

## **Series 4000: District Employment**

### **4200 Employee Conduct and Ethics**

#### **4219 Attendance**

Regular, reliable, and in-person attendance is an essential job function for employees, unless the Superintendent or designee approves the absence in writing. Employee absences or tardiness negatively impact the education of students and may impose unnecessary burdens on coworkers. Employees will be held accountable for adhering to their assigned schedule. Any deviation from an employee's assigned schedule must be approved in advance by the employee's supervisor or designee.

Consistent with any applicable collective bargaining agreement or individual employment contract, an employee must report absences as directed by the employee's supervisor or designee. The Superintendent or designee reserves the right to request verification for absences if reasonable grounds exist to believe that an employee is misusing leave, has misrepresented the reason(s) for the employee's absence, or a pattern of absenteeism exists. When possible, leave must be requested in advance per an applicable collective bargaining agreement, individual employment contract, employee handbook, Policy, or law.

An employee who violates this Policy may be subject to discipline, including discharge.

Legal authority: MCL 380.11a(3), 380.601a

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