

MASTER CONTRACT

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Durham – Hillsboro – Lehigh***

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MASTER CONTRACT FOR CERTIFIED EMPLOYEES

Unified School District No. 410

ARTICLE I – MASTER CONTRACT (Revised 7/92; 06/12)

A copy of the current Master Contract will be made available on the district website. The contents shall include all negotiated items. If a necessity for a change in the Master Contract occurs due to a change in Kansas Statutes, it may be changed by Board action and a simple majority ballot vote of all instructional staff. All parties affected by the change will be notified.

ARTICLE II – GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE (Revised 7/92)

A. Definitions

Grievance: Grievance means a complaint regarding the meaning, interpretation, or application of any provision of the master contract, or a complaint that the employer or its agents acted in bad faith or in any arbitrary or capricious manner in applying any established policy or practice governing or affecting the employees covered by the master contract.

Aggrieved Person: The person, persons, or the Association making the complaint.

Party of Interest: The person, persons, or the Association making the complaint and/or any person who might be required to take action or against whom action might be taken in order to resolve the grievance.

Days: Except when otherwise indicated, days shall mean working days.

B. Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, equitable solutions to the problems which may arise from time to time affecting employees.

C. Procedure

Level One – Within 20 days from the date of awareness of a problem, the aggrieved person shall seek to resolve the matter informally with his/her principal or other immediate supervisors.

Level Two – If the aggrieved person is not satisfied with the disposition of his/her grievance at Level One, or if no decision has been rendered within five (5) days after discussion of the grievance he/she may file the grievance in writing within ten (10) days of the Level One response simultaneously with the Association or its designee and the Principal on the form provided in the Appendix. Within five (5) school days after receipt of the written grievance by the Principal, the Principal will meet with the aggrieved person and his/her representative of the Association in an effort to resolve it. The Principal shall submit his/her decision in writing to the aggrieved person and the Association within five (5) days after the meeting.

Level Three

If the aggrieved person is not satisfied with the disposition of his/her grievance at Level Two, he/she may file the grievance within ten (10) days of the Level Two response with the Association or its designee for transmittal to the Superintendent or his/her designee. Within ten (10) days after receipt of the written grievance, the Superintendent or his/her designee will meet the aggrieved person and his/her representative from the Association in an effort to resolve it. The Superintendent shall submit his/her decision in writing to the aggrieved person and the Association within ten (10) days of the meeting.

Level Four

If the aggrieved person is not satisfied with the disposition of his/her grievance at Level Three, he/she may file the grievance within ten (10) days of the Level Three response with the Association or its designee for transmittal to the Board. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of the written grievance by the Board, the Board will meet the aggrieved person and his/her representative from the Association in an effort to resolve it. The Board shall submit its decision in writing to the aggrieved person and the Association within ten (10) days of the meeting.

D. Rights of Teachers to Representation

No reprisals of any kind will be taken by the Board or administration against any participant in the grievance procedure by reason of such participation. An employee may be represented at all stages of the grievance procedure by himself/herself or, at his/her option, by a Grievance representative selected by the Association. If an employee is not represented by the Association, the Association shall have the right to be present and to state its view at all stages of the grievance procedure.

E. Miscellaneous

The number of days indicated at each level should be considered as maximum and every effort should be made to expedite the process. The time limits specified may, however, be extended by mutual agreement. In the event a grievance is not filed or processed in the manner and within the times set forth above, it shall be forever barred.

If the board or any of its administrative staff do not present a written decision within the time allotted after the grievance hearing, the grievance shall be advanced to the next level. If, in the judgment of the Association, a grievance affects a group or class of employees the Association may initiate and submit such grievance in writing to the Superintendent directly. The processing of such grievance shall be commenced at Level Three. The Association may process such a grievance through all levels of the grievance procedure even though there is not an aggrieved person who wishes to do so.

Decisions rendered at Levels Two, Three, and Four of the grievance procedure will be in writing, setting forth the decision and the reasons therefore and will be transmitted promptly to all parties in interest. All documents, communication, and records dealing with the processing of a grievance will be filed in a separate grievance file and will not be kept in the personnel file of any of the participants.

F. Instructions

The purpose of a grievance procedure is to facilitate free, easy, and effective communication between employees and the administrative staff in order to secure, in good faith, equitable solutions to problems which may arise from time to time. Careful attention to contract requirements for a grievance and proper procedure for completing a grievance form and the filing of same will help to insure an expeditious and thorough consideration of each grievance.

Grievance Report Forms may be secured from school building offices and the Association president, and should be filed at each level of the grievance procedure. Each portion of the Grievance Report Form should be completed fully in as much detail as possible. The statement of facts upon which the grievance is based should include all relevant facts, including details of time, date, place, persons involved and what occurred.

Detailed information of facts involved, the relevant contract provisions, board policies, or administrative regulations or practices, and the manner in which they are related are extremely important in order to provide a basis upon which a fair, thorough, and expeditious decision may be made.

Under Section B of the Grievance Report Form those relevant contract provisions, board policies, or administrative regulations or practices which the grievant contends have been violated, misinterpreted, or misapplied, should be specified.

Under Section C the grievant should state his/her claim by describing the manner in which the factual contentions are related to the relevant contract provisions and how a violation, misinterpretation, or misapplication of the contract, board policies, or administrative regulations or practices has occurred.

Under Section D the grievant should specify the relief which he/she desires as a result of the grievance.

ARTICLE III – FAIR DISMISSAL (Added 06/15)

A. Fair Dismissal Process

The Board of Education and USD 410 Education Association agree to the mutual benefit of a fair dismissal procedure. This provision balances the relative security earned through an extended and successful probationary period with employer expectations of continued quality professional performance.

For the first three years of professional employment with the district, teachers are considered probationary and may be non-renewed prior to the statutory deadline for any reason except as protected by Constitutional or other nondiscrimination protections.

Starting in year four of teaching with the district, teachers shall have earned non-probationary status. At its discretion, the Board may formally grant non-probationary status to any teacher at the issuance of a teaching contract.

Non-probationary teachers may be non-renewed for just cause. While timelines are expected to be followed, extenuating circumstances may be considered for minor procedural errors.

If the proposed nonrenewal is to be based on poor job performance according to employee evaluation(s), the non-probationary teacher will be informed his/her performance is substandard and he or she will be placed on a plan of improvement. The plan of improvement may be collaboratively developed, but the final decision on the plan rests with administration and/or the Board of Education.

If the non-probationary teacher is non-renewed, he/she shall be notified by certified mail prior to the statutory continuing contract date. The notification shall include the reasons for the nonrenewal. The non-renewed teacher will have fourteen calendar days from the receipt of the letter to file a written request for a hearing with administration and/or the local Board of Education. During the hearing, the entire basis for the nonrenewal shall be proffered by the district and the teacher may present his/her response.

It is the intention of the parties that the decision be rendered prior to August 1 and all reasonable efforts should be made to accomplish that goal.

B. Staff Reduction (Revised 6/00; 6/02; 6/04; 5/08; 06/13; 06/15)

Steps for Staff Reduction:

1. The board shall retain the sole right to determine when a reduction in the certified teaching staff is to be made.
2. The board shall identify the position to be reduced.
3. The board shall attempt to accomplish a reduction in teaching staff by attrition.

4. Probationary teachers will be reduced before non-probationary teachers with the same certification.
5. If after steps 3 and 4, a further reduction is necessary, a list shall be developed that includes all those currently teaching in a position that could be filled by the person whose position is being reduced. (Revised 6/04)
6. If two or more teachers are on the list, each teacher will be assigned a point value based on the following criteria. The teacher(s) with the fewest points will be reduced.

Two points for each year of service as a certified employee of USD 410. (Maximum of 40 points)

Four points for ten years of service as a certified employee of USD #410. Four points for fifteen years of service as a certified employee of USD #410. Four points for twenty years of service as a certified employee of USD #410. (Maximum of 12 points)

Three points for each column on the salary schedule beyond the BS column. (Maximum of 24 points)

Six points for a Master's degree.

In the event that two employees have exactly the same number of points from the process above, the employee with the longer continuous full-time service to the district shall be retained.

Any person being reduced may ask that the above process be repeated for their position.

C. Recall

Recall means rehiring a teacher whose contract has been non-renewed due to the reduction in force process. Recall shall be in reverse order of the reduction in staff (the last reduced shall be the first rehired.) Recall rights will be in force for two (2) years from the last day of employment. Teachers that are reduced must submit a request to be recalled to the clerk of the board. This request must be submitted by January 1 of each school year following the reduction in staff.

The clerk shall give written notification of vacancies to all reduced staff members eligible by certification for recall. Each reduced staff member shall respond to this notification within 10 days of the receipt of the notice. It is further understood that the recalled employee shall be given their earned step and column on the salary schedule and all accumulated leave shall be returned unless pay had been received by the teacher for such leave.

It is the responsibility of the employee to keep the board clerk informed of any changes in address. If this procedure is not followed, the Board of Education will not be responsible for notification of recall.

ARTICLE IV – ASSIGNMENT OF DUTY

A. Major Duties (Revised 6/03)

By the final day of school each year, each teacher's contract for the next school year shall specify the major individual duties.

B. Lunchroom Duty (Revised 9/06)

Teachers shall be given a thirty minute, duty-free lunch period each day. Teachers who volunteer to supervise students during their lunch period will receive payment of \$20 per day.

C. Planning Period (Revised 7/91; 6/03)

Each teacher shall be provided a period free from scheduled classes for the purpose of planning.

D. Extra Class Assignment (Revised 7/91; 06/15)

If circumstances make it necessary to teach an extra class period, the teacher who agrees shall receive a prorated amount of the daily rate of pay for all extra class period assignments.

E. Substitute Teaching (Revised 7/94; 6/02)

Teachers who are asked to substitute for other teachers during their planning period will be paid according to the teacher's annual salary. Salary will be calculated by dividing the substituting teacher's daily rate of pay by 420 minutes and multiplying that by the minutes spent substitute teaching.

F. Assignment to IDL, Online, and Virtual Courses (Added 7/93; Revised 6/03; 06/13; 06/15)

Only volunteers will be assigned teaching duties for IDL, online, and virtual courses and compensation will be paid at the rate established by the Technology Excellence in Education Network (TEEN)

Teachers teaching IDL or online courses shall be offered up to 3 days extended contract for preparation and/or training.

ARTICLE V – TEACHER EVALUATION (Revised 7/92; 6/02)

The evaluation of the professional effectiveness of teachers is to be implemented in such a manner as to satisfy the requirements of state law.

An evaluation committee consisting of members of the certified teaching staff, administrators, and/or board of education members shall be formed for the purpose of studying changes requested by Teachers, Administrators, or Board of Education members. This committee shall be in session only when and if changes are proposed by any of the above referenced.

ARTICLE VI - FRINGE BENEFITS

A. Definition of Leave Days (Added 5/05; Revised 04/11)

In accounting for and reporting leave, a full-time teacher's day will be equal to 7.0 hours (8:00 - 3:30 less 30 minutes for lunch), and a part-time teacher's day will be equal to that teacher's contracted FTE multiplied by 7.0 hours. This statement applies to all references to leave days in the master contract. In the calculation and use of leave, all amounts will be rounded to the next highest quarter hour.

B. Professional Meetings and Educational Conferences (Revised 7/94; 6/97; 6/02; 6/03; 6/09; 04/11)

The School Board encourages each teacher to attend professional meetings and educational conferences.

C. Association Leave

Release time will be granted for Association business in the event that the Association is desirous of sending representatives to local, state, or national conferences conducted by the Association for further cause of its' own professional purposes, or other business leaves pertinent to the Association affairs. A representative shall be excused providing the frequency is no more than four (4) combined days a year and provided the Association will reimburse the district for the costs of substitutes.

D. Sick Leave (Revised 5/88; 6/04; 5/07; 6/09)

There shall be an allowance of 15 days sick leave per school year accumulative to 90 days.

Teachers who do not use all of their sick days will receive pay for sick days that will be lost. Payment for unused sick days (those beyond 90) will be made with the first payment of the succeeding year's contract and will be computed at a rate of \$25 per day.

Teachers eligible for and exercising a retirement option in the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERs) will be paid for all unused sick leave days. This payment will be based on a rate of \$25 per day lost. Payment for unused sick leave will be made with the final payment of the contract. (Added 6/04; revised 5/07)

E. Illness and Disability Pool (Added 7/93; Revised 6/03; 5/05)

Each professional employee wishing to continue or join the pool will donate two (2) days of his/her sick leave days to the pool from the fifteen (15) days received in the year they join and for each year thereafter when the pool has fewer than one hundred (100 full time teacher) days. New professional employees may join during the first thirty (30) days of employment by donating two (2) days. Employees who do not join within the first thirty (30) days of employment must make an initial donation of four (4) days in order to participate in the pool. Only professional employees who are members and have donated days are eligible to draw from the pool.

All professional employees who are members, or their designees, are eligible to make application for sick leave pool days. Application must be made within the contract year in which the accumulated sick leave days are depleted. If approved, use of such days cannot occur until all of the applicants accumulated sick leave days are depleted. The professional employee must be hospitalized and/or under the care of a medical doctor or dentist. A statement from the treating medical doctor or dentist is required recommending that the professional employee continue to be absent from work due to his/her health. Application to borrow days from the pool is to be made in writing to the Association Illness and Disability Pool chairman. Upon the committee's approval of such requests, the district shall credit such person(s) with such leave from the pool.

The pool member may borrow, when approved by the pool committee, up to thirty (30) days of sick leave in any one contract year. Upon return to full-time service, the member must repay the pool for the borrowed days at the rate of not less than three (3) days per year thereafter. If the nature of the injury or illness is such that the employee is unable to return to work, no repayment will be required.

The Illness and Injury Pool committee is to be established before the start of the contract year. The committee is to be made up of one (1) K-5 teacher, one (1) 6-8 teacher, one (1) 9-12 teacher, one (1) building administrator, and the superintendent of schools or designee. Teacher members of the committee must be participants in the pool. Teacher members will be elected by the USD #410 Education Association. All decisions of the committee are considered final. Criteria for approval of application for pool days are to be established by the pool committee and made available to all members.

After an employee has joined the pool, he/she may not withdraw the days he/she contributed if he/she drops out of the pool.

F. Bereavement Leave (Revised 6/03)

Teachers will be allowed time off because of the death of a family member, a friend, or an acquaintance. Such leave shall not be in excess of five (5) days per bereavement for family members and one (1) day for a friend. Bereavement leave beyond these limits may be granted by the superintendent of schools. Bereavement leave shall be subtracted from sick leave.

G. Family Illness Leave (Revised 6/00; 6/03)

Leave will be granted for the illness of a family member. Leave will also be granted for the purpose of the adoption of children. This leave will be granted upon request of the adoption agency and shall not exceed sixty days. Family illness leave shall be subtracted from sick leave.

Employees may use accumulated sick leave for any contract days that occur within sixty calendar days after the birth of a child. In order to use sick leave after this sixty day period, the employee will be required to present a statement from a physician stating that the health condition of either the employee or child is such that additional sick leave is needed.

H. Extended Leave (Revised 7/92; 6/03)

Certified staff members may request, subject to the approval of the Board of Education, a leave of absence for the following activities:

1. Study, (on a graduate program leading to an advance degree.)
2. Teaching, (at a location other than U.S.D. #410), days of leave to be granted only for those days of actual teaching and for travel time, (directly to and from location).
3. Professional duties shall be of a nature sponsored or administrated by one of the many professional organizations such as ESSDACK, Kansas State Department of Education, and many national organizations related to the various levels of education and activities.
4. All other Leave Requests that do not correspond with number one, two, or three above are to be considered on a per application basis.

At the time of the request, the teacher will submit a written plan establishing goals and objectives that outline how U.S.D. #410 students would benefit by the experience. The plan will identify what the teacher expects to learn, how the teacher's expanded knowledge will be utilized, and how that knowledge will be integrated into the curriculum. The plan shall also specify how the experience will enhance students' educational experiences. The plan will be presented to the superintendent of schools who shall seek board approval. Upon return, the teacher will make a presentation to the board concerning the experience.

Request for leaves greater than one month shall be made 90 days in advance. All other requests shall be made a minimum of 14 days prior to the expected leave date. Length and conditions of the leave will be agreed on at that time. All leaves shall be subject to the following provisions: an instructor shall (a) receive no salary from U.S.D. 410 when on leave; (b) retain accumulated sick leave; (c) return to the experience level on the salary schedule held prior to the leave of absence, unless said teacher qualifies for a higher income bracket; (d) use all personal leave accumulated prior to the extended leave.

I. Personal Leave (Revised 6/00; 6/01; 6/03; 6/04; 9/06; 6/09; 04/11; 06/12)

Teachers shall be allowed two days of personal leave per year, accumulative to six days. Personal days may be used adjacent to a scheduled vacation when the following stipulations are met:

1. Each teacher is allowed to take personal days adjacent to only one vacation per year.
2. Usage is limited to five teachers on any given day.
3. Use of this day is on a first come-first serve basis.

The superintendent may grant exceptions to these stipulations in emergency situations.

Consecutive days of personal leave will be discouraged during the first two weeks of school and the last two weeks of school. Teachers will use these days at their discretion. Teachers who choose not to use all of their personal days will receive pay for personal days that will be lost. Payment for unused personal days (those beyond 6) will be made with the first payment of the succeeding year's contract and will be computed at the teacher's daily rate of pay for the fiscal year in which the payment is made.

Teachers eligible for and exercising a retirement option in the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS) will be paid for all unused personal leave days. This payment will be based on the teacher's daily rate of pay. Payment for unused personal leave will be made with the final payment of the contract.

Sick leave days may be converted to personal leave after all paid personal leave has been exhausted. The rate of conversion shall be at a ratio of 3 sick leave days to 1 personal leave day. The draw on sick leave shall be on an 'as used' basis; the employee may not accumulate any unused personal days using the benefit feature. A maximum of five personal leave days may be gained annually using this conversion and must be approved by the Superintendent. Sick leave days used in this conversion shall be deducted from the teacher's accumulated sick leave. Examples of the conversion follow: (Added 9/06)

1 Day Personal Leave = 3 days Sick Leave

1 Hour Personal Leave = 3 Hours Sick Leave

15 Minutes Personal Leave = 45 Minutes Sick Leave

Two days of unpaid personal leave will be granted annually. Additional unpaid personal leave may be granted by the superintendent. (Added 6/04)

J. Unapproved-Unpaid Absences (Revised 7/94; 6/02; 5/08; 04/11)

Any leave taken without approval of the Board of Education during the contract year will be subject to possible termination of the teacher's contract at the next regular board meeting. The Board of Education shall retain the right to deviate from this policy in the event of extenuating circumstances. Any unapproved - unpaid absence shall be subject to a salary deduction of the teacher's daily rate of pay per day of absence

K. Payroll Reduction Plan (Revised 5/87; 6/02)

The Board of Education provides a salary reduction program which complies with Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code. The Board shall provide the opportunity for each employee to execute a salary reduction agreement once annually to cover all premiums for the employees selected benefits as described under section 125.

L. Teacher Representation (Revised 7/91)

Teachers shall be represented and/or consulted in areas related to various educational processes.

M. Committee Representation-Compensation (Revised 7/93; 6/98; 6/01; 6/02; 6/09; 04/11)

The recommended list of teachers to serve on each committee shall be subject to approval by the Board of Education. Approved committee members are eligible for Professional Development Council salary advancement points when they meet before or after the recognized duty day. Examples could include, but are not limited to, building improvement teams, Professional Development Council, and site councils.

N. Compensation for Summer Curriculum Work (Added 6/99; Revised 06/12)

The following plan is presented as a means of reducing the amount of time teachers are absent from the classroom for curriculum development work.

A curriculum committee may be assembled for up to five (5) days during the summer for work on developing curriculum and assessments.

Committee members will be reimbursed at their daily rate of pay as per their current contracted salary. Work prior to July 1 would be compensated at the previous year's salary, and work after June 30 would be compensated at the upcoming year's salary.

Use of summer days will be at the discretion of the assembled curriculum committee. This committee will determine if the summer option is used and the days on which the committee will work.

For this option, one day is defined as seven (7) hours of committee work.

In order to make budgetary plans; the district Curriculum Coordinator should make requests for use of this summer option to the Superintendent prior to March 1.

O. School Calendar (Revised 7/94; 6/01; 6/02; 6/03; 5/08; 04/11; 06/12; 06/13)

The following National Holidays will be part of the District Common School Calendar schedules: Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, Good Friday, and Memorial Day.

There shall be 178 teacher contract days in the school calendar. In order that all regular and special education students have equal educational opportunity, USD #410 shall strive to achieve a common school calendar that is compatible to other districts in the Marion County Special Education Cooperative and the Technology Excellence in Education Network (TEEN).

A half day shall be provided to teachers at the end of each of the first three quarters to be used for teaching preparation and grade recording. The other half-day will involve staff development activities.

P. Defined Benefit Plan (Revised 6/00; 6/01; 6/02; 6/03; 6/04; 05/05; 9/06; 5/07; 5/08; 4/09; 06/10; 04/11; 06/12; 06/13; 06/14; 06/15; 06/16)

The Board of Education has agreed to furnish each person of the certified teaching staff working 630 hours or more per year a defined benefit plan of \$475 for the first month of the contract (September) and \$499 per month for the succeeding 11 months of the contract. This benefit shall be used exclusively for health insurance provided through the ESSDACK consortium.

Q. Student Teachers (Revised 6/90)

The total amount paid by colleges to USD #410 for the supervision of student teachers will be paid to the supervising teachers involved. USD #410 administrator(s) shall consult in person with the cooperating teacher before the assignment is made.

The Board of Education charges the Superintendent of Schools with the responsibility of assigning student teachers on a rotating basis, (not to be consecutive - year after year), with tenured teachers. This paragraph will only pertain to those departments with more than one (1) full-time instructor.

R. Early Retirement (Added 6/04; Revised 03/08; 5/08; 10/09; 03/11)

Due to declining enrollment and the uncertainty of school funding, USD 410 is facing the need to reduce the number of teaching positions. To facilitate this reduction, the Board of Education and the USD #410 Education Association have agreed to offer to some staff a buyout, structured as an early retirement stipend. This offer will expire at 3:30 p.m. on April 1, 2011.

The parties acknowledge that any future early retirement provision may differ substantially from the existing provision.

Employees of Hillsboro U.S.D. 410 who may find it necessary or desirable to retire from employment with the district may elect to take early retirement under the terms and conditions of this policy.

The following definitions shall apply to this policy:

Certified Employee shall mean any employee covered by the master contract for certified employees employed by the Board of Education in a position which requires a license issued by the Kansas State Board of Education in a professional, educational, or instructional capacity. It does not include administrators.

School Year shall mean that period of time from July 1 to June 30 of the calendar year.

Final Salary shall mean the employee's contracted compensation based on the salary schedule for the final year prior to retirement. Compensation for supplemental assignments, extended contract time, and fringe benefits shall not be considered a part of the final salary.

1. Eligibility – Certified employees may elect to take early retirement under the terms set forth under this policy. Early retirement is voluntary and at the discretion of the eligible employee.
2. Requirements – A certified employee is eligible for early retirement pay if such person is:
 - a. currently a certified employee of U.S.D. 410;
 - b. eligible for and exercising a retirement option in the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS); and
 - c. has a minimum of twenty (20) years of employment in a public school system, five (5) of which must be in U.S.D. #410.
3. Period of Eligibility – Early retirement benefits shall be paid for a period of five years.
4. Notice to District of Intent to Retire Early – Written notice of intent shall include the following information delivered to the Superintendent of Schools on or before April 1, 2011, at 3:30 p.m.:
 - a. a statement of the applicant's desire to take early retirement,
 - b. the anticipated date of retirement,
 - c. the applicant's birth date and age on the date of retirement,
 - d. current mailing address and telephone number,
 - e. the applicant's final salary,
 - f. the applicant's desire to or not to maintain health insurance through the school sponsored program.
5. Notification to Retiree – The Board will approve all eligible early retirement notifications completed according to this agreement at its April 11, 2011, board meeting. The superintendent shall notify the applicant in writing of all board action on the application and the amount of projected retirement benefits. (Calculation Worksheet on page 17)
6. Calculation of Early Retirement Benefit – The total retirement benefit shall be an amount equal to the final salary contracted between the employee and U.S.D. 410 (final salary does not include pay for supplemental assignments, extended contract time, and fringe benefits.)
7. Method of Payment
 - a. One-third (1/3) of the benefit is paid in each of the first two years of the benefit period and one-ninth (1/9) of the benefit is paid in each of the final three years of the benefit period. Benefits will be paid in twelve (12) monthly installments.

- b. The district will use an employer-funded 403(b) tax-deferred account as the vehicle for transferring early retirement benefits to the employee.
 - c. Benefits will begin with the first pay period following the last pay period covered by the retiree's regular salary.
 - d. All taxes shall be withheld as required by law.
 - e. Employees taking early retirement shall be responsible for keeping the school district informed of his/her mailing address and telephone number.
8. Eligibility for Employment– A certified employee who takes early retirement shall be eligible for further employment only as allowed by KPERS rules and regulations. Any employment which causes KPERS benefits to cease will also cause the retiree to be ineligible for continuation of the U.S.D. 410 retirement benefit.
9. Benefits at Death – Upon the death of the retired employee, the payment of early retirement benefits shall cease.

S. Licensure Renewal Expenses (Added 06/15)

The Board of Education will reimburse teachers for up to \$150 of licensure renewal expenses including KSDE licensure renewal fees, KBI background check fee, and the costs of college transcripts. Teachers are required to provide documentation of their renewal expenses to be eligible for the reimbursement. Teachers who were required to obtain a new license between the dates of November 14, 2014 to July 1, 2015 will receive reimbursement for expenses associated with the newly required KBI background license fee.

ARTICLE VII – TRANSCRIPTS

Teachers are to furnish copies of all transcripts of college credit to the Central Office where they are kept on file.

ARTICLE VIII – REPORTING FOR WORK (Revised 7/91; 04/11)

Teachers are to be on duty as announced by the school calendar and report at such other times as requested by the Principal or Superintendent. It is expected that teachers will be on hand in sufficient time prior to the arrival of pupils in the morning and remain a reasonable time after their departure in the evening. The formal instructional process (teacher/student/classroom exercise) shall begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m.

ARTICLE IX – INSTRUCTION (Revised 7/94; 04/11)

There shall be a workroom provided at each building level to enhance teacher instruction. The room will be equipped with the following items: telephone and copier.

ARTICLE X – RELEASING A TEACHER FROM CONTRACT

It shall be board policy to consider a teacher contract binding upon both parties concerned. The board will consider a release from contract upon mutual agreement if it is possible to do so without impairing the educational opportunities of students. The board shall be responsible for releasing a teacher under contract.

ARTICLE XI – SALARY (Revised 6/90)

The incoming teacher shall be placed on the salary schedule in accordance with their years of experience and education.

A. Professional Development Plan (Revised 5/05)

Each teacher will have the opportunity to develop a professional development plan approved by the local Professional Development Council.

Professional development Knowledge Level points earned outside of contracted hours may be used for advancement on the salary schedule. All professional development points earned at the Application and Impact Levels may also be used for salary advancement.

Twenty professional development points are equal to one college hour. When a teacher uses a personal day to attend an approved professional development activity, those points may also be used for advancement on the salary schedule. All college hours awarded by an authorized educational agency may be used for salary advancement.

B. Extra Pay for Extra Duties (Revised 06/00; 6/01; 6/04; 5/05; 9/06; 5/08; 06/10; 06/12)

U.S.D. 410 employees working at athletic contests in essential positions, as determined by the administration, will be paid \$30 for contests of two games or less and \$35 for contests of three games. An approved sponsor will receive a \$60 per day stipend for sponsoring two or more students to a summer clinic.

C. Supplemental Contracts (Revised 06/12; 06/13; 06/14; 06/16)

All supplemental duties shall be listed in the teacher's supplemental contract, along with the amount designated for such duties. Supplemental duties will be compensated according to the schedules below.

2016-2017 Supplemental Contract Base Salaries

Salary Schedule A		Salary Schedule B (added 5/05)	
Non-Certified	\$35,450	Non-Certified	\$38,825
Certified	\$38,900	Certified	\$42,275

For purposes of the above schedules, certified is defined as a person holding a valid Kansas professional teaching license.

The Superintendent shall at his discretion, employ and negotiate percentage compensation, (final approval by Board of Education), as to all newly created positions within the first year of any new program, (allowable compensation as negotiated may not exceed that amount as paid to the highest paying position as shown on said Master Contract.) This will be inclusive of all coaching positions and all sponsor designated positions. This discretionary authority granted to superintendent, with final board approval, shall cease at the end of the contract year. Compensation for all newly created positions will automatically be placed on the agenda for the next negotiated agreement. The Superintendent may, at his discretion and upon agreement by all parties concerned, divide the percentage for supplemental contract pay among all persons performing a single duty or combination of duties

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Supplemental Contract Percentages (revised 5/07; 06/10; 06/12; 06/13; 06/14; 06/15; 06/16)

Supplemental contract pay shall be based on Supplemental Contract Base Salary times percentage paid.

	Extra Duty %	Supplemental Contract Schedule
HIGH SCHOOL:		
Activities Director	12.0%	B
Head Baseball Coach.....	10.0%	B
Assistant Baseball Coach.....	7.0%	B
Head Basketball Coach.....	11.0%	B
Assistant Basketball Coach.....	7.0%	B
Head Cross Country Coach (HHS & HMS)	7.0%	B
Assistant Cross Country Coach (HHS & HMS).....	4.0%	B
Head Football Coach.....	11.0%	B
Assistant Football Coach.....	7.0%	B
Head Golf Coach	7.0%	B
Assistant Golf Coach.....	4.0%	B
Head Softball Coach.....	10.0%	B
Assistant Softball Coach.....	7.0%	B
Head Tennis Coach.....	7.0%	B
Assistant Tennis Coach.....	4.0%	B
Head Track Coach (HHS & HMS)	11.0%	B
Assistant Track Coach (HHS & HMS)	7.0%	B
Head Volleyball Coach	11.0%	B
Assistant Volleyball Coach	7.0%	B
Head Wrestling Coach.....	11.0%	B
Assistant Wrestling Coach.....	7.0%	B
Summer Weight Room Supervisor (SCW 48 – SCW 6).....	4.0%	A
Fall Weight Room Supervisor (SCW 7 – SCW 19).....	4.0%	A
Winter Weight Room Supervisor (SCW 20 - SCW 36).....	4.0%	A
Spring Weight Room Supervisor (SCW 37 - SCW 47).....	4.0%	A
3-12 Vocal Music	10.0%	A
K –2 Vocal Music.....	2.0%	A
Instrumental Music.....	10.0%	A
Debate.....	8.0%	A
Forensics.....	8.0%	A
Musical, Coordinator.....	7.0%	A
Musical, Assistant.....	6.0%	A
Drama, Coordinator.....	7.0%	A
Drama, Assistant.....	4.0%	A
Student Council Sponsor.....	4.0%	A
Yearbook.....	8.0%	A
FCCLA Sponsor.....	4.0%	A
Cheerleader Sponsor	8.0%	A
Concession's Manager	10.0%	A
FFA.....	11.0%	A
Scholars' Bowl	5.0%	A
Drill Team Sponsor.....	4.0%	A
National Honor Society.....	2.0%	A
Website Facilitator	7.0%	A
Freshman Class Sponsor.....	2.0%	A
Sophomore Class Sponsor	2.0%	A
Junior Class Sponsor	6.0%	A
Senior Class Sponsor	2.0%	A
Technology Student Association Sponsor.....	4.0%	A
Chess Club.....	4.0%	A
H-Club	4.0%	A
Academic Detention Supervisor.....	4.0%	A
GAP Sponsor and CTE Club Sponsor: GAP and CTE Club Sponsor payments will be determined by amount contributed by the donor toward the salary for these positions.		
MIDDLE SCHOOL:		
Head Football Coach (HMS)	8.5%	B
Assistant Football Coach (HMS)	6.0%	B
Head Basketball Coach (HMS).....	8.5%	B
Assistant Basketball Coach (HMS)	6.0%	B
Head Volleyball Coach (HMS).....	8.5%	B
Assistant Volleyball Coach (HMS).....	6.0%	B
Head Wrestling Coach.....	3.5%	B
Assistant Wrestling Coach.....	2.5%	B
Cheerleader Sponsor (HMS).....	8.0%	A
Scholars' Bowl	2.0%	A
Yearbook	2.0%	A
Student Council / Renaissance Sponsor.....	3.0%	A

D. Salary Schedule

**USD 410 Durham - Hillsboro - Lehigh
2016 - 2017 Salary Schedule**

Step	BS	BS + 10	BS + 20	BS + 30	BS + 40	BS + 50	MS	MS + 10	MS + 20	MS + 30	Step
0	\$ 34,450	\$ 35,260	\$ 36,070	\$ 36,880	\$ 37,690	\$ 38,500	\$ 38,790	\$ 39,600	\$ 40,410	\$ 41,220	0
1	34,900	35,710	36,520	37,330	38,140	38,950	39,240	40,050	40,860	41,670	1
2	35,350	36,160	36,970	37,780	38,590	39,400	39,690	40,500	41,310	42,120	2
3	36,100	36,910	37,720	38,530	39,340	40,150	40,440	41,250	42,060	42,870	3
4	36,550	37,360	38,170	38,980	39,790	40,600	40,890	41,700	42,510	43,320	4
5	37,000	37,810	38,620	39,430	40,240	41,050	41,340	42,150	42,960	43,770	5
6	37,450	38,260	39,070	39,880	40,690	41,500	41,790	42,600	43,410	44,220	6
7	37,900	38,710	39,520	40,380	41,190	42,000	42,290	43,100	43,910	44,720	7
8	37,900	39,160	39,970	40,880	41,690	42,500	42,790	43,600	44,410	45,220	8
9	37,900	39,610	40,420	41,380	42,190	43,000	43,290	44,100	44,910	45,720	9
10	37,900	40,060	40,870	41,880	42,690	43,500	43,790	44,600	45,410	46,220	10
11	37,900	40,060	41,320	42,380	43,190	44,000	44,290	45,100	45,910	46,720	11
12	37,900	40,060	41,770	42,880	43,690	44,500	44,790	45,600	46,410	47,220	12
13	37,900	40,060	41,770	43,380	44,190	45,000	45,290	46,100	46,910	47,720	13
14	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	46,065	46,875	47,685	48,495	14
15	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	46,565	47,375	48,185	48,995	15
16	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	47,065	47,875	48,685	49,495	16
17	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	47,065	48,375	49,185	49,995	17
18	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	47,065	48,875	49,685	50,495	18
19	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	47,065	48,875	50,185	50,995	19
20	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	47,065	48,875	50,685	51,495	20
21	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	47,065	48,875	50,685	52,295	21
22	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	47,065	48,875	50,685	53,095	22
23	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	47,065	48,875	50,685	53,095	23
24	37,900	40,060	41,770	44,155	44,965	45,775	47,065	48,875	50,685	53,095	24

**GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE APPENDIX
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #410
GRIEVANCE REPORT FORM**

PROCEDURE: (2) (3) (4)
(Circle one to indicate level of grievance)

Date Filed _____

NAME OF GRIEVANT BUILDING ASSIGNMENT

A. Date cause of grievance occurred:

B. Relevant contract provisions, board policies, or administrative regulations or practices:

C. Statement of grievant's claim (statement of facts upon which grievance is based - use additional pages if necessary):

D. Relief desired:

Signature:

Date:

Date Received: _____

E. Disposition by the appropriate administrator (attach additional pages if necessary):

Signature:

Date:

EARLY RETIREMENT BENEFIT CALCULATION WORKSHEET

U.S.D. 410

(To be completed jointly by employee and superintendent of school)

Today's Date _____

Employee's Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Proposed Retirement Date _____ Current Age _____

Years of Employment: in Public Schools _____

in U.S.D. 410 _____

BENEFIT CALCULATION

Final Salary A. _____

Total Early Retirement Benefit B. _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Annual Benefit
Year 1 (1/3 of above total benefit) _____

Year 2 (1/3 of above total benefit) _____

Year 3 (1/9 of above total benefit) _____

Year 4 (1/9 of above total benefit) _____

Year 5 (1/9 of above total benefit) _____

