## Substitute Reimbursement

## Fiscal Year 2024-2025

## 1. Long Term/Extended Substitute Reimbursement

- A school may not have a Long Term/Extended Substitute (Sub) without a vacant teaching position. Long Term Subs are paid from Object 0107 (Salary - Extended Substitute). They are paid as first-year teachers whose salaries are also included in the calculation of the average teacher's salary; therefore, schools do not get reimbursed when a teacher is out and a Long Term/Extended Sub is used.
- A substitute who fills in for a teacher for more than 20 consecutive days is considered a Long Term Substitute. The status changes to Extended Substitute when the days worked goes beyond 60 consecutive days.
- A school must submit an Employee Action Form in FOCUS to change a regular substitute to a long term/extended substitute.
- If the school pays a regular substitute and then converts the individual to a long term/extended substitute via FOCUS, the budgeting department will transfer all appropriate sub expenditures in Object 0750 (Other Personnel Services) for the individual to Object 0107 (Long Term Sub).
- If a school knows that a substitute will be long term, you may submit a FOCUS request at the beginning. In this case, all of the substitute expenditures will be charged to Object 0107 (Long Term Sub) and no transfer will be required.
- Educational Support substitutes do not qualify for Long Term or Extended Sub status.
- Please contact Personnel for information regarding the requirements or actual pay for a Long Term or Extended Substitute.


## 2. Teacher or Educational Support Substitute Reimbursement

- If a teacher or educational support person is out for more than ten consecutive days, the school is eligible for reimbursement. The school is responsible for the cost of the substitute(s) for the first ten days; the District will reimburse the school for substitute costs after ten days.
- To receive reimbursement, the principal will need to send a memo to Payroll listing the name of the employee who was on leave, the name of the substitute(s), and the dates worked. Once Payroll verifies this information, your school's substitute account (Object 0750 ) will be credited the appropriate amount.
- If an educational support person is out consecutively for multiple payroll periods, the principal will need to send a memo to Payroll after the close of each month.

Example \#1: A teacher is out due to sickness for 5 consecutive days. She returns to work for one day. She still feels sick and stays home another 7 consecutive days. The school would not be reimbursed because even though the teacher was out for a total of 12 days, the days absent were not consecutive.

Example \#2: A paraprofessional is out for 25 consecutive days for surgery. The school would be reimbursed for 15 days ( 25 days absent less 10 days school responsible $=15$ days).

Example \#3: A teacher is out for 19 consecutive days. Due to the restricted substitute work week, the school has two or more substitutes cover for the position. The school would be reimbursed for 9 days (19 days absent less 10 days school responsible $=9$ days).

Example \#4: A paraprofessional position becomes vacant in March and can only be filled by a substitute for the remainder of the Fiscal Year. The school would submit a memo at the close of March, April, May, and just after school closes in June to receive reimbursement. (The school will receive full reimbursement after the first 10 days in March.)

