# Master Agreement



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Minnesota Teamsters Public and Law Enforcement Employees' Union Local 320 Representing Custodians

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# ARTICLE I - PURPOSE

This Agreement is entered into between Independent School District No. 200, Hastings, Minnesota (hereinafter referred to as the District) and the Minnesota Teamsters Public and Law Enforcement Employees' Union, Local No. 320, (hereinafter referred to as the Union), pursuant to and in compliance with the Public Employment Labor Relations Act of 1971, as amended, (hereinafter referred to as the P.E.L.R.A.) to provide the terms and conditions of employment for custodial employees.

It is the intent and purpose of this Agreement to:

- Assure sound and mutually beneficial working and economic relationships between the parties hereto:
- b. Establish procedures for the resolution of disputes concerning this Agreement's interpretation and/or application; and
- c. Place in written form the Parties' agreement upon terms and conditions of employment for the duration of this Agreement.

# ARTICLE II - RECOGNITION OF EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATIVE

#### Section 1 - Recognition

In accordance with the P.E.L.R.A., the District recognizes the Union as the exclusive representative for custodians.

#### Section 2 - Appropriate Unit

All employees in the above categories are members of the appropriate unit except the following: employees whose service in the above positions do not exceed the lesser of 14 hours per week or 35% of the work week in the employee bargaining unit, employees who hold positions of a temporary or seasonal character for a period not in excess of 67 working days in any calendar year, emergency employees, supervisory employees, and essential employees.

# Section 3 - Inclusion or Exclusion

In the event the District and the Union are unable to agree as to the inclusion or exclusion of a new or modified job position, the issue shall be submitted to the Bureau of Mediation Services for determination.

# ARTICLE III - DEFINITIONS

# Section 1 - Union

The Minnesota Teamsters Public and Law Enforcement Employees' Union, Local No. 320.

# Section 2 - Union Members

A member of the Minnesota Teamsters Public and Law Enforcement Employees' Union, Local No. 320.

#### Section 3 - Employee

A member of the exclusively recognized bargaining unit.

#### Section 4 - District

Independent School District No. 200, Hastings, Minnesota.

#### Section 5 - Superintendent

Superintendent of Independent School District No. 200.

#### Section 6 - Work Year

The work year for regular employees shall be 12 months, including paid vacations, paid sick leave, and paid holidays, and shall correspond to the District's fiscal year of July 1 to the following June 30. The district may determine a shorter work year for some positions.

#### Section 7 - Terms and Conditions of Employment

Terms and conditions of employment shall mean the hours of employment, the compensation therefore, including fringe benefits, except retirement contributions or benefits, and the District's personnel policies affecting the working conditions of the employees.

#### **Section 8 - Other Terms**

Terms not defined in this Agreement shall have those meanings as defined by the P.E.L.R.A.

# Section 9 - Seniority

Seniority shall be the length of service with the District. Seniority shall start effective with the initial date of regular employment as approved by the School Board.

#### Section 10 - Domestic Partner

Domestic partner shall be defined as an individual for whom the employee has completed a domestic partner registration form with a city/government agency. A copy of the registration must be provided to the District in advance of a request for leaves within this Agreement to apply.

#### ARTICLE IV - EMPLOYER SECURITY

The Union agrees that during the life of this Agreement it will not cause, encourage, participate in or support any strike, slow-down or other interruption of or interference with the normal functions of the District.

#### ARTICLE V - EMPLOYER AUTHORITY

#### Section 1 - Management Rights

The Union recognizes that the District is not required to meet and negotiate on matters of inherent managerial policy, which include, but are not limited to, such areas of discretion or policy as the functions and programs of the District, its overall budget, utilization of technology, the organizational structure and selection and direction and number of personnel, and that all management rights and management functions not expressly delegated in this Agreement are reserved to the District.

#### Section 2 - District Obligation

The Union recognizes the right and obligation of the District to efficiently manage and conduct the operation of the District within its legal limitations and with its primary obligation to provide educational opportunity for the students of the District.

#### Section 3 - Discretion of District

Any term and/or condition of employment not specifically established or modified by this Agreement shall remain solely within the discretion of the District to modify, establish or eliminate.

# ARTICLE VI - UNION SECURITY

# Section 1 - Payroll Deduction

The District shall deduct from the wages of employees who authorize such a deduction in writing an amount necessary to cover monthly Union dues. The District shall remit the collected dues to the Union monthly.

# Section 2 - Union Dues

The District shall deduct from the wages of employees who authorize such deduction in writing, an amount as established by the Union. Such money shall be remitted as directed by the Union.

# Section 3 - Union Steward

The Union shall designate employees from the bargaining unit to act as steward and/or alternate and shall inform the District in writing of such choice and of any changes in the position of steward and/or alternate.

# Section 4 - Bulletin Boards

The District shall make space available on employee bulletin boards for the posting of Union notices and/or announcements.

# Section 5 - Seniority List

The seniority list shall contain all employees in the bargaining unit that have completed the

probationary period in Article XIII, Section 1. The District shall update and electronically distribute the seniority list to all members on July 1 each year. Upon completion of the probationary period employees shall be added to the master list effective retroactive to their initial employment.

#### Section 6 - Union Responsibility

The Union agrees to indemnify and hold the District harmless against any and all claims, suits, orders or judgments brought or issued against the District as a result of any action taken or not taken by the District under the provisions of this Article.

#### ARTICLE VII - HOURS OF SERVICE

#### Section 1 - Basic Work Day

The basic work schedule for employees shall be established by the District.

#### Section 2 - Lunch Periods and Rest Breaks

<u>Subd. 1</u> - Employees working six hours or more per shift between the hours of 4:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. will be provided an unpaid duty free lunch period of 30 minutes. An additional duty free 15 minute break will be provided each day for every consecutive four hour work period.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - Employees working six hours or more per shift, whose hours fall outside the hours of 4:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. will be provided a paid lunch period of 30 minutes. Such lunch period must be taken on-site. An additional duty free 15 minute break will be provided each day for every consecutive four hour work period.

#### Section 3 - Basic Work Week

<u>Subd. 1</u> - The work week for regularly scheduled employees shall be five consecutive workdays, at their regularly scheduled daily hours or four consecutive ten hour shifts per week.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - The District reserves the right, however, to go on a four consecutive ten hour days per week due to energy shortage, severe weather or other exigency. This unit of employees shall not be placed on a four day week unless the District goes on a general four day week for other employee units.

#### **Section 4 - Part-Time Employees**

The School Board reserves the right to employ such personnel as it deems desirable or necessary on a part-time or casual basis.

# Section 5 - Shift and Starting Time

All employees will be assigned a starting time and shifts as determined by the District. Employees shall receive a minimum of 15 working days' notice before a change of shift or starting time, except in the case of an emergency.

#### Section 6 - Weekends & Holidays

Should the District need to cover open shifts on holidays, weekends, evenings, or for overtime, the open shift will be offered to bargaining unit employees at their respective sites (by seniority) prior to part-time, temporary or subcontracted employees except when a site supervisor is utilized. Site supervisors may open the building and monitor the programming without custodial staff present. Should no bargaining unit member volunteer, the District will make every effort to utilize a part-time temporary or subcontracted employee prior to mandating the employee on a rotation starting with the least senior bargaining unit member at their respective sites.

# ARTICLE VIII - RATES OF PAY

#### Section 1 - Positions and Wages

The positions and wages reflected in Appendix A, which Appendix is incorporated herein and a part of this Agreement, shall be effective for the duration of said Agreement.

#### Section 2 - Step Increase Status

<u>Subd. 1</u> - Employees shall be compensated pursuant to Appendix A. If the initial employment is after January 1, the employees shall not advance to the next step on the following July 1. Upon the expiration of this Agreement, a step is not automatic and is subject to renegotiation by the parties.

# Section 3 - Grade Level/Assignment Transition

<u>Subd. 1</u> - When an employee accepts a position at a higher grade level they will be shadowed in to an hourly rate that is closest to their existing rate and then moved to a step that reflects at least a 4% increase above their current rate. This same system will be true for any employee moving from another bargaining unit accepting a position at a higher classification in the bargaining unit.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - Moving to a lower grade: When an employee moves to a position with a lower grade level they will be placed at their same step on the new salary schedule, in the appropriate classification.

# Section 4 - Employment Hours Record

Employees shall punch in and out each day, using the District's time tracking system. Each week employees shall verify an employment hours record which shall contain the following: regular hours worked, premium pay (overtime) hours worked, vacation days, holidays and leave days, if any.

# Section 5 - Salary Compensation

Salary to be paid on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

# Section 6 - Substitute and Temporary Employees

Subd. 1 - Substitute Employees - Substitute employees, defined as a substitute for an

incumbent custodian, shall be compensated pursuant to the beginning step on the salary schedule and shall not be entitled to any other benefits as provided by this contract.

<u>Subd. 2 - Temporary Employees</u> - Temporary employees, defined as an assignment not to exceed 67 working days in a calendar year, shall be compensated at the rate not to exceed the beginning rate of pay on the annual custodial salary schedule.

<u>Subd. 3. Employee Subbing out of Grade</u> - After working five consecutive days, during the school year, the employee will receive retro pay back to day one, at Step 1, of the Lead Custodian grade.

#### ARTICLE IX - GROUP INSURANCE

Affordable Care Act - In the event this Agreement causes or will cause penalties, fees, or fines to be assessed against the District, the parties agree to reopen negotiations that result in a new Agreement between the parties that eliminates or reduces penalties, fees, or fines to be assessed against the District.

#### <u>Section 1 - Selection of Carrier</u>

The selection of the insurance carrier and policy shall be made by the District.

#### Section 2 - Coverage Under Multiple Bargaining Units

If an employee is covered by more than one bargaining unit they can combine their hours to qualify for insurance.

# Section 3 - Combined Coverage

Each employee may only be covered under one policy under each of the District's insurance plans, i.e. health and dental.

# Section 4 - Spouse Contribution for Medical-Hospitalization Insurance

When both employee and spouse are members of the bargaining unit, or members of another bargaining unit eligible to combine coverage, and covered under the District's medical insurance plan, they will be covered by single insurance plans unless there are additional dependents. Coverage for employee and spouse, when there are additional dependents, will be provided through one family plan. The District will allow combining of contributions (policy holder family contribution plus spouse-single contribution) only if family insurance coverage is needed due to the dependents (children).

#### Section 5 - Spouse Contribution for Dental Insurance

When combining coverage for dental insurance, both employees shall be covered under one family dental plan.

#### Section 6 - Eligibility

The District shall make insurance contributions toward the premium for each employee who works a minimum of 30 hours per week, and is enrolled in the District group medical-

hospitalization and/or dental plan. Employees working at least 850 hours per year shall be eligible for coverage under the long term disability and life insurance plans.

# Section 7 - Medical-Hospitalization Insurance

<u>Subd. 1</u> - The District shall provide a monthly contribution toward the premium for single or family insurance for employees who qualify for, and are enrolled in, the District's group medical and hospitalization plan. The amount provided by the District shall be as follows, however, the amount shall not exceed the actual cost of the insurance premium:

#### Non-High Deductible Plan (Comp Basic):

Effective July 1, 2022: Up to \$1,614 per month

#### High Deductible/VEBA Plan:

Effective July 1, 2022: Up to \$1,414 per month

<u>Subd. 2</u> - The cost of any premium that exceeds the District's monthly contribution shall be borne by the employee and paid by pre-tax payroll deduction.

<u>Subd. 3</u> - For the 2023-2024 plan year (through June 30, 2024), an employee shall experience an increase in deduction for family coverage of no more than \$15.00 per month.

<u>Subd. 4</u> - For full-time employees participating in the single high deductible/VEBA insurance plan, the monthly district contribution to a VEBA shall be as follows:

Effective July 1, 2022: \$100.00 per month

<u>Subd. 5</u> - For full-time employees participating in the family high deductible/VEBA insurance plan, the monthly district contribution to a VEBA shall be as follows:

Effective July 1, 2022: \$200.00 per month

<u>Subd. 6</u> - Effective July 1, 2023, the monthly VEBA contribution will be divided equally over the number of payrolls elected by the employee each year.

# <u>Section 8 - Dental Insurance</u>

<u>Subd. 1</u> - The District shall provide a monthly contribution toward the premium for dental insurance, including dependent coverage, for all employees who qualify for, and are enrolled in, the District's dental insurance plan. The amount provided by the District shall be as follows, however, the amount shall not exceed the actual cost of the insurance premium:

Effective July 1, 2022: Up to \$81.00 per month

<u>Subd. 2</u> - The cost of the premium not contributed by the District shall be borne by the employee and paid by payroll deduction.

#### Section 9 - Long Term Disability Insurance

The District shall contribute 100% of the cost of the monthly premium for the income protection plan in effect as of the date of this Agreement for all custodians employed by the District.

#### Section 10 - Life Insurance

The District shall provide a group term life insurance policy for all eligible custodians in the amount of \$50,000.

# Section 11- Eligible Employees

The parties agree that employees who are regularly employed shall receive pro-rated benefits as provided in this Article.

# Section 12 - Claims Against the School District

The parties agree that any description of insurance benefits contained in this Article are intended to be informational only and the eligibility of any employee for benefits shall be governed by the terms of the insurance policy purchased by the District pursuant to this Article. It is further understood that the District's only obligation is to purchase an insurance policy and pay such amounts as agreed to herein and no claim shall be made against the District as a result of a denial of insurance benefits by an insurance carrier.

#### ARTICLE X - LEAVES OF ABSENCE

#### Section 1 - Sick Leave

- <u>Subd. 1</u> All eligible employees shall earn paid sick leave at the rate of one day for each month of service to the employer, 12 days per year, based on hours worked.
- <u>Subd. 2</u> Unused sick leave may accumulate with no maximum days. Custodians will be paid once annually at the rate of \$16.50 per hour for up to five days of unused sick leave beyond 150 days. Payment will be made via supplemental payment at the end of July in each calendar year.
- <u>Subd. 3</u> Sick leave with pay shall be allowed by the District whenever an employee's absence is found to have been due to illness which prevented his/her attendance and performance of duties on that day or days.
- <u>Subd. 4</u> The District may require an employee to furnish a medical certificate from a qualified physician as evidence of illness, indicating such absence was due to illness or injury, in order to qualify for sick leave pay. In the event that a medical certificate will be required, the employee will be so advised.
- <u>Subd 5</u> In addition, an employee may use sick leave pursuant to M.S. 181.9413, for the illness of or injury to the employee's child (including biological, step, adopted or foster), adult child, grandchild, spouse, sibling, parent, grandparent, step-parent or spouses mother or father, or domestic partner, provided the employee has a Domestic Partnership Agreement & Affidavit form on file with the District.

- Subd. 6 Sick leave does not apply to situations related to daycare issues, or lack of childcare.
- <u>Subd. 7</u> Sick Leave Bank A sick leave bank shall be available in accordance with the terms of the Sick Leave Bank MOU provided at the end of this Agreement.

# Section 2 - Bereavement Leave

- <u>Subd. 1</u> Up to five days per occurrence of paid leave may be granted for death in the employee's immediate family.
- <u>Subd. 2</u> For purposes of this Section, immediate family shall be defined as the employee's spouse, child, parent/guardian, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, aunt, uncle, grandparent, spouse's grandparent, grandchildren, stepparent, domestic life partner's parent.

#### Section 3 - Worker's Compensation:

- <u>Subd. 1</u> Upon the request of an employee who is absent from work as a result of a compensable injury under the provisions of the Worker's Compensation Act, incurred while in the employ of the school district, the school district will pay the difference between the compensation received pursuant to the Worker's Compensation Act by the employee and the employee's regular rate of pay to the extent of the employee's earned accrual of sick leave, essential leave and/or vacation pay.
- <u>Subd. 2</u> A deduction shall be made from the employee's accumulated vacation or sick leave accrual time according to the pro-rata portions of days of sick leave or vacation time which is used to supplement Worker's Compensation.
- <u>Subd. 3</u> Such payment shall be paid by the school district to the employee only during the period of disability.
- <u>Subd. 4</u> In no event shall the additional compensation paid to the employee by virtue of sick leave or vacation pay result in the payment of a total daily, weekly or monthly compensation that exceeds the normal compensation of the employee.
- <u>Subd. 5</u> The parties agree that an employee of the District shall not be entitled to sick leave pay benefits under this section if he/she is injured while in the employ of another employer nor shall there be an accrual of such during the period of convalescence from that injury.

# Section 4 - Jury Duty and Other Legal Commitments

- <u>Subd. 1</u> Employees called for jury duty, deposition, subpoena or to give testimony before a court, legal jurisdiction or administrative proceedings shall be granted a leave of absence unless the employee is party to a court action against the District, is a complainant in an action against the District, or is a participant in an action on behalf of the exclusive representative and/or is the subject in a criminal, civil and/or personal legal accusation.
- <u>Subd. 2</u> The employee shall receive full pay for this type of absence less jury duty and/or consultant pay, exclusive of expenses.

#### Section 5 - Child Care Leave

<u>Subd. 1</u> - In the event of pregnancy, an employee shall notify the Director of Human Resources not later than the sixth month of pregnancy of the expected date of delivery. The employee must also submit a physician's statement indicating the estimated date of delivery. A leave of absence of not more than 12 months may be granted upon written request.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - The effective date of the leave, its duration and the approximate date of return to employment shall be determined by the Director of Human Resources after consultation with the employee.

<u>Subd. 3</u> - Child care leave is a leave without pay or fringe benefits. An employee may continue fringe benefits, if eligible, assuming the full cost of said benefits.

Subd. 4 - Where applicable, the terms of the Family Medical Leave Act will be followed.

#### Section 6 - Essential Leave

All employees will be granted leave, of no more than three days per year, non- accumulative, for situations that arise requiring the employee's personal attention which cannot be attended to when school is not in session and which are not covered under other policies. The leave is granted according to the employee's pro-rated hours per day. Any days that are unused will be paid at a rate of \$16.50 per hour. The payment for unused days will occur in a supplemental payroll at the end of July.

# <u>Section 7 - Emergency Closing</u>

<u>Subd. 1</u> - In the event of a school closing called by the Superintendent, due to weather conditions or any other conditions, personnel who were scheduled to work, but directed not to report, will be paid. If staff are directed to report, please refer to the District website.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - Custodial staff that is required to report to work during these closings can use those days, or hours, as a float and it will be added to the employees floating holiday accrual.

#### Section 8 - Accrued Benefits

An employee on unpaid leave under this Article shall retain such amounts of experience credit for pay purposes and other accrued benefits, if any, which he/she had accrued at the time he/she went on leave for use upon his/her return. No additional experience credit for pay purposes or other benefits shall accrue for the period of time that an employee is on leave under this Section.

# Section 9 - Seniority

For purposes of seniority standing, an employee on leave, pursuant to this Article, shall continue to accrue seniority during such leaves of absence.

# Section 10 - Insurance Application

An employee on unpaid leave under this Article is eligible to continue to participate in the group insurance programs if permitted under the insurance policy provisions, but shall pay the entire

premium for such programs as he/she wishes to retain commencing with the beginning of the leave. It is the responsibility of the employee to make arrangements with the business office to pay to the District the monthly premium amounts in advance and on such date as determined by the school district. The right to continue participation in such group insurance programs, however, will discontinue upon termination of employment.

#### ARTICLE XI - VACATIONS

# Section 1 - Earned Vacation

<u>Subd. 1</u> - Eligible employees under these provisions shall accrue vacation leave with pay, prorated based on hours worked, as follows:

1 to 4 years	10 days
Starting 5 - 9 years	15 days
Starting 10 - 14 years	20 days
Starting 15+	25 days

Subd. 2 - The following individuals are grandfathered at 30 days:

Daniel Reinardy Timothy Schmitz

#### Section 2 - Vacation

<u>Subd. 1</u> - Vacation accrual shall occur on July 1 each year. The total vacation earned during a fiscal year shall be available to the employee at the beginning of the year.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - Vacations will be taken during the year as agreed to between the employee and the District consistent with the needs of the District.

<u>Subd. 3</u> - Selection of vacations shall be considered on a seniority basis until April 15 of each calendar year, consistent with the needs of the District.

<u>Subd. 4</u> - Employees beginning employment after July 1 shall earn a pro-rata amount of vacation.

<u>Subd. 5</u> - Up to five days of vacation accrued during a fiscal year may be carried over into the next fiscal year.

Subd. 6 - An employee cannot borrow vacation time from the next year.

<u>Subd. 7</u> - If an employee fails to complete nine months of service in the District, he/she shall not be entitled to any vacation pay. An employee who has completed at least six months of service shall be entitled to receive the pro-rata pay for earned unused vacation time provided such employee gives the District at least two weeks' advance notice of his/her resignation.

<u>Subd. 8</u> - Upon termination, the employee's last pay check will be adjusted for any vacation used in excess of what has been earned.

Subd. 9 - In the event that a member's immediate family dies or becomes hospitalized with a serious illness or injury, while an employee is on vacation, the employee's leave may be changed to the appropriate leave type with the approval of the Director of Human Resources

#### **ARTICLE XII - HOLIDAYS**

#### Section 1 - Paid Holidays

Subd. 1 - Employees shall be granted the following paid holidays, based on hours worked.

The Day before New Year's New Year's Day Good Friday Memorial Day Independence Day Labor Day Two Floating Holidays - See Subd. 3

Thanksgiving Day The Day after Thanksgiving The Day before Christmas Christmas Day \*Easter Monday (non-work day) \*\*Presidents' Day

\*If school is not in session on Easter Monday this day would be a non-work day for 12 month employees. This is not a floating holiday.

\*\*If school is not in session and Presidents' Day is not designated as teacher attendance day, this day will be considered a paid holiday. However, if the teaching staff is required to work on this day, custodians will be required to work. If school is in session and/or teachers are required to be in attendance on Presidents' Day, the employee shall be allowed to take a floating holiday at their discretion during the work year with approval from the lead custodian at their work site.

Subd. 2 - If the paid holidays fall on Saturday or Sunday, equivalent holiday time will be granted by the District as determined by the administration.

Subd. 3 - Two floating holidays may be taken at the employee's discretion with approval from the lead custodian at their work site.

#### Section 2 – Weekends

Holidays that fall on weekends will be observed on a day established by the District.

#### Section 3 - School in Session

The District reserves the right, if school is in session, to reschedule any of the above holidays. Any legal holiday or holiday that falls within an employee's vacation period shall not be counted as a vacation day.

# Section 4 - Application

In order to be eligible for holiday pay, an employee must have worked his/her regular work day before and after the holiday unless he/she is on paid sick leave or on vacation under these provisions.

#### Section 5 - Holiday Pay

In the event that an employee is required to work on any designated holiday, he/she will be paid at the rate of triple time (3 times) for all hours worked on the designated holiday. Even though Easter is not a day designated for holiday pay, employees would receive triple time if required to work on Easter. (Call backs and building checks do not qualify.)

#### ARTICLE XIII - PROBATIONARY PERIOD

#### Section 1 - Probationary Period

An employee under the provisions of this Agreement shall serve a probationary period of nine months of continuous service in the District during which time the school district shall have the unqualified right to suspend without pay, discharge or otherwise discipline such employee, and during this probationary period, the employee shall have no recourse to the grievance procedure insofar as suspension, discharge or other discipline is concerned. However, a probationary employee shall have the right to bring a grievance on any other provisions of the contract alleged to have been violated.

#### Section 2 - Probationary Period - Change of Classification

In addition to the initial probationary period, an employee transferred or promoted to a different classification shall serve a new probationary period of 60 calendar days in any such new classification. During this 60 day probationary period, if it is determined by the District that the employee's performance in the new classification is unsatisfactory, the District shall have the right to reassign the employee to his/her former classification.

#### <u>Section 3 - Completion of Probationary Period</u>

An employee who has completed the probationary period may be suspended without pay, discharged or disciplined only for just cause. An employee who has completed the probationary period and is suspended without pay, discharged or otherwise disciplined shall have access to the grievance procedure.

#### ARTICLE XIV - SUSPENSION, DEMOTION, OR DISCHARGE

#### Section 1 - Just Cause

The employer will suspend, demote or discharge an employee for just cause only.

#### Section 2 - Form

Suspensions, demotions and discharges will be in written form.

#### Section 3 - Personnel File

Written reprimands, notices of suspension, and notices of discharge which are to become part of an employee's personnel file shall be read and acknowledged by signature of the employee. Employees and the Union shall receive a copy of such reprimands and/or notices. In the event of

a written reprimand, the employee shall have the right to file a written response and such response, upon presentation to the District, shall be attached to the original reprimand and be a part of the employee's personnel file.

#### <u>Section 4 - Review of Personnel File</u>

Employees may examine their own individual personnel file at reasonable times under the direct supervision of the employer.

#### Section 5 - Grievances

Grievances related to this Article shall be initiated by the Union in Step 3 of the grievance procedure under Article XXI.

#### ARTICLE XV - JOB POSTINGS

#### Section 1 - Posting

All job openings will be posted for a minimum of five days. Posting will consist of notification via District email and will be available on the District website. Positions may be posted internally and externally at the same time, however, interviews will be conducted with selected internal applicants, prior to the consideration of external candidates.

#### Section 2 - Time Period

The District shall have the ability to temporarily assign employees to posted openings pending final selection of any posted jobs.

# Section 3 - Effective Policy

The Union agrees that the decision of the District on filling vacant positions is not subject to the binding arbitration clause of the grievance procedure.

# Section 4 - Seniority

Job vacancies shall be awarded on seniority to employees requesting posted jobs within the same classification. However, the District may deny any senior employee assignment to a posted vacancy if the employee has a written notice of reprimand or written notice of discipline in his/her personnel file within the 12 months prior to the posting. The District may transfer an employee to a vacant position as a result of a written notice of reprimand or written notice of discipline in the employee's personnel file.

# <u>Section 5 - Promotions</u>

In filling positions involving a promotion, the position shall be filled by the best candidate for the position, as determined by the District, and will not be based solely on seniority. For purposes of this Section, a promotion shall be defined as moving to a higher classification involving an increase in base pay.

# ARTICLE XVI - LAYOFF AND RECALL

#### Section 1 - Reduction

In the event the District reduces the work force, such reduction shall be made in order of seniority within classification. The last employee hired shall be the first to be laid off within classification. An employee whose position is terminated shall have the opportunity to displace the person of least seniority in his/her work shift. An employee, of least seniority in a work shift, who is displaced shall have the opportunity to displace the employee of least seniority in classification. For purposes of this Article, there shall be two classifications of employees comprising separate seniority groupings and lists. One list shall include those employees holding a lead position as referenced in Article VIII, Section 3, Subd. 1. The other classification shall include all other employees including the senior high and middle school maintenance positions and the grounds maintenance positions. However, an employee holding a lead position can exercise seniority on either list.

#### **Section 2 - Notice**

Employees to be laid off shall receive written notice two calendar weeks in advance of the effective date of the employee's last date of employment.

#### Section 3 - Length of Recall

Employees on layoff shall retain the right to recall for a period of 24 months from the date of the employee's last date of employment.

#### Section 4 - Recall

<u>Subd. 1</u> - Employees shall be recalled from layoff in order of seniority. The employer shall, by certified letter to the employee's last known address, notify the employee to be recalled of such intent of availability of work.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - The employee shall have ten calendar days to notify the District of their intent to return (from date of receipt). If the employee fails to return to work within such time period, such employee shall forfeit future recall rights.

# Section 5 - Reinstatement

Employees recalled from layoff shall be reinstated at the same salary step and at the same benefit level held at the time of layoff.

# ARTICLE XVII - OVERTIME

# Section 1 - Overtime

Employees shall be compensated at one and one-half (1-1/2) times the employee's regular base pay rate for all hours worked in excess of the employee's regularly scheduled shift. Changes of shift do not qualify an employee for overtime under this Article.

#### **Section 2 - Distribution of Overtime**

Overtime will be distributed as equally as practicable among bargaining unit employees by regular work locations. Lead Custodians at the middle school and the senior high school will post the number of overtime hours worked during the previous month no later than the 10th of the following month.

#### Section 3 - Procedure

Overtime refused by employees will, for record purposes under Article XVIII, Section 2, be considered as unpaid overtime worked. Each employee has an obligation to work overtime or call backs if requested, unless unusual circumstances prevent him/her from so working.

#### **Section 4 - Limitation**

For the purpose of computing overtime compensation, overtime hours worked shall not be pyramided, compounded or paid twice for the same hours worked.

#### Section 5 - Calculation

Overtime worked shall be calculated to the nearest 15 minutes.

#### Section 6 - Application

Overtime is incurred when an employee renders service at the specific direction of the employer in excess of the regularly scheduled shift or in excess of 40 hours in a calendar week. Approved absences or vacations shall be considered as time worked when calculating the above 40 hours.

#### ARTICLE XVIII - CALL BACKS AND BUILDING CHECKS

#### Section 1 - Call Backs

The minimum time on an authorized call back shall be two hours. An employee shall be entitled to call back pay when the employee is required to return to work after being released from a full regular shift or when an employee working a regular 40 hours is required to report on a day off or at any time not continuous with his/her regular shift. Part time employees shall not be entitled to call back pay. Compensation for call back shall be at time and one-half (1-1/2). This Section shall not apply to building checks.

#### Section 2 - Building Checks

Building checks authorized by the District will be paid at a rate of time and one-half (1-1/2). Stipulated time for building checks is one hour for elementary schools per check and two hours for secondary schools per check.

#### Section 3 - Event Cancellation

In the event that a Community Education, or permit event, is cancelled less than 72 hours prior to the beginning of the event, the scheduled employee shall be compensated for all hours scheduled (unless the cancellation is due to inclement weather or a facility issue).

#### ARTICLE XIX - SEVERANCE

# Section 1 - Eligibility

Employees, who were hired prior to July 1, 2008, have completed at least 12 years of continuous service with the District, who are at least 55 years of age, shall be eligible for severance pay, pursuant to the provisions of this Article upon submission of a written resignation accepted by the School Board.

#### Section 2 - Service

This Article shall apply only to employees whose service has been as defined in this Agreement.

# Section 3 - Number of Days

Eligible employees, upon early retirement, shall receive as severance pay an amount representing 75 days' pay.

#### Section 4 - Severance

In addition to the severance pay provided in Section 3, an employee shall be eligible to receive as severance pay upon his/her retirement the amount obtained by multiplying 50% of his/her unused number of sick leave days, but in any event not to exceed 60 days' pay.

#### Section 5 - Daily Rate

<u>Subd. 1</u> - Severance is capped at the maximum hourly rate for each grade according to the salary schedule for the 2008/09 school year.

Grade 9	\$23.63
Grade 8	\$21.38
Grade 6	\$17.41

Subd. 2 - Hours per day and rate of pay will be based on the most recent five year average.

#### Example:

- Custodian, 3 years at Grade 6, current rate or cap
- Grounds Worker, 2 years at Grade 8, current rate or cap
- The average rate of pay would be used to calculate severance.

<u>Subd. 3</u> - If the employee's current hourly rate is less than the capped amount, then that hourly rate will be used for severance purposes. If the employee's 2008-09 hourly rate is more than the capped amount, the 2008-09 rate will be used for severance purposes. (See Appendix B)

#### Section 6 - Payment

Severance pay shall be paid by the District in equal annual installments over a time period not to exceed two years from the effective date of retirement. The first severance payment shall be paid on the first pay period in January, following the year in which the resignation/retirement takes place. Payment of severance shall not be granted to an employee who is discharged by

the District.

#### Section 7 - Group Insurance:

<u>Subd. 1</u> - An employee who was hired prior to July 1 2008, who retires early pursuant to this Article shall be eligible to continue participation in the District Group Medical-Hospitalization Plan, if permitted by the terms of the policy with the insurance carrier. The District shall contribute \$325.00 per month toward single coverage and \$650 per month toward family coverage as provided in Article IX, Section 7, until the date of Medicare eligibility or the expiration of eight years of District contribution whichever occurs first. The portion of the premium not contributed by the District shall be borne by the custodian. (See Appendix B)

<u>Subd. 2</u> - It is the responsibility of the employee to make arrangements with the School Business Officer to pay to the District the monthly premium amounts in advance and on such date as determined by the District. The employee's right to continue participation in such group insurance, however, will discontinue upon the employee reaching age 65.

#### Section 8 - Matching Contribution Plan 403B

<u>Subd. 1</u> - Employees hired after June 30, 2008, who are regularly employed with the District shall be eligible to participate in a 403B matching contribution plan pursuant to M.S.356.24.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - Employees who were hired prior to July 1, 2008, who are regularly employed with the District shall be eligible and may choose to participate in a 403B matching contribution plan pursuant to M.S.356.24. If choosing to participate the employee would be forfeiting all rights to severance and retiree health under Article V - Severance.

<u>Subd. 3 - Contributions</u> - The District will match eligible annual employee contributions at the beginning of the years of service as stated below. Budgeted annual amounts will determine the max that can be set up each year.

Beginning of School Year in ISD 200	Maximum Match
4-8	2.5%
9-13	3.0%
14+	3.5%

Maximum annual match is capped at \$2,500.

Maximum lifetime match is capped at \$35,000

Determination of years is based on hire date before or after 1/1.

<u>Subd. 4</u> - The District salary reduction authorization agreement stating "Matching Contribution" must be received by the district office on August 1, preceding the school year during which the employee wishes to participate.

#### Section 9

In the event of the death of an employee who is eligible for severance pay under the provisions of Article XIX, the spouse of the employee shall be eligible for the severance pay. The estate will collect if there is no spouse. The requirement of a written resignation does not apply.

#### ARTICLE XX - MISCELLANEOUS

#### Section 1 - Footwear Reimbursement

All custodial staff will receive a footwear allowance of \$85 per year for work shoes, boots or insoles. This reimbursement applies to bargaining unit members who are not already receiving full reimbursement for steel toe boots.

#### Section 2 - District Work Shirts

District work shirts are required when custodial staff are on duty during the regular school year and on weekends. Summer attire must be presentable, with no advertising on, or holes in the apparel. All fulltime custodial staff with permanent status may be provided up to five District issue work shirts annually at their option. Should the employee opt to receive the work shirts, they acknowledge a payroll tax will be assessed based upon the cost per shirt.

# Section 3 - New Hire Union Meeting

Upon hire, a new member to the Union will be afforded 15 minutes during the workday in which to meet with a representative from the local, either the business agent or the Union steward, for an initial meeting to explain the role of the Union to the new member.

# Section 4 - License Renewal

<u>Subd. 1</u> - Certain positions require licensure to maintain employment. The District will reimburse a bargaining unit member for the renewal of, or for obtaining any of the following licensure whether or not the license is required for the position held by the bargaining unit member.

Position	License/Certification Change					
Cleaner	No license required					
Custodian	Required within nine months – Special Class Boiler License					
Grounds Worker/Custodian	Upon Hire – Special Class Boiler License					
Grounds Worker	Required within one year – Minnesota Non-Commercial Pesticide Applicator License					
CE Custodian Upon Hire – Special Class Boiler License Required within one year – 2nd Class Boiler License						
Lead Custodian Upon Hire – Special Class Boiler License Required within one year – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Boiler License						
Maintenance	Upon Hire – Special Class Boiler License Required within one year - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Boiler License Required within three years - 1 <sup>st</sup> Class Boilers License Upon Hire – MN Driver's License Required within six months - Pool Operator License Required within one year – Non-Licensed Electrical License					

For training options, please contact the Director of Buildings & Grounds. Please send copies of all licensure to the Administrative Assistant of Buildings & Grounds.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - The cost for the license and classroom instruction, if necessary, will be reimbursed by the district once proof of obtaining or renewal of the license is provided to the District along with a receipt or invoice confirming the amount. The District will also compensate the employee for a remediation class to pass the Special Class Boiler License for the Custodian position.

<u>Subd. 3</u> - Employees hired with allowable time to obtain proper licensure will be paid one grade lower until such time as they obtain the required license. Once the licensure is obtained, and proof is provided to the District, the member will advance to the grade appropriate for the position title with the change in pay effective with the pay period following receipt. The step placement at the time the license is achieved in the lower grade will follow to the higher grade.

<u>Subd. 4</u> - At the District's discretion, an extension may be granted to employees who have not obtained appropriate licensure for the position they were hired for, if there is evidence that attempts to obtain the licensure have been made, or there were extenuating circumstances that prevented them from obtaining the license.

#### ARTICLE XXI - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

#### Section 1 - Definition of a Grievance

A grievance is defined as a dispute or disagreement as to the interpretation or application of the specific terms and conditions of this Agreement.

#### Section 2 - Union Representative

The District will recognize representatives designated by the Union as the grievance representatives of the bargaining unit having the duties and responsibilities established by this Article. The Union shall notify the District in writing of the names of such Union representatives and of their successors when so designated, as provided by Article VI, Section 3, of this Agreement.

# Section 3 - Processing of a Grievance

It is recognized and accepted by the Union and the District that the processing of grievances as hereinafter provided is limited by the job duties and responsibilities of the employees and shall therefore be accomplished during normal working hours only when consistent with such employee duties and responsibilities. The aggrieved employee and a Union representative shall be allowed a reasonable amount of time without loss in pay when a grievance is investigated and presented to the District during normal working hours provided that the employee and the Union representative have been notified and received approval of the designated supervisor who has determined that such absence is reasonable and would not be detrimental to the work of the District.

#### Section 4 - Procedure

Grievances, as defined in Section 1 hereof, shall be resolved in conformance with the following procedure:

<u>Step 1:</u> An employee claiming a violation concerning the interpretation or application of the Agreement shall, within 21 calendar days after such alleged violation has occurred, present such

grievance to the employee's supervisor as designated by the District. The District designated representative will discuss and give an answer to such Step 1 grievance within ten calendar days after receipt. A grievance not resolved in Step 1 and appealed to Step 2 shall be placed in writing setting forth the nature of the grievance, the facts on which it is based, the provision or provisions of the Agreement allegedly violated, the remedy requested, and shall be appealed to Step 2 within ten calendar days after the District designated representative's final answer in Step 1. Any grievance not appealed in writing to Step 2 by the Union within ten calendar days shall be considered waived.

- Step 2: If appealed, the written grievance shall be presented by the Union and discussed with the District designated Step 2 representative. The District designated representative shall give the Union the District's Step 2 answer in writing within ten calendar days after receipt of such Step 2 grievance. A grievance not resolved in Step 2 may be appealed to Step 3 within ten calendar days following the District designated representative's final Step 2 answer. Any grievance not appealed in writing to Step 3 by the Union within ten calendar days shall be considered waived.
- <u>Step 3:</u> If appealed, the written grievance shall be presented by the Union and discussed with the District designated Step 3 representative. The District designated representative shall give the Union the employer's answer in writing within ten calendar days after receipt of such Step 3 grievance. A grievance not resolved in Step 3 may be appealed to Step 4 within ten calendar days following the District designated representative's final answer in Step 3. Any grievance not appealed in writing to Step 4 by the Union within ten calendar days shall be considered waived.
- <u>Step 4:</u> A grievance unresolved in Step 3 and appealed to Step 4 by the Union shall be submitted to arbitration subject to the provisions of the P.E.L.R.A., as amended. The selection of an arbitrator shall be made in accordance with the "Rules Governing the Arbitration of Grievances" as established by the Public Employment Relations Board.

# Section 5 - Arbitrator's Authority

- <u>Subd. 1</u> The arbitrator shall have no right to amend, modify, nullify, ignore, add to, or subtract from the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The arbitrator shall consider and decide only the specific issue(s) submitted in writing by the District and the Union, and shall have no authority to make a decision on any other issue not so submitted.
- <u>Subd. 2</u> The arbitrator shall be without power to make decisions contrary to, or inconsistent with, or modifying or varying in any way the application of laws, rules, or regulations having the force and effect of law. The arbitrator's decision shall be submitted in writing within 30 days following close of the hearing unless the parties agree to an extension. The decision shall be binding on both the District and the Union and shall be based solely on the arbitrator's interpretation or application of the express terms of this Agreement and to the facts of the grievances presented.
- <u>Subd. 3</u> The fees and expenses for the arbitrator's services and proceedings shall be borne equally by District and the Union provided that each party shall be responsible for compensating its own representatives and witnesses. If either party desires a verbatim record of the proceedings, it may cause such a record to be made providing it pays for the records. If both parties desire a verbatim record of the proceedings, the cost shall be shared equally.

#### Section 6 - Waiver

If a grievance is not presented within the time limits set forth above, it shall be considered "waived." If a grievance is not appealed to the next step within the specified time limit or any agreed extension thereof, it shall be considered settled on the basis of the District's last answer. If the District does not answer a grievance or an appeal thereof within the specified time limits, the Union may elect to treat the grievance as denied at the step and immediately appeal the grievance to the next step. The time limit in each step may be extended by mutual written agreement of the employer and the Union in each step.

#### Section 7 - Choice of Remedy

<u>Subd. 1</u> - If, as a result of the written employer response in Step 3, the grievance remains unresolved, and if the grievance involves the suspension, demotion or discharge of an employee who has completed the required probationary period, the grievance may be appealed either to Step 4 of Article XXI or a procedure such as: Civil Service, Veteran's Preference, or Fair Employment. If appealed to any procedure other than Step 4 of Article XXI, the grievance is not subject to the arbitration procedure as provided in Step 4 of Article XXI. The aggrieved employee shall indicate in writing which procedure is to be utilized - Step 4 of Article XXI or another appeal procedure - and shall sign a statement to the effect that the choice of any other hearing precludes the aggrieved employee from making a subsequent appeal through Step 4 of Article XXI.

<u>Subd. 2</u> - Except with respect to statutes under the jurisdiction of the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, an employee pursuing a statutory remedy is not precluded from also pursuing an appeal under this Grievance Procedure.

#### **ARTICLE XXII - SAVINGS CLAUSE**

This Agreement is subject to the laws of the United States and the State of Minnesota. In the event any provision of this Agreement shall be held to the contrary to law by a court of competent jurisdiction from whose final judgment or decree no appeal has been taken within the time limits provided, such provisions shall be voided. All other provisions of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect. The voided provision shall be renegotiated at the written request of either party.

#### ARTICLE XXIII - DURATION

# Section 1 - Term and Reopening Negotiations

This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect for a period commencing July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2024. Unless otherwise mutually agreed, the parties shall not commence negotiations more than 90 days prior to the expiration of this Agreement. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, changes in rates of pay or other increased benefits provided herein for the 2022- 2024 school years shall be effective July 1, 2022. In the event a new Agreement is not in effect on July 1, 2022, all compensation and working conditions remain in effect as provided in P.E.L.R.A.

#### Section 2 - Effect

This Agreement constitutes the full and complete Agreement between the District and the exclusive representative. The provisions herein relating to terms and conditions of employment supersede any and all prior Agreements, resolutions, practices, school district policies, rules or regulations concerning terms and conditions of employment inconsistent with these provisions.

#### Section 3 - Finality

For Minnesota Teamsters Public

Any matters relating to the current contract term, whether or not referred to in this Agreement, shall not be open for renegotiation during the term of this Agreement, except by mutual agreement.

For Independent School District No. 200

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as follows:

And Law Enforcement Employees' Union Local No. 320 3001 University Ave. S.E. Minneapolis Minnesota 55414	1000 11th Street West Hastings, Minnesota 55033
Business Agent	Chairperson
Steward	Superintendent
Date: 2-13-2023	Date: 10-26-22
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#### APPENDIX A

#### 2022-2023

DESCRIPTION	Step	Grade 9	Grade 8	Grade 7	Grade 6	Grade 5	Grade 4
			Hou	ırly Rates			
Grade 9			***************************************				
Lead Custodian	6	\$25.47	\$23.17	\$21.12	\$19.40	\$17.84	\$16.37
Maintenance Specialist	7	\$26.09	\$23.74	\$21.59	\$19.81	\$18.17	\$16.67
	8	\$26.68	\$24.25	\$22.03	\$20.22	\$18.54	\$17.00
<u>Grade 8</u>	9	\$27.28	\$24.80	\$22.46	\$20.59	\$18.91	\$17.32
Grounds Worker	10	\$27.85	\$25.34	\$22.93	\$21.02	\$19.28	\$17.67
Community Ed Custodian	11	\$28.47	\$25.88	\$23.36	\$21.42	\$19.63	\$17.98
	12	\$29.06	\$26.41	\$23.82	\$21.82	\$20.02	\$18.33
<u>Grade 7</u>	13	\$29.66	\$26.95	\$24.26	\$22.42	\$20.37	\$18.67
Grounds Worker/Custodian	16	\$30.66	\$27.95	\$25.26	\$23.42	\$21.12	\$19.42
	21	\$31.66	\$28.95	\$26.26	\$24.42	\$21.87	\$20.17

<u>Grade 6</u> NOTE: Grade 5 is listed for purposes of grade 6 custodians hired but provided time to obtain required licensure Custodian

#### Grade 4 Cleaner

<u>Retention Payment</u>: For 2022-2023, all custodians hired before June 30, 2022, will receive a one-time payment of \$1,000 paid out the first payroll in December 2022.

#### 2023-2024

DESCRIPTION	<u>Step</u>	Grade 9	Grade 8	<u>Grade 7</u>	Grade 6	Grade 5	Grade 4
			Hou	ırly Rates			
Grade 9							
Lead Custodian	6	\$25.98	\$23.63	\$21.54	\$19.79	\$18.20	\$16.70
Maintenance Specialist	7	\$26.61	\$24.21	\$22.02	\$20.21	\$18.53	\$17.00
	8	\$27.21	\$24.74	\$22.47	\$20.62	\$18.91	\$17.34
Grade 8	9	\$27.83	\$25.30	\$22.91	\$21.00	\$19.29	\$17.67
Grounds Worker	10	\$28.41	\$25.85	\$23.39	\$21.44	\$19.67	\$18.02
Community Ed Custodian	11	\$29.04	\$26.40	\$23.83	\$21.85	\$20.02	\$18.34
-	12	\$29.64	\$26.94	\$24.30	\$22.26	\$20.42	\$18.70
Grade 7	13	\$30.25	\$27.49	\$24.75	\$22.87	\$20.78	\$19.04
Grounds Worker/Custodian	16	\$31.25	\$28.49	\$25.75	\$23.87	\$21.53	\$19.79
	21	\$32.25	\$29.49	\$26.75	\$24.87	\$22.28	\$20.54

<u>Grade 6</u> NOTE: Grade 5 is listed for purposes of grade 6 custodians hired but provided time to obtain required licensure Custodian

#### Grade 4

Cleaner

<u>Retention Payment</u>: For 2023-2024, all custodians hired before June 30, 2022 will receive a one-time payment of \$1,000 paid out the first payroll in December, 2023.

# Appendix B - Severance Rate & Health Caps

Classification	Last	First	Grade	Severance Yes/No	Hourly Rate	Retiree Health Yes/No	Max Monthly Single	Max Monthly Family
Custodian	Alitz	Paul	6	Yes	\$17.41	Yes	\$325	\$650
Custodian	Ganrud	Patricia	6	Yes	\$17.41	Yes	\$325	\$650
Custodian	Graumann	Kurt	6	Yes	\$17.41	Yes	\$325	\$650
Custodian	Kimmes	Daniel	6	Yes	\$17.41	Yes	\$325	\$650
Custodian	Knoll	Thomas	6	Yes	\$17.41	Yes	\$325	\$650
Custodian	Schmitz	Timothy	6	Yes	\$17.41	Yes	\$325	\$650
Lead Custodian	Clark	David	9	Yes	\$23.63	Yes	\$325	\$650
Lead Custodian	Reinardy	Daniel	9	Yes	\$23.63	Yes	\$325	\$650

# MEMORANDOM OF UNDERSTANDING - License Premiums for the Maintenance Classification

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into between Independent School District No. 200, Hastings, Minnesota (hereinafter referred to as the "District") and Local No. 320 Representing Hastings Custodial Employees (hereinafter referred to as the "Union").

WHEREAS, the parties have entered into a Collective Bargaining Agreement effective July 1, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree to the following when it comes to the Maintenance classification:

1. Employees assigned to the maintenance classification, shall receive an hourly premium for the required license in accordance with the following:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The undersigned have caused this Memorandum of Agreement to be

- a. Chiefs License: \$1.00 per hour
- b. 1st Class License: \$0.85 per hour
- c. USP (Underground Storage tank) License: \$0.75 per hour
- d. 2<sup>nd</sup> Class License: \$0.70 per hour
- e. Certified Pool Operators License: \$0.50 per hour

executed this day of, 2022.	
UNION	DISTRICT
DATE: 2-13-2023	DATE: 10.26.22
BY: UNION PRESIDENT	BY: FOR THE DISTRICT
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#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – Sick Leave Bank

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into between Independent School District No. 200, Hastings, Minnesota (hereinafter referred to as the "District") and Minnesota Teamsters Public and Law Enforcement Employee's Union, Local 320 (hereinafter referred to as the "Union").

WHEREAS, the District and the Union mutually agree that there is benefit in maintaining a Sick Leave Bank for employees of the District; and

NOW THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed by and between the undersigned parties that the terms of the Sick Leave Bank shall go into effect upon the ratification of the 2022-2024 Master Agreement and continue until the ratification of the 2024-2026 Master Agreement, with the following terms:

#### 1. Purpose

a. The purpose of the Sick Leave Bank is to provide additional sick leave to those employees who have exhausted their paid leave and have a catastrophic accident, illness, or serious recurring illness, necessitating extended absence.

#### 2. Membership

- a. Employees shall contribute a maximum of one day of sick leave during the donation period to be eligible for the Sick Leave Bank.
  - i. Employees who do not contribute one sick day to the Sick Leave Bank during the donation period shall not be eligible to use leave from the bank.
- b. Employees shall be offered the opportunity to join the Sick Leave Bank during donation periods. Employees will be notified 15 days in advance of scheduled donation periods.
- c. Employees hired after the enrollment period shall be eligible to join the Sick Leave Bank within 15 days of their employment start date.
- d. Employees returning from a leave of absence shall be eligible to join the Sick Leave Bank within 15 days of their return from leave.
- e. Leave contributed to the Sick Leave Bank is not taxed or tax deductible to the donor, is non-refundable, and contributions are irrevocable.
- f. If at any time the balance in the Sick Leave Bank goes below 20 days, the District will organize a donation period.

#### 3. Qualification

- a. To qualify for the Sick Leave Bank, the employee must have exhausted their personal sick leave accrual, and other paid leave available to them (i.e. essential leave, vacation, etc.), and
- b. To qualify as a catastrophic accident or illness, for the purpose of this Sick Leave Bank, the employee must:
  - i. Need leave to meet the waiting period for Short Term Disability; or
  - ii. Need leave to cover an extended period of absence resulting from an accident with major injury and/or a serious health condition, as defined under the FMLA; or
  - iii. Need leave to cover intermittent absences resulting from an ongoing, recurring illness/serious health condition, as defined under the FMLA; or

- iv. Be required to provide care for the serious health condition (as defined under the FMLA) of a spouse, child, or parent, whether for an extended period of time or on a recurring basis; and
- c. Written verification by the attending physician is required.

#### 4. Maximum Eligibility

a. Employees shall be eligible to use up to a maximum of ten days per school year from the Sick Leave Bank, for qualifying absences.

#### 5. Exclusions

- a. With the exception of FMLA or medical leave, employees on leave are not eligible to access the Sick Leave Bank.
- b. An employee who is collecting benefits from Long Term Disability or Workers Compensation will not be eligible.
- c. An employee who is absent for treatment and/or surgery that is considered elective in nature will not be eligible.

#### 6. Part-time Employees

a. Employees who are part of the plan and work less than full time shall be eligible for benefits only for the pro-rata portion of the work day for which they are employed.

#### 7. Administration

- a. A member must apply for benefits under the Sick Leave Bank by submitting a written request to the Human Resources Department. Such request must be submitted and approved prior to the use of the leave.
- b. The Sick Leave Bank will be administered by the Human Resources Department
  - i. If, in reviewing eligibility, it is determined that a request does not qualify, Human Resources will review the request with the Local 320 Business Representative, prior to denial. If there is not mutual agreement, the matter will be referred to the Superintendent for a final determination.
  - ii. Eligibility decisions related to the qualification for use of days from the Sick Leave Bank are not subject to the grievance procedures.

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# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) - Alternative Work Schedule Requests for Designated Paid Holidays

This Memorandum of Understanding is entered into between Independent School District No. 200, Hastings, Minnesota (hereinafter referred to as the "School District") and Local No. 320 Representing Hastings Custodial Employees (hereinafter referred to as the "Union").

NOW THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed by and between the parties as follows:

- 1. The parties have entered into a collective bargaining agreement covering the period from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2024.
- 2. A maintenance employee may work a designated holiday without additional pay, at the request of the employee, and approval by the Director of Buildings and Maintenance in advance.
- 3. A maintenance employee requesting to work on a holiday must submit a request via email, at least three working days prior to the holiday when at all possible, and obtain explicit approval, prior to working such time.
- 4. A maintenance employee requesting to work this day must flex/substitute out an additional day within the same work week in agreement with the Director of Buildings and Maintenance in advance.
- 5. The terms of this MOU shall not establish a precedent, nor shall this MOU be used to seek or justify similar terms in any subsequent situation.

6. The MOU will be sunset on June 30, 2024.

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