

## **ARTICLE 14**

### **MILEAGE, PARKING AND PROCUREMENT CARDS (P-CARDS)**

#### **14.1      Mileage**

##### **14.1.1      Eligibility**

Professional educators who regularly use their automobiles for on-the-job travel shall be entitled to mileage reimbursement provided they have on file with the District a current proof of insurance from their insurance company verifying they have insurance coverage at least equal to the State of Oregon minimum requirement for registering a vehicle in the State.

##### **14.1.2      Reimbursement**

Mileage shall be reimbursed at the IRS rate. If during the life of this Agreement, the IRS rate changes, the District will change its reimbursement within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the new IRS approved amount. Professional educators required to use public transportation for on-the job travel, or who are approved for a daily-use car rental, shall receive reimbursement for the fare/rental providing they submit the required verification, or supervisor authorization.

14.1.2.1 Each year, any professional educator who must travel frequently as part of the regular assignment shall designate which of ~~his/her~~ **their** assigned buildings is ~~his/her~~ **their** home building. The professional educator shall use the District approved form to notify the account payable department of this designation.

14.1.2.2 Mileage between the home building and the professional educator's residence is not eligible for reimbursement.

14.1.2.3 For the first instance of travel on any given work day, the professional educator will be reimbursed for any mileage greater than the distance between ~~his/her~~ **their** residence and ~~his/her~~ **their** designated home building.

14.1.2.4 Any travel after the first daily instance, but prior to the end of the work day, shall be reimbursed.

14.1.2.5 The mileage between the final work site and a professional educator's residence will only be reimbursed if it exceeds the mileage between the designated home building and ~~his/her~~ **their** residence. Only the excess mileage shall be reimbursed.

14.1.2.6 Consistent with IRS regulations and District policies and procedures, the District's Mileage Expense Reimbursement Request Form must be submitted no later than sixty (60) days from the date the actual expense was incurred. If a professional educator submits for reimbursement beyond the sixty (60) day limit, the amount of reimbursement shall be reduced by the amount of employer and employee associated taxes.

#### **14.2      Parking/Commuting**

##### **14.2.1      At locations where the District has parking for teachers:**

14.2.1.1 Professional educators with disabled person parking permits (either temporary or permanent) shall be given priority to receive teacher parking closest in proximity to entranceways to the work site.

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14.2.1.2 Itinerants shall be given a reserved staff parking spot.

14.2.2 The District and the Association will jointly explore ways to improve and reduce the costs of commuting for professional educators.

~~14.2.3 The District shall ensure that parking is available for all professional educators adjacent to the school/facility to which they are assigned. No educator shall be required to pay for parking adjacent to their assigned school/facility. In addition, the District shall offer incentives (i.e bus passes, secure bicycle parking, etc.) to help offset the need for parking. If there is a reduction in parking or change in the availability of parking that results in the Educator incurring parking fees, the District will pay for accessible parking for educators.~~

**14.2.3 In recognition of the challenges at certain District locations related to parking access for professional educators, the District will convene a work group to assess the parking and other transportation needs for each of its locations and to provide a recommendation for future action no later than June 1, 2024. For the 2023-24 school year only, 115 parking spots will be provided to Lincoln staff.**

14.3 Procurement Cards (P-Cards)

14.3.1 Eligibility

The District shall determine the professional educators who will be authorized for a P-Card based on business needs of the District for the purpose of making authorized purchases or payments on behalf of the District. The District shall place the application for the P-Card on the District website. A professional educator must obtain ~~his/her~~ **their** supervisor's approval in order to apply. Professional educators shall complete District training on P-Card usage prior to obtaining a card, and reconciliation training prior to the first month's reconciliation for that professional educator's card.

14.3.2 Usage

Professional educators approved for a P-Card are responsible for following the District P-Card Manual(s), assuring that all purchases are for appropriate use as defined in the manual, retaining all documents and receipts, providing those documents when requested by the District, and reconciling P- Card transactions as required by the District.

14.3.3 Notification to the Association

The District shall notify the Association of any changes to the P-Card Manual(s). Upon request, the District will provide a list of professional educators who are currently authorized for P-Cards. In addition, the Association and the District shall mutually agree to changes to discipline resulting from P-Card misuse, and changes to the usage of the P-Card that result in new out-of-pocket expenses for professional educators. The Association may offer suggestions on other changes to the P-Card Manual(s).