

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY Temporary Schedule Change Policy

Policy:

Yeshiva University is committed to providing employees with the right to temporarily change their work schedule in accordance with the New York City's (NYC) Temporary Schedule Change Law: NYC Temporary Schedule Change Law

Scope:

This Policy applies to all Yeshiva University faculty, staff (including temporary and casual staff) and student employees who have been employed for 120 days or more and have worked 80+ hours within a calendar year (January 1 - December 31).

Definitions:

A "Temporary Schedule Change" means an adjustment to an employee's usual schedule. This can include: using short-term unpaid leave, paid time off, working remotely, or swapping or shifting working hours. Employees may have two days of changed schedule in a calendar year: either two (2) separate occasions equaling one (1) business day or one (1) occasion of up to two (2) business days.

A "Personal Event" can be any of the following:

- The need to care for a child under the age of 18
- The need to care for a "care recipient," a person with a disability who is a family
 or household member and relies on the employee for medical care or to meet the
 needs of daily living.
- The need to attend a legal proceeding or hearing for public benefits to which the employee, a family member, or the employee's minor child or care recipient is a party
- Any other reason for which the employee may use leave under Yeshiva University's Sick Leave Policies or applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement.

"Family Members" include:

- Any individual whose close association with the employee is the equivalent of family
- Child (biological, adopted, or foster child; legal ward; child of an employee standing in loco parentis)
- Grandchild, Spouse, Domestic Partner, Parent, Grandparent, Child or Parent of an employee's spouse or domestic partner, Sibling (including a half, adopted, or step sibling), Any other individual related by blood to the employee

Procedure:

Employee Responsibility:

To request a temporary schedule change, employees should submit requests to their immediate supervisor/manager.

The request must include:

- 1. Date of the temporary schedule change,
- 2. That the change is due to a personal event; and
- 3. Proposed type of temporary change, such as using unpaid time off, a schedule swap, or change in work hours

Employees may request a schedule change verbally (for example, in person or by phone), but must submit a written request within two (2) business days upon their return to work, using the Temporary Schedule Change Form

Supervisor/Manager Responsibility:

The Supervisor/Manager must respond immediately to the request and will provide a written response within fourteen (14) days. The response must include:

- 1. Whether the request was granted or denied
- 2. How the request was accommodated (if granted), or the reason for denial (if denied). The only two lawful reasons for denying a request are:
 - a) if the employee exceeded the number of allowable requests under the law or
 - b) if the employee did not have a qualifying reason for the request.
- 3. Number of requests the employee has made for temporary schedule changes
- 4. How many days the employee has left in the calendar year for temporary schedule changes

<u>Note:</u> If the employee does not submit a written request, the Supervisor/Manager is not required to provide a written response; however, the request should <u>NOT</u> solely be denied because the employee did not submit a written request.

Recordkeeping

The University must retain electronic records documenting their compliance with the law for three (3) years unless another law requires that records be maintained for a longer period.

Complaint Procedure

Employees can file a complaint with OLPS. Go to nyc.gov/dca or contact 311 (212-NEW-YORK outside NYC) and ask for "Temporary Schedule Change Law."