**STUDENT PERSONAL HOLIDAY POLICY 2018-2019**  
**UMKC SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

The purpose of a holiday request is to provide you, the student, with a day away from clerkship and clinical duties to celebrate your personal holiday. It is your responsibility to ensure your request meets clerkship guidelines – not exceeding the maximum days allowed for absences, not interfering with a requirement such as orientation or a test, and not missing a valuable educational endeavor. Your request can be denied and approval overturned at any time if you do not adhere to these requirements.

1. All students shall receive the following holidays off of rotations for 2018-2019:
   
   - Monday, May 28, 2018 (Memorial Day)
   - Wednesday, July 4, 2018 (Independence Day)
   - Monday, September 3, 2018 (Labor Day)
   - Thursday, November 22, 2018 (Thanksgiving)
   - Tuesday, December 25, 2018 (Christmas Day)
   - Tuesday, January 1, 2019 (New Year’s Day)

2. Students shall not take call and will be excused by 5:00 pm the night before each of the above holidays.

3. Students will resume rotation duties the morning after the each of the above holidays.

4. Each student may also receive two (2) personal days per school year (defined as May 28 through May 26).

5. With discretion of the Clerkship Director(s) students may also request other days off in keeping with current “Clinical Excused Absence and Interview Policy”.

6. The Student Personal Holiday Policy applies to Year 3, 4, 5, or 6 students for clinical experiences only.

7. **Students will fill out and submit the Student Personal Holiday Request Form one month prior to the start of the Block in which the requested absence occurs.**

   - **Example:** If your requested date is during Block 2, then the deadline to submit your Request Form is the beginning of Block 1 (May 28).

   - This deadline also applies to dates requested during the 2nd Block of a 2-Block clerkship. For example, if your requested date falls in Block 3 during a Block 2 & 3 clerkship, the deadline to submit your Request Form is the beginning of Block 1 (May 28).

   - Your request will be reviewed as it is submitted, so it is to your benefit to submit your request as soon as possible to insure approval. You may submit your request months in advance, and we encourage you to do so.

8. Students will not be excused the day of a scheduled exam (subject, clerkship, etc.) or rotation orientation.

   **NOTE:** It is the student’s responsibility to make sure their holiday does not coincide with an exam or orientation day.

   Please complete the portion below and submit to:
   
   Kim Kalaiwaak - Gold 4 Student Affairs Suite
   (kalaiwaak@umkc.edu / 816.235.1900)

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**STUDENT PERSONAL HOLIDAY REQUEST FORM**

Student Name: ___________________________________________ Year: _______ Unit: __________________________

E-mail: ___________________________________________ Phone number: __________________________

Date Requested for Personal Holiday: ___________________________________________________________

Explanation of Personal Holiday: ______________________________________________________________

Clerkship during which holiday falls: __________________________________________________________

If surgery, please list location of surgery clerkship: ______________________________________________

Date this clerkship begins: ___________________________ Check one: 1-month clerkship 2-month clerkship

Do you have continuity clinic on this requested day off? Yes No

Do you have a scheduled exam or orientation on this requested day off? Yes No

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