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**The Whitefish Bay School District**



**An Exceptional Place To Learn**

**PARA-PROFESSIONAL  
EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS HANDBOOK**

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## **I. INTRODUCTION**

The School District of Whitefish Bay's Para-Professional Employment Provisions Handbook ("handbook") has been prepared for informational purposes only. It is not a contract. It is intended to provide para-professional employees with information about wages and benefits, along with certain policies, procedures, rules and regulations.

None of the statements, policies, procedures, rules, or regulations contained herein constitutes a guarantee of any other rights or benefit, or a contract of employment, expressed or implied. All of the employees are employed "at-will," and employment is not for any definite period unless otherwise provided. Termination of employment may occur at any time, with or without notice, and with or without cause, at the option of the School District or the employee or as otherwise provided.

The provisions set forth in this handbook may be altered, modified, changed, or eliminated at any time by the School Board at its sole discretion with or without notice. This handbook supersedes any and all previous handbooks, statements, policies, procedures, rules or regulations given to para-professional employees, whether verbal or written. It is the responsibility of the employee to become familiar with the provisions set forth in this handbook as well as all applicable Board policies.

An expectation of employment with the School District of Whitefish Bay includes, but is not limited to, the following requirements for all employees:

- Adhere to school policies, procedures, and administrative rules
- Maintain productive working relationships with colleagues and staff members
- Maintain positive rapport with staff, students, parents, the School Board, and the community

## **II. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYMENT**

In accordance with School Board Policy 511, the School District of Whitefish Bay does not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, national origin, ancestry, creed, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, race, color, arrest record or conviction record, or for any other reason prohibited by state and federal laws.

## **III. HOURS OF WORK AND BENEFIT ENTITLEMENT**

The normal work schedule for a full-time para-professionals is thirty-five (35) hours per week not to exceed eight (8) hours per day. The starting time is to be between 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Full-time para-professionals shall receive fringe benefits according to the terms of this handbook.

**Work Week:** The para-professionals' normal work week shall begin no earlier than 7:30 a.m. Monday and shall consist of five (5) consecutive twenty-four (24) hour periods.

## **Definition of Employees:**

**Regular Full-Time:** Full-time para-professionals have a normal work schedule of thirty-five (35) or more hours per week not to exceed eight (8) hours per day.

**Regular Part-Time:** A half-time para-professional is one who works seventeen and one-half (17.5) hours per week or more but less than thirty-five (35) hours per week. Half-time para-professionals would receive the health and dental insurance benefits paid for by the District to a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the District's share for full-time employees. Para-professionals working less than seventeen and one-half (17.5) hours per week shall receive no insurance benefits paid for by the District.

**Rest Periods:** All employees who work four (4) hours each day are allowed to take a fifteen (15) minute rest period for each four (4) hours worked. Employees who work 6 hours per day or more are required to take a half-hour (30 minutes) unpaid lunch. Rest periods will be scheduled by the employer to allow continuous coverage throughout the work day. Unused rest/lunch periods cannot be substituted as a means of reducing or modifying established working hours.

**Overtime:** All hours worked over forty (40) in one week will be paid at time and one-half (1.5) of the regular hourly wage. Hours allocated for holidays and/or sick leave are not included in the calculation for overtime.

**True Time (Payroll Time & Attendance Module through Skyward):** Federal and state laws require us to keep accurate records of hours worked by hourly (nonexempt) employees. Every hourly (nonexempt) employee is required to enter his or her hours worked accurately through the True Time system. Clock in no earlier than 14 minutes before your scheduled start time, and clock out no later than seven minutes after your scheduled end time, unless a temporary schedule change is approved by your supervisor (final time sheet approver). Time sheets are to be submitted through True Time at the end of every workweek. A workweek is defined as the period beginning Sunday and ending Saturday. Any changes to your time sheet must be explained by the employee and approved by your supervisor. Record any time off in Employee Access prior to submitting the timesheet for that week.

Do not complete payroll information for any other employee or request that they do so for you. Falsification of time records or recording time will result in discipline, up to and including termination of employment.

## **IV. PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS**

**Requirement:** Upon his/her initial employment, each new employee shall be required to undergo a physical examination, including a tuberculin test. If the tuberculin test is positive, then a chest x-ray shall be required.

All other employees will be required to undergo a physical examination at such time(s) and under such circumstances as the District deems appropriate.

**Payment:** The District will assume the entire cost of any physical examination, tuberculin test and, when necessary, a chest x-ray, which is required by the District pursuant to this article so long as the employee utilizes a physician designated by the District. While an employee may utilize a

physician other than one designated by the District in complying with this article, the District will be required to reimburse the employee only in the amount and only to the extent of the customary charges charged by the District-designated physician.

## **V. SCHOOL CLOSING**

No employees need to report to work in the event a school or schools are closed but will be paid for the day(s). If the day(s) is/are made up, all employees shall report to work on that/those day(s). Such required makeup days will be without compensation for those employees so affected.

If a para-professional is off on a leave of absence prior to the school closing, the leave of absence will take precedence over the school closing designation.

## **VI. LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

Employees are responsible for the entire cost of benefits when taking unpaid time off related to an approved Leave of Absence. Only with an approved FMLA leave is there an exception related to the health insurance premium benefit.

### **(A) Funeral/Bereavement Leave**

In accordance with School Board Policy 532.34, an employee shall be permitted a leave, not to exceed three (3) paid days, for attending a funeral when a death occurs to a member of the immediate family. For funeral/bereavement leave purposes immediate family will include legal spouse, children, mother, father, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandparents, and grandchildren.

An additional two (2) paid days may be granted for travel to a funeral outside the Milwaukee metropolitan area, which shall be charged to regular sick leave (if applicable).

Additional use of regular sick leave (if applicable) for deaths in the immediate family may be granted at the discretion of the District Administrator or his/her designee.

To attend the funeral of non-immediate family members and/or friends, an employee should use available Personal Days and/or request unpaid time off.

### **(B) Jury Duty**

See Board Policy 532.31/542.31 Jury Duty/Court Appearances. An employee shall be granted time off with pay for reporting for jury duty upon presentation of satisfactory evidence relating to this duty. Compensation received for such duty (exclusive of travel pay or pay for jury duty on non-school days) shall be immediately paid over to the School District.

**(C) Military Leave**

**Reserve Military Duty.** Any employee required to take periods of training for the purpose of retaining status as members in the organized units of enlisted reserve corps of the Army, Naval Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve and National Guard, and who are ordered to active duty, may be granted leaves with pay for a period not in excess of 15 days annually upon submission of evidence of receipt of competent orders. Pay from the School Board for this period shall consist of the difference between the military base pay as determined from the employee's military record and the employee's normal pay.

**Full Military Duty.** Any employee who is inducted or who enlists in the Armed Forces or the Nurses' Corps of the Federal Government at a time when the United States is engaged in war, or who has enlisted in any of said services while a conscription law was in effect, is hereby granted a leave of absence during the period of such service, and thereupon Section 17.035 of the Statutes shall apply to all increments which have accrued during such period of absence.

**(D) Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)**

Per Board Policy 532.33 Family or Medical Leave, the School District shall provide for paid and/or unpaid family and/or medical leave according to applicable state and federal laws. (Copies of applicable laws are available in the Human Resources Office.) When sick leave is used for serious illness in the immediate family, family members included are: legal spouse, children, mother, father, brother, sister, mother-in-law, or father-in-law.

**Application Procedures:** All requests for a medical leave of absence, other than emergencies, must be submitted to the District at least thirty (30) days prior to the anticipated beginning of the leave. In an emergency situation, notice must be given to the District of the need for leave as soon as possible, but not later than 48 hours after the occurrence of the reason for the leave. Such application will be reviewed and processed by the District Administrator or designee and shall be granted or denied. Employees may be allowed up to 12 work weeks of leave per Wisconsin and federal FMLA guidelines and Board Policy #532.33 Family or Medical Leave. Extended leaves beyond 12 weeks without pay may be granted, as indicated in the other unpaid leave of absences listed in this Leave of Absences section.

**Benefits During Leave:** For an approved FMLA leave, the employee may substitute sick time and/or vacation time (if applicable) per the established State of Wisconsin FMLA guidelines before any unpaid time is approved. In connection with School Board Policy 532.331, additional days beyond the use of sick time and/or vacation time (if applicable) as established through Wisconsin FMLA substituted pay may be covered if the employee is off under care of a Health Care Provider (HCP).

For an approved FMLA leave, the employee will continue health insurance at the same premium cost during the approved leave of absence (not to exceed 12 weeks). If any time during the FMLA period becomes unpaid, the employee will be responsible for 100% of the costs of benefits (all benefits besides health insurance) not covered through payroll.

**Return from Leave:** The employee must supply Human Resources with documentation (a return to work note which is also called a fitness-for-duty certificate) from a Health Care Provider (HCP) stating the date the employee can return to work and the documentation should list restrictions, if applicable.

Failure to Return after Expiration of FMLA Leave: In the event the employee does not return to work following the expiration of the FMLA leave, and subject to applicable legal restrictions, the School District of Whitefish Bay will bill the employee for benefits paid by the District during the period of the unpaid FMLA leave. This is consistent with Wisconsin and Federal FMLA guidelines.

**(E) Medical Leave (Non-FMLA)**

See Board Policy 532.331 Anticipated Absence for Medical Reasons. An employee shall be eligible for sick leave during the period of time the employee is medically unable to perform duties of the position for which he/she is employed. Employees who know in advance that they will be medically unable to perform their assigned duties as of a specific date must notify the District Administrator as soon as they become aware of the anticipated absence.

Such application will be reviewed by the District Administrator or his/her designee who shall retain the final authority to grant or deny the medical leave (non-FMLA). In determining whether the leave should be recommended, the District Administrator may consider, but not be limited to, such factors as the employee's duties, the administrative requirements involved in arranging for a replacement, and review of all other unpaid leaves previously granted. The terms upon which such leave may be granted, including the time of commencement of the leave and the duration of the leave (not to exceed job protection timeframe as established under FMLA guidelines), shall be established by the District Administrator or his/her designee in consultation with the employee.

Benefits during Leave: If benefit eligible and enrolled in benefits, the employee may continue insurance during the approved leave of absence (not to exceed job protection timeframe as established under FMLA guidelines) at 100% employee cost of benefits. Continuation in the School District's insurance programs will be allowed upon the advance payment of the full premiums. Said payments must be made in accordance with the procedures established by the Business Office.

Return from Leave: The employee must supply Human Resources with documentation (a return to work note which is also called a fitness-for-duty certificate) from a Health Care Provider (HCP) stating the date the employee can return to work and the documentation should list restrictions, if applicable.

Failure to Return after Expiration of Leave: In the event the employee does not return to work following the expiration of the Medical (Non-FMLA) leave, and subject to applicable legal restrictions, he/she will be deemed to have voluntarily resigned his/her position with the District.

**(F) Child Rearing Leave**

Application Procedures: The employee shall make written application for an unpaid child rearing leave to the District Administrator or designee at least thirty (30) days in advance unless the employee is unable to provide such notice due to medical reasons, or in the case of an adoption, the employee is unable to provide such advance notice due to the placement requirements of the adoption process. The application for an unpaid child rearing leave shall include acceptable medical or legal (for adoption) verification and the anticipated date of beginning the leave and return to work. Such application will be reviewed and processed by the District Administrator or designee and shall be granted or denied in his/her sole discretion. The duration of the leave beyond

any qualified FMLA protections will be granted by the District Administrator or designee.

Duration of the Unpaid Child Rearing Leave: The maximum length of the leave may be as follows:

- a. Child born or adopted during the summer (school is not in session) – the first grading period of the school year.
- b. Child born or adopted during the first grading period of the school year – the balance of that grading period, plus the second grading period.
- c. Child born or adopted during the second grading period of the school year – the balance of that grading period, plus the third grading period.
- d. Child born or adopted during the third grading period of the school year – the balance of that grading period, plus the fourth grading period.
- e. Child born or adopted during the fourth (or last) grading period of the school year – the balance of that grading period plus the first grading period of the following school year provided the employee's employment status is active/scheduled to be active the following school year.

Benefits during the unpaid child rearing leave: The child rearing leave is an unpaid leave. Sick time and/or vacation time (if applicable) may be utilized during the leave under FMLA provisions or as required medically. If benefit eligible and enrolled in benefits, the employee may continue insurance during the approved unpaid leave of absence at 100% employee cost of benefits. Continuation in the School District's insurance programs will be allowed upon the advance payment of the full premiums. Said payments must be made in accordance with the procedures established by the Business Office.

Failure to Return after Expiration of Leave: In the event the employee does not return to work following the expiration of the Medical (Non-FMLA) leave, and subject to applicable legal restrictions, he/she will be deemed to have voluntarily resigned his/her position with the District.

#### **(G) Time Off Without Pay**

Any time off without pay is considered an unpaid leave of absence. It is the expectation that employees do not request unpaid leaves of absence unless it is absolutely necessary to do so for a major event. Any and all time off without pay must be formally requested. All requests for unpaid leaves of absence, other than emergencies, must be submitted to the District at least thirty (30) days prior to the anticipated beginning of the leave. Such application will be reviewed by the District Administrator or his/her designee who shall retain the final authority to grant or deny the leave. In determining whether the leave should be recommended, the District Administrator may consider, but not be limited to, such factors as the employee's duties, the administrative requirements involved in arranging for a replacement, and review of all other unpaid leaves previously granted. The terms upon which such leave may be granted, including the time of commencement of the leave and the duration of the leave, shall be established by the District Administrator or his/her designee in consultation with the employee. No unpaid leave of absence shall exceed five (5) work days. Any unpaid leave will not be granted at a frequency greater than once every 5 years for a 'once in a lifetime' event(s) or an emergency situation at sole discretion of District Administrator. An employee granted an unpaid leave for other than medical and child-rearing reasons must fully exhaust any available personal days and/or vacation days (if applicable) as part of that unpaid leave. A Time Off Without Pay leave of absence shall be without compensation. If benefit eligible and enrolled in benefits, the employee may continue insurance during the approved unpaid leave of absence at 100% employee cost of benefits. Continuation in



the School District's insurance programs will be allowed upon the advance payment of the full premiums. Said payments must be made in accordance with the procedures established by the Business Office.

## **VII. PERSONAL DAY & RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE**

Upon approval of the District Administrator, or his/her designee, a para-professional employee will be allowed to be absent for personal reasons two (2) full days per year without loss of pay. Personal days may be taken in half (1/2) day increments.

Such days will be granted on a first come, first serve basis with a cap of three para-professional employees using any one day. Personal days are not to be used before or after, holiday, recess, break, or sick leave day except in extreme emergencies. The request for a personal day must be received at least one week prior to the anticipated date except in extreme emergencies. Personal days may be taken consecutively; however may not be carried over to the next school year.

When personal days are used, the hours will be deducted from the para-professional's sick leave balance.

To attend the funeral of non-immediate family members and/or friends, an employee should use available Personal Days and/or request unpaid time off.

Upon approval of the District Administrator, or his/her designee, any para-professional desiring time off for personal religious observances may utilize a maximum of two (2) personal days and two (2) sick days per school year for such purpose. Days used for personal religious observances will be deducted from the para-professional employee's personal day allotment followed, if necessary, from their sick leave balance.

## **VIII. SICK LEAVE**

**Benefit and Accumulation:** Employees are eligible for sick leave due to temporary disability, personal illness, or serious illness in the immediate family. When family sick leave is used, the definition of immediate family includes legal spouse, children, mother, father, mother-in-law and father-in-law. When utilizing sick leave, employees must use a minimum of two (2) hours of sick leave per absence.

All full-time para-professional employees will receive ten (10) days of sick leave (allotted in hours, in accordance with the employee's regularly scheduled work hours) per school year, July 1 to June 30. Employees who work less than full time will have their sick leave pro-rated on the basis of their work assignment. However, in the first year of employment, sick leave is earned at the rate of one (1) day per month. Sick leave is accumulated to a maximum of ninety (90) days. Pro-ration will be determined by using the following formula:

Number of hours assigned to job on an annual basis x .0477 = Sick Leave Hours

Once the maximum cumulative days are reached, or if, at the beginning of a school year, an employee's annual sick leave allotment would permit accumulation above the maximum, the employee's annual allotment will be the greater of:

1. The number of days difference between the current total of cumulative days and the maximum cumulative days set forth herein; or
2. Four (4) days per year.

Employees with more than ninety (90) cumulative sick leave days shall not accumulate sick leave days until their total number drops below ninety (90) days.

In the event an employee is eligible for long term disability benefits, all sick leave payments pursuant to this handbook shall cease immediately.

At the end of three (3) consecutive days of sick leave, certification of illness by a Health Care Provider may be required.

**Advance Notice and Use:** In the event that an employee is aware in advance that sick leave benefits will be needed or due, it will be the duty of the employee to notify the Director of Human Resources for para-professionals as far in advance as possible in writing of the anticipated time and duration of such sick leave, the reason for requesting such sick leave and medical certification that the employee will be unable to perform his/her normal work functions. Employees will be required to begin using sick leave on the date after which their doctor certifies that they are medically unable to perform their normal duties. An employee on sick leave is required to notify the Director of Human Resources at the earliest possible time of the anticipated date on which the employee will be able to resume his/her employment duties. The Administrator in each building will establish a procedure whereby employees will call a specific telephone number to report an absence. Employees will not be required to arrange for substitutes.

**Termination of Paid Leave:** Upon the expiration of accumulated sick leave, an employee may submit a written request for a leave of absence without compensation for illness or disability for a period not to exceed sixty (60) working days and not less than five (5) working days. The leave will be granted upon submission of a medical doctor's statement that the employee is unable to perform his/her normal duties.

**Retirement:** Employees hired prior to July 1, 2011 will receive compensation for unused accumulated sick leave up to and including twenty-five (25) days at the time of retirement. The entitlement under this paragraph will be computed on the basis of a normal full-time work day, except that the entitlements of a part-time employee will be pro-rated accordingly. This payment will be made at the employee's hourly pay rate in effect on June 30, 2012.

In the event an employee takes advantage of any leave provided for under federal or state statutes, now in effect or subsequently enacted, such leave will be considered a part of any leave provided under this article to the extent permitted by law and in accordance with the rules and regulations of the appropriate state and federal agencies.

## **IX. HOLIDAYS**

All regular full-time and part-time para-professionals will receive the following holidays off with pay:

- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Memorial Day

**Holidays Falling on a Weekend:** If any of the above holidays fall on a Saturday or Sunday, the Director of Business Services and the Director of Human Resources shall determine which day will be assigned as the day off during the work week allocated to that holiday for pay purposes.

**Eligibility:** Holiday pay will be paid only to those employees who have worked the scheduled hours the day before and the day after the holiday, except if they have a pre-approved absence.

**Holiday Pay:** Holiday pay will be computed at the employee's regular rate of pay for the employee's regularly scheduled number of hours.

## **X. WAGES**

All employees will be paid in accordance with the attached Appendix A.

**Pay Dates:** All para-professionals will be paid bi-weekly. Timesheets will be processed per the District's pay schedule through True Time (Payroll Time & Attendance Module through Skyward).

**Extra Duties for Para-professionals:** The District Administrator will advise the principals that the para-professionals may be assigned additional hours when workloads dictate. However, para-professionals may not work additional hours without the prior approval of the building principal.

The Director of Human Resources will decide whether para-professionals should attend in-service programs and whether they should work until their normal ending time on early dismissal days.

## **XI. BENEFITS**

Benefits are available to employees who have full-time or part-time status as defined in benefit entitlement section for each employee classification. For all benefits, the Board may from time to time change the insurance carrier and plan design if it elects to do so. For specific information regarding insurance and retirement plans, please refer to current benefit summaries.

Employees who do not enroll for insurance coverage within the initial eligibility period are subject to plan guidelines which may include waiting until the annual open enrollment period unless they have a qualifying event. Enrollment must be completed within thirty (30) days of a qualifying event to be eligible for coverage.

**Health Insurance.** The District will provide a group health insurance plan for benefit eligible employees on either a single or family basis.

The District will pay ninety-two percent (92%) of the health insurance premium for full-time benefit eligible employees and a pro-rated portion of the ninety-two percent (92%) premium payment for part-time benefit eligible employees. Health insurance is not available to part-time employees employed less than one-half time.

Upon initial employment, the employee is eligible to participate in the group health insurance plan available. Initial enrollment for that employee (and his/her family) exists only at the time of employment. If the employee declines coverage when the employee is initially eligible, the ability to enroll at a later date will be seriously affected.

Open enrollment for health insurance as required under ACA regulations occurs every spring.

**Cash in Lieu of Health Insurance.** If a full-time employee is covered through another source for health insurance or has a legal spouse whose coverage includes the employee, the employee may elect to receive cash in lieu of health insurance under the term of the District's Section 125 plan. The amount will be the same as the District contributes toward a single premium per month, or \$726.06 per month (\$8,712.72 maximum annually), whichever is less. The employee must complete an *Application For Waiver of Health Insurance* form to receive the cash in lieu benefit.

**Section 125 Plan.** The District will implement and make available to all employees a Section 125 Plan. The Section 125 Plan will cover (a) employee pre-tax premium contributions for health insurance; (b) deductibles, co-payments and other non-covered medical expenses eligible for coverage; (c) child care expenses; and (d) provide employees who can certify they have alternative health insurance coverage a cash-in-lieu option (if the employee is eligible).

**Dental Insurance.** The District will provide a group dental insurance plan for benefit eligible employees on either a single or family basis.

The District will pay eighty (80%) of the dental insurance premium for full-time benefit eligible employees and a pro-rated portion of the eighty (80%) premium payment for part-time benefit eligible employees. Dental insurance is not available to part-time employees employed less than one-half time.

A benefit eligible employee is given the opportunity to participate in the dental insurance program upon initial employment. Should the employee desire to take the dental insurance at a later date, it is unlikely that the carrier will allow participation without some proof of insurability.

Open enrollment for dental insurance as indicated in the plan document occurs every spring.

**Vision Insurance.** The District will provide, on an optional basis, a voluntary vision insurance program at either family or single coverage. The employee will be responsible for the entire cost (100%) of the premium. Once enrolled, employees must participate in the vision plan for 12 full consecutive months before canceling coverage.

Open enrollment for vision insurance as indicated in the plan document occurs every spring.

**Long-Term Disability.** The District shall provide and pay the cost of long-term disability insurance for all full-time and part-time benefit eligible employees who work a minimum of 600 hours annually. The long-term disability insurance program shall provide for 90% payment of covered base salary to age 65 with an offset for social security, workers' compensation and State retirement. The long-term disability insurance program shall provide for a 60 day waiting period.

**Group Term Life Insurance.** The District provides group term life insurance to benefit eligible employees based upon 100% of the previous calendar year salary rounded to the next higher \$1,000. This coverage is handled through the Wisconsin Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF). The premium for this policy is based upon age and Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) wage. For all employees, however, the District does pay an additional premium which enables the value of this policy to hold one-fourth of its basic coverage value after retirement as permanent insurance without additional premiums being paid.

The group term life insurance is optional. There is a waiting period for this benefit; however, if the employee has had six months previous experience in the Wisconsin Retirement System, the waiting period is waived.

The term insurance referred to above is called the "basic coverage." All employees have the opportunity to participate in the "additional life insurance plan" if they are participating in the basic plan. The additional plan allows the employee to purchase an additional policy for up to three units of additional insurance. Each unit is equal to the basic plan amount. The rates are similar to or lower than those provided by the basic rate. The employee pays the entire cost of this additional insurance and it does not have any residual permanent benefits at retirement.

**Optional Legal Spouse and Dependent Life Insurance.** Those benefit eligible employees who participate in the basic group life insurance program are eligible to participate in an optional life insurance program which can cover their legal spouse and all their dependents. The employee pays the entire cost of this additional insurance and it does not have any residual permanent benefits at retirement.

**Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) Contributions.** The District pays the employer portion of the contribution to the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) at the current rate assessed by the WRS. The employee is responsible for the employee portion.

## **XII. RETIREMENT**

Employees who were employed by the District prior to July 1, 2001, and who retire at age fifty-seven (57) years or older with at least twelve (12) years of service as determined by the District's seniority list will receive post-employment group health insurance coverage at the employer's expense until age sixty-five (65) or until the employee is eligible for Medicare with the District contributing the same percentage of the premium as the active employees receive provided that the dollar amount of the premium to be paid by the employer on the employee's behalf shall not exceed the dollar amount paid by the employer on the employee's behalf during the 2011-12 school year.

Employees whose employment with the District started after June 30, 2001, are eligible for post-employment group health insurance coverage after reaching age fifty-seven (57) and the completion of fifteen (15) years of service as determined by the District's seniority list with the District contributing the same percentage of the premium as the active employees receive provided that the dollar amount of the premium to be paid by the employer on the employee's behalf shall not exceed the dollar amount paid by the employer on the employee's behalf during the 2011-12 school year.

Employees whose employment with the District started after June 30, 2005, are eligible for post-employment group health insurance coverage after reaching age fifty-seven (57) and the completion of twenty (20) years of service as determined by the District's seniority list with the District contributing the same percentage of the premium as the active employees receive provided that the dollar amount of the premium to be paid by the employer on the employee's behalf shall not exceed the dollar amount paid by the employer on the employee's behalf during the 2011-12 school year.

Employees whose employment with the District started after June 30, 2008, are eligible for post-employment group health insurance coverage after reaching age fifty-nine (59) and the completion of twenty (20) years of service as determined by the District's seniority list with the District contributing the same percentage of the premium as the active employees receive provided that the dollar amount of the premium to be paid by the employer on the employee's behalf shall not exceed the dollar amount paid by the employer on the employee's behalf during the 2011-12 school year.

Employees whose employment with the District starts after July 1, 2011, will not be eligible for post-employment retirement benefits.

### **XIII. EMPLOYEE NOTIFICATION TO HUMAN RESOURCES**

**Change in Employee Information:** It is the employee's responsibility to update information or notify the Human Resources Department and/or Business Office of changes that should be made to records to keep them accurate and up-to-date. Examples of changes that must be reported would be: name, address, telephone number, or emergency contact.

The Business Office should be notified if you have a change in marital status, number of exemptions for tax withholding, bank information for direct deposit or changes to insurance coverage including dependent information.

**Employee Notification Responsibility:** Any report of a Federal, State or municipal law, rule or regulation violation may only be used in making employment decisions if the violation is related to job or assigned activity. Employees shall notify the Director of Human Resources immediately upon an arrest, pending charges, or conviction situation change.

#### **XIV. IDENTIFICATION (ID) BADGE**

All employees should obtain a picture ID badge through the Human Resources Office or the photo session conducted at each school building. Each employee is required to wear the picture ID badge to identify himself/herself as a School District of Whitefish Bay employee.

#### **XV. LOST TIME DUE TO WORK RELATED INJURY**

In relation to Board Policy 532.38 (Lost Time Due to Work Related Injury), if you are injured while working, witness an incident while working, or become ill from something in your work area, report it to Building Administrator or designee immediately – *even if no medical attention is required*. The incident should also be reported within 24 hours. Incident reports are used to document emergency or other abnormal situations on campus. These reports assist with the investigation of potential safety and/or health hazards and ensure that steps are taken to prevent any recurrence in the future.

Eligibility for workers' compensation can only be determined after an investigation of the circumstances surrounding a reported injury or illness. Failure to report the incident in a timely manner may result in a reduction or loss of workers' compensation benefits.

#### **XVI. LONGEVITY PAY**

Eligible employees, who met the criteria listed below prior to July 1, 2011, shall be entitled to longevity pay according to the following formula:

Para-professional Employees:

1. Twenty-five cents (\$.25) per hour after ten (10) years of continuous service.
2. Thirty-five cents (\$.35) per hour after fifteen (15) years of continuous service.
3. Forty-cents (\$.40) per hour after twenty (20) years of continuous service.

## APPENDIX A

### PARA-PROFESSIONAL BASE SALARY RANGE

The following salary range shall be established beginning with the 2017-18 school year. The salary range may be adjusted/modified from time to time by the School Board at its sole discretion.

	<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
<b>Para-I</b>	\$12.97	\$16.25 *
*The Library Media Secretaries pay rates above this maximum are grandfathered due to transfer to Para I classification effective July 1, 2017.		
<b>Para-II</b>	\$14.74	\$18.48

At the time of hire, determination of hourly rate takes into consideration years of experience, education and professional development, other qualifications, and specific job assignment.

The Para-Professional employees' hourly rate may be adjusted annually for indexed allocations.

No pay increase shall be provided for employees on a plan of improvement. Employees whose individual hourly rate is at the maximum will not receive an increase.

Newly hired employees may not be eligible for a pay increase in their initial year of employment.