WELLSBORO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION:

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES

TITLE:

UNCOMPENSATED LEAVE

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439. UNCOMPENSATED LEAVE

1. Purpose

The Board recognizes that in certain situations an employee may request extended leave for personal reasons, and the district could benefit from the return of the employee. This policy establishes guidelines for granting uncompensated leaves of absence.

2. Authority SC 1154

The Board reserves the right to specify the conditions under which uncompensated leave may be taken.

3. Guidelines

Uncompensated leave shall be granted in accordance with provisions of the collective bargaining agreement.

Application

Requests for uncompensated leave shall be made to the Superintendent in advance of the requested beginning date. Before requesting an uncompensated leave, employees are required to exhaust all sick, personal and vacation leave available.

Special consideration will be given to emergencies.

All requests are subject to final approval by the Superintendent.

Period Of Leave

An uncompensated leave may be granted for a period up to one (1) school year.

Extensions shall be considered upon proper application.

Commitment Of Employee

The employee granted an uncompensated leave of absence shall inform the Superintendent of his/her intentions prior to the scheduled return date.

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If notification is not received, it shall be assumed that the employee has terminated employment with the District.
Commitment Of Employer
At the expiration of uncompensated leave, the employee shall be offered the same position previously held or a like position to that previously held.
Fringe Benefits
Uncompensated leave in excess of thirty (30) days shall not count as time on the job, and fringe benefits shall not be provided for uncompensated leaves in excess of thity (30) days unless the employee provides payment for benefits. If the employee is eiligible for benefits under the Family Medical Leave Act, the Family Medical Leave Act guidelines will apply.