

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

The Board of Education believes that the district's employees should receive fair compensation and benefits for the work it provides in serving the children of our community. To this end, the Superintendent of Schools shall be responsible for establishing and administering the compensation and benefits provided to the district's employees.

The Board and the school district will comply with all applicable federal and state laws that require minimum compensation and benefits be provided to employees.

Employees Covered by Collective Bargaining Agreements

The compensation and benefits for employees who are represented by recognized or certified employee organizations are established by collective bargaining agreements negotiated between the employee organizations and the district. The district will negotiate in good faith over these issues, as required by law, and will fully comply with the requirements of the Taylor Law and the collective bargaining agreements it enters into with its employees.

To ensure that the compensation and benefits provided to employees are fair and within the parameters of the district budget, the Board reserves its right to approve all additional funding required by the provisions of a tentative collective bargaining agreement, in addition to any right of ratification that is secured by the district's negotiation representative(s).

Employees Not Covered by Collective Bargaining Agreements

The compensation and benefits for employees who are not represented by recognized or certified employee organizations shall be determined by the Superintendent, with approval by the Board.

Ref: Consolidated Omnibus Budget and Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA), 42 USC §§ 300bb-1 *et seq.* (federal law that requires the continuation of health insurance benefits under certain circumstances)
 Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), 29 USC §§ 200 *et seq.* (federal law that requires a minimum wage and overtime for non-exempt employees)
 Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA), 29 USC §§ 2610 *et seq.* (federal law that requires an unpaid leave of absence for certain family and medical situations)
 Civil Service Law §§ 200 *et seq.* ("Taylor Law," requires school districts to negotiate with unions)
 Education Law § 3005-b (requires a minimum sick leave allotment and accumulation for teachers)

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