January 28, 2020

Revised Due Date

To: Principals, Supervisors and PAT Unit Members

From: Benefits Department

RE: Study Leave Applications for the 2020/2021 Fall Semester for all Portland Association of

Teachers Unit Members

Applications for study leaves of absence for the fall semester of the 2020/2021 school year may now be submitted for consideration. Study leaves may be effective for either the full school year or for one semester in 2020/2021. All application forms are due by <u>Tuesday</u>, **February 18, 2020.**

Study leave application forms are available online at https://www.pps.net/Page/1710 under the PAT Study Leave link. Up to 10 FTE unpaid study leaves, with District provided health and welfare benefits, will be available for the 2020/2021 school year.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR APPLICATION:

- Application submissions must include:
 - A detailed course description or a description of the plan of study. The
 candidate must maintain a full-time student load, but need not exceed twelve
 (12) quarter hours, or its equivalent each term, while on leave.
 - A current health form completed and signed by a licensed physician attesting to the unit member's satisfactory health.
 - Each candidate must consult with his/her principal or immediate supervisor, whose signature is required on the application form.
- Send completed applications to one of the options listed below:

Portland Public Schools
Department of Human Resources
Attn. Ligena Hein, Director of Benefits
P.O. Box 3107
Portland, OR 97208-3107

Email: <u>lhein@pps.net</u> FAX: 503-916-3107

A confirmation email of receipt will be sent to the applicant when their application has been received. A notice of approval or denial will emailed to the applicant after the PAT Study Leave Committee has reviewed the applications.

- A study leaves is not considered to be a break in service for calculating salary schedule placement, seniority or retirement credit.
- A leave will **NOT** be granted when the purpose of the study leave is to enable the unit member to obtain an Administrator license.
- Must be a probationary or contract teacher to apply.

cc: Superintendent

Area Directors

Senior Director Special Education

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