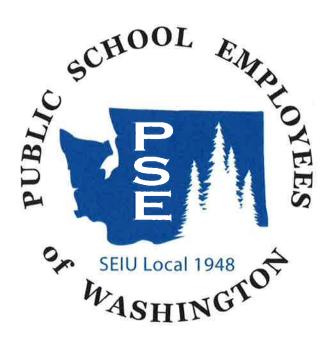
# COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN SELKIRK SCHOOL DISTRICT

**AND** 

# PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES OF SELKIRK SCHOOL DISTRICT

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#### **PREAMBLE**

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This Agreement is made and entered into between Selkirk Consolidated School District Number 70 (hereinafter called "District") and Public School Employees of Selkirk, an affiliate of Public School Employees of Washington / SEIU Local 1948 (hereinafter "PSE" or "Association"). The parties agree that it has been and will continue to be in their mutual interests and purposes to promote systematic and effective employee-management cooperation; to confer and negotiate in good faith with respect to grievance procedures and on personnel matters including wages, hours, and working conditions; to promote effective methods of proper adjustment of differences; and to promote full and reasonable employee participation in such personnel areas as are within the jurisdiction of the employer.

It is also understood and agreed that matters appropriate for consultation and negotiation between the District and PSE are hours, wages, grievance procedures, and general working conditions of employees subject to this Agreement.

It is further agreed and understood that the District will consult and inform the Association in the formulation of any changes being considered in existing benefits, policies, practices and procedures.

It is further recognized that this Agreement does not alter the responsibility of either party to meet with the other party to advise, discuss or consult regarding matters concerning working conditions not covered by this Agreement.

In accordance with the provisions of the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Act, RCW 41.56, and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, and in consideration of the mutual covenants contained therein, the parties agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

#### RECOGNITION AND COVERAGE OF AGREEMENT

#### Section 1.1.

The District hereby recognizes PSE as the exclusive representative of all employees in the bargaining unit described in Section 1.3, and PSE recognizes the responsibility of representing the interests of all such employees.

PSE recognizes its responsibility as bargaining agent and agrees to represent all employees in

#### Section 1.1.1.

the bargaining unit without discrimination, interference, restraint, or coercion.

#### Section 1.2.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to include in the bargaining unit any person whose duties as deputy, administrative assistant, or secretary necessarily imply a confidential relationship to the Board of Directors or Superintendent of the District pursuant to RCW 41.56.030. Confidential employees are any persons who participate directly on behalf of the employer in the formation of labor

relations policy, the preparation for or conduct of bargaining or the administration of the agreement in other than a merely routine basis. Section 1.3. the general job classifications as contained in the current Schedule A. Section 1.3.1.1. Definitions. duties. absent from their duties, i.e., new position not yet filled.

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The bargaining unit to which this Agreement is applicable shall consist of all classified employees in

#### Section 1.3.1. Substitute, Temporary, and Casual Employees; Casual and Seasonal Work.

- A. Substitute Employee: An individual who works for an employee of the District, in one of the general job classifications, as defined in Section 1.3., absent from their
- B. Temporary Employee: An individual who works in one of the general job classifications, as defined in Section 1.3., where an employee of the District is not
- C. Casual Employee: Employees who do not have an expectation of continuing employment (see definition of Casual Work below), i.e., positions not within one of the general job classifications as defined in Section 1.3. A casual employee will be paid at Step 1-3 on Schedule A.
- D. Casual Work: Positions not within one of the general job classifications as defined in Section 1.3. which will last no more than two hundred forty (240) hours. This work will first be offered to regular employees and compensation will be at the employee's appropriate longevity step on Schedule A for the work performed.
- E. Seasonal Work: A non-continuing position that begins after the school year has begun and continues for no more than one hundred twenty (120) days (i.e. summer or winter work). This work will first be offered to regular employees and compensation will be at the employee's appropriate longevity step on Schedule A for the work performed.

#### Section 1.3.1.2.

WAC 391-35-350. Employees who, during the previous twelve (12) months, have worked more than thirty (30) days of the school year and who remain available for work on the same basis, shall be presumed to be entitled to the following provisions of the contract and no others: Article III, Employee Rights, Section 3.3 only; Article VII, Seniority and Layoff Procedure, Section 7.8.1 only; Article IX, Hours of Work and Overtime; Article XII, Salaries and Employee Compensation, Section 12.7 only; and Schedule A.



#### ARTICLE II

**DISTRICT RIGHTS** 

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In matters not covered specifically by language within this Agreement, the District management shall have the right to make decisions in such areas. Included in these rights is the right to direct the work force, the right to hire, promote, retain, transfer and assign employees in positions; the right to suspend, discharge, demote, or take other disciplinary action against employees; and the right to release employees from duties because of lack of work or for other legitimate reasons. This shall include the right of the District to make reasonable rules and regulations in order to maintain the efficiency of the District operation.

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Actions taken by the District under this Article which allegedly violate any part of this Agreement shall be subject to the grievance procedure unless specifically exempted by language herein to the contrary.

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ARTICLE III

### **EMPLOYEE RIGHTS**

# Neither the District nor PSE shall attempt to influence any employee in his/her decision to join or not

to join PSE through threat, coercion, discrimination, or any other act illegal under the laws of the State of Washington. Employees subject to this Agreement shall have the right to freely exercise all rights extended them by statute or by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

#### Section 3.2. Right to Representation.

Employees shall have the right to have a local PSE member as a representative at any meeting between the employee and his/her supervisor where the employee reasonably believes the discussion will result in disciplinary action. This representation during a meeting is known as Weingarten Rights, and it is the employee's responsibility to request representation. If the employee wishes to exercise his/her Weingarten Rights he/she shall notify the supervisor in advance of the meeting that he/she will have PSE representation present.

Each employee shall have the right to delegate any right or duty contained in this Agreement to appropriate officials of the Association.

If the employee feels that a discussion has moved from a non-disciplinary discussion to one involving possible discipline, the employee may request that the meeting be recessed for no more than 24 hours to enable the employee to procure representation.



#### Section 3.3.

The provisions of this Agreement shall be applied equally to all employees without discrimination as to age, sex, marital status, race, color, creed, national origin, or political affiliation. Both the employer and the PSE shall bear the responsibility for complying with this provision of the Agreement.

#### Section 3.4.

Nothing in this Agreement shall deny the right of the employee to utilize the existing and customary administrative channels to present his/her views to the District management.

#### Section 3.5. Personnel File.

Each employee shall be provided a copy of all the material placed in his/her personnel file within five (5) days of its placement and may review and copy the entire file upon request. An employee may petition the District to remove all derogatory material contained in the file no earlier than two (2) years after its placement in the file. Evaluations will remain in the file. However, an employee may attach comments to any material that is a part of the personnel file.

#### Section 3.6. Medical File.

The District shall maintain a medical information file for each employee that will be kept separate from the personnel file. This file shall contain such sensitive information as immunization history, health related cards, leave sharing information and information on medical history, medical releases, etc. This file will insure confidentiality of sensitive information regarding the employee in the event of a Federal or State audit.

#### Section 3.7.

The District shall notify each employee covered by this Agreement on or before June 1 as to whether or not he/she will be rehired for the ensuing school year. Each employee shall be provided with a copy of this notification.

#### Section 3.8.

The District shall maintain current job descriptions and/or job announcements on all covered classifications.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### **EVALUATIONS**

#### Section 4.1. Evaluations.

Each employee's performance shall be evaluated annually by the employee's immediate supervisor or designee. Bargaining unit members will not administer such evaluations, with the exception of the transportation foreman who may evaluate bus drivers. Performance evaluations shall fairly and accurately reflect each employee's actual duty performance.

#### **Section 4.1.1.**

All performance evaluations reflecting an unsatisfactory level of performance in one or more categories shall state specific reasons for the unsatisfactory rating and the remedial action that is to



be taken by the employee to remedy the problem, including any specific training that will be made available by the District. The employee's performance in the unsatisfactory category shall be reviewed in thirty (30) workdays or until there is a decision made at the District level to discontinue the remedial plan. In any case, the employee shall have no less than thirty (30) workdays to correct the deficiency. The employee may have an Association representative present during the reviews. A written statement of the progress and/or correction of the unsatisfactory performance shall be attached to the evaluation.

The employee may waive his/her option to have an Association representative present during the reviews. This waiver will be in writing to the local Association President.

#### ARTICLE V

#### **ASSOCIATION RIGHTS**

#### Section 5.1. Facilities and Bulletin Boards.

PSE shall have the privilege to use District facilities for meetings. PSE shall be accorded the privilege of using bulletin board space for the posting of official notices concerning PSE activities.

#### Section 5.2. Employee Audit.

Upon request, the District shall provide PSE information on all bargaining unit employees for audit purposes. Information will include non-dues paying employees, with the employee's name, position, primary work location, address, phone, employment status (laid-off, leave of absence, L/I, etc.) hire date, hourly rate of pay, number of contracted workdays and work hours per day, and FTE equivalent. This information may be transmitted electronically.

#### Section 5.2.1.

All classified employees shall notify the District by October 1st of each year of their current address and emergency telephone number if the information is different from that which is on file from the previous year. If the information changes during the year, the employee will inform the District of such changes.

#### Section 5.3. Labor-Management Meetings.

It is mutually agreed that the District and PSE will conduct labor-management meetings for the purpose of resolving problems that may arise relative to the administration of this Agreement. These meetings will be set at the beginning of the year on a quarterly basis (minimum of three times a year). A schedule of meeting dates and times will be proposed by the local PSE President(s). Additional meetings may be requested by either party at any time. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall meet with the local PSE President and may include a member from each of the classifications covered by the Agreement. These meetings will not be negotiation sessions and shall not add-to, detract-from or otherwise modify the agreement.

#### Section 5.4.

The Association shall be advised by May 15th of current and predicted workload information.



#### Section 5.5. Membership and Dues Checkoff.

Each employee subject to this Agreement, may choose to become an Association member in good standing by paying monthly dues. Maintaining membership with the Association entitles the member to additional benefits of union membership. The Association shall be the custodian of records in terms of employee Association Membership.

#### Section 5.6.

The District will notify the Association of all new hires within ten (10) workdays of the hire date. Notification may be in the form of email to the union president. For employees hired during summer months or holidays, the ten (10) workdays commence upon the first scheduled day of work for the new hire. The District will allow the union to meet with the new hire for thirty (30) minutes during the new hire's workday within the first thirty (30) days of hire. This may be during a new employee orientation time. It is the responsibility of the union to schedule the meeting with the new hire at time mutually agreed to by the District and the union. Meeting times will be held as to cause the least disruption to the new hire's work responsibilities.

#### Section 5.7. Checkoff.

The District shall deduct PSE dues, assessment(s), and any/all voluntary contributions to the Association from the pay of any employee who authorizes such deductions in writing in accordance with applicable law. The District shall transmit all such funds deducted to the Treasurer of the Public School Employees of Washington / SEIU Local 1948 on a monthly basis.

#### Section 5.8. E-Signature Authorization.

The District agrees to accept dues authorizations via E-signature in accordance with "E-SIGN." PSE will be the custodian of all records related to E-signature authorizations. The Association agrees that, as the custodian of the records, it has the responsibility to ensure the accuracy and safe-keeping of those records.

#### Section 5.9. Local Dues.

The District shall deduct PSE local chapter dues separately and remit all such funds to the local Chapter Treasurer on a monthly basis.

#### Section 5.10. Political Action Committee.

The District shall, upon receipt of a written authorization form that conforms to legal requirements, deduct from the pay of such bargaining unit employee the amount of contribution the employee voluntarily chooses for deduction for political purposes and shall transmit the same to the Union on a check separate from the Union dues transmittal check. Section 5.11. of the Collective Bargaining Agreement shall apply to these deductions. The employee may revoke the request at any time. At least annually, the employee shall be notified about the right to revoke the request by Public School Employees of Washington / SEIU Local 1948.

#### Section 5.11. Hold Harmless.

The Union will indemnify, defend, and hold the District harmless against any claims made, and any suit instituted against the District on account of any check-off of Union dues or voluntary political contributions.

#### ARTICLE VI

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#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Section 6.1.

The District shall pay the costs required for re-certification or licensing which is the result of a legislative requirement or district policy. Costs incurred in connection with obtaining a health card or meeting medical requirements imposed, as a condition of employment, will be paid by the District. See Addendum C for additional information.

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#### Section 6.2.

All employees shall be provided an opportunity for at least two (2) days of paid time, per year, to attend workshops, seminars or other approved training including District training. Additional trainings may be approved by the Superintendent or her/his Designee.

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#### ARTICLE VII

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### SENIORITY AND LAYOFF PROCEDURE

1920 Section 7.1.

The seniority of an employee within the bargaining unit shall be established as of the date on which the employee began continuous daily employment (hereinafter "date of hire") unless such seniority shall be lost as herein provided.

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#### Section 7.2. Seniority Rights Lost.

The seniority rights of an employee shall be lost for the following reasons:

- A. Resignation from a bargaining unit position;
- B. Discharge for just cause;
- C. Retirement.

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#### Section 7.2.1. Seniority Rights Retained.

Seniority rights shall not be lost for the following reasons, without limitation:

- A. Time lost by reason of industrial accident, industrial illness or judicial leave;
- B. Time on leave of absence granted for the purpose of serving in the Armed Forces of the United States;
- C. Time spent on other authorized leaves; or
- D. Time spent in layoff status as hereinafter provided.

Seniority will be retained, but will not accrue, during these defined reasons for time away from the job.

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#### Section 7.3.

In cases of illness, injury, and an employer approved leave of absence or layoff said employee's seniority shall terminate after twenty-four (24) consecutive months of continuous absence, except in cases of industrial accident in which case the twenty-four (24) month limitation may be extended at the option of the District to thirty-six (36) months. Once an employee is released to work by the physician(s), the employee must return to work within five (5) workdays or lose the right to reemployment.

#### Section 7.4. Seniority List.

A list of employees arranged in the order of their seniority by general job classification shall be posted on the specific bulletin boards at least once a year but no later than December 1<sup>st</sup> of each school year and a copy sent to the chapter president(s). The date that the employee began working in a general job classification shall determine his/her seniority date within that classification.

Section 7.5.

When a position is open in any classification, notice shall be posted within the bargaining unit for a minimum of five (5) workdays except upon written agreement between the parties. Employees shall submit application for such openings in accordance with district policy, which shall be provided with each posting. If no qualified (per the job announcement) applicant is available in the bargaining unit, the District will then open the position to the general public. Each bargaining unit member shall be sent a notice of all classified openings. The parties may, by mutual agreement, simultaneously post and advertise a position to the public.

#### **Section 7.5.1.**

Any position which increases or decreases thirty (30) or more minutes within a given year, shall be considered an open position and shall be re-bid prior to the beginning of the succeeding school year, unless mutually agreed upon by the District and the Association.

#### Section 7.6.

New hires and new employees in general job classifications will start at the bottom of the seniority list regardless of their placement on the salary schedule.

#### Section 7.7.

Seniority dates shall be established on the basis of the following:

#### Date of Hire:

The date the employee began uninterrupted service with the District. This is also the date that effects retirement and other programs and benefits not exclusive to the contract.

#### Union Seniority Date:

The date the employee begins work in the district in a position which is included in the bargaining unit. (See Schedule A and Article I, Recognition)

#### Classification Seniority:

The date the employee begins work in a classification as listed on Schedule A and in Article I. This date may change if the employee changes classification during their employment with the District. This is the date used for bidding within the classification from one position to another.

#### Section 7.8.

The employee with the earliest hire date within the District will have preferential rights for shift selection, layoff and vacations. The employee with the greatest seniority shall have preferential rights over other employees regarding promotions and assignments to new or open jobs or positions and layoffs when ability and performance are substantially equal with junior employees. If the District determines that preferential rights should not apply because a new hire or a junior employee possesses ability and performance measurably greater than a senior employee or employees, the District shall set



forth, in writing, to the senior employee or employees its reasons why the senior employee or employees have been bypassed.

#### **Section 7.8.1.**

Seniority provisions shall be applicable to eligible substitute and/or temporary employees as follows:

A. A seniority list based on total days worked within a job classification shall be established.

B. Eligible employees as herein provided shall earn a hiring preference within job classification for all new or open positions not filled by regular employees, provided they can demonstrate a capability to perform the job.

C. The District office shall develop a method of calling substitutes who have met the thirty (30) day requirement for eligibility which will provide an equal chance for all to receive assignments.

D. Substitutes for regular bus drivers will be contacted by the District on a rotating schedule. Substitutes for the kindergarten and activity routes, as well as out-of-town bid trips, will follow a rotating schedule of regular drivers first, and secondly, the substitute drivers. Only substitutes who are approved by the Transportation supervisor to drive out-of-town trips will be contacted.

E. Seniority earned as a temporary or substitute employee under this provision shall not be transferable to a regular position.

#### Section 7.9.

In cases where two (2) or more employees have the same hire date, seniority will be established by casting lots. The District and Association will be jointly responsible for carrying out this procedure.

#### Section 7.10.

When an employee changes from one job classification to another, the employee who changes for any reason shall be granted a period of thirty (30) days to demonstrate the presence of his/her qualifications for the new position. During the thirty (30) day "trial" period, the employee may be reinstated to the former position without loss of seniority in the former classification at the request of the employee or the supervisor.

#### **Section 7.10.1.**

 Employees bidding from one (1) classification to another shall retain their seniority in the former classification through the next bidding cycle, not to exceed eighteen (18) calendar months.

#### Section 7.11. Probationary Period.

The first ninety (90) workdays of employment with the District shall constitute a probationary period during which time seniority will not apply and during which time the District may discharge the employee at its discretion. The employee will not have access to the grievance procedure during this

time. After the ninety (90) workdays, the employee's name will appear on the seniority list according to the employee's date of hire and classification. At the conclusion of the probationary period, the provisions of the contract will be retroactive to the hire date.

#### Section 7.12. Layoff.

In the event of layoff, an employee so affected is to be placed on a reemployment list maintained by the District according to layoff ranking. Such employee is to have priority in filling an opening in the classification held immediately prior to layoff after the position has been posted for consideration by the employees within the classification. Names will remain on the reemployment list for two (2) school years. Experience in other classifications will be considered if other positions become available while the employee is on layoff. The least senior employee in the affected classification will be the first laid off.

#### Section 7.13.

An employee on layoff status shall file his/her address and phone number in writing with the District personnel office and shall thereafter promptly advise the District in writing of any changes.

#### Section 7.14.

An employee shall forfeit rights to reemployment as provided in Section 7.12 if the employee does not comply with requirements of Section 7.13, or if the employee does not respond in writing to the offer of reemployment within ten (10) days.

#### Section 7.15.

An employee on layoff status who rejects a written offer of reemployment forfeits seniority and all other accrued benefits provided that such employee is offered a position substantially equal in wages, hours and benefits to that held prior to layoff.

#### Section 7.16.

Announcements of job openings that occur during non-student days, summer vacation, spring break and winter break, will be sent to the employee's current email address (which shall be the school email address unless the employee has notified the District office of a personal email address) or preferred mailing address if employee elects not to receive notices electronically.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### LEAVE, VACATIONS AND HOLIDAYS

#### Section 8.1. Sick Leave.

Employees who regularly work full-time for twelve (12) months shall accrue sick leave at the rate of one (1) day per month.

Employees, who work less than full-time, but work a minimum of nine months, shall accrue no less than ten (10) sick leave days per year based on their average daily shift, provided that employees hired after the start of the school year will earn a maximum of one (1) day of sick leave for each month of employment.



The employee's average daily shift calculation shall be determined by dividing the total annual hours by the number of workdays. (Example: 3 hours per day/4 days per week with a work year of 98 days. 98 x 3=294/total annual hours ÷ divided by 180 workdays = 1.63 "average daily shift" hours per day). This average daily shift calculation shall be utilized in the allocation of all categories of leave.

Sick leave annual allocation is available for use after reporting to work on the first day but will be prorated should the employee terminate employment and may be accumulated to a maximum of one hundred eighty (180) days.

#### Section 8.1.1.

Sick leave shall be paid on the basis of the employee's current hourly rate applicable to the employee's normal daily work shift at the time the sick leave is taken. Employees whose employment is terminated for any reason shall reimburse the District for sick leave used but not earned.

#### Section 8.1.2. Use of Sick Leave.

Sick leave is defined as absence from work duty during normally scheduled hours of work, normal workdays, and/or normal workweeks due to an eligible employee's personal illness, injury, temporary disability due to pregnancy or childbirth, exposure to contagious disease, for keeping medical, dental or optical appointments, or need to provide emergency care for a person in the custody of and/or residing in the home of the employee.

A. Paid sick leave shall be granted to the extent of accumulated credits but only when an eligible employee is required to be absent from work for one of the following reasons:

1. Illness, or temporary disability (which shall include, but not be limited to the disability of the employee due to pregnancy, miscarriage, abortion, childbirth, and/or recovery therefrom), or from keeping medical, dental or optical appointments;

2. Exposure of the employee to a contagious disease when his/her attendance at work would jeopardize the health of others;

3. For the care of (a) the employee or spouse's child (biological, adopted, foster, step or legal ward) residing in the home of the employee, or (b) a spouse, parent, parent-in-law, or grandparent of the employee who has a serious health condition or an emergency health condition.

4. For the care of other family member(s) defined as: a child not living in the household, a son-in-law or daughter-in-law, a brother, brother-in-law, sister, sister-in-law or grandchild of either the employee or spouse who has a serious health condition or an emergency condition. Such use of sick leave shall be limited to a maximum of three (3) days per school year unless otherwise extended by the Superintendent.

5. Sick leave may be used for other medical illnesses and emergencies with the approval of the Superintendent.



B. When a condition listed above arises while the eligible employee is on vacation leave, the employee shall be granted accrued sick leave as provided above for the condition (in lieu of the approved vacation leave) provided that the employee requests, in writing, such sick leave within fourteen (14) calendar days after his/her return to work.

Section 8.1.3.

Sick leave credits are granted as a form of insurance to minimize a loss of compensation to employees due solely to reasons herein specified as the legitimate use(s) of sick leave.

- A. Sick leave accrues only when the eligible employee is on pay status. No sick leave accrues during absences without pay.
- B. Sick leave credits shall be granted for each month in which an employee is in pay status for ten (10) or more workdays as of the last day of the month. In case of termination, an employee may only accrue a sick leave day for the last month if he/she is on pay status on the last day of the month.

Section 8.1.4.

After five (5) consecutive workdays of sick leave, a doctor's verification by certificate of the employee's health condition(s) may be required.

Absence due to illness or injury shall be reported at the beginning of the absence and in accordance with procedure.

Section 8.1.5.

Employees may agree to share accrued sick leave according to applicable Washington law (pursuant to RCW 28A.400.380) and District policy. Interested members may contact the District office for more information about sick leave sharing program.

Section 8.2. Sick Leave Incentive Program.

At the time of separation from School District employment, a retirement eligible employee, as defined in RCW 28A.400.212, or the employee's estate shall receive remuneration at a rate equal to one (1) hour of compensation for each four (4) hours of accrued leave for illness or injury at District expense, provided that the employee notifies the District of their intention to retire prior to April 1 in the year immediately preceding the year of retirement. The maximum accrued leave will be 180 days X 8 hours (1440 hours) for all classified employees.

Employees retiring without notification to the District prior to April 1 of the year preceding their retirement will be limited to compensation capped at no more than nine thousand dollars (\$9000) for all employees retiring that year, regardless of accrued days for each employee. The nine thousand dollar (\$9000) pool will be divided proportionate to the days accrued.

In addition, each January an eligible employee can exchange accrued sick leave in excess of 480 hours for all classifications of employees pursuant to RCW 28A.400.210(1).

For the purpose of this provision, retirement shall be defined as when an employee is eligible to receive benefits under a Washington State Retirement System.



#### Section 8.3. Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA).

In addition to any other leave provided for elsewhere in this Agreement, upon the birth of a child, the placement of a child with an employee for adoption or foster care, or for a serious health condition of an employee or an employee's spouse, child or parent, each employee who has been employed at least twelve (12) months may be entitled to a maximum of twelve (12) weeks unpaid leave; provided,

however, that employees may substitute accrued vacation or other personal leave for leaves related to the birth/adoption/foster care of a child, and may use accrued sick leave to care for themselves or sick family members as defined above.

Eligibility for FMLA will be prorated for less than full-time employees within this bargaining unit. Employees must have worked a minimum of eight hundred twenty (820) hours in a year in order to be entitled to take FMLA leave.

The employee must provide the Employer with at least thirty (30) days written notice for foreseeable leaves for birth, adoption and planned medical treatment. During this leave, the Employer will continue to pay the same portion of insurance premiums that the employee would be eligible for at the time of leave and will maintain the employee's coverage under any group health plan. Upon return from such leave, the Employer will place the employee in his or her previous position, or one with equivalent pay and benefits.

#### Section 8.4. Washington Paid Family and Medical Leave Program.

Commencing January 1, 2020, classified employees shall be eligible to receive paid leave under the Washington State Paid Family and Medical Leave Program. Eligibility will be governed by the PMFL regulations. Beginning September 1, 2019, the District shall pay the amount of the employer payroll premium required by state law and the employee shall pay the employee premium.

#### Section 8.5. Vacation Leave.

Annual vacation shall be granted to each full-time employee without loss of pay. However, an employee may begin to use his/her accumulated leave only after six (6) months of satisfactory employment has passed from the date when the employee was initially employed, unless otherwise recommended by the supervisor and approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee.

Each twelve (12) month employee shall earn the following annual paid vacation:

Years of Service	<u>Vacation</u>
0 through 5 years	10 days (up to 80 hours)
6 through 12 years	15 days (up to 120 hours)
Over 12 years	20 days (up to 160 hours)

If an employee has less than one (1) year of service, vacation shall be prorated according to the length of service with the District. All vacations shall be completed one (1) week before the opening day of school; However, the Superintendent may give special consideration to approving vacations during the school year if, in the Superintendent's opinion, there are unusual circumstances where the carryover of leave appears justified for compassionate reasons and if the employee can be spared without causing disruption and extra expense to the District. Carryover of unused vacation leave must be approved by the Superintendent.



All requests for annual vacation leave shall be in writing and must be approved in advance of the effective date unless used in lieu of sick leave or emergency leave, or the supervisor elects to approve the annual vacation leave on a retrospective basis.

In granting requests for vacation leave, the supervisor shall give due regard to the needs of the employee but shall also require that leave be taken when it will least interfere with the workload of the department. If vacation leave is denied between August 1 and a week before school begins, the leave may be carried over to the next year.

Annual vacation leave shall be charged on an hourly basis.

Arrangements for cash-out of unused vacation leave when an employee separates from services with Selkirk School District by reason of resignation, layoff, dismissal, retirement, or death, shall be according to state statute. In each case, the employee shall accrue a leave day for the last month only if he/she is on pay status the last workday of the month.

#### Section 8.6. Bereavement Leave.

Bereavement leave is defined as one (1) or more days of absence from work duty during normally scheduled hours of work, normal workdays, and/or normal workweeks due to the death of the employee's relative(s) as listed herein. Paid bereavement leave shall be granted when the employee is required to be absent from work for the reasons of death of the employee's relative(s). Leave for this absence shall not exceed five (5) workdays for any one occurrence, unless otherwise extended by the recommendation of the employee's supervisor, with the approval of the Superintendent or his/her designee.

Such extensions shall be deducted from the employee's sick leave. For the purpose of this "relative" shall include only:

- 1. Spouse
- 2. Child, grandchild, foster child, son-in-law or daughter-in-law
- 3. Grandparent, parent, brother or sister of either the employee or spouse.
- 4. The employee's former guardian or foster parent or ward who resides elsewhere
- 5. Niece, nephew, aunt or uncle
- 6. Any person residing in the employee's household
- 7. Other individuals not listed above shall be dealt with by the Superintendent or his/her designee on an individual basis with the employee or at the employee's option, the employee may use sick leave.

Bereavement leave, other than that described in number seven above, is not deducted from any other leave and is not cumulative.

#### Section 8.7. Maternity Leave.

In the case of pregnancy, for the period of temporary disability caused by the employee's pregnancy and/or the childbirth, as verified by the employee's physician, a leave of absence without pay may be granted. However, such time off may be deducted from other available leave. The District may require a physical evaluation by a physician of the District's choosing, at the District's expense.



#### Section 8.8. Parental Leave.

Up to three (3) days of paid sick leave per year may be utilized for reasons involving the birth or the adoption of a child, or the placement of a foster child. Parental leave is not cumulative and is deducted from sick leave.

#### Section 8.9. Jury Duty.

The Superintendent or his/her designee may allow leave with pay in accordance with RCW Title 2, Chapter 36, to permit an employee to serve as a member of a jury, or to perform other civil duties.

In the event an employee is summoned to serve as a juror, or appear as a witness in court or any other contested proceeding involving the District, or is named as a codefendant with the District, such employee shall receive a normal day's pay for each day of required presence. In the event that an employee is party in a court action, the employee may request a leave of absence.

#### Section 8.10. Military Leave.

Paid leave, not to exceed fifteen (15) calendar days in any one calendar year, shall be allowed an employee ordered to active duty training in:

- A. National Guard:
- B. Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, or Marine Corps Reserve;
- C. Any organized reserve or armed forces of the United States.

Such leave shall be in addition to any vacation leave to which an employee might otherwise be entitled and shall not involve loss of privileges or pay.

#### Section 8.11. Extended and Miscellaneous Leave of Absence.

Upon recommendation of the immediate supervisor, through administrative channels to the Superintendent, and upon approval of the Board, an employee may be granted a leave of absence for a period not to exceed one (1) year. However, if such leave is granted due to extended illness, one (1) additional year may be granted.

The returning employee will be assigned to the position occupied before the leave of absence or to an equivalent position in terms of pay, hours, benefits and responsibilities. Replacement employees hired to fill the position of employees on leave of absence will be hired for a specific period of time, during which time they shall be subject to all provisions of this Agreement. It is the responsibility of the employer to inform replacement employees of these provisions.

The employee shall retain accrued sick leave, vested vacation rights, and seniority rights while on leave of absence. However, vacation credits, sick leave, and seniority shall not accrue while the employee is on leave of absence; provided, however, that if such leave is approved for extended illness or injury, seniority shall accrue to a maximum of two (2) additional years.

#### **Section 8.11.1.**

Replacement employees hired under this Section shall gain seniority as of the day they began their assignment. Employees completing their assignment shall be allowed to exercise seniority rights as a regular employee. In the event that no opening is available at that time, they will be placed on layoff status as provided herein.



#### Section 8.12. Personal Leave.

Each employee shall be entitled to three (3) paid personal leave days per year with the approval of the 2 3

Superintendent or his/her designee. Personal leave is neither sick leave nor bereavement leave.

At the end of the 2017-18 school year, and each subsequent while No carryover of leave is permitted.

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#### Section 8.13. Workers' Compensation.

In the event employees are absent for reasons, which are covered by Industrial Insurance, the District will refer employees to the Education Service District (ESD) who will provide the employee with information about the options allowed by the Department of Labor and Industries accordingly.

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#### Section 8.14. Holidays.

Holidays shall be granted as paid non-workdays for each twelve (12) month employee and shall be observed as follows:

- 1. New Year's Day
- 2. Martin Luther King's Birthday
- 3. Presidents' Day
- 4. Memorial Day
- 5. Independence Day
- 6. Labor Day

- 7. Veterans Day
- 8. Thanksgiving Day
- 9. Day after Thanksgiving Day
- 10. Day before Christmas
- 11. Christmas Day
- 12. Floating Holiday

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Employees eligible for holiday pay who are required to work on any of the designated holidays shall receive twice their applicable base rate in pay for any hours worked on the holiday. If an employee who does not qualify for holiday pay is requested to work on a holiday, he/she shall be paid double his/her regular rate of pay for all hours worked or at the option of the employee, shall be provided with equal time off to be used prior to the end of the school year. If the time-off is not allowed, the employee will be paid double-time for the hours worked.

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If a holiday occurs while the employee is on vacation, the holiday will be used in place of a vacation day. Paid holidays falling during a vacation or sick leave shall not be counted as days of vacation or sick leave.

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- A twelve (12) month employee may select one (1) day each year on which to take a floating holiday, and the District shall grant the day of paid absence, provided:
  - A. The eligible employee has notified and received approval of his/her supervisor as to his/her choice of a date prior to taking the holiday;
  - B. Approval of eligible employee's day off does not prevent a department, or the District as a whole, from providing a continued public service;
  - C. As with other holidays, this is not an accrued day of leave.

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Whenever a holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be the holiday; whenever a holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be the holiday.

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Compensation for observed holidays shall only be made to those employees who are on pay status not less than one (1) scheduled shift prior to and one (1) normal shift following the holiday period.

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Paid holidays falling during a vacation or sick leave shall not be counted as days of vacation or sick 46 leave. 47



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8	HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME
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10	Section 9.1.
11	The workweek shall be five (5) consecutive workdays followed by two (2) consecutive days of rest.
12 13	<b>Section 9.1.1.</b>
14	Each employee shall be assigned a definite shift with designated times of beginning and ending
15	with the exception of the bus drivers who will be compensated as described in Section 9.14.
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17	Section 9.2. New Temporary Positions.
18	The District may employ help on a temporary basis. Temporary positions will be posted for
19	consideration of the regular employees before someone is hired. The employee who bids the temporary
20	position must be available and qualified to fill the position. A temporary position is a position which is
21	established after the school year begins. It has a definite starting and ending date and may be
22	established for no more than thirty (30) workdays. The term of the position may be extended by mutual
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26 27	After the school year begins and a regular position is increased, the additional time must be offered to the most senior on-site employee.
28	the most senior on-site employee.
29	Section 9.4. Temporary Vacancy Due to Leave.
30	If a regular position becomes available due to an employee being on approved leave, wherein the
31	regular employee is expected to return, the current available on-site and qualified staff will be offered
32	the additional hours which do not conflict with their schedules. This procedure will not unduly impact
33	the program or the students.
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35	Section 9.5. Breaks and Lunch.
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37	Section 9.5.1. Eight or More Hour Workday.
38	Work shifts consisting of eight or more hours a day will include an unpaid, uninterrupted thirty
39	(30) minute lunch period as near the middle of the shift as possible, and an uninterrupted fifteen
40 41	(15) minute first half and uninterrupted fifteen (15) minute second half rest break.
42	Section 9.5.2. Less than Eight-Hour Workday.
43	Employees whose work shifts are less than eight (8) hours a day will have the following

uninterrupted breaks and lunch in their day: One 15 minute Break

Three (3) hours up to five (5) hours

Half-hour unpaid lunch Two 15 minute breaks

More than five (5) hours but less than eight (8)

Half hour unpaid lunch



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Scheduled break time will be set by the employee's supervisor. The lunch break will be set as close to the midpoint of the employee's shift. Breaks will be scheduled as close to the middle of the shift before and after lunch, determined by the number of hours worked.

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An employee required to work through his/her regular lunch period will be given time to eat at a time agreed upon by the employee and his/her supervisor. In the event that the District requires an employee to forego a lunch period and the employee works the entire shift, including the lunch period, the employee shall be compensated for the lunch period.

Section 9.7. Compensation for Regular Employees who Substitute.

A current employee requested to perform the duties of a position regularly filled by an employee in a higher general classification shall receive compensation equal to that received by the employee in the higher general classification. Such compensation shall be based on the substitute employee's experience step on Schedule A applied to the new position. Employees who are requested to fill a lower paying position shall not suffer a loss of pay.

(For instance, an employee with two (2) years of experience in the District is required to perform the duties of a five (5) year employee currently working in a higher general classification. The substitute employee would be paid on the basis of two (2) years experience in the new classification until such time as the absent employee returns or the substitute is reassigned.)

Section 9.8. Call Out.

An employee called in to work at a time other than his/her daily shift shall receive a minimum of one (1) hour's pay at the appropriate rate.

Section 9.9. Overtime.

All hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours in one (1) week shall be compensated at one and one-half ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) times the employee's hourly rate, provided that the compensation for any hours over forty (40) shall be at the rate of pay for the assignment being performed when overtime is worked.

It is mutually agreed that the employee shall inform his/her supervisor if an additional assignment will cause his/her work week to go over 40 hours. If the extra duty that would result in overtime is outside of the employee's regular assignment, the supervisor shall have the option to reassign the duty to another employee within the classification.

Section 9.9.1. Compensatory Time.

With Supervisor approval or emergency situation, an employee may choose to accept and accrue compensatory time for hours worked beyond their shift (1 for 1) or for time worked over forty (40) hours (1.5 for 1). The time may be used at the option of the employee if the employee's absence does not cause an emergent situation. If the time cannot be used, it will be cashed out at the employee's current rate of pay. In no case will compensatory time be carried over from one school year to the next.

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#### Section 9.10. Split Shift.

Employees involuntarily assigned a split shift shall be compensated twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per hour extra provided that this does not apply to employees in the transportation unit. A split shift is defined as thirty (30) minutes or more of non-paid time not to include rest breaks and the thirty (30) minute lunch.

#### Section 9.11.

Employees shall be compensated in accordance with terms of this Agreement for all hours worked, but at minimum of one (1) hour's compensation per day. The District will not create a shift for less than one hour. Substitute and/or additional time worked by regular employees will be paid at actual time. All hours worked in addition to the employee's regular work shift must be approved by the Building Administrator/designee.

#### Section 9.12. Transportation.

#### **Section 9.12.1.**

Recognizing that bus driving assignments present special shift problems, the parties agree shifts shall be established in relation to routes and driving times as determined by the Transportation Foreman in conjunction with the Superintendent. Bus drivers shall be entitled to a minimum shift of 3.0 hours per day which includes time spent for walk-around, bus cleanup, bus washing, refueling, and other duties that may be assigned by the Transportation Foreman and fall within the shift hours. It is understood that the driver will perform all duties within that guaranteed time and that each driver must care for and clean any assigned bus. Guaranteed shift times apply only when the driver is actually available for duty or if paid leave applies.

Regular routes exceeding the minimum times guaranteed of 3.0 hours per day will be identified by the Transportation Foreman in conjunction with the Superintendent and listed on the annual bid sheet in August of each year. The route times will include guaranteed minimum shifts for those a.m. and p.m. routes inclusive of time spent for walk-around, bus cleanup, bus washing, refueling, and other duties that may be assigned by the Transportation Foreman and fall within the minimum hours.

If actual driving time exceeds the minimum guaranteed hours for any given day for a regular a.m. or p.m. route, drivers will be paid actual time which must be documented on a time sheet. This is expected to happen in rare circumstances; for example, when routes are combined. The district retains the right to change the guaranteed hours of any route based on student residence, provided, that if guaranteed hours change by thirty (30) minutes, routes may be re-bid.

#### Section 9.12.2. Extra Trips.

All extra trips must be approved in advance by the Superintendent/designee. The mode of transportation shall be at the sole discretion of the Superintendent. Extra trips shall be defined as any assignment in addition to a regular a.m., p.m., mid-day, or after-school route. It is the primary responsibility of a bus driver to drive home —to-school routes for which he/she bid. In the extreme event that a substitute cannot be found for the driver's regular route, the district reserves the right to assign the extra trip to another driver on the substitute list.

If the extra trip results in a return time after midnight, the driver will need to choose between the extra trip and his/her regular morning a.m. route but cannot drive both; the driver will alert



his/her supervisor of their decision prior to their departure from the District. The driver may use available sick leave in half-day increments for the morning route only. The district has the option to use contract bussing on any extra trip over 100 miles that includes an overnight stay.

All extra trips will be paid at the Extra Trip Rate per Schedule A. The driver is considered onduty during the entire trip from port to port except on overnight trips which are compensated as described in 9.12.2.2.

New drivers shall not be eligible for out-of-town extra trips for one calendar year from date of hire as a bus driver for the school district unless recommended by the Transportation Foreman and approved by the superintendent. Once the one-year period has been met, the Transportation Foreman has discretion to withhold a new driver's placement on the extra trip "out-of-town" roster until he/she is confident of the driver's qualifications. The Transportation Foreman will notify the driver and superintendent before extending the qualification period.

Extra trips which involve the transportation of fifteen (15) or fewer passengers on District sanctioned events shall be exempt from the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Superintendent shall be free to assign vehicles and drivers for such trips at his/her discretion.

#### Section 9.12.2.1. Extra Trip Assignment and Bidding Procedures.

- 1. All regular Drivers' names shall be placed on all trip lists in order of seniority.

  Those drivers not wishing to take any trips may be removed from the list by written request.
- 2. Trips will be assigned as they are approved for the schedule by the Transportation Foreman. Drivers will bid based on a rotating roster. A driver may decline a trip without going to the bottom of the list if there is less than twenty-four (24) hours notice. This twenty-four (24) hour notice period shall not include School District recognized holidays or weekends.
- 3. There shall be three (3) extra trip lists:
  - Out of District Trips
  - In District Trips
  - Overnight Trips
- 4. All drivers must accept or decline the posted trip no later than the end of the p.m. route on the day contacted by the Transportation Foreman or they will be passed and dropped to the bottom of the list. Time limits may be extended at the discretion of the Transportation Foreman.
- 5. Posted trips shall include: Date of trip, sign-on time, departure time and return time, origin and destination, and type of activity. Upon request, directions shall be furnished.

#### Section 9.12.2.2. Overnight Trips.

On overnight trips, paid time will end when the driver is released from duty by the trip supervisor. Released time ends when the driver is required to have the bus available by the trip supervisor. Released time will not be paid time.



Drivers will be paid a minimum of eight (8) hours for each day away from the District or actual duty/driving time, whichever is greater, provided that on the day the trip leaves, hours driven by the driver on regular routes, etc. will be counted in the eight (8) hours and the day the trip returns to the District will be paid on actual driving duty, as on other outof-town trips. Section 9.12.2.3.

Any trip cancelled with proper notification shall be replaced by the next available comparable trip.

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#### **Section 9.12.3.**

The parties agree that shifts in the transportation department shall be established in that classification in relation to routes and driving times requisite to fulfilling tasks assigned by the Superintendent/designee.

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#### ARTICLE X

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#### DISCIPLINE AND DISCHARGE OF EMPLOYEES

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#### Section 10.1.

When disciplining an employee, the following progressive discipline model will apply:

- 1. Verbal Notice of Concern
- 2. Oral Warning written record to supervisor's file only
- 3. Letter of Warning sent to employee's personnel file. A Written Plan for Improvement will be included, if deemed appropriate by supervisor or requested by employee.
- 4. Letter of Reprimand
- 5. Suspension
- 6. Termination

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Steps in this model may be skipped depending on the severity of the infraction.

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Examples of justifiable cause for immediate discharge may include but are not limited to: (1) drinking or illegal use of drugs on the job or affecting job performance, (2) falsification of a work application, (3) insubordination, or (4) illegal actions or (5) recklessness which jeopardized the health or safety of students and other employees, in which case no warning notice shall be required.

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The District may discharge any employee subject to this Agreement for justifiable cause.

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#### Section 10.2.

- 41 A copy of the warning notices, if applicable, shall go to the President of the local PSE. Warning 42 notices must be issued within ten (10) workdays after the occurrence of the violation claimed by the 43 District. Any appeal from a discharge, suspension, or warning notice action must be taken within ten 44 (10) workdays, running from the date the disciplinary action became effective. If, upon appeal, the 45 District's charges prove unfounded, the employee shall be reinstated with full pay retroactive to the 46
- 47 date of suspension or discharge. Appeals shall be by way of the grievance procedure herein provided.



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Section 11.1.

Group insurance at District expense will be provided at the full state entitlement per month per FTE less the state mandated retiree subsidy toward the cost of District approved medical, dental, and vision plans using composite/tiered rates. This total will be spread among employees based on FTE at 1,440 hours. Participation will be determined by the District and Provider and PSE.

For bus drivers, insurance allocations will only be calculated on the guaranteed times for the regular a.m. and p.m. routes (to and from school) and activity route. Mid-day routes, extra trips or extended time will not be used in the calculation.

District insurance payments shall be made on a twelve (12) month basis. A regular classified employee's contribution for non-working months will be withheld from his/her final pay warrant for the year.

The employee must submit their choice for insurance no later than ten (10) workdays before the September payday.

## **Section 11.1.1.**

The parties hereby agree that insurance monies generated in accordance with Article XI, Section 11.1. of the collective bargaining agreement between the parties shall be pooled. The monies contained in the pool shall be expended as follows:

- 1. Each employee shall receive either the amount stipulated in Section 11.1. or an appropriate pro-rated amount based on 1440 hours equaling 1.0 FTE.
- 2. After choosing benefits, any remaining funds would then be divided among employees with out-of-pocket premium expenditures on an FTE (1,440 hours) basis.
- 3. This process shall be repeated until either all premiums are paid or the pool is depleted.
- 4. The pool shall be set according to hours worked on October 20th of each year. Employees hired after October 20th shall receive the dollar amount provided in Section 11.1. or the appropriate pro-rated amount, unless the composite rate changes.

Sections 11.1. and 11.1.1. will be in effect through December 31, 2019.

#### Section 11.2. SEBB.

Beginning January 1, 2020, and each year thereafter, the employer agrees to provide the insurance plans, follow employee eligibility rules and provide funding for all bargaining unit members and their dependents as required by State law, the State Operating Budget, and the School Employees' Benefits' Board (SEBB). Inclusive of employer funding will be payment of the retiree carve-out (k-12 remittance) for all eligible employees.

#### Section 11.2.1. SEBB Insurance Plans.

The employer agrees to provide timely information about SEBB insurance plans to eligible employees during the school year (as required or recommended by SEBB) and at each open enrollment period.



#### Section 11.2.2. SEBB Eligibility.

The employer agrees to follow SEBB eligibility rules for employees who are anticipated to work 630 hours or more per school year.

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#### Section 11.3.

To facilitate the determination of eligibility for a Washington State Retirement System, the District shall report all hours worked, including overtime.

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#### ARTICLE XII

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#### SALARIES AND EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION

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#### Section 12.1.

Wages for employees subject to this Agreement during the term of this Agreement shall be as specified in Schedule A attached hereto and by reference made a part of this Agreement.

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#### Section 12.2.

For pay purposes, time shall be rounded up to the nearest fifteen (15) minute increment after total daily hours have been calculated.

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#### Section 12.3.

Classified employees with no previous experience shall start at the base of the salary schedule.

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#### Section 12.4.

Classified employees moving from one classification to another will retain their District experience on the salary schedule.

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#### Section 12.5. Transfer within Washington State.

On acceptance of employment with the District, an employee will be advised of the benefits that pertain to his/her employment with the District. An employee who leaves one school district within the state of Washington and commences employment with Selkirk School District will retain longevity for wages and sick leave that the employee had in his/her previous position. The transferring employee will not retain seniority rights other than longevity. If the district to which the person is transferring has a different system for computing leave benefits, and other benefits, then the employee shall be granted the same benefits/longevity as a person in the new district who has similar occupational status and total years of service.

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#### Section 12.6.

Substitute and/or temporary employees who reach eligibility per Section 1.3.1.2. shall be compensated at the appropriate 0-3 Step of Schedule A.

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#### ARTICLE XIII

### GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

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#### Section 13.1.

5 A grievance is defined as any dispute involving interpretation, application, or alleged violation of any 6 7

provision of this Agreement.

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#### Section 13.2. Grievance Steps.

A workday is defined as those days the Selkirk School District is open to the public, Monday through Friday except for holidays as listed in Section 8.13.

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#### Section 13.2.1. Step 1 – Informal.

Each employee is encouraged to seek resolution of grievances through administrative channels and to discuss such problems first with the person to whom he/she is immediately responsible. Any time spent in dealing with the problem through administrative channels wherein the problem is subsequently grieved shall not count toward the ten (10) workday limit specified in Section 13.4.

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The affected employee at this step shall have the right at his/her option to have a representative from PSE present at any discussion with the immediate supervisor.

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#### Section 13.2.2. Step 2 – Written.

Any grievance not resolved under Section 13.2.1. above shall be reduced to writing within twenty (20) workdays after the occurrence or the knowledge of the incident, and shall contain the following:

- The facts on which the grievance is based: A.
- A reference to the provisions in this Agreement which have been allegedly violated; B.
- The remedy which the grievant seeks. C.

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The employee shall submit this written statement of grievance to his/her immediate supervisor for consideration. The parties shall have five (5) workdays, dated from the submission of the written statement, to resolve the grievance. The disposition rendered on the grievance shall be made in writing by the immediate supervisor on the grievance statement. If an agreeable disposition, and the parties agree, the supervisor and the affected employee shall sign the disposition statement, no further action shall be required and the grievance shall be closed.

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The affected employee at this step shall have the right at his/her option to have a representative from PSE present at any discussion with the immediate supervisor.

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#### Section 13.2.3. Step 3 – Superintendent or Designee.

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Any grievance not resolved under Section 13.3 above shall be forwarded by the affected employee within five (5) workdays of the final written disposition made under Step 2 to the Superintendent or his/her designee. After such submission, the parties shall have up to ten (10) workdays to resolve the grievance. The disposition of the grievance, denying or sustaining the employee's interest, as the case might be, shall be added in writing to the original written complaint or shall be attached thereto. If an agreeable disposition is rendered, and the



Superintendent or his/her designee and the affected employee so agree, then the parties shall sign the disposition statement and the grievance shall be closed.

The affected employee at this step shall have the right at his/her option to have a representative

In the event a grievance is not resolved at the level of the Superintendent, the grievance may be

from PSE present at any discussion between the employee and the Superintendent.

If no settlement has been reached within ten (10) workdays referred to in the preceding

subsection, and the Association believes the grievance to be valid, the employee may demand

interpretation or the application of this Agreement shall then be submitted to arbitration under

agreed, the parties may submit to arbitration under the expedited Labor Arbitration Rules of the

The grievance or arbitration discussions shall take place whenever possible during

Both the District and the Association will share equally in costs of arbitration.

school time. The employer shall not discriminate against any individual employee or the

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American Arbitration Association. The parties further agree to accept the arbitrator's award as

arbitration of the grievance. Any dispute, claim or grievance arising out of or relating to the

the Voluntary Labor Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association. If mutually

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#### Section 13.2.4. Step 4 - School Board.

Section 13.2.5. Step 5 – Arbitration.

final and binding upon them.

**Section 13.2.5.1.** 

**Section 13.2.5.2.** 

Association for taking action under this Article.

The term of this Agreement shall be September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2022.

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submitted to the School Board at the next regularly scheduled board business meeting. A decision by the Board must be submitted in writing within ten (10) workdays. If the grievant is unsatisfied with the Board's decision, or the Board fails to respond within ten (10) workdays, the grievant may make a demand for binding arbitration.

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Section 14.1.

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46 47 Section 14.3. Reopeners.

This Agreement may be reopened for amendments by the mutual consent in writing of the parties;

(90) days prior to the termination of this Agreement, unless mutually agreed otherwise.

provided, however, that the following will be reopened annually for negotiation:

The parties to this Agreement shall enter into negotiations for a successor Agreement at least ninety

ARTICLE

TERM OF AGREEMENT

Collective Bargaining Agreement 2019-2022

Selkirk PSE / Selkirk School District #70



- Schedule A
- Insurance
- Benefits
- Holidays
- Classification list
- Legislative Impact (including Impact of Paraeducator Training Requirements)

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Section 14.3.1. Transportation Reopener.

The terms regarding bus driver provisions will remain in effect for the duration of the contract or unless the district is unable to operate the transportation program within transportation revenues at which point bus driver compensation will revert from guaranteed hours to actual time worked.

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Should the transportation program need to revert back to drivers paid on actual time worked for all routes, the district agrees to reinstate pay for the 15-minute per day for warm-up and walkaround time, actual fueling time assigned, and one and one-half (1 ½) hours per week for bus washing, care, and cleaning. In addition, the parties agree to eliminate section 9.12.1. as well as to meet and negotiate the terms of extra trip compensation.

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Section 14.4.

This Agreement may be reopened and modified at any time during its term upon mutual consent of both parties in writing to consider the impact of any legislation enacted following execution of this Agreement which may arguably affect the terms and conditions herein or create authority to alter personnel practices in public employment.

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Section 14.5.

The Association agrees that during the life of this Agreement, it will not cause, authorize, condone, sanction, or take part in any strike, walkout, work stoppage, slowdown, work interference, or withholding of services for any reason.

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In the event of a strike or any other work interruption by another bargaining unit, employees covered by this Agreement agree to report for work at their normal duty stations and perform assigned duties. The District agrees not to lock out employees.

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Section 14.6.

The Agreement expressed herein, in writing, constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties, and no oral statement shall add to or supersede any of its provisions.

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The parties acknowledge that during the negotiations which precede this Agreement, each had the unlimited right and opportunity to make demands and proposals with respect to any subject or matter not removed by law from the area of collective bargaining and that the understandings and agreements arrived at by the parties, after the exercise of that right and opportunity, are set forth in this Agreement. Therefore, the District and PSE, for the life of this Agreement, each voluntarily and unqualifiedly waive the right, and each agree that the other shall not be obligated to bargain collectively with respect

44 to any subject or matter referred to or covered in this Agreement, or with respect to any subject or 45

matter not specifically referred to, or not settled, during the course of these negotiations. Such matters 46

shall also not be subject to the Grievance Procedure. 47



1	<u>Section 14.7.</u>		
2	If any provision of this Agreement or the application of	any such provision is held invalid by operation	
3	of law or by any tribunal of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be		
4	affected thereby and shall continue in full force and effe		
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6	Section 14.8.		
7	Neither party shall be compelled to comply with any pro	visions of this Agreement which conflicts with	
8	State or Federal statutes or regulations promulgated there		
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10	Section 14.9.		
11	In the event that either of the two (2) previous sections is	s determined to apply to any provision of this	
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# SCHEDULE A SELKIRK SCHOOL DISTRICT PSE CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 – AUGUST 31, 2020

Years of Experience:	0-3	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>25</u>
TRANSPORTATION							
Bus Driver	18.25	18.75	19.25	19.75	20.25	20.75	21.25
Bus Driver Trip Rate	13.50	13.75	14.00	14.25	14.75	15.25	15.75
Mechanic	23.75	24.25	24.75	25.25	25.75	26.25	26.75
FOOD SERVICE							8
NS Manager/Lead Cook	17.75	18.25	18.75	19.25	19.75	20.25	20.75
Assistant Cook	14.25	14.75	15.25	15.75	16.25	16.75	17.25
Cafeteria Helper		n this position	on. Wages v	will be barga	ained when	necessary,	
CUSTODIAL							
Custodian	17.75	18.25	18.75	19.25	19.75	20.25	20.75
MAINTENANCE							
Maintenance Worker	23.75	24.25	24.75	25.25	25.75	26.25	26.75
GROUNDS							
Groundskeeper	13.50	13.75	14.25	14.75	15.25	15.75	16.25
CLERICAL/SECRETARIAL							
HS Secretary	16.75	17.25	17.75	18.25	18.75	19.25	19.75
Building Secretary	15.75	16.25	16.75	17.25	17.75	18.25	18.75
PARA EDUCATOR							
Para Educator	14.75	15.25	15.75	16.25	16.75	17.25	17.75
SPECIALISTS							
Computer Technician	22.75	23.25	23.75	24.25	24.75	25.25	25.75
Classified Nurse		n this positi	on. Wages	will be barg	ained when	necessary.	

\*In 2019-2020 - each cell was raised by 25 cents keeping a 50 cent increment between steps, EXCEPT where the \$13.50 WA State Minimum Wage requires a greater increase. Those wage rates wil not retain the 50 cent increment between each step for ALL steps.

\*\*Anniversary Dates: Each employee will be given their Step increase on September 1 of each year. Those employees hired after September 1 shall not be eligible for a Step increase until the following September 1.

Stipen	ds for Education	
Step 1	Base salary for each category	
Step 2	Add \$0.50 to base salary	Completion of (A) Apprenticeship Program, OR (B) 35 quarter college credits
Step 3	Add \$0.75 to base salary	Completion of 75 quarter college credits
Step 4	Add \$1.50 to base salary	Completion of (A) an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science Degree OR (B) 90 quarter college credits
Step 5	Add \$1.75 to base salary	Completion of 135 quarter college credits
Step 6	Add \$2.25 to base salary	Completion of a Bachelor's Degree



### Selkirk Consolidated School District No. 70 Ione, Metaline and Metaline Falls Washington

#### **CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE EVALUATION FORM**

Employ	ee	Classificatio	n	Date
(EY:	NA-Not applicable	U-Unsatisfactory	S-Satisfactory	O-Outstanding
QUALI	TY AND QUANTITY OF			y · · Unsatisfactory
		nce of work and displays se	nse of neatness	
	Works accurately			
	Keeps work up to sched			
-	Can be depended upon	for quality work		
_	Uses time efficiently			
<b>VORK</b>	HABITS		· · Satisfactor	y · · Unsatisfactory
	Is regular in attendance			
	Is punctual			
	Gives adequate notice v			
	Is a willing worker at all			
	Is personable in manner			
	Is willing to accept resp	andle other phases of work	wnen needed	
	Is organized in approach			
—	Suggests changes to im			
		of dealing with emergencies	5	
12	Maintains the confidenti		,	
	Maintains neat work are	a and position		
ECHN	ICAL ABILITY		· · Satisfactory	<ul> <li>Unsatisfactory</li> </ul>
	Possesses related skills			
	Has specific knowledge			
	Operates equipment rec Takes advantage of train			
	rakes auvantage or trail	ning opportunities		
UMAN	RELATIONS		· · Satisfactory	· · Unsatisfactory
	Receives constructive cr	iticism well		
	Deals courteously and ta			
	Deals courteously and to	actfully with public		
	Deals courteously and to	actfully with fellow employe	ees	
ERSO	NAL GROOMING		· · Satisfactory	· · Unsatisfactory
	Employee is appropriate	ly dressed and groomed fo		
OYAL	TY		· · Satisfactory	· · Unsatisfactory
	Demonstrates loyalty to	position and supervisor	0410142101	Onsatisfactory
		department/building/distric	at .	
	IPLOYEE'S OVERALL P	ERFORMANCE IS:	· · Satisfactory	<ul> <li>Unsatisfactory</li> </ul>
Idition	al Comments:			
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#### ADDENDUM B

#### SELKIRK SCHOOL DISTRICT #70

#### FOREMAN ENHANCEMENT SALARY SCHEDULE

The position of <u>Transportation Foreman</u> will be included in the bargaining unit for the duration of time that <u>Andrew Anderson</u> fills the position. This letter of agreement applies only to this employee. No transfer of these agreements is made to another member of the bargaining unit.

Additionally, the position of <u>Maintenance Foreman</u> will be included in the bargaining unit for the duration of the time that <u>John Cain</u> fills the position. This letter of agreement applies only to this employee. No transfer of these agreements is made to another member of the bargaining unit.

It is agreed that the <u>Foreman</u> positions will be paid per the following amount in addition to the employee's regular hourly wage.

Addendum B is subject to annual negotiations per the current collective bargaining agreement.

FOREMAN ENHANCEMENT PER HOUR:

\$3.25



#### ADDENDUM C

# District Paid/Reimbursed Costs for PSE Re-certification or Licensing

#### Section 6.1.

The District shall pay the costs required for re-certification or licensing which is the result of a legislative requirement or district policy. Costs incurred in connection with obtaining a health card or meeting medical requirements imposed, as a condition of employment, will be paid by the District.

Eligible for Reimbursement/Direct Pay	Not Eligible
Cost of First Aid class	Employee's time to take first aid class UNLESS the class was during normal work hours and then Professional Leave may apply.
Cost of CDL license or "S" endorsement	Employee's time/travel to acquire the license.
Cost of Food Handler's card	Employee's time/travel to acquire the card UNLESS the test was during normal work hours and then Professional Leave may apply.
Cost of the following Worker Permits:      Asbestos     Hazardous Materials     Water Certification     Waste Water     Bus Driver Trainer  (including mileage or district-provided travel and employee time ONLY when training falls within employee's regularly scheduled day).  Hepatitis B immunization  Co-pay for insurance or full cost if insurance does not cover.	Travel time or training time that falls outside of the employee's regularly scheduled day.



#### ADDENDUM D

#### SCHOOL NURSE EXEMPTION CLAUSE

#### **SELKIRK SCHOOL DISTRICT #70**

It is agreed that the School Nurse position shall be excluded from the bargaining unit for the duration of the time that Misty Reed fills the position. This exemption clause applies only to this employee. No transfer of this Agreement is made to another member or position of the bargaining unit. If, at any point, the School Nurse position becomes vacant, the parties agree to re-open negotiations on the matter, recognizing that the non-ESA School Nurse classification has historically been, and shall remain in the Association bargaining unit.



#### ADDENDUM E

#### **Selkirk PSE Paraeducator Requirements**

Effective September 1, 2019, Washington State Law has required that all paraeducators defined as classified school employees who work under the supervisor of certificated or licensed staff member to support and assist in providing instructional and other services to students and their families must meet the following minimum requirements:

- 1. Be at least eighteen (18) year of age and hold a high school diploma or its equivalent; <u>and</u> 2.
  - a) Have received a passing grade on the education testing service paraeducator assessment (ETS); or
  - b) Hold an associate of arts degree; or
  - c) Have earned seventy-two (72) quarter credits or forty-eight (48) semester credits at an institution or higher educator; or
  - d) Have completed a registered apprenticeship program.

In addition, in the 2019-2020 school year Paraeducators will be required to complete the Fundamental Course of Study (FSC). The District must provide fourteen (14) hours of paid training and cover associated costs on the state standards of practice for all paraeducators. The District will also provide access to computers and other technology needed to be successful in obtaining the required training as funded by the state. In 2020-2021 an additional (14) hours will be provided by the district, if it is funded by the legislature.

#### **Future Options**

Once 28 FSC hours have been earned, paraeducators are then eligible to earn a General Certificate by completing an additional 70 hours of courses on the standards of practice. The General certificate must be completed within three (3) years of finishing the FSC and will not expire.

Paraeducators can also complete the Subject Matter Certificates (SMC). The SMC consists of the English Language Learner (ELL) Subject Matter and the Special Education Subject Matter Certificates. Both certificates require 20 hours of professional development in their specific subject area and the certificates will expire after five (5) years. Course hours for the SMC will count towards the General Certificate

Paraeducators who choose to obtain the Advanced Paraeducator Certificate will complete 75 hours of professional development related to the following duties; assisting in highly impacted classroom, assisting in specialized instructional support and instructional technology applications, mentoring and coaching other paraeducators and acting as a short-term emergency substitute teacher.

Professional development hours which include clock hours and the state approved apprenticeship program will count towards continuing education credit hours. Further information can be found at the Professional Educator Standards Board (PESB) website at <a href="https://www.pesb.wa.gov/">https://www.pesb.wa.gov/</a>



#### FOUR-DAY SCHOOL WEEK

This addendum will apply to the Selkirk School District's 4-day school week as long as the District is authorized to continue the 4-day school week as implemented in 2017-18 school. Should the District return to a 5-day school week, the original contract language will apply.

1. ADD a new Section 1.4 as follows defining the 4-day student week school schedule

#### Section 1.4. Four-Day Student Week.

Beginning with the 2017-18 School Year, the District adopted a four-day student school week with the intention of increasing student and staff attendance and improving working conditions by providing extra time during a school year work week calendar for vacations, personal business, and appointments. While the District recognizes all personal business and appointments cannot be accomplished on non-work day Fridays, the hope is that staff will make a concerted effort to do so as much as possible with the recognition that the contractual personal leave days are intended for those special events or personal needs that cannot be accomplished on non-work Fridays. Using a baseline from the 2015-16 school year, aggregated staff attendance numbers (personal and sick leave) will be reported annually to the State Board of Education in support of the District's 4-day school week application.

2. Add language to the sick leave accrual as follows:

#### Section 8.1. Sick Leave.

Employees who regularly work full-time for twelve (12) months shall accrue sick leave at the rate of one (1) day per month, up to a maximum of ninety-six (96) hours per work year for year-round employees, and up to eighty (80) hours for school year employees.

Employees, who work less than full-time, but working a minimum of nine months, shall accrue no less than ten (10) sick leave days per year based on their average daily shift, provided that employees hired after the start of the school year will earn a maximum of one (1) day of sick leave for each month of employment. The employee's average daily shift calculation shall be determined by dividing the total annual hours by the number of workdays. (Example: 3 hours per day/4 days per week with a work year of 98 days. 98 x 3=294/total annual hours ÷ divided by 150 workdays (excluding the in-service days) = 1.96 "average daily shift" hours per day). This average daily shift calculation shall be utilized in the allocation of all categories of leave.

Sick leave annual allocation is available for use after reporting to work on the first day but will be prorated should the employee terminate employment and may be accumulated to a maximum of one hundred-eighty (180) days.



#### FOUR-DAY SCHOOL WEEK

3. Amend Personal leave to identify hours allotted, adjust carryover and use language as follows:

#### Section 8.12. Personal Leave.

Each employee shall be entitled to three (3) paid personal leave days up to a maximum of 24 hours prorated for employees working less than 165 days. per year with the approval of the Superintendent or his/her designee. Personal leave is neither sick leave nor bereavement leave.

While the District operates under a 4-day school week waiver, at the beginning of each school year each full-time employee covered by this Agreement will be credited 3 days up to a maximum of twenty-four (24) hours of personal leave to be used for special events or personal business. Employees who work less than full-time but working a minimum of nine (9) months, will be credited three (3) days of the employee's average daily shift per Section 8.1. Employees will make an effort to give at least three (3) days' notice prior to taking leave. However, the District recognizes emergencies may arise that do not allow that notice.

Employees will recognize that the goal of the 4-day school week is improve working conditions by providing at least three business days per month of non-work time for personal business or vacation within the school year calendar which, hopefully, minimizes the need for additional personal time off. Increased staff attendance is a goal of the District's 4-day School Week Waiver.

Employees will not use consecutive days of personal leave, provided, however, that the superintendent may grant exceptions for extenuating circumstances.

Absences will be charged rounded to the nearest 15 minutes or .25 hour. At the end of the 2017-18 school year, and each subsequent year while the District operates a 4-day school week, any unused leave will be cashed out at per diem rates and included in each employee's August paycheck. No carryover of leave is permitted.

4. Amend Holidays as follows:

#### Section 8.13. Holidays.

Holidays shall be granted as paid non-workdays for each twelve (12) month employee who works a five (5) day, 8-hour shift, and shall be observed as follows:

- 1. New Year's Day
- 2. Martin Luther King's Birthday
- 3. Presidents' Day
- 4. Memorial Day
- 5. Independence Day
- 6. Labor Day

- 7. Veterans Day
- 8. Thanksgiving Day
- 9. Day after Thanksgiving Day
- 10. Day before Christmas
- 11. Christmas Day
- 12. Floating Holiday

Employees who chose to work a modified shift of more than 8-hours per day (such as a 4-day, 10-hour shift), shall be granted the above-listed holiday pay only if the holiday falls within their work calendar, and then the holiday will be recognized at the rate of their scheduled shift.



#### FOUR-DAY SCHOOL WEEK

Employees eligible for holiday pay who are required to work on any of the designated holidays shall receive twice their applicable base rate in pay for any hours worked on the holiday. If an employee who does not qualify for holiday pay is requested to work on a holiday, he/she shall be paid double his/her regular rate of pay for all hours worked or at the option of the employee, shall be provided with equal time off to be used prior to the end of the school year. If the time-off is not allowed, the employee will be paid double-time for the hours worked.

#### Section 8.14.

School year classified employees will be granted the following holiday: Memorial Day.

Holiday pay for this section will be based on the employee's work shift during the 150 student days, not including in-service days.

5. Amend Section 9.1. as follows:

#### Section 9.1.

While the District operates under a 4-day school week calendar, although the workweek may be flexed, all employees will be allowed two (2) consecutive days of rest.

6. The number of hours will be adjusted for insurance FTE in Article XI, Sections 11.1 and 11.1.1 as follows. Additionally, there is an ending date of December 31, 2019 for this coverage, then the current contract language in Section 11.2 SEBB will apply.

#### Section 11.1.

Group insurance at District expense will be provided at the full state entitlement per month per FTE less the state mandated retiree subsidy toward the cost of District approved medical, dental, and vision plans using tiered rates. This total will be spread among employees based on FTE at 1328 hours. Participation will be determined by the District and Provider and PSE.

For bus drivers, insurance allocations will only be calculated on the guaranteed times for the regular a.m. and p.m. routes (to and from school) and activity route. Mid-day routes, extra trips or extended time will not be used in the calculation.

District insurance payments shall be made on a twelve (12) month basis. A regular classified employee's contribution for non-working months will be withheld from his/her final pay warrant for the year.

The employee must submit their choice for insurance no later than ten (10) workdays before the September payday.



#### FOUR-DAY SCHOOL WEEK

#### **Section 11.1.1.**

- 1) Each employee shall receive either the amount stipulated in Section 11.1 or an appropriate pro-rated amount based on 1328 hours equaling 1.0 FTE.
- 2) After choosing benefits, any remaining funds would then be divided among employees with out-of-pocket premium expenditures on an FTE (2080 hours) basis.
- 3) This process shall be repeated until either all premiums are paid or the pool is depleted.
- 4) The pool shall be set according to hours worked on October 20th of each year. Employees hired after October 20th shall receive the dollar amount provided in Section 11.1 or the appropriate pro-rated amount, unless the composite rate changes.

Sections 11.1 and 11.1.1 will be in effect through December 31, 2019.

