The state of South Dakota offers a competitive compensation package.

Vacation and Sick Leave

You start accruing leave upon employment. (Prorated for part-time employees.)

Vacation Leave: Full-time employees with less than 15 years of service earn vacation leave at a rate of 5 hours per pay period (15 days per year). Employees with 15 or more years of service earn vacation leave at a rate of 6.6667 hours per pay period (20 days per year).

Sick Leave: Full-time employees earn 4.6667 sick leave hours per pay period (14 days per year).

- Employees may use up to 5 days of sick leave as **bereavement leave** for each loss of an immediate family member.
- Employees may use up to 40 hours of accumulated sick leave annually for a call to state active duty of military reserve or National Guard members.

Paid Family Leave

Paid family leave (PFL) provides eligible employees with paid leave following the birth of a child or placement of a child for adoption. It allows parents to spend critical bonding time with their child.

- Permanent employee are eligible if they have been employed for a minimum of 6 continuous months.
- Full-time employees are eligible for up to 40 PFL hours per week for up to 12 weeks. (Prorated for part-time employees.)

Paid Family Medical Leave

Paid family medical leave (PFML) provides employees with peace of mind and financial security during life's difficult moments.

- PFML covers events outside of the birth of a child or placement of a child for adoption or foster care.
- Employees must have 80 hours or less of sick leave and have missed more than three consecutive work days due to an Family Medical Leave Act qualifying event.
- Employees will be paid at 100% for up to 12 weeks.

Military Training Leave

Employees are entitled to up to 15 days of military training leave per calendar year.

Paid Holidays

Employees receive 10 to 12 paid holidays per calendar year.

Birthday Leave

Employees receive 8 hours of leave for their birthday. (Prorated for part-time employees.)

Health Benefits

Employees can choose from several health insurance plans, including a \$0 premium plan for employee coverage.

Flexible Benefits

Employees have access to group rates on family medical coverage, dental, vision, and long and short-term disability insurance.

Life Insurance

The South Dakota State Employee Benefits Program provides eligible employees with \$25,000 of life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment (AD&D) coverage.

Supplemental Life Insurance

Employees may elect supplemental life insurance with accidental death and dismemberment (AD&D) coverage for themselves and for their spouse and dependents.

Retirement

Employees receive a 6% to 8% fully-matched retirement plan.

- Retirement plans are fully vested after three years of service.
- To learn more visit https://www.sd.gov/sdrs.

Supplemental Retirement Plan

- Similar to 401(k).
- To learn more visit https://www.srp457.com/rsc-web-preauth/index.html.

Employee Assistance Program

The Employee Assistance Program provides support for personal and work-related issues for employees, their dependents, and their household members.

More

- Longevity pay
- Training and career development opportunities
- Reduced tuition at state universities
- Promotional opportunities
- Work/life balance

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