP 7302  Short-Term and Substitute Employees

Reference:  Education Code Section 88003

I.  Short–Term Employees

1.  Definition
   a.  A short-term employee is any person who is employed to perform a service for the District upon the completion of which, the service required or similar services will not be extended or needed on a continuing basis.
   b.  A short-term employee, unless he/she is a regular classified employee working in a short-term assignment during unassigned time, is not a member of the classified service.

2.  Length of Employment
   a.  A short-term employee is employed with the understanding that his/her association with the District will last only through a certain period of time or academic term.
   b.  A short-term employee may not exceed 170 working days (including holidays) during the fiscal year irrespective of the number of hours worked per day.
   c.  In addition to the 170 working day limitation, a short-term employee may not work in excess of 900 hours during the fiscal year.

3.  Salary and Benefits
   a.  A short-term employee is paid in accordance with the salary schedule established by the Office of Human Resources.
   b.  A short-term employee is not eligible for vacation, sick leave, holiday pay, or health benefits.
   c.  A short-term employee is not exempt from overtime pay.

4.  Authorization
   a.  A short-term employee may not begin working until after the Board of Trustees, at a regular meeting, has approved the employment of the short-
term employee establishing the service (duties) to be performed and the end
date for the employment of the short-term employee.

b. The ending date may be shortened or extended by the Board of Trustees, but
shall not extend beyond the period as specified in Section 2b above.

c. A Short-Term, Non-Academic Employment request form must be completed
and submitted to the Office of Human Resources prior to submission to the
Board of Trustees for employment authorization.

5. Special Provisions

a. A regular classified employee may not be employed as a short-term
employee, except those regular classified employees whose assignment is
less than 12 months, and then only during his/her unassigned time.

b. During the term in which a student is employed as a student worker, he/she
may not be also employed as a short-term employee.

c. A short-term employee, who is also a student at the District, may not be
employed as a student worker during the term.

d. A short-term employee may not be employed simultaneously in multiple
assignments.

II. Substitute Employees

1. Definition

A substitute employee is any person employed to:

a. replace any classified employee who is temporarily absent from duty (e.g
illness leave or any other authorized leave); or

b. serve in an existing authorized open position for not more than 60 calendar
days while the District is engaged in the recruitment and selection process to
fill the position.

2. Length of Employment

a. A substitute employee may be employed for the duration of the temporary
absence of a regular classified employee provided the substitute employee’s
total number of work days does not exceed 170 working days (including
holidays) during the fiscal year irrespective of the number of hours worked per
day, except as provided in Section 1b above.

b. In addition to the 170 working day limitation, a substitute employee may not
work in excess of 900 hours during the fiscal year.
3. Salary and Benefits

   a. A substitute employee is paid at the hourly rate for the first step of the appropriate salary range and classification as set forth on the regular classified salary schedule.

   b. A substitute employee is not eligible for vacation, sick leave, holiday pay, or health benefits.

   c. A substitute employee is not exempt from overtime pay.

4. Authorization

   a. A substitute employee may not begin employment until after the Board of Trustees, at a regular meeting, has approved the employment of the substitute employee.

   b. A “Substitute Employment” request form must be completed and submitted to the Office of Human Resources prior to submission to the Board of Trustees for employment authorization.

5. Special Provisions

   a. A full-time regular classified employee may not be employed as a substitute employee, except those regular classified employees whose assignment is less than 12 months, and then only during his/her unassigned time.

   b. A less than full-time regular classified employee may not be employed as a substitute in his/her regular classification.

   c. During the term in which a student is employed as a student worker, he/she may not be also hired as a substitute employee.

   d. A substitute employee, who is also a student at the District, may not be hired as a student worker during the term.

   e. A substitute employee may not be employed simultaneously in multiple assignments.

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