Policy

Egg Harbor Township Board of Education

4000 Support Staff Members 4435 Anticipated Maternity Leave

Employees requesting a pregnancy related disability will be granted the "presumption of disability" for a period of twenty days before and twenty days following the expected birth. The following requirements shall exist.

A. The employee requesting a maternity disability leave shall request in writing to the Superintendent no later than three months prior to its effective date. The request shall include the following information:

1. The intention to return to work after the disability period, or a request for a child rearing leave following the disability period of time as prescribed in Article XVI of the negotiated agreement;

2. A statement as to the expected due date and the final date of work.

B. A doctor's note indicating the existence of a maternity disability and the projected due date;

C. The employee shall be entitled to apply sick days during the period of presumed disability provided sufficient accumulated sick days exist;

D. Extensions to the presumed period of disability (20/20) will be granted only under the following conditions:

1. Additional documentation by a physician indicating that such extensions are necessary along with the duration of the extension;

2. That the employee has accumulated sufficient sick time to be applied.

E. When applied sick days run into a scheduled day off (NJEA, snow days, holidays and vacation periods) the day(s) will be counted as part of the disability period but will not be deducted from accumulated sick time.

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