

GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

6610 PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FOR CERTIFIED STAFF

Requests for attendance or participation in a professional learning activity, other than sponsored by the Grand Island Public Schools, shall be made to the supervising administrator. Approval must be obtained prior to attendance by staff when the attendance would result in staff being excused from their duties or when the school district pays the expenses for the program.

Staff authorized by the supervising administrator to represent the school system at training, workshops, and conferences will be allowed salary and expenses in conformance with regulations on expense reimbursement. Requests that involve unusual expenses or overnight travel must also be approved by the Superintendent or designee.

Staff authorized by the Superintendent or designee to represent the Grand Island Public Schools on Nebraska Department of Education Committees will be allowed expenses and salary in conformance with administrative regulations. Staff other than those selected as official representatives may be allowed to attend recognized educational meetings with no loss of salary but with no allowance for expense.

The superintendent shall have sole final discretion to allow or disallow certificated employees to attend or participate in the requested event. When making this determination, the superintendent or designee will consider the value of the program for staff and the school district, the effect of the staff member's absence on the education program, and school district operations and the school district's financial situation as well as other factors deemed relevant in the judgment of the superintendent or designee.

The requirements stated in the Negotiated Contract regarding professional development shall be followed.

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