

Agreement
between the
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WAYNE
and the
LOCAL 11, AFFILIATED WITH THE
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS
For
SCHOOL YEARS
2021 - 2025
Effective July 1, 2021

Approved by the Wayne Township Board of Education:

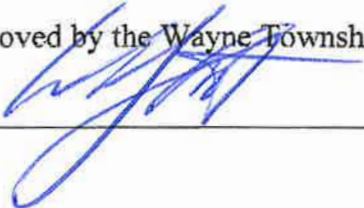

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PREAMBLE

THIS Agreement entered into as of this 1 day of July 2021, by and between the BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WAYNE, located at 50 Nellis Drive, Wayne, New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the "Board"), and LOCAL 11, affiliated with the INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS, located at 810 Belmont Avenue, Suite 200, North Haledon, New Jersey, (hereinafter referred to as the "Union")

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms and conditions herein contained, it is agreed between the parties as follows:

ARTICLE I

RECOGNITION

The Board recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive representative for collective negotiations concerning terms and conditions of employment and grievances for all van and bus drivers employed by the Board.

ARTICLE II

LETTER OF DISCIPLINE/EMPLOYEE EVALUATION

A. LETTER OF DISCIPLINE

No letter of discipline will be incorporated in the permanent personnel file of the Board unless such employee is first afforded opportunity to acknowledge same by signature. An employee may write a statement, expressing his/her point of view in regard to the above letter of discipline, provided this statement is written and filed with the Transportation Supervisor within five (5) working days after the employee was permitted to read and acknowledge the original letter of discipline.

B. EMPLOYEE EVALUATION

Evaluation is herein defined as the overall performance of an employee in his/her job function. Each employee shall be given a copy of any written evaluation report prior to its inclusion in the employee's permanent file. Such written report shall not be placed in the employee's file without the employee first having been offered an opportunity for a conference with the evaluator.

ARTICLE III

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

No employee shall be disciplined, reprimanded, reduced in rank arbitrarily or without reason.

ARTICLE IV

UNION RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

A. Representatives of the Union shall be permitted to transact official Union business on school property with prior approval at all reasonable times, provided that this shall not interfere with or interrupt normal school operations. Use of facilities will be requested through normal administrative procedures.

B. Shop Steward

1. The Union may appoint one of its accredited members to act as Shop Steward. It shall be his/her duty to receive complaints, and dispose of them in the manner provided under the grievance and arbitration procedures set forth in this Agreement. It is the intention of the parties hereto that the Shop Steward will, to the best of his/her ability, attempt to carry out the terms, provisions, and intentions of this Agreement, and toward that end will cooperate with the Board and its administrators and other representatives to the fullest extent. It is understood,

however, that the Shop Steward shall have no authority of any kind save that given under this Agreement.

2. The Shop Steward shall not be discriminated against because of his/her faithful performance of his/her duties as such.
3. The authority of the Shop Steward and alternate so designated by the Union shall be limited to, and shall not exceed, the following duties and activities:
 - a) The investigation and presentation of grievances in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement;
 - b) The transmission of such messages and information which shall originate with, and are authorized by, the Local Union or its officers, provided such messages and information:
 - i. have been reduced to writing; or
 - ii. if not reduced to writing, are of a routine nature and do not involve work stoppages, slowdowns, or other interference with normal school operations.
4. Shop Stewards may, upon request and approval, be granted release time from their regular workday of reasonable duration to investigate, present, and process grievances on the Board's property, without loss of time or pay. Approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.
5. One shop Steward or his/her designated alternate may, upon request and approval, be permitted to attend arbitration hearings which occur during the regular work day without loss of pay. Approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

6. The Board agrees to allow, upon request and approval, reasonable time for the Shop Steward or the designated alternate to hand out Union receipts, communications, etc., which have been sent by the Union office to be distributed to its members, at a time designated by the Board so as not to disrupt normal school operations.

ARTICLE V

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

A. DEFINITION

A grievance is a claim by an employee, a group of employees or the Union of a violation, misinterpretation or misapplication of any provision of this Agreement, administrative decisions or Board Policy affecting terms and conditions of employment.

B. PURPOSE

The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, equitable solutions to the problems which may from time to time arise affecting employees. Both parties agree these proceedings will be kept as informal and confidential as may be appropriate at any level of the procedure.

C. PROCEDURE

1. Level One- Transportation Supervisor

- a) An employee or representative of the Union, hereinafter known as the Grievant, shall first discuss the grievance with the Transportation Supervisor with the objective of resolving the matter informally. The grievance must be presented within ten (10) work/school days after the grievant could have reasonably known of the event which occasioned the grievance.

b) If Agreement cannot be reached or if no decision is rendered within ten (10) work/school days, the grievance shall be filed, in writing, within ten (10) additional work/school days with the Transportation Supervisor. The Transportation Supervisor shall respond, in writing, within five (5) work/school days after receiving the grievance.

2. Level Two- Business Administrator

If Agreement cannot be reached at Level One or if no decision is rendered within five (5) work/school days, the grievance shall be filed, in writing, within five (5) work/school days with the Business Administrator. The Business Administrator shall, within five (5) work/school days, hold a conference with the grievant, the grievant's authorized representative, a representative of the Union, the Transportation Supervisor and any other parties of interest. The Business Administrator shall render a written decision, addressing the grievance within ten (10) work/school days of the conference.

3. Level Three- Superintendent

If agreement cannot be reached at Level Two, or if no decision is rendered within five (5) work/school days, the grievance may, within ten (10) work/school days, be filed with the Superintendent of Schools. The Superintendent of Schools shall, within five (5) work/school days, respond to the grievance and any other parties of interest. The Superintendent of Schools shall render a written decision, addressing the grievance, within ten (10) work/school days of the conference.

4. Level Four- Board Of Education

If agreement cannot be reached at Level Three, or if no decision is rendered within five (5) work/school days, the grievance may, within ten (10) work/school days, be filed with the Board of Education. The Board, or a committee thereof, shall within ten (10) work/school days hold a conference with the parties to the grievance and any other parties of interest. The Board shall render a written decision, addressing the grievance, with ten (10) work/school days of the conference.

5. Level Five- Arbitration

- a) If the aggrieved party/parties is/are not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance at Level Four, or if no decision has been rendered within ten (10) work/school days of the hearing, the Union may submit the grievance to arbitration within fifteen (15) work/school days.
- b) Within ten (10) work/school days after such written notice of submission to arbitration, the Board and the Union shall attempt to agree upon a mutually acceptable arbitrator and shall obtain a commitment from said arbitrator to serve. If the parties are unable to agree upon an arbitrator to obtain such a commitment within the ten (10) days, a request for a list of arbitrators may be made to the Public Employment Relations Commission (hereinafter referred to as 'P.E.R.C') by either party. The parties shall then be bound by the rules and procedures of P.E.R.C. in the selection of the arbitrator.
- c) The arbitrator so selected shall confer with the representative of the Board and the Union and hold hearings promptly and shall issue an award as soon as possible after close of hearing, but not more than forty-five (45) days

thereafter or such other time for date of award that the arbitrator shall fix upon written notice to the parties. The award of the arbitrator shall be in writing and served simultaneously on the parties, with a copy to P.E.R.C.. The arbitrator may, upon mutual agreement of the parties, submit the award without written opinion. The arbitrator shall be without power or authority to make any decision which requires the commission of an act prohibited or which is in violation of the terms of the Agreement, any applicable Board policy, federal or state law or the public interest.

- d) The decision of the arbitrator regarding the violation, interpretation or application of this Agreement shall be advisory and shall not be reviewable by the Public Employment Relations Commission or in any other judicial proceeding.
- e) The cost for the services of the arbitrator, including per diem expenses, if any, and actual and necessary travel, subsistence expenses, and the cost of the hearing room shall be borne equally by the Board and the Union. Any other expenses incurred shall be paid by the party incurring same.
- f) After review and consideration, the Board shall accept or reject the advisory decision of the Arbitrator at its next regular meeting and shall notify the Union of its decision in writing within five (5) days of its decision.
- g) If, during the life of this Agreement, the Board rejects two (2) Advisory Arbitrator's decisions, then the decision of the Arbitrator in the third, and each subsequent grievance, shall be binding and conclusive on both parties. The procedure set forth in paragraphs (a) through (e) of this Article V, Level

Five, shall govern binding arbitration, except that all references to advisory arbitration contained therein shall refer instead to binding arbitration.

- h) In no event, whether the arbitration be advisory or binding, shall the Arbitrator have authority to modify, alter, amend or add to the terms of this Agreement.

D. RIGHT OF EMPLOYEE

Nothing herein shall be construed as limiting the right of any employee having a grievance, to discuss the matter informally with any appropriate member of the administration and have the grievance adjusted without intervention of the Union, provided the adjustment is not inconsistent with terms of this Agreement and that the Union has been given the opportunity to be present at any adjustment.

ARTICLE VI

MANAGEMENT'S RIGHTS

Except as limited by existing law and the terms of this Agreement, the Board reserves to itself sole jurisdiction and authority:

- A. To direct employees of the school district;
- B. To hire, promote, transfer, assign and retain employees in positions in the school district, and to suspend, demote, discharge, or take other disciplinary action against employees;
- C. To relieve employees from duty because of lack of work or for other legitimate reasons;
- D. To maintain efficiency of the school district operations entrusted to them;
- E. To determine the methods, means, and personnel by which such operations are to be conducted; and to take whatever actions may be necessary to carry out the mission of the school district in situations of emergency.

ARTICLE VII

EMPLOYMENT PROCEDURES

A. EXPERIENCE FACTOR

Initial placement on the salary guide will be nonnegotiable and shall be determined by the Board and new employee considering among other things his/her prior experience.

B. NEW EMPLOYEES

All new employees shall be subject to the following provision: Probationary period of sixty (60) days during which time a driver will not be entitled to insurance benefits, personal days, holidays, or any other rights, entitlements, or benefits set forth in this Agreement with the exception of salary as set forth in Article IX (A). At the conclusion of the probationary period of sixty (60) days, if the driver is to be retained, the driver will be eligible for all such benefits prospectively. By mutual agreement of the parties the probationary period may be extended for an additional period of thirty (30) days.

C. WORKING HOURS

1. The Board recognizes that the Union is entitled to receive time and work schedules throughout the school year upon which they can reasonably rely. The Board reserves the right to change the routes during the year due to population shifts or enrollment changes which will be necessary for the efficient and safe transportation of students throughout the school year. The parties also recognize that it may be necessary for the Board to temporarily alter schedules and/or routes to meet any unforeseen emergency which might arise. Each driver's work day shall be delineated by the starting and ending times for the morning and/or afternoon routes

to which s/he has been assigned. Each route shall be posted with its appropriate starting and ending times.

- a) Employees hired after February 1, 1993 shall only be paid for time actually worked.
 - b) The Board reserves the right to schedule less than five and one-half (5-1/2) hours per day, morning and/or afternoon packages and any pre-February 1, 1993 employee who selects a shorter run than guaranteed in this Section C shall only be paid for hours actually worked.
 - c) Employees who work as spare drivers shall receive no less than six hours' scheduled work.
2. Employees who work less than twenty-two (22) hours per week shall not receive medical benefits. Effective July 1, 2021, employees working twenty-two (22) or more hours per week shall be eligible for medical benefits as outlined in Article XI, Benefits.
 3. Sunday work, where required, shall be paid at the hourly rate of one and one-half (1-1/2) times the employee's base hourly rate for each hour worked. In no event shall the number of hours worked on Sunday be included in the total number of hours worked during the work week for the purposes of determining entitlement to overtime pay for work in excess of forty (40) hours in the same work week.
 4. Each employee shall participate in in-service workshops, not to exceed six (6) hours per year. The Employer shall give the employees thirty day notice of any in- service workshop and the Employer can conduct the in-service training on any day other than Election Day. To the extent possible, in-service sessions will be scheduled

between the morning and afternoon session. Drivers will be compensated at their regular rate.

5. When a mid-day run is cancelled without the employee being notified by the end of their shift on the day prior to the cancellation, the employee shall be paid for one and one-half (1-1/2) hours work, unless other available work is offered and refused, in which case the employee will not be paid. If other work is accepted, the employee shall be paid no less than the actual amount of the time of the route as assigned.
6. When an employee learns upon arrival that a field trip scheduled to him/her has been cancelled, the Board will pay him/her no less than two (2) hours pay. All weekend trips shall be considered "field trips" for the purpose of this Article.
7. The assignment of bus and van summer routes shall be made prior to the end of the school year.
8. The Board will make known to the Union the names of all permanent substitute drivers. The Board shall be entitled to employ three (3) permanent substitute drivers. These employees shall be limited to fifteen (15) hours of work per week. Furthermore, these employees shall be limited to working hours during normal school semesters and shall not work during the summer. Permanent substitute drivers are not covered by ARTICLE I, RECOGNITION, and the terms and conditions of their employment shall be as defined by the Board subject only to the provisions contained in this paragraph.
9. All drivers will be paid according to the times notated in the electronic time clock system. Each employee will be paid his/her appropriate rate of pay according to

the salary guides attached hereto and a part hereof. At the beginning of each school year and after fall route picking is done as set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, the number of hours required for completion of each route shall be calculated. The number of hours worked daily shall be multiplied by the 189 (180 student days, 9 holidays) work days per year, and multiplied by the hourly rate set forth for each employee. That amount of pay, calculated on an annual basis shall be divided into twenty (20) equal installments, which each employee shall receive on each of the two (2) pay days in each month of the school year. This payroll system is not intended to alter the fact that unit members are regular hourly employees, and are subject to modification of their semi monthly pay checks based upon hours actually worked.

10. At the fall route picking session, a driver who selects both a midday run and a high school run must decide and document, at that time, which run they will work on high school early dismissal days. Once decided, the choice may not be changed without the approval of the Transportation Supervisor.
11. Trips will be assigned by seniority on a rotating basis from the following posted lists: Saturday, Sunday, Returns, and Regular Trips. When a Sunday trip is cancelled before the trip the driver will be assigned to the next available or unassigned Sunday trip.
12. If a driver arrives in the AM or PM and their regular route has been cancelled, they may be offered alternate work if it is available. If no work is available, they shall be paid two (2) hours show up time. If work is available but the employee refuses to work, the employee will not be paid the two (2) hours show up time.

13. The winter start notice will be posted October 31 and will be assigned by seniority for bus and van drivers. To start when deemed necessary and for each day thereafter during the winter months.
14. Transitional routes will be distributed on a seniority basis, subject to the following conditions: the driver will not exceed eight (8) hours for the day and the driver is able to safely accommodate the route taking into account his/her location and times for regular route, as determined by the Executive Manager or his designee.

D. UNIFORMS

1. One safety vest, for use during emergency situations, shall be provided to all union members at the commencement of employment, or this contract, and every three (3) school years thereafter.
2. At the Beginning of the 2020-2021 school year, each unit member shall receive three uniform shirts to be worn at all times while on duty as an employee of the Wayne Township Public Schools. The Board of Education shall provide a total of three (3) uniform golf shirts and/or long sleeve shirts at the beginning of each school year to each unit member. Members may choose all golf shirts, all long sleeve shirts or a combination of both totaling three. Commencing in September, 2021, one quarter of the bus/van drivers shall receive an industry-standard, high visibility color, all-weather jacket during each year of the contract. Jackets will be distributed in seniority order. An industry-standard high visibility color will be selected for all shirts and jackets by the Director/Manager of Transportation. Wearing of jackets shall be optional. Polo shirts will be available in both men's and women's sizes.

ARTICLE VIII

SENIORITY

- A.** Seniority shall be defined as an employee's total length of services driving for the Wayne Board of Education from the latest date of hire (if driver already in possession of a valid New Jersey Bus Driver's License) or when he/she passes the test for bus driver's license.
- B.** The Board shall maintain a separate seniority list for bus drivers and van drivers. The seniority lists shall be maintained and revised as necessary by the Transportation Supervisor. These lists shall be posted on a bulletin board. A copy of each revised list shall be sent to the Union President within two (2) weeks from the date of revision.
- C.** The assignment of bus and van routes shall be made in order of seniority prior to the beginning of the school year. This shall occur on the route selection day chosen by the Transportation Supervisor, provided the Union has been notified of date and that the date for the next season's route picking was posted at the end of the previous season. The drivers will be compensated at a minimum of a half (1/2) hour at their contracted hourly rate for route picking. All drivers will be given the opportunity to select their routes in order of seniority; the driver's presence at the route picking assembly is recommended to assure the driver's best choice. If the driver designates someone else to choose for them in their absence, their decision will be final on the driver's behalf. An officer of the Union may be present at the time of the selection of routes (without pay).
- D.** In the event a run becomes vacant, by reason of an employee leaving his or her position as a driver, the run shall be posted for a minimum of three days to afford interested employees an opportunity to apply. The run will be assigned to the most senior applicant within the particular category.

- E. Management reserves the right to change routes during the year due to population shifts or enrollment changes which will be necessary for the efficient and safe transportation of students throughout the school year. If there is a forced reduction or layoff of any employee, the Employer will lay off starting with the least senior employee first and continue to lay off in the order of seniority. The Shop Steward shall be last for layoff and first to be recalled.

ARTICLE IX

SALARIES AND OTHER COMPENSATION

A. SALARY GUIDE

The salary guides attached hereto represent a 1.75% increase for the 2021-2022 school year, a 2.2% increase for the 2022-2023 school year, a 2.3% increase for the 2023-2024 school year and a 2.4% increase for the 2024-2025 school year, all inclusive of increment. Increases shall be effective July 1, 2021, July 1, 2022, July 1, 2023, and July 1, 2024. Unit members shall remain at their June 30, 2021 salary and step until negotiations for a successor contract are completed, agreed upon salary increases have been distributed through mutually accepted guides and both parties have ratified the agreement.

a) Bus and Van Drivers Conversion/Placement Chart

- i. A driver's years of service do not necessarily correspond to his/her placement on the guide.
 - ii. The Board retains sole discretion to hire new drivers on Step 3 as it may deem necessary.
1. Each unit member shall be paid, pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement, for the hours s/he actually works, except as may be authorized by this Agreement and/or applicable law. The Board reserves exclusive discretion to determine and/or

change the method, scheduling, and/or calculation of salary payments for unit members.

B. OTHER COMPENSATION

1. Unit members required to obtain a Commercial Drivers License in order to function in their assigned position shall be reimbursed for the cost of the C.D.L. test by the Board of Education, only upon initial application.
2. The Board shall reimburse employees for all costs associated with fingerprinting as required by State Law. Such costs will be reimbursed as soon as possible after proof of payment is presented to the Board, but in no case later than sixty (60) days from the date of proof of payment is presented to the Board.

ARTICLE X

RECOGNITION OF DRIVERS

Bus-Van Drivers who have completed fifteen (15) years of service in Wayne shall be awarded Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) in recognition of services rendered. In each case, this amount shall be given in a lump sum to the driver at the time he/she ceases to be employed by the Wayne Public Schools.

ARTICLE XI

BENEFITS

Effective July 1, 2013, all unit members will pay a percentage of the “cost of coverage”, which is defined as the premium for health/medical, prescription drug, vision and dental plan coverage, based on unit member’s base salary and level of coverage chosen, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 78.

Full-time unit members shall be provided insurance coverage in the manner hereinafter provided: Effective July 1, 2021, employees hired on or after July 1, 2020, who are benefits eligible, shall be enrolled in the New Jersey Educators Health Plan (NJEHP) or the forthcoming Garden State Health Plan (GSHP) as required by P.L. 2020. c. 44. Effective July 1, 2021, all unit members not enrolled in the New Jersey Educators Health Plan (NJEHP) or the forthcoming Garden State Health Plan (GSHP) will contribute a percentage of the “cost of coverage”, which is defined as the premium for medical, prescription drug, and dental plan coverage, based on unit member’s base salary and level of coverage chosen, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 78. All unit members enrolled in the NJEHP or the forthcoming GSHP will contribute a percentage of their salary based on coverage tier towards their medical and prescription drug benefits as mandated by P.L. 2020, c. 44. Dental plan contributions for unit members enrolled in the NJEHP or the forthcoming GSHP will continue to be pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 78. Full-time unit members shall be provided insurance coverage in the manner hereinafter provided:

- A. Fulltime is hereby defined as twenty-two (22) hours or more per week. Effective July 1, 2021, employees working twenty-two (22) or more hours per week shall be eligible for medical benefits as follows: Year one: Employees may enroll in the NJEHP or GSHP (when available) (individual medical and prescription coverage only) and individual dental benefits; year two: Employee may enroll in the NJEHP or GSHP (up to parent/child medical and prescription coverage) and individual dental benefits; and year three: Employee may enroll in the NJEHP or GSHP (up to Family medical and prescription coverage) and individual dental benefits. Employees not yet eligible for parent/child or family coverage will be permitted to buy up to the requested level of benefits if not yet

eligible. Buy up is defined as the employee bears 100% of the premium cost differential between the levels of coverage for the NJEHP or GSHP.

- B.** The prescription drug plan offered to employees and their families, if eligible, not enrolled in the NJEHP or forthcoming GSHP will have the following prescription drug co-pays at retail pharmacies:

Non-preferred Brand - \$30
Preferred Brand - \$20
Generic - \$10

Prescription drugs obtained through mail order will have 1x applicable copay amounts.

Prescription drug copay amounts shall not be reimbursed under the district's medical plans.

- C.** Annual calendar year deductibles of \$300.00 individual/\$600 family shall apply to all out-of-network covered medical benefits payable under the insurance coverages described herein as Aetna's Open Access Managed Choice (OAMC). No deductible shall apply to in-network covered medical benefits.

- D.** Effective January 1, 2018, all unit employees (hired before November 16, 2017) will have the option of enrolling in Aetna's OAMC medical plan with a \$100 emergency room copay, waived if admitted. Employees may also enroll in Aetna's Savings Plus, Elect Choice EPO, High Deductible HSA, NJEHP or forthcoming GSHP. All employees hired after November 16, 2017, but before July 1, 2020, shall have the option of enrolling in Aetna's Savings Plus, NJEHP or forthcoming GSHP. Effective January 1, 2018, unit members not enrolled in the NJEHP or forthcoming GSHP will be enrolled in a prescription drug plan with the following co-pay amounts: \$10 Generic; \$20 Preferred Brand; and \$30 Non-Preferred Brand. Prescription drugs obtained through mail order will have a 1x applicable copay amounts. If Aetna's Open Choice PPO plan is still maintained by the Wayne Township

Public School District for other employee groups, unit members may voluntarily elect to pay the full additional cost to enroll in the Aetna's Open Choice PPO plan. This option will be available only to unit members employed as of April 1, 2014, and shall remain an option only for as long as Aetna's Open Choice PPO plan is maintained by the Wayne Board of Education. The continuation of Aetna's Open Choice PPO plan is at the sole discretion of the employer. If at any time the Aetna Open Choice PPO plan is discontinued by the employer, unit employees will be required to immediately transition to Aetna's OAMC, NJEHP or forthcoming GSHP.

- E.** Any Employee who has dependent coverage through his or her spouse's employer (other than the Wayne Township Board of Education) may waive medical, prescription and vision insurance coverages from the Board and shall receive 50% of the single medical coverage costs to which he/she is entitled or \$5,000, whichever is less. Employees who do not receive medical, prescription or vision coverage may elect to receive dental coverage only. Payment shall be prorated bi-monthly and will be added to the employee's payroll check. The employee shall, however, not be entitled to payment until the effective date of the enrollment change. Employees who elect this option will have the right to reroll for another coverage, should their family circumstances change. Re-enrollment is subject to the plan's requirements. The effective date of coverage is subject to the plan's requirements.
- F.** In the event of a change of insurance carrier or carriers, the coverage provided by the carrier shall be at least as comprehensive and extensive as the initial coverage heretofore provided.
- G.** The Board of Education shall provide dental insurance for individual employees and their families, if eligible. The Board's maximum contribution shall be the amount required to

be paid per year for employee only coverage. Employees shall be allowed to participate in or purchase dental benefits.

- H.** Reasonable & Customary (R&C) allowances apply to all out-of-network medical and dental covered benefits.
- I.** Limited Vision benefits will be offered through the district's applicable medical plans that include vision coverage
- J.** Employees may elect to purchase temporary disability benefits. It is understood that the employee electing to purchase such coverage shall pay the full cost of such coverage that the Board's only responsibility is to affect the appropriate payroll deduction authorized by the employee and to transmit said amount to the insurance company.

ARTICLE XII

LEAVES

All request for leave shall be made in accordance with District regulations and by use of the online attendance management system.

Whenever applicable, all leaves shall be counted and run concurrently with leave available for the same circumstances under Federal and State statutes. Time spent on paid leave shall be counted concurrently with unpaid time available under law.

A. SICK LEAVE

1. Unit members shall be granted eleven (11) sick leave days each school year as of the first official day of the school year, whether or not they report for duty on that day. Employees hired during the school year shall receive sick days on a pro-rata

basis based on the month of employment. Of the eleven (11) sick leave days granted to unit members each school year, one (1) full sick leave day may be taken in the form of two (2) one-half (1/2) sick leave days. Unused sick leave shall be accumulated from year to year with no maximum limit in accordance with statutory provisions related thereto as stated in N.J.S.A. 18A:30-2. The Board may request medical verification for the duration of any absence including a statement that it was medically necessary for the employee to be absent from work pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:30-4.

2. Unit members employed after July 1 will be entitled to one (1) sick leave day per month of employment up to a maximum of twelve (12) days for that year of employment.
3. Drivers who are sick are required to call Transportation by 6:00 a.m. each day in order to be eligible for a paid sick day. Drivers who are sick and intend to use a one-half (1/2) sick day leave in the afternoon are required to call Transportation by 12:00 p.m. (noon) in order to be eligible for a paid one-half (1/2) sick day leave. If a driver provides a physician's verification, in advance, stating she/he will be absent for health reasons for a certain amount of days, no phone communication is necessary. If a driver is out using illness days for three or more days, a doctor's note must be presented upon return. If the employee is expected to be out for an extended time, a doctor's note stating the anticipated date of return is required. If, however, an employee has used an excessive number of sick days, and/or demonstrates a pattern of absences, as determined by the Director of Transportation, the employee may be required to submit a medical note for an

absence of one or two days. Verbal notification will be given to the employee prior to requesting a medical note for one or two days' absence.

4. Drivers shall be paid for the normally scheduled hours they would otherwise have worked on an eligible sick day.
5. Drivers shall be paid for their accumulated sick days at a per diem rate of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), provided they have a minimum of ten years of continuous service in the Wayne School District with no break in service. The maximum number of accumulated sick leave days payable under this section shall be one hundred (100) days.
6. A \$200 bonus will be awarded at the end of the school year if no more than two (2) paid sick days were used from July 1 to June 30.
7. An eligible employee may apply for Board of Education approval for a leave, pursuant to State and Federal statutes, for his/her own serious health condition which renders him/her unable to perform regular duties. Employees must use any accrued paid sick days at the beginning of their medical leave. After exhausting accrued sick days, the remainder of the leave will be unpaid. The concurrent use of sick days with medical leave does not extend the twelve week leave period. Whenever applicable, all extended leaves under this article shall be counted and run concurrently with leave available for the same circumstances under Federal and State statutes.
8. Any eligible pregnant employee may apply for Board of Education approval for a disability leave of absence and may be granted the leave. The leave dates shall be supported by a physician's certificate, which shall generally allow for up to twenty

(20) work days before and up to twenty (20) work days, or thirty (30) work days in the case of caesarean birth, after the anticipated date of birth during the period of pregnancy-related disability. During the period of disability, an employee shall be required to use accumulated sick leave and benefits as required under law. Time spent on paid disability leave shall be counted concurrently with unpaid time available under law. Accumulated sick days must be utilized during the disability period. The application for child care may be made to become effective immediately upon termination of the anticipated disability leave.

B. PERSONAL LEAVE

1. Two (2) compensated personal leave days shall be granted at the discretion of the Transportation Supervisor or his/her designee.
2. Requests for such personal days shall be submitted no less than five (5) working days in advance of the day requested, except in cases of emergency.
3. Only three (3) drivers will be permitted to take a personal day on the same day, except in an emergency. Days will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis.
4. The following shall not be permitted except in cases of emergency:

Personal days before or after vacation or holidays.
5. Any unused personal leave days shall be accumulative as sick leave days.
6. Drivers shall be paid for the normally scheduled hours they would otherwise have worked on an eligible personal day.

C. BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

1. All unit members will be granted up to five (5) days in the event of death(s) in the immediate family (unit member's spouse, civil union or domestic partner, child,

grandchild, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, stepparents, stepchildren and/or stepsibling) or for persons residing within the household for which the employee has a family-like responsibility.

2. It is essential, when requesting days of absence under this section to call the Transportation Supervisor, and state the reason as death or funeral and identify the relationship. Bereavement leave must be taken within two weeks from the date of death, except in extraordinary circumstances.
3. Drivers shall be paid for the normally scheduled hours they would otherwise have worked on an eligible bereavement day.

D. FAMILY LEAVE

1. Unit members shall be granted one (1) family illness day each year. If the family illness day is unused, it shall be accumulated as a sick day.

ARTICLE XIII

HOLIDAYS AND SNOW DAYS

A. HOLIDAYS

1. All drivers shall be granted the following paid holidays as outlined below except when they conflict with the school calendar, or when a holiday falls on a weekend.

In such cases, an alternate day will be chosen by the Union.

Columbus Day
Thanksgiving Day
Friday after Thanksgiving
Christmas Day
President's Day

New Years' Day
Martin Luther King Day
Good Friday Day
Memorial Day

2. If a driver is required to work on one of the above holidays, or alternate day, the driver shall be paid for the amount of the normal guaranteed hours for that day, in addition to the holiday pay.

B. SNOW DAYS

1. Drivers shall be paid for up to three (3) snow days at three (3) hours per day when schools are closed due to inclement weather, or shall be paid for each unused snow day at the end of the school year.
2. The Transportation Supervisor will make every effort to notify drivers by 5:30 a.m. that schools are closed due to a snow emergency or inclement weather.
3. Notwithstanding anything contained in this section to the contrary, the Board may require a number of drivers, on a rotating basis, to work at two (2) times the drivers' regular rates of pay, on a day that schools are closed due to inclement weather or on a day that schools are normally closed and there is inclement weather, to perform duties such as moving vehicles for snow plowing, etc., assigned by the Transportation Supervisor. Assignments shall be made on a seniority rotating basis.

ARTICLE XIV

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

A. FULLY BARGAINED CLAUSE

This Agreement incorporates the entire understanding of the parties on all matters which were or could have been the subject of negotiations. During the term of this Agreement neither party shall be required to negotiate with respect to any such matter whether or not

covered by this Agreement and whether or not within the knowledge or contemplation of either or both of the parties at the time they negotiated or executed this Agreement.

B. MODIFICATION

This Agreement shall not be modified in whole or in part by the parties except by an instrument in writing duly executed by both parties.

C. NON-WAIVER

The failure of either party to exercise any right it may have shall not constitute a waiver of that right.

D. TOLLS

When a driver is assigned to a regular run (morning, midday, afternoon), field trip or athletic trip that requires payment of tolls, the driver shall be given either tokens, money or an E-Z Pass tag in advance of the trip. The driver shall sign a voucher for any advance or tokens, money or E-Z Pass tag at the time of disbursement from the Board, and shall turn in receipts documenting his/her latest run the following day. Any toll expenditures not supported with receipts shall be deducted from the driver's salary.

E. DIRECT DEPOSIT

The Employer shall arrange for the direct deposit of an employee's salary upon request. Effective July 1, 2014, or upon Board of Education approval, direct deposit of an employee's salary shall become mandatory, pursuant to P.L. 2013, c. 28.

F. RADIOS

Two-way radios shall be the primary method of official work communication with the drivers when possible and practical.

ARTICLE XV

CONTRACTING OF BUS AND VAN WORK

In the event the Wayne Board of Education should decide to contract with a private company a portion of or all of the work currently performed by unit members, the Wayne Bus and Van Drivers Union shall be officially informed of the anticipated loss of jobs. In the event of contracting with an outside company, the following shall occur:

- A. As much notice as possible shall be given unit members, in any event no less than sixty (60) days;
- B. Medical benefits shall be extended one month beyond implementation of contracting;
- C. Severance pay of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) per year of work shall be granted each unit member.

ARTICLE XVI

REPRESENTATION FEE/CHECK-OFF

- A.
 - 1. The Board hereby agrees to deduct from the wages of employees by means of a check-off starting on the 31st day following the date of hire the dues uniformly required by the labor organization pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14-15-9E. The Board, after receipt of written authorization from each individual employee, agrees to deduct from the salaries of said employees their monthly dues and initiation fees. Such deductions shall be made from the 2nd salary paid to each employee during the month and such deduction made the 1st month shall be a double deduction and thereafter the regular deduction shall apply to dues owed for the following month.

2. In making the deductions and transmittals as above specified, the Board shall rely upon the most recent communication from the Union as to the amount of monthly dues and proper amount of initiation fee. The total amount deducted shall be paid to the Union within fifteen (15) calendar days after such deduction is made.

B.

1. If an employee does not become a member of the Union during any membership year (from July 1 to the following June 30) which is covered in whole or in part by this Agreement, said employee will be required to pay a Representation Fee commencing the 31st day following the date of hire to the Union for that membership year. The purpose of this fee will be to offset the employee's per capita cost of services rendered by the Union as majority representative.
2. Prior to the beginning of each membership year, the Union will notify the Employer, in writing, of the amount of the regular membership dues, initiation fees and assessments charged by the Union to its own members for that membership year. The Representation Fee to be paid by non-members will be calculated annually in accordance with the Appeal Board Rules and Regulations, N.J.A.C. 19:17-3.1 et seq., and shall in no event exceed 85% of the regular membership dues.
3. In order to adequately offset the per capita cost of services rendered by the Union as majority representative, the Representation Fee should be equal in amount to the regular membership dues, initiation fees and assessments charged by the Union to its own members, and the Representation Fee shall be calculated annually in accordance with the Appeal Board Rules and Regulations, N.J.A.C. 19:17-3.1 et seq. and shall in no event exceed 85% of the regular membership dues.

4. Once during each membership year covered in whole or in part by this agreement, the Union will submit to the Board a list of those employees who have not become members of the Union for the then current membership year. The Board will deduct from the salaries of such employees, in accordance with paragraph 2 below, the full amount of the Representation Fee and promptly will transmit the amount so deducted to the Union.
5. The Employer will deduct the Representation Fee in equal installments, as nearly as possible, from the pay checks paid to each employee on the aforesaid list during the remainder of the membership year in question. The deductions will begin with the first pay check paid:
 - a) Ten (10) days after receipt of the aforesaid list by the Board; or
 - b) Thirty (30) days after the employee begins his or her employment in a bargaining unit position, unless the employee previously served in a bargaining unit position and continued in the employ of the Board in a non-bargaining unit position or was on layoff, in which event the deductions will begin with the first pay check paid Ten (10) days after the resumption of the employee's employment in a bargaining unit position, whichever is later.
6. If an employee who is required to pay a Representation Fee terminates his or her employment with the Board before the Union has received the full amount of the Representation Fee to which it is entitled under this Article, the Board will deduct the unpaid portion of the fee from the last pay check paid to said employee during the membership year in question.

7. Except as otherwise provided in this Article, the mechanics for the deduction of Representation Fees and the transmission of such fees to the Union will, as nearly as possible, be the same as those used for the deduction and transmission of regular membership dues to the Union.
 8. The Union will notify the Board, in writing, of any changes in the list provided for above and/or the amount of the Representation Fee, and such changes will be reflected in any deductions made more than 10 days after the Board received said notice.
 9. On or about the last day of each month beginning with the month this agreement becomes effective, the Board will submit to the Union a list of all employees who began their employment in a bargaining unit position during the preceding 30 day period. The list will include names, job titles, and dates of employment for all such employees. The Board further agrees to notify the Union in the event dues for an employee cannot be deducted from the designated salary and the reason thereof.
 10. Teamster Local 11 shall establish and maintain at all times a demand and return system as provided by N.J.S.A. 34:13A-5.5(c) and 5.6, and membership in Teamster Local 11 shall be available to all employees in the unit on an equal basis at all times, in the event Teamster Local 11 fails to maintain such a system, or if membership is not so available, the Board shall immediately cease making said deductions.
- C. The Union shall indemnify and hold harmless the Board against any and all claims, demands, suits and other forms of liability, including liability for reasonable counsel fees

and other legal costs and expenses that may arise out of, or by reason of, any action taken or not taken by the Board in conformance with this Article.

ARTICLE XVII


TERM

Pursuant to negotiations under the provisions of the New Jersey Public Employer-Employee Relations Act (Chapter 303 Public Laws of 1968) the BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WAYNE (hereinafter "BOARD") and LOCAL 11, AFFILIATED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS (hereinafter "UNION") have reached agreement with respect to the terms and conditions of employment. The term of this Negotiated Agreement between the BOARD and the UNION shall be from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025, a four (4) year period encompassing school years 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024, and ... and 2024-2025.

The Board agrees to initiate negotiations with the Union for a Successor Agreement in accordance with the rules of the Public Employment Relations Commission.

Negotiations shall commence with a meeting at a mutually satisfactory place within a reasonable time after receipt of a proposal from the Union.

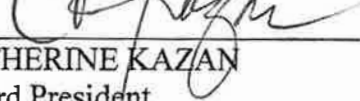
WITNESS:



WILLIAM MOFFITT
Business Administrator
Board Secretary

DATED: 08/19/2021

WAYNE TOWNSHIP BOARD
OF EDUCATION

BY: 

CATHERINE KAZAN
Board President

DATED: 08/19/2021

WITNESS:

LOCAL 11, AFFILIATED WITH THE
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF
TEAMSTERS

DATED: _____

BY: 

MICHAEL CURCIO
President

8/2/21

DATED: July 28, 2021

BY: 

MARYANN TITTLE
BA/Recording Secretary

DATED: July 28, 2021

BY: 

KEITH BROOKHART
Shop Steward

DATED: 7/28/2021

BY: 

TRUDY HAVRAN
Committee Member

DATED: 7/28/2021

BY: 

PATTY DEVIETRO
Committee Member

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PATTY JAMESON
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DATED: 7/28/21

SALARY GUIDE

WAYNE BOARD OF EDUCATION BUS & VAN DRIVERS

TEAMSTERS' SALARY GUIDES

A) Bus Drivers

Step		7/1/2021	7/1/2022	7/1/2023	7/1/2024
2	28.39	28.89	29.52	30.20	30.93
3	28.84	29.34	29.99	30.68	31.42
4	29.96	30.48	31.15	31.87	32.64

B) Van Drivers

2	26.45	26.91	27.50	28.14	28.81
3	27.33	27.81	28.42	29.07	29.77
4	28.10	28.59	29.22	29.89	30.61