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#### **PREAMBLE**

This agreement is made this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011, by and between the Board of Education of the Macomb Intermediate School District (hereinafter called the "Employer"), and the Macomb Intermediate Federation of Teachers, AFT Local 2144 (hereinafter called the "Union"), for the 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years.

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Employer and the Union recognize and declare that assisting constituent school districts to provide a quality education for the children of the district is their mutual aim and that the character of such education depends upon the quality of performance of all parties concerned, and

WHEREAS, the members of the Union have qualifications that are helpful in formulating programs designed to improve delivery of service to constituent districts, and

WHEREAS, the parties have reached certain understandings which they desire to confirm in this agreement,

IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

#### **ARTICLE I**

#### RECOGNITION

#### **Section 1: Professional Personnel Covered**

The Employer recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining representative for all professional personnel engaged in instructional or instructionally related positions who are placed on the salary schedule herein and excluding all other employees. For the purposes of this agreement, the term "employees" shall mean any member of the bargaining unit.

#### Section 2: Assignment of Work Performed by Bargaining Unit

Work presently performed by members of the bargaining unit shall not be assigned to persons outside the unit without the consent of the Union, except that nothing in this section prohibits the Employer from performing any work that is inherently a part of the Macomb Intermediate School District function, from engaging in any cooperative arrangements in which persons normally under contract to constituent districts are performing work inherently a part of the Macomb Intermediate School District function, or from contracting for services that require expertise or experience not represented by members of the bargaining unit.

#### **Section 3: Announcement of New Positions**

The Employer shall notify the Union of all new positions before such positions are filled. The notification shall include a job description, qualifications, salary lane and a comment placing the position within or without the bargaining unit. If the Union disagrees with the designation of the written notice as to eligibility for membership in the bargaining unit, the Union may request a conference as per the provision of Article IV, Section 3 of this agreement.

#### Section 4: Relationship of New Positions to Bargaining Unit

If such positions fulfill the classifications of Section 1 of this Article, all personnel hired to fill those positions shall be considered to be members of this bargaining unit and shall be subject to all terms and conditions of this agreement.

#### **Section 5: Fair Employment Practices**

- A. This agreement shall be applied uniformly to all employees within the bargaining unit.
- B. The Employer agrees that with respect to hiring, working conditions and promotion practices, it shall strive to assure that neither it nor its agents shall discriminate on the basis of race, creed, national origin, sex, marital status, physical handicap, age, or membership participation in the activities of the Union that do not violate or extend the express provisions of this agreement.
- C. The Union agrees to admit all bargaining unit members to membership without discrimination by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, marital status, physical handicap, age, or prior membership or past participation in the activities of any employee organization.

D. The Employer, recognizing that well qualified and able staff is a prerequisite to quality educational programs, agrees that within the limitations and capabilities of its personnel to seek out and recruit staff members who best fulfill these requirements. The Employer agrees to welcome applications from all minority groups and both sexes in all of its announcements of vacancies posted for positions covered by this agreement.

#### Section 6: Union Dues and Service Fees Check-Off

A. Upon filing with the Employer the written authorization form for payroll deductions designated below, signed by the employee, the Employer agrees, during the term of this agreement and any extension or renewal thereof, to deduct Union membership dues or fees representing the proportionate share of collective bargaining costs as determined by the Union from time-to-time (herein called "service fees"), levied in accordance with the Constitution and By Laws of the Union, from the pay of such employee. The form of the authorization shall be as follows:

## Deduction Authorization Macomb Intermediate Federation of Teachers Membership Dues or Service Fees Local #2144 2011-2012

•	Professionars Last Name:	
•	Professional's First Name*	This form is located at http://www.mift2144.org
•	Location:*	<b>p</b>
•	I hereby authorize the Macomb Intermediate School Due (total), to be paid in full, to the Macomb Intermed authorization is to continue in full force and effect unt terminated, a change in assignment removes me from tauthorization is revoked or changed by written notice. Treasurer to change the amount of this deduction where vote of the membership as prescribed by the Constitution Federation of Teachers.  Check One of the following:	iate Federation of Teachers. This il such time as my employment is the bargaining unit, or until this I further authorize the Federation's n such a change has been adopted by a
•	Check ONE of the following:*	
	Representing My Dues for Membership in the Macon	nb Intermediate Federation of
•	Teachers, AFT, MFT, AFL-CIO As a Service Fee representation of the Macomb Intermediate By initializing this form I give complete authorization signature:*	e Federation of Teachers.
•	Date of digital signature:	
	- Month - Day Year	
•	at  / Hour Minutes AM  Payroll deductions will start approximately the 2nd	pay in October and will last for 20
•	pays.  If you wish to pay the FULL amount by check please	
•	I prefer to pay the FULL amount by check. Check is Wednesday before Thanksgiving. Any balance due after Thanksgiving will be sent to payroll for deduction.  Make checks payable to MIFT, Local 2144 and send to T Service Center	due to the Treasurer by NOON on noon on Wednesday before

B. Deductions, in accordance with paragraph A of Section 6 of this Article, from five or ten consecutive paychecks, shall be in the amount stipulated by the Union for the term of this agreement, and shall commence with the first paycheck issued in October each year.

The Employer agrees to forward such deductions, along with a list of the employees from whom the deductions have been made, within one week following such deduction, to the Treasurer of the Union.

C. The Employer shall forward to the Union a list of all employees within the bargaining unit and their assignments at the commencement of the school year. Any assignments that are still pending shall be forwarded within five business days after they are determined. Further, the MISD shall notify the Union of any employee in the bargaining unit entering or leaving employment.

The Union will also be notified of professionals employed continuously in the same position for 115 days or more. Those employees shall not be eligible for union membership until the 116th day of continuous service.

- D. The Union agrees, at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of each school year, to give written notification to the Employer of the amounts to be deducted in that year for union dues or service fees as described in Article I, Section 6A, under such authorization covering union dues. The Union further agrees to notify the Employer at additional times as may be necessary, any changes in the Union's dues or collective bargaining costs.
- E. The Employer agrees, in the event that it or its agents have been shown to have deducted insufficient amounts from any member of the bargaining unit, to increase the following deduction in the amount of the demonstrated insufficiency. The Union agrees, in the event that it has received monies in excess of authorized deductions, to reimburse the employee(s) in the amount of the demonstrated excess.

#### **Section 7: Union Security**

The Employer and the Union, recognizing that the benefits of the collective bargaining agreement accrue to all members of the bargaining unit regardless of whether or not such member belongs to the Union, accept the following method designed to enable all such members of the bargaining unit to support the efforts of the bargaining agent in their behalf:

A. Within thirty (30) days after employment, or the execution of this agreement, whichever is later, all members of the bargaining unit shall have the opportunity to join the Union and execute an authorization permitting the deduction of union dues.

- B. Any member of the bargaining unit who has not joined the Union and executed an authorization for deduction of union dues during such period, or having joined has not continued to pay union dues, shall immediately execute an authorization permitting deduction of service fees, representing the proportionate share of collective bargaining costs as determined by the Union from time-to-time. It is understood that the payment of such sums shall not constitute an agreement to become a member of the Union.
- C. The Employer agrees to notify all employees in the bargaining unit (those employed at the time of execution of this agreement or its extensions or renewals, as well as new hires) of the above stated requirements and shall forward to the Union within the above stated thirty (30) day period, the name(s) of such employees and date of employment.
- D. Failure within the above stated thirty (30) days to deliver authorization for deduction of either new union dues or the above described service fee shall constitute a basis for discharge and the Employer agrees, upon receipt of notification from the Union, that a member of the bargaining unit has failed to execute such authorization within the specified thirty (30) days, to discharge such employee within five (5) days; it being understood between the parties to this agreement that such requirement is a condition of continued employment with the Employer.
- E. In the event an employee is dismissed for failure to tender required authorized amounts and is subsequently offered re-employment by the Employer, such unpaid amounts shall be required to be paid to the Union by the applicant as a precondition to re-employment.
- F. The Macomb Intermediate Federation of Teachers shall indemnify and save the Employer harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits, judgments, damages or other forms of liability or expense that may arise out of or by reason of action taken by the Employer for the purpose of complying with Section 6 and 7 of this Article, including all court costs and reasonable legal fees of the Employer's counsel.

The Union further agrees that if it shall fail to reimburse the Employer promptly upon demand for any of the aforesaid items, the Employer shall be entitled, in addition to any other legal remedies, to apply against such indebtedness of the Union to the Employer until paid in full, thirty percent of membership dues and service fees collected by the Employer on behalf of the Union, pursuant to the provisions of this Article.

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### **EFFECT OF AGREEMENT**

#### Section 1: Commitment between Employer and Employee

The parties mutually agree that the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement represent the full and complete understanding and commitment between the parties.

#### **Section 2: Provisions Contrary to Law**

If any provision of this agreement is or shall at any time be found to be contrary to law by a court of ultimate jurisdiction, such provision shall not be applicable or performed or enforced, except to the extent permitted by law. All other provisions of this agreement shall continue in full force and effect and the parties agree to meet for the purpose of negotiating substitute language for the voided provision(s).

#### **Section 3: Employee Contracts**

Any contract of employment between the Employer and an individual employee shall be expressly subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement.

#### **ARTICLE III**

#### **DEFINITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND RIGHTS**

#### **Section 1: Management Rights**

The Employer, on its own behalf and on behalf of the electors of the District, hereby retains and reserves unto itself without limitation all powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities conferred upon and vested in it by the laws and the Constitution of the State of Michigan and of the United States, including but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the right:

- A. To the executive management and administrative control of the Macomb Intermediate School District and its properties and facilities, and the activities of its employees.
- B. To hire all employees and subject to the provisions of law, to determine their qualifications and the conditions for their continued employment, or their dismissal or demotion, and to promote and transfer all such employees.
- C. To establish all functions, programs, and services as prescribed by law or as deemed necessary or advisable by the Employer.
- D. To decide upon the means and methods of providing those functions, programs, and services, the selection of appropriate equipment and materials and the use of aids of every kind and nature.
- E. To determine the hours of work, the duties, responsibilities, assignments and work locations of all employees with respect thereto, and with respect to administrative and non-instructional activities and the terms and conditions of employment.

The exercise of the foregoing powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities by the Employer, the adoption of policies, rules, regulations and practices in furtherance thereof, and the use of judgment and discretion in connection therewith shall be limited only by the terms of this agreement and then only to the extent such terms hereof are in conformance with the Constitution and Laws of the State of Michigan and the Constitution and Laws of the United States.

#### **Section 2:Academic Freedom**

No material about an employee pursuing his duties with the Macomb Intermediate School District gathered by means of any electronic communications device shall be admissible as evidence in any action against an employee without his consent.

#### **Section 3: Personnel Files**

- A. Evaluations, correspondence, or other material making reference to an employee's competence, character or manner shall be kept in a single file. This is the only operative personnel file.
- B. Employees shall be permitted to inspect all of the contents of their personnel file after they have been employed one month.
- C. All materials contained in the personnel file not offered to the employee for initialing (which initialing shall signify only that the employee has read the material and not that he/she necessarily agrees with the content) or comments if he/she so desires within ten (10) days after receipt, shall not be permitted as evidence in any grievance or disciplinary action against such employee, and such material shall be forwarded to the employee or Union by registered mail.
- D. In the event the employee cannot or will not sign the materials, one of the following procedures shall be used:
  - 1. The Employer and/or Union may request a witness to the delivery of the material to the affected employee, or
  - 2. The material may be sent by registered mail and the return receipt attached to the material and placed in the affected employee's file.
- E. Statements from non-professional sources, placed in an employee's file for disciplinary purposes, shall be removed after one (1) year at the written request of the employee providing there is no further basis for any written reprimand or disciplinary action.

#### **Section 4: Other Files**

#### A. Grievance File:

All documents pertaining to the processing of grievances will be maintained in the Director of Employee Relations office and the Union office.

#### B. Extended Health Leave File:

This file is solely for the purpose of maintaining a record of extended health leaves and is non-accessible to any outside force.

#### C. Principal's File:

This file shall consist of copies of signed evaluations, a copy of which has also been given to the employee.

D. Upon request the employee may review all files pertaining to himself/herself which are duplicates of personnel file items or the extended health leave file.

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#### **Section 5: Disciplinary Interviews and Reprimands**

Disciplinary interviews and reprimands will be considered in private and the employee will be given advance notice in writing that such an interview is being scheduled. An affected employee, however, will have the right in all such instances to request the presence of a union representative at said interview. When such a request is made, the interview will not proceed until the representative is in attendance (except in instances of unreasonable delay of over twenty-four (24) hours). The interviewing administrator reserves the right to have a member of his/her administrative staff present. All interviews covered by this section shall be reduced to writing. Statements contained herein shall be placed in the employee's file. Such statements shall be removed after two (2) years at the written request of the employee providing there is no further basis for written reprimand or disciplinary action.

#### **Section 6: Union Business on District Property**

- A. The Union and its representatives shall have the right to use the Macomb Intermediate School District buildings for meetings at any time that is not in conflict with the working hours of the employees or with any function of the Macomb Intermediate School District, provided that when special custodial service is required, the Employer may make a reasonable charge therefore. No charge shall be made for the use of rooms one (1) hour before the commencement of the business day or until 6:00 p.m. of that business day. Such use will require that the Union follow the established building scheduling procedures.
- B. Duly authorized representatives of the Union shall be permitted to transact official Union business on the Macomb Intermediate School District property, provided that such transaction shall not interfere with the working hours of the employees or with any function of the Macomb Intermediate School District, and further provided that the administration shall not be required to open buildings on days or at times they are normally closed, or to permit use at such times as custodians are not scheduled or not available.

#### **Section 7: Use of Bulletin Board**

The Union shall have the right to post notices of its activities and matters of Union concern on bulletin board space within the staff lounge areas in all locations where members of the bargaining unit are permanently assigned. Said notices and other materials may be circulated through office mail service.

#### Section 8: Union Access to Statistical Information

The Employer shall make available to the Union within a reasonable time (for purposes of this section "reasonable time" should not extend beyond two (2) weeks) any statistics, records, work schedules, or other information which the Union considers necessary for preparation of bargaining demands, for implementation of the terms of this agreement, or for processing grievances arising out of this agreement. The Union agrees to reimburse the Employer for the cost of labor and materials expended to comply with this section. Nothing contained herein shall require the Board to compile materials in ways they are not normally compiled.

#### **Section 9:School Board Meetings**

- A. Board agendas along with whatever reports, addends and other information included in a Board Packet which is public information, shall be provided for the Union President and Grievance Chairperson at the time they are sent to the Board. In the case of meeting cancellations, the Union President shall be notified.
- B. An unofficial copy of all regular board meetings minutes shall be given to the Union President and Grievance Chairperson within one (1) week following all regular school board meetings. Said minutes will be stamped at the top of each page "Unofficial". An official copy will be forwarded thereafter to both the Union President and the Grievance Chairperson.

#### **Section 10 Personnel Directory**

The Intermediate School District personnel directory will be printed and distributed by the administration to all professional personnel as soon as possible each school year. The Employer agrees to make every effort to publish the directory by October 15th.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

#### **NEGOTIATION PROCEDURES**

#### **Section 1: Determination of Date and Time of Meetings**

Negotiations for a new agreement or modifications of the existing agreement shall begin at a time, date and place mutually determined by the Employer and Union.

#### **Section 2: Selection of Representatives**

Neither party in any negotiations shall have any control over the selection of the bargaining representatives of the other party, and each party may select its representatives from within or outside the school district. While no final agreement shall be executed without ratification by the Employer and Union, the parties mutually pledge that their representatives will be clothed with all necessary power and authority to make proposals, consider proposals, make concessions and recommend ratification in the course of negotiations.

#### **Section 3: Provisions for Conferences**

After ratification of this agreement, either party may request conferences to discuss matters which may arise from time-to-time which are of mutual concern to the parties. Discussion during such conferences shall be limited to problems indicated on a written request for such conference. However, contract alterations shall not be discussed except by mutual agreement of both parties. Any contract alteration shall take effect upon ratification of both parties. Conferences shall be held at the earliest opportunity following such request.

#### **ARTICLE V**

#### **GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

#### **Section 1: Definitions**

- A. <u>A grievance</u> shall mean an unsettled complaint that there has been a violation, misinterpretation or misapplication of any provision of this agreement regarding hours, wages and working conditions.
- B. An <u>aggrieved person</u> shall mean any member of the bargaining unit, or the Union on its own behalf, making the complaint.
- C. Wherever the term <u>employee</u> is used, it is to include any member or members of the bargaining unit.
- D. Wherever the singular is used, it is to include the plural.
- E. Wherever notice is used, it is meant that such be written notice to all persons concerned.
- F. The term days in this Article shall mean duty days, except where otherwise indicated.

#### **Section 2:** General Principles

- A. A grievance may be withdrawn at any level.
- B. If a grievance arises from the action of authority higher than the Director/Supervisor, it may be initiated at Step 1 of this procedure.
- C. Hearings and conferences held under this procedure shall be conducted at a time and place which will afford a fair and reasonable opportunity for all persons, including witnesses, entitled to be present to attend. Every effort will be made to schedule hearings and conferences outside of duty hours.
- D. When hearings and conferences are held during duty hours, all persons who are present at the hearing or conference pursuant to this Article whose duty hours are affected, shall be excused with pay, for that purpose.
- E. Forms for filing and processing grievances shall be given appropriate distribution so as to facilitate the operation of the grievance procedure.
- F. No decision or adjustment of a grievance shall be contrary to any provision of this agreement.
- G. Failure by the employee and/or the Union at any step of this procedure to appeal a decision within the specified time limits shall be deemed an acceptance of the decision.

- H. The time limits specified in this procedure may be extended in any specific instance by mutual agreement, which agreement shall be reduced to writing and signed by the parties. The arbitrator shall be bound by the time limits set forth herein and shall have no power to extend such limits.
- I. The arbitrator shall have no power to alter, add to or subtract from the terms of this agreement.
- J. The Employer and the Union each shall bear the full costs for its representative counsel in the arbitration.
- K. If the decision by an arbitrator is split, giving each side to the arbitration a partial remedy, the fees of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by the Employer and the Union. If the decision by an arbitrator favors one side only, then the arbitrator's fees shall be borne by the party against whom the arbitration decision is made.
- L. It is the intention of the parties, where possible, that the issue(s) to be arbitrated, the relevant facts comprising the issue(s), and the remedy or remedies sought shall be jointly stipulated by the Employer and the Union, or if the parties are unable to agree to such stipulation, each party of interest shall submit a written statement of the issue(s) to the arbitrator in advance of the hearing date.
- M. No arbitrator shall hear more than one grievance at any one hearing without the mutual consent of the Employer and the Union.
- N. The primary purpose of this grievance procedure is to secure equitable solutions at the closest supervisory level possible. The parties mutually agree that these proceedings shall be kept as confidential as may be appropriate at each level of the procedure.
- O. After Step 1 the grievance procedure shall be considered a part of the appellate process. No matter not raised previously, including remedy, may be discussed.

#### **Section 3: Procedure for Adjustment of Grievances**

Grievances shall be presented and adjusted in accordance with the following procedures:

#### A. Informal Conference

- 1. A complaint shall first be identified as a grievance issue, citing the appropriate contract section or sections, and shall be discussed with the Director/Supervisor with the object of resolving the matter informally.
  - a. By an employee in person on his/her own behalf.
  - b. By an employee accompanied by the Union President or his/her alternate.
  - c. Through the Union President or his/her alternate, if the employee so requests.
  - d. By the Union President or his/her alternate in the name of the Union.
- 2. In the event the matter is resolved informally and the union representative was not present at the adjustment of the complaint, the Superintendent or his designee shall inform the Union of the adjustment.
- B. Step I Written Procedure: In the event the matter is not resolved informally, the grievance stated in writing on the form provided for such purpose, may be submitted to the Superintendent or his designee within fifteen (15) days following the discovery by the aggrieved party of the act or condition which is the basis of the grievance.
  - 1. The grievance may be lodged and thereafter discussed with the Superintendent or his designee:
    - a. By an employee in person on his/her own behalf.
    - b. By an employee accompanied by the Union President or his/her alternate.
    - c. Through the Union President or his/her alternate if the employee so requests.
    - d. By the Union President or his/her alternate in the name of the Union.

- 2. Within ten (10) days after receiving the written grievance, the Superintendent or his designee shall communicate his decision, along with his reasons therefore, in writing on the grievance form to the Union President or his/her alternate, and to the aggrieved employee, if any.
- C. Step II Written Procedure: Within five (5) days after receiving the decision of the Superintendent or his designee, an appeal from the decision may be made to the Board of Education. The appeal shall be in writing on the form provided, and shall be accompanied by a copy of the original grievance and decision at Step I.
  - 1. At its next scheduled meeting (but, in no event less than five (5) days or more than thirty-five (35) calendar days) after receipt of the appeal, the Board of Education shall hold a hearing on the grievance. Participants in this hearing shall be those who participated in Step I, and counsel for the Union, if requested by the Union, unless the grievance is being processed by an employee in person on his own behalf. Participants in this hearing shall be given at least three (3) days notice of the hearing.
  - 2. No later than five (5) days after its next scheduled meeting after the hearing on the appeal, the Board of Education shall communicate its decision in writing on the form provided, together with supporting reasons, to the Director/Supervisor, the Superintendent or his designee, the Union President or his/her alternate, counsel for the Union (if any), and to the aggrieved employee, if any.
- D. Step III Arbitration: Within ten (10) days after receipt of the decision of the Board of Education, the Union will notify management in writing of their intent to appeal the decision to binding arbitration which will take place under the rules and auspices of the American Arbitration Association unless both parties agree to the contrary.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### **SENIORITY**

#### **Section 1:** Seniority

- A. An employee in attendance for 50% or more of 186 working days shall accrue full credit on the salary schedule and full credit for one (1) year's seniority.
- B. An employee in attendance for less than 50% of 186 working days shall accrue half a step on the salary schedule, and credit for half a year's seniority.
- C. An employee in attendance for none of his/her 186 working days shall accrue no credit on the salary schedule and no credit towards seniority.
- D. 1. Deductible absences shall include medical, military, educational, maternity, parental, extended health, and disciplinary suspension.
  - 2. Non-deductible absences shall include allowable sick days, personal business, jury duty, unpaid relief time and bereavement.
- E. Notwithstanding the above, an employee who has been off work for work related disability shall continue to accrue seniority for two (2) years.
- F. No seniority shall be accrued or granted other than within the bargaining unit.
- G. In the event years of seniority are equal:
  - 1. Date of hire shall prevail, or if equal,
  - 2. total experience outside bargaining unit, in a professional capacity, or if equal,
  - 3. degree beyond Bachelors Degree, or if equal,
  - 4. total credit hours beyond highest degree.

#### **Section 2:** First Year Salary

Notwithstanding the above, seniority and salary credit for the first year or portion of the first year's employment with the MISD will be as follows:

A. Full Year Credit (186 Day Employee and/or All New Employees)

That the professional will have become employed on or before October 15th of the current school year.

#### B. One-Half Year Credit (186 Day Employee and/or All New Employees)

That the professional will have become employed after October 15th and before February 15th of the current school year.

#### C. Full Year Credit (Extended Year Employee)

The professional will have become employed on or before October 31st of the current school year.

#### D. One-Half Year Credit (Extended Year Employee)

That the professional will have become employed after October 31st and before February 28th of the current school year.

#### \* Effective 2003-2004 school year, paragraphs E and F are deleted:

#### E. Full Year Credit (Extended Year Employee)

That the professional will have become employed on or before November 15th of the current school year.

#### F. One-Half Year Credit (221 Day Employee)

That the professional will have become employed after November 15th and before March 15th of the current school year.

#### ARTICLE VII

### VOLUNTARY TRANSFER, INVOLUNTARY TRANSFER, VACANCIES AND POSTINGS, REDUCTION AND LAYOFF, ASSIGNMENTS AND REASSIGNMENTS, RESIGNATIONS, RECALL AND TEACHER/PARAPROFESSIONAL CONFLICTS

#### **Section 1: Definitions Within the MISD:**

- A. <u>Transfer</u> is movement to a local district program, or within classifications and/or divisions, or within Group 2 and 3, or into Group 2 and 3. Transfer within or into Group 1 and designated positions is prohibited. All Group 1 and designated positions shall be posted.
- B. <u>Designated positions</u> are those positions that require additional endorsement or certification in a Vocational area.
- C. Transfer Request is an application for a transfer.
- D. <u>Transfer List</u> is to be maintained by the personnel office. One transfer list shall include all requests for transfers.
- E. <u>Vacancy</u> is an opening left when transfer possibilities have been exhausted or when a new position is created for which no transfer requests have been received.
- F. Posting is the publicizing of a vacancy.
- G. <u>Bid</u> is an application for a posted position for which applicant possesses certification and qualifications.
- H. <u>CI</u> (Cognitively Impaired) is a division composed of four classifications including Preprimary Impaired (MIPP), Moderately Cognitively Impaired (MoCI), Severely Multiply Impaired (SXI), and Severely Cognitively Impaired (SCI).
- I. <u>EI</u> (Emotionally Impaired) is a separate division composed of one classification.
- J. AI (Autistic Impaired) is a separate division composed of one classification.

#### K. Close-out

<u>Reassignment</u>: A move that takes place when an assignment has been eliminated and the number of positions in a classification remains equal to or more than the number of employees in that classification pursuant to Article VII, Section 6.

<u>Reduction</u> occurs when there are more employees in a classification than positions available in that classification, necessitating the removal of one or more employees from that classification pursuant to Article VII, Section 7.

L. <u>Layoff</u> is the removal of an employee from the payroll due to a reduction.

- M. Recall is returning a laid off employee to the active roll.
- N. <u>Extended year employee</u> is an employee whose contract is more than 186 days.

#### **Section 2: Transfers Within the MISD**

A. If a transfer is desired, an employee shall make a written transfer request on a form to be provided. A transfer request may be initiated at any time although to receive consideration for a vacancy it must be filed before the vacancy occurs. It shall be filed with the Human Resources Office where a list will be maintained.

When the Human Resources Office has received (and date stamped) notification that a vacancy exists through a requisition for personnel, subsequent incoming transfer requests will not be considered for that position or secondary openings caused by filling the primary position. No employee will receive consideration for a vacancy who has not submitted a request.

- B. A transfer request shall remain active until April 30th. Beginning May 1st new applications will be received for the coming fiscal year's transfer list.
- C. In the event of multiple transfer requests from one employee, only the request with the latest date shall be considered.
- D. When two or more employees apply for the same transfer, seniority shall prevail.
- E. An employee shall be ineligible to transfer during:
  - 1. The first two years of employment for classroom teachers; all others the first year of employment.
  - 2. The period between acceptance of a transfer and placement on the job.
  - 3. The one calendar year period following placement on the job.
  - 4. One calendar year following the second refusal of a transfer offer.
  - 5. Educational leave, unless the employee agrees to return to fill the position within thirty (30) days.
- F. An employee shall have three (3) working days to accept or reject a transfer offer in writing to be delivered to the immediate supervisor or the Human Resources Office. Failure shall be regarded as refusal of the offer. Written acceptance shall be binding.
- G. Placement for all persons involved in a sequential transfer shall be effected on the starting date of the person or substitute filling the last opening in the sequence.

H. If two or more professionals seek to exchange positions, the Employer agrees to investigate the feasibility of switching their assignments.

#### **Section 3:** Involuntary Transfer

When, for demonstrable cause, a transfer must be made on a non-voluntary basis, the least senior employee shall be transferred first, providing both parties' qualifications meet the requirements of the new positions to which they are being transferred. If an employee is transferred involuntarily, he/she shall not be subject to the transfer time limitations of Section 2E above.

#### **Section 4: Vacancy and Postings**

- A. 1. All vacancies shall be filled by the most qualified applicant. Management shall set the qualifications at the time of posting. For the purpose of this agreement, qualifications shall be considered to be a function of formal training and applicable or related work experience including evaluation of past performances. Where there is reasonable doubt regarding relative weighing of these factors with respect to qualifications of two or more applicants, the Employer may resolve the issue unilaterally.
  - 2. Where qualifications of two or more applicants for a job vacancy are found to be substantially equal, the vacancy shall be filled by the applicant with greatest seniority. Seniority ties shall be per Article VI, Seniority, Section 1G. Where qualifications are substantially equal, preference shall be given to a member of the bargaining unit over a new hire.
- B. Vacancies within the bargaining unit shall be publicized by the Employer by:
  - 1. Giving written notice of such vacancies to the Union at the time the positions are posted. All vacancies shall be posted for a minimum of fourteen (14) days.
  - 2. Posting such vacancy on the bulletin boards provided for staff use or on District's website, simultaneously with written notice to the Union.
  - 3. Postings shall include classification and level, job description, qualifications, building location, salary lane and the closing date for acceptance of bids.
- C. An employee shall be ineligible to bid on a job during:
  - 1. The first two years of employment for classroom teachers; all others the first year of employment.
  - 2. The one year period following acceptance pursuant to a bid.
  - 3. The one year period following refusal of a job offered pursuant to a bid.

4. The period between acceptance of an offer and placement on the job.

#### **Section 5:** Reduction and Layoff

#### A. Group #1 - Consultants and Supplementary Services

- 1. Employees classified as Consultant or on supplementary service positions such as Truant Officer, Librarian, Communication Specialist, Planning and Audit Monitor, Child Find Specialist, Child Accounting, etc. in the event a close out occurs where two or more such employees holding the same classification perform interchangeable assignments, the close out shall occur to the position of the low seniority employee.
- 2. An employee holding such classification, whose position has been closed out, may exercise seniority bump rights against the least senior employee in Group 2 or Group 3, who is in a position for which the closed out employee is certified, pursuant to conditions set forth below in C 1., C 2., D 1., 2., and 3.

#### B. Group #2 - Support Services

- 1. Support services positions such as Psychologist, Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist, Social Worker, Speech Therapist, Curriculum Resource Teacher, Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor, Vocational Evaluator, Perceptual Motor Developmentalist, Mobility Trainer, Teacher Consultant (Hearing Impaired, Visually Impaired, Physically or Otherwise Health Impaired, Cognitively Impaired, Learning Disabled, and Emotionally Impaired), Homebound Teacher, Audiologist, Nurse, etc. in the event of a reduction in force shall bump the low seniority employee in the respective classification. The least senior employee shall be reduced and be able to bump the least senior employee who is less senior than the reduced employee in any classification in group 2 for which they are certified. Employees whose position has been reduced shall first exhaust all bump rights within their group for which they are certified.
- 2. An employee whose position has been reduced from a classification within a group may exercise seniority bump rights against the least senior employee in any classification in Group 3 for which they are certified.

#### C. Group #3 - Classroom and MIPP Teachers

- 1. If a program close out occurs in a building where more than one room has a similar level program, the close out shall occur in the program of the professional employee with the least seniority.
- 2. In the event of a reduction of staff and/or layoff, the employee whose position has been eliminated shall have three (3) working days following notification to

elect (failing, in which case, the administration shall select) one of the following employee's options:

- a. <u>Building Bump:</u> To bump the low seniority employee in the classification in the building, or to bump the least senior employee in the employee's division in the building, or
- b. <u>District Bump</u>: To bump the least senior employee in any classification within their division, or
- c. <u>Transfer List</u>: exercise transfer rights in lieu of bumping another employee pursuant to article VII.
- D. Before layoff the MISD board shall determine, following consultation with the Federation, the number of positions to be eliminated and shall so notify the Federation and employees 60 (sixty) calendar days prior to layoff. No professional shall be laid off pursuant to necessary reduction in personnel for any school year or portion thereof, unless they have been notified of said layoff at least 60 (sixty) calendar days before the effective date of said action.

The following provisions apply to bargaining unit members in all three groups.

- 1. The employee may opt to select one of the following options: (All options listed in Section 5, C 1., and C 2. shall be exhausted first before moving to options under Section 5 D.)
  - a. To bump the least senior employee in any division who is less senior than the displaced employee if certified, or
  - b. To bump the least senior employee who is less senior than the displaced employee in group 2 or group 3 if certified, or
  - c. To bump into designated positions provided an employee possesses higher seniority, certification and proper endorsements, or
  - d. Temporary Positions: The Employer may grant assignment to an opening existing after recourse to the voluntary transfer procedure in lieu of bumping another employee and without impairing recall rights at any time. If the incumbent does not return, the position becomes available for transfer; or
  - e. Job sharing arrangements pursuant to Article VIII, Section 3, are possible, or
  - f. Voluntary lay-off: any employee in the same division as the potentially reduced employee may volunteer to accept a lay-off, or

- g. Any laid off employee may be retrained by the employer under Article XIII, Section 2, or elect a study leave.
- 2. All placements shall be effected on the date an employee is laid off or on the first day of school thereafter.
- 3. When deciding which of two or more probationary employees are to be laid off, the employer shall consider qualifications, evaluations of past performance, attendance, and other relevant factors along with respective dates of hire.

#### E. Decentralization

The MIFT and Administration recognize under LRE parameters the possibility of students currently serviced in the MISD centers being returned to LEAs.

- 1. To provide these students with educational programming, Administration will seek to lease classrooms in LEAs and staff those classrooms with MISD staff.
- 2. However, if an MISD classroom or program is transferred to an LEA, the following process will be used:
  - a. Notice of such transfer will be given to the Union within three weeks of the signing of the agreement.
  - b. Any program that will be transferred to an LEA will be given a special notice. The staff will have two weeks to apply for transfer consideration.
- 3. The MISD Assistant Superintendent for Special Education and MIFT President shall meet with the representatives of SEMACC and MCASA each year during this contract for the purpose of discussing and making accommodations for the transfer of MISD programs and personnel to local school districts.

#### Section 6: Assignment or Reassignment

- A. After assignment to a position and satisfactory performance therein, an employee may expect to remain in such assignment unless moved under the provisions of this contract.
- B. Closeout/Reassignments are moves that take place when the number of positions in a classification equals the number of employees in that classification pursuant to Article VII, Section 1 K. Voluntary transfers shall be exhausted first. Any remaining moves shall be made with due consideration to minimal adverse impact on the program and wishes of higher seniority employees.

#### **Section 7: Close Out/Reduction**

In the event of a close out/reduction, an employee laid off, reduced, or involuntarily transferred from a position shall be placed on the transfer list unless the employee exercises their bump rights.

#### **Section 8: Resignation**

Resignations shall be in writing and shall be effective as of the date indicated. Once submitted to and acknowledged by the Human Resources Office, the resignation shall not be rescinded.

#### **Section 9: Recall**

- A. Laid off seniority employees shall be recalled to vacancies or temporary positions occupied by substitutes or "limited contract" employees, in accordance with their seniority.
- B. Employees being recalled will be given two (2) calendar weeks from the date of receipt of a registered letter or telegram of recall to indicate their acceptance or rejection of reemployment. Failure to respond within the above named period shall terminate the employee's seniority rights except an employee on layoff who is sick or otherwise incapacitated shall notify the Board of his/her intent to return as soon as possible. And from the day of such notification, such employee shall be deemed to be on unpaid sick leave. A substitute position of this nature shall be offered by seniority to any remaining employees who are on layoff.
- C. Any laid off employee who fails to notify the Human Resources Office by June 30th of each year that he/she wishes to remain on the recall list shall forfeit recall rights. Also, employees shall promptly notify the Human Resources Office of change of address.
- D. Prior to recalling laid off employees, voluntary transfers pursuant to section 2 shall be affected.

#### Section 10: Professional/Para-Professional Relationships

- A. In the event a relationship exists between a professional and his/her para-professional that is disruptive to classroom operations, every effort shall be made to resolve the problem informally between the two. If the matter is unresolved, the assistance of the principal/administrator in charge may be requested. It shall be the responsibility of the professional to prepare with the principal/administrator in charge and sign necessary documentation of the specific behaviors causing the disruption.
- B. The principal/administrator in charge shall determine what action, if any, shall be taken. Such action may include, but not be limited to:
  - 1. Consultation with the professional

- 2. Classroom observations
- 3. Discipline and/or discharge
- C. The Union retains the right to request a conference with the principal/administrator in charge and subsequently the Director of Operations regarding the disposition of the problem. Neither the administration nor the Union waives any rights pertaining to discipline or grievance provisions of the contract.
- D. Teacher Evaluation of Para-Professional

The teacher shall evaluate classroom para-professionals annually on a standardized form which shall be recommended to the Board of Education for adoption into policy.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### SCHEDULES, HOURS AND ASSIGNMENTS

#### **Section 1:** Calendar

The calendar shall be as follows:

- A. Student instructional days will coincide with state law. The calendar shall include two (2) one/half days of student instruction to be used for records (grades, IEP, etc.)
- B. The calendar shall include six (6) non-student days distributed as follows:
  - 1. One (1) full day for program development, the first working day of the school year.
  - 2. One (1) full day for professional development during the first 2 weeks with: ½ day for opening exercises ½ day for program development
  - 3. Four (4) full days for professional development as follows:
    two (2) full days of professional development starting prior to Labor
    Day.
    one (1) full day of professional development on the M.L. King Holiday.
    one (1) full day of professional development in March, April, or May
- C. Program development is non-student time to be used for meetings, planning, records, room preparation and/or professional development. Program development time will be coordinated through the program administrator and the program school improvement team

The parties agree that the superintendent's designee and the union president shall set the actual days of the calendar subject to State law.

subject to dates of state assessment.

- D. Direct Service and Degree Specialists
  - 1. The school year shall commence on the first day of the agreed upon calendar except for those employees who are assigned to work in a school district which opens prior to those dates in which case the affected employee shall commence work on the opening day of the district to which he/she is assigned.
  - 2. Contracts for Direct Service and Degree Specialist classifications shall be as determined by the Employer. Physical Education Teachers are included in the Direct Service / Degree Specialist classifications.
  - 3. Employees on an extended year calendar shall arrange with their immediate supervisor for duty days beyond the 186 day calendar.

4. Adjustments in the work calendar may be arranged by mutual agreement between the employee and the Employer.

#### F. SCI and SXI Teachers

The school year shall include \*203 days of scheduled work for all full-time teachers of the Severely Cognitively Impaired, and the Severely Multiply Impaired. Said employees shall follow the \*203 day / Four Day Work Week calendar under paragraph L below. See the appendix of this agreement for duty days.

#### G. Autistic Teachers

The school year shall include \*192 days of scheduled work for all full-time teachers of Autistically Impaired. Said employees shall follow the Four Day Work Week calendar under paragraph L below. See the appendix of this agreement for duty days.

#### H. Consultants

The school year shall include 186 days of scheduled work to be completed prior to the starting date of the next school year for all employees classified as Consultants. Said employees shall arrange with their director for non-duty days.

#### I. Nurses

The school year may include a minimum of 186 days or up to the maximum Extended Year Contract days of scheduled work for all employees classified as Nurses. Said employees shall follow the 186/Extended Year Contract in the Appendix.

#### J. Librarians

The school year may include a minimum of 186 of scheduled work to be completed prior to the starting date of the next school year for all employees classified as Librarians. Said employees shall arrange with their director for non-duty days.

#### \*Work Days Effective:

	2010/2011	<u>2011/2012</u>	2012/2013
AI	206	199	192
SCI/SXI	214	207	203

- K. Social Workers, Speech Therapists, Psychologists, Audiologists, Physical Therapists, and Occupational Therapists
  - The school year shall include 186 days of scheduled work for all full-time employees classified as Social Workers, Speech Therapists, Psychologists, Audiologists, Physical Therapists, and Occupational Therapists at CI operations locations.

#### L. Four Day Work Week / Year Round Program

- 1. Professionals assigned to AI, SCI, SXI programs and/or Lutz School shall follow the Four Day Work Week calendar for their respective programs, as printed in the appendix of this agreement as to duty days.
- 2. Staff working a Four Day Work Week may request leave of absence without pay subject to the following considerations:
  - (a) The request stating the exact dates and the reason for the leave is to be filed with the immediate supervisor not later than April 1st preceding the commencement of the leave if it is to be taken in the ensuing summer. During the rest of the year the filing deadline shall be one month prior to commencement.
  - (b) A replacement can be obtained who is certified, or who can be temporarily approved, to teach in the affected program and who, in the judgment of the Superintendent, is qualified.
  - (c) The leave shall be in blocks of four consecutive work days. The total shall not exceed two (2) work weeks. Time off shall be scheduled with the immediate supervisor.
  - (d) Not more than 25% (rounded up to the nearest whole person) of teachers assigned to the building may be away on leave of absence without pay at the same time.
  - (e) In the event there is a conflict in dates, the employee submitting the earliest request shall be given first priority. Should two applications for the same leave be submitted on the same day, then seniority would rule.
  - (f) The administration shall attempt to notify the employee as to whether summer leave has been granted within forty-five (45) calendar days.
  - (g) Employees must indicate their desire in writing by September 15th (or within two (2) weeks of contract ratification) to be considered for Friday service as a substitute teacher. They shall be offered, prior to

the end of the school year, opportunities for such service, as available, and will be paid at the stipend payment rate in effect as printed in the appendix to this agreement. The Employer shall fulfill its obligation in this regard by:

- (1) Offering or attempting to offer substitute opportunities to said employees by telephone at their most recent number listed with Personnel, or
- (2) Offering other Friday work as may benefit the needs of the MISD.
- M. Employees who are assigned to particular school districts shall be expected to follow the vacation pattern for that school district, within the parameters of the appropriate MISD calendar.
- N. Upon written request to and consent of the Superintendent, adjusted calendars may be permitted for those employees wishing to observe up to two exceptional religious holidays. The intent of this provision is to accommodate those persons whose religious belief does not include the celebration of Christmas and Good Friday.
- O. Negotiated schedules may be changed pursuant to the following:
  - 1. If legislation is enacted that requires 180 days of instruction for a classification of handicapped students be spread over the full calendar year, or similar change is required through State Administrative Rules, the Union and Employer agree to meet to select appropriate scheduling methods for such implementation.
  - 2. If State and/or Federal funds are diminished for a special project and the affected professional employees agree to an alternate schedule in order to preserve some existing project positions, the Union and Employer agree to meet to select appropriate scheduling methods for such implementation.

#### **Section 2: Hours**

# A. The Work Day

- 1. The basic Macomb Intermediate School District work day for all employees covered under this agreement shall be seven (7) hours exclusive of lunch time.
- At operations locations which include outlying MISD schools, training centers, and other facilities, but not the MISD Service Center, daily time allocations shall be as follows:
  - a. Six (6) hours, five (5) minutes for formal student instruction\*.

- \* This may be adjusted by the District to comply with State law regarding student instruction hours.
- b. One hour devoted to professional development inservice activities planning time, administrative duties, committee and staff meetings, assisting children to and from their transportation, etc., as determined by policies, procedures and committee recommendations which have been adopted by the Superintendent or Board. An average of forty-five (45) minutes per day shall be allotted for planning time.
- c. Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Speech Therapists, and Physical Education Teachers may be granted time beyond the one hour by the principal for coordination to insure program continuity. Such time shall be spent for evaluation of programs, development of individual student classroom programs with teachers, report writing, etc.
- 3. The remaining duty days of the school calendar shall be used as in (b) of the paragraph immediately preceding.
- 4. An employee whose lunch hour has been abridged in total or in part by duties shall have an equal amount of time restored. This shall not apply to field trips, Special Olympics, and camping. For employees at operations locations the restored time shall take place outside of instructional hours. Scheduling of such restored lunch time shall require the approval of the supervisor.
- 5. Classroom teachers shall not be required to attend gym class on a regularly scheduled basis.

## B. Adjusted Days and Compensatory Time

It is mutually agreed that time demands for functions performed by Macomb Intermediate School District employees do not always conform to regularly scheduled hours. It is also mutually agreed that the nature of the Macomb Intermediate School District function demands services of employees with a high degree of professional motivation. The following shall serve as guidelines in determining the Employer and the employee's responsibility to each other in implementing those functions. Compensatory time and adjusted days do not include portal-to-portal time.

# 1. Adjusted Day

When an employee will be required to work later than normal on a given day, later starting time will be scheduled so that the seven (7) hour basic work day will be maintained. Similar arrangements may be made to provide for early starting times. All activity to be included in an adjusted day must take place between 12:01 a.m. and 11:59 p.m. of the same day.

# 2. Compensatory Time

- a. Compensatory time earned shall be defined as scheduled time approved in advance by the Director/Supervisor which requires the employee's attendance beyond the basic Macomb Intermediate School District work day as defined in paragraph "A" above and which allows absent time on another work day for extra hours worked "today".
- b. Extra scheduled activities such as conferences and conventions shall not be considered earned compensatory time except that the Superintendent or designee may extend these provisions providing his approval in writing (on a form prepared by the Employer) is received in advance of the extra scheduled activity.
- c. Participation in community service activities that are assigned by the Employer shall be eligible for earned compensatory time.
- d. The Employer shall strive to schedule employees so that earned compensatory time can be adjusted within five (5) working days of its inception. If the adjustment cannot be made within five (5) days and/or extenuating circumstances preclude the Employer from scheduling any employees so that earned compensatory time can be adjusted within one (1) month of its inception, the employee may request a conference as per Article IV, Section 3.
- e. Employees assigned full time to operations locations shall not be governed by the above provisions of this section. They shall be granted compensatory time only for required functions that are scheduled beyond the full day by the administration.

# C. Conference and Reports

1. Instructional staff at each school will decide whether they want parent conferences to be one or two nights within a two-week period. All parent-teacher conferences shall be scheduled for fifteen (15) minutes per student outside the work day. Employees will be paid for attending parent-teacher conference at the stipend rate in effect as printed in the appendix to this agreement.

Beginning April 1, 1991: Fall conference date(s) will be decided by each building staff by June 1, to take place during the last two weeks of October.

The following year's spring conferences will be decided by building staff by June 1, to take place during the last two weeks of April.

2. There will be one I.E.P. day. Substitutes will be provided for classroom teachers. Students will attend class.

3. Upon reasonable notice, instructional staff at each school will meet with the Superintendent or designee up to two (2) hours per month at the end of the school day.

# **Section 3:** Job Sharing

- A. Job sharing is defined as one full time job being shared by two bargaining unit members.
- B. The purpose of job sharing is to accommodate current MISD employees, while not causing additional operational costs to the institution or increasing the number of job positions.
- C. Job sharing is voluntary and requires the consent of the employees and the employer.
- D. Applications for job sharing will be maintained in the Human Resources Office. Applications may be submitted at any time; however, all applications will be destroyed at the end of the day on April 30th. New applications will be accepted on May 1st and thereafter.
- E. Candidates for job sharing assignments must be from the same division and must meet the qualifications required for the position.
- F. Normally, job sharing assignments will be made at the beginning of the school year, however, it is anticipated that exceptions may be made.
- G. Compensation (at their salary step) for the employees shall be prorated in accordance with the percentage of the work performed by each. The combined benefits for both employees shall not exceed the cost of one full time employee. An employee whose insurance premiums become partially paid by the employer shall be obligated to pay the remainder to prevent the policies from lapsing. Article X, Section 4 shall also apply.
- H. Appropriate contracts reflecting proportionate work assignments shall be signed by employees after they have procured initialing by a union representative (indicating it has been read) and then signed by the Human Resources Office.
- I. Job sharers may substitute at their regular rate of pay to cover each other's days of absence.
- J. Seniority according to Article VI, Section 1, shall apply.
- K. Job sharing arrangements shall be a new permanent assignment.
- L. Job sharers are not exempt from being bumped by employees with more seniority. However, the job sharers will be viewed as holding one position. A reduced employee

shall bump against the job sharer who holds the highest seniority which will result in the displacement of both job sharers pursuant to conditions set forth in Articles VII and VIII.

- M. If a reduced employee would like to job share, they may bump against the least senior employee in the job sharing assignment if that employee follows the conditions set forth pursuant to Articles VII and VIII.
- N. <u>Termination</u>: Action to terminate a job sharing arrangement may be initiated by either the employer or one or both of the sharing employees:
  - 1. Employer Initiated Termination
    - a. The Employer shall retain the option to terminate the job sharing arrangement which is not working satisfactorily, after the Employer attempts to resolve the problems with the job sharers.
    - b. If the employer terminates the arrangement, the higher seniority employee shall assume the currently shared position on a full time basis. The lower seniority employee shall be entitled to exercise bump rights, provided no layoff results.
    - c. The Employer reserves the right to terminate job sharing arrangements where an employee is found to be working another job during regular business hours, if such intent or interest was not made known in writing at the time of the initiation of such job sharing.

# 2. Employee Initiated Termination

- a. If one of the parties terminates employment or becomes incapacitated, or otherwise unavailable, the employer shall:
  - (1) First offer to increase the work week of the remaining job sharer, or recall a laid off employee, or cover the assignment with a substitute, accept a transfer onto the assignment, or hire from the street for the balance of the school year.
  - (2) If under 1. above the employer is unsuccessful, the employer may assign the remaining job sharer to the expanded role for the balance of the year.
  - (3) Place the remaining employee in the position in the ensuing year (subject to normal closeout, bumping, etc.).
- b. If either, or both, of the job sharers wish to change their status, a transfer request must be filed with the Human Resources Office according to Article VII, Section 2.

- 3. No employee requested job sharing termination shall be put into effect if such change will require layoff and/or prohibit recall of a laid off employee or an employee whose leave is due to expire within not more than six (6) months.
- M. Employees on the job sharing assignment shall be ineligible for voluntary transfer or postings for one calendar year following placement on the sharing assignment per Article VII, Section 2E.
- N. No grievance shall be written to protest the withholding of consent by the employer to establish a sharing arrangement; to protest written arrangements regarding reports, staff meeting, inservice, IEPT's, etc.; or to protest the employer's actions in termination as described in Section "N" above.
- O. Present job sharers shall have the option to agree to the new job sharing agreement. Any job sharer entering into a shared assignment after September 8, 1986, shall be governed by Article VIII, Section 3.

# **Section 4: Maintaining Current Schedule**

All employees shall maintain his/her schedule on a form furnished by the Employer to keep the office informed of where they may be reached at all times. It is the employee's responsibility to keep his/her secretary informed of his/her whereabouts at all times when leaving his/her office.

## **Section 5:** Class Size

Class size for teachers in the operations locations shall be consistent with state guidelines outlining staff ratio for the variety of programs offered through Macomb Intermediate School District. Administration will attempt to rotate overloaded classes among teachers in the same instructional level within the same building.

# **Section 6: Placement of Students**

By the end of each school calendar year, teachers at operational programs shall meet with the principal and/or his designee to discuss placement of students at appropriate levels. When class lists for the next school year are compiled, teacher recommendations shall be considered.

# **Section 7:** Snow Days

- A. On any day when school sessions are scheduled but that schedule is cancelled by the Superintendent due to weather or other conditions beyond control and this official closing is announced on a major Detroit area radio or TV station, then the following provisions for professionals' pay will prevail:
  - 1. If the announcement states that schools are closed, professionals are not to report and will receive full pay.

- 2. The first two (2) days when pupil instruction is not provided because of conditions not within the control of school authorities, such as severe storms, fires, epidemics, or health conditions as defined by the city, county, or state health authorities, shall be counted as days of pupil instruction, and shall not be made up by students or staff.
- 3. Subsequent such days shall not be counted as days of pupil instruction, and shall be made up by students and staff.
- 4. Make-up days may be scheduled during Winter Break, Mid-Winter Break, Spring Recess, Summer, or Summer Recess.
- 5. Employees shall not be paid for make-up days, either by additional salary, sick days, or personal business days. No employee shall be paid more than his/her 186, 221, etc., contractual amount.
- 6. An employee who is absent for any reason on a make-up day shall be docked a day's pay from the next paycheck, whether from the current or following school year(s); however:
  - a. An employee who is ill on the make-up day(s) will be required to document the illness with a doctor's letter. Failing to do that, the employee shall be docked from any ensuing paycheck.
  - b. An employee who has documented an illness with a doctor's letter will be entitled to use a Board paid sick day(s), or short term disability coverage as provided by the Board.
    - (1) An employee who has been docked pursuant to b. above shall be permitted to work as a substitute prior to September: 1) to the extent the district is able to provide an opportunity, and 2) to the extent that the employee has been docked.
    - (2) An employee who has been on a continuing illness (sick leave) will not be required to bring in a doctor's letter; however, (with that exception) paragraphs b. and b.1 above will apply.
- 7. The above provisions, 2 through 6, shall be in effect only so long as state or federal law mandates.
- 8. If the announcement states that schools are closed and professionals are to report, then professionals must report. If a professional is unable to report he/she may be paid for such absence by using a personal business day or compensatory time.

9. Professionals assigned to the Service Center who do not have an ongoing caseload of students are to report to work when possible. In the event an employee reports late or is unable to report, they have the option of taking personal business time, sick time, or adjusting their work schedule.

# **Section 8: Inservice Training Committee**

A. Inservice and professional development (Section 97) shall be one committee made up of professionals, paraprofessionals, and administrators. Professional members shall be appointed by the union and will make up at least 51% of the committee. The committee shall develop its rules of operation.

# **Section 9: School Improvement Plans**

- A. 1. The Federation and administration shall form a joint School Improvement Committee to look at issues affecting individual schools.
  - 2. The Committee will be made up of six (6) members. Three (3) members shall be selected by the administration, one (1) of whom shall be the Superintendent or his/her designee. Three (3) members shall be selected by the Federation, one of whom shall be the local Federation President or his/her designee.
  - 3. The Committee shall meet six (6) times annually. If all members agree, the Committee may provide leadership and advocate solutions for particular issues it considers.
- B. The provisions contained in this section shall apply to all School Improvement Plans (SIP) as provided in Public Act 197 of 1989, Section 15.1919 (919b) MSA.
  - In the event that any provision(s) of a SIP or application thereof violates, contradicts, or is inconsistent with the collective bargaining agreement, the collective bargaining agreement shall prevail.
- C. The conditions which follow shall govern employee participation in any and all plans, programs or projects included in the term "SIP":
  - 1. Participation by the employee is voluntary.
  - 2. Participation or non-participation shall not be used as a criterion for evaluation, discipline, or discharge.
  - 3. At least one-half of the planning team will consist of Federation members selected by the union members in that building, including the building/unit representative or a union official.

#### ARTICLE IX

# MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

# **Section 1: Contract Periods**

All contracts under this agreement shall be for the period covered by the calendar as provided by Article VIII of this agreement.

## **Section 2: Para-Professional Absences**

In the event a para-professional is absent, every effort shall be made to obtain a substitute if there are students in the classroom. If no substitute para-professional is available, the principal shall discuss arrangements with the affected teacher. In the event a para-professional is absent and it is known that he/she will be absent for several days, every effort will be made to employ the same para-professional during the extended absence.

# **Section 3: Damage to Personal Property**

The Macomb Intermediate School District may reimburse an employee who suffers damage to personal property caused by the actions of a student in an operations location subject to the following conditions:

- A. This section applies to clothing torn or damaged in school, on field trips or any other assigned duties, except for other personal property used for educational instruction when written approval for such use is obtained in advance from the principal.
- B. There must be no negligence on the part of the employee.
- C. The only appeal for a decision by the administration not to reimburse shall be to the Board of Education which decision shall be final.
- D. The decisions of the Superintendent and/or the Board shall not be grievable.

## **Section 4:** Telephone for Teachers' Use

A telephone located in an area suitable for a private conversation shall be provided for teachers' professional use at operations locations.

## **Section 5:** Summer Supplements

- A. Each Direct Service and Degree Specialist employee shall notify the Employer by memorandum no later than April 1st if he/she wishes summer employment.
- B. The Employer shall notify such Direct Service and Degree Specialist employee by memorandum by April 15th whether or not a supplemental contract will be issued.

# **Section 6: Employee Evaluation**

- A. The Employer shall designate the staff person(s) responsible for evaluation of all employees covered by this agreement. In training programs, one of the evaluators shall be the immediate supervisor.
- B. All observations of the employee's performance shall be conducted openly and with full knowledge of the employee.
- C. The Employer agrees that prior to any formal evaluation of an employee, all parties involved shall be oriented to the techniques and criteria to be used in the evaluation process. The method of this orientation shall be determined by the Employer.
- D. In the period following ratification of this agreement existing procedures shall be revised by the parties as required by state law.
- E. It is the intent of both parties that the evaluation procedures and exhibits be periodically reviewed and revised by the parties consistent with state law.
- F. Disciplinary interviews are not subject to the provisions of this section.
- G. Formal evaluation comments placed in an employee's file as a result of procedures carried out under the provisions of this section shall not be subject to the provisions of Article III, Section 5.

#### **Section 7: Union Officer Released Time**

- A. The Union President shall be released the equivalent of 50% of their contract time to carry out the duties of that office. The MIFT will provide reimbursement to the Board for such release time at the President's daily salary rate excluding fringe benefits. Notwithstanding the above, a classroom teacher, if elected, will be permitted to retain his/her classroom which will be subbed on the release days.
- B. Upon termination of his/her term of office as President, the employee shall be returned to the same position held prior to accepting the presidency, pursuant to Article XII, Section 11, with full accrued seniority.
- C. Business involving other employees in the bargaining unit shall be conducted only with the permission of the Director/Supervisor during the working day.

## **Section 8:** Union Days

The Board of Education agrees to grant the Union up to 40 business days per year to be scheduled by the president for union business. The union and the Board of Education agree to share the cost (50/50) of any required substitutes for the first twenty (20) days. The MIFT shall assume full cost of the substitute for the second twenty (20) days. The president may designate two union members who may use more than five (5) days. All others are limited to a maximum of five (5) days.

# **Section 9: Effective Dates of Participation**

Employees shall be eligible for or may participate in any of the provisions or benefits defined in this agreement only during the effective dates of this agreement.

# **Section 10: Office Equipment**

Adequate equipment for typing and duplicating instructional materials shall be available at the operations locations.

# **Section 11: Laundry Services**

Laundry services shall be arranged by the Employer for washable items prescribed for classroom use.

# **Section 12: Lavatory Facilities**

The Employer shall make available lavatory facilities at the operational locations exclusively for adult use during the school day.

# **Section 13: Policy Book**

A copy of the MISD policy book shall be forwarded to the union president and each building/unit representative. Any changes or updates in policies will be forwarded to the union president and building/unit representatives. The union shall be given a copy of any procedure change affecting individual units or buildings.

# **Section 14: Behavior Management**

A. The Board recognizes its responsibility to give all reasonable support and assistance to professionals with respect to the maintenance of control and discipline in the classroom. When appropriate, the services of special counseling, social workers, law enforcement personnel, physicians, and other professionals may be provided to assist the professional.

- B. A professional may use such force as is necessary to protect himself/herself from attack or to prevent injury to a student pursuant to State of Michigan General School Laws, Section 380.1312.
- C. Chronic, bizarre/acting out behavior shall be reported in writing by the professional in charge.
- D. It shall be the responsibility of the principal to conduct necessary investigations thoroughly and fairly. It shall be the responsibility of the professional to cooperate with and assist the principal in such investigations.

# **Section 15: Professional Serving as Administrator**

By mutual agreement a professional may assume an administrative role in the absence of an administrator.

# **Section 16: Health and Safety Committee**

The Union and administration will together establish a committee which will investigate health and safety issues of concern to bargaining unit members.

The committee will be made up of two (2) members selected by the MIFT, two (2) members selected by the paraprofessional union, and two (2) members selected by the administration.

The committee will meet a minimum of six (6) times per year. Additional meetings may be scheduled by the consensus.

The committee may invite such expertise as may be needed. Additionally, if building and grounds conditions are placed on the agenda, the Supervisor of Building and Grounds shall attend the meeting in a non-voting capacity.

The committee, acting by consensus, shall make recommendations directly to the superintendent on policies and procedures which are related to bargaining unit members.

- A. Upon receiving recommendations from the committee, the superintendent has twenty (20) days to decide:
  - 1. If the recommendation is approved, the superintendent will notify the appropriate department/building supervisor within fifteen (15) days. That supervisor has twenty-five (25) days to implement the recommendations.
    - a. If the recommendation has not been implemented by the appropriate supervisor, a member of the Health and Safety Committee will notify the superintendent. The superintendent will have five (5) days to respond to the supervisor's action.

- 2. If the recommendation is rejected, the superintendent will forward to the committee the reasons for the rejection.
  - a. The committee has the option of revising the recommendation and to re-submit it to the superintendent for his action.
- 3. The superintendent may make a request that more time is needed to make a decision

## **Section 17: Communicable Diseases**

- A. Professionals will be notified of a student who has a communicable disease prior to any personal contact if the knowledge is available to administration within the limits of the law. Written data pertaining to the care and precautions of that student will be given to the professional prior to their contact with the student.
- B. Public Health rules regarding communicable diseases will be adhered to.
- C. Information pertaining to communicable diseases such as incubation period, contagious periods, and health related concerns (including disinfectant procedures) will be made available annually. The MISD Communicable Disease Policy will be made available to the MIFT president at the beginning of each school year along with any updates throughout the school year.
- D. In the event the Board of Education authorizes the development or revision of Board Policies and/or procedures dealing with communicable diseases, the employer will provide the Federation, prior to adoption or implementation, with notice and opportunity to be involved in the development of said policies and/or procedures as they impact the working conditions and health and safety of the professionals.

#### ARTICLE X

# **COMPENSATION**

# **Section 1: Compensation**

- A. Annual salaries for the school calendar year shall be computed according to the schedule found in the appendix.
  - 1. Non-degree personnel will be reimbursed at the rate of eighty-five percent (85%) of the BA 186 day schedule.
  - 2. Nurses with a BS degree in nursing shall be paid on the degree salary lane appropriate to their highest degree.
  - 3. The Employer shall pay the employee's retirement contributions per state law.
  - 4. Movement on the salary grid shall be automatic, based solely on credited experience and training.
  - 5. In order to be counted for the purpose of determining salary, additional hours as earned must be:
    - a. graduate hours in the field of teaching, or
    - b. hours leading to an advanced degree. If the advanced degree is not in the field of specialty for which the employee was hired, advance approval from the Employer must be obtained. In the event there is disagreement over the relevancy of the advanced degree, the Superintendent or his designee and the President of the Union or his/her designee shall decide. If no agreement is reached by them, a professor from a college of education shall be mutually agreed upon to act as an arbiter. His decision shall be final, or
    - c. hours (graduate or undergraduate) which have been approved in advance by the Employer and a credit allowance determined.
  - 6. Those members of the bargaining unit who have achieved a Bachelor's Degree, and who embark upon an educational program leading to a Master's Degree shall receive additional compensation as follows:
    - a. After earning the first ten (10) hours on such a program, each additional hour shall be compensated at the rate of \$35.00 per credit hour until the M.A. salary lane is achieved.
    - b. Hours so earned shall be credited on the salary schedule in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of this section.

- 7. Those members of the bargaining unit who, having achieved a Master's Degree, and who embark upon an educational program leading either to an Educational Specialist or Doctoral Degree shall receive additional compensation as follows:
  - a. After earning the first six (6) hours on such a program, each additional hour of credit shall be compensated at the rate of \$35.00 per credit hour until the EDS/MA+30 salary lane is achieved.
  - b. Hours so earned shall be credited on the salary schedule in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of this section.
  - \* When calculations are made for the first year of the contract, employees will be paid in a lump sum payment for credits obtained or accrued in the 1998-99 school year. Thereafter, credits will be calculated and rolled into the daily rate.
- 8. Those members of the bargaining unit who, having achieved an Educational Specialist Degree or placement on the MA+30 salary lane, and who either embark upon or continue an educational program leading to a Doctoral Degree, shall receive additional compensation as follows:
  - a. After earning the first six (6) hours on such a program, each additional hour of credit shall be compensated at the rate of \$35.00 per credit hour until the Doctoral salary lane is achieved.
  - b. Hours so earned shall be credited on the salary schedule in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of this section.
- 9. Hours in paragraph 5, 6, and 7 shall be interpreted to mean semester hours or their equivalent.
- 10. a. Direct Service and Degree Specialist applicants may be allowed up to ten (10) years credit for previous comparable experience.
  - b. Consultant applicants may be allowed up to six (6) years of credit for previous comparable experience.
  - c. Experience on the salary grid, not to exceed two years, may be granted to applicants who, as fully qualified teachers, have served in VISTA or the Peace Corps in a teaching capacity.
- 11. Recognition of the Master's Degree in Social Work and Master's Degree in School Psychology as a sixth year Specialist Degree on the salary schedule is granted.
- 12. Recognition of the Bachelor's in Physical or Occupational Therapy as a Master's Degree is granted providing that the program required five years of study to obtain the degree. In the event five years of study is not required for

the degree, one increment on the appropriate salary lane will be granted for internships of either: (1) in the case of Physical Therapists, 4-1/2 months minimum duration, as required for licensure (2) in the case of Occupational Therapists, 6 months minimum duration, as required for certification. The preceding sentence shall apply to all future Physical and Occupational Therapists and to all present Physical and Occupational Therapists who have not received an additional increment in the appropriate salary lane based on a period of internship. Physical and Occupational Therapists who were being paid on the Master's lane by virtue of the provisions of Article IX, Section 1, paragraph H. of the 1973-75 agreement, shall maintain that lane until they have attained an earned Master's Degree.

- 13. a. When an employee completes course work in the summer that entitles him/her to a higher rate of pay according to this schedule, he shall be paid at the higher rate for the full year if application for such higher rate is made no later than September 30th of that year, provided that satisfactory verification of such achievement is submitted.
  - b. When an employee completes course work during the fall semester that entitles him to a higher rate of pay according to this schedule, he shall be paid at the higher rate for one-half year if application for such higher rate is made no later than January 31st of the next succeeding calendar year, and provided that satisfactory verification of such achievement is submitted.
- 14. Employees who work a part time schedule shall receive a prorated annual salary. Such employees will also receive prorated health care insurance benefits as described in Section 3 of this Article in accordance with the following formula:
  - a. No contribution will be made for those scheduled for less than three-fifths (3/5) of a regular week.
  - b. Those scheduled for three-fifths (3/5) or more of a regular week will have the full contribution made in their behalf.

# **Section 2: Payroll Procedures**

- A. Paychecks will be issued bi-weekly on Fridays, except where alternative programming necessitates issuance on Thursdays.
- B. Any payroll adjustment for employees shall be computed at the daily rate of the employee's eligible step on the salary schedule.
- C. Contractual salaries will be paid either in 26 or 27 equal bi-weekly installments depending on the number of paydays which occur within the contract year. Employees on the 186 day (5 day week) calendar, who request a division by 22 on appropriate forms furnished by the administration, will be paid in 22 equal installments. This will

be paid to the employee, less statutory deductions and any other mutually agreed upon items. It is recognized that this provision is for the convenience of employees and does not imply income.

D. Any balance in the Board's contractual salary commitment to a 186 duty day employee shall be paid on the last payroll Friday of June, if requested three weeks in advance of that date.

# **Section 3: Payroll Deduction**

All authorizations for payroll deductions will be made on forms and shall be available for:

- A. Union dues or service fees
- B. U.S. Bonds
- C. Credit Union
- D. United Way
- E. Any mutually agreed upon items
- F. Tax Sheltered Annuities

Annuities to be made available will be determined by the Human Resources Office.

# **Section 4: Insurance for Retirees**

An employee with ten years seniority at Macomb Intermediate School District who retires directly onto the state retirement plan from the district shall be eligible to participate in life insurance, dental, and optical groups provided:

- A. The insurance company (ies) agree to accept retirees in the group.
- B. Life insurance shall be capped at \$25,000.
- C. The retiree prepays life insurance premiums annually, and dental and optical premiums quarterly directly to the employer.

## **Section 5: Insurance Protection**

The Employer agrees to furnish to all employees the following insurance protection:

## A. OPTION I

BCBSM Community Blue PPO with \$35 co-pay on office visits, \$50 co-pay urgent care visits, and a \$250 emergency room co-pay. A \$250/\$500 deductible 80% co-insurance in network. Rx: \$10/\$40/\$60 co-pay, mail order Rx: 2 co-pays for 90 day supply (MOPD2).

Employees will contribute to their medical health care premiums as follows:

September 1, 2011 12% of monthly plan premium.

September 1, 2012 11% of monthly plan premium

September 1, 2013 10% of monthly plan premium

## B. OPTION II

Blue Care Network HMO with \$25 co-pay on office visits, \$40 co-pay urgent care visits, and a \$150 emergency room co-pay. A \$200/\$400 deductible 90% co-insurance in network. Rx: \$10/\$30/\$50 co-pay, mail order Rx: 2 co-pays for 90 day supply (MOPD2).

Employees will contribute to their medical health care premiums as follows:

September 1, 2011 12% of monthly plan premium.

September 1, 2012 11% of monthly plan premium

September 1, 2013 10% of monthly plan premium

# C. OPTION III

Health Alliance Plan HMO with \$25 co-pay on office visits, \$40 co-pay urgent care visits, and a \$150 emergency room co-pay. A \$200/\$400 deductible 90% co-insurance in network. Rx: \$10/\$30/\$50 co-pay, mail order Rx: 2 co pays for 90 day supply (MOPD2).

Employees will contribute to their medical health care premiums as follows:

September 1, 2011 12% of monthly plan premium.

September 1, 2012 11% of monthly plan premium

September 1, 2013 10% of monthly plan premium

D. The Employer shall not provide coverage under provisions of paragraphs "A," "B," or "C" above to an employee who received coverage comparable to either under the policy

of his/her spouse. For purposes of this contract, coverage provided under paragraphs "B" and "C" shall be considered as comparable coverage to that provided in paragraph "A" above.

Each employee shall execute the following form and turn it into the Human Resources Office within one (1) month after ratification of this agreement or within one (1) month of employment, whichever is later.

# **Medical Coverage**

The undersigned, a member of the bargaining unit represented by the Macomb Intermediate Federation of Teachers, affirms as a condition of continued employment by the Macomb Intermediate School District, that he/she has no other insurance coverage similar to coverage provided under Article X, Section 5A or B of the collective bargaining agreement between the MISD and the MIFT pursuant to a plan held by his/her spouse.

In the event such second coverage does exist, the undersigned shall either elect continued coverage under the MISD plan or notify the Employer in writing that he/she elects to be covered under said second insurance policy. The penalty for continued double coverage in violation of this agreement shall be prompt reimbursement to the Employer of all premiums paid by said Employer for coverage from the effective date of such coverage or the date of this agreement, whichever is later.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the coverage by a spouse of the undersigned is terminated at any time for layoff, discharge, or termination of employment, the insurance coverage granted under the collective bargaining agreement noted above shall begin or be reinstated immediately upon notification to the Employer.

Signature	
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- E. Professional staff who elect not to receive health insurance benefits in accordance with paragraphs "A", "B", or "C" above shall be eligible for a cash payment per month as established by a letter of understanding.
- F. It is understood for any employee whose spouse is also employed by the MISD that option/paragraph E (above) is not available because no savings are realized by the one employee dropping coverage.
- G. **Dental Coverage:** The Board shall provide dental insurance without cost to the employee up to a maximum of \$36.75 premium per employee per month. The Board shall name the carrier provided that the coverage is equal to or better than Delta, Group #1727-0006, dated November 1, 1977, extending from July 20, 1982, to July 1, 1984. In the event the Board decides to self-insure, it will only do so if it is able to provide a card to employees which will be honored for prepaid services.
- H. Current Coverage: 100% of treatment costs for preventive, diagnostic, radiographs and emergency palliative (Class I). Services and 50% of the balance of Class I benefits paid by carrier and 50% of treatment costs paid by carrier on Class II benefits with a \$750 maximum per person per contract year on Class I and II benefits. 50% of treatment costs paid by carrier on Class I and III (orthodontic) benefits, with a \$1,000 lifetime maximum per person.

# I. Optical Insurance

The employer shall provide optical with the following features:

<u>12 MONTHS BENEFITS INCLUDE:</u> A complete eye examination by a licensed doctor of optometry, including screening for glaucoma.

Lenses in glass or plastic – with significant prescription change: Single Vision, Bifocal (up to FT28), Trifocal (up to 7 x 25) and Lenticular.

**TINTS**: Scratch-resistant coatings and UV are covered in full.

**24 MONTHS BENEFITS INCLUDE:** The preceding benefits plus:

Lenses as previously described, no prescription change required.

FRAME ALLOWANCE: \$98.00

**CONTACT LENS ALLOWANCE:** A \$130.00 credit toward the contact lens examination and the cost of contact lenses.

Benefits are available to all covered employees and eligible family members, including spouse and all dependent children up to their 19th birthday, plus dependent college students up to age 25.

If a patient selects an item not covered by the program or in excess of the programs benefit levels, the patient will be charged only the difference between the benefit allowance and the cost of the selected item.

## J. Life Insurance

The Board shall provide without cost to the employee, group life insurance protection which shall pay to the employee's designated beneficiary, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) upon his/her death; provided further, that protection shall pay an additional fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollars in the event of accidental death. The Board shall name the carrier, provided that coverage is equal to or better than that stipulated herein.

# K. Retiree Life Insurance

A continuing \$2,000 life insurance policy shall be approved for any retiree who has served the Macomb Intermediate School District in an official capacity for not less than fifteen (15) years prior to his retirement from the Macomb Intermediate School District. Said policy shall be at the expense of the Macomb Intermediate School District. The Board shall name the carrier, provided that coverage is equal to or better than that stipulated herein.

## L. Discontinuance of Premiums

The MISD will discontinue the payment of premiums on health, dental, optical and life insurance after two years from the time the employee is placed on disability or Workers' Compensation.

#### Section 6: Additional Provisions

#### A. Automobile Allowance

Employees who use privately owned automobiles in pursuit of their duties shall be reimbursed based upon the amount exempted by the Internal Revenue Service and as permitted by state law.

#### B. Health Examination

Any health examinations which are required for initial employment or which are periodically required to maintain employment, shall be paid for by the Employer.

# C. Severance Pay

After serving the district for a period of not less than fifteen (15) years (including authorized leave periods), an employee shall be eligible, upon leaving the employment of the district, to severance pay on the basis of one-half day's salary for each year of service.

## D. Banked Sick Leave

Banked sick leave accrued over the former sick leave program for employees who had death and/or termination cash value, might now be utilized by persons who have earned and accrued such days, to cover conditions not generally covered under the leave plan. All employees having such days may use them at the rate of one day of banked leave equals one-half (1/2) day for use. Following are the ways these one-half (1/2) days may be used:

- 1. Upon severance (death or termination of service) these days will have cash value at the current rate of employment.
- 2. For illness when no doctor is contacted.
- 3. For illness in the immediate family.

# **Section 7: Longevity Compensation Policy**

- A. Employee must be physically on the job to receive longevity; however it is not necessary for the employee to be continuously working in order to be eligible for anniversary credit. Employees will be paid according to the schedule in the appendix.
- B. The employee will receive longevity payment in full if his/her anniversary (hire) date falls between July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup> and if the employee notifies the Human Resources Department of his/her intent to retire onto the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System by May 1<sup>st</sup>. In all other cases, if the employee terminates employment with the District prior to his/her anniversary date, longevity payment will be prorated.

## **Section 8: Administration of Insurance**

Administration of insurance benefits will be determined by the terms and conditions set forth by the insurance carrier.

#### ARTICLE XI

#### **ABSENCES**

# **Section 1: Leave Policy for Professional Staff**

- A. Leave days are to be used for personal illness or family illness or personal business. Leave days may not be used for extending vacations or for days immediately preceding or immediately following a legal holiday or school recess (except in case of emergency or personal illness). Prior written approval of personal business leave must be received from the immediate supervisor.
  - 1. Each 186 day employee shall be credited with twelve (12) leave days with full pay each school year.
  - 2. Employee contracted greater than 186 days shall be credited with thirteen (13) leave days with full pay each school year.
  - 3. Leave days are earned through the year. However, an employee shall be credited with his/her yearly allotment of leave days at the beginning of the school year. In all cases, where an employee leaves or terminates his/her service to the district, his/her leave days for the year shall be prorated to his/her service and any leave days used in excess of days earned will be deducted from the employee's pay. Any unused days shall be accumulated to a limit of 150 days.
  - 4. Teachers will not be charged sick leave due to absence from their jobs for a reason of illness definitely established as contracted from their students as a result of their employment from the following list: mumps, measles, chicken pox, scarlet fever, impetigo, rubella, scabies and pink eye. A physician's statement will be submitted upon request.
- B. Personal business limitation of three days per year shall be granted without specificity to all full time employees in regularly assigned positions.
  - 1. A maximum of three days each year may be chargeable against allowable days as provided in Section 1 of this article.
  - 2. Requests for absence because of activities arising out of employment other than with the Macomb Intermediate School District or as a result of membership in organizations shall not be approved.
  - 3. Request for Personal Business Leave shall be submitted in advance, in writing, to the employee's supervisor. Exceptions shall be made only in cases of emergency.
  - 4. Personal Business Leave days may not be used on the day before or the day after a holiday or vacation. An employee absent on the day before or after a holiday or vacation will not receive pay for that day.

- 5. Personal Business time shall be in half (1/2) day blocks.
- C. Each employee will be allowed to use up to ten (10) leave days per school year from their personal leave bank for family illnesses defined in the Family Medical leave Act. For other family illnesses employees will be allowed to use up to five (5) leave days per year from their personal leave bank. In this case, family illness shall be defined as spouse, children, parents and any person who is an exemption on the employee's Federal Income Tax.
  - 1. Absences shall be considered as necessary only when no other arrangements for care are possible.
  - 2. The "necessary care" must be such as would be prescribed by a physician or required by incompetence of the person requiring care.
- D. A district sick bank shall be established. The bank shall be funded by each staff member contributing one (1) day from their personal bank and the MISD contributing a number of days equivalent to the number of bargaining unit members at the time of ratification of this agreement.

Effective January 1, 1999, new hires may enter the sick bank after the 12<sup>th</sup> continuous day of disability. Second year employees can enter the sick bank after the 20<sup>th</sup> day of continuous disability. Thereafter, all employees may enter the sick bank after the 25<sup>th</sup> day of continuous disability.

- 1. When the number of days in the bank falls below 100 days, a day shall be subtracted from each member's personal bank and added to the District Bank. A like number of days shall be contributed by the Board. If a member has no days she/he shall be docked a day's pay.
- 2. Upon termination/dismissal all days, up to 75 days, accumulated in the employee's personal leave bank will be transferred to the district sick bank.
- 3. Application for such leave shall be in writing and directed to the office of the Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Legal Affairs or his/her designee who shall promulgate the criteria for the operation of the bank.
- 4. The bank shall be administered by a four-member committee composed of two members of the Union and two members of the Administration. The committee shall arrive at a decision. Such decision shall not be grievable.
- 5. The committee may grant leave days after the 25th work day of a continuous disability up to the date of coverage of the disability insurance.
- 6. For the 1993-94 school year, the district bank will be operative after the 25th day of continuous disability.
- 7. The sick bank committee shall have the power to review individual appeals and grant days from the sick bank in extenuating circumstances.

- E. The district shall provide income protection disability insurance beginning with the 91st calendar day of continuous disability. Eligibility and terms of the insurance will be determined by the terms and conditions set by the insurance carrier. The payments shall be 70% of salary to a limit of \$7300 per month and continues for 274 calendar days.
- F. The district shall provide long-term disability insurance at the end of 52 weeks of continuous disability. The payments shall be sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66-2/3%) of salary to a maximum of \$6500 per month and continue until age sixty-five (65) at no cost to the employee in the event of permanent disability. Administration of insurance benefits will be determined by the terms and conditions set forth by the insurance carrier. Employees hired after June 1, 2010 are subject to pre-existing condition exclusion for long term disability payments, if state and /or federal law permits.

Note: This section is subject to state and federal laws and does not impact income protection for the first fifty-two (52) weeks of sickness or accident, nor does it prevent LTD payments for employees with pre-existing condition who have been employed for one year without incident.

- G. Insurance carrier to be selected by the Board, provided that coverage is equal to or better than stipulated herein.
- H. All deductions made for absence covered under said insurance policy shall be made from the paycheck immediately following the payroll period during which such absence occurred.
- I. Under the provisions of this section, the Employer may require the employee to be examined by a physician or medical facility selected by the Employer.

# **Section 2: Unused Leave Days**

- A. After fifteen (15) years of employment with the MISD, a person who retires into the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System and who has banked a minimum of 75 days in their personal leave bank, the MISD will reimburse that person \$50 per day for each day over 75 days not to exceed fifty (50) days.
- B. If an employee uses six (6) or less sick days within a school year, then at his/her option, the employee will be reimbursed by the district up to four (4) leave days (any combination of personal business or sick days) at \$75.00 per day. The reimbursement of leave days shall be payable at the end of the school year (June 30<sup>th</sup>) into a 401(a) plan or cash option subject to IRS regulations.

# **Section 3: Work Related Disability**

A. Absences of less than seven (7) days resulting from a minor personal injury arising out of and in the course of employment with the Macomb Intermediate School District, shall not be deducted from the individual leave days, providing the employee files at the Superintendent's office, within three (3) days of the injury, a statement from his doctor stating the number of days he will be unable to work.

## **ARTICLE XI**

- B. Absences resulting from a major personal injury arising out of and in the course of employment with the Macomb Intermediate School District which entitles the injured employee to compensation under the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act, shall be considered as follows:
  - 1. The Employer shall pay the difference between the amount paid to him/her by Workers' Compensation Insurance and the employee's regular net salary (based upon last payroll prior to injury) during the first 90 calendar days following injury.
- C. The employer agrees to pay a doctor's fee for an initial visit occasioned by the contracting of a disease caused by direct exposure to children. This provision shall be subject to the following qualifications:
  - 1. A MISD nurse must verify that the major exposure was while in the performance of MISD duties to children served by the MISD. At the Service Center, an employee holding a nursing degree shall be designated.
  - 2. No respiratory illnesses shall qualify.
  - 3. Reimbursement shall be for the first visit to the doctor.
  - 4. The reimbursement shall be for the full amount of the fee but not more than forty dollars (\$40.00).
  - 5. The employee must submit a copy of the doctor's bill in order to obtain reimbursement.
  - 6. This provision applies only to employees who spend 30% or more of their time in contact with children.

#### **Section 4:** Bereavement

- A. Employees shall be granted up to seven (7) calendar days leave immediately following a death in the immediate family. The immediate family for purposes of this section shall be defined as parents, spouse, children, siblings, grandchildren, step-parents, step-children, son and/or daughter-in-law, grandparents, mother and father-in-law, any person who makes his home with the employee and in the judgment of the Superintendent is economically, emotionally and socially dependent on the employee. The Superintendent may extend these provisions in instances when, in his judgment, the time limitation is not sufficient to allow for all of the circumstances occasioned at the time of bereavement. As an example, when burial does not immediately follow death.
- B. The Superintendent may grant one (1) day leave to attend the funeral of a relative or close friend, or personal/professional associate. Such leaves shall not be deducted from sick leave allowances.
- C. Upon approval by the Superintendent or his designee, the employee may elect to use up to 4 days of personal sick leave to attend the funeral of a relative not listed in Section 4 (A) above or to extend the leave when time limitation is not sufficient to allow for all the circumstances at the time of leave. Such leave shall be deducted from sick leave allowances.

# Section 5: Conventions, Workshops, Conferences, Visitations

Employees who are asked by the Employer to represent the Macomb Intermediate School District at conventions, workshops, conferences and visitations shall be permitted to be absent from their duties without loss of pay and without charge against accumulated allowable days of absence.

#### ARTICLE XII

## **LEAVES**

# **Section 1: Jury Duty**

An employee who serves on jury duty and/or is subpoenaed shall be paid the full amount he/she would have earned for each day in which the employee reports for or performs jury duty and on which he/she otherwise would have been scheduled to work, provided any payment received therefore, shall be deducted from his/her salary.

# **Section 2:** Military Leave

An employee who is in the Armed Forces Reserve or the National Guard shall be paid the difference between his/her military pay and his/her contractual salary when he/she is on full time active duty for a maximum of two (2) weeks per year as a result of a national or civil emergency; except that no employee shall be paid more than the annual amount of his/her contractual salary as a result of the provisions of this section.

# **Section 3:** Maternity Leave

The Board shall grant any pregnant employee leave of absence upon written request, subject to the following provisions:

- A. The employee and her physician shall determine when the leave shall commence. The employee then shall promptly furnish a doctor's letter stipulating the commencement date and indicating the employee's physical fitness to work until the commencement day.
- B. If this date is prior to the fifth (5th) month of pregnancy, the Board reserves the right to either (1) request a detailed written report of the pregnancy and conditions requiring such a leave or (2) request an examination and report by a mutually agreed upon outside physician.
- C. Income protection shall be available to the employee as set forth in Article XI.
- D. The employee shall retain medical, dental and term life insurance benefits subject to Article X.
- E. Maternity leave shall cover the time during which an employee is physically unable to perform her duties. An employee desiring a parental leave shall then make such request pursuant to Section 4 of this Article if she has not already done so when applying for maternity leave.

# **Section 4: Parental Leave**

A. An employee may request an unpaid parental leave for the purpose of attending a newly born or newly adopted child. Such request shall be submitted to, and may be granted, by the Board of Education under the provisions of Article XII, Section 10, except that such leaves may be as nearly as possible for one calendar year. Upon return from such leave an ISD professional Service Center employee shall be assigned the position he/she left. A one (1) year extension may be granted at the discretion of the Board of Education.

- B. The Board shall pay three (3) monthly premiums for medical, dental and term life insurance commencing with the first premium date after the beginning of parental leave.
- C. An employee may return to work early from a parental leave by giving twenty (20) working days written notice.

# **Section 5: Public Office and Union Leave**

If a tenured member of the bargaining unit is elected to public office or appointed to a full time office to MFT, AFT, AFL-CIO or another union, he shall be granted leave without pay for the period of time covered by his/her tenure in office, and such additional time as may be required to terminate the leave at a time to be determined by the Employer.

## **Section 6:** Travel Leave

An employee who has been in the district for a minimum of three (3) years may be granted leave not to exceed one (1) year for the purpose of travel. Such leave shall carry no remuneration.

# **Section 7:** Study Leave

- A. A tenured employee who has been in the district for a minimum of two (2) years may be granted leave not to exceed one (1) year for the purpose of study. Such leave shall carry no remuneration. The employee has the option to maintain the insurance benefits package at his/her expense.
- B. A tenured employee scheduled for more than 186 days, who has been in the district for a minimum of two (2) years may be granted a summer leave not to exceed ten (10) weeks for the purpose of study. Such leave shall carry no remuneration.
- C. The Board paid insurance benefits package shall be continued through the summer providing the employee would qualify for such benefits were he/she on a 186 day calendar.
- D. The request stating the dates and reason for the leave must be filed with the immediate supervisor not later than April 1st, preceding the commencement of the leave. The employee's pay shall be reviewed and the remaining pays adjusted to correct any under or overpayment for actual time worked prior to the leave.

# **Section 8:** Sabbatical Leave

- A. An employee is eligible for sabbatical leave after serving in the district for seven (7) years, inclusive of authorized leave periods.
- B. Sabbatical leave shall be for a maximum of one (1) per year or two (2) for one-half (1/2) year.
  - 1. Availability of sabbatical leave is dependent on the ability of the district to pay the cost thereof without creating the necessity for reduction in any other program presently in effect.

- 2. Half-year (1/2) sabbatical leaves shall be available if the Employer is able to work out a satisfactory division of the contractual duties of the eligible applicants so as to permit the granting of such fractional leave.
- 3. Sabbatical leave shall be paid at the rate of one-half (1/2) the employee's contractual salary for the period of the leave; however, fringe benefits, as applicable, shall be paid as though the employee were not on leave.
- 4. Salary increments will be granted for the sabbatical leave period.
- C. Preference in the granting of sabbatical leave shall be given for the following reasons:
  - 1. Fulfillment of residency requirements for a doctoral degree.
  - 2. Completing a thesis for a doctoral degree.
  - 3. Research work which bears a relationship to the employee's effectiveness in his position, or which will contribute to the overall program of the Macomb Intermediate School District.
  - 4. Professional writing in a field directly related to the programs of Macomb Intermediate School District.
- D. Sabbatical leave for other reasons which may benefit the Macomb Intermediate School District (study, assigned travel or travel as part of a program of study, etc.) may be granted if no applicant qualified under "C" above.
- E. Employees who, upon completion of a sabbatical leave, fail to return to the district, shall refund the salary paid during such leave period at the following rates:
  - 1. Employees who fail to return to the district shall refund the full amount of the salary.
  - 2. Employees who leave the district after one (1) year following their return shall refund two-thirds (2/3) of the salary paid.
  - 3. Employees who leave the district after two (2) years following their return shall refund one-third (1/3) of the salary paid.

# **Section 9:** Extended Health Leave

Extended health leave due to physical or mental causes not falling within the sick leave policy may be granted upon request by the employee. Such request shall be in writing and shall be accompanied by a written evaluation by the attending physician. Such extended health leave shall be considered for renewal annually.

# Section 10: Unpaid Leave for Extended Year Employees

Staff working the extended year calendar may request leave of absence without pay subject to the following consideration.

- A. The request stating the exact dates and the reason for the leave is to be filed with the immediate supervisor not later than April 1st preceding the commencement of the leave if it is to be taken in the ensuing summer. During the rest of the year the filing deadline shall be one month prior to commencement.
- B. A replacement can be obtained who is certified, or who can be temporarily approved to teach in the affected program and who, in the judgment of the Superintendent, is qualified.
- C. The leave shall be in blocks of one work week (consecutive work days). The total shall not exceed two work weeks of consecutive work days. Time off shall be scheduled with the immediate supervisor.
- D. Except where the percentage would be less than one person, not more than 25% (rounded up to the nearest whole person) of the extended year teachers or ancillary staff assigned to one building, by classification, may be away on leave of absence without pay at the same time. In the case of ancillary staff, this shall be interpreted to mean that therapists may be assigned part time to more than one building to satisfy state requirements.
- E. In the event there is a conflict in dates, the employee submitting the earliest request shall be given first priority. Should two applications for the same leave be submitted in the same day, then seniority would rule.
- F. The administration shall attempt to notify the employee as to whether the leave has been granted within forty-five (45) calendar days.

## **Section 11: Return From Leaves**

The beginning and termination dates of all leaves shall be determined at the time of granting, except for emergency leaves where the termination date is not known at the time of granting.

- A. The Employer shall strive to assign ISD Service Center employee(s) returning from leave the same position(s) or equivalent positions.
- B. For employees at operations locations the following provisions shall apply:
  - 1. During an authorized one calendar year leave, an employee's position shall be regarded as frozen, exempt from transfers and postings. Upon return from an authorized leave of one calendar year, an employee shall return to his/her former position.
  - 2. During the aforementioned one calendar year, the administration may cover the job with a substitute\* or may hire an employee on a limited contract basis pursuant to the following conditions:

- a. The position may be filled by a "limited contract" employee for the length of the leave or until bumped, at which time that employee shall be terminated without recall rights or any other employee rights.
- b. For the duration of his/her employment, Article VI, Seniority, and Article VII, Voluntary Transfer, etc., shall not apply to "limited contract" employees. All other contract provisions including benefits shall apply. The administration reserves the right to transfer and assign such employees.
- c. A limited contract employee may bid on posted vacancies after one year employment unless the administration waives this restriction.
- d. During a reduction in force the position shall no longer be frozen, but shall be subject to the provisions of Article VII, Section 5. The limited contract employee, if displaced thereafter by a regular full time employee, shall be terminated. An employee subsequently returning from leave shall, if his replacement has been displaced, exercise seniority rights under Article VII, Section 5.
  - \*Substitute: Any person employed on a daily basis to perform work in the absence of a full time employee shall be considered a substitute employee and not covered by the MIFT Agreement, except for the conditions of Article I, Section 6C, second paragraph.
- 3. During an authorized leave of more than one calendar year the Employer shall strive to fill a position with a new hire in which event:
  - a. On return from any extended leave, except disability, an employee shall bump into division according to Article VII, Section 5, paragraph C, 2c.
  - b. On return from extended disability leave, an employee may bump against classification according to Article VII, Section 5, paragraph C, 2a.
  - c. If the Employer has been unable to fill the position with a new hire the returning employee shall displace the substitute and return to his/her former position.

## **Section 12: Extensions**

Requests for extensions of leave or notice of intention to return must be made in writing and submitted at least ninety (90) days before the end of the semester in which the leave is to terminate. Failure to provide such notice or to return after termination date of a leave will constitute termination of employment.

# **Section 13: Submission of Requests**

Requests for leave of absence shall be submitted to the Superintendent at least one (1) month prior to the time of the leave, but not later than June 30th, except that this provision does not apply to those leaves that have starting times determined by the nature of the leave.

# **Section 14:** Fringe Benefit Eligibility

Employees on unpaid leave shall not, with the exception of Section 7C, be eligible for fringe benefits.

# **Section 15: Leaves Subject to Qualified Replacements**

The granting of requests for leaves, with the exception of health, maternity, military and jury leaves, may be subject to the Employer's ability to find qualified replacements.

# Section 16: Adjusted Pay

Anyone who is taking an unpaid leave of five days or more during the school year will be granted the opportunity to have the remainder of his/her paychecks adjusted to reflect the leave, if the employee submits by August 1 the proposed schedule of leave days to the Assistant Superintendent for Personnel/Employee Relations.

#### ARTICLE XIII

# DISCHARGE, LAYOFF, AND RETIREMENT

# **Section 1: Discharge**

An employee will be subject to discharge only for academic incompetence, willful abuse of the provisions of this agreement or the policies and procedures of the Employer, when his/her services are not acceptable to a substantial segment of the constituent districts and service community of the Macomb Intermediate School District and transfer possibilities have been exhausted or when his/her behavior affects his/her performance in a deleterious fashion. Election to process a discharge through the Tenure Commission shall stop any employee from entry to the grievance procedure on such discharge.

# **Section 2: Retraining**

Where there is staff reduction because of program modification and/or changes in service, tenured employees covered by this agreement and affected by such reductions shall have the right to retrain according to the conditions set below:

- A. Affected employees desiring retraining shall request a meeting with the Employer no later than sixty (60) working days after notification or the end of the school calendar year, whichever comes first. Such employees may request union representation.
- B. If it is determined that there is an opportunity for a possible new position for which the employee may retrain, the employee shall be granted leave of absence without pay for a period of time to retrain, not to exceed one (1) year; however, compensation for the retraining may be made available to qualified employees under the sabbatical leave provisions of Article XII, Section 8, which provisions shall prevail to determine eligibility for compensation.
- C. If an opening exists for which the retrained employee is qualified, the Employer agrees to reinstate the retrained employee without loss of position on the salary schedule appropriate to the new position.
- D. In the event that the retrained employee's original position becomes available at a later date, he/she shall have first option as per the provisions of Section 2, paragraph C of this Article.

#### **Section 3:** Grievance Exclusions

- A. The placing of an employee on a third year of probation shall not be grievable.
- B. The decision of the Board of Education to discharge a probationary employee under the provisions of Section 1 of this Article shall be final and shall not form the basis for a grievance.

# BOARD OF EDUCATION MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

# MACOMB INTERMEDIATE FEDERATION OF TEACHERS

By: John a. Bozy mouski President	By: Talof M. Presiden
By: Secretary General	By: Lawen Noyo Secretary
Date:	Date:

# **APPENDIX**

# **STIPEND**

Professional sub-rate \$200.00

Parent Teacher Conference for school programs \$250.00

Note 1: District shall reserve the right to reopen contract in response to any changes to state law regarding services to students with disabilities ages 22 - 26.

Note 2: Employees must make up any professional development missed due to their absence. Professional development must be pre-approved by their administrator and completed during non-work hours.

Note 3: The District reserves the right to modify calendar in the event state law prohibits the use of qualifying professional development hours. MCL 388.1701

## **SALARY SCHEDULES**

## 2010-2011 SALARIES DIRECT SERVICE AND DEGREE SPECIALISTS

	BA	BA	BA	BA
	186	210	206	214
BASE	39,895	45,043	44,185	45,901
1	45,940	51,868	50,880	52,856
2	48,570	54,837	53,793	55,882
3	51,210	57,817	56,716	58,918
4	53,845	60,793	59,635	61,951
5	56,473	63,760	62,546	64,975
6	59,111	66,738	65,467	68,009
7	61,750	69,718	68,390	71,046
8	64,373	72,679	71,295	74,063
9	67,008	75,655	74,214	77,096
10	71,913	81,192	79,646	82,739

	MA	MA	MA	MA
	186	210	206	214
BASE	44,329	50,049	49,096	51,003
1	51,154	57,754	56,654	58,854
2	54,312	61,320	60,152	62,488
3	57,468	64,884	63,648	66,120
4	60,623	68,445	67,142	69,749
5	63,785	72,015	70,644	73,387
6	66,934	75,571	74,131	77,010
7	70,098	79,143	77,635	80,650
8	73,249	82,700	81,125	84,275
9	76,411	86,270	84,627	87,913
10	81,959	92,534	90,772	94,297

## 2010 – 2011 SALARIES DIRECT SERVICE AND DEGREE SPECIALISTS

	MA + 30	MA + 30	MA + 30	MA + 30	DOCTORATE
	186	210	206	214	186
BASE	46,547	52,553	51,552	53,554	50,968
1	53,693	60,621	59,466	61,775	58,493
2	57,056	64,418	63,191	65,645	61,910
3	60,402	68,195	66,896	69,494	65,340
4	63,759	71,986	70,615	73,357	68,764
5	67,107	75,766	74,323	77,209	72,188
6	70,466	79,559	78,043	81,074	75,622
7	73,825	83,351	81,763	84,939	79,035
8	77,184	87,144	85,484	88,804	82,452
9	80,532	90,924	89,192	92,656	85,882
10	86,068	97,173	95,322	99,024	90,435

## **CONSULTANTS**

	MA	MA + 30	DOCTORATE
	186	186	186
BASE	63,484	65,671	70,076
1	72,103	74,454	79,152
2	75,163	77,510	82,210
3	78,211	80,562	85,266
4	81,669	84,012	88,711
5	84,723	87,070	91,771
6	87,690	90,123	94,825
7	90,755	93,275	98,137

## **LONGEVITY**

*LONGEVITY	15 YEARS	\$750 Over Step 10
	20 YEARS	\$1400 Over Step 10
	25 YEARS	\$2100 Over Step 10
	30 YEARS	\$2300 Over Step 10

## 2011 – 2012 SALARIES DIRECT SERVICE AND DEGREE SPECIALISTS

	186	199	207	210
BASE	39,097	41,830	43,511	44,142
1	45,021	48,168	50,104	50,831
2	47,599	50,926	52,973	53,741
3	50,185	53,692	55,851	56,660
4	52,768	56,456	58,726	59,577
5	55,344	59,212	61,593	62,486
6	57,928	61,977	64,468	65,402
7	60,515	64,745	67,347	68,324
8	63,086	67,495	70,208	71,226
9	65,667	70,257	73,081	74,141
10	70,475	75,401	78,432	79,569

	MA	MA	MA	MA
	186	199	207	210
BASE	43,442	46,478	48,347	49,048
1	50,131	53,634	55,791	56,599
2	53,226	56,946	59,235	60,094
3	56,319	60,255	62,678	63,586
4	59,410	63,563	66,118	67,076
5	62,509	66,878	69,566	70,575
6	65,595	70,179	73,001	74,059
7	68,695	73,497	76,451	77,559
8	71,783	76,800	79,888	81,045
9	74,882	80,115	83,336	84,544
10	80,320	85,934	89,389	90,684

## 2011 – 2012 SALARIES DIRECT SERVICE AND DEGREE SPECIALISTS

	MA + 30	MA + 30	MA + 30	MA + 30	DOCTORATE
	186	199	207	210	186
BASE	45,617	48,805	50,767	51,503	49,948
1	52,619	56,297	58,560	59,409	57,323
2	55,915	59,823	62,228	63,130	60,671
3	59,195	63,332	65,878	66,833	64,032
4	62,483	66,850	69,538	70,545	67,390
5	65,764	70,360	73,189	74,250	70,745
6	69,056	73,883	76,853	77,967	74,110
7	72,348	77,405	80,517	81,684	77,454
8	75,641	80,927	84,181	85,401	80,802
9	78,922	84,438	87,832	89,105	84,165
10	84,347	90,243	93,870	95,231	88,627

## **CONSULTANTS**

	MA	MA + 30	DOCTORATE
	186	186	186
BASE	62,213	64,358	68,675
1	70,661	72,964	77,569
2	73,660	75,961	80,566
3	76,647	78,951	83,561
4	80,036	82,333	86,936
5	83,029	85,329	89,935
6	85,936	88,320	92,927
7	88,940	91,410	96,175

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	20 YEARS	\$1400 Over Step 10
	25 YEARS	\$2100 Over Step 10
	30 YEARS	\$2300 Over Step 10

## 2012 – 2013 SALARIES DIRECT SERVICE AND DEGREE SPECIALISTS

	BA	BA	BA	BA
	186	192	203	207
BASE	37,924	39,147	41,390	42,205
1	43,671	45,080	47,662	48,602
2	46,171	47,660	50,391	51,384
3	48,680	50,250	53,129	54,176
4	51,185	52,836	55,864	56,964
5	53,683	55,415	58,590	59,744
6	56,191	58,003	61,326	62,535
7	58,700	60,593	64,065	65,327
8	61,192	63,166	66,785	68,101
9	63,698	65,752	69,519	70,889
10	68,361	70,566	74,609	76,079

	MA	MA	MA	MA
	186	192	203	207
BASE	42,138	43,498	45,990	46,896
1	48,626	50,195	53,070	54,116
2	51,630	53,295	56,349	57,459
3	54,630	56,392	59,623	60,798
4	57,628	59,487	62,895	64,135
5	60,634	62,590	66,176	67,480
6	63,627	65,679	69,442	70,811
7	66,635	68,784	72,725	74,158
8	69,629	71,875	75,993	77,490
9	72,635	74,978	79,274	80,836
10	77,912	80,425	85,033	86,708

## 2012 – 2013 SALARIES DIRECT SERVICE AND DEGREE SPECIALISTS

	MA + 30	MA + 30	MA + 30	MA + 30	DOCTORATE
	186	192	203	207	186
BASE	44,248	48,048	50,801	51,802	50,968
1	51,040	52,687	55,705	56,803	55,603
2	54,238	55,987	59,195	60,361	58,850
3	57,418	59,270	62,666	63,901	62,111
4	60,608	62,563	66,148	67,451	65,368
5	63,791	65,848	69,621	70,993	68,623
6	66,984	69,145	73,106	74,547	71,887
7	70,178	72,442	76,592	78,101	75,131
8	73,371	75,738	80,077	81,655	78,379
9	76,554	79,023	83,551	85,197	81,641
10	81,818	84,457	89,296	91,055	85,969

## **CONSULTANTS**

	MA	MA + 30	DOCTORATE
	186	186	186
BASE	60,348	62,427	66,614
1	68,541	70,775	75,243
2	71,450	73,682	78,150
3	74,348	76,584	81,053
4	77,635	79,863	84,329
5	80,538	82,770	87,236
6	83,358	85,670	90,139
7	86,271	88,668	93,290

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	20 YEARS	\$1400 Over Step 10
	25 YEARS	\$2100 Over Step 10
	30 YEARS	\$2300 Over Step 10

## 2013 – 2014 SALARIES DIRECT SERVICE AND DEGREE SPECIALISTS

	BA	ВА	BA	BA
	186	192	203	207
BASE	36,785	37,972	40,147	40,938
1	42,362	43,728	46,233	47,144
2	44,785	46,230	48,878	49,841
3	47,220	48,743	51,536	52,551
4	49,649	51,251	54,187	55,255
5	52,073	53,752	56,832	57,952
6	54,505	56,264	59,487	60,659
7	56,938	58,775	62,142	63,367
8	59,356	61,271	64,781	66,058
9	61,787	63,780	67,435	68,763
10	66,309	<b>6</b> 8,448	72,370	73,796

	MA	MA	MA	MA
	186	192	203	207
BASE	40,874	42,192	44,609	45,488
1	47,168	48,689	51,479	52,493
2	50,081	51,696	54,658	55,735
3	52,991	54,701	57,835	58,974
4	55,900	57,704	61,010	62,212
5	58,815	60,712	64,191	65,455
6	61,719	63,709	67,359	68,687
7	64,635	66,720	70,543	71,933
8	67,540	69,719	73,713	75,166
9	70,455	72,728	76,894	78,410
10	75,574	78,012	82,481	84,106

## 2013 – 2014 SALARIES DIRECT SERVICE AND DEGREE SPECIALISTS

	MA + 30	MA + 30	MA + 30	MA + 30	DOCTORATE
	186	192	203	207	186
BASE	42,920	44,304	46,842	47,765	46,997
1	49,509	51,107	54,035	55,099	53,934
2	52,610	54,307	57,419	58,550	57,085
3	55,696	57,492	60,786	61,984	60,247
4	58,789	60,685	64,162	65,426	63,407
5	61,877	63,873	67,532	68,863	66,564
6	64,975	67,071	70,914	72,311	69,731
7	68,072	70,268	74,294	75,758	72,877
8	71,171	73,467	77,676	79,206	76,028
9	74,257	76,652	81,044	82,641	79,191
10	79,362	81,923	86,616	88,323	83,389

## **CONSULTANTS**

	MA	MA + 30	DOCTORATE
	186	186	186
BASE	58,538	60,554	64,616
1	66,486	68,651	72,985
2	69,307	71,472	75,806
3	72,118	74,287	78,622
4	75,306	77,467	81,799
5	78,122	80,287	84,619
6	80,858	83,099	87,435
7	83,683	86,008	90,491

*LONGEVITY	15 YEARS	\$750 Over Step 10
	20 YEARS	\$1400 Over Step 10
	25 YEARS	\$2100 Over Step 10
	30 YEARS	\$2300 Over Step 10

## 2010-2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR

**186 DAYS** 

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students)

Tuesday, September 7, 2010

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 8, 2010

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students) Friday, September 17, 2010

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Half Day of School Thursday, October 21, 2010

Professional Development: PM

Half Day of School Thursday, November 18, 2010

Professional Development: PM

Thanksgiving Recess Begins at Mid-day Wednesday, November 24, 2010

Return to Work Monday, November 29, 2010

Christmas Recess Begins: Thursday, December 23, 2010

Return to Work Monday, January 3, 2011

Martin Luther King - No School Students & Staff Monday, January 17, 2011

Half Day of School Friday, January 21, 2011

**Professional Development: PM** 

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Friday, February 18, 2011
Return to Work Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Half Day of School Wednesday, March 23, 2011

Professional Development: PM

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 4, 2011
Return to Work Monday, April 11, 2011

Good Friday – No School Students & Staff Friday, April 22, 2011

Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 30, 2011

Last Day of School: Friday, June 17, 2011

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

\*Calendar subject to change

#### 2010 – 2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR EXTENDED YEAR – YEAR ROUND

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students)

Tuesday, September 7, 2010

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 8, 2010

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students) Friday, September 17, 2010

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Half Day of School Thursday, October 21, 2010

Professional Development: PM

Half Day of School Thursday, November 18, 2010

Professional Development: PM

Thanksgiving Recess Begins at Mid-day Wednesday, November 24, 2010

Return to Work Monday, November 29, 2010

Christmas Recess Begins: Thursday, December 23, 2010

Return to Work Monday, January 3, 2011

Martin Luther King - No School Students & Staff Monday, January 17, 2011

Half Day of School Friday, January 21, 2011

**Professional Development: PM** 

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Friday, February 18, 2011
Return to Work Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Half Day of School Wednesday, March 23, 2011

Professional Development: PM

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 4, 2011
Return to Work Monday, April 11, 2011

Good Friday – No School Students & Staff Friday, April 22, 2011

Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 30, 2011

**Extended School Year Begins:** 

School in Session June 20 – June 23, 2011 Fourth of July Recess Begins Monday, June 27, 2011 Return to Work Monday, July 11, 2011 School in Session July 11 – July 14, 2011 School in Session July 18 – July 21, 2011 School in Session July 25 – July 28, 2011 School in Session August 1 – August 4, 2011 School in Session August 8 – August 11, 2011 School in Session August 15 – August 18, 2011 Last day of school Thursday, August 18, 2011

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

#### 2010 – 2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR AI PROGRAM – YEAR ROUND

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students)

Tuesday, September 7, 2010

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 8, 2010

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students) Friday, September 17, 2010

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Half Day of School Thursday, October 21, 2010

Professional Development: PM

Half Day of School Thursday, November 18, 2010

Professional Development: PM

Thanksgiving Recess Begins at Mid-day Wednesday, November 24, 2010

Return to Work Monday, November 29, 2010

Christmas Recess Begins: Thursday, December 23, 2010

Return to Work Monday, January 3, 2011

Martin Luther King - No School Students & Staff Monday, January 17, 2011

Half Day of School Friday, January 21, 2011

**Professional Development: PM** 

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Friday, February 18, 2011
Return to Work Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Half Day of School Wednesday, March 23, 2011

Professional Development: PM

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 4, 2011
Return to Work Monday, April 11, 2011

Good Friday – No School Students & Staff Friday, April 22, 2011

Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 30, 2011

**Extended School Year Begins:** 

School in Session June 20 – June 22, 2011 Fourth of July Recess Begins Monday, June 27, 2011 Return to Work Monday, July 11, 2011 School in Session July 11 – July 13, 2011 School in Session July 18 – July 20, 2011 July 25 – July 27, 2011 School in Session School in Session August 1 – August 3, 2011 School in Session August 8 – August 10, 2011 School in Session August 15 – August 16, 2011 Tuesday, August 16, 2011 Last day of school

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

#### 2010 – 2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR LUTZ SCHOOL FOR WORK EXPERIENCE (186 DAYS)

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students) Tuesday, September 7, 2010

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 8, 2010

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students) Friday, September 17, 2010

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Students/Staff: Full Day Friday, October 15, 2010

Half Day of School Thursday, October 21, 2010

Professional Development: PM

Half Day of School Thursday, November 18, 2010

Professional Development: PM

Thanksgiving Recess Begins at Mid-day Wednesday, November 24, 2010

Return to Work Monday, November 29, 2010

Christmas Recess Begins: Thursday, December 23, 2010

Return to Work Monday, January 3, 2011

Martin Luther King - No School Students & Staff Monday, January 17, 2011

Half Day of School Friday, January 21, 2011

**Professional Development: PM** 

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Friday, February 18, 2011
Return to Work Tuesday, February 22, 2011

Students/Staff: Full Day Friday, February, 25, 2011

Half Day of School Wednesday, March 23, 2011

Professional Development: PM

Students/Staff: Full Day Friday, March 25, 2011

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 4, 2011
Return to Work Monday, April 11, 2011

Students/Staff: Full Day Friday, April 15, 2011

Good Friday – No School Students & Staff Friday, April 22, 2011

Students/Staff: Full Day Friday, April 29, 2011

Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 30, 2011

Fourth of July Recess Begins Monday, June 27, 2011

Return to Work Monday, July 11, 2011

Last Day of School: Thursday, August 18, 2011

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

#### 2011 – 2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR REVISED 186 DAYS REVISED

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Tuesday, August 30, 2011

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, August 31, 2011

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students)

Tuesday, September 6, 2011

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 7, 2011

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students) Friday, September 16, 2011

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Half Day of School - Student Records Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Thanksgiving Recess Begins Wednesday, November 23, 2011

Return to Work Monday, November 28, 2011

Christmas Recess Begins: Thursday, December 22, 2011

Return to Work Wednesday, January 4, 2012

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Monday, January 16, 2012

Half Day of School - Student Records Thursday, January 26, 2012

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Monday, February 20, 2012

Return to Work Wednesday, February 22, 2012

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, March 14, 2012

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 2, 2012

Return to Work Monday, April 9, 2012

Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 28, 2012

Last Day of School: Friday, June 15, 2012

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

#### 2011 – 2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR REVISED EXTENDED YEAR – YEAR ROUND REVISED

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Tuesday, August 30, 2011

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, August 31, 2011

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students) Tuesday, September 6, 2011

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 7, 2011

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students) Friday, September 16, 2011

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Non Work Day – No School Friday, October 21, 2011

Half Day of School - Student Records

Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Thanksgiving Recess Begins Wednesday, November 23, 2011
Return to Work Wonday, November 28, 2011

Non Work Day – No School Friday, December 16, 2011

Christmas Recess Begins: Thursday, December 22, 2011
Return to Work Wednesday, January 4, 2012

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Monday, January 16, 2012

Half Day of School - Student Records

Thursday, January 26, 2012

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Friday, February 17, 2012
Return to Work Wednesday, February 22, 2012

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, March 14, 2012

Non Work Day – No School Friday, March 30, 2012

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 2, 2012 Return to Work Monday, April 9, 2012

Non Work Day – No School Friday, May 4, 2012

Non Work Day – No School Friday, May 25, 2012 **Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 28, 2012** 

Non Work Day – No School Friday, June 15, 2012

**Extended School Year Begins:** 

School in Session
School in Session
School in Session
Fourth of July Recess Begins
June 18 – June 21, 2012
June 25 – June 28, 2012
Monday, July 2, 2012

Return to Work

School in Session

Monday, July 16, 2012

July 16 – July 19, 2012

School in Session

School in Session

July 23 – July 26, 2012

School in Session

July 30 – August 2, 2012

School in Session
School in Session
August 6 – August 9, 2012
August 13 – August 16, 2012
Last day of school
Thursday, August 16, 2012

\*Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

#### 2011 - 2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR

REVISED AI PROGRAM - YEAR ROUND REVISED Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Tuesday, August 30, 2011 Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, August 31, 2011 School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students) Tuesday, September 6, 2011 Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 7, 2011 **Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students)** Friday, September 16, 2011 Professional Development: PM (no students) Non Work Day - No School Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> & October 21st Half Day of School - Student Records Tuesday, November 8, 2011 Non Work Day - No School Friday, November 11, 2011 Thanksgiving Recess Begins Wednesday, November 23, 2011 **Return to Work** Monday, November 28, 2011 Non Work Day - No School Friday, December 16, 2011 Christmas Recess Begins: Thursday, December 22, 2011 Return to Work Wednesday, January 4, 2012 Non Work Day - No School Friday, January 13, 2012 Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Monday, January 16, 2012 Half Day of School - Student Records Thursday, January 26, 2012 Non Work Day - No School Friday, January 27, 2012 Friday, February 17, 2012 **Mid-Winter Recess Begins:** Return to Work Wednesday, February 22, 2012 Non Work Day - No School Friday, March 9, 2012 Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, March 14, 2012 Friday, March 23rd & March 30th Non Work Day - No School **Easter Recess Begins:** Monday, April 2, 2012 Return to Work Monday, April 9, 2012 Non Work Day - No School Friday, April 20, 2012 Non Work Day - No School Friday, May 4, 2012 Non Work Day - No School Friday, May 25, 2012 Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 28, 2012 Non Work Day - No School Friday, June 8, 2012 Non Work Day - No School Friday, June 15, 2012 **Extended School Year Begins:** School in Session June 18 – June 21, 2012 June 25 – June 28, 2012 School in Session Fourth of July Recess Begins Monday, July 2, 2012

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Return to Work

School in Session

School in Session

School in Session

School in Session School in Session

Last Day of School

Monday, July 16, 2012

July 16 – July 19, 2012

July 23 – July 26, 2012 July 30 – August 2, 2012

August 6 – August 9, 2012

August 13 – August 16, 2012 August 16, 2012

#### 2011 – 2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR REVISED LUTZ SCHOOL FOR WORK EXPERIENCE (186 DAYS) REVISED

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Tuesday, August 30, 2011

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Wednesday, August 31, 2011

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students)

Tuesday, September 6, 2011

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 7, 2011

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students)

Friday, September 16, 2011

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, October 14, 2011

Half Day of School - Student Records Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Thanksgiving Recess Begins Wednesday, November 23, 2011

Return to Work Monday, November 28, 2011

Christmas Recess Begins: Thursday, December 22, 2011

Return to Work Wednesday, January 4, 2012

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, January 6, 2012

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Monday, January 16, 2012

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, January 20, 2012

Half Day of School - Student Records Thursday, January 26, 2012

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, February 3, 2012

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Friday, February 17, 2012
Return to Work Wednesday, February 22, 2012

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, February 24, 2012

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, March 14, 2012

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, March 16, 2012

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 2, 2012
Return to Work Monday, April 9, 2012

Full School Day – Students & Staff
Friday, April 13, 2012
Full School Day – Students & Staff
Friday, April 27, 2012

Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 28, 2012

Fourth of July Recess Begins Monday, July 2, 2012
Return to Work Monday, July 16, 2012

Last Day of School: Thursday, August 16, 2012

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

#### 2012 – 2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR 186 DAYS

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Tuesday, August 28, 2012

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, August 29, 2012

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students) Tuesday, September 4, 2012

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 5, 2012

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students) Friday, September 14, 2012

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Good Friday – No School Students & Staff

Half Day of School - Student Records Wednesday, October 31, 2012

Thanksgiving Recess Begins Wednesday, November 21, 2012 **Return to Work** Monday, November 26, 2012

Christmas Recess Begins: Monday, December 24, 2012

Return to Work Monday, January 7, 2013

Half Day of School - Student Records Thursday, January 17, 2013

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Monday, January 21, 2013

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Friday, February 15, 2013
Return to Work Wednesday, February 20, 2013

Friday, March 29, 2013

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 1, 2013

Return to Work Monday, April 8, 2013

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 27, 2013

Last Day of School: Wednesday, June 19, 2013

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

\*Calendar subject to change\*

#### 2012 - 2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR EXTENDED YEAR - YEAR ROUND

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Tuesday, August 28, 2012

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, August 29, 2012

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students) Tuesday, September 4, 2012

**Classes Start: All Day** Wednesday, September 5, 2012

Non Work Day - No School Friday, September 28, 2012

**Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students)** Friday, September 14, 2012

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Wednesday, October 31, 2012 Half Day of School - Student Records

Thanksgiving Recess Begins Wednesday, November 21, 2012 Return to Work Monday, November 26, 2012

Non Work Day - No School Friday, November 30, 2012

Non Work Day - No School Friday, December 7, 14, 21

Christmas Recess Begins: Monday, December 24, 2012 Return to Work Monday, January 7, 2013

Half Day of School - Student Records Thursday, January 17, 2013

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Monday, January 21, 2013

**Mid-Winter Recess Begins:** Friday, February 15, 2013 Return to Work Wednesday, February 20, 2013

Good Friday - No School Students & Staff Friday, March 29, 2013

**Easter Recess Begins:** Monday, April 1, 2013 Return to Work Monday, April 8, 2013

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Non Work Day - No School Friday, May 10, 2013

Non Work Day - No School Friday, May 24, 2013 Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 27, 2013

Non Work Day – No School Friday, June 14 & June 21

#### **Extended School Year Begins:**

School in Session June 24 – June 27, 2013 Fourth of July Recess Begins Monday, July 1, 2013 Return to Work Monday, July 15, 2013

July 15 – July 18, 2013 School in Session School in Session July 22 – July 25, 2013 July 29 - August 1, 2013 School in Session School in Session August 5 – August 8, 2013

School in Session August 12 – August 15, 2013

Last day of school Thursday, August 15, 2013

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined) Calendar subject to change

#### 2012 – 2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR AI PROGRAM - YEAR ROUND

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students)

**Classes Start: All Day** 

**Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students)** 

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Non Work Day - No School Non Work Day - No School

Half Day of School - Student Records

Non Work Day - No School

Thanksgiving Recess Begins

Return to Work

Non Work Day - No School

Non Work Day - No School

Christmas Recess Begins:

Return to Work

Half Day of School - Student Records

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Non Work Day - No School

**Mid-Winter Recess Begins:** Return to Work

Non Work Day - No School

Good Friday - No School Students & Staff

**Easter Recess Begins:** Return to Work

Non Work Day - No School

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Non Work Day – No School

Non Work Day – No School Memorial Day: No School

Non Work Day – No School

**Extended School Year Begins:** 

Fourth of July Recess Begins

Return to Work

School in Session

Last day of school

\*Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

Tuesday, August 28, 2012 Wednesday, August 29, 2012

Tuesday, September 4, 2012

Wednesday, September 5, 2012 Friday, September 14, 2012

Friday, September 28, 2012 Friday, October 12, 2012 Wednesday, October 31, 2012

Friday, November 2 & November 16

Wednesday, November 21, 2012 Monday, November 26, 2012

Friday, November 30, 2012

Friday, December 7, 14, 21

Monday, December 24, 2012 Monday, January 7, 2013 Thursday, January 17, 2013 Monday, January 21, 2013 Friday, February 1, 2013

Friday, February 15, 2013 Wednesday, February 20, 2013

Friday, March 1 & March 8

Friday, March 29, 2013 Monday, April 1, 2013 Monday, April 8, 2013

Friday, April 12, 19, 26

Wednesday, May 15, 2013 Friday, May 3 & May 10

Friday, May 24, 2013 Monday, May 27, 2013

Friday, June 7, 14, 21

June 24 – June 27, 2013

Monday, July 1, 2013

Monday, July 15, 2013 July 15 – July 18, 2013

July 22 – July 25, 2013

July 29 – August 1, 2013

August 5 – August 8, 2013 August 12 – August 15, 2013

Thursday, August 15, 2013

Calendar subject to change

#### 2012 – 2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR LUTZ SCHOOL FOR WORK EXPERIENCE (186 DAYS)

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Tuesday, August 28, 2012

Wednesday, August 29, 2012

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students)

Tuesday, September 4, 2012

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 5, 2012

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students) Friday, September 14, 2012

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, October 19, 2012

Half Day of School - Student Records Wednesday, October 31, 2012

Thanksgiving Recess Begins Wednesday, November 21, 2012
Return to Work Monday, November 26, 2012

Christmas Recess Begins: Monday, December 24, 2012
Return to Work Monday, January 7, 2013

Return to Work Monday, January 7, 2013

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, January 11, 2013

Half Day of School - Student Records

Thursday, January 17, 2013

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Monday, January 21, 2013

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, February 8, 2013

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Friday, February 15, 2013
Return to Work Wednesday, February 20, 2013

Full School Day – Students & Staff
Friday, March 8, 2013
Friday, March 22, 2013

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 1, 2013 Return to Work Monday, April 8, 2013

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, April 12, 2013

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Full School Day – Students & Staff Friday, May 17, 2013

Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 27, 2013

Fourth of July Recess Begins Monday, July 1, 2013 Return to Work Monday, July 15, 2013

Last day of school Thursday, August 15, 2013

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

\*Calendar subject to change

#### 2013 – 2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR 186 DAYS

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Tuesday, August 27, 2013

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, August 28, 2013

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students) Tuesday, September 3, 2012

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 4, 2013

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students) Friday, September 13, 2013

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Half Day of School - Student Records Wednesday, October 23, 2013

Thanksgiving Recess Begins Wednesday, November 27, 2013

Return to Work Monday, December 2, 2013

Christmas Recess Begins: Monday, December 23, 2013

Return to Work Monday, January 6, 2014

Half Day of School - Student Records Thursday, January 16, 2014

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Monday, January 20, 2014

Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Friday, February 14, 2014
Return to Work Wednesday, February 19, 2014

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, March 12, 2014

Easter Recess Begins: Monday, April 7, 2014

Return to Work Monday, April 14, 2014

Good Friday – No School Students & Staff Friday, April 18, 2014

Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 26, 2014

Last Day of School: Wednesday, June 18, 2014

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

\*Calendar subject to change\*

#### 2013 – 2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR EXTENDED YEAR – YEAR ROUND

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Tuesday, August 27, 2013

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Wednesday, August 28, 2013

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students)

Tuesday, September 3, 2012

**Classes Start: All Day** 

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students)
Professional Development: PM (no students)

Wednesday, September 4, 2013 Friday, September 13, 2013

Half Day of School - Student Records

Wednesday, October 23, 2013

Thanksgiving Recess Begins **Return to Work** 

Wednesday, November 27, 2013

Monday, December 2, 2013

Non Work Day - No School

Friday, December 13, 2013

Non Work Day – No School Christmas Recess Begins:

Friday, December 20, 2013 Monday, December 23, 2013 **Monday, January 6, 2014** 

Return to Work

Thursday, January 16, 2014

Half Day of School - Student Records

Monday, January 20, 2014

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Friday, February 14, 2014

#### Mid-Winter Recess Begins: Return to Work

Wednesday, February 19, 2014

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Wednesday, March 12, 2014

Non Work Day - No School

Friday, March 21, 2014

#### Easter Recess Begins: Return to Work

Monday, April 7, 2014 Monday, April 14, 2014

Good Friday – No School Students & Staff Non Work Day – No School Non Work Day – No School Friday, April 18, 2014 Friday, May 9, 2014 Friday, May 23, 2014

Memorial Day: No School Non Work Day – No School Monday, May 26, 2014 Monday, May 26, 2014 Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>

#### **Extended School Year Begins:**

School in Session

Fourth of July Recess Begins Return to Work

School in Session

June 23 – June 26, 2014 Monday, June 30, 2014 Monday, July 14, 2014

School in Session

July 14 – July 17, 2014

School in Session School in Session July 21 – July 24, 2014

School in Session School in Session July 28 – July 31, 2014 August 4 – August 7, 2014 August 11 – August 14, 2014

Last day of school

Thursday, August 14, 2014

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

\*Calendar subject to change

#### 2013 - 2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR AI PROGRAM - YEAR ROUND

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Tuesday, August 27, 2013 Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, August 28, 2013

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students) Tuesday, September 3, 2012

Classes Start: All Day Wednesday, September 4, 2013

**Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students)** Friday, September 13, 2013

Professional Development: PM (no students)

Friday, September 27, 2013 Non Work Day - No School Non Work Day - No School Friday, October 11, 2013

Half Day of School - Student Records Wednesday, October 23, 2013

Friday, Nov 1st & Nov 8th Non Work Day - No School

Thanksgiving Recess Begins Wednesday, November 27, 2013

Return to Work Monday, December 2, 2013

Non Work Day - No School Friday, Dec 13 & Dec 20

Christmas Recess Begins: Monday, December 23, 2013

Return to Work Monday, January 6, 2014

Half Day of School - Student Records Thursday, January 16, 2014

Non Work Day - No School Friday, January 17, 2014

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Monday, January 20, 2014

**Mid-Winter Recess Begins:** Friday, February 14, 2014 Return to Work Wednesday, February 19, 2014

Non Work Day - No School Friday, February 28, 2014 Non Work Day - No School Friday, March 7, 2014

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Wednesday, March 12, 2014

Non Work Day - No School March 21st & March 28th Non Work Day - No School Friday, April 4, 2014

**Easter Recess Begins:** Monday, April 7, 2014

Return to Work Monday, April 14, 2014

Good Friday - No School Students & Staff Friday, April 18, 2014 Non Work Day - No School Friday, April 25, 2014

Non Work Day - No School Friday, May 2, 9, 16 Non Work Day - No School Friday, May 23, 2014 Memorial Day: No School Monday, May 26, 2014

Non Work Day - No School Friday, June 6, 13, 20

**Extended School Year Begins:** School in Session

June 23 – June 26, 2014 Fourth of July Recess Begins Monday, June 30, 2014 Return to Work Monday, July 14, 2014 July 14 – July 17, 2014 School in Session July 21 – July 24, 2014 School in Session School in Session July 28 – July 31, 2014

School in Session August 4 - August 7, 2014 School in Session August 11 – August 14, 2014 Thursday, August 14, 2014 Last day of school

\*Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined)

Calendar subject to change

#### 2013 – 2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR

LUTZ SCHOOL FOR WORK EXPERIENCE (186 DAYS)

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students) Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

School Year Begins – Program Development Day (no students)

**Classes Start: All Day** 

Opening Day Orientation: AM (no students)
Professional Development: PM (no students)

Full School Day – Students & Staff

Half Day of School - Student Records

Thanksgiving Recess Begins **Return to Work** 

Full School Day – Students & Staff

Christmas Recess Begins:

Return to Work

Full School Day - Students & Staff

Half Day of School - Student Records

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Full School Day – Students & Staff Full School Day – Students & Staff Full School Day – Students & Staff

**Mid-Winter Recess Begins:** Return to Work

Full School Day – Students & Staff

Professional Development – Staff Full Day (no students)

Full School Day – Students & Staff Full School Day – Students & Staff

Easter Recess Begins: Return to Work

**Memorial Day: No School** 

Fourth of July Recess Begins Return to Work

Last day of school

Tuesday, August 27, 2013 Wednesday, August 28, 2013

Tuesday, September 3, 2012

Wednesday, September 4, 2013

Friday, September 13, 2013

Friday, October 18, 2013

Wednesday, October 23, 2013

Wednesday, November 27, 2013 Monday, December 2, 2013

Friday, December 6, 2013

Monday, December 23, 2013 Monday, January 6, 2014

Friday, January 10, 2014

Thursday, January 16, 2014

Monday, January 20, 2014

Friday, January 24, 2014 Friday, January 31, 2014 Friday, February 7, 2014

Friday, February 14, 2014 Wednesday, February 19, 2014

Friday, February 21, 2014

Wednesday, March 12, 2014

Friday, March 14, 2014 Friday, March 28, 2014

Monday, April 7, 2014 Monday, April 14, 2014

Monday, May 26, 2014

Monday, June 30, 2014 Monday, July 14, 2014

Thursday, August 14, 2014

<sup>\*</sup>Center Based Programs will conduct one evening parent/teacher conference (date to be determined) Calendar subject to change

#### LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING Decentralization

#### **Decentralization**

The parties hereto have agreed for the term of this agreement to implement the terms of Article VII, Section 5, E, to designate the staff member(s) who are most senior, certified and qualified, and to notify the LEA of the candidate(s) available for hire/transfer. Should an LEA refuse to hire said staff member, that staff member may opt to return to the MISD and the least senior person similarly certified and qualified shall be laid off.

It is understood that this and Article VII, Section 5, E, are non-arbitrable.

#### **LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING Medically Fragile**

#### **Medically Fragile**

It is mutually agreed between the parties that the departmental procedures pertaining to the intake and medical evaluation of medically at risk students will be implemented upon ratification. The procedures are set forth in the attachments labeled A, B, and C.

#### Attachment A: Referral and Pre-Enrollment Process for Medically at Risk Students

- 1. MISD receives referral.
- 2. Records reviewed by all of the following: a potential receiving teacher, occupational therapist, physical therapist, school social worker, nurse, and building administrator.
- 3. Meeting scheduled with parent and child.
  - a. If possible, parent and child come to school for evaluation.
  - b. If child and parent cannot come to school, evaluation team is sent to the home.
  - c. Principal will assign the evaluation team which will minimally consist of three members selected from 2. above, one of which will be the potential classroom teacher.

#### Attachment B: Program and Placement Process Decision

- 1. The evaluation team will meet with appropriate administrative staff (normally the building principal).
- 2. The purpose of this meeting will be:
  - a. To assess the child's physical ability to enter and attend school
  - b. To review the health care needs of the student and the school's ability to meet those needs.
  - c. To determine any special transportation needs and/or if the child can ride a school bus.
  - d. To recommend any further evaluation that could be done through the MISD Assessment Center.
- 3. If uncommon health care needs are evident, those involved in the meeting will make written recommendations to the Director of Operational Programs, who will convene the MISD Medically at Risk Committee, which will include one evaluation team member (classroom teacher, PT, OT, social worker, etc.) other than principal. The committee will review the recommendations and evaluation data, and may request further medical and/or diagnostic evaluations necessary for determining eligibility, program placement, and special staff training needs.

- 4. If there is a question by the committee requiring a doctor's answer, the Director of the Assessment Center will consult with a physician.
  - 5. Medical evaluations received by the MISD will be forwarded to the MET. (Multidisciplinary Evaluation Team).
  - 6. The MET will be convened to review all evaluation data and make appropriate recommendations to the IEPT. The MET minimally will include the potential receiving teacher, a building administrator, and a central office administrator.
  - 7. An IEPT meeting will be convened to determine eligibility, an appropriate educational program, and a placement that will meet the child's needs.

#### Attachment C: MISD Medically at Risk Committee

Assistant Superintendent of Special Education

Director of Compliance

Director of Business

Principal, Bovenschen and/or

Principal, Peters and/or

Principal, MIPP

Director of Legal Affairs

Director of Assessment

Director of Operations (chairman)

Evaluation Team Member (a professional selected by the team)

Nurse

#### LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING School Improvement

#### **School Improvement**

This Letter of Understanding is between the Macomb Intermediate School District ("District") and the Macomb Intermediate Federation of Teachers, Local 2144 ("Union"). The parties have agreed as follows:

- 1. That one-half day release time each month (8 months per school year) for school improvement shall be granted to core group consisting of two people per building or program to be selected by the building or program administrator in participation with the Union.
- 2. That a committee be formed to look into and make a recommendation to the Superintendent, or his designee, regarding a mentor/career ladder program. Said committee shall consist of four people: two shall be selected by the Superintendent and two shall be selected by the Union. The School District shall immediately implement an interim mentoring program in order to comply with State law.

#### LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING Mentoring

#### Mentoring

A pool of mentoring candidates will be mutually determined by each program administrator and a Union representative. From that pool, the administrator will make the final selection for the mentor.

The following are additional guidelines:

To be selected as a mentor, she/he must:

- 1. be one who is recognized for skills and effectiveness as a teacher.
- 2. have a minimum of five (5) years experience at the level, or in the area of specialization for the person being mentored, if feasible.
- 3. be located in the same building, and practicing in the same area as the person to be mentored, if feasible.
- 4. provide evidence of participation in ongoing professional development throughout their career.

In addition, a mentor will receive \$300.00 for each year that she/he acts as a mentor, payable at the end of the year and subject to proration.

At any time the mentored teacher can request a change in mentor. Further, administration may remove a mentor following discussion with the Union.

The mentoring teacher's role is to assist and support the new teacher.

Teacher mentors may not be part of the MISD district evaluation process\* for beginning teachers.

\* Note: This reference to the evaluation process is as provided in Article IX, Section 7.

#### LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING Program Associate

#### **Program Associate**

Teaching Assistant Principals (TAPs) will be renamed Program Associates.

Duties may include:

- Coordinating IEPs
- Conducting staff meetings
- Communicating with parents when appropriate
- Handling student behavior problems

PAs will have no supervisory responsibilities over regular professional staff except in the case of emergencies, it is the PA who will contact MISD administration for staff directives.

Upon termination of Program Associate's assignment, administration and MIFT will meet to discuss the circumstances of the termination. Upon the termination, the PA will return to the building from which they came prior to the PA assignment; the PA will return either to 1) an opening, or if none, 2) the lowest senior position in their classification.

Program Associates will receive \$2200 per year or a prorated portion.

Notes should reflect that union and management will meet twice a year to discuss, and possibly clarify, the role of the program associate.

#### LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING Flexible Spending Account

## **Flexible Spending Account**

The District will make available to the employee a Flexible Spending Account (FSA). The FSA will be conducted pursuant to the IRS regulation and participation by the employee is voluntary.

The District will make available \$500.00 for each employee\*. For healthcare/medical reimbursement for the 2011-2012 (available January 2012), 2012-13 (available January 2013), and 2012-14 (available January 2014) school years. While participation in the FSA is voluntary, the employee shall not receive the \$500.00 payment, if the employee does not choose this option during the open enrollment period.

\*Bargaining unit members who have health insurance/medical coverage under Article X, Section 5

March 15, 2011

## LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING District Paid Annuity

## **District Paid Annuity**

The District will provide an annuity payment on behalf of each employee in the amount of \$150 for the school years 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, and 2013-14. Employees who are on the payroll as of October 1<sup>st</sup> will receive an annuity payment for the current school year.

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## MACOMB INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND MACOMB INTERMEDIATE MIFT Local 2144

#### PROFESSIONAL CONTRACT TENTATIVE AGREEMENT

March 7, 2013

Extension of the Professional Contract until August 31, 2016, on all matters, including wages, hours, and working conditions, subject to the following:

- Statutory health insurance contribution cap (Hard cap)\* with 10% premium co-pay expires December, 2014; Employer will bargain with Union to determine health insurance contribution option, in compliance with PA 152 of 2011, for the ensuing coverage years.
- The District will include for the 2013/14 school year, \$50—single, \$100—two persons, \$150—full family for FSA for bargaining unit members who opt not to have health insurance medical coverage with the District. [Employee will choose this option during the open enrollment period.]
- Bereavement:(Article XI, Section 4 B; page 55) modified as follows:

The Superintendent employee may grant use one (1) day leave to attend the funeral of a relative, close friend, or personal/professional associate. Such leave shall not be deducted from sick leave allowances.

- Stipend for Parent Teacher Conference day at \$250.<sup>00</sup> (min.)/ daily rate. Effective September 1,2013.
- Health and Safety Committee: (Article IX, Section 16) modified as follows:

The Union and administration will together establish a committee which will investigate health and safety issues of concern to bargaining unit members.

The committee will be made up of two (2) three (3) members selected by the MIFT, two (2) three (3) members selected by the

paraprofessional union and, and two (2) three (3) members selected by the administration.

- Effective for 2015/16, work day increased by 10 minutes. The District and the Union may vary timeframe based on school/program.
- Longevity: The revised Longevity Schedule is attached. Employees who are at step 10 for more than one (1) year will receive a stipend of \$250.00 until they reach the 11th year on the longevity scale. Effective September 1,2013.
- Wages:

Freeze (0%) for 2013/14 Reduction (1.5%) for 2014/15 Reduction (1.5%) for 2015/16

 Letter of Understanding/Agreement regarding Membership, Fees and Payroll Deductions. See attached LOU/Agreement dated March 7, 2013.

\*If hard cap calculation for medical coverage does not conform to the requirements of the Michigan Department of Treasury or other department of the state with legal authority, then Administration will meet with Union Leadership to consult regarding implementation of cost containment in compliance with law.

#### NOTES:

The District shall reserve the right to reopen contract in response to any changes to state law regarding services to students with disabilities ages 22-26.

Employees will make-up any professional development missed due to their absence; the District will support opportunities to make-up professional development.

Provisions pertaining to a prohibited subject of bargaining shall not be carried over to or reproduced in the printing of this successor collective bargaining agreement. While the prohibited subjects of bargaining have been redacted from this collective bargaining agreement, they (subjects) will be restored if the statute is rescinded.

Rosetta Mullen, Asst. Superintendent Human Resources/Legal Affairs

David Rilley, Exec. Director Human Resources Robert Kruse, President

Macomb Intermediate MIFT, Local 2144

Jacqueline Goosen, Vice President Macomb Intermediate AFT, Local 2144

# LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENT RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP, FEES AND PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS March 7, 2013

As part of the collective bargaining process and the benefits afforded both parties by the collective bargaining agreement, the Parties have agreed to this clause which maintains the obligation of all employees to pay certain fees for representation services as described herein.

The Parties further agree that this clause shall be effective upon ratification by both the Employer and the Union and continue in effect through August 31, 2018; and will be incorporated as part of the collective bargaining agreement between the Parties.

The provisions of this Letter or Understanding supersede Article I, Sections 6 and 7 of the collective bargaining agreement while this Agreement remains in effect. Article I, Sections 6 and 7 shall become immediately effective, as permitted by law, if enforcement of this Letter of Understanding is either temporarily or permanently precluded. The process is as follows:

- Promptly after approval of hiring, the Union will be notified of the name(s) of each person newly employed by the Employer who will be assigned to a position in this bargaining unit. The Union will present a written notice regarding representation services to such employee. The employee will have thirty (30) calendar days to decide whether to become a Union member or pay a service fee.
- 2. The service fee will be deducted from the compensation of any person, without his or her consent, who either fails /refuses to become a Union member or fails /refuses to approve deduction of a service fee ("the Non-Payer"). Further, the Employer will deduct dues or service fees from the paychecks of persons who have agreed to such deductions or who have not responded to a request for election. (The form for deduction is attached.) Dues or service fees will be withheld on the schedule approved by the employee. Employees may have dues or service fees deducted from each paycheck, quarterly or annually. Quarterly or annual deductions will be taken in advance (in the case of annual deductions) from the first full paycheck of the school year or (in the case of quarterly deductions) from the first paycheck of each quarter.
  - a. The Parties acknowledge that involuntary deduction of the service fee is a sanction that is less harmful to educational continuity than discharge.

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- b. Notwithstanding the same, in the event that section 2 is either temporarily or permanently precluded, then the parties shall utilize the process which follows:
  - i. The Union will notify the Employer of the name of any person(s) who have failed or refused to either join the Union or the pay or arrange for payment of a service fee.
  - ii. The Employer will notify the individual employee that he or she is subject to discharge for the failure or refusal to either join the Union or to pay or arrange for payment of a service fee.
  - iii. The individual employee shall have thirty (30) days from the date of the notice to either join the Union or to pay or arrange for payment of a service fee.
  - iv. The Union will notify the Employer of the name(s) of any individual employee who has failed either to join the Union or to pay or arrange for payment of a service fee despite the proffer of the notice.
  - v. Not later than fourteen (14) days following the notice to the Employer from the Union, the Employer shall discharge the individual employee(s) from employment and shall not reemploy the individual as an employee.
  - vi. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the individual employee(s) may be reemployed in the event that, at the time of hire, they either join the Union or to pay or arrange for payment of a service fee.
- A Union member or service fee payer may pay either dues or service fees directly to the Union in such a manner, in on such a schedule, as the Union may approve.
- 5. The Union will determine the amount of the service fee in accordance with prevailing law. Presently, the law permits the Union to allocate its expenses as chargeable or non-chargeable based on their relationship to negotiation and enforcement of the collective bargaining agreement. The Union, alone, will determine the amount of the service fee to be deducted. The Employer may request, and receive, information explaining which fees or expenses the Union has determined to be chargeable to service fee payers.
- This Agreement may be enforced via the grievance procedure or, through an action in the Circuit Court upon prior exhaustion of the grievance procedure.

- 7. Fees shall not be deducted during the pendency of any Objection that any Non-Payer may have properly initiated under the Union's Process for Resolution of Objections; it may be invoked fourteen (14) days after the conclusion or termination of the process for resolution of an Objection.
  - A. The Union will provide the Employer a copy of its Process for Resolution of Objections, and any changes to the Process.
  - B. The Union shall defend the Employer (including the negotiation of any voluntary settlement) indemnify and hold harmless the Employer, its members and its employees from claims made with regard to this Agreement provided that the Union shall be promptly notified of any such claim and shall be entitled to provide counsel of its choice, at the Union's expense and provided further that the Employer shall cooperate in the defense or resolution of the claim.
- 8. It is the mutual objective of the Parties to recognize this Letter of Understanding throughout the entire stated duration. In the event that a court or agency of proper jurisdiction finds the duration to be unenforceable, this Agreement shall survive and remain in effect for the longest duration found reasonable.

- Bereavement (Article X, Section 3 A) **modified** as follows:
  - A. Employees shall be granted up to seven (7) calendar days leave immediately following a death in the immediate family. Immediate family for purposes of this section shall be defined as parents, grandparents, spouse, children, siblings, grandchildren, step-parents, step-children, son and/or daughter-in-law, mother and father-in-law, any person acceptable as an exemption on the employee's Federal Income Tax, or any person who makes his/her home with the employee and in the judgment of the Superintendent, or his/her designee, is economically, emotionally and socially dependent on the employee. The employee may use one (1) day leave to attend the funeral of a relative or close friend, or personal/professional associate. Such leave shall be deductible from the sick leave allowances.
  - B. The Superintendent, or his/her designee, may extend these provisions in instances when, in his/her judgment, the time limitation is not sufficient to allow for all of the adjustments occasioned at the time of bereavement.
  - C. Upon approval by the Superintendent of his designee, the employee may elect to use up to 4 days of personal sick leave to attend the funeral of a relative not listed in Section 4 (A) above or to extend the leave when time limitation is not sufficient to allow for all the circumstances at the time of the leave. Such leave shall be deducted from sick leave allowances.