

Welcome Back!

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What's New

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What's New: COVID-19 Changes & Time Reporting

- Several types of COVID leave have been established and used over the past 2 1/2
 years through Bills/Agreements, most of which have expired. California State Bill 114
 is still active going into the 2022-2023 school year but will expire September 30, 2022.
- This current COVID leave is available in 2 banks of 40 hours each, for a maximum total of 80 hours. This is a fully paid leave and does not come out of an employee's leave balances.
- The Time Reporting Codes used to report COVID absences are:

19C22 - Certificated

19L22 - Classified

 The eligibility reasons for each of the 2 leave banks are detailed on the COVID Leave Request form which can be found on our Payroll webpage

It is not yet known whether there will be another federal, state or collective bargaining COVID leave established, or when the new leaves may take effect.

What's New: Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

Changes to How FMLA Is Reported

- Payroll has worked closely with Human Resources (HR) to create a new approach for reporting paid and unpaid FMLA within PeopleSoft.
- Previously, employees who took unpaid FMLA for a continuous time period were managed within PeopleSoft job data and time reporting for this unpaid leave was not necessary at the site level.
- Now, an employee can request to take leave for a few days or hours at a time instead of just one continuous time period. FMLA can now be used concurrently or intermittently, up to 12 weeks within one (1) year. Also, Timekeepers now have a role in reporting FMLA leave directly into PeopleSoft, using one of two new pay codes: **FML and FMU**.



What's New: Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

Reporting FMLA

The type of FMLA code used will determine whether the time is paid with available leave balances, or unpaid.



Time Reporting Code: FML - Family Medical Leave (Paid)

This code will be used to report PAID FMLA hours. This may be reported hourly and can be used intermittently for whole days, partial days, or for sporadic hours over an extended time period.

Timekeepers must enter two (2) time reporting lines for this leave; One to report the absence using available personal balances and another to report the FML hours. "

Time Reporting Code: FMU - Family Medical Unpaid

This code will be used to report **UNPAID** FMLA hours.

Only one time reporting line is used in this case because the time is unpaid and is not reported along with any leave. This will reduce the employee's pay as with other unpaid absences.

What's New: Family Medical Leave Act (Cont.)

Workflow

Once an FMLA leave is officially approved by HR, the following process will transpire:

 HR will send a memo to Payroll, the Site Administrator and the Site Timekeeper that will contain details about the type of FMLA approved for the employee.



 The Site Timekeeper then determines whether the FMLA related absences are FML (Paid) or FMU (Unpaid) and enters the appropriate absences.

Timekeepers can still report Non-FMLA related absences for an employee who is using FLMA intermittently if they request time off that is not related to the FMLA leave.

What's New: Employee Calendar Changes for 2022-23

Associate Principals

Associate Principals, renamed from Vice Principals, have been placed on a 219 (Elementary/Middle Level), and 228 (High School) day calendar. This aligns their work year with the Principal work year and also changes the Associate Principal's pay schedule. Their payroll will now be distributed over 12 months, July through June. This increase in work year was agreed upon to ensure enough administration related coverage for Summer School programs.

Commingled Classroom Teachers

During the 2020-2021 school year, the District began implementing a commingled transitional kindergarten "TK4" model that provides both a Multiple Subject credential holder as well as a Child Development Permit holder in a team teaching model. An agreement passed by the BOE in Feb of 2022 required us to retro-actively place these teachers on a 184 day calendar instead of the previous calendar of 181 days. Retroactive payments for those extra days have already been processed by Payroll.

Athletic Directors

For the 2022-2023 school year, Athletic Director positions have been moved to a 208 day calendar. Prior to the change, they followed the 184 day calendar. This is a negotiated agreement between SDUSD and SDEA and is for 1 year. The agreement will be reviewed to determine whether the Athletic Directors will continue on the 208 calendar in the next fiscal year.

What's New: Stipends and Pay Incentives

Incentive for Hard to Staff Positions (June 2021 Agreement)

- This agreement provides a \$4,000 stipend payment for new hires and transfers for a limited number of hard to staff positions.
- The first half (\$2,000) has already been paid to eligible employees, the second half (\$2,000) will be paid out after each employee completes 2 calendar years in the same position.

4.5% Off-Schedule One-Time Payment and Hiring and Transfer Incentive for Special Ed & School Nurse Assignments (June 2022 Agreement)

The first part of this SDEA agreement relates to a 4.5% one-time, off-schedule payment, and will extend to all SDUSD employees.

 Each existing salaried employee and newly-hired salaried employees during the 2022-2023 school year will receive a 4.5% payment, which will be broken out into 10 equal payments from September 2022 through June of 2023.

What's New: Stipends & Pay Incentives (cont.)

- The 4.5% is based off of each employee's annual salary as of September 30, 2022, or the time of hire for those hired during the school year.
- Employees will only receive these tenthly payment amounts for the number of months in which they are actively employed throughout the year.

The second part of the agreement relates to a Transfer Incentive for Special Education and School Nurse Assignments

Credentialed unit members that transfer into Special Ed assignments, and nurses hired during the 2022-2023 school year will receive a \$10,000 incentive. These incentives will be broken out into 20 equal payments of \$500 and paid between September 2022 and June of 2023, and then continue between September 2023 through June of 2024.



What's New:

Revised CalPERS & CalSTRS Rates

Contribution rates have changed effective July 1, 2022 as follows:

CalPERS

- Employer rate increased from 22.91% to 25.37%.
- Classic PERS remains at 7% of creditable compensation.
- Reform PERS increased from 7% to 8% of creditable compensation.

CalSTRS

- Employer rate increased from 16.92% to 19.10%.
- Classic STRS members remain at 10.25% of creditable compensation.
- Reform STRS members remain at 10.205% of creditable compensation



Reminders for the New School Year

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Reminders: Pay Options

- Classified or Certificated, Traditional, 10-mo or 11-mo employees are eligible to enroll in the Reserve Net Pay Option.
- SDEA members have the additional option of signing up for the Voluntary 12-pay option.

Pay Options										
	Reserve Net Pay Option	Voluntary 12-pay Option (SDEA Only)								
Deduction from Check:	Employee-specified amount is deducted from each of ten checks, September through June of the school year	None. 10-month pay is spread over 12 months equally.								
Distribution Schedule:	Deductions taken September through June are refunded in two payments after deductions are concluded: 1. 50% refunded at the end of July 2. 50% refunded at the end of August	The employee's annual salary is issued over 12 equal payments from July through June of the school year (Note that July and August are pre-payments for the upcoming year)								
When to Enroll:	Enrollment is continuous. However, September 15 is the enrollment deadline for deductions to being on the September paycheck.	The open enrollment period is in the spring preceding the affected contract year with a deadline to submit in June.								

Reminders: Classified School Employees Summer Assistance Program (CSESAP)

This program is in coordination with the California Department of Education to allow eligible classified employees to set aside up to 10% of their monthly salary to later be matched **up to** \$1 for \$1 and paid back during the summer months following the school year.

2021/22 CSESAP:

- The match amount for 2021/22 is \$.88 per dollar.
- The first payout took place on the July 29, 2022 paycheck.
- For those who selected 2 payouts, the second payment will be on the August 31, 2022 paycheck.



Reminders: CSESAP (....continued)



2022/23 CSESAP:

- In January 2022, SDUSD announced its participation in the CSESAP program for the 2022/23 school year.
- The deadline to submit the election form was March 1, 2022.
- On June 1, 2022, confirmed participants were notified via email of the state-determined match amount of \$.69 per \$1 deducted for 2022/23.
- Participants have until September 30, 2022 to reduce their deduction.
- After September 30, no modifications are allowed. However, employees may still cancel participation due to economic or personal hardship.
- Upon cancellation or voluntary separation from the district, the employee is reimbursed their personal deduction amount, but is no longer eligible for state-matched funds.

Find additional information on the CSESAP page of the Payroll website.



Reminders: Maternity Leave

- 3 consecutive work weeks of paid maternity leave are available for the birth mother immediately following the birth of her child.
- Paid maternity leave is available for birth mothers who have been employed by SDUSD for at least 12 months.
- A Maternity Leave Form is available on the Payroll/Forms web-page
- Additional leave can be taken on an unpaid basis through FMLA or a Leave of Absence.
- Additional information is available through the Human Resources
 Department document Maternity Leave Implementation Communication found on the HR Forms page.
- Paternity leave is defined in individual collective bargaining agreements. Please review collective bargaining language for those entitlements.

The maternity leave timekeeping code is "MAT"



Reminders: Child Bonding Leave

 Through assembly bill (AB) 2393, extended AB 375 bonding leave provides mothers and fathers of newly born, adopted or fostered children with an additional paid leave opportunity.



- Employee must have been employed for the district for at least 12 months prior to the start of leave in order to qualify.
- Child bonding leave can be taken for up to 12 work weeks and must be taken within one (1) year from the birth, adoption, or placement of a child in home.
- Employee must exhaust all full sick leave, including projected accruals prior to using half pay bonding leave, which is separate from half-pay sick leave.
- Employee applies for leave by submitting a Child Bonding Application to the Human Resources Department, who provides notifications and updates the system to reflect paid leave (Action: Paid Leave of Absence", Reason: Child Bonding Leave) for each increment of time that the employee will be out.
- This is a paid leave of absence that requires approval by HR, at which time the Payroll Specialist assumes the responsibility of reporting the time.

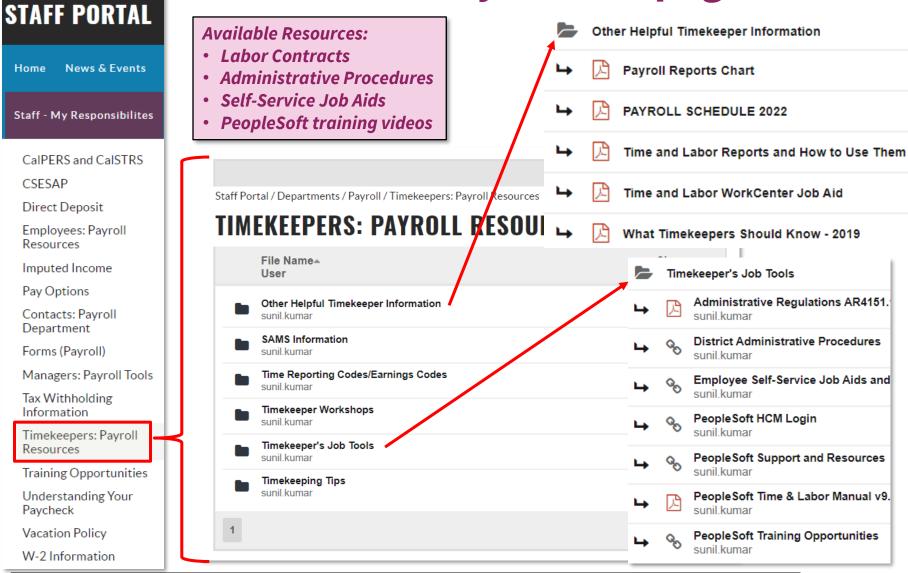
To avoid payment errors, **NEVER** remove the time reporting codes that are entered by the Payroll Specialist.

Reminders: Personal Necessity

- Personal Business Days are no longer included in the SDEA or AASD collective bargaining agreements. Instead, members can use their accumulated full salary sick leave to take Personal Necessity
- SDEA members may use 11 days of Personal Necessity within one work year
- AASD members may use 10 days of Personal Necessity within one work year
- The Sick/Personal Business/Personal Necessity Leave form includes a check box to denote Personal/Family Responsibility
- This form is available on the District's Payroll/Forms webpage at sandi.net/payroll



Reminders: Payroll Webpage



Log into the <u>SDUSD Website Staff Portal</u> and navigate to the Payroll Department's **Timekeepers: Payroll Resources** page regularly for training resources and updates!

Reminders: Training & Tools



 There are many tools available on the District's website that are designed to help you increase your skill and efficiency as a Timekeeper:

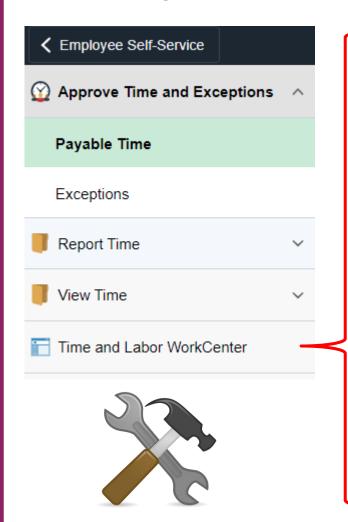
The following items are linked on the Payroll's Timekeeper Resources webpage:

- **Instructional Job Aids:** These vital, printable manuals give step-by-step instructions for using PeopleSoft in performing your timekeeping functions (The "Employee Self-Service Job Aids and More" link can be found within the <u>Helpful Timekeeper Information</u> section.
- **Time and Labor WorkCenter Job Aid:** The Time and Labor WorkCenter is an essential tool for Timekeepers to utilize throughout the day where your resources are centralized. The link can be found under <u>Other Helpful Timekeeper Information/Time and Labor WorkCenter Job Aid</u>.
- Time & Labor Training: These classes are some of the most useful and underused tools available to help Timekeepers improve their skills and understand their role in the payroll process. (Please register using the Professional Learning website)

Awareness of available **training tools** along with participation in regular training events are essential elements of being able to perform the tasks of a Timekeeper with promptness and accuracy.

Reminders: Time and Labor WorkCenter

Navigate to the WorkCenter in PeopleSoft HCM by going to Main Menu/ Manager Self Service/ Time Management/ Time and Labor WorkCenter



▼ External Payroll Links

- Payroll Checklist
- Payroll Forms
- Payroll Contact List

External T&L Links

- Timekeeper Manual
- SmartFindExpress (SAMS) Webcenter
- How to Verify Jobs in SmartFindExpress
- Updating Combo Code for Prof Dev Subs
- Time & Labor Reports and How to Use Them
- How to Report Time
- Time and Labor Job Aids

Frequent Timekeeping needs:

- Payroll Forms
- Payroll Contact List
- SAMS Link
- Timesheet
- Instructional Tools
- PAR Tools
 - Manage Stipends job Aid
 - Time & Labor for Summer School/ESY Handb
 - How to Report Time for Summer School/ESY

▽ PeopleSoft T&L Links

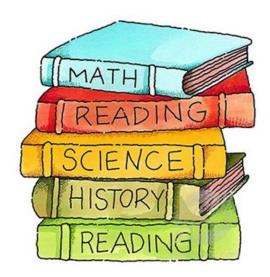
- Timesheet
- Time and Labor Launch

▽ PeopleSoft HR Links

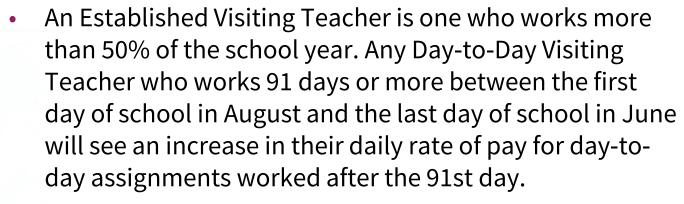
- PAR Search
- Personnel Action Request

Reminders: Visiting Teachers

- Visiting Teachers (VT's) are paid a daily rate
- A VT assigned to replace a part- or full-time teacher who is absent for only part of the day is compensated for a full day's service.
- A VT is paid the long-term rate beginning with the 6th day of a teaching assignment and the reason code should be changed to "Long-Term" in SAMS/Smartfind Express.
- If you do not change the reason code on the 6th day, you will have to go into time and labor to update the time reporting code manually. You will also need to contact the substitute help desk and have them change the reason to "Long-Term".



Reminders: Established Visiting Teachers



 Established Visiting Teacher rates are adjusted in Time and Labor during Time Administration processing. Sites will not report anything separately for these employees.

Time Administration calculates the number of days worked and changes the rate for hours reported in Time and Labor for those employees who have worked enough to be eligible.

Reminders: Resident Visiting Teacher Program

What is a Resident Visiting Teacher (RVT)?

- A Resident Visiting Teacher (RVT) is a visiting teacher who works primarily at one school location for the school year.
- Their role is to provide instruction and supervision of students in the absence of one or more teachers.
- When a school does not need the RVT at a school on a particular day, that individual could be asked to cover a neighboring school.
- One or more Resident Visiting Teachers may be assigned to a school.
- Schools may select RVT's from the District's eligible Visiting Teachers list/pool.
- RVT's would remain in the assignment during the 2022-23 school year so long as their performance is satisfactory and they remain qualified for the position.
- Being qualified for the position means the RVT maintains their credential and they comply with employment paperwork/ training (e.g. Kavanugh notice, TB test, etc.)

Timekeeping for Resident Visiting Teachers

- Time for Resident Visiting Teachers must be reported on the RVT job record so that the time/cost is charged to the budgeted position which has been setup for that site.
- No Account Strings should be entered on the timesheet when reporting RVT time.
- RVT time coming over from the SAMS system must be moved to the correct job record and the account string removed.

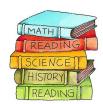
Reminders: Temporary VT Rate Increases

Temporary increases to Visiting Teacher and Early Childhood Education (ECE) Visiting Teacher Pay Rates have been extended to include the 2022-23 School Year.

- Resident VTs: \$300 per day
- Day-to-Day Visiting Teachers: \$250 per day
- Established Visiting Teachers: \$275 per day
- Long-Term Visiting Teachers: \$300 per day
- Day-to-Day ECE Visiting Teachers: \$250 per day
- Long-Term ECE Visiting Teachers: \$300 per day

Reminders: Additional Pay for Visiting Teachers

- Apart from the Visiting Teacher daily rates of pay highlighted in the previous slides, Visiting Teachers are not eligible for most other certificated hourly rates of pay, with the following exceptions:
 - Supervision Session Authorized (SPV)
 - Extended-Day Service Units (EXP/COA)
 - Emergency Class Coverage (ECC/WPS)
 - Other rates of pay permitted and outlined explicitly within an agreement or MOU, as with the Tutoring rate of pay within recent bargaining unit agreements with SDEA



Reminder: SDEA Retired Visiting Teachers

- When an SDEA retired unit member returns to perform visiting teacher services, they are typically paid according to visiting teacher rates.
- According to SDEA Collective Bargaining Agreement, Appendix D, Section 7.01, retirees returning to perform the full scope of duties previously assigned to them as regular unit members are to be paid at the current pro-rata hourly rate. Be aware that they must have the credential associated with the position.
- A separate job record is established for these types of employees and it is used to report PRO (pro-rata contract rate) in these cases.
- Hours from SAMS will populate to the timesheet for the visiting teacher.
 These rows should be deleted from the visiting teacher record and PRO reported on the record associated with pro-rata.



If you require approval or have questions about **full scope of duties**, please consult with your principal or contact your Human Resources Officer.

Reminders: ELPAC Testing

- State and federal law require that districts administer a state test of English language proficiency to eligible students in kindergarten through grade twelve. The English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) is designated as the state's assessment test for language proficiency.
- The CA Department of Education recommends that certificated teachers administer the ELPAC and must complete required annual training.
- Further details can be found on Administrative Circular No. 210 issued Dec. 16, 2021: 2022 Computer-Based Summative ELPAC Training.



Reminders: ELPAC Testing (...continued)

- Retired teachers who are conducting ELPAC training will be paid at the Non-Classroom Teacher (NCT) rate
- Visiting Teachers (VT) may administer ELPAC if retired teachers are not available and will be paid at the short-term Visiting Teacher rate
- Trained Classified staff may administer ELPAC at their regular (REG) hourly pay rate
- All VT/Retired Teacher ELPAC assignments are managed through the SAMS system and then processed through the SAMS-PeopleSoft interface
- Non-VT/Retired Teacher ELPAC assignment hours performed outside an employees work schedule are reported via timecard and entered in to PeopleSoft.

Refer to the Smart Find Express presentation or the SAMS/Smart Find Express Guidelines and Timekeeper Information for more details about time reporting and pay for ELPAC testing.

Reminders: Time Reporting Codes

TIME REPORTING CODES/EARNING CODES

Rates Effective: 07/01/21 (Updated 09/01/2021)

ABSENCE REPORTING CODES

TIME REPORTING CODES/EARNING CODES

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The full updated document is found on the **Timekeepers: Payroll Resources** page of the website: https://staff.sandiegounified.org/departments/payroll/timekeepers_payroll_resou



Reminders: Payroll Deadlines

- Make sure you stay on top of payroll/timekeeper deadlines.
- Payroll processing is accomplished using very strict processing deadlines in order to assure the district meets its legally obligated pay dates.
- All timekeepers should belong to the timekeeper listserv and carefully review the Timekeeping Tips sent each month. These tips include reporting deadlines and important information related to payroll.



If you have not already done so, please join the **timekeeper listserv** by sending a request via email addressed to both of our payroll supervisors:

- Anna Marie Villegas: <u>avillegas1@sandi.net</u>
- Gina Mendez-Gonzalez: gmendez-gonzalez@sandi.net

Reminders: Salaried vs. Substitute Pay

Salaried Employee Pay

 Pay is automatically generated according to the employee's calendar, job position, and salary placement.



- A monthly salary pays on the last working day of the month
- Additional time (extra time, overtime, etc.) is recorded hourly and pays based on when it is reported:
 - ✓ Time worked from the 1st -15th (or up to timekeeper deadline) pays on the last working day of the month.
 - ✓ Remaining time worked following the timekeeper deadline in that month (typically 16th 31st) pays on or about the 10th of the following month.

Substitute Pay

 Pay is based on positive time reported by the site timekeeper.



- Checks are generated only when time is reported into time and labor for the respective pay period.
 - ✓ Time worked from the 1st -15th (or up to timekeeper deadline) pays on the last working day of the month.
 - ✓ Remaining time worked following the timekeeper deadline in that month (typically 16th 31st) pays on or about the 10th of the following month.

Read the monthly **Timekeeping Tips** to be aware of fluctuations in the timekeeper deadline, such as at the end of the school year and Winter Break.

Reminders: Timekeeping for Salaried Employees

- Timely entry of absences is critical in order for the payroll department to pay monthly employees on time and accurately
- If you know of an employee who is going to be on a long-term illness, you can enter time through the end of the month. Especially if the employee is in half pay sick leave!
- Absences not reported for an employee can cause overpayments
 - Overpayments are complicated and no employee wants to be contacted and told they are overpaid
 - Overpayments result in a skewed view of actual district expenses and require collecting after the fact



Please call us if you are ever unsure of how to **report time** for an employee!

Reminders: Timekeeping for Substitutes

- Hourly employees are only paid if time is reported in time and labor. Please report hours for time worked by the timekeeping deadline.
- Positive hours are reported for time worked please do not report hours that an employee will work at a future date. Only report hours that have been worked and completed.
- Time not reported by the deadline results in frustrated employees who don't get paid on time.
- Many of these late transactions result in special checks that do not qualify for Direct Deposit.
- Special checks are an avoidable cost to the district budget.

Timekeepers: Payroll Resources is the name of the webpage devoted to providing all the vital information and tools that Timekeepers require to perform their role in the District



Site Reporting and Auditing

- Payroll Reconciliation/Audit Reports Chart
- Accuracy & Timeliness
- Filled Position Report
- Audit Paid to Reported Time Report
- Account Code & Time Summary Reports
- Leave Balance Reports
- Prior Period Adjustments



Site Reporting and Auditing: Payroll Reconciliation/Audit Reports Chart

- The Payroll Reconciliation/Audit Reports Chart is available to help
 Timekeepers navigate and track the various payroll reports that are required
 to be run and audited regularly throughout the month.
- A link to the chart is provided under Other Helpful Timekeeper Information
 page in the Timekeepers: Payroll Resources section of the Payroll website:
 https://staff.sandiegounified.org/departments/payroll/timekeepers_payroll_resources
- This chart provides a quick reference to determine:
 - ✓ When each report is to be run
 - ✓ The navigation to each report
 - ✓ How to use each report to reconcile your payroll
 - ✓ Which reports must be signed by the Principal or Department head & which must be retained in binders as official payroll records

Site Reporting and Auditing: Payroll Reconciliation/Audit Reports Chart

Report Title	Report Description	Navigation	When to Run	How to Use	Signature Required?	
lled Positions Report	This report produces employee data to verify FTE's, employee pay status, position number, job title and account strings assigned to the position.	>Workforce Administration >Workforce Reports >Filled Positions	Run on the 10th and the 20 of the month to assure these employee characteristics are accurate.		No	
eave Balance	This report produces data for employees at your site with vacation balances over 300 hours.	>Benefits >Manage Leave Accruals >Leave Balance Reports	Run on payday for the monthly payroll each month This follows the close of a monthly payroll which is when all vacation hours reported are "taken" from leave balances.	Use this report to identify those employees who may exceed 328 hours as of August 31st each year. Any employee who exceeds 328 hours on that date will be paid for the excess on the September monthly payroll and the cost of that payment will be charged against site/department discretionary accounts.		equired for sites using SAMS to ensure the ccuracy of reported Account Codes for ubstitutes. Account codes pulled in from AMS are default codes for specified bsences. Sites must change the default coor records that should be using something
&L Blank Account Codes eport	This report details substitute hours that were pulled in from the SmartFind Express (SAMS) system to PeopleSoft Time & Labor via an interface.	>Time and Labor >Reports >T&L Blank Acct Codes	Report is to be run at least weekly and account code corrections must be made immediately.	Required for sites using SAMS to ensure the accuracy of reported Account Codes for substitutes. Account codes pulled in from SAMS are default codes for specified absences. Sites must change the default code for records that should be using something other than the default.	No	urpose or Review or Review
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	On or near the 20th					Official Audit Record
			_			Official Audit Record
	On the monthly pay date		N	Manager's Monthly Checklist		Official Audit Record
			1	Leave Balance Report		For Review

Site Reporting and Auditing: Accuracy & Timeliness

- Payroll & Benefits account for more than 90% of the district budget and therefore accurate reporting and timely processing of payroll is so critically important.
- Late reporting results in
 - skewed financial reports
 - inaccurate actual expenses
 - overpayments/underpayments
- We must be diligent in reporting earnings and absences within the pay periods in which they occur. Do not delay reporting positive time and/or absences.
- Back-up documentation is required and necessary in accounting for payroll transactions at your local sites.
- Auditing your payroll is essential in assuring you and your administrators understand what your payroll transactions look like and where there are anomalies that warrant review.

Site Reporting and Auditing: Filled Position Report

 Review Filled Position Report: This is a PeopleSoft report that provides employment data by position. This is a good tool to use to assure employee FTEs, status and account strings are what they should be. Inaccurate reporting of employee FTEs often result in overpayments. Ensure that FTEs accurately reflect employee work schedules.

This is particularly important at the **start of the school year** when employees are frequently transitioning between locations.

 Timely Notification of Employee Status: Identify employees who are no longer at your site or who should be at your site but do not appear on your timesheet. Keeping track of employees and reporting changes via Personnel Action Requests (PAR) are critical elements of paying employees accurately and avoiding overpayments. This review is essential in accounting for who should or should not be assigned to your site and/or no longer working.

Contact your Payroll Specialist right away if you find any **DISCREPANCIES!**

Site Reporting and Auditing: Audit Paid to Reported Time Report

Each site is required to reconcile a specific set of reports in order to accurately audit their payroll transactions. These reports include the following:

• The Audit Paid to Reported Time Report is an official audit record that must be reviewed and signed by an administrator and must be reconciled twice monthly. Run this report on the 10th of the month for previous monthly/on-cycle payroll and the 20th of the month for previous hourly/off-cycle payroll. This report provides information on what has been reported and paid on each payroll. Watch for the monthly listserv reminders to run these reports.

Stay on top of regular audit reporting by using the Timekeeper's tool:

Payroll Reconciliation/Audit Reports Chart

found by navigating to the Timekeeper's Resources webpage

Site Reporting and Auditing: Account Code & Time Summary Reports

- Site/Cross Site Account Code Charges Reports These reports show account code charges being charged to a site other than yours that originated with your site or charges hitting your site that did not originate with you. These should be run weekly as a mechanism for evaluating errors and making corrections prior to payroll deadlines. These are also official reports that need review, corrections made if necessary and signoff by the administrator.
- Time Summary Report This report should be used to evaluate hours being reported for employees at your site such as overtime, extra time, leave reported vs. absences, etc. You can run this report for an entire department or for an individual employee and for a particular date range. This can also be run to an Excel format in order to sort in any way desired. Timekeepers should use this report to check the accuracy of what has been reported in Time and Labor. This is not an official audit record.



Site Reporting and Auditing: Leave Balance Reports

• Vacation Balance of 300 or >: Regularly review employee vacation balances using this report. The district's vacation accrual policy allows a maximum accrual of 328 hours. Employees may carry more than the maximum accrual up to August 31 each year. If at that time a balance of more than 328 hours exists, those excess hours will be paid to the employee on the September monthly payroll. The charges associated with these payments are charged against the site discretionary account. The vacation policy can be reviewed on the staff portal of the Payroll web site at:

Staff Portal/Departments/Payroll/Vacation Policy

Executive Leadership is provided with a **vacation balance report** each month, which specifies the employees in each area
that have exceeded the maximum accrual

Site Reporting and Auditing: Prior Period Adjustments

 A prior period adjustment is a change on the timesheet in Time & Labor for a pay period that has already been processed through Payroll and has been reflected on paychecks.



- Corrections to Time Reporting Codes (TRC)
- Corrections to the amount of hours



Corrections to the Account Code

You should contact your Financial Planning and Development Analyst in the Financial Planning Department to adjust account codes and expenses.

Absence Reporting

- Sick Leave
- Employee Separations & Leaves of Absence
- Physicians Release
- Industrial Accident Reporting
- Leave Balances on the Timesheet
- Comments Field
- Vacation
- Online Roster/Time Reporter Error Notice
- SmartFindExpress (SAMS)



Absence Reporting: Sick Leave

 When reporting absences for an employee who is sick or injured, full pay sick leave is reported first then half pay sick leave. If applicable, vacation can be used instead of sick leave upon administrator approval.



- Absences can be reported by a phone call, an email, or the SAMS report in order for the absence to be reported right away and reflect on the correct payroll. However, the absence form must still be obtained afterwards as it includes both the administrator and employee's signatures authorizing the leave.
- Please make sure that something is reported for each employee absence. It is better to adjust the absence reason once an absence form is received, rather than reporting nothing and waiting indefinitely for an absence form.

Employees reporting absences to **SAMS** must have those absences reported in Time & Labor by their Timekeeper.

Absence Reporting: Employee Separations & Leaves of Absence

- Contact your payroll specialist if you know of an intent from an employee to resign or take any type of long term leave due to childbirth, illness, etc.
- Notify payroll immediately if you have a "no show" or unpaid absences in August or September so that we can stop payment to the employee and avoid overpayment.
- Do not mail a check to an employee if they are not at the site. Instead, call payroll for instructions on how to handle the check.



Absence Reporting: Physician's Release

After an absence of 30 or more consecutive calendar days, employees must submit a Physician's Release to Resume Normal **Duties** form to Human Resources (HR) in order to be allowed to return to duty.

This document can be found in the forms section of the HR web page on the Employee Portal and must be submitted at least 3 workdays

prior to the date of intended return.

Employees must **not** be allowed to return to duty without proper authorization from HR and they should be directed to HR if they arrive at the site without proper authorization to return to duty

Absence Reporting: Industrial Accident Reporting

- Enter the IA time reporting code for employees if they have claimed worker's compensation for an injury.
- Salary continuation allows monthly employees to receive their pay as usual, on schedule at the end of each month providing that they have adequate full pay sick leave to cover the time until the Worker's Compensation funds are processed.
- This time is charged against the full pay sick leave balance until payroll receives confirmation of an accepted claim.
- Any pay loss resulting from the temporary use of half pay sick leave is corrected by payroll as soon as possible.
- Salary continuation is not available for hourly employees.
- Be certain to enter details in the comments field including the date of injury and any other pertinent information.







Absence Reporting: Leave Balances on the Timesheet

- Balances shown on the timesheet are for sick leave/vacation accrued and sick leave/vacation available.
- Employees can borrow projected sick leave accrual through the end of the year (June 30).
- Some employees are eligible to borrow up to 5 months of projected vacation accrual (2nd through 6th year).

Leave and Compensatory Time Balances ①							
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Plan Type	Plan Type	Recorde	ed Balance				
Leave	Sick Leave – Available	SICK LEAVE AVAILABLE	55.00				
Leave	Vacation – Available	VACATION AVAILABLE	34.25				
Leave	Industrial Accident		0.00				
Leave	Classified Sick Leave Incentiv		0.00				
Leave	Floating Holiday		0.00				
Leave	Half Pay Sick Leave		600.00				
Leave	Catastrophic Leave		0.00				
Leave	Sick Leave – Accrued	SICK LEAVE ACCRUED	-5.000				
Leave	Vacation – Accrued	VACATION ACCRUED	4.250				

Absence Reporting: Comments Field

The timesheet **comments field** is one of the most useful, yet underused tools in Time and Labor.

- The comments character field is extremely large and allows for detailed messages.
- Comments help managers to easily identify reasons for overtime and absences.
- Helps payroll staff track long term absences, such as RTW dates for employees coming back from long term illness or industrial accident (IA).
- Use of the comment field is particularly critical when reporting IA.
- It can be used to identify Professional Development specifics.
- Examples:





Absence Reporting: Vacation



- Winter and Spring break periods require "forced vacation" for ten (10) and eleven (11) month employees. "Forced vacation" is reported by the Timekeeper and does not involve a timecard.
- It's important for employees to plan to reduce their vacation balances below 328 by the end of each August because hours that exceed 328 as of August 31st each year are generally paid out to the employee the following month.
- Vacation balances are only payable when accruals exceed 328 at the end of each August or when employment has been terminated.
- Vacation balances are not paid out under any other circumstances and there are no types of pay advances against leave time allowed by the district.

Remind yourself to review your **Timekeeping Tips** each month to stay current on crucial information including how to report "forced vacation".

Absence Reporting: Online Roster/Time Reporter Error Notice

- Use the Online Roster/Time Reporter Error Notice when you are unable to access Time and Labor for the employee on the date indicated so that the corrections can be made by Payroll.
- Timekeepers are not permitted to make corrections in Time and Labor that surpass 90 calendar days and will require Payroll intervention beyond that time frame.
- Please include copies of the timecard, absence request form, and any other supporting documentation.
- This form is **not** to be used to correct budget account codes for time that has already paid. In that situation you must contact your Financial Planning and Development Analyst for assistance.



Absence Reporting: SmartFindExpress (SAMS)

- Timekeepers must enter absences in Time & Labor for employees who call their absences into the SAMS system.
- Employees who report absences to the SAMS system must have a corresponding absence reported in Time & Labor using the appropriate leave for the absence.
- The SAMS system does not auto populate absences in Time & Labor in the
 way it populates the positive hours for the substitutes. Please make sure
 that you are running SAMS reports daily to assure that the corresponding
 absences are being reported in Time & Labor.
- Employee leave balances are critically important in assuring accurate pay and reporting to pension systems (CalSTRS and CalPERS). Do not wait to enter these absences.
- The HCM account code provided to teachers attending a professional development is for reporting time for their substitute VT's.
- Follow-up with employees to obtain the required back-up documentation.

Any Questions?





AN INVESTMENT IN KNOWLEDGE PAYS THE BEST INTEREST.

-BENJAMIN FRANKLIN