

Educational Support Personnel

Employment Termination and Suspensions

Resignation and Retirement

An employee is requested to provide 2 weeks' notice of a resignation. A resignation notice cannot be revoked once given. An employee planning to retire should notify his or her supervisor at least 2 months before the retirement date.

Non-RIF Dismissal

The Cooperative may terminate an at-will employee at any time. The Executive Director or supervisor may recommend an employee's discharge subject to the Executive Board's approval.

Reduction In Force and Recall

The Executive Board shall use a seniority list to determine the order of dismissal if it reduces educational support personnel or discontinues some type of educational support service. The seniority list, categorized by positions, shall show the length of continuing service of each full-time educational support employee. The employee with the shorter length of continuing service within the respective category of position shall be dismissed first.

Written notice will be given the employee by certified mail, return receipt requested, at least 30 days before the employee is removed or dismissed, together with a statement of honorable dismissal and the reason therefor. Any vacancies for the following school term or within one calendar year from the beginning of the following school term, shall be offered to the employees so removed or dismissed from that category of position provided they are qualified to hold such positions.

Final Paycheck

A terminating employee's final paycheck will be adjusted for any unused, earned vacation credit. Employees are paid for all earned vacation. Terminating employees will receive their final pay on the next regular payday following the date of termination, except that an employee dismissed due to a reduction in force shall receive his or her final paycheck on or before the third business day following the last day of employment.

Suspension

Except as provided below, the Executive Director is authorized to suspend an employee without pay as a disciplinary measure, during an investigation into allegations of misconduct, or pending a dismissal hearing whenever, in the Executive Director's judgment, the employee's presence is detrimental to the Cooperative. A disciplinary suspension shall be with pay (1) when the employee is exempt from the overtime provisions of the federal wage and hour laws, or (2) until an employee with an employment contract for a definite term is provided a notice and hearing according to the suspension policy for professional employees.

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