

Master Agreement

Between

The Caledonia Community Schools Board of Education And

The Caledonia Transportation Association

September 15, 2025 - June 30, 2027

Article 1: Recognition

- A. This is entered into between the Board of Education of Caledonia Community Schools, hereafter called the "Board" and the Caledonia Community Schools Transportation Association/KCEA/MEA/NEA, hereafter called "CTA".
- B. The Association shall include Bus Drivers, Bus Aides, Mechanics, Router and Dispatcher
- C. Excluded from the Unit are the Transportation Director, Clerical/Secretaries, Instructional Para Pros, substitute employees, privatized/subcontracted employees and all other employees.
- D. Any new positions created by the Board after the ratification date of this Agreement possessing the same community of interest may be included in this unit.
- E. The Board agrees not to negotiate with any organization other than the CTA, and their representatives, for the duration of this agreement.

Article 2: Board of Education Rights

- A. The CTA acknowledges and understands that the Board is responsible for the establishment of policies designed to govern and maintain the school district.
- B. The Board on its own behalf and on the behalf of the electors of the school district, retains and reserves all powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities conferred upon and vested in it by the laws and the Constitution of the State of Michigan, and of the United States, including, but without limiting the generality of the following rights:
 - 1. **Management and Control**
Manage and control its business, equipment, and its operations and to direct the working forces and affairs of the Board.
 - 2. Delegate to the executive management and administrative control of the school district and its employees, properties, facilities, and finances.
 - 3. Continue its rights, policies, and practices of assignment and direction of its personnel, determine the number of its personnel, determine the number of personnel and scheduling of all the forgoing, but not in conflict with the specific provisions of this Agreement.

4. Relationship to Employees

To hire all employees, and subject to the provisions of law, to determine their qualifications, the conditions of their continued employment, their dismissal or demotion, discipline, suspension, and to promote and transfer all such employees. The Board retains the right of assignment of staff to the programs of the district and to assign work or duties to employees, subcontract for non-bargaining unit work, determine the size of the work force and to lay off employees.

3. Additional Rights

The Board delegates to its administrative staff the responsibilities of enforcing policies; the construction, acquisition and maintenance of school buildings and equipment; the evaluation, discipline, promotion and termination of employees; and the establishment and revision of rules and regulations governing and pertaining to work and conduct of its employees. The Board and administrative staff shall be free to exercise all its managerial rights and authority except as limited by law.

a). Determine the number and location or relocation of its facilities, including the establishment or relocation of new schools, buildings, departments, divisions or subdivisions thereof and the relocation or closing of offices, departments, divisions or subdivisions, building or other facilities.

b). Determine the financial policies, including all accounting procedures, and all matters pertaining to public relations. Determine the size of the management organization, its functions, authority, amount of supervision and the table of organizations, provided that the Board shall not abridge any rights from employees as specifically provided for in this Agreement.

c). Determine the policy affecting the selection, testing, or training of employees, providing that such selection shall be based upon lawful criteria.

d). To establish hiring procedures.

e). To establish courses of instruction and professional development training programs for employees and to require attendance at any workshop, conference, etc., by employees, including special programs, offered during normal working hours. If attendance is required the Board will reimburse all expenses incurred by the member. In other instances, the member may request attendance.

f). Determine reasonable district provisions for health, safety, and first aid of employees during hours of employment.

g). The Board and administrative staff shall be free to exercise all its managerial rights and authority except as limited by law.

Article 3: CTA Rights

A. Nondiscrimination of Rights

The provisions of this Agreement and the wages, hours, terms and conditions of employment shall be applied without regard to race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, sex or marital status or membership in, or non-membership in, or association with, the activities of any employee organization.

B. Religious and Political Discrimination

Employees shall be entitled to full rights of citizenship and no religious or political activities of any employee or lack of shall be grounds of any discipline or discrimination with respect to the employment of the employee. However, CTA recognizes that it is the employee's responsibility to fulfill his/her employment obligations.

C. The Board agrees that the CTA and its members shall have the right to use available school building facilities for CTA meetings, in accordance with Board Policy, provided arrangements have been made in advance with the Director of Transportation and as long as they transact business at times when they are not paid.

D. An employee shall have the right to review the contents of his/her personnel file and to have a representative of the CTA present during the review. All personnel and/or confidential references are excluded from the review. Original employee records are the property of the Board of Education and are not to leave the school premises. No material may be placed in an employee's personnel file without allowing him/her an opportunity to file a response thereto and said response shall become part of said file. To the extent permitted by law, substantive complaints regarding an employee's performance which are subsequently verified by an administrative observation or investigation shall be reduced to writing with names of the complainants, administrative action taken, and the remedy clearly stated. An employee may submit a written request to the Director of Transportation to remove items from the personnel file after two (2) years. The Director will decide if the items are appropriate for removal and that decision is not subject to the grievance procedure.

E. The Board agrees to post this agreement to the District's website.

F. The Board agrees to provide to the CTA any information that it would normally provide to the district's constituents.

G. Upon request of a CTA member/employee, in addition to state, federal, court mandated, section 125 Plans and all health related insurance deductions, the district will also process requested direct deposit for any bank, or Credit Union that participates with the Automated Clearing House (ACH).

H. Should the District hire a new employee in the CTA or should an employee resign, or retire from the CTA the Transportation Director will notify the CTA, in writing, within two weeks of occurrence.

I. Eight (8) hours of Association time shall be granted per bargaining unit member. Members will be paid their regular run hour rate. The bargaining team will not exceed four members. The Association shall reimburse the District on a current basis those sums paid to the Office of Retirement Service for Association release time as required by law.

Article 4. Seniority

A. District Seniority

Seniority shall be defined as the amount of continuous service to the district from the employee's most recent date of hire (Board Hired Date) in his/her classification. Seniority isn't cumulative between bus drivers, router, dispatcher fleet mechanics and bus aides.

B. Seniority within Classification

Seniority shall accrue while working in classifications listed in Article 1.B. Seniority shall not accrue in positions outside this Agreement, while on approved or unapproved leave or while on layoff. Seniority in a classification shall not be lost when an employee transfers from a classification but shall be frozen until such time as the employee may return to a position within the classification.

C. Accrual When off the Job - All Employees

An employee injured on the job will continue to accrue seniority while off the job. If an injury occurs off the job, seniority will accrue for only one (1) year. Seniority from injury leave pertains only to layoff and recall procedure; not toward longevity or any other benefits. Employees on layoff will neither lose nor accrue seniority.

D. Ties

In the event more than one employee has the same length of service in a classification, seniority ranking shall be determined by ranking those employees in order of the successful completion date of the CDL Road Test.

E. Loss of Seniority

Seniority shall be lost by an employee for the following reasons: termination, resignation, absence of 3 consecutive days without notice to the district, and if the employee does not return to work when recalled from layoff within ten (10) business days from receipt of the recall notice.

F. Probationary Period

Any employee employed on a regular part-time or full time basis shall serve a sixty (60) calendar day probationary period. If a probationary employee is absent during the probationary period, or the probationary period falls during a scheduled school break, the probation period shall be extended accordingly. At the discretion of the Transportation Director and approval of the HR Director, the probationary period may be waived.

1. Probationary employees shall have no seniority until the successful completion of the probationary period. The effective date of hire (Board Hire Date) shall be the seniority

date and will be attained at the conclusion of the probationary period. If any time prior to the completion of the probationary period the employee's work performance is unacceptable, he/she may be subject to termination or extension of the probationary period of no more than thirty (30) days, upon recommendation of the immediate supervisor or other administrative representative of the school district. The termination of a probationary employee is not subject to grievance procedures.

Article 5: Layoff and Recall

A. Layoff Procedure

In the event of a reduction in the workforce, the following procedure shall be followed:

1. Seniority and Qualifications

The overriding factor in reducing the workforce will be the least senior person in the classification will be laid off first. In the event of a tie in seniority we will use the successful completion date of their CDL road test.

2. Bumping

Bumping another employee in a different classification will be disallowed.

3. Layoff Notice

Employees to be laid off shall be given ten (10) workdays prior to the effective date of layoff. The notice will be in writing.

B. Recall

When a position becomes open in a classification, the Board shall recall employees in reverse order of layoff.

1. Rejecting Recall

An employee rejecting recall to a position or one with fewer hours shall be removed from the recall list and forfeits any chance to return to work. The recall rejection is in effect an employee resignation from the district.

2. Employee Acceptance

An employee must notify the Superintendent in writing, by certified letter, that they accept or reject the recall. If written notification isn't received within ten (10) working days from the recall, then the recall is deemed to be rejected and the employee has resigned from the district.

3. Duration of Recall

The employer shall maintain a list of reduced or laid off employees for a period of two (2) years. After two (2) years the employee is removed from the recall list and isn't eligible for recall.

Article 6: Suspension/Termination

A. Just Cause

Employees are expected to follow Board Policy which is posted on the District's website. Prior to imposition of discipline, the employer must have conducted an investigation, and obtained evidence to support the assertion that the employee has violated some standard of expected performance, behavior, or Board Policy. During the investigation the employee may be placed on paid administrative leave. The Director of Transportation may use evidence obtained from video surveillance for disciplinary purposes. Progressive discipline shall be applied for any incident warranting disciplinary action beginning with a verbal warning or more progressive form of discipline based on the severity of the infraction.

1. Drivers will be notified any time a bus surveillance video is reviewed for the purpose of investigating allegations of employee misconduct.
2. The employee shall be provided with due process, including the opportunity to respond to the charges he/she faces, and with representation.
3. Any penalty imposed is reasonable and in proportion to the offense committed.

B. Suspension

The employee may be subjected to suspension for good and just cause by the Superintendent or designee.

C. Termination

During the term of employment, the employee shall be subjected to termination for good and just cause by the Superintendent or designee. No termination shall be effective unless written charges have been served upon the employee and he/she has had an opportunity for a disciplinary review before the Superintendent.

1. The employee may have representation, at the disciplinary review, from a maximum of two (2) members from the CTA group. If the employee desires legal representation then the cost/expense will be the responsibility of the employee. The employee will receive the results, in writing of the disciplinary review within five (5) working days after the hearing.

Article 7: Vacancies

A. Internal Vacancies

Notice of vacant positions shall be posted on the bulletin board and emailed within (3) working days to bargaining unit members. The vacancy shall be posted for a minimum of three (3) working days before it's filled by the Transportation Director. It will be the responsibility of drivers to check the bulletin board from time to time and within the three-day posting period to know what runs might be available. Any driver interested in a posted route must put his/her

request for that route in writing. It is the responsibility of a driver on leave to check posted vacancies. When a position is filled the employee will be notified via email.

B. External Vacancies

All external vacancies shall be posted on the District webpage. Applications for external vacancies will only be accepted through the Districts electronic application service.

C. Qualifications

Vacant positions shall be filled with the most senior internal applicant, except for router, dispatcher, mechanics, reserve drivers and the trainer position. Applications from all current employees shall be considered as well as external candidates/applicants.

D. Mid-Year Vacancies

In the event a run vacancy occurs during the current school year, the position shall be posted in accordance with article 7 (A). Drivers may apply for the position and it will be filled based on seniority. However, in no case will there be more than two (2) postings, i.e., if route "A" becomes available and a current seniority driver opts for it, he/she will be placed on route "A". His/her former route "B" will then be posted and the same procedure will apply. Route "B" will be the last one posted. Any routes that are opened as a result of the original vacancy, the Director of Transportation will make available to CTA members based on seniority as long as said person would make more money prior to hiring a new driver. Said driver has up to 24 hours to accept or decline the available route. It is understood that this provision applies only to vacancies that occur after the opening of school and prior to March 01, of the same school year. No senior driver will be transferred to a vacant position. After March 1, a substitute driver shall be assigned to the vacancy and the sixty (60) day probationary period will begin on the first day of assignment.

E. Assignment of Steps

1. Drivers and Bus Aides

Drivers and bus aides with prior experience working as a bus driver/aide may be placed on a higher step at the discretion of the Transportation Director, with approval from the HR Director.

2. Mechanics

The Transportation Director will use his/her discretion when placing a newly hired mechanic on the salary schedule. Step placement must be approved by the HR Director.

3. Route Planner and Dispatcher

The Transportation Director will use his/her discretion when placing a newly hired route planner or dispatcher on the salary schedule. Step placement must be approved by the HR Director.

Article 8. Assignment and Transfer

A. Involuntary Transfer

The Board reserves the right to transfer employees from one assigned position to another for staffing needs, disciplinary reasons, performance issues, or due to personality conflicts. In the event that the Director of Transportation feels there should be a change in the driver of a particular run, or he/she feels the driver has selected a run in which he/she may not be well suited, he/she will discuss his/her concern with the driver(s) involved. If the driver does not consent to voluntarily switching off that run, the director may call a meeting among himself/herself, the affected driver, the KCEA/MEA/NEA representative, one driver chosen by the Association and one other driver selected by the affected driver. At this meeting, rationale will be given for the proposed change. The transfers can't be contested through the grievance procedure.

B. Temporary Assignment

Any employee required by his/her supervisor to assume temporary duties for more than five (5) working days will be notified in writing.

Article 9: Working Conditions and Schedules

A. Determining Hours

The daily work hours, for all employees, shall be assigned by the Director of Transportation. This includes the starting and ending time, break times, and lunch times where applicable. The immediate supervisor shall provide a written work schedule to each employee specifying the approximate hours to be worked.

B. Assigned Hours and Work Days

1. Drivers

Driver hours and schedules are created through the route selection process. The total number of hours worked in a week, including extra trips, shall not exceed forty (40) hours per week including extra trips. The Director of Transportation may assign additional hours based on program needs.

(a). Drivers shall work a minimum of twenty six (26) per week to be eligible for medical insurance. After route selection, any Driver that is scheduled between 20 and 25 hours on a weekly basis shall perform duties as designated by the Transportation Director to meet the twenty six (26) hour qualification for medical insurance. Drivers that are scheduled less than nineteen (19) hours per week, after the route selection process, are not eligible for medical insurance.

(b). It is the individual driver's responsibility to notify the Director of Transportation that the assignment of additional hours will cause them to exceed forty (40) hours in a work week.

(c). Drivers shall not take any trips that conflict with their runs during the first two weeks of school.

(d). Drivers are required to work the first week of school and the last week of school. Vacation days, personal days or compensating days will not be approved during these time frames. Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis.

2. Bus-Aides

Aides with the most seniority will have the opportunity to work on runs with the most hours. Aides will not work more than 28.75 hours each week. The assignment/selection process takes place at the run selection meeting held in August. It is the aides' responsibility to notify the Transportation Director that the assignment of additional hours will cause them to exceed 28.75 hours in a work week.

(a) In order to meet District or Program needs, the Transportation Director may authorize a bus aide to work over 28.75 hours.

(b) Bus Aides will report to the transportation garage daily to begin and end their route.

(b) Cell phone use, including texting, while students are being transported shall be limited to contacting parents, the transportation office and/or student emergencies.

3. Mechanics, Routers, and Dispatchers

Mechanics, Routers, and Dispatchers will work 260 days per year at eight (8) hours per day with a maximum of 2,080 hours. Holiday and vacation time is included in the 2,080 hours. Over-time may be directed by the Director of Transportation.

4. All hours worked, including overtime, must be submitted to the employee's immediate supervisor through the District's automated time keeping system. Failure to follow these requirements may result in a denial of overtime pay or discipline.

Article 10. Conditions of Employment

Drivers, mechanics, routers, and dispatchers in the transportation group must have on file at the transportation office, five (5) work days prior to the first day of school, the following forms and certificates as required by law:

A. A chauffeur's/CDL license which is current and valid (photocopy).

B. A valid bus driver's certification card which is valid for the balance of the coming school year.

- C. A valid road test and written skills test or valid endorsements on drivers license.
- D. Each employee must have a valid medical certificate stating that his/her physical ability meets the minimum qualifications as outlined on the CDL/BPS physical form as required by the State.
- E. If any of the above items aren't on file at the Transportation office, five (5) work days prior to the first day of school each year, an employee will not be allowed to drive until all items are on file. The only exception will be when a driver is on medical leave at run selection time. If an employee is disqualified (on medical grounds (sickness, disease or accident) he/she may retain his/her seniority.

Article 11: Leave of Absence

A. Sick Leave

This leave shall only be used for personal illness or injury and must be used in increments of a half (0.5) or full (1.0) day. The daily sick leave benefit paid to an employee shall be the employee's normal daily pay.

1. Drivers, routers, dispatchers and mechanics are allocated 10 days each school year.
2. Bus-Aides are allocated 7 days each school year.
3. Sick leave may be used for personal illness of the employee, the employee's spouse, children, or parents and other individuals residing for an extended period of time in the employee's household. Use of sick leave for illness of the immediate family (spouse, child or parent) is not to exceed five (5) days per fiscal year, except with the approval of the supervisor. Doctor or dentist appointments are valid reasons for absence and will be deducted from accumulated sick days.
4. Notwithstanding any contrary Agreement language, if the Michigan Earned Sick Time Act ("ESTA") is in effect, the first 72 hours of paid sick leave may be used for any ESTA purpose each ESTA year (i.e., each school year), with those 72 leave hours subject to the ESTA conditions.
5. Staff may use sick days or personal days for scheduled/unpaid days off (such as Wednesday before Thanksgiving, day before spring break, Mid-Winter Break, Friday before Memorial Day, etc.).

B. Bereavement Leave

Bereavement leave may be used due to a death in the immediate family. Bereavement leave is not charged against accumulated sick leave. The immediate family includes spouse, parents, grandparents, children, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, brother in-laws,

sister in-laws, and individuals residing for an extended period of time in the household. 1 day may be used for a friend

1. Unit members may use up to 5 bereavement per fiscal year. Additional days may be granted at the discretion of the Superintendent.

2. Bereavement Days are non-cumulative.

C. Personal Days

Personal days are non-cumulative and are to be used for business activities that can't be conducted outside normal work hours. Requests for personal days must be to the supervisor ten (10) working days prior to the desired day off. Personal leave days aren't accumulated year to year as personal days, but if unused will accumulate as sick days. Notification to convert the personal leave days to sick days is the responsibility of the employee and must be submitted (district form) by 30 June of each year. Forms will be available at the Transportation Center. Forms must be submitted to the payroll office.

1. Drivers and bus aides are allocated 1.5 personal days each fiscal year.

2. Mechanics, routers and dispatchers are allocated 2 days each fiscal year and are exempt from the 10 day request period.

D. Leaves with pay

Leaves of absence with pay not chargeable against the employee's sick leave shall be granted for the following reasons:

1. Absence for jury duty. The employee will be paid for the hours normally worked, less the per diem jury duty pay. The employee retains the mileage compensation.

2. Court appearance as a witness in any case connected with the employee's employment.

3. Attendance at conferences, workshops, or in-service meetings related to the employee's work and approved by the Supervisor.

E. Leaves without pay

Leaves of absence without pay may be granted upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to the Board of Education for a period not to exceed one (1) year. The employee must file a letter of request with the Superintendent and list the reason for the leave and the length of time they will be off work. The following reasons are acceptable for an unpaid leave of absence:

1. The conditions at home require the employee to remain home.

2. Personal illness (with written verification by a physician) that requires the employee to exhaust accumulated sick days may be granted a leave without pay.
3. Other requests deemed appropriate by the Superintendent.
4. The employee shall not receive credit on the salary schedule for the unpaid leave time off, and seniority shall be frozen during such leaves.

F. Family Medical Leave Act

Parties agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth in the Family Medical Leave Act (Federal) of 1993. This section shall not be construed as limiting the right of a member to elect to substitute paid leave for unpaid leave in accordance with Section 102(d) (2) of the aforementioned legislation. The employee must request FMLA to the Superintendent in writing with a reasonable time frame prior to taking leave.

G. Medical Statement

Any employee absent for three (3) consecutive days or more may be required to present to the supervisor, prior to returning to work, a statement from a Physician indicating that the employee's health is satisfactory to resume normal work duties. If the Supervisor is in doubt about the employee's health and ability to perform their duties, the Supervisor may send the employee to a Physician of the district's choice for further examination at the expense of the Board.

H. Violation of Leave

All leaves are considered as time off for the reasons stated and necessary for the protection of the employee. Any employee who willfully violates or misuses this policy on leave with pay or who misrepresents any statements or conditions under this policy shall forfeit all pay for this stated period and any further rights under this policy unless reinstated in good standing by the Supervisor. Violations of this leave policy may involve disciplinary action up to and including termination/dismissal.

1. Suspension of Leave

When an employee is on paid or unpaid leave, workers compensation, sick leave, vacation or personal leave, sick leave will not be allocated or accrued.

Article: 12. Holidays

Unit members shall be paid, but not required to work on the listed holidays for each employee classification.

A. Drivers and bus aides must work the scheduled day before and the first scheduled workday after the holiday to qualify for holiday pay. Exceptions shall be made for those individuals on paid medical leave or by certification from a physician stating the employee is exempt from work due to a medical condition or illness or extenuating circumstances beyond their control.

B. If a holiday falls on a weekend then the day will be taken on a non-instructional day designated by the business office (i.e. Christmas Eve is on Friday and Christmas Day is on Saturday; employees would be off on Friday for Christmas Eve and off on Monday for Christmas Day).

1. No floating holidays will be allocated to any employee classification.
2. Holiday time will not be allocated or accrued when an employee is on paid/unpaid leave or workers compensation.
3. Holidays are paid at the employee's regular daily rate.
4. If the school calendar, including center based programs, is scheduled in such a way that school is in session, the employees will be required to work and a compensating day will be arranged with pay during scheduled days off.

C. Drivers/Bus Aides Holiday Allocation:

Labor Day	New Year's Day
Thanksgiving Day	Wednesday Before Thanksgiving
Day After Thanksgiving	Friday before Spring Break
Christmas Day	Memorial Day

D. Mechanics, Router, Dispatcher Holliday Allocation:

July 4 th	Christmas Day
The Friday before Labor Day	New Year's Eve Day
Labor Day	New Year's Day
Thanksgiving Day	Friday before Spring Break
Day after Thanksgiving	Memorial Day
Christmas Eve Day	

Article 13: Vacation Days

A. Bus Drivers

Drivers are allocated the following vacation days:

1. Four (4) days during the first week of winter break.
2. Four (4) days during the second week of winter break.
3. Four (4) days during spring break, the four (4) days paid are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

B. Bus-Aides

Aides are allocated the following vacation days:

1. Three (3) days during winter break, One (1) day during the first week and two (2) days during the second week.
2. Four (4) days during spring break, the four (4) days paid are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

C. Mechanics, Router, and Dispatcher are allocated the following vacation days:

Days Granted	Service Years
10 Days	Years 0 - 4
15 Days	Years 5 - 6
20 Days	Years 7-15
25 Days	Years 16 +

D. General Provisions

1. Proration of Vacation Days – If an employee is employed (Board Hired) prior to or after 01 July, their vacation time, sick leave, and personal leave will be prorated.
2. Vacation days for mechanics, router, dispatcher must be used in the fiscal year they are granted. Any carry-over of days will be allowed for use until August 31.
3. Vacation days will not be allocated or accrued when an the employee is on paid/unpaid leave or workers compensation.

4. A maximum of 2 drivers requesting paid time off will be granted during the same time period.

E. Unpaid Periods for Vacation

Drivers/bus aides may request up to 5 consecutive unpaid work-days once per school year. Leave may be granted under the following provisions:

1. Requests must be made in writing to the Director of Transportation. Requests will be limited to 1 time per year.
2. Employees must receive verification of approval/denial of leave in writing from the Director of Transportation within 3-5 days.
3. Drivers or bus aides who violate any provision of article 13 (E) are subject to disciplinary action which shall be 3-days of unpaid suspension up to dismissal. Discipline will take place immediately upon return.
4. Personal Days – At the discretion of the Supervisor, personal days may be added upon request to the day prior and/or following unpaid leave listed in Article 13 (E).
5. Sick Days – The use of sick days will not be allowed the day prior and/or following unpaid leave listed in Article 13 (E).
6. No more than 2 drivers will be granted unpaid time off at the same time.
7. Time off requests will be granted by seniority and first come first served.

Article 14: Inclement Weather and School Delays

A. An inclement weather day is defined as a day in which students are not brought to school due to conditions, such as weather.

1. Bus Drivers and Aides

Employees will not report to work and will receive their regular per diem pay up to three (3) days. An employee may use sick time or personal days for any additional days beyond the three (3) allocated days.

2. Mechanics, Router, and Dispatcher

Employees are to report to work as scheduled to receive their regular per diem pay.

B. School Delay

1. In the event school start time is delayed because of weather or other conditions that impeded the regular starting time. Employees will report to work as per their Supervisor's directive and will receive pay for the hours worked.

Article 15: Injury and Workers Compensation Guidelines

A. Injury/Accident Reporting

An employee injured on the job shall report such injury at once to the immediate Supervisor and the Central Administration Office. All reports must be filed at the Central Office within twenty-four (24) hours of the incident and prior to the next scheduled workday, whichever is the shortest period of time from the incident.

B. Reporting Earnings

Should an employee injury require loss of time and earn the employee workers compensation benefits, said compensation shall be reported, by the employee, to the Central Office immediately upon receipt.

C. Limits

When legally possible an employee will be compensated under the workers compensation law rather than the employee's accumulated sick leave. Should workers compensation be less than the employee's regular wage, the difference may be made up through available sick leave benefits.

Article 16: Compensation and Wages

A. Bus Drivers, Bus Aides

Drivers will be paid an hourly rate for the time they are required to work.

B. Bus-Aides

Aides will be paid an hourly rate and shall not work over 28.75 hours each week.

1. In order to meet District or Program needs, the Transportation Director may authorize a bus aide to work over 28.75 hours.

C. Mechanics, Dispatcher, Router

Mechanics will work forty (40) hours for fifty two (52) weeks per year.

D. Wage scales—See Appendix

E. Federal law regarding Overtime and Compensatory Time

Overtime pay of one and one-half times the regular hourly rate shall be paid on actual time worked beyond the forty (40) work week. Double time will be paid on Sundays.

F. Attendance Incentive: Sick Day and Unpaid Periods of Vacation (Article 13.E)

1. All bargaining unit members are eligible to receive an attendance bonus at the end of each academic year. For drivers and aides, the incentive is payable by June 30. For mechanics, routers and dispatchers, the incentive is payable the first pay period in July.
2. Eligibility is based on the number of sick days/unpaid vacation days (Article 13.E) used between July 1 and the last scheduled day that school is in session each contract year, excluding routers, mechanics and dispatchers which is June 30.
3. Use of personal days, bereavement days, snow days, paid vacation days are not counted against incentive eligibility. Additionally, sick days used in accordance with Article 11.5 will not count against eligibility.
4. Unpaid days taken during the eligibility period will count against the attendance incentive.
5. Incentive Amounts:
 - a) Zero (0) Sick days used during the eligibility period = \$700.
 - b) One (1) or two (2) sick days used during the eligibility period = \$500.
 - c) Three (3) or Four (4) sick days used during the eligibility period = \$300.

Article 17. Longevity

Longevity is defined as consecutive years of service in the district from Board hire date. The longevity years will be calculated as years of service earned as of 01 July of each year. Any time accumulated without a Board hire date will not count for longevity.

A. Longevity shall be paid throughout the fiscal year, to those who qualify in addition to the hourly rate.

B. Drivers, mechanics, routers, dispatchers and bus aides qualify for longevity based on their years of service and corresponding monetary amounts are listed below:

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| 1. 10 to 14 years of service | .45 cents |
| 2. 15 to 19 years of service | .55 cents |
| 3. 20 + years of service | .65 cents |

C. Grand Father Clause

1. Bargaining unit members hired prior to December 1, 2006 will receive longevity in the amount of \$1.85 effective July 1, 2021. Unit members under this clause are not eligible for longevity listed in Article 17.B.

Article 18. Severance

Severance is defined as leaving or termination of employment with the school district.

- A. Upon exiting in good standing from the system a (Board Hired) employee who has worked in the transportation unit with a minimum of ten (10) years and accumulated up to 130 sick days will be paid a severance amount of \$35 per day up to \$4,550 for these days.
- B. An eligible unit member's vacation time, personal days, holidays, and sick leave days will be prorated when an employee terminates employment with the district.

Article 19. Driver Insurance Benefits

A. Medical Insurance

1. Effective upon the ratification of this agreement, the Board agrees to pay the maximum statutory annual hard cap amounts (as indicated below): designated by the State Treasurer towards the cost of medical insurance in compliance with Section 3 of the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act for all eligible members.

- a). \$7,942.09 for single-person coverage
- b). \$16,609.38 for 2-person coverage
- c). \$21,660.30 for full family coverage

2. The hard cap amounts apply toward the total cost of the medical plan costs during the medical benefit plan coverage year. Employees will pay any cost greater than the statutory cap through payroll deductions. The hard cap amounts will adjust annually on January 1 of each plan year. unless PA 54 prohibits increasing employer contributions.

3. If the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act is amended or repealed during the term of this contract, the Board's contribution towards health insurance costs shall not exceed 4% when compared to the prior year's Board contribution.

3. Grandfather Clause

Appendix B lists Drivers that are eligible for single/double/full family medical plan coverage. The Board will pay the yearly percentage listed for each driver toward medical insurance. The drivers must work 26 hours per week to maintain eligibility. Drivers who do not maintain eligibility shall receive single subscriber medical insurance coverage. Drivers will pay the difference between the actual medical benefit plan cost and the district contribution.

4. Drivers are eligible to purchase two-person or full family coverage, but will be responsible for the difference in premium cost.

5. Premium contribution by the employee will be made by payroll deduction over nineteen (19) pay periods and will be with pre-tax dollars as per the District's Section 125 Plan.

B. Dental Insurance/Vision Insurance/Life Insurance-Accidental Death Dismemberment (ADD).

1. The Board does not provide dental, vision, life, and ADD insurance coverage.

2. Grandfather Clause

Appendix B lists Drivers that are eligible single/double/full family dental, vision, life/ADD insurance plan coverage. The Board will pay the yearly percentage listed for each driver toward dental insurance. The drivers must work at least 4 runs per pay and 26 hours per week to maintain eligibility. Drivers who do not maintain eligibility shall not receive dental insurance coverage. Drivers will pay the difference between the actual dental benefit plan cost and the district contribution.

3. Drivers are eligible to purchase dental insurance and will be responsible for the premium cost.

4. Premium contribution by the employee will be made by payroll deduction over nineteen (19) pay periods and will be with pre-tax dollars as per the District's Section 125 Plan.

D. Cash In Lieu Of (CILO)

1. Drivers eligible for health insurance may opt out of insurance coverage and receive compensation in lieu of insurance. When selecting the CILO option health, dental, vision and any other benefits are forfeited. Once CILO is selected an employee may not change to health insurance during that fiscal year, except for a qualifying event.

2. Drivers members selecting the CILO option will be compensated \$1,750. CILO will be paid over 19 pay periods.

3. Grandfather Clause

Appendix B lists Drivers that are eligible for CILO at different rates based on previous contractual agreements. The drivers must work at least 4 runs per pay and 26 hours per week to maintain eligibility. Drivers who do not maintain eligibility shall be compensated \$1,750.

Article 20: Bus-Aide Insurance Benefits

A. Bus-Aides are ineligible for medical insurance or CILO.

1. If a bus-aide's hours are increased to 30 hours or more per week on a regular and continuous schedule as determined by the Transportation Director, the bus aide may qualify for single subscriber medical benefits as per ACA requirements. Aides that are eligible for single subscriber insurance have the option of taking CILO which requires forfeiture of medical, dental and vision insurance.

B. Bus-Aides shall have 50% of the dental/vision insurance premium paid by the district.

C. Aides are eligible to purchase medical insurance and will be responsible for the premium cost.

Article 21: Mechanic, Router, Dispatcher Insurance Benefits

A. Medical Insurance

1. Effective upon the ratification of this agreement, the Board agrees to pay the maximum statutory annual hard cap amounts (as indicated below): designated by the State Treasurer towards the cost of medical insurance in compliance with Section 3 of the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act for all eligible members.

- a). \$7,942.09 for single-person coverage
- b). \$16,609.38 for 2-person coverage
- c). \$21,660.30 for full family coverage

2. The hard cap amounts apply toward the total cost of the medical plan costs during the medical benefit plan coverage year. Employees will pay any cost greater than the statutory cap through payroll deductions. The hard cap amounts will adjust annually on January 1 of each plan year. unless PA 54 prohibits increasing employer contributions.

3. If the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act is amended or repealed during the term of this contract, the Board's contribution towards health insurance costs shall not exceed 4% when compared to the prior year's Board contribution.

B. Dental Insurance

Mechanics/Router/Dispatcher that work forty (40) hours per week for fifty two (52) weeks will receive dental insurance with the premium paid 100% by the Board. The plan will be the same as the bus driver's plan.

C. Vision Insurance, Life Insurance-Accidental Death/Dismemberment, Long Term Disability

1. Mechanics/Router/Dispatcher that work forty (40) hours per week for fifty two (52) weeks will receive vision insurance, \$45,000 of life insurance, ADD, and LTD with the premium paid 100% by the Board.

D. Cash In Lieu Of (CILO)

1. Mechanics/Router/Dispatcher eligible for health insurance may opt out of insurance coverage and receive compensation in lieu of insurance. When selecting the CILO option health, dental, vision and any other benefits are forfeited. Once CILO is selected an employee may not change to health insurance during that fiscal year, except for a qualifying event. CILO will be paid over 19 pay periods.

2. A Mechanics/Router/Dispatcher hired prior to 01 July 2005 and working a minimum of 40 hours per week and 52 weeks per year will receive \$5,500 in CILO.

3. A Mechanic/Router/Dispatcher hired after 01 July 2005 working a minimum of 40 hours per week and 52 weeks per year will receive \$3,515.00 CILO.

Article 23: Education and Training

A. Drivers

1. Drivers attending bus driver training classes as required by law shall be paid according to the salary schedule.

2. All employees shall be required to attend bus driver school classes workshops for the number of hours required by the State Transportation Code to qualify for and continue employment.

3. Drivers will be paid at the regular run hourly rate to attend up to eight (8) hours of in-service training.

4. The Board will pay tuition for bus driver school as required under the law and all driver certification requirements such as road tests and written tests.

5. The Board shall reimburse employees for the cost differential between a regular and chauffeur/CDL license.

6. Drivers will be paid at their current hourly rate for attending the employees meetings or any conference or workshop approved by the Supervisor.

B. Mechanics

1. Mechanics will be reimbursed up to \$600 per year for schooling, State and ASE training, books, and supplies for courses that are related to their field. The reimbursement will only be granted if the education/training is pre-approved by the Supervisor.

2. Mechanics shall be paid at their regular rate of pay for each hour attending the annual employee meeting or any conference/ workshop/State and ASE testing approved by the Supervisor.

Article 24: General Provisions

A. Bus Drivers, Aides, Dispatcher, Router

1. Uniforms - A uniformed jacket, approved by the district, uniform in color with the district logo will be provided to every regular driver, bus aide, router, and dispatcher. Jackets must be purchased through a District approved vendor. One (1) jacket will be provided every three (3) years. The District will pay no more than \$175.00 per jacket.

2. Physicals – Physicals are mandatory and only will be conducted by a CDL/BPS approved physician.

3. The number of students riding a bus will be limited to the State Transportation Code.

4. Pay for alcohol and drug testing will be at the drivers hourly rate with a minimum of a half (1/2) pay. Supervisor approval is needed if more than half (1/2) an hour is required.

5. Routers will receive a pay differential of \$1.75 per hour.

- a) The router pay differential shall be eliminated when the incumbent in the position terminates employment with the District or transfers to a different position in the bargaining unit.

B. Mechanics

1. Mechanics will receive their mechanics hourly wage when they are needed to drive a bus, get a mandatory CDL physical, or drug and alcohol testing.

2. Mechanics will be supplied with uniforms for each day of the week, plus one (1) extra set. Uniforms shall consist of a work shirt and pants. The supplier shall clean and repair the uniforms. Further, work boots, shoes, insulated clothing, etc. will be provided by the district as needed to perform the job. Arrangements are to be with the Supervisor for the purchase of such clothing and/or equipment.

3. An annual tool allowance of \$1,250 will be afforded to the mechanics. This amount is earmarked in an account for reimbursement for tools purchased by the individual mechanics.

a). If tools are ordered through the District vendors, the invoice will be paid directly by the District and the amount will be deducted from the mechanics tool allowance. If a mechanic purchases their tools from an outside vendor, the mechanic shall submit the receipt for reimbursement.

b). The Board agrees to pay the insurance deductible in the event of vandalism, fire or theft associated with the purchased tools. The Board is not responsible for any loss due to negligence.

Article 25: Continuity of Operations

A. No Strike

During the terms of this Agreement, neither the CTA nor any person acting in its behalf, nor any individual employee will cause, authorize, support or take part in any strike (i.e. the concerted failure to report to work, or willful absence of any employee from his/her position or stoppage of work or the employee's duties of employment) for any purpose whatsoever. It is further agreed the CTA will not itself and will not request any other organization to place a sanction of any form on the Caledonia Schools.

B. No Reprisals

The CTA will not support the action of any employee taken in violation of this Article, nor will it directly or indirectly take reprisals of any kind against an employee who continues or attempts to continue the full, faithful and proper performance of contractual duties or who refuses to participate in any of the activities of the Article.

C. Violation by the CTA

In the event the CTA or any employee(s) or both violate the intent of this Agreement the CTA shall be held liable for any and all damages and/or expenses incurred or suffered by the Board. Further, any employee involved in the violation of this Article may be subject to disciplinary action.

D. Violation by the Board

In the event the Board violates the intent of this Article, the Board shall be held liable for any and all damages and/or expenses incurred or suffered by the CTA.

E. No Lockout

During the life of this Agreement, the Caledonia Board of Education will not "lockout" any member of the CTA in any school of the Caledonia School District.

F. Negotiations

The CTA and the Administration will meet at least sixty (60) calendar days, or earlier, prior to the expiration of the Agreement to mutually design a meeting schedule for negotiations.

G. Evaluations

All drivers, mechanics and bus aides will be evaluated annually (prior to June 30) using an evaluation tool that has been mutually agreed upon by the CTA and District.

H. Modification. This Agreement is the result of extensive negotiations in which both parties had the right and the opportunity to submit proposals and to negotiate their proposals with the other party. This Agreement sets forth the parties full and entire understanding as to the matters expressed herein. This Agreement may only be modified in writing upon the mutual consent of the parties. During the term of this Agreement, neither party will be required to negotiate with respect to any such matter covered by this Agreement except upon the mutual consent of both parties.

Article 26: Grievance Procedures

Any member of CTA may submit a grievance if there is cause to believe there is a violation of this Agreement. Grievances shall be processed in a timely and orderly manner as described in each step of the grievance procedure. Grievances must cite specific Articles of the Agreement that were allegedly violated: statements of fact upon which the alleged violation is based, and relief sought by the grievant. The time lines may be extended by a written mutual agreement. At each step, a representative of the CTA may accompany the grievant. Any expense incurred throughout the grievance procedure shall be borne by the party incurring them.

A. Step 1: Discussion

A member with a grievance shall discuss it with his/her immediate supervisor within five (5) working days of the alleged violation. The purpose of the discussion is to settle the grievance.

B. Step 2: Written Form

If the grievance is not settled to the mutual satisfaction of both parties, the grievance must be reduced to writing, signed by the grievant and submitted to the grievant immediate supervisor within five (5) working days following the date of Step 1 (discussion). The immediate supervisor shall respond in writing within five (5) working days after receipt of the written grievance.

C. Step 3: Superintendent Level

If the determination of the immediate supervisor does not relieve the grievant it may be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools within five (5) working days after receiving the written disposition from the immediate supervisor. After investigating the facts of the matter

and conferring with both parties, the Superintendent shall issue a written disposition of the grievance within ten (10) working days of receipt of the grievance from Step 2.

D. Step 4: Arbitration

If the decision in Step 3 (Superintendent Level) is unsatisfactory to the CTA, the grievance may be submitted to arbitration by written notice within thirty (30) calendar days of the Step 3 disposition from the Superintendent. The parties shall meet within fourteen (14) calendar days to mutually select an arbitrator. The decision of the Arbitrator is binding for parties. Upon the agreement of the Association and the District, the parties may mutually agree to participate in mediation to settle the grievance before the matter goes to arbitration.

F. Exclusions

The following issues shall be excluded from the grievance procedure:

1. The dismissal of a probationary employee.
2. The substance of an employee's evaluation.
3. Determination of an employee's qualifications.
4. Any matter for which there is recourse under state or Federal Statutes.

Article 27. Run Selection

Definition: A route is defined as a round trip from the garage to the discharge of the passengers then to the place where the bus is garaged.

A. The route selection meeting shall be held in August as scheduled by the Director of Transportation. Any routes vacant at the beginning of the school year will be filled by assignment from the Director of Transportation. The Director of Transportation will approve all runs created by the router. The following steps will be implemented for run selection:

1. Descriptions will be posted that describe the various routes to be selected.
2. Reserve driver position is an applied position and not chosen by seniority.
3. The driver with the most seniority selects his/her complete daily schedule of routes first, followed by the second senior, next; third etc.
4. Midday sub positions will be selected, by seniority, during the August route selection meeting.
5. The mail route will be selected, by seniority, during the August route selection meeting.

6. Drivers meeting the following criteria: seniority, and not having selected a midday route may select first sub position and/or second sub position. Drivers must complete ride-alongs within 10 days of accepting the sub position.
7. Drivers meeting the following criteria: seniority and not having selected a midday route may select to be an emergency sub for all midday routes.
8. All runs requiring first and second substitutes must be selected in order of seniority. Board hired senior drivers may only be a first substitute for one driver.
9. Any driver accepting midday routes requiring first and second substitutes must commit to completing their route if they are needed.
10. If the first substitute has an extra-trip scheduled and is needed to complete his/her route, the second substitute for that route will be called.
11. If the driver isn't available and the first, second, or the emergency substitute can't complete the route because of an extra trip, the next driver in line for the midday route shall be selected based on the following criteria: seniority, special education training and must not have selected a midday route for the first or second sub position.
 - a) If the Transportation Director does not have 2 hour notification the mid-day route will be assigned to the first available driver.
12. The route selection will be considered finished when the last run is selected.
13. Any driver/bus aide on medical leave during route selection day may choose a route. Another senior driver may also select to drive that route in the absence of the driver on leave. The Director of Transportation will assign a temporary driver to drive the route that ends up vacant whether it is the medical leave driver's route or someone else.
14. Upon return of the driver/bus aide on medical leave, the senior driver/aide who may have opted to drive/aide that route will be assigned to the route that was occupied by the temporary driver/aide.
15. If the same driver/bus aide requests and is granted a medical leave in succeeding years, he/she will be assigned the last run available on route selection day for that year still on medical leave, and limited to a one (1) year extension.
16. In the event a driver/bus aide suffers a ten (10) percent or more total wage loss from a run selection he/she will be allowed to bump within three (3) days of being informed of the loss. Bumping shall continue until all runs are filled. However, the district, at their option, may elect to compensate the driver for the wage loss.

17. Special Education drivers are required to notify the Transportation Director when a student is absent for four (4) consecutive days.

B. Extra Trips

Extra trips are defined as special trips authorized by the Director of Transportation. All seniority drivers will be given the opportunity to drive extra trips before they are offered to substitute drivers. Trips will be offered in rotation according to seniority. There will be no switching or exchange of trips between drivers. No extra trips may be selected, without supervisor approval that will put the driver into an overtime situation beyond forty (40) hours per week. The forty (40) hour limit is applied to the total of the regular runs plus extra trips, training, drug testing, mail runs, etc.

1. Any driver who has an extra trip that is canceled one (1) hour or less before time of departure will be paid 1 hour.

a) Monday through Sunday trips which are drop off only will be a minimum of two (2) hours.

b) A minimum of four (4) hours will be paid for stay trips on Saturday and Sunday. Sunday trips will be paid double time.

2. Drivers selecting Special Education Runs shall be allowed to take a maximum of 3 extra trips, over their run, per contract year (July 1 to June 30). In exchange for the limited number of trips, drivers are eligible for a \$250.00 stipend each contract year.

3. If a driver is issued an extra-trip and finds at a later time/date that he/she cannot fulfill the assignment, then he/she must allow as much time as possible to find a replacement with forty eight (48) hours being the minimum time barring an emergency situation.

a) Drivers who fail to meet the forty eight (48) hour notification requirement will be removed from the trip rotation for a period of (1) one week for the first and second occurrence of failure to notify.

b) The third failure to notify will result in the removal from the trip rotation for the remainder of the school year.

4. Trips are awarded by rotation. Once a driver accepts a trip, he/she may not accept another trip for the same day if the two conflict.

5. When going on a day trip of four (4) hours or more, over breakfast or lunch hour, the driver will receive up to \$12.00 for their meal. When on an evening trip of three (3) hours or more, over the dinner hour, the driver will receive up to \$16.00 for their meal. The driver must turn in a separate meal receipt for each meal to be reimbursed.

6. Four types of trips will be posted.

(a) Saturday Trips- are those trips that are scheduled for Saturday or Sunday. Night and Saturday trips will be done by rotation. Each trip selection will begin with the person who would have selected next on the last trip selection. There is a separate list for each category. Those drivers who have a cancellation for Nights and Saturdays will get to be up first for trip selection the next time a trip is available in that category.

(b) Emergency Trips - are those trips that arrive in the office after the last trip selection but will go out before the next trip selection, or that have been turned back in and must go out before the next.

(c) Night Trips- are those trips which do not conflict with an existing run and /or go out after 4:45 pm, or that are scheduled for "no school days", or ½ days with the garage time of 1:00 pm. Holidays, such as Memorial Day, are also bid as a night trip.

(d) Early Trips – Early Trips are trips with a leave time after midnight and would potentially conflict with an existing run and/or go out before 4:45 PM. Selection of Early Trips will be done by rotation. Driver "A" the first week, driver "B" the second week, driver "C" the third week and so on. The driver after the last driver to pick in the spring will be the first driver to pick in the fall. A driver who gets a trip canceled in this category will not get a cancellation trip.

C. Conflicting Trips

1. An early trip is a trip that could conflict with an existing run. In selecting an early trip, a driver understands that, due to the unpredictability of length of such trips, there may be a loss of pay over his/her regular runs.

2. If an extra trip is canceled, the driver will be in line for the next available trip. This only applies to night and Saturday trips.

Article 28: Driver Responsibilities

A. Caledonia Community Schools is the primary employer for district drivers. Leave Time (sick leave, personal days and leaves of absence (Non-Military) will not be granted for secondary jobs.

B. Cleaning his/her assigned vehicle (bus/van) on the inside & outside and all driving windows at least weekly, or as is necessary.

- C. Fueling his/her assigned vehicle - - the driver will remain where he/she can see the fill hose.
- D. Reporting all needs of maintenance and all accidents in writing. This is to be done by the end of the driver's workday.
- E. Completing all reports, maps, lists, etc. required by the administration for his/her assigned vehicle and in a manner and time prescribed by the Director of Transportation.
- F. Conduct three (3) bus evacuations, per bus route, during the school year and record information on the form provided as directed by the Transportation Director or Designee. Additionally, Special Education Drivers will provide a written evacuation plan.
- G. Maintaining order and discipline on the vehicle, and aiding in loading of pupils at the schools.
- H. Map corrections and student lists must be completed by the first Friday of school unless the date is changed by the Director of Transportation. CTA will be provided with at least five (5) working days notice of any change.
- I. Discipline: It shall be handled by the driver whenever possible. Forms/Reports: Filling out discipline slips as required by the Director of Transportation. Problems that cannot be handled by the driver should be turned over to the Director of Transportation for further action. Under no circumstances are students to be denied transportation without approval from the appropriate administrator.
- J. Each driver shall arrive (fifteen [15] minutes in the morning and ten [10] minutes in the afternoon) prior to their run to warm/pre-trip inspect his/her assigned vehicle and ensure that the vehicle is operating properly before starting on a trip. The fifteen (15) and ten (10) minutes will be part of the assigned run.
- K. Conduct pre-trip inspections of vehicles on all items as listed on form as required by the State.

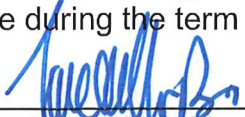
Article 29: Driver Standard Procedures/Practices

- A. Drivers shall not leave the vehicle with the motor running or keys in the vehicle unattended except for warm ups. Warm ups are not to exceed what is reasonable for the particular vehicle being used and at NO time are keys to be left on an unattended vehicle (ignition or other), while students are in the area, except for the bus parking lot.
- B. Drivers shall not open the door until the vehicle has stopped or have the door open while the vehicle is moving.
- C. Drivers shall ensure that the pupils are seated and the door is closed before putting the vehicle into motion.

- D. In the event of an emergency or a breakdown the driver shall not leave the vehicle unattended. He/she should use the two-way radio or cell phone if available.
- E. Drivers shall wear seat belts in accordance with Michigan Vehicle Code while the vehicle is in motion.
- F. Drivers shall remove the students from the vehicle when filling the fuel tank.
- G. Drivers shall require students to pass in front of the vehicle after discharging them from the vehicle if they cross the road.
- H. All drivers will adhere to all Board policies and reasonable directives from the Director of Transportation. Drivers shall not change location of stops or routes unless approved by the Director of Transportation (and there is assurance that all parents know in advance of the change) or in the instance of an emergency condition.
- I. Drivers shall inform the Director of Transportation or designee in ample time if unable to make his/her regular run or a special assignment.
- J. Drivers shall attend all transportation meetings, unless excused by the Director of Transportation.
- K. Drivers will attempt to learn the names of all students on their vehicles during the first two (2) weeks of school.
- L. All drivers shall check their mail boxes and District email daily.

Article 30: Duration

This Agreement shall be effective upon ratification and shall continue in effect from September 16, 2025 - June 30, 2027. The Agreement shall not be extended orally and it is expressly understood that it shall expire on the date here indicated. However, upon mutual consent of both parties to the Agreement, renegotiation of part or all of this Agreement may take place at any time during the term of this contractual agreement.



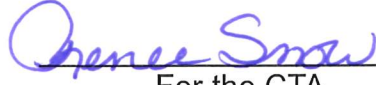
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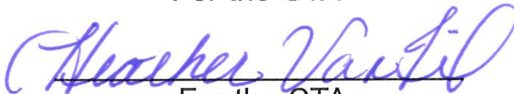
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Bargaining Summary

- 2 Year Contract
 - 2025-2026 Step and 5% Drivers and Aides (Mechanics-New Pay Scale)
 - 2026-2027 Step and 3.5 for all classifications.
 - Paid Retroactively to August 18, 2025
- Local Medical Benefit Hard Cap
 - If the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act is amended or repealed during the term of this contract, the Board's contribution towards health insurance costs shall not exceed 4% when compared to the prior year's Board contribution.
- Tool Allowance:
 - Remove the conversions of 25% of the allowance to be paid as cash.
- Early Retirement Incentive
 - Eliminate Incentive
 - Pay the 3 eligible individuals

Salary Schedule					
Drivers			Bus Aides		
STEP	2025-2026	2026-2027	STEP	2025-2026	2026-2027
1	21.55	22.30	1	17.82	18.44
2	22.09	22.87	2	18.26	18.90
3	22.63	23.42	3	18.72	19.38
4	23.16	23.97	4	19.19	19.86
5	23.71	24.54	5	19.67	20.36
6	24.24	25.09	6	20.16	20.87
7	24.78	25.65	7	20.66	21.39
8	25.32	26.20	8	21.18	21.92
9	25.86	26.77	9	21.71	22.47
10	26.40	27.32	10	22.25	23.03
Extra Trip			Step 1		
Reserve Driver			Current Step + .50 per hour		
Substitute Driver Rate			Step 1		
Substitute Rate for CCS Retiree (Under 10 years of service)			Step 5		
Substitute Rate for CCS Retiree (Over 10 years of service)			25.00 per hour		
Training Rate			15.25 per hour		
Trainer			Current Step + 1.00 per hour		
Transportation Assistant - Pilot (work performed between runs)			\$17.50		
Lunch or Breakfast reimbursement (Trips)			up to \$12.00		
Dinner reimbursement (Trips)			up to \$16.00		

Salary Schedule					
Mechanics			Router/Dispatcher		
STEP	2025-2026	2026-2027	STEP	2025-2026	2026-2027
1	25.81	26.32	1	22.06	22.83
2	26.45	26.98	2	22.70	23.50
3	27.11	27.65	3	23.35	24.17
4	27.79	28.35	4	23.99	24.83
5	28.48	29.05	5	24.63	25.50
6	29.20	29.78	6	25.27	26.16
7	29.93	30.53	7	25.91	26.82
8	30.68	31.29			
9	31.44	32.07			
10	32.23	32.87			