



**POLICY #3146** Lactation Accommodation Policy

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**APPLIES TO**

Division Districtwide  
Sub-Division Human Resources

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1	12/22/2023	New policy	Michelle Niven

**RATIONALE**

The District recognizes the need to promote a work environment that is supportive of breastfeeding employees who wish to continue nursing their infant children when they return to work. This policy establishes guidelines for promoting a breastfeeding friendly work environment and supporting lactating employees.

**CONTENT**

If possible, the break time should run concurrently with your normally scheduled break time. Any break time to express breast milk that does not run concurrently with your normally scheduled break time is unpaid.

The lactation location will be private (shielded from view and free from intrusion from co-workers and the public) and located close to your work area. The location will be safe, clean and free of toxic or hazardous materials; have a surface to place a breast pump and other personal items; have a place to sit; and have access to electricity or alternative devices (such as extension cords or charging stations) allowing you to operate an electric or battery-powered breast pump. The District will also provide access to a sink with running water and a refrigerator suitable for storing milk in close proximity to your workspace. If a refrigerator cannot be provided, the District will provide another cooling device suitable for storing milk, such as an employer-provided cooler. The lactation location will not be a bathroom or restroom. The room or location may include an employee's private office if it otherwise meets the requirements of the lactation space. Multi-purpose rooms may be used as lactation space if they satisfy the requirements for space; however, use of the room for lactation takes priority over other uses for the time it is in use for lactation purposes.

Employees who desire lactation accommodations should contact Human Resources to request accommodations. An employee's request may be provided orally, by email, or in writing, and need not be submitted on a specific form. We will engage in an interactive process with you to determine when and where lactation breaks will occur. If we cannot provide break time or a location that complies with this policy, we will provide a written response to your request.

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The district will not tolerate discrimination or retaliation against employees who exercise their rights to lactation accommodation, including those who request time to express milk at work and/or who lodge a complaint related to the right to lactation accommodation. If you believe you have been denied reasonable break time or adequate space to express milk or have been otherwise been denied your rights related to lactation accommodation, you have the right to file a complaint with the Labor Commissioner.

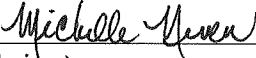
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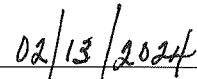
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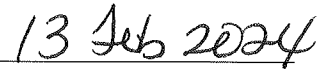
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