6213P: Reimbursement for Travel Expenses

Travel Request

Travel requests must be approved by the staff member's immediate supervisor prior to submission to the superintendent. Out-of-district travel must be approved by the superintendent.

The travel request must show meals, lodging, transportation, registration and any other estimated expenses for which reimbursement shall be requested upon completion of travel and the budget category to which reimbursement is to be charged.

Reimbursement Of Claims

Certified claims must be submitted to the district business office at least 5 (five) days prior to the regular board meeting.

A mileage report is to be submitted each month for reimbursement of mileage in a personal vehicle inside the district. The report must show each point of departure and destination.

A statement of expenses is to be submitted for each trip for which reimbursement is being requested.

Reimbursable Expenses

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<td><strong>Inside the district:</strong> Reimbursement allowed only when approved in advance by the staff member's supervisor. When travel is a necessary part of performing one's work, the staff member may receive blanket approval for the year. <strong>Local Area travel:</strong> The Board of Directors and employees will be reimbursed for expenses and mileage in the conduct of normally required duties. The local area is to include Clark and Multnomah Counties, the ESD 112 regional area, and the I-5 corridor from Salem to Olympia, Washington. <strong>Out of Area:</strong> Reimbursement allowed only in connection with an approved travel request. Reimbursement shall be at the current IRS rate.</td>
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A. *Hotel and Motel Expenses: Individual receipts are required from each staff member who obtains reimbursement from the district. When two or more people share a room, the room shall be registered to all of the occupants. Each person shall obtain and pay a bill for the share of the room charge when possible. If the hotel or motel will not provide that service, the person paying the bill and requesting reimbursement shall note on the receipt all other staff members who shared the room.

B. **Meals:** Itemized Receipts Required.

The Camas School District will only accept the following:

1. Original, itemized restaurant meal receipts for one entrée or one serving. The restaurant needs to be identifiable on the receipt.

2. Original, itemized grocery store/convenience store receipts for prepared ready-to-eat food items that will be eaten immediately.
3. Alcoholic beverages and/or snacks are not an allowable expense.

4. All receipts must be itemized and need to contain a date and time that correspond to the time span of the authorized trip. Debit and credit card charge slips do not qualify as an itemized receipt and are not acceptable.

5. Meals are reimbursed for the employee only. Meals are not reimbursed for spouses, children, significant others or clients.

6. Gratuities may be included up to, but not to exceed 15%.

C. Airline Tickets: Airline tickets (coach rate) may be charged to the district through a local travel agency for any approved travel.

Travel Advances
A. A written request for a travel advance must be submitted to the district fiscal officer.
B. Travel advances are paid in the form of a check payable to the staff member.
C. A statement of expense must be submitted to the district fiscal officer within ten days following completion of the travel. If the actual expenses are less than travel advance, the staff members shall reimburse the district for the difference.
D. The Advance Travel Revolving Fund should not be used for payment of airline tickets, pre-registration fees or for reimbursements to staff or officers for travel expenses already incurred.

Nonreimbursable Expenses
The following expenses are not reimbursable:
E. Alcoholic beverages, meals or snacks other than regular meals.
F. Personal telephone calls, postage, and memberships.
G. Mileage to and from home.
H. Mileage for school levy promotions and other nonofficial school functions.
I. Entertainment.
J. Expenses for travel extending beyond the time required for the meeting or business, unless it is in the district’s financial interest to extend the travel over a Saturday night or such other rate advantages.
K. Expenses incurred by non-employees traveling with the staff member, including room surcharges.

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