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CANTERBURY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

AND THE

CANTERBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION

BETWEEN THE

PROFESSIONAL  
AGREEMENT

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 collective bargaining Agreement, except Article VIII (Teaching Assignment), Paragraph  
 A. Teachers holding a DSAP shall be covered by all the terms and conditions of the

## 1.2 Duration of Shortage Area Permit (DSAP)

- excluding from the purview of the aforementioned statute.  
 holding a durational shortage area permit, other than temporary substitutes, and who are  
 certificate to perform their duties but do require teaching or special certificates and teachers  
 entire group of certified professional employees of the Board who do not require an OEA  
 Section 10-153b through 10-153f of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended, for the  
 1.1 The Board hereby recognizes the Association as the exclusive representative, as defined in

## ASSOCIATION RECOGNITION ARTICLE I

This Agreement is made and entered into by and between the Canterbury Board of Education  
 (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") and the Canterbury Education Association (hereinafter  
 referred to as the "Association")

This Agreement shall constitute the policy of the Board and the Association in the subject areas  
 covered by this Agreement for the duration of the Agreement, unless changed by the mutual consent  
 of both parties. Such mutually consented change shall be in writing and in accordance with rules and  
 regulations of this Agreement.

Teachers may terminate their contract for good reason by submitting at least thirty (30) days' written  
 notice.

The teachers' signatures on the annual salary agreement signify acceptance of the provisions of the  
 prevailing Professional Agreement between the Canterbury Board of Education and the Canterbury  
 Education Association.

The Board and the Association recognize the importance of responsible participation by the entire  
 professional staff in the educational process, planning, development, and growth. To this end, they  
 agree to maintain communication, to inform about programs, to guide in development, and to assist  
 in planning growth either by committee, individual consultation, or designated representatives.

This Agreement is negotiated under Section 10-153b through 10-153f of the General Statutes of the  
 State of Connecticut, as amended, in order to fix for its term the salaries and all other conditions of  
 employment provided herein.

## PREAMBLE

2.1 It is recognized that the Board has and will continue to retain, whether exercised or not, the

## MANAGEMENT RIGHTS ARTICLE II

- B. The Administration shall notify the Association in writing of all new teachers who are hired by the Board within ten (10) business days of hire. The notification shall include the new teacher's assignment and placement on the salary schedule and the criteria used to determine placement on the salary schedule.
- A. If the Administration conducts a new teacher orientation program or meeting, the representatives of the Association shall be provided up to one (1) hour of time to meet with the newly hired teachers on the same day as such orientation to distribute Association materials and engage in Association activities with the newly hired teacher.

### 1.5 New Teacher Orientation

- C. Certified substitute teachers employed for more than forty (40) consecutive days in the same assignment shall be paid per diem in accordance with the first step of the bachelor salary schedule and receive no benefits under this Agreement other than five (5) sick days.
- B. Substitute teachers employed for fewer than forty (40) consecutive days in any given school year shall be paid at the daily rate of pay set by the Board and shall receive no benefits or otherwise have any rights under this Agreement.

### 1.4. Substitute Teachers

- C. The Board shall have the right not to renew and/or to terminate the employment of a DSAP holder and the DSAP holder shall have no right to file and/or pursue a grievance under this Agreement with respect to such action.
- B. Unless otherwise indicated, the term "teacher" when used hereinafter in this Agreement shall refer to all employees in the above unit as described in Section I.I.

- B. A DSAP holder shall not accrue seniority or length of service for any purpose in the Canterbury Public School System. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a DSAP holder becomes certified as a teacher and is retained by the Board as a teacher after receiving seniority and length of service for all purposes under this Agreement, retroactive to the first date of hire by the Board as a DSAP holder.
- C. The Board shall have the right not to renew and/or to terminate the employment of a DSAP holder and the DSAP holder shall have no right to file and/or pursue a grievance under this Agreement with respect to such action.

The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible administration level,

### Purpose

- ARTICLE III**
- GREIVANCE PROCEDURE**
- 2.2 These rights, responsibilities, and prerogatives are not subject to delegation in whole or in part, except that the same shall not be exercised in a manner inconsistent with or in violation of the specific terms and provisions of this Agreement.
- K. In general, to control, supervise, and manage the operations of the school district and its teachers under governing laws, and to establish or continue policies, practices, and procedures from time to change or abolish such policies, practices, or procedures, and from time to time to conduct the business in the manner most consistent with its operation, its teachers under governing laws, and to establish or continue policies, practices, and procedures from time to change or abolish such policies, practices, or procedures, and from time to change or abolish such policies, practices, or procedures.
- J. To make transfers of funds within the appropriate budget as it shall deem desirable; and
- L. To prepare and submit budgets and, in its sole discretion, expend monies appropriated by the town for the maintenance of the schools;
- H. To decide the curricula (e.g. textbooks, tapes, various media, etc.) to be used;
- G. To make such provisions as will enable each child of school age residing in the town to attend school for the period required by law and provide for the transportation of children wherever it is reasonable and desirable;
- F. To suspend or dismiss teachers of the schools in keeping with state statutes;
- E. To determine the number, age and qualifications of the pupils admitted into each school;
- D. To employ, assign, and transfer teachers, and to prescribe and enforce reasonable regulations for the maintenance of discipline and for the performance of work in accordance with the operation of the school system, provided such rules and regulations are made known in a responsible manner to the teachers affected by them;
- C. To determine the care, maintenance, and operation of the buildings, lands, apparatus, and other facilities and property in its control;
- B. To decide the need and type of facilities;
- A. To create, abolish, or maintain programs and other educational activities as, in its judgment, will best serve the interest of the school district;
- Sole and unquestioned right, responsibility, and prerogative to direct the operation of the school system in all its aspects, including but not limited to the following:

1. If an aggrieved teacher is not satisfied with the outcome of the informal grievance to his or her Principal or other appropriate administrator. procedures, he or she may, within five (5) days, present his or her claim as a written matter with his or her Principal or other appropriate administrator in an effort to resolve the problem informally.

#### A. Level One - School Principal

### 3.5 Formal Procedures

- If a teacher feels that he or she may have a grievance, he or she may first discuss the matter with his or her Principal or other appropriate administrator in an effort to resolve the problem informally.

### 3.4 Informal Procedures

- D. Failure to appeal a grievance to the next level within the so specified time limits shall be deemed to be acceptance of the decision rendered at that level. Failure of any party to answer within the specified time limits shall be deemed a denial of the grievance, so that the grievance may be processed to the next step.

- C. Grievances shall be in writing and shall state the nature and particulars of the grievance, the relief sought, and the specific provisions of this Agreement allegedly violated or misinterpreted.

- B. If a teacher does not file a grievance in writing within thirty (30) days after he or she knew or should have known of the act or condition on which the grievance is based, then the grievance shall be waived.

- A. The number of days indicated at each step shall be considered as maximum. The time limits specified may, however, be extended by written agreement of the parties in interest.

### 3.3 Time Limits

- C. "Days" shall mean school days. During the summer, days shall mean Monday through Friday.

- B. "Party in interest" shall mean the aggrieved teacher or teachers, and the Association as designated representative of the grievant or grievants.

- A. "Grievance" shall mean a dispute by a teacher, or a group of teachers, or the Association arising over the interpretation or application of any provision of this Agreement or an alleged violation of this Agreement.

### 3.2 Definitions

- equitable solutions to problems which may arise affecting the welfare or working conditions of teachers. Both parties agree that proceedings shall be kept as confidential as is appropriate.

- If the aggrieved teacher is not satisfied with the disposition of his or her grievance at Level Three, he or she may, within three (3) days after the decision, or if no decision has been rendered in ten (10) days after the meeting with the Board, request in writing to the President of the Association that his or her grievance be submitted to arbitration. No teacher may proceed to Level Four on his or her own. Only the Association may submit a grievance to arbitration.
  - In the event the Association deems the grievance meritorious, it may, within five (5) days after receipt of such request, but no later than eight (8) days after the

#### D. Level Four – Arbitration

22. The Association shall, within three (3) days after receipt, refer the appeal to the Board.

23. The Board shall, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the appeal, meet with the aggrieved teacher and with representatives of the Association, for the purpose of resolving the grievance.

Level Three - Board of Education

2. The Association shall, within the next succeeding five (5) days, refer the grievance to the Superintendent.
  3. The Superintendent shall, within ten (10) days after receipt of the referral, meet with the aggrieved teacher and with representatives of the Association for the purpose of resolving the grievance.
  4. The Superintendent shall, within three (3) days after the meeting with the aggrieved teacher, render his or her decision to the aggrieved teacher, with a copy to the President of the Association.

Level Two - Superintendent of Schools

22. The Principal shall, within five (5) days after receipt of the written grievance, render his or her decision and the reasons therefore in writing to the aggrieved teacher, with a copy to the President of the Association.

- A. All documents, communications, and records dealing with the processing of a grievance shall be filed separately from the personnel files of a participant.

B. Forms for filing and processing grievances, and other necessary documents, shall be prepared by the Association with the approval of the Superintendent, and made available through the Association to facilitate operation of the grievance procedure.

C. All documents and records dealing with the process of a grievance will only be made available or exposed to anyone outside of the Board or their representatives with the

3.7

- The Association may, if it so desires, call upon the professional services of the Connecticut Education Association for consultation and assistance at any stage of the procedure. The Board and/or the Administration may use the services of outside counsel at any stage of the grievance process.

- No representations of any kind shall be taken by either party or by any member of the administration against any participant in the grievance procedure by reason of such participation.

A. Any party in interest may choose to be represented by the Association at any level of B. the grievance procedure.

#### **Rights of Teachers to Representation**

3. The Arbitrator shall hear only one (1) grievance at a time. His or her decision will be in writing and set forth his or her findings of fact, reasoning, and conclusions with regard to the issue before him or her. The Arbitrator will have no authority to add to, subtract from, or modify the language of this Agreement; nor shall he or she have the power or authority to make any decisions which require the commission of an act prohibited by law or which violates the terms of this Agreement. The decision of the Arbitrator shall be final and binding upon all parties.

4. In the event the Association or the Board believes a grievance is not arbitrable, either may elect to have the issue of arbitrability determined by an Arbitrator, in which case arbitration proceedings shall be held in accordance.

5. The costs for the services of the Arbitrator shall be borne equally by the Board and the Association.

- Boards' decision, submit the grievance to arbitration by so notifying the Board in writing, and by filing a demand for arbitration under the Voluntary Labor Arbitration Rules of either the American Arbitration Association (AAA) or the American Dispute Resolution Center (ADR) requesting either expedited or regular arbitration. The AAA or ADRC shall act as the administrator of the proceedings.

- A. The workday for teachers shall be seven and one half hours per day. The Board will determine the starting and dismissal time of students. The Board may consider preparation time for starting and dismissal time for students shall not be considered preparation time for the period between the teacher's arrival/departure to/from school and that of the teacher meetings at their discretion. In an emergency situation, as stipulated by the Board, the Superintendent can determine the starting and dismissal time of students.

## 5.1 Work Day

### ARTICLE V WORKDAY

- 4.3 It is further understood, however, that no exploration will be required if the maximum numbers, as set forth above, are exceeded after May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 4.2 In the event that class size shall exceed these figures, the administration will confer with the teacher involved within five (5) school days, and explore some positive action to alleviate the situation.
- 4.1 For the school year(s) covered by this Agreement, class size will be limited as follows:
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|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| A. Pre-K.....        | Eighteen (18) students.     |
| B. Kindergarten..... | Twenty (20) students.       |
| C. Grade 1.....      | Twenty-three (23) students. |
| D. Grades 2-4.....   | Twenty-five (25) students.  |
| E. Grades 5-8.....   | Twenty-seven (27) students. |

### ARTICLE IV CLASS SIZE

- E. If, in the judgment of the Association and the Superintendent, a grievance affects a group or class of teachers, the Association may submit such grievance in writing to the Superintendent directly and the processing of such grievance shall commence at Level Two of the grievance procedure.
- D. A copy of all documents and records dealing with the grievance will be made available to the grievant within three (3) days after receipt of a written request.

Grievance is asked for will be notified in writing.  
 law. When a request is made for grievance material under the FOIA, the teacher whose prior approval of the Association and the Board, except when otherwise required by

B. Each full-time teacher in Grades 5 through 8 shall have, in addition to a duty-free lunch period, a daily preparation period equivalent to that of an academic period. On school

A. Each full-time teacher in Pre-K through Grade 4 shall have, in addition to a duty-free lunch, a daily preparation period of no less than thirty (30) minutes totaling a minimum of one hundred eighty (180) minutes per week. On school days with an unscheduled late opening or unscheduled early dismissal, teachers may not receive a preparation period. For weeks where there are three or more unscheduled late openings or unscheduled early dismissals or unscheduled late openings, teachers may receive a preparation period. For weeks where there are three or more unscheduled late openings or unscheduled early dismissals, a daily preparation period of no less than thirty (30) minutes totaling a minimum of one hundred eighty (180) minutes per week. On school days with an unscheduled early

#### 5.4 Preparation Periods

5.3 All teachers shall have an uninterrupted duty-free lunch period of at least the same duration as that of the students. The daily lunch period shall not be less than thirty (30) minutes.

5.2 Building administrators will make a reasonable effort not to schedule PFT meetings during the teacher's individual preparation and planning period.

5. Teachers shall provide extra help to students who may need it.

4. Teachers shall participate in individual parent/teacher conferences as necessary.

3. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be scheduled by the administration for two (2) days, up to three (3) times each year. Conferences will generally be scheduled between 1:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Teachers agree to participate in up to fifteen (15) meetings per year, with ten (10) faculty meetings being full faculty meetings and five (5) meetings in small group settings. Meetings being full faculty meetings and five (5) meetings in small group settings. Faculty meetings will be organizational or informational in nature. They will begin within ten (10) minutes after the end of the school day and normally will not last longer than sixty (60) minutes. A tentative schedule will be established at the first meeting of the school year. Teachers may be excused from such meeting if prior arrangements are made with the principal.

#### 2. After-School Faculty Meetings

Teachers agree to participate in up to two (2) evening programs per year. The purpose of the programs is for open house or other school wide activities that promote parent/community interaction with the school.

#### 1. Open House

B. The above-stated hours shall be in effect except for the following:

Time) herein.

Teachers within the meaning of preparation time found in Section 5.4 (Preparation

- 6.2 The employment year shall include four (4) in-service days for all teachers and six (6) in-service days for newly hired teachers.
- 6.1 The employment year for teachers in the Canterbury School System will be one hundred eighty-five (185) days. The employment year for newly hired teachers shall not exceed one hundred eighty-seven (187) days.

## ARTICLE VI EMPLOYMENT YEAR

If an emergency situation arises in which a teacher must leave during the school day, assignments to teachers to cover classes to which they are not normally assigned shall be balanced equitably among available staff. Teachers will be considered available for this assignment if they are not previously scheduled to teach a class.

- 5.8 Teaching a Non-scheduled Class
- B. The Board agrees with the concept and gives its support that all elementary school teachers have a minimum of one (1) weekly common planning period per grade level as is practicable, in the judgment of the Superintendent, within staffing and budget limitations.
- A. The Board agrees with the middle school concept and supports weekly team planning as is practicable, in the judgment of the Superintendent, within staffing and budget limitations.

- 5.6 Team Planning
- B. The President of the Association shall be assigned no additional duties beyond his/her teaching assignment and be free to carry on Association business and leave the building during school hours except during his/her teaching periods.
- A. All teachers will be assigned two (2) duties per week. A third duty per week may be assigned to a teacher in the event that coverage is needed as determined by the building principal. The principal will make every attempt to minimize duties and duty assignments shall be shared on an equitable basis by the teachers. Duties shall be defined as bus duty, recess duty, lunch duty, detention and hall duty, and shall not interfere with a teacher's preparation period.

- 5.5 Duties
- days with an unscheduled early dismissal or unscheduled late opening, teachers may not receive a preparation period.

1. A vacancy shall be defined as a bargaining unit position, which the Board has, in its sole discretion, decided to fill, caused by death, retirement, discharge, resignation, leave of absence, or the creation of a new position.
  2. When a bargaining unit vacancy occurs in a building or program, the vacant position shall be posted in the buildings and the President of the Association shall receive a copy of the posting. The posted vacancies shall set forth the qualifications and job description for the vacant position.
  3. All bargaining unit vacancies shall be posted in the buildings and the Superintendent's office for a minimum of ten (10) school days. Postings between May 1<sup>st</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup> shall be for a minimum of five (5) business days.
  4. Any teacher who desires to apply for any vacancy shall submit a written letter of

#### A. Vacancies

7.5 Vacancies and Transfers

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| <p>7.2</p> | <p>Teachers already in the system shall receive notification from the Superintendent of their area of teaching for the ensuing school year prior to the close of the current school year.</p>  |
| <p>7.3</p> | <p>Teachers shall be notified in writing by the Superintendent of any changes in their programs for the ensuing school year, including the grades and/or subjects that they will teach and any special or unusual classes or assignments that they will have. In the event of a change in circumstances or conditions after notice of teaching assignment during the months of May through August (including, but not limited to, resignations, death, promotion, or leave of absence), assignments may be changed by the Superintendent, with prompt notice in writing to both the teacher and the Association.</p> |

## **TEACHING ASSIGNMENT**

- 6.3 Teachers on a ten (10) month contract shall have all holidays and school vacations as provided in the school calendar.

6.4 The school calendar and scheduled vacations established by the Board will be incorporated into this Agreement not later than June 30<sup>th</sup> for the ensuing academic year. The Superintendent will consult with the Association President prior to making any necessary changes in the calendar after June 30<sup>th</sup>.

- A. Under the provisions of Sec. 10-156 of Connecticut State Statutes, teachers shall be entitled to fifteen (15) working days of sick leave in each year to be available on the first day of school each year.

B. Unused sick leave may be accumulated to a maximum of one hundred-fifty (175) days. Accumulated sick leave in excess of one hundred seventy-five (175) days as of June 30<sup>th</sup> may not be carried over to the following September.

C. A woman with a disability resulting from pregnancy, as described in Connecticut General Statutes, Section 46a-60 as amended, will be considered sick, as described in Connecticut General Statutes, Section 10-156.

8.1 Sick leave

## **ARTICLE VIII**

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3. Where an involuntary transfer is necessary and when two (2) or more bargaining members are deemed to be equal in qualifications, the unit member with the least seniority shall be involuntarily transferred. An involuntary transfer with the least seniority shall be involuntarily transferred. An involuntary transfer shall be made only after a meeting between the teacher involved and the Superintendent at which time, the teacher shall be notified in writing of the reason for the transfer.

### b. Transfers

- The Board prefers, as a matter of policy, to fill open positions from within the bargaining unit but reserves the right to fill such positions with outside applicants if they are more qualified than bargaining unit applicants. Where applicants for an open position are deemed to be equally qualified preference shall be given in filling the position to bargaining unit members. Where two (2) or more bargaining unit members are deemed to be equal in qualifications for the open position, the member with the greatest seniority shall be awarded the position. Seniority for the purposes of this Article is defined as the total number of years as a certified teacher of the Board. If bargaining unit members have the same number of years of service, then the most senior person shall be determined by start date, then by the date the employment was accepted.

limit specified in the posting.

intend to fill any vacant position with the office of the Superintendent within the time

- D. Teachers taking child-rearing leave will have the option of continuing their insurance the beginning of a school year.
- C. A written request for child-rearing leave must be made at least one (1) month before the expected delivery or placement. A teacher returning from such leave must do so at the beginning of a school year.
- B. Any teacher may be entitled, subject to the Superintendent's approval, to a leave without pay for the purposes of child-rearing. Such leave shall not exceed twenty (20) newly placed foster child. If the child is born or placed after January 1<sup>st</sup> of the school year, the teacher may also be granted leave for the remaining portion of the school year in which the child is born or placed.
- A. Disability caused or contributed to by pregnancy, miscarriage, abortion, childbirth and recovery therefrom shall be treated as temporary illness for all job related purposes. Policies involving compensation and duration of leave, the availability of seniority and other benefits and privileges, protection under health insurance plans, and payment of sick leave shall be applied to disability due to conditions of pregnancy on the same terms and conditions as they are applied to illness. The length of a teacher's disability due to conditions of pregnancy shall be determined by the teacher's physician as due to conditions of pregnancy shall be determined by the teacher's physician, and the teacher shall provide her physician's determination to the Superintendent's office as soon as it is available.

### 8.3 Child-bearing and Child-rearing Leave

- B. When a teacher is on long-term disability, regardless of whether it is paid leave under Section 8.1(B) above or unpaid leave pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act, the Board and the teacher will provide notice and doctor's certifications consistent with the requirements of the Family and Medical Leave Act, as amended.
- A. The Board will provide unpaid family and medical leave, pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act, as amended. The Board will continue to pay the district's share of the employee's health benefits during the leave. Any teacher who takes an unpaid leave under the federal Family Medical Leave Act in order to care for a spouse, child, or parent may substitute any accumulated sick leave which would be granted for an illness in his/her family, as it is defined in Section 8.1. Any paid sick leave used for an illness in weeks of FMLA leave to which the teacher is entitled.

### 8.2 Family and Medical Leave and Long-term Disability

- E. Ten (10) sick days may be used for family illness. For the purpose of this Section, "family" is defined as spouse, parent, children and individuals residing in the teacher's household.
- D. The Superintendent may require a physician's statement for absences of more than five (5) consecutive days for personal illness.

- B. Additional bereavement days may be granted at the Superintendent's discretion.
- one (1) day per occurrence to a maximum of two (2) days.
- than a member of the immediate family, as set forth in this Section, shall be limited to brother-in-law, sister-in-law, uncle or aunt. Leave for attendance at a funeral for other child, brother, sister, grandparents, grandchildren, father-in-law, mother-in-law, days per year, in the event of the death of a spouse, parent, step-parent, child, sibling, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, mother-in-law, step-sister, in-laws, sick leave accumulations for up to five (5) days per occurrence, not to exceed ten (10) days per year.
- A. Teachers shall be permitted absences without loss of pay and without deductions from

#### 8.6 Bereavement Leave

- The Board shall pay reasonable expenses, within budget limitations, incurred by teachers who attend workshops, seminars, conferences, or other professional improvement sessions (not including visiting days) at the request of the administration. A written report may be required of any teacher attending such a session.

#### 8.5 Professional Leave

- C. Personal leave shall not be used to extend vacations or holidays except in the case of emergency as determined by the Superintendent.

- B. Except in cases of emergency, a teacher requesting personal leave must notify the Principal in writing at least two (2) school days prior to taking such leave. The teacher must indicate the reason for which the leave is being taken.

- A. Teachers may be allowed up to four (4) days of absence without loss of pay and without deductions from sick leave for legal obligations, religious holidays that require absence during work hours, professional obligations, and personal business that cannot be transacted outside of regular work hours.

#### 8.4 Personal Leave

- F. Teachers taking child-rearing leave of greater than one (1) year will be returned to an equivalent position, although the teacher will be entitled to no greater right to reinstatement or to other benefits and condition of employment than if the teacher had been continuously employed during the leave.

- E. Teachers taking child-rearing leave of less than one (1) year will be returned to their former positions, although the teacher will be entitled to no greater right to reinstatement or to other benefits and condition of employment than if the teacher had been continuously employed during the leave.

- D. Benefits to which the teacher may be entitled under the Family and Medical Leave Act, to the commencement of the child-rearing leave. This provision in no way reduces any benefits, the total cost being borne by the teacher. This option must be initiated prior

9.1 Teachers new to the school system will, in the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools,

## ARTICLE IX PLACEMENT ON SALARY SCHEDULE

Any teacher who is called for jury duty shall receive the necessary leave to fulfill this legal obligation. This leave shall not be deducted from sick leave or from personal days. The teacher shall receive a rate of pay equal to the difference between the professional salary and the jury fee. Any teacher receiving notice of jury duty shall immediately forward a copy of such notice to his/her building principal.

**8.9 Jury Duty**

Upon consultation with the Superintendent, representatives of the Association may be granted leave with no loss of pay to serve the local, state or national Association.

**8.8 Association Leave**

F. A maximum of two (2) members of the professional staff may be on sabbatical leave at any one time. However, at least one (1) of the sabbatical leaves must be for work beyond the master's or thirfty (30) graduate credits.

E. The teacher shall agree to return to employment for the year following his/her sabbatical leave, and the Board shall employ the teacher for the year.

D. Credit on the salary schedule shall be commensurate with course work completed or teaching rendered during the period of the leave.

C. Teachers granted a sabbatical leave will be eligible to receive full insurance benefits as indicated in Article XVI (Insurance), but teachers will be responsible for the cost of said insurance.

B. Teachers may apply for a sabbatical leave after six (6) years of consecutive service to the Canterbury School System. Such leave shall commence at the beginning of the school year.

A. Sabbatical leave will be granted when a program of definite professional growth can be demonstrated. In determining requests for sabbatical leave, the Board shall consider a proposed program in relation to the value that it will have for the individual teacher and the Canterbury School System. A written explanation of any rejected request for sabbatical leave will be sent to the teacher no later than five (5) days following Board decision. The written explanation shall indicate why the request does not have sufficient value for the improvement of education in the Canterbury School System. The Board's action is final. The Board shall not be subject to the grievance procedure.

**8.7 Sabbatical Leave**

- 10.3 Confirming documentation must be submitted to the Superintendent's office before five (5) school days of the current school year have elapsed.
- 10.2 Forms to expedite the required notification will be distributed from the Superintendent's office prior to December 1<sup>st</sup> of the current school year.
- 10.1 A teacher expecting a change in degree status which involves a salary increase shall notify the Superintendent's office of the anticipated change prior to January 15<sup>th</sup> of the school year preceding the change.

## **ARTICLE X**

### **CHANGE IN DEGREE STATUS**

- D. Teachers under contract for less than full-time shall receive the salary that they would be entitled to as a full-time member of the faculty with an equivalent degree status and salary step placement (e.g. a teacher with a six-tenths [6] assignment would receive sixty percent [60%] of the salary of an equivalent full-time teacher).
- C. Sixth Year: A second master's degree in a discipline other than the discipline in which the initial master's degree was attained; or the completion of thirty (30) credits beyond the master's degree in a discipline from an accredited college or university.
- B. Master's: A master's degree earned at an accredited college or university.
- A. Bachelor: A baccalaureate degree earned at an accredited college or university. with the following definition:
- 9.2 The salary schedule listed in this Agreement shall be interpreted and applied in accordance with the following definition:
- D. The Board reserves its discretionary right to fill any vacancy at the salary that may be necessary.
- C. Military experience: Teachers will be given credit for full-time service in the armed forces of the United States.
- B. Previous teaching experience. Ninety (90) or more days of continuous service in a public or private school within the same school year will be counted as a year of full service provided there is a direct correlation with the assignment, and the experience was gained while the teacher was certified to teach in Connecticut.
- A. Degree status as of September 1<sup>st</sup> of the current school year.
- normally be placed on the appropriate step of the current salary schedule taking into consideration the following:

- 12.2 Teachers shall notify the Superintendent of intention to retire by December 1<sup>st</sup> prior to retirement. If the teacher so notifies the Superintendent and the teacher retires before June 30<sup>th</sup>, the teacher shall be paid for years of service on July 1<sup>st</sup> of that year, if a business day, or the next business day thereafter. If the teacher so notifies the Superintendent and retires after July 1<sup>st</sup>, the teacher shall be paid for years of service on the date of retirement. Failure to do so will result in a deduction from the teacher's pay.
- 12.1 A teacher, employed with the school district prior to July 1, 2013, with fifteen (15) years of continuous service in the Centerbury School System immediately preceding retirement will be eligible for severance pay at the rate of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for each year of service in the Centerbury School System with a maximum of thirty-five (35) years. Severance pay will be paid only upon retirement from teaching. In the event of death, severance pay will be paid to the beneficiary.

## **RECOGNITION OF SERVICE**

### **ARTICLE XII**

- 11.4 Teachers shall have the option to change payroll deductions by submitting the proper forms and their request in writing at least two (2) weeks in advance of the date the change is to become effective.
- 11.3 If termination of employment comes prior to the end of the regular school year, each teacher's pay will be prorated on the basis of days taught.
- C. A minimum of two (2) payments per month, payable every other Thursday, with twenty-two (22) equal distributions, plus one (1) balloon payment.
- B. A minimum of two (2) payments per month, payable every other Thursday, with twenty-six (26) equal distributions.
- A. A minimum of two (2) payments per month, payable every other Thursday, with twenty-two (22) equal distributions.
- 11.2 The teachers will have a choice of the following methods of payment. Determination will be rendered by the teacher at the time the salary agreement for the school year is signed.
- 11.1 The salaries of all teachers covered by this Agreement are set forth in Appendix A, which is attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement.

- 10.4 Failure on the part of the teacher to conform to this procedure will result in a rejection of the request for a change in degree status.

- D. Teachers shall accept full responsibility for any financial losses as a result of their participation in the annuity program. Such losses shall not include mishandling of any funds withheld by any employee of the Board.
- C. Deduction authorization forms must be submitted to the payroll department at least two (2) weeks in advance of the date that any deduction change is to become effective.
- B. Deductions for tax-sheltered annuities shall be continued each year, pursuant to current IRS code.
- A. Teachers shall be eligible to participate in a tax-sheltered annuity plan established

#### 14.1 Tax-sheltered Annuities

### ARTICLE XIV PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

- B. Teachers who serve as "Readers" under the TEAM Program shall be compensated at two hundred fifty-eight dollars (\$258) for reading five (5) papers.
- A. Any teacher who has successfully completed mentor training through an approved State Department of Education "Mentor Training Program" and who thereafter accepts assignment to serve as a mentor for new teachers under the Teacher Education and Mentoring Program (TEAM) shall be paid six hundred fifty dollars (\$650) per month.
- Service as a mentor teacher shall be voluntary in nature and all volunteers must be approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee.

#### 13.4 Mentor Teachers

- For all positions listed above that are created by the Board, certified staff shall be given preference as compared to any other person or persons when the qualifications of two (2) or more candidates are equal.
- The Superintendent has the discretion to approve additional club/activities on receipt of a written proposal. Criteria will be established for each position listed in this Article.
- The Extra Pay for Extra Duty salary schedule shall be set forth in Appendix B, which is attached hereto and expressly made a part of this Agreement.

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### ARTICLE XIII EXTRA PAY FOR EXTRA DUTY

- to provide notification to the Superintendent by December prior to retirement shall result in a twenty-five percent (25%) reduction in the total payout cited in Section 12.1, hereinabove.

- A. Course must be preapproved by the Superintendent.
- B. Proof of successful completion of the course must be presented along with the copy of paid receipt.

15.1 The Board agrees to reimburse the full tuition cost of courses taken beyond the master's if the course is related to improvement of classroom instruction and fifty percent (50%) of the tuition cost of courses taken beyond the master's if the course is in the field of education when and if the following criteria have been fulfilled:

## ARTICLE XV REIMBURSEMENT OF TUITION

- E. Deduction for professional dues shall be continued each year.
- D. The Association agrees to hold the Board, its agents and employees harmless from claims, demands, suits or judgments, including attorney's fees, arising from implementation of membership dues deductions.
- C. The gross amount for each deduction of membership dues shall be transferred to the Association account after each appropriate payroll.
- B. Membership dues deductions shall be made in twenty (20) equal payments through payroll deduction.
- A. Voluntary membership dues deduction authorization forms shall be submitted to the payroll department by the Association membership chair no later than two (2) weeks in advance of the date that the membership dues deduction is to become effective.

### 14.3 Professional Membership Dues -- NEA & CEA

- D. A teacher shall have his/her entire paycheck directly deposited in the financial institution of his/her choice.
- C. Deductions authorization forms must be submitted to the payroll department at least two (2) weeks in advance of the date that any deduction change is to become effective.
- B. Deductions for credit union will continue from year to year.

A. Deductions for credit union shall be made each payday and will be sent into the credit union office within two (2) working days of the date of the check.

### 14.2 Credit Union or Other Financial Institutions

E. Deductions for tax-sheetered annuities shall be made each payday and will be sent to the specified TSA office within two (2) working days of the date of the check.

- purposes only) and subject to the conditions set forth below:
- The Board shall provide each eligible bargaining unit member with group health insurance benefits through the Connecticut State Partnership Plan 2.0 (hereinafter referred to as the "SPP" and attached hereto as Appendix C for information purposes only) and subject to the conditions set forth below:

- B. Connecticut State Partnership Plan 2.0 (the "SPP"):
    - 4. Short-term disability pay in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per week for twenty-six (26) weeks. This benefit is available only to the teacher.
    - 3. Group life insurance in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).
    - 2. Individual, two (2)-person, and family dental coverage under the existing insurance plan with a two thousand dollar (\$2,000) calendar year maximum per person.
    - 1. Individual, two (2)-person, and family health coverage under the existing health plan.
- A. The Board shall provide the following insurance benefits for all full-time teachers (1.0 FTE). Teachers who work at least fifty percent (50%) of the time (.5 FTE), but less than full-time will be eligible for insurance benefits on a prorated basis. Specifically, the Board's premium share will be reduced by the percentage of time that the teacher works:

## 16.1 Insurance Plans

### ARTICLE XVI INSURANCE

- 15.4 In addition to the financial limitations set forth in Article XV, Sections 15.1 and 15.2, the total dollar amount for reimbursement for all members under this Article shall not exceed twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for any given fiscal year. Reimbursement shall be issued to applicants on a first come, first served basis.

- 15.3 Payment for courses taken in the spring or summer session will be made after the first Board meeting in September in the current school year providing that the teacher returns to the district in September and provides the administration with an official transcript denoting the teacher's successful completion of the course(s) taken.

- 15.2 The Board will reimburse fifty percent (50%) of the tuition cost for courses taken beyond the BA/BS if the course meets the criteria outlined in Sections 15.1A and B, hereinaabove. The dollar amount for the reimbursement shall not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in any one (1) year.

- C. No teacher will be eligible to receive more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) under this provision in any one (1) year.

If there are any changes to the administration of the SPP, or if additional fees and/or charges for the SPP are imposed so as to affect the Board, any of which substantially increase the cost of the medical plan offered herein.

(b) If the SPP in its current form is no longer available, or if the benefit plan design with SEBAC, if such modifications would substantially increase the cost of the SPP is modified as a result of a change to the State's collective bargaining agreements, fees, or charges (individually or collectively) would substantially increase the cost of the medical plan offered herein; and/or

(a) If the SPP in its current form is no longer available, or if the benefit plan design introduced of replacement medical insurance in whole or in part: negotiations in accordance with mid-stream negotiation and arbitration provisions successor Agreement to the current Agreement, the Board may reopen negotiations in the Connecticut General Statutes as to the sole issue of health insurance, including plan design and funding, premium cost share and/or insurance, contained in the Connecticut General Statutes as to the sole issue of health insurance, including plan design and funding, premium cost share and/or insurance, introduced of replacement medical insurance in whole or in part;

5. In the event any of the following occur to the implementation of a negotiated administration.

(b) No portion or percentage shall be paid by the Board and the one hundred fifty-dollar annual deductible shall be implemented through claims payroll deduction and the three hundred fifty-dollar (\$350)/one thousand four hundred dollar (\$1,400) family annual deductible sums shall be implemented through

(a) A one hundred-dollar (\$100) per month premium cost increase and the three hundred percent (100%) in their entirety by the non-participating or non-

hundred fifty-dollar (\$350) per participant to a maximum of one thousand four hundred-dollar (\$1,400) family annual deductible sums shall be implemented through

compliant teacher.

4. The SPP contains a Health Enhancement Plan (the "HEP") component and all teachers participating in the SPP are subject to the terms and provisions of the HEP. In the event that individual teachers are non-participant or non-compliant with the HEP requirements, the following shall apply:

Article XVI-Insurance, Section 16.2 (Change of Carrier) of this Agreement. General Statutes in order to provide retired certified teachers with insurance coverage at the same rate offered to actively employed teachers, as required by state statute. The blended rate shall be calculated by the Board's insurance consultant and agreed to by the Association. Any dispute between the parties as to the blended rate shall be resolved in accordance with the provisions found in Article XVI-Insurance, Section 16.2 (Change of Carrier) of this Agreement.

3. The premium rates shall be set by the SPP. The parties acknowledge that the rates and other administration provisions shall be established by the SPP.

2. The health plan benefits shall be as set forth in the SPP, including any subsequent amendments or modifications made to the SPP by the State. The administration of the SPP, including enrollment, beneficiary eligibility and changes, plan design and other administration provisions shall be as established by the SPP.

- E. Reference to any specific insurance carrier(s) in this Article creates no contractual obligation of the Board to continue to purchase that carrier(s) insurance.
- D. The cost of the arbitration process will be shared equally by the Board and the Association.
- C. In the situation where a complaint has been lodged by the Association, the Board will not change to the new insurance carrier until an agreement has been reached or until an Arbitrator has decided that the insurance coverage under the substitute insurance carrier's policy is essentially equivalent to the insurance coverage under the policy currently in effect.
- B. The Arbitrator will accept revisions to the initial draft of the substitute insurance carrier's policy up to and including the final day of any hearing held to compare the incumbents insurance carrier's policy with the substitute insurance carrier's policy.
- A. The Board reserves the right to change any insurance carrier at any time so long as it gives prior notice to the Association and so long as the insurance coverage under the substitute insurance carrier's policy is substantially equivalent, when considered as a whole, to the coverage under the new insurance carrier's policy. Once the Association has notified the Board that it intends to change insurance carriers, the Association has fifteen days to examine the new insurance carrier's policy. If the Association feels that the coverage under the new policy is not substantially equivalent, when considered as a whole, to the coverage under the new insurance carrier's policy, it must object to the change, in writing, during those fifteen (15) days. If the parties are unable to informally resolve the matter within the following thirty (30) days, an Arbitrator with expertise in the field of insurance shall be mutually selected forthwith or, if the parties cannot agree, shall be selected for withholding following thirty (30) days. If the parties are unable to informally resolve the matter within the fifteen (15) days, the Arbitrator will examine the new insurance carrier's policy under the policy currently in effect, if the parties cannot agree, the Arbitrator will be asked to decide the following question: "Is the insurance coverage under the substitute insurance carrier's policy substantially equivalent to the insurance coverage under the new insurance carrier's policy?" The Arbitrator must render her/his decision within thirty (30) days. All references herein to days refer to calendar days.

## 16.2 Change of Carrier

- C. The teacher premium share contributions toward the dental shall be eighteen percent (18%) effective July 1, 2022.
- (c) Effective July 1, 2024;.....Eighteen percent (18%).
- (b) Effective July 1, 2023;.....Seventeen percent (17%).
- (a) Effective July 1, 2022;.....Sixteen percent (16%).

6. The teachers' percentage share of the health insurance premium shall be:

16.5 Teacher who submit their resignations as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, and have prepaid their portion of the premium share owed for insurance coverage through August 31<sup>st</sup>. This provision will not apply to teachers hired on or after July 1, 2013 are not eligible to receive post-retirement benefits in these insurance premiums.

16.4 Insurance as described in Section 16.4.

D. Teachers hired on or after July 1, 2013 are not eligible to receive post-retirement benefits in these insurance premiums.

C. Teachers who choose to receive individual insurance coverage will continue to pay the same percentage of premium cost as full time teachers covered by this Agreement. For those teachers who elect two (2)-person or family insurance coverage under the School District's insurance plan, the Board's contribution toward the premium cost will be limited to the dollar total of the equivalent insurance plan. The payment from the State Teachers coverage under the equivalent insurance plan. The premium cost for individual districts' insurance plans, the Board's share of the premium cost will be Districts' insurance plan, the Board's contribution toward the premium cost will be limited to the dollar total of the equivalent insurance plan. The payment from the State Teachers Retirement System shall not reduce the teacher's portion of the premium share while he or she is eligible for this benefit. The retiree must submit his or her share of the monthly premium to the Superintendent's office fifteen (15) days prior to the billing date. A lapse in payment of more than thirty (30) days will result in a loss of this benefit.

B. The Board shall provide teacher, two person, or family Coverage under the School District's Health Plan (or equivalent), including hospitalization, surgical, prescriptions, and major medical.

A. Teachers with twenty (20) years of service in the Canterbury School will be eligible to receive post-retirement benefits for a period of two (2) years after retirement from the school system. Teachers with thirty-five (35) years of service shall be eligible for five years and teachers with thirty (30) years of service shall be eligible for five years after retirement. The teacher tax deduction from the school system will be eliminated for teachers with thirty-five (35) years of service and teachers with thirty (30) years of service will be eliminated for five years.

#### 16.4 Post-retirement Insurance

The Board shall implement and maintain a Section 125 pre-tax wage deduction plan in accordance with applicable provisions of Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code (and in accordance with any amendments to said provisions) so long as said provisions allow for such a plan. Said plan will be designed to permit exclusion from taxable income of the teacher's share of health insurance premiums, allowable medical expenses and dependent bargaining in the event that a change in law reduces or eliminates the tax-exempt status of the teacher insurance contributions, allowable medical expenses and dependent bargaining and the administration of those benefits shall continue to be governed by the collective bargaining Agreement and the carrier's insurance plan.

- 18.2 Upon receipt of the material, a teacher shall have five (5) school days to affix his/her signature to any material to be placed in his/her personnel file. If a teacher fails to sign the material within the five (5) days, the Administration may place the material in the file without the teacher's signature.

- 18.1 Teachers shall be provided a copy of any material placed into their personnel files and may attach written statements to any evaluation or material placed in their own personnel files. The teacher shall acknowledge that he/she has read such material by affixing his/her signature on the actual copy to be filed with the understanding that such a signature merely signifies that he/she has read the material and does not necessarily indicate agreement with its content. In the event a teacher refuses to sign the document as provided, a note shall accompany the document stating that the teacher has received the document and refused to sign it.

## **ARTICLE XVIII** **PERSONNEL FILES AND EVALUATIONS**

- Teachers who are released from employment because of elimination of his/her position shall be given first opportunity to fill a vacant position for which they are certified in the reverse order of layoff. In the event that two (2) or more teachers have the same length of service, quality of service, as determined by the Superintendent, shall be the determining factor for which teacher is recalled. The name of any teacher who has been released from employment because of elimination of his/her position shall be placed upon a reappointment list and remain on such list for two (2) years. Any teacher on the reappointment list shall be notified in writing when a vacancy occurs. Any teacher on the reappointment list shall accept or reject the offer of rehire within ten (10) days after the notice is received by the teacher. This notification of position availability will be mailed to the teacher's last known address. The teacher's failure to provide to the Board written notification concerning the offer of rehire within the time specified shall be considered a rejection of the offer.

- 17.2 Recall Procedure
- A. Certification status.
  - B. Total contractual experience in the system.
  - C. Quality of experience.
- 17.1 Should any situation arise making it necessary for the Board to reduce the number of professional staff members, determination of those who are to be reduced shall be made as follows: non-tenured teachers shall be laid off before tenured teachers. In the event that tenure is found not to be definitive enough, the following criteria shall be used:

## **ARTICLE XVII** **REDUCTION IN PROFESSIONAL STAFF**

If a teacher is receiving insurance benefits from another employer.

21.1 The provisions of this Agreement shall become effective on July 1, 2022, and shall remain in force until June 30, 2025.

## **DURATION/AMENDMENT / SAVING CLAUSE/SIGNATURES**

### **ARTICLE XXI**

20.1 No teacher shall be reprimanded in writing or suspended without pay except for just cause.

### **ARTICLE XX**

#### **JUST CAUSE**

In the event that any provision or portion of the collective bargaining Agreement is ultimately ruled invalid for any reason by an authority of established and competent legal jurisdiction, such provision or portion shall be severed from the collective bargaining Agreement, and the balance and remainder of the collective bargaining Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

19.4 **Severability**  
Any item not covered in this Agreement may be governed by existing policies, rules or regulations of the Board or by the modification of existing policies, rules, regulations or the adoption of new policies, rules or regulations.

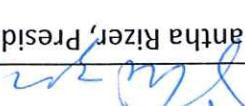
19.2 It is agreed that all matters not covered by the Agreement remain the prerogative of the Board and any contractual omission shall not imply a surrendering on the part of the Board of any duty or responsibility properly its province in the maintenance of the Centrbury Public Schools.

19.1 This Agreement contains the full and complete agreement between the Board and the Association on all negotiable issues. The parties may mutually agree to negotiate upon any issue during the term of this Agreement.

18.4 No anonymous letters or materials may be placed in teachers' personnel files.  
18.3 Teachers shall have access to their personnel files within three (3) business days upon request to the Superintendent; after such request has been made by a teacher to review his or her personnel file, no material may be removed from or added to the personnel file until the teacher has reviewed it, or until twenty-four (24) hours after receipt of the teacher request to review the personnel file. Teachers are entitled to copies of any material in their own personnel files.

### **FULL AND COMPLETE AGREEMENT**

### **ARTICLE XIX**

- 21.2 This Agreement shall not be altered, amended or changed, except in writing, signed by both the Board and the Association. Any amendment shall be appended hereto, and become a part hereof.
- IN WITNESS WHEREFORE, the parties and their representatives hereunto set their hands and seals and have affixed their signatures this January 11, 2022.
- For the Canterbury Education Association  
  
 Samantha Rizer, President
- For the Canterbury Board of Education  
  
 Nancy Duval, Chairperson
- 2022-2025 Professional Agreement  
 Canterbury Education Association/Canterbury Board of Education

## TEACHERS' SALARY SCHEDULE

### APPENDIX A

2022-2023 school year.

Eligible teachers not at the maximum step in 2022-2023 shall advance one (1) step at the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

STEP	BA	MASTERS	SIXTH YEAR
2	45,935	55,174	59,910
3	47,212	56,862	61,487
4	48,487	58,548	63,112
5	49,763	60,240	64,786
6	51,038	61,928	66,511
7	52,496	63,618	68,210
8	53,951	65,310	70,040
9	55,411	67,017	71,921
10	56,866	68,723	73,855
11	58,326	70,850	75,853
12	59,784	72,937	77,906
13	61,240	75,529	80,019
14	63,288	79,104	83,642
15	66,921	82,681	87,264
16	68,349	88,349	93,092

2022-2023

Eligible teachers not at the maximum step in 2023-2024 shall advance one (1) step at the start of the 2023-2024 school year.

STEP	BA	MASTERS	SIXTH YEAR
<b>2023-2024</b>			
2	46,445	55,786	60,575
3	47,736	57,493	62,170
4	49,025	59,198	63,813
5	50,315	60,909	65,505
6	51,605	62,615	67,249
7	53,079	64,324	68,967
8	54,550	66,035	70,817
9	56,026	67,761	72,719
10	57,497	69,486	74,675
11	58,973	71,636	76,695
12	60,448	73,747	78,771
13	61,920	76,367	80,907
14	63,990	79,982	84,570
15	68,259	85,699	90,333
16	90,116	94,954	

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Eligible teachers not at the maximum step in 2024-2025 shall advance one (1) step at the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

STEP	BA	MASTERS	SIXTH YEAR
2	46,961	56,405	61,247
3	48,266	58,131	62,860
4	49,569	59,855	64,521
5	50,873	61,585	66,232
6	52,178	63,310	67,995
7	53,668	65,038	69,733
8	55,156	66,768	71,603
9	56,648	68,513	73,526
10	58,135	70,257	75,504
11	59,628	72,431	77,546
12	61,119	74,566	79,645
13	62,607	77,215	81,805
14	64,700	80,870	85,509
15	69,624	86,650	91,336
16	91,918	96,853	

2024-2025

Note: A written notice shall be sent out annually by the Administration informing teachers of their stipend assignments.

ACTIVITY	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
A. Athletic Director and Coaches of Intercollegiate Sports and Cheerleading Coach:	\$1,441	\$1,463	\$1,485
B. 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Advisor:			
C. Advisors and Club Directors for after school activities. Activities for which stipends will be paid include, but are not limited to:	\$882	\$895	\$908
E. Hourly Rates:			
D. Nature, Classroom (per person):	\$216	\$219	\$223
E. • Tutor (Homebound Instruction): • Other hourly activities: • Summer School • Lead Teacher (each school)	\$35.30 \$35.30 \$35.30 \$2,117	\$35.83 \$36.37 \$48.59 \$2,149	\$36.37 \$50.06 \$50.06 \$2,181
F. G. Chemical Safety Officer	\$1,117	\$1,134	\$1,151

2022-2025

### Extra Pay for Extra Duty

### APPENDIX B

For Informational Purposes Only

Connecticut State Partnership Plan 2.0 Schedule of Benefits

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**APPENDIX C**

MEDICAL SERVICES	IN-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	OUT-OF-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	PATIENT SHARE	IN-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	OUT-OF-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	SERVICES
Vision Exam & Refraction	\$15 Co-Pay	50% of allowable UCR one exam per year	20% of allowable UCR one exam per year	\$15 Co-Pay	20% of allowable UCR one exam per calendar year	Routine Hearing Screening
(1 exam per calendar year, when performed as part of an exam)						Maturity Outpatient Surgery (first visit only)
Routine Hearing Screening	\$15 Co-Pay	20% of allowable UCR one exam per year	20% of allowable UCR one exam per year	\$15 Co-Pay	20% of allowable UCR one exam per year	Outpatient Surgery
(1 per calendar year, when performed as part of an exam)						FAMILY PLANNING
Allergy Office Visit/Testing	\$15 Co-Pay Preferred Provider	20% of allowable UCR	20% of allowable UCR	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	Immunotherapy Services
Allergy Injections	\$15 Co-Pay Participating Provider	20% of allowable UCR	20% of allowable UCR	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	Office Visit
Allergy Office Visit/Therapy	\$0 Preferred Provider	20% of allowable UCR	20% of allowable UCR	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	Outpatient Hospital/Inpatient Hospital
Vasectomy	100% no co-pay	20% of allowable UCR	100% no co-pay	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	Gender Identity Disorder Services
Tubal Ligation	100% no co-pay	20% of allowable UCR	100% no co-pay	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	Office Visit
FAMILY PLANNING						Bariatric Surgery*
Allergy Office Visit/Hospitalization	\$15 Co-Pay	20% of allowable UCR	20% of allowable UCR	100% no co-pay	20% of allowable UCR	Office Visit
Gender Identity Disorder Services						Skilled Nursing Facility
HOSPITAL SERVICES	IN-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	OUT-OF-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	PATIENT SHARE	IN-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	OUT-OF-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	Hospital
All Inpatient Admissions, including	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	20% of allowable UCR	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	Acillary Services
Childbirth	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	20% of allowable UCR	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	Prior Authorization required
Inpatient Hospital	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	20% of allowable UCR	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	Prior Authorization required
Inpatient Hospice Care	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	60 days per covered person per calendar year	None	60 days per covered person per calendar year	Utilization limit (prior authorization required)
Inpatient Home Health	No-Co-Pay if HEP Compliant*	20% of allowable UCR	60 days per covered person per calendar year	None	60 days per covered person per calendar year	Utilization limit (prior authorization required)
Emergency Room Treatment	\$250 Co-Pay (Waived if admitted to hospital)	(\$250 Co-Pay if admitted & waiver form is available)	(\$250 Co-Pay if admitted & waiver form is available)	\$15 Co-Pay (Waived if patient admitted to hospital)	20% of allowable UCR	Emergency Room Care Clinic (\$15 Co-Pay--Out of country urgent care)
EMERGENCY/URGENT CARE SERVICES	IN-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	OUT-OF-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	PATIENT SHARE	IN-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	OUT-OF-NETWORK PATIENT SHARE	EMERGENCY/URGENT CARE
Urgent Care Clinic	\$15 Co-Pay	20% of allowable UCR	20% of allowable UCR	\$15 Co-Pay	20% of allowable UCR	Walk-in Clinic

Emergency Ambulance		
OTHER HEALTH CARE		
TESTS		
No-Co-pay if HEP Compliant*	No-Co-pay if HEP Compliant*	No-Co-pay if HEP Compliant*
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Diagnostic, Laboratory & X-ray	Diagnostic, Laboratory & X-ray	Diagnostic, Laboratory & X-ray
High Cost Radiological & Diagnostic Tests (MRI, MRA, CAT, CTA, PET & SPECT scans) (Prior authorization required)	No-Co-Pay Preferred Provider in Connecitcut for Non-Preferred Provider in Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Preferred Provider/20% for Non-Preferred Provider in Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Outside of Connecitcut 60% of allowable UCR with site of service provider	No-Co-Pay Preferred Provider in Connecitcut for Non-Preferred Provider in Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Preferred Provider/20% for Non-Preferred Provider in Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Outside of Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Preferred Provider in Connecitcut for Non-Preferred Provider in Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Preferred Provider/20% for Non-Preferred Provider in Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Outside of Connecitcut 60% of allowable UCR with site of service provider
OUT-OF-NETWORK SERVICES		
Nutrition Counseling	Radiation Therapy	Services
(Maximum of 3 visits per covered person per calendar year)	\$0 Co-Pay Outside of Connecitcut Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Preferred Provider in Connecitcut for Non-Preferred Provider in Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Preferred Provider/20% for Non-Preferred Provider in Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Outside of Connecitcut 20% of allowable UCR	\$0 Co-Pay Preferred Provider in Connecitcut Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Preferred Provider/20% for Non-Preferred Provider in Connecitcut \$0 Co-Pay Outside of Connecitcut 20% of allowable UCR
Private Duty Nursing (Prior authorization required)	Home Health Care	Home Hospice
Utilization Limits	Utilization Limits	Utilization Limits
Acupuncture (Limit of 20 visits per calendar year)	Acupuncture (Unlimited)	Acupuncture (Unlimited)
Infusion Therapy	Infusion Therapy (Unlimited)	Infusion Therapy (Unlimited)
Surgical Removal of Breast Implant	Surgical Removal of Breast Implant*	Surgical Removal of Breast Implant*
Physical or Occupational Therapy (Prior Authorization may be required-Benefit Limit)	Physical or Occupational Therapy (Benefit Limit)	Physical or Occupational Therapy (Benefit Limit)
Chiropractic Therapy/Care (Benefit Limit)	Chiropractic Therapy/Care (Benefit Limit)	Chiropractic Therapy/Care (Benefit Limit)
Speech Therapy (Covered only for treatment resulting from autism, stroke, tumor removal, injury or congenital anomalies of the respiratory system)	Speech Therapy (Covered only for treatment resulting from autism, stroke, tumor removal, injury or congenital anomalies of the respiratory system)	Speech Therapy (Covered only for treatment resulting from autism, stroke, tumor removal, injury or congenital anomalies of the respiratory system)
Occupational & Speech Therapy (Behavioral, outpatient, rehabilitation, physical, speech)	Autism Services (Behavioral, outpatient, rehabilitation, physical, speech)	Autism Services (Behavioral, outpatient, rehabilitation, physical, speech)
Cardiac Rehabilitation Therapy (Occupational & speech therapy)	Cardiac Rehabilitation Therapy	Cardiac Rehabilitation Therapy
Other Therapy Services (Radiation, chemotherapy for treatment of cancer, dialysis daily)	Other Therapy Services	Other Therapy Services

**Preferred and Non-Preferred Brand-Name Drugs**  
A drug's tier placement is determined by Caremark's Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, which reviews tier placement each quarter. If new genericals have become available, new clinical studies

- + Inpatient 30-day supply at retail pharmacy is permitted. [hereafter, "90-day supply"] is required, through mail-order or at a retail pharmacy participating in the State of Connecticut Maintenance Drug Network.
- + Prescriptions are filled automatically with a generic drug if one is available, unless the prescribing physician submits a Coverage Exception Request attesting that the brand name drug is medically necessary.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS	NON-MAINTENANCE+ (31-to-90-day supply)	HEP Chronic Conditions	Generic (Preferred/non-preferred)++	Preferred/Non-Listed Brand	Drugs	Name Drugs Non-Preferred/Non-Listed Brand	Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum	\$4,600 individual/\$9,200 family
	\$25	\$25	\$5/10	\$5/10	\$0	\$40	\$40	\$12.50

The above schedule of benefits is informal only. Please refer to the plan documents online for the official benefits and coverage—<http://www.osc.ct.gov/ctparmer/>

1. Services Requiring Prior Authorization:	
Outpatient Surgery (under 12 hours)	High-Cost Diagnostic Imaging
Partial Hospitalization (under 12 hours)	Gender Reassignment Surgery
Outpatient Occupational Therapy	Durable Medical Equipment
Orthoptic Exercises	Outpatient Physical Therapy
Organ Transplant	Over \$500; includes foot orthotics and hearing aids
Oral Surgery	(over \$500; includes foot orthotics and hearing aids)
Air Ambulance	Infertility Treatment (includes childbirth)
Bariatric Surgery	Patient, Non-Emergency (includes childbirth)
Organ Transplant	Impatient, Hospital
Orthoptic Exercises	Impatient, Mental Health
Outpatient Occupational Therapy	Impatient, Substance Abuse
Colonoscopy	Kidney Disease Substance Abuse
Chemotherapy	Interrnal & External Prosthetic Devices
Outpatient Physical Therapy	Residentia Treatment
Over \$500; includes foot orthotics and hearing aids	Mental Health/Substance Abuse

## MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES WHEN OBTAINING HEALTH CARE - PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

- If you or your family member takes a maintenance medication, you are required to get your medication at any participating pharmacy. After that your two choices are: receive your medication through the Caremark mail-order pharmacy, or fill your medication at a generic pharmacy that participates in the State's Maintenance Drug Network (see the list of participating pharmacies on the Comptroller's website at [www.osc.ct.gov](http://www.osc.ct.gov)).
- Fill your medication at a pharmacy that participates in the State's Maintenance Drug Network (see complete Caremark's Coverage Exception Request form and it is approved. It is not enough for your doctor to note "dispense as written" on your prescription; a separate form is required. If you request a brand-name drug over a generic alternative without obtaining a coverage exception, you will pay the generic drug co-pay PLUS the difference in cost between the brand and generic drug.

Prescriptions will be automatically filled with a generic drug if one is available, unless your doctor completes Caremark's Coverage Exception Request form and it is approved. It is not enough for your doctor to note "dispense as written" on your prescription; a separate form is required. If you request a brand-name drug over a generic alternative without obtaining a coverage exception, you will pay the generic drug co-pay PLUS the difference in cost between the brand and generic drug.

If your doctor believes a non-preferred brand-name drug is medically necessary for you, they will need to complete the Coverage Exception Request form (available at [www.osc.ct.gov/cptpartner](http://www.osc.ct.gov/cptpartner)) and fax it to Caremark. If approved, you will pay the preferred brand co-pay amount.

Therapeutics committee may change the tier placement of a drug. have been released, new brand-name drugs have become available, etc., the Pharmacy and

### If You Do Not Comply with the requirements of HEP

If you or any enrolled family member has **1) Diabetes (Type 1 or 2), 2) asthma or COPD, 3) heart disease/heart failure, 4) hyperlipidemia (high cholesterol), or 5) hypertension (high blood pressure)**, you and/or that family member will be required to participate in a disease education and counseling program for that particular condition. You will receive free office visits and reduced pharmacy copays for these particular conditions are targeted because they account for a large part of our total healthcare costs and have been shown to respond particularly well to education and family members will be given additional resources to improve their health.

### Additional Requirements for those with Certain Conditions

\*Or as recommended by your physician

\*Detailed cleanings are required for all members who are participating in the Partnership Plan

Preventive Screenings	Age	VISIT	1 per year	Every 3 years	Every 7 years	Every 7 years	At least 1 year	At least 1 year	Every 5 years	Pap smear every 3 years	Pap smear only every 3 years or Pap & HPV	Pap smear only every 3 years or Pap & HPV combo	N/A	every 5 years	every 10 years	every 10 years	annual FIT/FOT to age 75 or older	age 75 or older Colorectal Cancer screening every 3 years									
Dental Cleanings*	0-5	6-17	18-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50+																				
Vision Exam																											
Preventive Visit																											
Breast Cancer Screening (Mammogram)																											
Cholesterol Cleanings*																											
Breast Cancer Screening																											
Cervical Cancer Screening (Pap Smear)																											
Colorectal Cancer Screening																											

### Health Enhancement Program (HEP)

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

\*Co-Pays are waived if Health Enhancement Program (HEP) compliant

Subscribers and enrolled family members must get age-appropriate wellness exams, early diagnosis screening (such as colorectal cancer screenings, Pap tests, mammograms, and vision exams) as established in the 2021 HEP requirements

			One frame of choice covered up to retail plan allowance, plus a 20% savings on amount that exceeds frame allowance.
			\$81 out-of-pocket max for standard lens.
			Progressive lenses: covered up to bifocal lens amount with 20% savings on the difference.
			Standard scratch/UV coating: min. 20% save, \$17 out-of-pocket max.
			Standard anti-reflective coating: min. 20% save, \$45 out-of-pocket max.
			Standard photochromic: 20% save, \$78 out-of-pocket max.
			Gradient Tints: \$20 out-of-pocket max.
			Solid Tints: min. 20% save, \$15 out-of-pocket max.
			Rose Tints: #1 and #2—covered under plan.
			Over-sized lenses: covered under plan.
Lens Options:	Standard Polycarbonate: covered for under 18 years of age; min. 20% save, \$40 out-of-pocket max for adults.		
One pair of prescription plastic of glass lenses, all ranges of prescriptions (powers and prisms).			

CIGNA Vision Benefits			
Benefit	In-Network	Out-of-Network	Miletais Copy
State of Connecticut Partnership Plan 2.0 – Vision	This is a summary of benefits for your vision plan.		
			Frequencey is 12 months for lenses, contact lenses, and frames
			One pair of prescription plastic of glass lenses, all ranges of prescriptions (powers and prisms).
			Lens Options:
			Standard Polycarbonate: covered for under 18 years of age; min. 20% save, \$40 out-of-pocket max for adults.
			Standard Polyarbonate: covered up to retail plan allowance, plus a 20% savings on amount that exceeds frame allowance.
			\$81 out-of-pocket max for standard lens.
			Progressive lenses: covered up to bifocal lens amount with 20% savings on the difference.
			Standard scratch/UV coating: min. 20% save, \$17 out-of-pocket max.
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			Solid Tints: min. 20% save, \$15 out-of-pocket max.
			Rose Tints: #1 and #2—covered under plan.
			Over-sized lenses: covered under plan.
			In-Network Benefits include:
			Elective Contact Lenses (Retail Allowance)
			\$345 Allowance
			Covered in Full
			\$360 Allowance
			Therapeutic Elective
			\$345 Allowance
			Covered in Full
			\$175 Allowance
			Frame (Retail Allowance)
			\$126 Allowance
			for adults.

- You can also call Care Management Solutions to speak with a representative: (877) 687-1448 Monday–Thursday, 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Friday, 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
- Exchange messages with HEP Nurse Case Managers and professionals
  - Set and track personal health goals
  - Access a library of health information and articles
  - Complete your chronic condition education and counseling compliance requirement
  - Check your HEP preventive and chronic compliance status
  - View HEP preventive and chronic requirements and download HEP forms
  - Enhance your HEP participation portal features tips and tools to help you manage your health and your HEP requirements. You can visit [www.cthep.com](http://www.cthep.com) to:
- Care Management Solutions, an affiliate of ConnectCare, is the administrator for the Health Enhancement Program (HEP). The HEP participant portal features tips and tools to help you manage your health and your HEP requirements. You can visit [www.cthep.com](http://www.cthep.com) to:

If you or any enrolled dependent becomes non-compliant in HEP, your premiums will be \$100 per month higher and you will have an annual \$350 per individual (\$1,400 per family) in-network medical deductible.

- Vision Network Savings Program:**
- Allowance applied towards cost of supplemental contact lens professional services (including the fitting and evaluation), and contact lens materials.
- One pair or single purchase supply of contact lenses—in lieu of lenses and frame benefit, (may not receive contact lenses and frames in same benefit year).
- Minimum 20% savings on additional purchases of frames and/or lenses, including lens options, with a valid prescription; offered savings does not apply to contact lens materials. Check with your CIGNA Vision Network Provider for details.
- To locate a Provider:**
1. [www.cigna.com](http://www.cigna.com) Online Provider Director:
  2. [www.myCigna.com](http://www.myCigna.com): You can search for a provider by name, specialty, or location after you enroll for coverage and your plan has taken effect.
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- Centrebury Education Association/Centrebury Board of Education  
2022-2025 Professional Agreement**

This material is for informational purposes only and is designed to highlight some of the benefits available under this plan. Consult the plan documents to determine specific terms of coverage relating to your plan. Terms include covered procedures, applicable waiting periods, exclusions and limitations. Your DPO plan allows you to see any licensed dentist, but using an in-network dentist may minimize your out-of-pocket expenses.



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<b>Cross Accumulation</b>		All deductibles, plan maximums, and service specific maximums cross accumulate between in and out of network.	The plan will only pay for covered charges up to the yearly Benefits Maximum, when applicable. Benefit-specific deductibles may also apply.	Calendar Year Deductible	This is the amount you must pay before the plan begins to pay for covered charges, when applicable. Benefit-specific deductibles may also apply.	Late Enrollment Limitation Provision	No coverage until next open enrollment. This provision does not apply to new hires.	Alternate Benefit Provision	When more than one covered Dental Service could provide suitable treatment based on common dental standards, Ginga will determine the covered Dental Service on which payment will be based and the expenses that will be included as Covered Expenses.	Oral Health Integration Program	Ginga Dental Oral Health Integration Program offers enhanced dental coverage for customers with the following medical conditions: diabetes, heart disease, stroke, maternity, head and neck cancer radiation, organ transplants and chronic kidney disease. There's no additional charge for the program, and those who qualify are eligible to receive treatment of their cancer radiation, organ transplants and chronic kidney disease. Eligible customers can also receive guidance on behavioral issues related to oral health.	Timey Filing	Out of network claims submitted to Ginga after 365 days from date of service will be denied.	Oral Evaluations/Exams	2 per calendar year.	X-rays (routine)	Biannuals: 1 per calendar year.	X-rays (non-routine)	2 per calendar year.	Cleanings	2 per calendar year, including periodontal maintenance procedures following active therapy.	Fluoride Application	1 per calendar year for children under age 19.	Sealants (per tooth)	1 limited to posterior tooth. 1 treatment per tooth every 36 months for children under age 15.	Space Maintainers	1 limited to non-orthodontic treatment for children under age 17.	Partials, Crowns, Bridges, Dentures and Implants	Repacement every 7 years if unserviceable and cannot be repaired. Benefits are based on the amount payable for non-precious metals. No porcelain or white/tooth-colored material on molar crowns or bridges.	Denture and Bridge Repairs	Reviewed if more than once.	Adjusments	Covered if more than 6 months after installation. 1 per 36 months.	Prostheses Over Implant	Repacement every 7 years if unserviceable and cannot be repaired. Benefits are based on the amount payable for non-precious metals. No porcelain or white/tooth-colored material on molar crowns or bridges.
<b>Benefit Exclusions:</b>										Covered Expenses will not include, and no payment will be made for the following:																									
Procedures and services not included in the list of covered dental expenses:										Diagnostic: cone beam imaging;																									
• Diagnostic: cone beam imaging;										Anesthesia: general and IV sedation																									
• Anesthesia: general and IV sedation										Prosthetic: precision or semi-precision attachments;																									
• Prosthetic: precision or semi-precision attachments;										Preventive Services: instruction or semi-precision attachments;																									
• Preventive Services: instruction or semi-precision attachments;										Restorative: ceramic, resin, or acrylic materials on crowns or bridges on or replacing the upper and or lower first, second and/or third molars;																									
• Restorative: ceramic, resin, or acrylic materials on crowns or bridges on or replacing the upper and or lower first, second and/or third molars;										Orthodontics: orthodontic treatment;																									
• Orthodontics: orthodontic treatment;										Procedures, appliances, or restorations, except full dentures, whose main purpose is to change vertical dimension, diagnose or treat																									

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- Athlete mouth guards;
- Services performed primarily for cosmetic reasons;
- Personalization or decoration of any dental device or dental work;
- Replacement of an appliance per benefit guidelines;
- Services that are deemed to be medical in nature;
- Services and supplies received from a hospital;
- Drugs: prescription drugs;
- Charges in excess of the Maximum Removable Charge.

conditions of dysfunction of the temporomandibular joint (TMJ), stabilize periodontally involved teeth or restore occlusions;