

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CENTRAL VALLEY PRINCIPALS’ ASSOCIATION AND THE CENTRAL VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2005-2008

The district recognizes the Central Valley Principals’ Association as the exclusive bargaining agent for all principals and assistant principals employed by the district.

The term “administrator” as used in this agreement shall refer to principals and assistant principals exclusively.

A person selected as a Principal or Assistant Principal in the Central Valley School District must have previously obtained the proper administrative credentials and have had sufficient administrative and/or teaching experiences in which s/he displayed competency as a responsible leader.

CONTRACT YEAR

Elementary principals, middle school principals and assistant principals, and high school assistant principals will be contracted for 216 days.

High school principals will be contracted for 260 days. The contract year shall consist of 224 work days, 25 vacation days, and 11 holidays. The holidays are as follows: New Year’s Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Presidents’ Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans’ Day, Thanksgiving Day, the day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve Day, and Christmas Day. An annual work calendar shall define 218 of the 224 work days. The remaining six days shall be defined on an individual calendar and submitted to Human Resources at the end of the year.

The annual work calendar for all 216-day principals/assistant principals shall include the 182-days of contracted time for teachers plus 28 days for a total of 210 days. The District will determine the starting and ending dates of the annual work calendar. The remaining six contracted days shall be defined on an individual calendar and submitted to Human Resources.

VACATION

Principals with a 260-day contract shall be granted twenty-five (25) vacation days annually. It is the intent that these vacation days will be used, to the extent possible, during times when school is not in session. Vacation days will be front loaded. Use of vacation days must be reported on an absence form and signed by the supervising executive director. Vacation days may be accumulated to a maximum of thirty (30) days.

LEAVES

Illness, Injury, Emergency

Principals shall be granted twelve (12) days per year for illness, injury, and emergencies. Total days available shall be placed at the disposal of the administrator at the beginning of the contract year. Unused sick leave may accrue from year-to-year to a maximum of the number of contracted days. Each January administrators may elect to convert excess sick leave to monetary compensation in accordance with Board Policy 5401.

Bereavement

Up to five (5) days of bereavement leave with pay will be granted for each occurrence of death in the immediate family (mother, father, sister, brother, child, spouse, grandparents and immediate in-laws). In cases where the bereavement leave requires extensive travel (up to one full day in either direction), the superintendent may grant up to two additional days on a case-by-case basis.

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS/LOSS

The District will provide Errors & Omissions insurance to principals and assistant principals which will provide coverage for wrongful acts which shall mean any actual or alleged errors or misstatements or misleading statement, or act of omission or neglect or breach of duty by the assured in the discharge of their duties, individually or collectively, or in any manner claimed against them solely by reason of being or having been assured during their period of employment.

SALARY SCHEDULE

The Board of Directors is committed to making every reasonable effort to maintain building administrators' compensation in line with the average paid to administrators in districts of similar size.

When placing administrative personnel for movement between administrative levels within the District, the administrator will be placed on the salary schedule according to previous administrative experience. New employees to the District will receive credit for all administrative experience up to five (5) years. One year of administrative credit will be recognized for each 10 years of approved teaching experience.

The salary of a current Central Valley employee who becomes a building administrator shall not be less than the total salary received in his/her previous position; the contracted per diem rate will not be less than the contracted per diem rate of the previous position.

The district agrees to pass through any cost of living allowance allocated by the legislature during the life of this agreement and add the percentage increase to the salary schedule (addendum A).

Per diem will be calculated as follows:

- For high school principals per diem will be based on 224 work days.
- For elementary and middle school principals and assistant principals per diem will be based on 216 work days.

An annual stipend of \$2,000 will be provided for each administrator who has earned a doctorate degree.

At the completion of year 20, administrators shall receive a 2% longevity stipend. At the completion of year 25, administrators shall receive an additional 2.5% longevity stipend.

BENEFITS

The district shall continue to contribute in a pooling manner for 2005-08 the maximum state allocation per month per FTE employee toward the employee's choice of benefits for 1) group dental, 2) group life; 3) group vision, 4) group disability, and 5) medical insurance.

In addition to the State benefit allocation, the district will pay the monthly cost per FTE billed by the State for retirees' health benefits at \$48.42 for 2005-06 and \$55.73 for 2006-07.

The contribution for dental, life, vision, and disability insurance is mandatory for all eligible employees (as voted by the Principals/Assistant Principals). Group dental shall be the first deduction from the available contribution per month with other deductions taken from the available funds in the order enumerated above.

The association retains the right to review, amend and opt out of benefit packages after review by the membership. The association shall identify those benefits to the district in a timely manner and notify the district of any changes prior to August 1 for the following school year.

Effective with the 2003/04 school year, the District shall provide \$41.67 per month per employee each year to establish and maintain a VEBA I account. This amount is included in the salary schedule and is a mandatory monthly VEBA I salary deduction for all members. This VEBA I salary deduction may be modified by a vote of the CVPA membership.

The District has adopted the VEBA III "Sick Leave Conversion Medical Reimbursement Plan (the "Plan") pursuant to RCW 28A.400.210 and agrees to make contributions to the Plan on behalf of all retiring employees in the collective bargaining unit who are eligible to participate in the Plan by reason of having excess sick leave conversion rights. Contributions on behalf of each eligible employee shall be based on the conversion value of sick leave days accrued by such employee available for contribution at retirement in accordance with the statute. It is understood that all eligible employees will be required to sign and submit to the District a hold harmless agreement complying with the statute. This hold harmless agreement will waive any claims against the District and the bargaining unit. If an employee fails to sign and submit such agreement to the District, s/he will not be permitted to participate in the Plan at any time during the term of this agreement, and any and all excess sick leave which in the absence of this agreement would accrue to such employee during the term thereof shall be forfeited together with all cash-conversion rights that pertain to such excess sick leave.

For purposes of retirement contributions to the Plan, all employees covered by this Agreement who retire during the term hereof shall be eligible, and excess sick leave shall be defined as the unused sick leave days accruing to the credit of such employee from the date of this Agreement.

This VEBA III provision shall be reopened annually.

Effective 2005-08, a 529 Plan shall be made available to all principals/assistant principals for the purpose of saving for college-related expenses. The district shall permit payroll deduction when using this plan. A minimum of five (5) principals/assistant principals will be required to initiate any specific 529 Plan.

MILEAGE AND CELL PHONE

As a condition of employment, Central Valley School District requires all principals and assistant principals to use their own vehicle. The district shall reimburse administrators for approved work-related travel at the mileage rate approved annually by the Board of Directors based on the IRS established rate.

A cell phone allowance of \$25 per month for ten (10) months will be provided to each principal/assistant principal, payable in one check in November of each year. This will entitle the district to full and complete access to building administrators at all times. It is the responsibility of each administrator to provide a cell phone, have it at his/her disposal, ensure it is operational at all times, and supply the district with the cell phone number.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Continuing with the 2005-08 school years, each administrator will receive a \$1,000 annual allocation to be applied to travel, training, college tuition, etc., provided the \$14,000 travel budget allocated to elementary principals is used to provide for the increase. Funds may accumulate until a \$3,000 cap is reached, at which time no further funds will be accrued until the balance is reduced. National travel requests must be deeply aligned with building level goals and school improvement plans and approved by the superintendent.

The Central Valley School District will pay the dues of the State and National Association of the respective principal position.

ESEA PREPARATION

Effective with the 2005-08 school years, five per-diem days will be made available annually for additional documented work/training related to the new state and federal school improvement requirements.

If there are changes in requirements or reduction in funding related to Title IIA or I-728, the days may be reduced.

REDUCTION IN FORCE

If building level administrative personnel must be reduced, the Board of Directors will make every effort to retain, in some administrative position, all personnel presently employed. Otherwise, the Reduction in Force (RIF) procedures will be enacted.

REOPENER AGREEMENT

In the event of any legislation enacted following the execution of this agreement which either party believes affects the terms and conditions herein, the parties shall meet and discuss the impact of such legislation on the terms and conditions of this contract and determine whether the contract should be opened for the purposes of amendment. In accordance with state law, benefits will be reopened annually.

It is further agreed that in addition to benefits, which are reopened annually, the salary schedule will be reviewed as a reopener for 2007-08. The remainder of the contract will not be reopened, but roll over for another year.

DURATION

This agreement shall be in effect for three years through the 2007-08 school year.

Dave Bouge, President
Central Valley Principals Association

Anne Long, President
Central Valley Board of Directors

Date

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