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## TEACHING STAFF MEMBERS 3425 Work Related Disability Pay

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## 3425 WORK RELATED DISABILITY PAY

The Board of Education will permit, in accordance with law, the absence without loss of pay or of annual or accumulated sick leave benefits of a teaching staff member disabled by accident or injury arising out of and in the course of employment. Any such employee shall seek the workers' compensation benefits to which he or she is entitled by law.

An employee whose disability has qualified for the receipt of workers' compensation benefits shall be presumed eligible for work related disability pay under this policy. When an employee's disability is so brief as to preclude the employee's application for workers' compensation benefits, the employee may request and the Board may grant work related disability pay.

Any employee who qualifies for work related disability pay under this policy will be entitled to receive full pay during the period he or she is on disability leave of absence, for up to twelve consecutive months.

As a condition of receiving full salary, an employee who receives workers' compensation benefits for his or her work-related disability must endorse and deliver to the Board all workers' compensation temporary disability checks received for the period covered by this policy.

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