

SUBJECT: HEALTH INSURANCE

Health insurance for certificated and classified support staffs shall be in accordance with their respective negotiated agreements or Board policy.

Continuation of Medical Insurance Coverage at Termination of Employment

Under the provisions of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA), employees and their dependents are eligible to continue their insurance coverage for up to eighteen (18) months when termination of their insurance is due to a reduction in their hours worked, or upon termination of their employment.

Dependents of employees are eligible to continue their insurance for up to thirty-six (36) months upon occurrence of one of the following events:

- a) Death of the covered employee; or
- b) Divorce or legal separation from the covered employee; or
- c) An employee becomes eligible for Medicare and ceases to participate in the employer-sponsored plan; or
- d) The dependents of a covered employee reach the maximum age for dependent coverage.

Those who are eligible to continue health coverage have up to sixty (60) days to complete the Continuation of Coverage Election Form. They must pay the full cost of their premium and may be charged for any administrative costs incurred by St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, up to a maximum allowed by law.

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Act of 1985

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