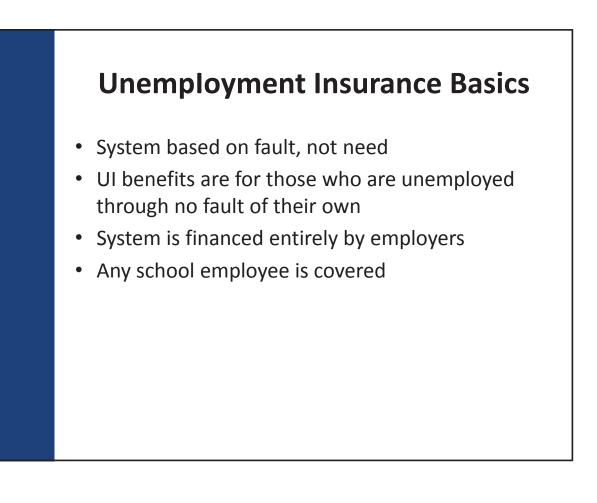
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Hurdles for Claimants

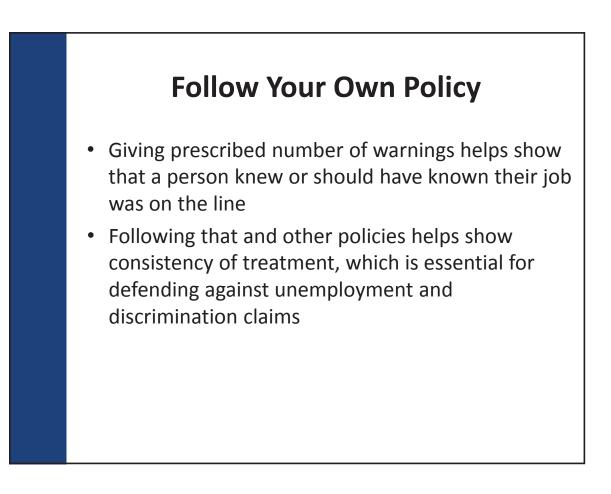
- Monetary qualification
- Out of work through no fault of their own
- Continuing eligibility requirements
- Any of these can prevent payment of UI benefits

Wage Suppression

- If a claimant has base period wages from a school district, is between academic terms, and has reasonable assurance of continuing employment in the following term, benefits may not be based upon the school wages
- The claimant might qualify for lower benefits based upon non-school wages

Substitute Teachers

- Failing to follow established policy on staying in contact with the district can merit an investigation
- Completing an assignment with no further work immediately available = layoff, but refusing an offer of suitable new work without good cause merits disqualification (prior to claim: voluntary leaving; post-claim: work refusal)



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