# Collective Bargaining Agreement

# Marysville School District No 25 and the

# Service Employees International Union, Local 925 10 Month Employees

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#### **PREAMBLE**

This Agreement is made and entered into between Marysville School District No. 25 (hereinafter "District") and Service Employees International Union, Local No. 925 (hereinafter "Union").

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

## **Article 1 Recognition**

- **1.1 Recognition:** The District agrees to recognize the Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent for Transportation, <u>Motor Pool</u>, Food Service, Paraprofessionals, District Registered Nurses and School Security Officers. The District agrees to bargain with representatives of the Union with respect to wages, hours, conditions of employment and adjustments of grievances arising under this Agreement.
- **1.2 No Strike Clause:** The Union and the District agree that there shall be no strikes, slowdowns or work stoppages by the employees and no lockouts by the District during the term of this Agreement.
- **1.3 Negotiations Relative to Agreement and Union Leave:** All questions, problems and differences relative to this Agreement shall be jointly and thoroughly considered by representatives of each of the parties, with the view toward arriving at mutually satisfactory resolutions. The Union shall reimburse the District the cost of substitutes required to cover employees designated by the Union for bargaining and other leave use for activities outside of the District such as trainings and worksite visits. The District shall pay for the cost of releasing employees designated by the Union for union activities internal to the District such as grievance meetings, Labor Management meetings, and District called meetings. Stewards meeting with members while on work time will check-in with their supervisor prior to the meeting taking place, these meetings shall not exceed one hour without supervisor approval.
- **1.4 Labor Management Committee:** The Union and the District agree to establish a labor management committee to discuss shared workplace concerns with the purpose of promoting good communications and problem solving at the lowest appropriate organizational level. The Labor Management Committee will consist of representative members of the Union and the District administrators/employees. Participation on this committee will not result in loss of paid time. The committee is not intended to interfere with the grievance process, but may resolve issues that might otherwise come forward as grievances. By mutual agreement contractual issues may be negotiated and implemented upon ratification by the Union and approval by the School Board. SEIU may request that the District arrange for specific management personnel to attend LMC meeting for supervision related discussion.
- **1.5 Sub-Contract:** The District will not sub-contract for any services provided by the employees covered by this Agreement that will cause a loss of opportunity for normal regular hours or overtime opportunities, except as provided for in the Agreement, and extreme emergencies. A bus/van charter service will be allowed if one or more of the following conditions are met:
  - a) no district buses or drivers are available
  - b) the service can save the District \$300.00 or more per occurrence
  - c) general fund money is not used
  - d) MSD cannot provide necessities

## **Article 2 District Rights**

- **2.1 District Rights:** The Union recognizes that the District has the right to manage the District's operations and direct the work force. This includes the right to hire, transfer, assign, rotate, promote, reclassify, layoff, discipline and discharge employees limited only by the express conditions set forth in this Agreement.
- **2.2 Cooperation in Safety:** The Union agrees with the objective of achieving the highest level of employee performance and production consistent with safety, health and sustained effort. Both the Union and the District will use their best efforts to effectuate this objective.
- **2.2.1** Employee and Student Safety: If, in the course of his/her work duties an employee is assaulted or threatened the District shall investigate the incident(s) and report the incident(s) to law enforcement at the discretion of the employee or as deemed appropriate by the District.
- **2.2.2 Safety Regarding Student Supervision:** Any District employee, who believes there is a safety concern related to student supervision at a particular school should report it to the building principal, who will then attempt to resolve the concern and/or may submit such to the school safety committee. Issues that remain unresolved may be brought to the attention of the either party in Labor Management. This process does not waive the right of an employee to file a grievance to other provisions of this Agreement.
- **2.3 Cooperation in Quality Services:** The Union recognizes the responsibility as the exclusive bargaining agent of employees covered under the terms of this Agreement, and therefore agrees to cooperate with the District and lend support in improving the quality of performance, assist in accident prevention, and maintain good will between the parties.
- **2.4 Application of Rights:** Reasonable application of these rights shall be made by the parties. Where matters covered in this Agreement are also regulated by outside law, the bargained provisions are interpreted as co-extensive in scope with the outside legal requirements, unless broader coverage is clearly required by the language and bargaining history.

#### **Article 3 Union Rights**

- **3.1. Union Membership:** SEIU925 and the Employer understand that at the heart of our labor management relationship is the shared interest in providing the best services to the public. While we often agree, a strong and vibrant union provides a true partner in the labor management relationship when disagreement becomes necessary. Therefore, it is the expectation of both the SEIU925 and the Employer that the Employer and all agents and representatives of the Employer shall remain neutral on the issue of union membership and respect all employee's decision to join and maintain membership in their exclusive professional advocacy organization, SEIU925. To that end, all bargaining unit employees shall have the option of joining and maintaining membership in the SEIU925 upon employment with the Employer in a bargaining unit.
- **3.1.1 Notification:** The Employer shall notify SEIU925 and the SEIU925 chapter president of all new hires forty-eight (48) hours prior to the new hire's first day of work, or as soon as practical, including name, home mailing address, job title, phone number, work email, work location, and hire date.

- **3.1.2 Dues and COPE Deduction:** On September 1 of each contract year SEIU925 shall provide a full and complete list of bargaining unit employees who are current members of SEIU925 to the Employer, and shall provide updates, additions, and/or other changes in membership status to the Employer as soon as is practical, but not less than at least a monthly basis thereafter. Upon notification of an employee's
- **3.1.3 Union Membership Recission:** Union members requesting to rescind membership and membership in their exclusive professional advocacy organization shall make such request in writing to SEIU925, following the SEIU925 constitution and bylaws, and any and all relevant conditions, policies and procedures. Providing such conditions have been met, SEIU925 shall inform the Employer of such employee's non- member status consistent with the notification section of this Agreement, Dues and COPE deduction in section 3.1.2.
- **3.1.4 Indemnify and Hold Harmless:** SEIU925 agrees to indemnify and hold harmless from all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that shall arise against the Employer for, or on account, of any membership dues or COPE deduction made from the pay of a bargaining unit employee.
- **3.1.5 Non-Interference:** The Employer remains committed to its obligations under collective bargaining laws, including chapter RCW 41.56. These commitments include recognition that it would be an unfair labor practice "to interfere with, restrain, or coerce public employees in the exercise of their rights guaranteed by this chapter" or "to control, dominate, or interfere with a bargaining representative." RCW 41.56.140. The Employer agrees to reinforce with its administrators and supervisors the importance of these obligations.
- **3.1.6 Agency Fee Restoration Contingency:** In the event there is a change in law or holding by a court of competent jurisdiction that allow for the withholding of dues or an equivalent fee as a condition of employment, the SEIU925 and the Employer agree to restore the union security and dues deduction provisions of the CBA currently in force.
- **3.2 Notice of Employee Status change (New Hire, Transfers and Terminations):** The District agrees to notify the Union within thirty (30) days of status changes such as, transfer and termination of employees within the bargaining unit. Such information shall include job title and work location.
- **3.3 Union Meetings:** If scheduled during work hours employees may request and may be allowed to attend Union meetings at a time acceptable to the District, such approvals shall not be used to set precedent.
- **3.4 Board Meetings:** The agenda for each regular meeting of the School Board shall be available at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools by the Friday preceding each Board meeting. Any request to negotiate proposed changes of policy on the agenda that affect this Agreement shall be submitted in writing by the Union to the Superintendent no later than 5 p.m. on the day of the Board meeting. Where there is a conflict between provisions of the labor Agreement and the Board policy the terms of the labor Agreement shall prevail.
- **3.5** Union Representatives (Chapter Officers, Stewards, Bargaining Team and Labor Management Team Representatives): It is agreed that the Union shall have the right to establish shop stewards/chapter officers and other representatives to represent the bargaining unit membership. The Union shall inform the District of the names of the union representatives and their respective roles for each job classification. Such established stewards/officers selected by the Union to participate during working hours with

representatives of the District in matters of negotiation, grievance proceedings, conferences or meetings, and discipline representation shall suffer no loss of pay or benefits as a result of such participation.

3.5.1 Notification of Release: Notification of a union representatives need to be released from his/her paid duties for such matters shall be delivered to his/her appropriate supervisor in a timely manner prior to the release.

- **3.5.2 Right to Information:** When stewards/officers are acting on behalf of the membership, or any one or more individual members, he/she shall be entitled to such privileged or confidential information as is necessary for effective representation. Neither the Union nor any of its individual members shall hold the District, or any of its representatives, liable for abridgement of confidentiality, in the good faith execution of this paragraph. Information shared in such manner shall remain confidential. The District will have up to five (5) business days to fulfill the request.
- **3.6 Union Bulletin Boards:** The District will continue to provide a space in each building where Union materials may be posted. Proper notices of interest to employees may be posted on designated district bulletin boards by duly authorized representatives of the Union. The responsibility for the prompt removal of notices from the bulletin boards after they have served their purpose shall rest with the individual who posted said notices.
- **3.7 Application of Rights:** Reasonable application of these rights shall be made by the Union.
- **3.8 SEIU Member Development:** Members of SEIU Local 925 covered by this agreement shall have 300 hours total release time for special skills training and staff development as requested by the SEIU Chapter President per school year. Employees shall be required to request leave in writing to the supervisor a minimum of five (5) working days prior to release. When a member of SEIU Local 925 covered by this agreement uses this bank of hours, the District will bill the Union for the cost of a substitute, unless the District does not substitute to fill in for the employee, or to make up for lost productivity, within a year. The District has the right to deny persons this leave based on the needs of critical district services within the job duties. Both parties agree that no employee will be released to attend training that would be adverse to the mission or operations of the District as determined by the District.
- **3.9 Member Data:** The name, address, phone number, email address, job title, work location(s), District seniority date, current classification seniority date, FTE, wage rate, insurance plan(s) and premium costs to employee for each bargaining unit employee shall be provided annually by November 30 to the Union and supplemented at least monthly as new employees transfer work locations or terminate employment. Such information shall be provided to the Union in electronic format, preferably in Excel TM format.
- **3.10 District Mail System:** The Union shall have the right to use the District's inter-district mail system for a reasonable volume of appropriate announcements, newsletters and educational materials relating to the conduct of Union business on behalf of the Union members. The Union shall provide the District with a copy of any documents sent through the District's inter-district mail system for general distribution.
- **3.11 Annual Employee Orientation:** Prior to the beginning of the school year, Union representatives shall be provided with thirty (30) minutes at each beginning of the year workgroup meeting for the purpose of orientating and updating members on relevant issues prior to the start of school (including expectations and shared values regarding use of sick leave and daily attendance).

**3.11.1 Worksite Orientation:** New employees shall be given a basic worksite orientation within five (5) work days of the start of employment by the immediate supervisor or designee. A designated union building representative may be present.

The Human Resources Department shall notify the designated union representative(s) of the name of the new employee and the start date within forty-eight (48) hours of the hiring notification.

- **3.11.2 New Employee Orientation:** The Union shall develop a new member packet, which the District shall provide to each new employee upon hiring, provided the Union maintains an adequate supply of packets for the District.
- **3.11.3 Union Orientation:** Designated leaders and staff representatives shall have 30 minutes to meet on the job and on the clock with newly hired employees. Bargaining unit employees assigned to the union shall be released with pay inclusive of travel time if necessary for meeting with the new employee. Said meeting shall be scheduled at the end of the month when applicable.
- **3.12 Public Disclosure Records Act Notification:** Employer agrees to notify SEIU Local 925 and the affected employee(s) when it receives a request for records or information containing personal information of, or pertaining to, bargaining unit members unless there is an available exemption that would protect the personal information from disclosure. Employer will provide such notice as soon as possible upon receiving the request, but in no event less than fourteen (14) calendar days before the intended release date.

Notice will include:

- A copy of the public records request.
- A general description of the responsive records.
- The actual date the employer intends to produce the records unless it is served with a signed court order preventing disclosure.

Personal information includes any of the following, but is not limited to: residential address, residential telephone numbers, personal wireless telephone numbers, GPS or similar location coordinates, personal electronic mail addresses, social security numbers, driver's license numbers, dates of birth, work phone number, work email, work location, names of family members (including dependents and domestic partners), seniority date, union membership status.

#### **Article 4 Definitions**

- **4.1 Regular School Year Employee:** A regular school year employee work year shall consist of the State funded instructional days, plus four (4) additional contracted days and twelve (12) paid holidays. The purpose of the third additional contracted day is explicitly for professional development. The fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) of July holiday will also apply if the employee works the day before or the day after. Reduced school year days; whether through the District requesting an alternate school year, emergency waiver days or other reasons not related to the State redefining the number of instructional days will not result in reduced work days.
- **4.2 Regular Full Year Employee:** An employee who works on a regularly scheduled basis, eight (8) hours or less per day, for twelve (12) months a year.

- **4.3 Casual Employee/Casual Work:** A regular employee hired *beyond their* assignment year for work needed on a temporary, short time basis. Casual employees shall be subject to the terms of this Agreement. Casual employees shall be subject to the Union's membership requirements. Benefits other than retirement credit is excluded from casual labor work.
- **4.4 Substitute Employee:** A person, hired on an interim hourly basis, usually to fill the absence of a regularly scheduled employee. Only Article 1 Recognition, Article 2 District Rights, 13.5 Compliance with District Policies and Procedures, 9.4 Holiday Work, 17.1 Salary Schedules, and Article 20 Severability will be applicable to substitute employees. Substitutes do not receive benefits.
- **4.5 Temporary Leave Replacement Employee:** A Temporary Employee is an employee who fills in for a regular employee who is on a leave of absence for forty-five (45) work days or more. A Temporary Employee will be eligible for health benefits, vacation, holidays and other provisions enumerated in this Agreement.
- **4.6 Seniority:** Seniority shall be continuous length of service as of the first date of employment as a regular school term or full year employee under this agreement.
- **4.7 Classification Seniority:** Classification Seniority shall be the total length of service worked within a classification workgroup defined in 4.8 Classification. For purposes of application of classification seniority please see 13.9 Application of Seniority, 13.9.1 Application of Seniority
- **4.8 Classification:** Classification shall be defined in 1.1 Recognition, (Transportation, Food Service, Paraprofessional, and School Security Specialists), and as set forth in the salary schedule at the end of this Agreement.
- **4.9 Position:** Position shall mean a specific job title worked within a classification, as set forth in the salary schedule at the end of this Agreement.
- **4.10 Open Position:** Any newly created position to be filled or any previously existing or continuing position to be filled to which no existing employee will be assigned by the District.
- **4.11 Assignment:** An employee's assignment will be defined as the job description, shift and specific building or specific department.
- **4.12 Qualifications:** Qualifications for a position will be listed on the posting by Human Resources as the positions are posted, provided such qualifications may be subject to a labor management discussion upon request by either party.
- **4.13 Promotion:** A promotion shall be defined as movement into a position within a classification which has a higher hourly rate of pay.
- **4.14 Lateral Transfer:** A lateral transfer shall be defined as movement between like, or lesser, positions and like, or lesser, hourly rates of pay.
- **4.15 Probation and Probationary Employment:** Newly hired employees shall be considered on a probationary period for ninety (90) workdays and may be discharged at the District's discretion.
- **4.16 Contract Year:** Contract year shall mean September 1 through August 31.

#### **Article 5 Open Positions, Transfer and Promotion**

- **5.1 Open Positions:** The District reserves the right to determine whether or not a position which is vacated needs to be filled. The District will inform the Union leadership when they determine a position will not be filled. If a vacated position is to be filled the District shall post such position within ten (10) work days from the day the position has been known to be permanently vacated. The District will make every effort to fill the position within twenty-five (25) work days thereafter. Except Bus Drivers (see Article 14.11 Vacant/New Routes).
- **5.1.1 Vacancies Caused By Promotion:** Positions vacated as a result of a promotion will be posted as temporary 'Promotion Trial Period' until the twenty (20) work day promotional trial service period has been satisfied as referenced in 5.4.3 Promotional Trial Service Period.
- **5.1.2 Vacancies Caused By Leave of Absence:** A temporary position opened by an employee who is on leave of absence for more than forty-five (45) work days will be posted in-district for five (5) work days. Interested employees may submit a letter of interest to Human Resources. Employees who are not currently working under a Plan of Improvement may apply. If there is more than one employee requesting the position, then classification seniority will be the determining factor. If an existing employee accepts a temporary position, they will be able to return to their original position once the temporary position ends. If no employee makes a request the District will post the position for five (5) work days outside the bargaining unit. The District will screen files and hold interviews to determine the most qualified candidate. The individual awarded the position will be called a Temporary Leave Replacement Employee under 4.5 Temporary Leave Replacement Employee. A temporary leave replacement employee who was not a regular employee prior to receiving such assignment will accrue classification seniority in the classification for which they are working. A regular employee assigned to a temporary leave replacement position in different classification shall continue accrue seniority in their regular assignment classification for the duration of the temporary assignment. Should such temporary leave replacement assignment extend beyond the contract year, it shall be rebid at the beginning of the next contract year as a temporary leave replacement position.
- **5.2 Position Postings:** Open and new positions shall be posted in all buildings and departments. Posting may be through the District email forum. Open and new positions posted shall be emailed to identified SEIU labor leaders, or designee, to be posted in buildings and departments.
- **5.2.1** Regular School Year Employees who are currently qualified according to the attached Appendix B may apply for a posted position by following the Districts employment application procedure.

**5.3 Lateral Transfers to Open Positions:** If an employee desires to make a lateral transfer to the same position, or a lesser position, within the same classification that employee may notify Human Resources in writing of his/her desire within the posting timelines.

The District and the Union will meet to mutually agree that any request for movement to a lesser position is appropriate for the requesting employee.

Classification seniority will be the determining factor when more than one transfer request is received for a posting, provided that the most senior employee is not on a plan of improvement. Transfer requests will be granted prior to consideration of other applicants.

If an employee decides to vacate the position of their lateral transfer within the first ten (10) working days, he/she will return to their formerly held position and the next most senior person who requested a lateral transfer will be placed in that position.

- **5.4 Promotion:** All bargaining unit employees who have not received a letter of reprimand, within 12 months, may apply and will be considered for promotion.
- **5.4.1 Promotion Process:** Promotion to a higher position shall be based on the following:
  - 40% Assessments: The assessments shall include some demonstration of knowledge, skills and ability (KSA) as determined by mutual agreement between the District and SEIU. Employees who cannot demonstrate appropriate KSA competence shall be deemed unqualified for promotion, unless the District and SEIU mutually agree to a KSA development plan. If deemed unqualified see 5.4.2 Promotion Passover.
  - 40% by Classification Seniority as defined under Article 4 Definitions.
  - 20% by Interview with questions determined by mutual agreement between the District and Union.
  - The District shall promote the individual attaining the highest score based upon the before mentioned formula, unless the District and the Union agree otherwise.
- **5.4.2 Promotion Passover:** Any employee applying for a position within a classification who is passed over shall, upon written request, be given a written notice of such by Human Resources upon another candidate accepting said position. Any employee applying for a position as a promotion within a classification may request a meeting with District Human Resources to identify and discuss the reasons that the person was not selected. The sole purpose of such a meeting would be to give the employee feedback on areas of strength and areas needing improvements to enhance their opportunities.
- **5.4.3 Promotional Trial Service Period:** If, within twenty (20) work-days of the first day of the promotion, the promoted employee wishes to vacate the promoted position, he/she will be returned to the formerly held assignment. The promotion will then be offered to the employee with the next highest score.
- **5.5 Vacated Position No Longer Needed:** If the work of the vacated position is no longer needed by the District it need not be filled. If the District proposes to split a vacated position into multiple positions, it shall be referred to the Labor Management Committee for agreement.
- **5.6 Positions One and Three Quarter (1.75) Hours or Less:** Openings within a building for one and three-quarter hours or less need not be posted District-wide. Distribution of additional hours will be determined

by Human Resources. These openings will be advertised/announced within the building and awarded on the following basis:

- 1. Interest
- 2. Availability
- 3. Qualification
- 4. Seniority
- **5.6.1 Overload Allocations:** Openings within building(s) need not be posted District-wide. Overload hours shall be time sheeted and not considered applicable to Article 19.9 Time sheeting for continuous assignment. Additional hours will be allocated by Human Resources. These openings will be advertised/announced within the building and awarded on the following basis:
  - 1) Interest
  - 2) Availability
  - 3) Qualification
  - 4) Seniority
- **5.7 Posting Hours/Open Positions (Leave of Absence):** When an employee has been granted a Leave of Absence for more than forty-five (45) work days that position shall be posted within ten (10) work days of the approval of said leave.
- **5.8 Interview Team:** A member designated by the bargaining unit President will sit on each team that is interviewing for classifications within this bargaining unit. The member will receive his/her regular rate of pay. There shall be at least three (3) days' notice to the chapter leadership prior to the scheduling of open position interviews.
- **5.9 Extended School Year Employment:** The District will post and hire regular school year employees for summer employment before hiring non-bargaining unit or employees. Regular school year employees performing work within their classification will earn their normal rate of pay. Positions shall be filled by seniority and qualifications. Extended school year employment benefits are limited to PERS/SERS contributions.
- **5.9.1 Extended School Year Employment Special Needs (IEP Driven):** Additional work available within the bargaining unit working with Extended School Year (ESY) Individual Education Plan (IEP) students during the summer shall be posted by June 1. Provided they apply, paraprofessionals working directly with the IEP students in the program will be offered the additional assignment prior to other bargaining unit employees (one on one assigned paraprofessionals only). Should the previously assigned paraprofessionals refuse the additional assignment it shall be offered to qualified bargaining unit employees in seniority order.
- **5.9.2 Casual Labor Assignments:** Assignments for which there is no position on the salary schedule will earn casual labor rate of pay.
- **5.10 Involuntary Transfer:** The need for involuntary transfer may be brought forward by the District or the Union. The transfer will be for just cause; or the District and the Union will meet to mutually agree that involuntary transfer is appropriate. In the event that an employee will be involuntarily transferred, the District will first ask for volunteers for reassignment, if no volunteers come forward, then the least senior employee in the affected position will be reassigned, unless the District and the Union agree otherwise. Affected employees shall be afforded at least five (5) work days' notice. An employee may request an explanation from the District in writing setting forth the reasons for the transfer. The District shall discuss

and confer with an employee and the Union where there are changes in job responsibility. The Union reserves the right to negotiate the wages when there is a change in position currently covered by this Agreement or job duties of an employee.

#### Article 6 Reduction in Force, Layoff and Recall

- **6.1 Reduction in Force (Regular School Year Employees):** Should a lack of funds or other conditions make necessary a reduction in program hours and/or personnel, the following steps shall be used:
- **6.1.1 Current Classification:** Employees within a classification shall have the right to bump into any assignment for which she/he is currently\_qualified (as defined in 4.12 Qualifications) and is currently held by an employee with less classification seniority. Bumping shall be limited to whole assignments; for example, a senior employee must take the total number of hours assigned to the junior employee, despite the fact that the junior employee may have bid separately for the assignments she/he presently occupies.
- **6.1.2 Combining Assignments:** Employees shall be permitted to bump into any combination of assignments for which they are already qualified, provided that the time schedules of the assignments do not conflict.
- **6.1.3 Previous Classifications:** Employees may bump within any classification within this bargaining unit and in which the employee has had previous work assignment(s) based upon their current qualifications and seniority within that classification.
- **6.1.4 Large Scale Reduction:** Should a Reduction in Force impact more than 20% of hours or people within a classification or program, the district will meet with the union to discuss any change in configuration and whether or not a bidding process is utilized over bumping per section 6.1.5 and 6.1.6.
- **6.1.5 Bumping Process:** The process to accomplish the bumping necessitated by a reduction in personnel shall be mutually determined by the parties within the Labor Management Committee and communicated in writing to all affected personnel. The following bumping process shall apply for Paraprofessional and Food Service personnel:
  - 1) When reductions in hours are necessary for Paraprofessional and Food Service, the reduction shall affect employees in classification seniority order with the least senior employee being affected first.
  - 2) If an employee's hours have been reduced, they shall enter into the Reduction Procedure below. An employee who is reduced may elect to stay at the worksite and shall be deemed to be whole for the reduced time.
  - 3) Reduction Procedure:
    - a. To facilitate placement of employees who are identified for reduction, the district will develop with SEIU a list of positions eligible for 'bumping' and displaced employee(s) will select a position for which they are qualified, consistent with Section 6.1.1 Current Classification.
    - b. Eligible positions: Any position held by a less senior employee within the classification which would provide the same number of hours, or less, held by the employee identified for reduction and would not result in a pay increase.
    - c. Qualified shall mean: Current qualification within the position, previous documented training and/or relevant experience in the other skill area.
    - d. Employees displaced by this process will bump by classification seniority until no

- openings are available for placement within the classification.
- e. Remaining employee(s) displaced by the bumping process may be deemed to be laid-off and through the layoff and recall procedures bump into another classification under the other provisions of this article, Article 6\_Reduction-in-Force, Layoff and Recall.
- **6.1.6 Food Service Classification (Central Kitchen Manager):** In the event that a large-scale reduction within the Classification of Food Service becomes necessary, the Classification of Central Kitchen Manager will not be applicable within the reduction process. The Central Kitchen Manager positions will be included within the Classification of Secondary Kitchen Managers, by seniority date. The Assistant Kitchen Manager positions will be included below the Classification of Kitchen Managers, by seniority date.
- **6.2 Notice to Employee:** When the district determines that a RIF within this bargaining unit may be necessary, all employees that could be affected will receive a thirty (30) calendar day warning notice. Employees will receive fifteen (15) calendar days' notice of definite layoff.
- **6.3 Re-employment Pool:** Employees laid off shall be enrolled in the reemployment pool. Names shall remain on the pool roster for two (2) years from the beginning of the school year following layoff. Employees shall retain accrued sick leave, vested vacation rights, and seniority for a period of two (2) years. An employee on the pool roster shall not accrue additional benefits or rights during this time.
- **6.3.1 Address Notification:** Each employee on the pool roster shall file his/her address and contact information in writing with the Human Resources office and shall thereafter promptly advise the District in writing of any change of address or place of contact during any absence from the District of more than five (5) days.

#### 6.4 Recall from Layoff:

- a. **Loss of Hours:** By reverse seniority, employees who lose hours will have first right of refusal to acquire hours for which they are currently qualified, up to the number of original hours.
- b. **Lay Off:** Employees will be offered re-employment for which they are qualified in the reverse order of seniority, provided that no employee shall be offered a position having a greater number of hours than said employee was assigned at the time of their layoff.
- **6.5 Forfeit Re-employment Rights:** An individual shall forfeit rights to re-employment, accrued benefits, and seniority if:
  - a. Failure to comply with the address requirements.
  - b. Failure to respond or accept within three (3) work days to a verbal or written offer of employment by the District. Such offer shall be documented and placed in the employee's personnel file.
  - c. Rejection of an offer for re-employment.
- **6.6 Substitute List:** Laid off employees shall be placed on the substitute list upon written receipt of their request to the Human Resources office.
- **6.7 Reduction of Benefits:** Employees who have their work hours reduced less than two (2) hours a day shall not lose any current benefits for the remainder of the contract year.

- **6.8 Notification of Continued Employment (Regular School Year Employees):** The District shall deliver to all continuing school year employees, a 'Notification of Reasonable Assurance' document for the new school year; indicating the location and hours of the employee's continuing assignment (except in instances of Reduction in Force). The document will be distributed to employees no later than five (5) working days prior to the last day of school minus any increments added for one year only. If there should be any change in an employee's basic assignment, location, and/or hours, the District will make every effort to notify the employee at the earliest possible time.
- **6.8.1 Hours Reduced after Notification of Continued Employment:** If an employee has had their hours reduced for the new school year, the employee may exercise 6.1 Reduction in Force (Regular School year employees) of this Agreement.

#### **Article 7 Leaves**

**7.1 Leaves:** The intent of this Article is to provide a benefit to the employee for those purposes as provided. Abuse of the leave provisions, or the procurement of leave benefits under false reasons by an employee shall result in loss of pay for the duration of the leave and/or disciplinary action.

#### 7.2 Sick Leave

- **7.2.1 Regular School year employees:** A regular employee is entitled to and will be credited twelve (12) days of sick leave per year at the beginning of each contract year, prorated based on their position full time equivalency (FTE).
- **7.2.2 Substitute Employees:** Substitute employees shall accrue one (1) hour of sick leave for every forty (40) hours they work during a contract year.
- **7.2.3 Termination Prior to Actual Accrual:** In the event an employee should terminate employment having used, because of advance crediting, more sick leave days than entitled, adjustment to salary due but unpaid or procedures for repayment will be implemented by the District as appropriate.

#### 7.2.4 Sick Leave Purpose, Definition of Family, and Minimum Use:

- **7.2.4.1 Purpose:** In addition to use for emergencies (7.2.5 Emergency Leave), an employee may use accrued sick leave for the following purposes:
  - 1) Mental/Physical Illness, Injury, or Health Condition for themselves or family member,
  - 2) Treatment of Mental/Physical Illness, Injury, or Health Condition for themselves or family member,
  - 3) Preventative Medical Care for themselves or family member,
  - 4) Employer is closed by order of a public official for any health-related reason,
  - 5) Employee's child's school or place of care is closed by order of a public official for any health-related reason,
  - Absences that qualify for leave under the Washington State Domestic Violence Leave Act

- **7.2.4.2 Definition of Family Member:** The definition of 'Family Member' shall include Parent, Child, Spouse, Registered Domestic Partner, Sibling, Grandchild, Grandparent. Child and Parent shall include biological, adopted/adoptive, foster, de factor, step, in loco parentis, and legal guardian.
- **7.2.4.3 Sick Leave Usage Minimum:** Employees shall use sick leave in time increments consistent with the Employers payroll time tracking system, but in no case in increments beyond one (1) hour. *i.e.: If an employer's payroll system tracks time in 15-minute increments, the employer shall allow such employees to use paid sick leave in 15-minute increments.*
- **7.2.5 Sick Leave Accrual and Carryover Maximum:** Employees shall be allowed to accrue and carryover from year to year up to their annually contracted amount number of days up to a maximum of 260 days at a maximum of eight (8) hours per day.
- **7.2.6 Emergency Leave:** Four (4) days per year of the Sick Leave may be used as emergency leave. Emergency shall be defined as: business, illness, or injury in the family, paternity, or adoption. For emergency leave to be taken the problem must be of a serious nature, must have been suddenly precipitated and/or of such nature that preplanning could not relieve the necessity for the employee's absence. The problem cannot be connected with or an extension of any other leave provision except for situations beyond the employee's control.
- **7.2.7 Physician Statement:** An employee claiming sick leave benefits for more than five (5) consecutive work days may be required by the District to submit a written statement from the employee's health care professional which outlines the need for continued absence for medical reasons.

#### 7.2.8 Attendance Incentive:

- A regular school year employee who has perfect attendance within half a school year, shall be paid one (1) additional day of pay. The maximum amount of pay shall be two (2) workdays per year. Payments shall be included in the March and August pay warrants respectively. For purposes of clarification, the first half-year for school year employees shall be September 1 through January 31, and the second half year shall be February 1 through June 30.
- A regular full year employee who has perfect attendance within half a fiscal year shall be allowed one and one half (1.5) additional day to be added to the employee's vacation bank. The maximum number of days added to the vacation bank shall be three (3) days of vacation per year non-accumulative. For purposes of clarification, the first half fiscal year shall be September 1 through the last working day in February, and the second half fiscal year shall be March 1 through August 31.
- Use of Sick, or any Unpaid Leave, or more than one (1) Emergency Day per incentive period, will make an employee ineligible for the attendance incentive
- **7.2.9 Pregnancy:** A pregnant woman shall be allowed to work as long as she is capable of performing her job in a satisfactory manner, with written approval of her physician. Return to work must occur as soon as the employee is physically able to perform her duties. A written statement by her attending physician specifying the last date of physical disability must be presented to the District within thirty (30) days following the termination of pregnancy.

- **7.2.10 Termination of Employment and Reinstatement:** Upon termination of employment, sick leave benefits cease, unless the employee transitions from regular employment status to substitute status. If an employee transitions from regular employment status to substitute status, their sick leave bank is maintained. If an employee separates from employment and is rehired by the Employer within twelve (12) months, the Employer shall reinstate the employees previously accrued, unused paid sick leave, provided the bank of sick leave was not cashed-out at the time of separation.
- **7.2.12** Annual Conversion/Sick leave Buy Back: When an employee has accumulated in excess of sixty (60) eight-hour days of unused sick leave, the employee may elect to convert unused sick leave earned the previous year in excess of sixty (60) days to monetary compensation at the rate of twenty-five percent (25%) of the employee's current, regular daily rate of compensation for each full day of eligible sick leave. Any such election shall be made by written notice to the District payroll office during the month of January. Any such annual conversion of accumulated sick leave shall be subject to the terms and limitations of applicable regulations.
- **7.2.13** Attendance Incentive Program/Conversion Upon Retirement/Death: Any employee, who separates from District employment due to retirement or death during or at the conclusion of a school year, may elect (personally or by his/her personal representative, as appropriate) to convert accumulated unused sick leave days to monetary compensation at the rate of one (1) day's current compensation of the employee for each four (4) full days of accrued sick leave. No more than 180 accrued sick leave days (1440 hours) shall be eligible for conversion. Any such conversion shall be subject to the terms and limitations of applicable regulations.
- **7.2.14 Family Medical leave (FMLA):** Family Medical Leave will be administered in accordance with State and Federal laws.
- **7.2.15 Family Care Leave:** An employee may use accumulated sick leave and other paid leave to care for A) a child of the employee with a health condition that requires treatment or supervision; or B) a spouse, domestic partner, parent, parent-in-law, or grandparent of the employee who has a serious health condition or an emergency condition in accordance with RCW 49.12.265, RCW 49.12.270, RCW 49.78, and WAC 296-130. All normal conditions relating to appropriate use of leave shall be applicable to family care leave, including reasonable notice where possible and documentation of need upon reasonable request for verification.
- **7.3 Judicial Leave:** In the event an employee is summoned to serve as a juror, or is subpoenaed to appear in court on legal matters relating to Marysville School District business, such employee shall receive a normal day's pay for each day of required presence in court. In the event that any employee is a party in a court action not related to Marysville School District business, such employee may request a leave of absence without pay. If the employee has a minimum of two (2) hours remaining of his/her work day once dismissed by the court from further obligations, the employee will contact his/her supervisor prior to reporting back to work.
- **7.4 Military Leave:** In accordance with RCW 38.40.060, any employee who is a member of the Washington national guard or of the army, navy, air force, coast guard, or marine corps reserve, or of any organized reserve or armed forces of the United States shall be granted military leave of absence with pay for a period not exceeding twenty-one (21) days during each year beginning October 1st and ending the following September 30th. This paid leave shall be in addition to any other paid leave the employee might otherwise be entitled. The leave shall be granted in order that the employee may report for active duty, when called, or take part in active training duty in such manner and at such time as he or she may be

ordered to active duty or active training duty. Leave in excess of twenty-one (21) days for the purposes stated above shall be granted without pay for the additional duration of their duty. Copies of active-duty orders may be required by the District.

The District shall also comply with the Military Family Leave law, SB 6447 (is to be a new RCW chapter) as passed by the 2008 regular session of the Legislature, said law to be effective June 12, 2008. This law allows an employee who is the spouse of a member of the armed forces of the United States, national guard, or reserves who has been notified of an impending call or order to active duty, or has been deployed, to take up to a total of fifteen (15) days of leave per deployment after the military spouse has been notified of an impending call or order to active duty and before deployment or when the military spouse is on leave from deployment. In accordance with the law, the employee shall have the option to take such leave without pay or to utilize their accumulated paid annual leave.

The District will also comply with any applicable federal laws and regulations which provide military related leave benefits to employees covered by this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the 2008 amendments to the Family and Medical Leave Act which provide for a twelve (12) week "qualifying exigency" leave and a twenty-six (26) week military caregiver leave.

Should the laws mentioned in this Section be amended during the term of this Agreement, the District will comply with any such amendments.

- **7.5 Bereavement Leave:** An employee shall be allowed up to a maximum of five (5) days leave with pay, non-cumulative, after, but not necessarily immediately following, the death of any person residing in the employee's household and/or the following family members: spouse, domestic partner, parents, grandparents, children, grandchildren, in-laws, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and siblings of the employee or their spouse or domestic partner.
- **7.5.1** Bereavement Additional Leave: The District recognizes the need for additional bereavement leave outside of the allowed family members above. An employee shall be allowed one (1) non-accumulative bereavement day per employee year for the purpose of attending memorial services of people of import to the employee. If this day has been used, an employee's next option would be to use a personal leave day, or if none available, up to one (1) emergency leave day as per 7.2.5 Emergency Leave.
- **7.5.2** Bereavement Extended Leave: In situations where personal problems are a result of bereavement, the staff member may be granted an extended leave of absence without pay, upon approval of Human Resources pending Board approval. Such an extended leave shall not exceed ninety (90) days.
- **7.6 Disability Leave:** The District, at the employee's request, may grant a leave of absence for a disability in accordance with Federal and/or State law with or without pay depending on the type of leave and terms of this Agreement.
- **7.6.1 Application for Disability Leave:** The employee shall make application in writing to the Human Resources Office including a written statement by a health care provider concurring that a disability exists which requires such leave. In emergencies where prior application and approval is not possible, application for leave shall be made within ten (10) working days or, if the medical condition prevents earlier application, as soon as feasible.

- **7.6.2 Duration of Non-Labor & Industries Disability Leave:** Disability leave, unless otherwise granted by the District, shall extend until the beginning of the following contract year (September 1 through August 31).
- **7.6.3 Expiration of the Non-Labor & Industries Disability Leave:** Expiration of the disability leave shall be when the employee's attending physician confirms the ability of the person on Disability Leave to resume the essential functions of the assigned position. The Employer may, at its discretion and at its own expense, have the employee examined by a doctor of the Employer's choice at any time. Where the employee's physician(s) and the district's physician(s) disagree with the diagnosis a third physician(s) mutually agreed upon by the parties shall determine the disability or the burden of proof falls on the employee's primary physician.
- **7.6.4 Return to Work from Disability Leave (L&I and Other):** Upon expiration of Disability Leave the employee shall be assigned to the same position, shift, classification, hours and rate of pay or to an equivalent position occupied before the leave should the position no longer exist. In such instance the District and the SEIU will meet to discuss and mutually agree on the appropriate placement of the returning employee.
- **7.7 Parental Leave:** Employees will be granted three (3) additional non-cumulative days to be taken at the time of the birth or adoption of their child(ren).
- **7.8 Personal Leave:** Three (3) days of personal leave may be granted to an employee each year. Personal leave may be used with the pre-approval of the employee's supervisor. Employees may accumulate up to six (6) days of leave at any given time. If at the end of the school year the employee has days not used, the employee may request to be paid their current rate of pay for the unused personal leave time. Application for such cash-out must be submitted by August 31. Payment shall be made in the October pay period following such request. Employees whose personal leave balance will exceed six (6) days shall have such excess days cashed-out automatically.

Two (2) days of "limited" personal leave will be granted to an employee each year. Limited personal leave will be used with the pre-approval of the employee's supervisor. Limited personal leave will only be approved to be used if no sub is required, with the exception that Transportation and Food service employees may still require substitutes. Limited personal leave may not be used on days designated by the District or the building for professional learning. Limited personal leave is not accumulated and may not be carried over from year to year. If an employee's limited personal leave was denied it will go to Labor Management for review and possible cash out.

In the event a pay plan increases or decreases personal leave will be adjusted accordingly. Personal leave will be compensated at regular rate and hours at the time of use.

- **7.9 Personal/Emergency Leave Time:** Employees will be charged one hour minimum, except for transportation employees who will be charged actual route segment time when leave is used, under the provisions described in 7.2.6 Emergency Leave\_and 7.8 Personal Leave of this Agreement.
- **7.10 Self-improvement/Health Leaves:** The District, at the employee's request, may grant a leave without pay for self-improvement or health reasons for not less than forty-five (45) work days up to one (1) year. The employee will return to duty to the same classification, hours, and rate of pay. Additionally, the District will attempt in good faith to return the employee to the same position. In the event the employee cannot be returned to the same position, the District will give an explanation in writing if requested by the employee. The employee must notify the District in writing within one (1) month of

the end of the leave year of their intent to either return to work or request an extension for the following year.

- **7.11 Unpaid Leave of Absence; Short Term:** Employees may apply for unpaid leave, which may be granted by the District for unique and unusual personal reasons not covered by other provisions in this Agreement, including religious or ceremonial occasions. Application for such leave shall be made to the Human Resources Department using the District's current leave of absence process.
- **7.12 Light Duty:** Employees shall be allowed to return to work under light duty as prescribed by a medical doctor from a job-related injury, provided they are qualified and able to perform the duty of the new job assignment, and that light duty assignments are available.
- **7.12.1 Light Duty & Personal Injuries:** In the instance of a personal injury, the District shall consider light duty accommodations under the ADA or existing law (if applicable) and within employee classification and job title.
- **7.13 Temporary Recovery Assignment:** Employees injured while in the performance of their job who have filed a workplace injury or incident report who need to be absent from work may use sick leave or emergency leave. Employees may alternately request a temporary light duty assignment.

#### 7.14 Leave Sharing:

- 1. The purpose of this program is to permit District employees to come to the aid of an employee who is suffering from or has a relative or household member suffering from an extraordinary or severe illness, injury, impairment, or physical or mental condition which has caused or is likely to cause the employee to take leave without pay or terminate his or her employment.
- 2. Employees receiving such leave sharing benefits must have exhausted their accumulated annual leave for illness, injury and emergency, vacation days, and any other paid leave benefits available to them.
- 3. Employee's voluntary participation in this program will be governed by and in accordance with RCWs, WACs and District policies and procedures.

#### **Article 8 Hours of Work**

- **8.1 Work Week:** Eight (8) hours a day, for forty (40) hours per week, consisting of five (5) consecutive days normally Monday through Friday, excluding a thirty (30) minute duty-free lunch period in which the employee has no obligation to respond to work related issues, constitute the work week (for bus driver work week see 17.3.5 Drivers Work Week). If the District finds it necessary to change the normal workweek for individual positions, the District will confer with the Union relative to such changes. If an employee(s) is required by the Employer to work during this lunch period, the employee shall be paid.
- **8.1.1 Security Employees Work Week:** Security employees may be assigned a five (5) consecutive day work week other than Monday through Friday.
- **8.1.2 Scheduled Paid Lunch Period**: For positions identified by the District as necessary, appropriate or upon the request by an individual employee, the District shall consult with the Union to determine the appropriateness of establishing a paid lunch period, within a work day of more than five (5) hours. Any positions designated for a paid lunch period shall have this condition documented in writing and signed by the District, the Union and the Employee. Such approval may be subject to review and re- authorization on

an annual basis. In such cases, the District shall make every effort to provide the employee with an uninterrupted lunch period. If, however, and employees lunch period is interrupted due to the employee's performance of a task, upon completion of the task the lunch period shall be resumed until the employee has received thirty (30) minutes total mealtime. Time spent preforming the task is not considered part of the lunch period. The entire lunch period shall be paid without regard to the number of interruptions.

**8.2 Breaks:** Employees who work at least six (6) hours, except Transportation Drivers, shall be allowed two (2) ten (10) minute breaks.

#### 8.3 Overtime:

- **8.3.1 Overtime:** Hours over forty (40) hours a week, or eight (8) hours per day (excluding employees working in Bus Driver positions), consistent with the Department of Labor and Industries rules, except as noted in Article 9\_Holidays and Article 17 Transportation Working Conditions, shall be paid at one and one-half (1 1/2) times the employee's regular rate of pay.
- **8.4 Hours Worked on Sunday:** Hours worked on Sundays, shall be paid at two (2) times the employee's regular rate of pay, excluding those employees whose work week includes Sunday.
- **8.5 PERS/SERS:** All hours for which employees are compensated shall be reported by the District to the State Retirement System (PERS/SERS) in the legally correct manner which will maximize retirement benefits for the employee.
- **8.6 Regular School Year Employees Special Provisions:**
- **8.6.1** Emergency Modification of School Start Time/Closure: When an employee reports to work not having been notified per the District procedure, that employee shall receive a minimum of two (2) hours, or the equivalent of the employee's normal work shift, whichever is less, will be paid at the employee's appropriate salary rate. Employees must be willing to remain at work for the two hours, or the equivalent to their normal work shift, whichever is less, and perform duties as assigned by the site supervisor or designee; or the employee is released by the site supervisor or designee.
- **8.6.2 Call-Back Pay for Other Than Full-time Employees:** Employees who are called by the District to respond to an emergency at work outside of their regular work hours will receive a minimum of two hours pay at their appropriate contractual rate of pay. Compensation shall begin when the employees receive the phone call and ends when they leave the facility, or are released by the supervisor. Except Security employees, see Article 18 Security Personnel Working Conditions.

## **Article 9 Holidays**

**9.1 Paid Holidays:** Employees covered by this agreement will be paid for those holidays occurring during their employment period.

Labor Day (Sep)	New Years Eve Day (Dec)
Veterans Day (Nov)	New Years Day (Jan)
Thanksgiving Day (Nov) &	Martin Luther King's Day (Jan)
The following Day (Nov)	President's Day (Feb)
Christmas Eve Day (Dec)	Memorial Day (May)
Christmas Day (Dec)	Juneteenth (June)
	Fourth of July (Jul)
	Fifth of July (Jul)

- **9.2 Holiday Definition:** Time off begins at the close of the employee's work day preceding the holiday and ends with the start of the work day following the holiday.
- **9.3 Holidays Falling on Weekends:** Holidays falling on Saturday or Sunday, the day preceding or the day following the holiday shall be observed as holidays as provided by State Law and regulations.
- **9.4 Holiday Work:** An employee required to work on a paid holiday shall receive two (2) times the employee's regular rate of pay for hours worked, plus their holiday pay.
- **9.5 Holiday Pay:** Holiday pay for all employees shall be based on the employee's regular scheduled hours per day. There shall be no deductions of holiday pay for absence due to illness.

#### **Article 10 Vacation**

- 10.1 Regular School year employee Vacation Allowance Pay:
- **10.1.1 Vacation Allowance Pay:** Each new school year employee shall receive annually eight (8) days' vacation allowance pay at the employee's salary rate of pay. Vacation allowance pay for regularly scheduled school year employees will be pro-rated based on position FTE.
- **10.1.2 Vacation Allowance Pay:** Additional vacation allowance pay will be added to the employee's annual salary as follows:

<b>Actual Years of Service Completed</b>	Vacation Allowance Pay
0-4 years' service	10 Days
5-9 years' service	14 Days
10-14 years' service	18 Days
15 plus years of service	20 Days

**10.2 Regular Full Year Employee Vacation:** For employees covered under this Agreement who are regularly scheduled 12 months per year the vacation below shall apply.

**10.2.1 Twelve Month Vacation Days:** Each employee based on his/her FTE shall receive vacation pay at salary rate paid to employee at time vacation is taken, based on the following schedule:

<b>Actual Years of Service Completed</b>	Vacation Allowance Pay
0-4 years' service	15 Days
5-9 years' service	20 Days
10-14 years' service	25 Days
15 plus years of service	28 Days

Employees shall be allowed to carry over up to thirty (30) days of vacation per year.

- **10.2.2 Twelve Month Vacation Scheduling:** Vacations shall be scheduled and granted on the basis of seniority during the months of June, July, August or other non-student days authorized by the District. Vacations for employees not requiring a substitute may be scheduled at a time acceptable to the District and the employee. In the event that an employee is not able to use vacation because of a conflict with the District work schedule, an employee will be allowed to carry over in excess of the prescribed 30 days, but must use them in the subsequent contract year.
- **10.2.3 Twelve Month Retirement Accrual:** Twelve (12) month employees shall be allowed, for the purpose of retirement, to work their final twelve (12) months without vacation in order to be eligible for pay in lieu of vacation. Unused vacation shall be compensable upon termination of employment to a maximum of thirty (30) days.
- **10.2.4 Twelve Month Vacation Leave Cash-Out:** Effective September 1, 2015, employees may cash-out up to five (5) days of vacation leave, one time per fiscal year. Upon making notification to Payroll, the employee will be paid in the applicable pay cycle.
- **10.2.5 Twelve Month Vacation Notification:** It is agreed members of the SEIU925 12 month bargaining unit will provide at least three (3) days' notice (72 hours) if a substitute employee is required and at least one (1) work days' notice (24 hours) if a substitute employee is not required, if they expect their vacation request shall be granted under the contract. The Employer may grant vacation requests that do not meet the notice requirement on a case-by-case basis.

#### Article 11 Just Cause, Progressive Discipline and Termination of Employment

- **11.1 Discipline/Discharge for Just Cause:** The District shall have the right to discipline or discharge an employee for justifiable cause. The issue of justifiable cause shall be resolved in accordance with the grievance procedure hereinafter provided. If the District has reason to reprimand an employee, it shall be done in a manner that will not embarrass the employee before other employees or the public. Prior to any meeting between an employee in the bargaining unit and his/her supervisor where disciplinary action is anticipated to result, the employee will be notified in writing of his/her right for representation by the Union.
- **11.1.1 Investigations:** In the event an investigation has to be conducted by an outside agency (i.e., law enforcement, Child Protective Services, etc.), the District will conduct the investigation in accordance with said agency. Employees will be notified within 10 working days of the District's determination of the need of an investigation, and the District will keep the Union apprised on the progress of the investigation.

- **11.2 Progressive Discipline:** When issuing discipline, management will follow the steps of progressive discipline. Exceptions to progressive discipline can be made in the event of egregious employee misconduct. The Steps of progressive disciple are as follows:
  - a) Verbal warning (documented by a letter of direction/concern maintained in the supervisor's working file). After 18 months, an employee may review the contents of a supervisory file, and make the request to have letters removed at the supervisor's discretion. Letters in a supervisory file cannot be used to move to Step B in progressive discipline after 24 months, but it may be used to show notice.
  - b) Letter of reprimand.
  - c) Suspension without pay.
  - d) Termination.
- **11.2.1 Adverse Materials; Removal:** Any letter of reprimand as determined in 11.2 Progressive Discipline shall be removed after a period of two (2) years, provided that the behavior(s) to which the letter of reprimand refers does not recur, with the exception that all disciplinary actions for misconduct involving students, or for misconduct involving violation of law or implicating District legal liability toward others, shall remain for the extent of the employee's employment with the District. All other communications shall remain for the extent of the employee's employment with the District.
- **11.3 Notice Requirement:** Termination of employment, except in disciplinary cases, shall require ten (10) working days' notice. This applies to both the employee and the District. An employee shall be entitled to receive a statement from the District of reason(s) for discharge except as provided in 4.15 Probation and Probationary Employment.
- **11.4 Continuation Pay at Separation:** An employee who separates from employment will be eligible for a continuation of pay status on a prorated basis in lieu of vacation and personal leave day cash-out so long as the employee has worked for the District for at least twelve (12) months and has provided the District with written notification consistent with 11.3 Notice Requirement. Such employee may elect vacation, holidays, and personal leave cash-out in lieu of continuation pay.

#### **Article 12 Conflict Resolution and Grievance Procedures**

- **12.1 Grievance:** A grievance is an allegation by an employee, or the Union involving the application, interpretation or the violation of the terms of this Agreement. Grievances not submitted in accordance with the following procedures shall be considered waived:
- **STEP 1** An employee alleging a grievance shall discuss the grievance with the employee's immediate supervisor(s). Every effort should be made to resolve the grievance through free and informal communication. Alleged grievances not discussed with the immediate supervisor(s) within twenty (20) working days shall be considered waived.
- **STEP 2** A grievance not resolved at Step 1, may be presented by the employee to the Union. Should the Union agree that the grievance is valid, the grievance shall be reduced in writing and presented to the Human Resources Executive Director no later than ten (10) working days following the meeting/conference as provided in Step 1. A meeting will be scheduled within five (5) working days of receipt of the grievance. A written decision by the Human Resources Executive Director will be rendered by the District within five (5) working days of the grievance meeting.

**STEP 3** Should the employee and the Union agrees that the written decision (Step 2) is not satisfactory, within fifteen (15) working days, the grievance may be presented in writing to the Superintendent or his/her representative. A meeting will be held within five (5) working days of the receipt of the request and a written decision by the District rendered within five (5) working days of the meeting.

**STEP 4** Should the employee and the Union agree that the written decision (Step 3) is not satisfactory, within ten (10) working days of the receipt of the decision, the grievance may be submitted to the PERC for arbitration under their rules and within the following guidelines:

The Arbitrator shall limit his/her decision strictly to disputes involving the application, interpretation or alleged violation of specific articles and/or sections of this Agreement.

There shall be no appeal from the Arbitrator's decision if within the scope of his/her authority. It shall be final and binding on the Union, the employee(s) involved, the District, and the School Board.

The fees and expenses of the Arbitrator shall be borne by the party not sustained. All other expenses shall be borne by the party incurring them, and neither party shall be responsible for the expenses of witnesses called by the other.

The Union shall have an opportunity to be present at all grievance meetings.

**12.2 Failure to Submit to Next Step:** If an employee and/or Union fails to submit written grievances to the next grievance step within the time limit so specified, it will be assumed that the grievant has dropped the grievance at that level. If the District at any step fails to respond within the required time limits, the grievance shall automatically move to the next step. However, the District and the Union may mutually agree to extend the time limits at anyone of the steps.

#### **Article 13 General Working Conditions**

**13.1 Job Protection:** No member of management, teacher, unpaid helper, or any other employee of the District while actively engaged in their classification, shall take the place of, nor substitute for, a working person within the classifications covered by this Agreement, thus depriving a person of a job or hours of employment, except in the case of emergency.

The District agrees not to sub-contract out the work normally performed by the employees, except for an emergency. In the event that bargaining unit work is contracted due to an emergency, the District will report to the Union the nature of the emergency, the contactor used and the total dollar amount paid.

When a project, volunteer or otherwise, requires overtime based on workload, funding, time frames, etc., the District will assign the work to the specific department. If no employee is available to complete the project, the job will be put out to the public works process. The determination of individual overtime assignments by department will be made through the Labor Management Committee process.

Volunteer or Community Support projects are subject to the mutually agreed upon Maintenance department approval procedure.

- **13.2** Work in a Higher Paid Position: When a current employee is directed by the Supervisor to perform duties regularly performed by a higher-paid position, for which they are qualified, such employee shall receive a higher rate of compensation during that time. The employee shall be paid at the same step on the higher-paid position as they are on in their normal position. All work of this type must be pre- approved by the Supervisor or Principal, prior to time worked.
- **13.3 Experience Credit for New Employees:** New employees will receive recognition for public school experience consistent with State Law, including salary placement.
- **13.4 Travel:** If an employee is assigned to two (2) or more buildings, travel time from one building to another shall be included in time worked for purposes of calculating overtime, sick leave, vacations and other benefits of this Agreement.
- **13.5 Compliance with District Policies and Procedures:** Employees shall comply with all District policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Directors. Employees having contact with students shall maintain reasonable standards of behavior, personal cleanliness, and dress.
- **13.6 Vehicle Pick Up:** Employees when required to pick up vehicles from Transportation in the performance of their duties are entitled to have their work schedule begin and end at the Transportation Department.
- **13.7 Personnel File:** An employee's personnel file may be reviewed by the employee during regular office hours by making a request in advance with the Human Resources Department. An employee may request a copy of any communication placed in the employee's personnel file, likewise an employee may add letters of commendation, copies of certificates of completed courses etc.
- **13.8 Job Descriptions:** The District will provide a job description at time of employment in order for the employee to understand the requirements and responsibilities of the assignment. It is agreed that the Union or a representative may provide input to proposed changes in a job description upon notification from the District and schedule wage negotiations for changes therein.
- **13.9 Application of Seniority:** Seniority will prevail in matters relating to shifts, vacation, vacant/open positions, promotion, RIF/Layoff/Recall and extra work consistent with the other provisions of this Agreement.
- **13.9.1:** Seniority will not accrue when an employee is on unpaid leave in excess of half of their contracted days (including recognized holidays) such that a typical 10-month employee will not accrue seniority after ninety (90) work days and a typical 12-month employee will not accrue seniority after one hundred thirty (130) work days. An employee on Labor and Industries leave shall continue to accrue seniority for up to two (2) years while still employed. Such employees will continue to be noted on the appropriate seniority list.
- **13.10 Pay Period Schedules:** Employees shall be paid on a twelve (12) month basis, based on the employee's assigned salary rate/hours worked on the District's last business day of the month. Any exceptions to this practice will be taken to Labor Management.
- **13.11** Salary Rates and Change in Responsibilities: Salary rates shall remain constant to the end of the fiscal year, except for change of positions. The District shall open this Agreement for the purposes of bargaining salaries subject to State funding provided for classified personnel covered by this Agreement.

The Union reserves the right to bargain when additional responsibilities are added beyond those of the basic assignment for an existing position. The District will make reasonable effort to inform the Union when additional responsibilities are anticipated. When either the District or Union becomes aware that such a change may have occurred, the other party will be informed and both parties will attempt to resolve the issue within ten (10) working days.

#### 13.12 Employee Performance/Evaluation:

- 1. All new employees to the district will be evaluated within the first 90 workdays; thereafter employees are to be evaluated annually by an appropriate administrator or appropriate non-union designee. The evaluation may include input from appropriate personnel. The evaluation shall not be disciplinary and shall address the following areas: Basic Skills, Relationships, Self-directed, Work Force, Job Related Skills, Personal/Professional Strength.
- 2. The evaluation process shall be completed and the original copy sent to the Human Resources Department no later than the last day of school. However, if the probationary period overlaps the deadline, an annual evaluation is required for that year. Annual evaluations are considered to cover the period of July 1 through June 30 of the school year.
- 3. Each employee is required to sign the evaluation at the time of the evaluation conference with the administrator or non-union designee. The signature does not necessarily imply that the employee agrees with the statement(s), but that the employee has seen and discussed it with the evaluator.
- 4. An evaluation conference must be conducted by the evaluator, in person with the employee, allowing reasonable time for discussion of the evaluation. The evaluation will not contain unsatisfactory marks for any area that the employee has not had prior written notification or counseling.
- 5. If the employee wishes to make comments and wants extra time to prepare such comments, the signed evaluation form must be returned to the evaluator within two (2) working days from receipt of the evaluation. Original comments by employees must be made on the copy to be filed in the Human Resources Office. Once signed and filed in the Human Resources Office, that particular evaluation will become a permanent part of the employee's permanent personnel file.
- 6. If an evaluation of a regular employee's performance indicates unsatisfactory work performance, the evaluator shall work with the employee to develop a performance improvement plan. The plan must state the area of unacceptable performance, what the employee must do to improve, what support the evaluator will provide, the timeframe for expected improvement and the potential consequences for not improving performance. The employer shall create a plan with the employee to determine how often they shall meet to evaluate the progress of the performance plan.

**13.13 Cameras:** Video cameras may be used in the workplace to maintain the health and safety of staff, students and the community. Employees will be informed when a video camera is functioning, or is intended to function, in their workplace. Any employee subject to video surveillance may review a recording upon request to the District. Recordings made by cameras in the District may be used for discipline only in specific incidents of gross misconduct consistent with the Just Cause provisions of this Agreement. The District is not required to inform an employee they are subject to video surveillance during an investigation of alleged gross misconduct. The District shall inform the SEIU leadership when video surveillance is being used to investigate alleged gross misconduct. Such notification will only include that video surveillance is being used. The District will notify the SEIU leadership at the conclusion of any such surveillance and the result. Recordings, and any copies, shall be deleted one month, or less, from the date the recording was made, unless subject to an ongoing investigation. District review of recordings may be subject to labor management discussion to ensure recordings are only viewed on actual documented incidents.

- **13.13.1 Camera Request Form:** The District and the Union shall develop a camera request form through the labor management process.
- **13.14 Work Calendar:** The District shall, by the end of the first full week in June of each contract year, provide each employee with notice of the date of Day 1, Day 2 and Day 3 that will be worked for their classification to begin the next contract year. Once so notified, these dates shall not be subject to change, except when an emergency condition exists.
- **13.15 Staffing Analysis:** During the term of this Agreement, the District and SEIU shall jointly, through the labor management process, study existing staffing levels within current SEIU 10 (ten) and 12 (twelve) month classifications on an annual basis. Should the District and the SEIU collaboratively and mutually determine a staffing recommendation, such shall be jointly presented to the School Board for recommendation during budget development each year, prior to budget adoption. Should the parties not reach a mutual staffing recommendation, each may present a separate staffing recommendation to the School Board for consideration. Each party shall determine its representatives to any subcommittees developed to study and discuss such issues, which shall report to the full Labor Management Committee for consideration of determining a joint recommendation.

#### 13.16 Quality Public Services Student Supervision

To continue to promote safe and healthy schools the District has developed an ongoing workgroup of stakeholders called the student supervision task force. The task force will meet regularly to determine and develop the appropriate level of staffing to support the student supervision needs in the District, including open common areas, cafeterias (breakfast, lunch), recess areas, bus loading and unloading zones, on school buses, etc.

The SEIU leadership may designate one member from each primary workgroup represented by SEIU to serve on this task force.

Each school year, the workgroup will meet at least quarterly and shall evaluate and make recommendations by April 30<sup>th</sup> each year, for the following school year, that include:

- 1. Staff input to help develop common expectations,
- 2. Student supervision staffing ratios (including paraprofessionals and building leadership),
- 3. Appropriate staff training,
- 4. Ongoing evaluation and assessment,
- 5. Facility modification improvements,

The SEIU Leadership may designate two (2) representatives (one from each bargaining unit) to serve on the District's Student Discipline Task Force. The purpose of this committee is to review discipline laws. In doing so, we will examine our current models and work toward an efficient way of measuring and responding to disruptive behaviors in our schools. The task force shall meet monthly.

Based on the recommendations, the District will provide annual training for all SEIU staff who may have student contact. Such topics may include the following topics with periodic refresher trainings on an ongoing basis:

- Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS),
- D-Escalation,
- Boundary Invasion

Additional topics for training may be identified by the student supervision task force.

# **Article 14 Paraprofessionals Working Conditions**

**Section 14.1 Paraprofessionals Assigned to Busses:** To be eligible for a bus route Paraprofessionals must apply to Human Resources. An applicant pools by seniority of hire date as a Paraprofessional will be kept in the Special Education Department.

A paraprofessional's assignment will begin each new school year with the hours that they ended with the previous year. After the annual bus re-bids Special Education Department will be notified of existing routes and changes. On or before the second Monday in November, bus Paraprofessionals will be afforded an opportunity to apply for posted bus paraprofessional positions using the Marysville School District application process. Seniority will be the determining factor when filling these positions until the next November bid process.

A mandatory in-service of at least four (4) hours will be held annually before the beginning of each school year to review district policies and/or changes in state or federal regulations.

Acceptance of a route must clearly guarantee that there is not a conflict in existing, basic assignment hours and that no basic assignment adjustments will be made in order to accept a route. Infrequent, predictable schedule changes should be reviewed by the Paraprofessional or the Special Education Department for consideration prior to selection of routes.

Paraprofessionals being hired for a bus route will be contracted for the hours of the route assignment and paid over a twelve month or prorated period with accompanying benefits. It is the responsibility of the Paraprofessional to record daily all reduced or extra minutes on a monthly time sheet. All bus routes are subject to contractual elimination. Any Paraprofessional who is assigned to a bus route that is eliminated goes back to the Pool. If additions to a route should cause an employee to exceed 40 hours per week the district and the union should meet to determine the solution.

**14.2 Opening of Schools:** The building principal shall be authorized to allocate thirty-two (32) hours for two (2) or more paraprofessionals prior to the opening of school each school year. Paraprofessionals will be chosen according to availability, interest, qualifications, and building seniority. Principals have the authority to employ additional Paraprofessional with their building budget funds.

#### 14.3 Employee Equipment:

- A. The District shall provide safety vests and any other safety gear required by law to all crossing guards.
- B. The District will furnish a safety kit to each Paraprofessional assigned to playground duty.

- **14.4 Class Size:** Paraprofessionals shall support the instructional activities, as directed by the District of not more than six (6) students at any one time.
- **14.5 Health Room Assistants:** All Health Room Assistants designated time will be allotted for Health Room only. Any extra Paraprofessional time will be adjusted at the beginning and end of the Health Room Assistants' shift.

Health Room Assistants shall be informed of any medical condition that would impact the Health Room while a student is in the HRA's care. The HRA shall also have access to all student's health plans, immunization records, IEPs, 504 plans and/or public health records from the cumulative file.

HRAs shall be assured access to a computer and training necessary to view and enter data regarding student health issues.

All Health Room assignments will be determined annually through labor management. However, HRA pay plan hours will not be affected based on their seniority according to 4.6 Seniority. The District will work to the best of their ability to ensure on a daily schedule when the HRA is at lunch or on break from the Health Room, the substitute shall be an employee from the Para-Professional classification within the building with Health Room training.

Health Room Assistants will be allowed two (2) additional days at six (6) hours per day prior to the start of the instructional school year for the purpose of setting up the health room, training, and preparing for the coming school year. An additional day, at the discretion of the building principal, may be provided based on the needs of the school. All days provided in this section will be time sheeted.

- **14.6 Immunizations:** All paraprofessionals II's and HRA's shall be provided Hepatitis B immunizations as needed and influenza shots annually.
- 14.7 Variable Assignment Employees (Rovers): The District shall hire additional positions within the paraeducator, transportation and nutrition service workgroups. Transportation rovers shall be guaranteed eight (8) hours per day. Paraeducator rovers shall be guaranteed six (6) hours per day. Nutrition service rovers shall be guaranteed four (4) hours per day. All rover positions shall be paid an additional one (\$1.00) per hour premium rate above their regular rate of pay. Rovers will be assigned to fill in for temporarily vacated positions (sick leave, bereavement leave, vacation, short duration leave, or additional workload support, etc.) and understand their location and assignment may vary from day to day.

The District shall maintain at least five (5) rovers in transportation, at least five (5) rovers in custodial, at least five (5) Paraeducator rovers, at least (2) additional rovers specifically trained and prioritized to perform HRA work=, and at least two (2) rovers in nutrition services.

The use of rovers or substitute employees shall not abridge the ladder-up process within a school.

#### **Article 15 Registered Nurses**

- **15.1** Work Days and Hours of Work: Nurses covered by this Agreement shall be scheduled seven and one-half (7.5) hours per day for one hundred ninety (190) days per year. The additional days beyond the instructional days will be calendared by the individual Nurses and submitted to Human Resources. Nurses covered by this Agreement will be offered the opportunity to timesheet up to an additional five (5) days per year provided they notify their immediate supervisor prior to when the time is worked. The regular work day shall be seven and one-half (7.5) hours per day. One-half (0.5) hour per instructional day (a total of ninety-five hours) will be contracted for each Nurse for the purpose of using for additional duties that may need to occur outside of the regular work day. Such time will be documented as it is worked and submitted to the District consistent with appropriate payroll practice and procedure
- **15.2 Stipends:** Cell Phone Stipend: Each Nurse covered by this Agreement is required to have a cell phone available for their use while at work and will be provided a monthly stipend in the amount of twenty-five (\$25) dollars to cover the cost of their personally provided phone or in lieu of the monthly stipend will be provided a District smart phone.
- **15.3** Breaks and Meal Periods for Nurses: Nurses will schedule a thirty (30) minute unpaid meal period.
- **15.4 Stipend for Additional Duties:** Health room coverage in the event of HRA absence or position vacancy. Registered nurses will receive a seven-hundred- and fifty-dollar (750.00) stipend to compensate for additional duties resulting from health Room Assistant absences.

# **Article 16 Food Service Working Conditions**

- **16.1 Assignment of Additional Time:** When additional time is required as a result of employee absence(s), workload fluctuation, emergencies or any other reason, such additional time shall be assigned to the regular hourly employees of the affected site.
- **16.2 Catering:** Procedures for extra work will be explained and distributed to employees once a school year. Interested employees will notify the Food Service Director and the District will provide a notification to the Union. The list will be split between school year and non-school year. The school year list will be developed at the beginning of the school year and the summer list will be developed by the last day of school. Premium pay of one-half dollar (\$0.50) per hour will be paid to employees performing catering duties.
- **16.2.2 For Offsite Events:** If catering event is performed offsite during the school year and during normal food service hours the extra work shall be equitably assigned among available qualified employees at the main food supply company drop schools. (Currently but not limited to Marysville Pilchuck Campus, Marysville Getchell Campus, Marysville Tulalip Campus, Marysville Middle School, Totem Middle School, Cedarcrest Middle School, and Quil Ceda Elementary School.
- **16.2.3 For Offsite Not During School Year:** If catering event is being performed offsite at any time through the year and outside of normal food service hours the extra work will be equitably assigned among available qualified employees on rotation by seniority according to annual sign-up sheet.

- **16.3 Food Service Time Sheeting:** At the beginning of each school year, time utilized in the development of kitchen operation shall be time sheeted without adding time to pay plan. After October 1 of each year, 19.9 Time Sheeting will apply, with Food Service Supervisors prior approval.
- **16.4 Certification Stipend:** Certification Program Employees are encouraged to develop standards of excellence in school food service through continuing education. The certification program as established by the School Nutrition Association is recognized by the District as a means of achieving excellence. Employees who achieve certification pursuant to School Nutrition Association program at Level I, II, or III will be eligible for additional compensation each year as specified in Appendix A of this Agreement. Verification of certification completion will be made by the District. In the event that an employee fails to become recertified, the employee will be dropped from the certification program and the added compensation will terminate as of the month in which certification is no longer effective. Payment of the stipend will occur in one lump sum the month after the District is notified the certification has been achieved
- **16.4.1 Registration/Tuition Reimbursement:** The District shall reimburse employees the cost of registration/tuition if enrolled in a class/seminar that leads to certification in the School Nutrition Association (SNA). All class(es)/seminar(s) must be taken during the school year or WSNA/SNA conferences or classes during the summer and must be pre-approved by the District Supervisor of Food Services. All registration and tuition costs shall be reimbursed upon the successful completion of the class/seminar and shall not exceed \$1,000 per employee per year (September 1 through August
- 31). To be eligible for reimbursement, employees will be limited to taking one class at a time; i.e., any additional class/seminar will be subject to pre-approval after the completion of the previous class/seminar.
- **16.4.2 Food Service Knowledge, Skill & Ability Compliance:** All Food Service employees will be provided training to comply with state/federal law, regulations and guidelines.
- **16.5 Food Handler's Card:** The District will compensate Food Service employees through their pay warrant for the cost of maintaining their food handler's card.
- **16.6 Ladder-Up Procedure:** When employees are on leave for less than forty-five (45) work days the following procedure shall be used to assign the work:
  - A Positions shall be filled by first asking employees at the work location, first in position promotional order, then by classification seniority to fill the position, such that there is an opportunity for each employee to move into a position with more hours or pay (ladder-up).
  - B It shall be the expectation that temporary short-term vacancies shall be filled in this ladder-up fashion.
  - C In the event that there is no one who wants to fulfill the needs of the leave within building or classification, respectively, the position will be filled by a substitute.
- **16.6.1** In the event that the position becomes permanently vacated it will be filled according to Article 5, Open Positions, Transfer and Promotion.

#### **Article 17 Transportation Working Conditions**

- **17.1 Transportation Employees/Regular Driver** Motor pool Driver: A school year or beyond employee, with a regular daily assignment.
- **17.2 Transportation Employee/Substitute Driver/**Substitute Motor pool Driver: A driver who is not a regular driver who is called in to replace the regular driver unable to perform his/her daily routes. Regular drivers, not having a mid-day route will be given first priority for substituting for open routes or route segments.
- **17.3 Transportation Employee/Motor pool Driver:** A school year or beyond employee, with a regular daily assignment, transportation students to and from school, between schools, or duties as assigned. Assignment hours will be assigned by seniority. Assigned schedule shall change based on student needs at the discretion of the Director of Transportation.

If a Motor pool driver is using a Class C bus, they shall be paid at step one of School bus driver wages, according to their years of service on current pay scale.

All existing Motor pool drivers shall move from a non-represented position to a position represented by the SEIU-925 10-Month Bargaining Unit. Any current Motor pool employee at or above Step 1 of the Bargained Salary Schedule shall be assigned at one Step above their current rate of pay, to include benefits, and their Vacation Allowance Pay. Any new employee or current employee shall be placed at Step 1 of the Motor pool classification of the SEIU 10-month Salary Schedule.

- **17.3.1 Basic Transportation Routes:** Basic routes are routes established to serve students to and from schools(s) a part of the regular or special education requirements for the individual student. Basic routes are established by the Transportation Supervisor. Seniority will be recognized by the District as the consideration for filling all transportation basic routes.
- **17.3.2 Route Segment:** A portion of a route that has an independent origin and destination from any other portion of a route.
- **17.3.3 Definition of Route:** The basic routes would consist of one (1) or more of the following route segments (A.M. & P.M.):
  - A. High Schools (9-12) B. Middle Schools (6-8)
  - C. Elementary Schools (K-5)
  - D. All Other Routes, except Kindergarten, Activity and extra trips (Section 17.13)
  - E. Mid-day packages consist of one (1) or more segments which occur between the AM drop off and the PM pickup.
- 17.3.4 Flow/Layover Time: Paid non-driving time that is 30 minutes or less between route segments.
- **17.3.5-Non-Driving Duties:** Non-driving requirements are pre-trip, post-trip, interior bus cleaning, fueling and completing departmental reports.

- **17.3.6 Drivers Work Week:** For the purpose of bidding extra work, Transportation uses Monday through Saturday to bid up to a forty (40) hour work week. Drivers may bid on any Sunday or overnight trips regardless of accumulated hours.
- **17.3.7 Extra Trip:** Estimated to take at least two (2) or more hours to complete.
- 17.3.8 Shuttle: Estimated to take less than two (2) hours to complete.
- **17.3. 9 One-Way Trips:** Trips where the driver either only picks up or drops off students and does not stay for the event.
- **17.3.10 Split Trip:** Trips where the driver only drops off students and does not stay for the event and either on the same day or on a later date another driver picks up the same group at a designated time and returns them to the initial origin of the trip.
- **17.4 Route Packages:** All route packages in A through E above shall be approved by the Supervisor of Transportation. A route package may be disapproved to save one quarter (1/4) hour or more, and/or because of geographic conflict. If a route package is disapproved by the Supervisor of Transportation, upon request from any employee so affected, shall give the reasons for disapproval in writing.
- **17.5 Seniority:** All basic routes, as determined by the Transportation Supervisor, will be filled on a seniority basis allowing the more senior drivers to qualify for up to a forty (40) hour work week (Monday through Friday).
- **17.6 Route Pay:** Basic routes will be paid to the next five (5) minute increment and shall be computed from the time the bus leaves the garage, completion of the route, and return to the garage.
- **17.6.1 Pre-Trip/Post Trip Time and Responsibilities:** A total of thirty (30) minutes additional time shall be included per day for non-driving requirements on basic routes and ten (10) minutes additional time shall be included for mid-day routes, which will include warm-ups, pre-trip and post-trip inspections, clean-up, shut down, fueling, washing buses, and departmental reports. The post trip inspection requires checking the bus for students and belongings, placing the bus empty sign in the appropriate window, completion of mileage log and post trip form, walking the exterior of the bus checking for damage, defects, and that lights are turned off.
- **17.6.2 Flow/Layover Time:** Drivers may choose to be paid for up to thirty (30) minutes lay-over time when thirty (30) or less minutes exist between runs. Flow time may be used to fill out paperwork/tickets or other work as assigned during the flow time period, provided the driver is in a location conducive to such assignment.
- **17.6.3** Time sheeting for Washing Buses: Each driver may timesheet up to three (3) hours per school year to wash buses.
- **17.7 Driver Pay Plan:** The driver pay plan shall be determined by adding up each day's time for five (5) consecutive days, divided by five (5), and round up to the next whole five (5) minutes, i.e. .29 = 17 minutes, round up to 20 minutes. The pay plan shall be adjusted as needed retroactive to the first date of assignment, minus any time sheeting.
- **17.7.1 Segment Posting Time:** In the event a route is posted as "non-continuing", and said route goes beyond thirty (30) working days, the time will be included in the employee's pay plan.

**17.8 Additional Responsibilities:** When additional responsibilities are added to non-driving time by the Transportation Supervisor, time consumed by drivers on disciplinary problems, filling out misconduct reports, parent phone calls and also updating maps and routes, the time shall be paid for at the driver's regular rate of pay.

**17.9 Initial Bid for Routes:** The initial bid for routes will take place in August or early September of each year prior to the start of school. All routes in the initial bid shall be posted at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the initial bid day. Drivers will be allowed thirty (30) minutes time to preview posted routes. This time may be counted against the Day 1 and Day 2 time. For initial bid, drivers shall be assigned a time to bid in seniority order. Bidding will take place during either Day 1 or Day 2.

**17.10 December Re-bid:** Routes shall remain packaged for the December re-bid with the exception of late activity. Any route that is increased by one-half (1/2) or more hours after the initial annual bid shall be subject to re-bid on the first Monday in the month of December by the regular bus drivers, provided that it will increase their time by at least fifteen (15) minutes.

**17.11 Vacant/New Routes:** When a route becomes vacant or a new route is established, the route will be posted for forty-eight (48) hours; regular drivers shall be allowed to bid on a seniority basis, provided that it will increase their time by at least thirty (30) minutes.

**17.12 Driver Assignment Practices:** It is understood that a driver's primary responsibility is to his/her basic route assignment unless a trip shall allow a regular driver to acquire more time than their basic A.M. or P.M., or mid-day route. Then said trip shall be given to the most senior driver and a substitute driver shall be placed on that driver's route. Extra trips shall be assigned in accordance with Section 17.14 Extra Trip Bid Procedure.

**17.13 Extra Trips:** Time shall be computed to the next quarter (1/4) hour and shall be computed from the time the bus leaves the garage until the bus returns and is secured. All extra trips shall receive fifteen (15) minutes additional time for non-driving requirements.

If the district cancels the trip prior to the driver's regular route, the regular driver will do their own route. If a substitute is already driving the route, the regular driver will be paid the route time they requested to be covered by a substitute. If the cancelled trip is rescheduled within the same workweek, the driver who was cancelled has the first opportunity to select the rescheduled trip before it is posted as an open trip, providing it will not put them into overtime. If a driver is not able to reschedule the trip within the workweek, they will receive two (2) hours pay at their regular rate.

Weekend trips shall have a minimum of four (4) hours pay, if the District cancels the trip. It is further agreed that the drivers on split trips (shuttles not included) shall be paid a minimum of four (4) hours, for each segment on split trips. The Transportation Supervisor shall select the driver(s) where adverse conditions or mountain driving exist, provided the Transportation Supervisor explains, and puts forth in writing if requested, the criteria used to make the decision.

- A. The four (4) hour minimum for cancelled trips does not apply to shuttles. A shuttle is a trip that is less than two (2) hours in length. Weekend shuttles shall have a minimum of two (2) hours pay, if the District cancels the shuttle.
- B. Any driver selected for an extended trip, which is in excess of fifteen (15) hours in duration and a minimum of 200 miles one-way will have lodging provided by the District for the purpose of

- uninterrupted rest. Selected trips requiring lodging and its cost will be scheduled and approved by the originator of the prior approval.
- C. Drivers shall be paid their regular salary for eight (8) hours or the actual driving or mandatory on duty time, (on duty time is when the driver is instructed by staff that he/she must stay on the bus) in excess of either of the above. Overtime shall apply only to actual driving or on duty time in excess of forty (40) hours per week.
- **17.14 Extra Trip Bid Procedure:** To be eligible to bid on trips, you must be a regular driver with the ninety (90) working days probation completed. Substitutes who select trips are subject to supervisor approval. A written proxy bid is acceptable only when an employee is performing an assignment for Marysville School District. Within the same week of an extra trip, a driver may "swap" up to three (3) days in order to be eligible for the extra trip. This process will be allocated by seniority and limited to three (3) "swapped days" per school year
- **17.14.1 Requests Received:** The Transportation Supervisor or designee shall be permitted to select any available driver or substitute if a transportation request is received twelve (12) hours or less from the time the trip is to actually commence, or in an emergency. All attempts will be made to honor the seniority roster.

If a trip request comes in after the scheduled bid, but longer than twelve (12) hours from the trip commencement, it will be posted until 8:15 a.m. the following day for drivers to sign up. The senior driver who will not go over forty (40) hours will be awarded the trip.

- **17.14.2 Posting:** Trips will be posted on the Trip Board by noon on Thursday of each week. The actual bidding will take place the following Friday morning at a time to be determined by the Union and the transportation supervisor. Trips posted shall contain the following information: a) The program, b) the departure and return times, and c) the destination.
- **17.14.3** Bidding on More than One Trip: A driver that bids on more than one trip for a particular day must indicate next to his/her name the selection preference from first, second, third, etc. If no preference is indicated, the trip with the lowest trip number successfully bid will be awarded. In order for a driver to bid on a trip he/she must have a monetary gain. The monetary gain may come from standby time.
- **17.14.4 Trading:** There will be no trading of trips allowed.
- **17.14.5 Bidding over Forty (40) Hours:** Drivers that select a trip that they know at the time they bid will put their total hours for the week over forty (40) hours will be penalized by drivers being ineligible to bid trips for a specified period of time as noted below. For clarification purposes, extra trips shall be defined as those bid by drivers including weekly extra trip bids and the succeeding  $2^{nd}$  round trip bids (*known as 1,2,3s*).
  - 1. On the first offense the driver will not be able to bid on extra trips for the next two (2) consecutive weeks, or two (2) weeks that the driver would be eligible to bid.
  - 2. A second offense within the same school year will not allow the driver to bid on trips for the next four (4) consecutive weeks.
  - 3. A third offense within the same school year, will not allow the driver to bid on trips for the remainder of the school term.

- **17.14.6 Postings Change:** If the posted time of a trip increases or decreases in total time in excess of four (4) hours after the trip is bid or a destination change of twenty-five (25) miles or more, the assigned driver may forfeit the trip without penalty.
- **17.15 Overnight Trips:** The District shall pay for all allowable travel expenses during the duration of said trip through the District's per diem reimbursement process. Drivers shall not normally be required to serve as a chaperone nor share accommodations. The driver shall be compensated a minimum of eight (8) hours per day at their regular rate of pay. Any non-driving time above the eight (8) hour minimum shall be paid at standby time. The Transportation Supervisor shall select the driver(s) where adverse conditions exist, provided the Transportation Supervisor explains, and puts into writing if requested, the adverse conditions that exist.
- **17.16 Overnight Trip Qualifications:** Only drivers who have been certified school bus drivers for a minimum of four (4) years plus one (1) year with the Marysville School District will be eligible for overnight trips. Drivers with less than four (4) years and one (1) year with the Marysville School District may be granted a trip if said trip is utilizing more than one (1) bus and one (1) of the drivers on the trip has five (5) or more years of experience as an authorized school bus driver.
- **17.17 Premium Pay for Wheelchair:** Drivers assigned the responsibility of transporting wheelchair, students and car seat and harness students shall receive thirty (30) cent per hour premium until completion of the route segment. Minimum hours for premium pay to be one (1) hour per route. The number of hours for premium pay shall be determined by the Union and the Transportation Supervisor.
- **17.18 Standby Time:** Drivers assigned extra trips other than overnight trips shall be paid at their regular rate of pay from the time the bus leaves the bus garage until its return, up to a maximum of eight (8) hours. Driving time more than eight (8) hours shall be paid at the regular rate of pay. Drivers who are on duty more than eight (8) hours, but driving less than eight (8) hours, shall be paid standby time for the time beyond eight (8) hours. Standby time rate of pay shall be the prevailing minimum wage per hour. The District will pay overtime for all driving time over forty (40) hours per week.
- **17.19 Transportation Closure Due to Weather:** Should school continue to be held during such time as weather and/or road conditions do not allow buses to run, drivers will be allowed to perform other duties to fulfill contract time. Duties and schedules will be assigned by the Transportation Supervisor.
- **17.19.1 Early Dismissals:** Drivers who lose hours as a result of "early dismissals", late starts, and/or conference days, the driver shall be guaranteed no less than the original contract time. Drivers must remain on site and be available for fill in work (paperwork related to the operation of transportation, driving whatever routes are needed, etc.) If a driver chooses not to accept fill-in work, he/she will sign off on a time sheet that he/she accepts losing original contract time.
- **17.20 Guaranteed Hours:** Each regular driver will have a guaranteed minimum of two (2) hours: Two (2) hours to include:
  - A. Morning and afternoon regular routes.
  - B. Non-driving time (A.M. and P.M. Pre-trips and Post-trips)
  - C. Drivers that are required by the Transportation Supervisor to prepare regular education kindergarten routes, including plotting stops, phone calls to parents and schools, and submitting to the Transportation office estimated stop times prior to the start of school, shall be paid up to two (2) hours' time. Drivers requiring additional time may be granted extra time by the Transportation Supervisor. All preparation time must be pre-approved by the Transportation Supervisor and with notification to the union steward.

- **17.21 Out of District Student Transportation:** If assigned route/shuttle involves transporting a student(s) out of district, only the regular or substitute Marysville driver shall transport said student(s) involved. This also applies to road closures or conflicting district calendars. Drivers called in on above mentioned day(s) and who are required to drive part of their route shall be paid the two (2) hour minimum.
- **17.22** Bus Driver/Trainer: The District agrees to retain or to send one (1) driver to school to be certified as a trainer, to be responsible for the training of drivers when required at a premium pay of \$2.00 per hour for time spent on the road training or in the classroom training.
- **17.23 Time Sheets:** The transportation time sheet will be provided to drivers and include types and numbers of trips as well as hours. The monthly time sheets for hourly employees shall be available in the Transportation Office for review prior to submitting to payroll. It is the employee's responsibility to initiate the request to review the time sheet and to be aware of the monthly deadline. There will be a period of five (5) days after receipt of check to adjust wage disputes.
- **17.24 Bus Inspection:** Employees requested by the District to work extra time because of bus inspection shall be paid at the regular rate of pay, or the overtime rate of pay if applicable.

Drivers that perform extensive bus cleanup or detail work shall be paid up to a maximum of four (4) hours. This time must be completed ten working days from the last day of the school year, and utilized performing duties over and above the daily expectations.

- **17.25 Safety Committee/Safety Award Program:** Drivers elected to the Safety Committee shall be compensated at their regular rate of pay per meeting. The District, in conjunction with the Safety Committee, shall institute an annual safety awards program for all regular drivers.
- **17.25.1 Cameras:** Drivers will be informed when a video camera is on board and functioning on their bus. The District will adjust cameras on buses to insure adequate privacy and modesty of drivers. Video and audio recordings shall not be used for performance related purposes when employees are off duty (on non-paid time). (*Please see 13.13 Cameras for additional working conditions related to cameras in the workplace.*) The District will make its best effort to place cameras in all buses by August 31. 2015.
- **17.26 Physical Examinations and Drivers Licenses:** The District shall provide for a reimbursement to the employee up to the amount of \$40.00 for physical examinations required for the certification of bus drivers. When the District contracted physician is utilized, the entire cost of the physical will be paid by the District.

The District will provide reimbursement to the employee for the cost of the basic driver's license and endorsements when the license is renewed.

- **17.27 Transportation Information Board:** An information board will be provided in the Transportation Department. The board shall be accessible at all times for the posting of union and district information including:
  - A. Job Openings
  - B. First Aid and/or Safety Classes
  - C. Special Education Class
  - D. Shop Steward Class
  - E. School Board Minutes
  - F. Union Minutes
  - G. Other matters pertaining to drivers.

A seniority list shall be posted to serve as guidance on all routes, trips, and job openings in the District. This list shall be maintained and updated by the Transportation Supervisor.

Seniority board dates are determined by the first day of continuous employment (hire date) with the school district. Employees who take an approved unpaid leave of any type for more than ninety (90) school days will not receive seniority credit unless such leave is for medical reasons and the district is provided with a doctor's note requesting such leave prior to leave approval.

**17.28 Team Leaders:** A bus driver Team Leader will be assigned by seniority from each elementary school to include secondary schools to help with minor problems related to student transportation. Bus drivers will report their student and other transportation related problems to the Team Leader, who in turn will report them to the school Principal or designee, and when necessary, to the Supervisor of Transportation.

Team Leaders will be paid a premium of an additional \$0.10/hour for the responsibility. For just cause, the Supervisor of Transportation shall have the authority to terminate the employee's position as Team Leader and replace him/her with another senior driver during the year when necessary.

- **17.29 Student Discipline:** Drivers will be responsible for documenting inappropriate student behavior on their bus routes consistent with Transportation Department procedures. Drivers will be provided adequate and continued training and support on student discipline.
- **17.30 Transportation Staff Development:** Transportation supervisor, or designee, shall perform in person check-rides for each driver a minimum of once per year. Drivers shall be provided feedback on their performance within twenty (20) work days, and before the end of the school year. A driver experiencing difficulty on their route may request a supervisory check-ride to help evaluate the route and determine solutions to the challenge(s) on their route.
- **17.30.1** Bus Driver Meetings: The District shall schedule periodic driver meetings (not including the annual in-service meeting) to provide updates on current topics, attend professional development workshops and provide communication of topics relevant to the Transportation department.
- **17.30.2 GPS and Bus Location Systems:** The District shall authorize and train appropriate personnel on the currently used GPS or bus location technology.

### **Article 18 Security Personnel Working Conditions**

**18.1 Call-Back Pay for Security Officers:** When an employee is requested and reports back for nonscheduled work during the hours of 6:00AM – 9:00PM, a minimum of two (2) hours will be paid at a premium rate of one and one-half (1.5) times the employee's regular hourly rate or another appropriate premium or overtime rate (whichever is higher), and the employee will be required to work the full two hours. When an employee is requested and reports back for nonscheduled work during the hours of 9:00PM – 6:00AM, a minimum of two (2) hours will be paid at a premium rate of one and one-half (1.5) times the employee's regular hourly rate or another appropriate premium or overtime rate (whichever is higher), however the employee is required only to work the time required to resolve the issue. If the call-out extends to the employee's regular workday schedule they may elect to flex their schedule to work a shorter day to complete an eight (8) hour workday. The employee called into work will be reimbursed at the current IRS mileage reimbursement rate. These conditions do not apply to substitute employees.

If an employee is called at home for emergency security matters which do not require the employee to report back to work, the employee will be paid for one half hour (.5) at time and one-half (1.5) their regular rate of pay or another appropriate premium or overtime rate (whichever is higher), for the disruption of being called at home. The School District shall maintain a list of School Security Officers willing to work call outs when needed. The list of names shall be in order of seniority. It is the responsibility of the employee to be placed on or removed from the list. This list will be in effect during winter, spring and summer breaks.

The first name on the call list will be called first. If not available at the time of the call out, the next name on the list will be called followed by the third and so on, until an employee willing to work the call out is located.

Security staff members will notify the District Security Manager of any change in their contact information. The Security manager will make the change and notify the appropriate security monitoring companies.

**18.2 Security Officer Overtime Guidelines:** Any time an event needs extra security after the following guidelines have been exhausted, classification seniority will take precedence.

## A. Event Types:

- 1. School Events: All sanctioned school events happening on Marysville School District Property.
- 2. Facilities Requests: Events organized by facility user groups, not affiliated with the District, such as churches, the community, dance clubs, etc., where security is requested by the facility user.
- 3. Off Campus School District Events: All sanctioned school events happening outside off of District property.

#### B. Overtime Guidelines:

- The Security personnel assigned to the school where the event will be held will get first choice
  of the overtime by classification seniority. If the most senior Security staff person declines, or if
  additional security is required, refer to the district-wide seniority list for Security personnel.
- 2. Facilities that do not have regularly assigned Security personnel shall have additional time scheduled through the District-wide seniority list for Security personnel.
- C. Seniority List: The district-wide seniority list for Security personnel will be ordered by hire date within the classification, consistent with 4.7 Classification Seniority.
- D. Scheduling: Overtime is scheduled by the District and will adhere to established guidelines using the District-wide seniority list for Security personnel.

**18.3 School Security Officer Uniforms:** School Security Officers (SSO's) shall maintain a professional appearance at all times. SSO's shall wear a district provided shirt, pants (optional District approved shorts on non-student days may be allowed at the discretion of the District), light and heavy jackets and safety shoes. Selection of SSO uniforms shall be subject to Labor Management review.

# Article 19 Regular School Year Employee Working Conditions/Salary Provisions

**19.1 Salary Schedules:** The current wage rates are contained on the wage schedule attached at the end of this Agreement. For the duration of this Agreement the rates on the wage schedule shall be increased by the percentage (%) annual Cost of Living Adjustment percentage (COLA), or pass through, identified by the State of Washington through legislation or initiative. (intent: State identified % will be applied to all employees.) For the term of this Agreement, the COLA or pass-through, identified in this section shall be implemented by the District permanently, regardless of whether the State of Washington continues to fund or not.

**19.1.1 Comparable Wage Study:** In the appropriate years of this contract, noted in the Article 23 Adoption, Renewal and Term of Agreement, the District and the Union shall complete a comparable wage study.

Comparison Districts: Northshore, Edmonds, Everett (except Transportation/Mechanics), Mukilteo, Lake Stevens, Arlington, Snohomish, and Mount Vernon.

Additional details related to how the study will be completed shall be discussed and determined through the labor management process prior to the first such study.

**19.1.2** Wages 2023/2024: Effective September 1, 2023, the wage schedules for SEIU 10 Month bargaining unit shall be improved by 3.7% inclusive of the IPD inflationary rate, to the Step 1 rate and each step shall be two (2%) percent above the previous step on the wage schedule.

In addition to the wage schedule, there will be an additional day of training embedded within the school year for the purpose of equity training. Paras, Security and Nurses will participate in building level trainings on early release Fridays. A plan will need to be developed for Food Service and Transportation that equates to one (1) day within the school year. The plan will be share in Labor Management prior to being communicated to staff. In the event the training needs to be held outside of contracted hours, employees will be paid at the regular rate of pay.

Two (2) additional Limited Personal Leave days will be added to the two (2) days outlined in Section 7.8 Personal Leave, for a total of four (4) Limited Personal Leave days granted to each employee for SY '23-'24.

**19.1.3** Wages **2024/2025:**-Wage and benefit reopener to begin in February of 2024 for the 2024/2025 school year.

In addition to the wage schedule, there will be an additional day of training embedded within the school year for the purpose of equity training. Paras, Security and Nurses will participate in building level trainings on early release Fridays. A plan will need to be developed for Food Service and Transportation that equates to one (1) day within the school year. The plan will be share in Labor Management prior to being communicated to staff. In the event the training needs to be held outside of contracted hours employees will be paid at the regular rate of pay.

All lead employees within the Bargaining unit shall be paid a premium rate above the employees they lead based on the attached schedule.

# Listed on appendix B

- **19.1.4 Wage and Benefit Re-opener:** For the 2023-2024 school year, it is agreed that either party may initiate a reopening of negotiations on wages and benefits if actual enrollment increases or decreases by a minimum of 10% (ten) compared to the projected student enrollment. Projected student for 2023/2024 will be presented by August 31, 2023 and actual student enrollment will be based on the October 3, 2023 student count. Either party may initiate a reopening of such negotiations by notifying the District President's designee in writing of its intent no earlier than June 1 and no later than July 15, of the year the party wishes to reopen.
- **19.2 Regular Employees Working as Substitutes:** Regular employees working as substitutes outside their classification will be paid at the substitute rate of pay, unless requested to do so by the District. Substitute employees do not receive any benefits except mandatory retirement contributions as required by law until such time as they are hired on a permanent basis.
- **19.3 Substitute Rate of Pay:** The Union and the District will annually meet in Labor Management and discuss the substitute base rate of pay for each classification covered by this Agreement. Substitutes shall be paid the base rate, Step 1, on the wage schedule for all hours worked. Any substitute who was previously a regular employee of the District for at least five (5) years, retired or suffered a reduction in force with the District at the time they separated from employment, shall be paid at their previous pay step (years of service) in the classification for which they are substituting.
- **19.4 Salary Step Advancement:** Incremental steps, where applicable, shall take effect on the first working day of each school year during the term of this Agreement; provided the employee has been actively employed continuously for at least one-half (1/2) of the previous employment year. An employment year shall be defined as the number of paid days, (including recognized holidays), for the position had it been in place for the whole school year. If an employee changes positions within the bargaining unit they shall stay on the same step.
- **19.5** Salary Credit for Non-Required Job-Related Training: Employees may earn a salary enhancement of 4.0 cents per hour by applying for and receiving salary credits. One salary credit may be earned for every eight (8) hours of pre-approved, non-required, job-related training. A total of five (5) salary credits may be earned each year with a no maximum earned in a career.

Salary credit will be earned at district-wide, announced, Central Office sponsored training events. Classes repeated for job-related training will be used only once for a salary credit. Training hours not totaling the eight (8) required for a salary credit will be accrued for four (4) years. If not completed within four (4) years they will be lost.

Salary credits must be earned between September 1 and August 31 of each year. Completed application forms with class criteria attachment must be submitted to Human Resources by August 31. All salary credit earnings for this period of time will be calculated to enhance the employee's salary effective with the September payroll of the year following the earnings.

**19.6 Reimbursements:** When an employee is required to attend district or department training/meetings he/she shall be paid at the employee's salary rate, or the overtime rate if applicable. All associated costs submitted for reimbursement by the employee will be paid by the District consistent with School Board policy.

- **19.6.1 District Training and Meetings:** Training authorized or required by the District, (with the exception of training which is required as a condition of initial employment), shall be paid at the salary rate of the employee. Attendance at District or department meetings, if required to attend, shall be paid at the salary rate of the employee, or the overtime rate if applicable. Reasonable expenses including meals, mileage, parking and required materials will be reimbursed by the District per District policy.
- **19.6.2 Reimbursement for Expenses (Wages excluded):** Employees may be provided an opportunity to attend and participate in select workshops, conferences and in-service classes when prior approval is recommended by their Supervisor and approved by the District. All approved costs submitted for reimbursement by the employee will be paid by the District consistent with School Board policy.
- **19.8 Passing Time:** Reasonable time shall be included within the employees work day to move from one assignment to the next.
- **19.9 Time Sheeting:** All additional hours assigned by the District to be time sheeted relevant to your position assignment (excluding professional development) beyond an employee's regularly contracted time must be preapproved by the supervisor. Hours which are directed by the supervisor to be time sheeted for a total of thirty (30) work days will be applied to the contract and benefits will apply accordingly. For Transportation refer to 17.6.3 Time Sheeting for Washing Buses; for Food Service, refer to 16.3 Food Service Time Sheeting

## 19.10 License and Certification Stipends:

**19.10.1 RN National Board Certification:** Effective September 1, 2015, any Classified Registered Nurse achieving National Board Certification shall be paid an annual stipend of two thousand dollars (\$2,000).

### 19.10.2 Educational Certifications

**Effective September 1, 2023 Certifications:** The following educational degree stipends will be recognized (only one (1) educational degree stipend will be awarded).

Effective September 1, 2023, the certification amounts will be improved by the amount of the state funded IPD/Pass through.

Туре	2023/2024	2024/2025
Associate of Arts	\$1,285.20	TBD
Baccalaureate Degree	\$2,692.80	TBD
Educational Staff Associate cert (ESA) (RN's only)	\$1,285.20	TBD
Advanced Health Professional Certification II	\$2,754.00	TBD

- **19.11 Professional Organization Stipends:** Bargaining unit employees who join, become actively involved members, and pay membership fees to one (1) accepted professional organization shall have their membership fee paid by the district. A list of acknowledged professional organizations is below. Additional professional organizations may be added through the labor management process.
- **19.11.1 Acknowledged Professional Organizations:** Washington Association of Maintenance and Operations (WAMOA), National Association of Educational Office Professionals (NAEOP), Washington Association of Educational Office Professionals (WAEOP), Washington Association Pupil Transportation (WAPT), School Nutrition Association (SNA), Washington School Nutrition Association (WSNA), School

Nurse Organization of Washington (SNOW), National Association of School Nurses (NASN), National Association of School Resource Officers.

#### **Article 20 Healthcare Benefits**

## 20.1. School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB) Transition:

On January 1, 2020 the School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB) plans and rules will come into effect, changing our current status quo dramatically. The District and the Union agree that the current provision of Section 20.1 Regular School Year Employees Health Benefits shall remain in full force and effect until December 31, 2019.

**20.1.1 School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB) Eligibility:** Employees shall be deemed eligible for medical and non-medical benefits if they are expected to work a minimum of six hundred thirty hours (630) per year or the State mandated minimum for SEBB benefits, whichever is less.

Employees who are not expected to work enough hours in order to be initially eligible, but who work at least the number of hours to be eligible during the contract year, shall become eligible to enroll for benefits in the current contract year upon reaching the eligibility threshold of hours and deemed eligible for the remaining contract year. This provision shall include substitute employees.

- **20.1.2 Premium Payments:** The District shall remit insurance premium payments toward premiums of School Employees Benefits Board medical and non-medical plans for all employees deemed eligible to the Health Care Authority.
- **20.1.3 SEBB Enrollment:** Enrollment for medical and non-medical plans shall be determined by the SEBB, but will generally be in the fall for January 1 plan implementation. The District shall notify employees the dates open enrollment will commence and conclude at least three (3) months in advance and will provide reminder notices each month thereafter.
- **20.2 VEBA:** The District has adopted the VEBA Health Reimbursement Plan (Plan). The District agrees to contribute to the Plan, on behalf of all employees defined as eligible to participate in the Plan, the amounts listed in the table below. The following selected contribution(s) shall be made during the term of this agreement, and the Union shall notify and re-authorize such agreement with the District annually consistent with Internal Revenue Service regulation.

School Year	2023-2024	2024-2025
Monthly Contribution to VEBA	\$30.00	\$35.00
Monthly District Contribution to VEBA for 260 day 10-month employees	\$50.00	\$85.00

**20.2.1 Sick Leave Contributions – Retirement or Separation from Service:** Eligibility for contributions at retirement or separation from service is limited to employees who retire or separate from service with sick leave cash-out rights during the term of this agreement.

**20.3 K12 Health Care Reform:** Should, during the term of this agreement, the State or Federal government(s) modify, change or mandate changes to employee health care that would negate the additional funding the District and the Union have negotiated for health benefits or mandate other changes, the District and the Union shall meet as soon as is practical and negotiate the use of those funds for other interests or needs within the bargaining unit or bargain other necessary changes prior to the required implementation date.

**20.4** Employee Assistance Program: The District shall make available to each bargaining unit employee an employee assistance program for the purpose of assisting employees in responding to issues that may impact their emotional well-being, health and/or work performance.

**20.5** Washington State Paid Family and Medical Leave. Commencing January 1, 2020, employees shall be eligible to receive Paid Family and Medical Leave (PFML) under the Washington State Family and Medical Leave and Insurance Act. To be eligible for this leave, employees must have worked a minimum of 820 hours within the past calendar year. Such leave shall be used consecutively with the employee's other leave entitlements unless the employee elects otherwise, unless the statute prohibits otherwise.

## **Article 21 Professional Development**

- **21.1 Professional Development Committee:** The District commits to provide training and resources necessary for all employees to meet statutory and District requirements. The District and SEIU 925 agree to mutually determine the specific professional development programs for each school year. This professional development plan will reflect statutory requirements, salary credits, and identified needs and for district required training. Statutory and/or district required trainings for regular school year employees are outlined Matrixes.
- **21.2 Staff Development:** Effective September 1, 2015 the District will provide fifteen thousand (\$15,000) dollars on an annual basis to provide staff development opportunities for bargaining unit employees working in both the SEIU 10 Month and SEIU 12 Month bargaining units. Employees may access these funds through Labor Management. Forms shall be available through Human Resources and Labor Leaders.
- **21.3 Annual State Conference:** The District will pay the registration fee, travel lodging and per diem expenses for five employees attending their Annual State Conference.
- **21.4** Annual Professional Development Plan: The District shall, in collaboration with SEIU through the labor management process, develop a training plan for each classification. The plan shall include the scheduling and use of Days 1, 2, and 3 for ten (10) month employees. The plan shall be completed by the end of May in the previous year and a calendar disseminated to the bargaining unit prior to the end of the school year. For both ten (10) and twelve (12) month workgroups, a meeting will be scheduled for each classification in preparation for the upcoming school year.
- **21.5** Job Title Specific Staff Development: For each job title within a job classification the District and the SEIU, through the labor management process, shall develop a specific body of knowledge, skills and ability (KSA's) in order to be considered qualified for the position. Additionally, the District and the SEIU may develop additional KSA's that must be developed within a promotional trial service period in order to successfully complete the promotional trial service period. The District and the SEIU may also develop a staff development pathway for employees to develop beyond the required KSA's that, while not required, would be recommended as beneficial to employees working in that job title.

#### See also:

16.4.2 – Food Service

19.6.1 – District Training and Meetings

17.30 – Transportation Staff Development

17.30.1 - Bus Driver Meetings

17.30.2 - GPS - Bus Location System

# **Article 22 Severability**

- **22.1 Provisions Declared Invalid:** In the event that any provision of this Agreement shall, at any time, be declared invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, or through government regulation or decree, such decision shall not invalidate the entire Agreement, it being the express intention of the parties hereto that all other provisions not declared invalid shall remain in full force and effect.
- **22.2 Contrary to Law:** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be contrary to law, the parties by mutual agreement, within ten (10) working days, shall commence bargaining on said provision.
- **22.3 Labor Agreement/Board Policy:** Should a conflict occur between provisions of the labor Agreement and the Board policy; the terms of the labor Agreement shall prevail.

## Article 23 Adoption, Renewal and Term of Agreement

- **23.1 School Board Commitment:** In adopting this Agreement, the Marysville Board of Directors expresses its desire to promote the best salaries and working conditions for employees based upon the available revenues to the District.
- **23.2 Effective Dates of the Agreement:** This Agreement shall be in full force from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025-New contract provisions shall take full force and effect on September 1, 2023.

This is to certify that this Agreement was adopted by the Marysville School District Board of Directors as found in the minutes of their meeting dated, December 4, 2023.

Marysville School District		SEIU 925	
Zac Robbins Superintendent Alvin Cooper,	Date  23 Jan 2024  Date	Ed Washington  Maria Arellano-Smith	2. /2.24 Date 2.6.24 Date
Executive Director of Human Resources	Date	Stephanie Bach	1 · 24 · 24 Date
		TJ Cade	2.(0.24) Date
	4	Janice Guzman	Date
		Elisha Long	Date 2/12/24
		Morgan McFalls  Michael R. Rain	Date 1-25-24
		Michael Rainwater Sherry Stewart	Date 1/24/24 Date
		Christy Tautfest	1-24-21 Date
		Christine Twiss	<u>/- 24-2024</u> Date

### **Attendance Shared Values Statement**

Each staff member serves as a vital link to an improved education for students. That link is broken when a single staff member is absent. As a result, the ability to provide a thorough and efficient educational environment is weakened.

The District and SEIU recognize that a reasonable number of absences due to bona fide sickness or emergency situations is often beyond the control of staff. The contribution of each District employee is critical and the effort of each and every employee is needed to help reach our goals.

#### Therefore:

- Employees are expected to work the number of hours they are assigned.
- Punctual and regular attendance is expected of District employees.

The primary purpose of this statement is to maximize staff attendance.