

ARTICLE 12 COMPENSATION

12.1 Salary Schedules

12.1.1 Index. The salary schedule indices are set forth in Appendix A-1.

12.1.2 Appendix A-2 sets forth the basic annual salaries for the period July 1, **2023, 2020**, through June 30, **2026 2022**. The ~~2021-2022~~ **2023-2024** salary schedule shall be increased by **6.25%**. **The 2024-2025 salary schedule shall be increased by 4%. The 2025-2026 salary schedule shall be increased by 3%.**

12.1.3 Professional educators with a doctorate degree in field related to assignment shall receive an additional \$2,000 per school year.

12.1.4 Professional educators who have received and retain a National Board Certification for Professional Teaching Standards shall receive an additional \$1500 per school year. Only Professional Educators with NBCPTS will receive this stipend after July 1, 2020. ~~Stipends paid inadvertently to professional educators for national board certifications other than NBCPTS will be grandfathered until June 30, 2020 and then discontinued. The District and The Association agree to convene a workgroup to review appropriate stipends for certifications available to educators by June 30, 2019. Professional educators who earn/receive other certifications from National Boards shall also receive the additional \$1500 per school year.~~

12.1.5 ~~Effective the 2021-2022 school year, p~~Professional educators who teach in the target language in a DLI program shall receive an annual stipend of \$3,000. Educators who work less than full time in a DLI program will receive a prorated stipend based on their FTE.

12.1.6 ~~Effective the 2021-2022 school year, p~~Professional educators shall receive a \$1,500 annual bilingual/multilingual stipend in accordance with Appendix I.

~~**12.1.8 All professional educators who did not receive a step increase for the 2023-24 contract year shall receive a one-time payment of 1.5% of base salary. All professional educators who received a step increase will receive a one-time payment of 0.5% of base salary.**~~

12.2 Salary Placement

All professional educators shall be placed on the salary schedule based upon their prior work experience and education/training level. Additional information about salary placement can be found in the *Guidelines for Professional Growth/In-service* (see reference in Section 21.2).

12.2.1 Educational Credit

12.2.1.1 At such time that the State of Oregon requires completion of a “5th year” program for licensure, new professional educators shall be given credit for the hours required following the Bachelor’s degree for completion of a “5th year” program up to a maximum of forty-five (45) quarter hours. Currently employed professional educators, who have completed a “5th year” program but were not given credit at the time of employment, shall be given credit on the salary schedule up to the BA+45 column.

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12.2.1.2 **Career and Technical Education (CTE)** ~~Vocational~~—professional educators may receive credit for technical coursework taken at a community college. Such courses shall be relevant to the professional educator's field of preparation and to service as a professional educator in this District.

12.2.1.3 In order to receive a salary adjustment retroactive to the beginning of the current school year, a professional educator must, by October 31st, provide the Human Resources Department with proof of completion of coursework. Adjustments based upon proof received after October 31st will be made effective the first day of the next pay period.

12.2.1.4 Multiple Graduate Degrees and Graduate Credits

Placement on the salary schedule and salary advancement for professional educators with multiple graduate degrees shall be in accordance with the following:

- a. Educational experience (lane advancement) shall be granted for any fully completed graduate degree (MA, MFA, JD, PHD, etc., regardless of date of licensure.
- b. Column salary credit (lane advancement) will not be limited to a single graduate degree.
- c. Educational experience would be based on the order the graduate degrees were earned. The first graduate degree earned would advance the professional educator to the MA lane. The second graduate degree earned would count as graduate credits beyond the MA+O lane.
- d. No graduate credits prior to licensure shall be credited towards lane advancement unless/until they become part of a completed graduate degree.
- e. Graduate credits earned outside of a degree program are eligible for salary advancement, as long as they are earned after licensure and are consistent with the requirements in the In-Service Guidelines.

12.2.2 Experience Credit

12.2.2.1 Newly hired temporary or probationary professional educators who have previous experience/experience working in a PK-12 school setting where the responsibility was similar to that of professional educators in the Portland Public Schools shall be given experience credit on the following basis:

- a. one (1) year of credit for each full year of full-time experience (minimum one hundred thirty-five (135) days within the regular school year); and
- b. one (1) year of credit for each two (2) years of part-time experience that is half-time or more but less than full-time (minimum of one hundred thirty-five (135) days within the school year).
- c. Verification of experience shall be made by the Human Resources Department.

12.2.2.2 Central Staff Professional Librarians, and other Central Office professional educators, shall be placed on the salary schedule in accordance with the educational requirements for teachers. In determining years allowed for the equivalency of outside experience for teacher-librarians, teachers of speech and hearing and teachers in special schools who are otherwise qualified, one hundred thirty-five (135) days, while employed on a professional full-time basis, shall be counted.

12.2.2.3 Any professional educator who resigns shall, upon re-employment, be placed on the salary schedule on the same basis as a new hire, except that, if the professional educator completes the

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year and is re-employed prior to opening of school the succeeding year, the Superintendent may use ~~his~~ **their** discretion in recommending to the District that the resignation be rescinded.

12.2.2.4 Teaching experience shall be granted for prior kindergarten or nursery school teaching provided the teaching was in a licensed position and in a standard school administered by the public-school system, or in a private school accredited or approved under state laws of standardization.

12.2.2.5 Full-time administrative and teaching experience in an accredited institution of higher education shall be counted as teaching experience, provided such experience consisted of at least one hundred thirty-five (135) days within a school year. **Full-time licensed administrative experience in a PK-12 school setting shall be counted as teaching experience, provided such experience consisted of at least one hundred thirty-five (135) days within a school year.**

12.2.2.6 Credit for a sabbatical leave of absence for study during previous employment with this District shall be allowed as experience, subject to the 135 days school year criterion. No credit for leaves of absence from a school district outside of PPS will be allowed as experience.

12.2.2.7 Salary adjustments on the basis of experience will be made only after official verification, and shall become effective during the payroll period in which approved. Such salary adjustments will not be retroactive, except that experience verified within sixty (60) days of the start of employment shall be retroactive to the first day of employment.

12.2.2.8 In the event that records have been destroyed, a notarized statement from two (2) responsible adults, other than relatives, having knowledge of the professional educator's experience, may be accepted.

12.2.2.9 A professional educator assigned to a **CTE vocational** teaching position shall be granted salary credit for a related **CTE vocational** experience on the following basis:

- a. Non-degreed applicants shall be eligible for placement on the "BA" column of the salary schedule provided they have four (4) years of verifiable work experience in an occupational field related to the teaching assignment. They shall receive one (1) salary step for each year of experience in excess of four (4) years but not to exceed ten (10) years of credit. Eight (8) months of experience in a 12-month period shall be considered to be one (1) year of experience.
- b. Degreed applicants who are required to have related work experience in order to qualify for a **CTE vocational** license shall receive credit for each year of work experience required for the licensure. Eight (8) months of experience in a 12-month period shall be considered the public-school system, or in a private school accredited or approved under state laws of standardization.

c. The District shall use a form to verify professional educator experience.

12.2.2.10 School **and clinical** psychologists' placement and progression shall be on the MA+45/BA+105 column of the salary schedule with one (1) step for each full year of experience as a full-time school psychologist and one (1) step for each year of experience as a teacher, counselor, clinical psychologist or similar occupation.

12.2.2.11 Speech and Language Pathologists' placement and progression shall be on the MA+45/BA+105 column of the salary schedule with one (1) step for each full year of experience as a full-time teacher or speech and language pathologist and one (1) step for each two (2) years of

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experience as a part-time teacher or speech and language pathologist with part-time meaning at least half time.

12.2.2.12~~3~~ Initial placement for social workers shall be determined the following way:
For newly employed social workers,

a. one (1) year of experience credit shall be given for each full year of experience as a social worker with a Master of Social Work degree (MSW), ~~and~~

b. one (1) step for each two (2) years of part-time experience as a social worker with a Master of Social Work degree (MSW) with part-time meaning at least half time,

c. one (1) year of experience credit for each one (1) year of experience **(or .5 credit for part-time)** as a social worker prior to a MSW or as a teacher, counselor, caseworker, or similar occupation.

d. Plus-hour credit shall be given for course work taken following obtaining a Master of Social Work degree (MSW).

12.2.2.13 Placement on the salary schedule for child development specialists, behavior management specialists and student service specialists shall be as follows:

a. One step for each full year of experience as a social worker, teacher, counselor, child development specialist, behavior management specialist, student service specialist or in a similar occupation as determined by the District.

b. Credit will be given for relevant coursework beyond a Bachelor's Degree taken after initial employment in a position similar to that as a social worker, teacher, counselor, child development specialist, behavior management specialist, student service specialist or similar occupation. Credit will be given for Master's degree.

12.3 Salary Advancement

12.3.1 Advancement by reason of change in educational status (lane advancement) shall be in accordance with the article on Professional Growth. Additional information about salary advancement can be found in the *Guidelines for Professional Growth/In-service* (see reference in Section 22.2).

12.3.2 Plus hours beyond initial salary placement must be based on coursework at accredited colleges or universities.

12.3.3 Employees, who earn a credit level necessary to advance to another column on the salary schedule, shall be paid at the new salary level effective the first day of the next pay period after supplying verification to the District. Such salary adjustments will not be retroactive, except that credits verified by October 31 shall be retroactive to the beginning of the school year.

12.3.4 Effective July 1 of each year, professional educators, except those on the highest step of each column, shall receive a step increase.

12.3.5 A professional educator who works half-time or more shall be entitled to a step increase if ~~s/he~~**they** works fifty percent (50%) or more of ~~his/her~~**their** work year. Regularly credited sick or other paid leave for which professional educators receive full or partial pay shall count as days worked.

12.4 Payroll Checks

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12.4.1 Professional educators may individually elect to receive their annual compensation on ten (10) or twelve (12) equal monthly payments by submitting their request in writing to the District's Payroll Office prior to the end of the preceding school year. In the absence of such a written request, twelve (12) payments will be deemed to have been selected.

12.4.2 The method of payment selected by a professional educator cannot be changed during the course of the school year.

12.4.3 In cases where payments on a 10-month basis are selected, the last payment will be subject to the three months of authorized payroll deductions (i.e., professional educator contributions to health and welfare insurance, credit union, etc.).

12.4.4 Professional educators shall be paid on the last business day of the month. During the summer period checks shall be mailed to the designated address of the professional educator at the end of each month. ~~The parties shall continue to discuss the possibility of moving to a system of bi-monthly paychecks.~~

12.4.5 If a professional educator is dismissed before receiving the entire number of monthly payments selected under Paragraph 1, the District shall make a lump sum payment within two (2) business days to the professional educator.

12.4.6 Salary payments for extended responsibility assignments of a seasonal nature, such as coaching, shall be paid at the professional educator's option: (a) in a lump sum at the end of a season, or (b) prorated over a three-month period during the season, or (c) prorated over the months remaining in the work year following the beginning of that season.

12.4.7 Part-time and Extended Contracts

12.4.7.1 Professional educators, who work less than full-time, shall be paid at a pro-rata portion of the full-time salary. Part-time contracts shall be paid out over the regular 10- or 12-month paychecks. Other unpaid leave/time shall be deducted in the next paycheck.

12.4.7.2 Professional educators, who are granted an extended contract to work beyond the normal work year, shall be paid at their normal per diem rate for each additional day (or portion thereof). Extended contracts that are known at the beginning of the year shall be paid out as part of the normal paychecks (over 10 or 12 paychecks). Other extended hours/contract days shall be paid in the next month's paycheck after the work has been completed.

12.5 Special Salary Provisions

12.5.1 If there are no applicable special salary provisions or extended responsibility provisions listed in the contract, professional educators shall be paid their per diem hourly rate for work specifically requested by the District beyond the work day/year.

12.5.2 Upon mutual agreement between the professional educator and the administrator, professional educators may be paid special salary provisions as listed below. Changes in this section are effective upon ratification of this contract.

12.5.2.1 The daily rate for the base salary is the per diem rate of the base salary in Appendix A (Step 1 on the BA+~~150~~-column).

12.5.2.2 Professional educators working in the regular day school, evening high school, and home instruction program shall receive .22 times the daily rate for the base salary per hour or the

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member's hourly rate; whichever is higher. Such professional educators shall not teach more than ten (10) hours per full workweek under this provision.

12.5.2.3 Professional educators assigned as Student Activity Advisors and for student supervision at times after the workday shall be paid 0.13 times the base salary daily rate per hour. Non-paid volunteers may be used in these positions only if such positions would not otherwise be filled by unit members.

12.5.2.4 A professional educator appointed to substitute in an administrative or supervisory position shall be paid ~~his/her~~ **their** teaching salary plus 0.17 times the base salary daily rate per working day for a short-term emergency period **not to exceed one (1) or two (2) consecutive days**. When the professional educator assumes full responsibility for the administrative or supervisory position for **a period of three consecutive days or more** ~~an extended period of time, s/he~~ **they** shall receive the pay of the regular appointment. ~~A professional educator who serves in such position while the principal is in the city, but out of the building for one-half (1/2) day or more, shall receive such pay. If a principal is out of the city or incapacitated, a substitute for the professional educator shall be provided in addition to such pay.~~

12.5.2.5 Rate of pay for teachers of in-service classes shall be 2.0 times the base salary daily rate per credit hour.

12.5.2.6 Professional Educators of Outdoor School and **other overnight field trips** shall receive an additional 0.65 times the base salary daily rate. If Outdoor School is held on a Sunday, and the professional educator volunteers to work, ~~he/she~~ **they** shall be paid 1.3 times the base salary daily rate.

12.5.2.7 Rates of pay for professional educators for each half-day session of Summer School shall be 3.2 times the base salary daily rate.

12.5.3 Each school year the Human Resources Department shall post the rates of pay for all rates included in Section 12.5 Special Salary Provisions.

12.6 Fingerprinting

The District agrees to annually budget a fund to pay for the cost of fees charged by agencies for fingerprinting and the accompanying criminal check required by TSPC or the ODE.

12.7 Materials and Supplies Stipend

Each professional educator shall receive one hundred dollars (\$100) per school year to purchase materials. This stipend is in addition to those materials and supplies that are normally budgeted by the District.