

MASTER AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

AND

JEFFERSON ASSISTANT

PARAPROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2010

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Article 1
Recognition

This Agreement is made by and between the Board of Education and the Jefferson Assistant Paraprofessional Association, hereinafter called JA/PA. Any changes in this Agreement shall be made in writing, signed by both parties, and done so by mutual consent.

Any portion of this Agreement shown to be contrary to State and/or Federal law shall be void and inoperative. At the option of either party, the provision voided shall be immediately subject to negotiation. All other provisions of this Agreement shall continue in effect.

The Board hereby recognizes JA/PA as the sole and exclusive bargaining representative for all paraprofessionals assigned to the district's certified staff.

Article 2
Rights of the Board

- A. It is expressly agreed that all rights which ordinarily vest in and have been exercised by the Board, except those which are expressly relinquished herein by the Board shall continue to vest exclusively in and be exercised exclusively by the Board, including the right to:
1. The executive management and administrative control of the school system and its properties, facilities, equipment, and the activities of its employees during working hours.
 2. Hire all employees and subject to the provision of the law and this Agreement to determine their qualifications and the conditions for their continued employment, their placement, dismissal, suspension, layoff, or demotion, and to promote and transfer all such employees.
 3. Determine the services, supplies, and equipment necessary to continue its operation and to determine all methods and means of operation.

4. Adopt rules and regulations.
 5. Determine the number of locations or relocation of its facilities, including the establishment or relocation of new school buildings.
 6. Determine the size of the management organization, its functions, authority, amount of supervision, and table of organization, provided that the Board shall not abridge any rights from employees as specifically provided in this Agreement.
 7. Determine the policy affecting the selection of employees providing that such selection shall be based upon lawful criteria.
 8. Determine the hours of employment and the duties, responsibilities, and assignments of employees with respect thereto, and the terms and conditions of employment which shall be expressed verbally or in writing to all employees at the time of employment. Duties, responsibilities, and assignments shall be determined with respect to other negotiated contracts.
- B. The matters contained in this Agreement and/or the exercise of such rights of the Board are not subject to further negotiations between the parties during the terms of this Agreement unless by mutual consent.
- C. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit the powers and responsibilities conferred upon the Board or the Superintendent under the laws or Constitution of the State of Michigan, specifically the rights and responsibilities as conferred under the Revised School Code.
- D. The listing of specific management rights in this Agreement is not intended to be, nor shall it be restrictive of, or a waiver of, any rights of management not listed and specifically surrendered herein.

Article 3
Agency Shop

- A. Deduction Authorization. New teacher paraprofessionals shall, prior to the end of the first week of school, sign and deliver to the Board an authorization form for deduction of membership dues and assessments of the Association (including the National and Michigan Education Association). Such authorization shall continue in effect from year to year unless revoked in writing between June 1 and September 1 of a given year.
- B. Expense Recognition. It is recognized that the proper negotiation and administration of collective bargaining agreements entail expense which is appropriately shared by all paraprofessionals who are beneficiaries of such agreements. Therefore, all teacher assistants, as a condition of continued employment shall:
1. Dues Deduction. Sign and deliver to the Board an authorization for the deduction of membership dues and assessments of the Association(s): National, State, and Local.
 2. Cash Payment. Or sign and deliver to the Association an intent to pay membership dues and assessments in cash. Such payments must be made within sixty days from commencement of the school year.
 3. Representation Fee. Or pay a fee to the Association that will cover representation benefits as determined by the Association which shall not exceed 1 or 2 above.
- C. Non-Compliance Termination Notice. In the event that a bargaining unit member shall not pay such Service Fee directly to the Association or authorize payment through payroll deduction, as herein provided, the Employer shall, at the request of the Association, terminate the employment of such bargaining unit member. The parties expressly recognize that the failure of any bargaining unit member to comply with the provisions of this Article is just cause for discharge from employment.

- D. Contesting Discharge. Should the paraprofessional(s) so notified for termination be engaged in the pursuance of legal remedies contesting the discharge under this provision before a court of competent jurisdiction, such paraprofessional's services shall not be terminated until such time as such paraprofessional(s) have either obtained a final decision as to the validity or legality of said discharge, or said paraprofessional(s) have cease to pursue the legal remedies available to them by not making a timely appeal of any decision rendered in said matter by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- E. Board's Cost Immunity. In any case in which a paraprofessional(s) contests a discharge under the provisions of the paragraph D, and it is necessary for the Board to defend its position and to engage legal counsel, and to incur other expenses in so doing, the Association agrees to pay the expenses and/or liabilities incurred by the Board.
- F. Deduction Installments. Payroll deductions for dues and for service charges will be made in twenty-one (21) equal "pay period" installments after receipt of a signed authorization by the individual paraprofessional. If a paraprofessional has less than twenty-one (21) pays after signing the authorization, the installments will be prorated equally in remaining "pay period" checks.
- G. Deduction Dates. Paraprofessional(s) employed at the beginning of the second semester shall have deductions begin with the first pay in February and end with the last pay in June. Those desiring to pay cash directly to the Association shall be obligated to begin such payments within thirty (30) days of their employment.
- H. Authorization Forms. Authorization for dues deduction shall be submitted to the Board Office on the form set forth in annexed Schedule B.

- I. Other Deductions. The Board shall also make payroll deductions upon written authorization from paraprofessionals(s) for annuities, savings bonds, and voluntary contributions to MEA-PAC and NEA-PAC, charitable contributions and other Board authorized deductions. There shall be a limit of five (5) approved annuity programs permitted in a payroll deduction program. All present employees may continue in their present companies; henceforth, only the five (5) jointly selected companies will be retained for payroll deduction purposes. All payroll deductions programs must be approved by the Board with written authorization of the paraprofessional.

- J. Save Harmless. The Board shall not be liable for any errors or losses in the administration of this Article unless it is shown that the Board was negligent in the care and handling of monies involved.

Article 4
Paid Leaves

- A. Sick Leave. All full time (thirty (30) hours or more) members shall earn sick leave days as per the following: One (1) day per month up to Ten (10) days per year accumulative to 65 days. Due to the variances in the hours of the workday of bargaining members, days will be credited and deducted on an hourly basis. It is understood that sick days must be used as full days or half days.

Sick leave days shall be credited as of September 1st of each year or on the employee's first working day. Leave days shall be prorated for late hires or for personnel terminating employment at times other than June 30th. Also chargeable to sick leave shall be employee absence due to family illness. Such absences shall be limited to five (5) days with pay.

Sick leave will be used for absences caused by personal illness, physical disability, emergency dental, doctor or vision treatment as well as injury or disability incurred in the course of employment.

As an option to accumulating unused sick days to a maximum accumulation of sixty five (65) days, members may request to be paid for up to ten (10) accumulated sick days annually at one-half (50%) of their current compensation rate. Payment for annual accumulated sick leave must be requested by the employee in writing prior to December 1st. following the work year within which the sick days were accumulated. Upon separation the balance of the sick days will be paid at one-half (50%) of their current compensation rate. (See Schedule D)

- B. Personal Business Leave. All members shall be eligible for two (2) days leave time each year, with full pay to handle medical, legal, educational, financial, or domestic matters. Written application to the building principal shall be made at least two (2) days in advance except in the case of emergencies. Such leave is also subject to the approval of the Superintendent or his designee. These days may be added to the employee's sick bank if not used - however, they may not be added under the year end payment option.
- C. Funeral Leave. All employees covered by this Agreement shall be granted funeral leave, with earned compensation for days the employees are scheduled to work. Days for which compensation was earned shall be deducted from the employees' sick leave bank. The days must be consecutive with and include the day of the funeral. Funeral leave shall be granted as follows:
1. A maximum of five (5) consecutive days in the event of the death of the employee's spouse, children, stepchildren, mother, father, stepmother, stepfather, brother, or sister.
 2. A maximum of three (3) consecutive days in the event of the death of the employee's mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparents, or grandchildren.
 3. A maximum of one (1) day in the event of the death of the employee's aunt, uncle, sister-in-law, or brother-in-law.

Extenuating circumstances may warrant additional time. If granted, such additional time shall also be charged to the employee's earned allowable sick leave bank.

- D. Judicial Leave. A member called for jury duty or to give testimony in a court of law shall be compensated in the amount of the difference between regular pay and pay received for the performance of such obligation. Members may keep compensation received for mileage. Such leave shall not be charged to sick leave.

Article 5 Unpaid Leaves

Leaves of absence without pay shall be granted for any of the following reasons:

- A. All members shall be granted a health leave after their accumulated sick leave is depleted when their health, or the health of a member of the immediate family, which shall be defined as parents, grandparents, spouse, children, grandchildren, siblings, parents-in-law, or dependents of the immediate household residence, warrants it up to a maximum of six (6) months. Said leave may be extended upon approval of the Superintendent or his designee for a period not to exceed six (6) months. Such leave may require a physician's statement.
- B. A leave of absence for maternity and/or childcare shall be granted for up to one (1) year. A written request must be submitted to and approved by the building administrator prior to the start of any leave.
- C. A leave of absence without pay may be granted at the discretion of the Superintendent or his designee. A written request for said leave must be submitted to the Superintendent and approved prior to the beginning of the leave. The leave shall not exceed one (1) year.

- D. All requests for unpaid leaves of absence will be applied for at least sixty (60) calendar days prior to its commencement, except in cases of emergency or health leaves.
- E. A member on a leave of absence (more than twelve (12) months) may return, upon the expiration of his/her leave, to his/her former position, or to another position in the school system providing:
 - 1. A position is available (vacant).
 - 2. The person is qualified to assume the responsibilities of such position. In the event no position is available (vacant) or if the person does not possess the necessary qualifications for the vacant position, he/she shall be given the first position available for which he/she has the qualifications as determined by the administration. Failure to report within ten (10) days of assignment shall constitute a resignation on the part of the employee.
- F. All members on leaves of absence (twelve months or less) may return upon the expiration of their leave, to their former positions.

Article 6
Negotiation Procedures

- A. It is understood that matters not specifically covered by the Agreement, but of common concern to the parties, shall, upon consent of both parties, be subject to negotiation. The parties will undertake to cooperate in arranging meetings, selecting representatives for such discussions, furnishing necessary information and otherwise constructively considering and resolving any such matters.
- B. At least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of this Agreement the parties will likewise begin negotiations for a new Agreement covering wages, hours, terms, and conditions of employment of Association members employed by the Board of Education.

- C. Neither party shall have control over the selection of the other bargaining team members.
- D. In any negotiations, it is recognized that all agreements are tentative until completion of the total Agreement and until the Agreement has been signed by the representatives of both parties.

Article 7
Grievance Procedures

- A. A grievance is an alleged violation, misinterpretation, or misapplication of this Agreement. The “grievant” is the employee or Association alleging violation of the specific and express terms of the Agreement.
- B. All grievances shall be handled by the following procedures:

Step 1. The grievant, either alone or with an Association representative, shall first discuss the grievance with the principal within five (5) workdays of the alleged occurrence in an attempt to resolve the grievance informally.

Step 2. If the grievance is not resolved at Step 1, it shall be reduced to writing and presented to the principal within five (5) workdays after the original informal conference under Step 1 of this procedure. The written grievance shall be presented to and discussed with the principal by either the grievant or the Association representative. Within five (5) workdays after the receipt of the written grievance, the principal shall render his/her written decision to the Association and to the grievant.

Step 3. Within five (5) workdays after the receipt of the principal’s written decision, the grievance may be (by the Association or grievant) appealed to the Superintendent or his designee. The appeal shall be in writing and shall be accompanied by a copy of the decision at Step 2.

Within five (5) workdays after receipt of the appeal, the Superintendent or his/her designee shall investigate the grievance and shall communicate

his/her findings in writing to the Association, grievant, and to the principal.

Step 4. If the alleged grievance is not resolved at Step 3, the grievant or the Association may submit the grievance to the Board of Education within five (5) workdays after receipt of the written decision of the Superintendent or his/her designee. The Board shall hear the grievance at one of the next two (2) regularly scheduled meetings after receipt and shall render its written decision within thirty (30) working days of the hearing to the grievant and/or the Association.

Step 5. If the Association is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance by the Board, only the Association and not the individual employee may submit the grievance to arbitration before an impartial arbitrator. If the parties cannot agree as to the arbitrator within fifteen (15) calendar days from the notification date that arbitration will be pursued, he/she shall be selected by the American Arbitration Association in accord with its rules which shall likewise govern the arbitration proceeding. The Board and the Association shall have no power to alter, add to, or subtract from the terms of this Agreement. Both parties agree to be bound by the award of the arbitrator and agree that judgment thereon may be entered in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Procedure: Written grievances as required herein, shall contain the following:

- a. It shall be signed by the grievant or Association representative;
- b. It shall contain a synopsis of the facts giving rise to the alleged violation;
- c. It shall cite the section or subsections of this contract alleged to have been violated;
- d. It shall contain the date of the alleged violation;
- e. It shall specify the relief requested.

Article 8

Seniority

A. Definition of Probationary and Substitute Employees

1. Probationary Employee: A person who is employed to fill a bargaining unit position for a trial period of a maximum of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days. Probationary employees shall have no seniority until the completion of the probationary period at which time their seniority shall revert to their first day of work.
2. Substitutes in Temporary Positions: It is expressly understood and agreed that substitute(s) in temporary positions shall not fill a bargaining unit position for a period in excess of forty (40) workdays. Under extenuating circumstances, it is possible that JAPA and the administration may mutually agree to extend this time period.
3. Substitutes in Non-Temporary Positions: A substitute who is employed to fill a position on a per diem basis while the regular bargaining unit member is absent or on an approved leave for a period of up to one (1) year, shall not become a member of the bargaining unit. (See Article 5, F.)

B. Seniority

For the purposes of this section, there shall be established two categories for seniority. These categories shall be:

Class A Full-time: Thirty (30) or more hours of work per week.

Class B Part-time: Less than Thirty (30) hours of work per week.

No class B employee can bump a Class A employee. However, a Class A employee may bump a Class B employee of lesser seniority, who has the lowest seniority ranking in the group. Further, no class B employee can be recalled to a Class A position, before all Class A employees are recalled.

Seniority of employees with the same date of hire shall be determined as follows:

1. The employee who is hired with the most hours shall have the higher seniority.

2. If employees are hired for the same amount of hours, the tie shall be broken by the last four digits of his/her Social Security Account-the lower/lowest number having the higher/highest seniority. An updated seniority list shall also be furnished at this time.

Seniority for persons who work less than a year shall be pro-rated.

3. Seniority shall be defined as years worked within the bargaining unit.

Should a member leave the bargaining unit for any reason other than disciplinary reasons, and then return to the bargaining unit, his/her seniority shall be considered to have been frozen and he/she shall resume accumulation upon the first day of work. Said accumulation shall also be applicable to placement on the salary schedule.

Article 9

Vacancy, Layoff, & Recall

A. Vacancy - Postings. Notice of all paraprofessional certified vacancies and newly created paraprofessional positions shall be posted on employee bulletin boards within one (1) pay period from the date of the vacancy or the establishment of the new position. Association members shall be given five (5) working days to make application and shall be given due consideration for the position.

1. Any opening will be posted for bid first within the unit to those that are presently working, secondly to those who are laid off and finally to outside applicants.

The posting will reflect:

- A. Type of work
- B. Classification
- C. Place of work
- D. Starting date
- E. Rate of pay
- F. Hours to be worked

2. Members who successfully bid on a position may not bid again during the same school year, unless aforementioned member is displaced by layoff or reduction in staff, exclusive of principal's right of assignment.

B. Loss of Position

If an inclusion paraprofessional loses her/his position due to a change in the student's status (i.e. family move, IEP changes) she/he will have the opportunity to bump the least senior Class A position. Then the Class A paraprofessional who was bumped may exercise her/his bumping rights and bump the least senior Class B paraprofessional. The paraprofessional who is left without a position will then be subject to the layoff provisions of the agreement.

C. Reduction/Layoff of Staff.

Reduction in staff due to finances, program changes, or other reasons shall be made on the basis of inverse seniority. Input will be sought from the Association before changes are made. All employees affected by change will be given two (2) weeks notice.

D. Recall Procedure. The most senior employee on layoff shall be the first employee recalled to work. (See Article 9, A., 1)

Employees shall be notified by certified mail, at the last known address, of their recall. The employee shall have five (5) workdays to notify the Board of his/her intent to return to work. The employee shall be responsible for supplying the Board with his/her current address. Refusal of an offer from the Board of an equivalent position for which the laid off employee is qualified, or failure to respond within five (5) workdays of the receipt of a written offer, shall constitute a forfeiture of all seniority and rights of recall. An equivalent position will be defined as a position with the same (or greater) number of hours.

Article 10

Miscellaneous Provisions

- A. Agreement Distribution. Copies of this Agreement shall be printed at Board expense. The Board will provide a copy of the Agreement for each association member. In addition to a copy of this Agreement, new members shall receive appropriate insurance and retirement forms at the time of hire.

- B. State Law. The Agreement is subject in all respects to the laws of the State of Michigan with respect to the powers, rights, duties, and obligations of the Board and the Association. In the event any provision of this Agreement shall at any time be held to be contrary to the law by a court of competent jurisdiction from whose final judgment or decree no appeal has been taken within the time provided for doing so, such provision shall be void and inoperative; however, all other provisions of this Agreement shall continue in effect.

- C. Act of God Days. "Act of God" days beyond the allowance by Michigan Law and the Department of Education regulations will be made up by the students and assistants at the end of the school year or at other times as specified by the calendar. Assistants will only receive compensation for the "Act of God" days allowed. When a scheduled day of schoolwork is delayed, association members shall report as near as possible to their regular starting times. Assistants will receive their full day's pay when the school day is shortened due to weather or mechanical problems.

- D. Mileage. An association member directed by the building principal to drive his/her personal automobile for school business shall receive a mileage allowance that shall be at the IRS established rate per mile.

- E. Tuition. When an association member upgrades his/her skills by taking job related workshops which have been pre-approved by the Board of Education, tuition and book fees incurred will be assumed by the Board upon successful completion of the course. When an association member is required by the Board to upgrade his/her skills by taking courses, all expenses incurred will be assumed by the Board.

- F. Salary and Sick Day Notification. All association members shall receive, not later than October 1st, a report of their step on the salary schedule, salary for the year, the number of pay periods as well as the salary for each pay period and their accumulated number of sick days and business leave days.
- G. Special Training. If an association member serves as a preschool/inclusion aide, this member may be required, at the Board's option, to take additional training for this position at the expense of the Board.
- H. Notification of Assignment. Paraprofessionals will receive tentative notification of assignment by August 1st. If the assistant is seeking a change in assignment, he/she may request such in writing to the Superintendent by April 15. Such requests will be considered by the administration prior to the August 1st placements.
- I. Equipment Use. JA/PA will be permitted to use school equipment, typewriters, duplication equipment, telephones, calculating machines, and all types of audio-visual equipment at reasonable times, when such equipment is not otherwise in use. The Association shall pay the cost of all materials and supplies incident to such use. No equipment shall be removed from the school premises for the Association's use.

Article 11 Evaluation

- A. Each employee's job performance shall be evaluated at least every two (2) years in writing by the principal.
- B. If the employee has any questions regarding his/her evaluation, the employee may request a conference regarding the evaluation.
- C. The evaluation report shall be signed by the employee, as evidence of having seen or read the evaluation report. In addition, space shall be

provided on the evaluation form for employee comments. A copy shall be provided to the employee.

- D. If a disciplinary demotion of a member is to be considered because of inadequacies observed in the member's work, such action must be preceded by:
1. Clear direction to the member that he/she must improve and the consequences of failure to do so.
 2. Opportunity and time for the association member to make improvement upon mutual agreement of both parties.
 3. Identification of the specific ways in which the employee is to improve and documented direction from administrators and school district resources to help the member improve.

Article 12

Protection of Association Members

- A. The Board will continue its policy of non-discrimination with respect to any association member by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, gender, marital status, or membership in, or association with, the activities of any bargaining association organizations.
- B. No association member shall be disciplined, reprimanded, suspended, reduced in rank, or discharged without just cause. There will be a policy of progressive discipline which minimally includes verbal warning, written warning, reprimand, suspension without pay, with discharge as a final and last resort. Any action taken against an association member shall relate only to the said violation and not to other aspects contained in previous evaluations. The Association recognizes that if an employee engages in a serious breach, the employee may be subject to severe discipline. The severity of the discipline may be grievable.

- C. An association member shall be entitled to have present a representative of the Association during any disciplinary action when such action will become part of the association member's file. When a request for such representation is made, no action shall be taken with respect to the association member until a readily available representative of the Association is present. Further, in the event disciplinary action is to be taken, the member shall be advised of the right to representation under this provision of the Agreement prior to action being taken.
- D. When a member is absent as a result of personal injury caused by an accident arising out of and in the course of his/her employment, he/she will be paid his/her full Worker's Compensation for the period of absence not to exceed one year.
- E. An employee will have the right to review the contents of his/her personnel file excluding initial references; and to have a representative of the Association accompany him/her in such a review.

Article 13
Hours and Work Week

- A. Hours Per Day. The employee's workday shall consist of a maximum of six (6) hours, including breaks with the exception of special education paraprofessional assistants who may work a maximum of seven (7) hours per day including breaks if specifically written into a student special education (IEP) plan. The seven (7) hour positions must be posted yearly to be determined by seniority, with the most senior paraprofessional assistant that applies receiving the position. For purposes of this section, there shall be two categories: Full-time, and Part-time, as set forth in Article 8, Section B.
- B. Break Time. There will be one (1) fifteen (15) minute paid break during a three (3) or four (4) hour workday. There will be two (2) fifteen (15) minute paid breaks allowed during a five (5) hour or six (6) hour workday. A thirty (30) minute unpaid lunch period will also be included in days of four (4) hours or more.

- C. Scheduled Work. Paraprofessionals shall be employed and paid only when students are in school. Principals may ask individuals to work when students are not in school. If an assistant is called in, he/she will be paid at the regular pay rate.
- D. Work Other Than School Hours. If employees are required to work more than their regular work hours, including field trips, they shall be compensated at the regular rate of pay, not to exceed six (6) hours.
- E. Calendar. The employee's work year will be at a maximum of one hundred eighty (180) days, or the number of hours established by the state and confirmed by the Board of Education. If an employee's work year is less than one hundred eighty (180) days, the JA/PA may suggest a workable plan for the scheduling of the shortened days. The minimum number of work days shall not fall below the minimum number required for one (1) year retirement credit. On teacher in-service/professional development days, training opportunities may be offered for JA/PA members.
1. Members shall be notified a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to in-service dates of their option to attend. In instances when mandatory attendance is required at inservice events due to the nature of the scheduled training, as determined by the Building Administrator, members will receive two (2) weeks notice, or the earliest advance notification that is practicable.
 2. Failure to attend an offered inservice event may result in receiving less than one (1) full year retirement credit.
- F. The number of six (6) hour positions for a given school year shall be determined by the administration. The union will submit a list of employees to fill these positions. This list will be based on qualification (Preschool) and seniority. The administration will then determine the building/classroom assignment for all six (6) hour positions.

Jefferson Schools 2007-2008 District Calendar

= Holidays / Vacations
 = Dates of Importance
 = Inservice Day

8/30, New Teacher Day	1/21 Semester Break
9/4, First Day Inservice for All Staff	2/25-2/29 February Break
9/5 First Day of School (students)	3/21-3/28 Easter Break
11/1 Countywide In-service Day (Teachers only)	5/26 Memorial Day
11/22-23 Thanksgiving Break	5/30, Last Day of School
12/24-1/4 Christmas Break	

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Notes:

(1) The number appearing to the left of each month represents the number of days available for instruction.

12 Weeks Trimester Schedule	Teacher Inservice Schedule	Total Instructional Days
Sept 5 - Nov 2	Sept 4 ,	164
Nov 5 - Jan 18	Sept 21 ,	
Jan 22 - Mar 20	Nov 1 ,	Totyal Inservice Days
Mar 31 - May 30	Mar 11 ,	5
	April 25 ,	

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8/28, New Teacher Day	1/19 Semester Break
9/2, First Day Inservice for All Staff	2/23-2/27 February Break
9/3 First Day of School (students)	4/10-4/17 Easter Break
11/5, Countywide In-service Day (Teachers only)	5/25 Memorial Day
11/27-28 Thanksgiving Break	5/29, Last Day of School
12/22-1/2 Christmas Break	

AUGUST				
M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

DECEMBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

APRIL				
M	T	W	TH	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

SEPTEMBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

JANUARY				
M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

MAY				
M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

OCTOBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

FEBRUARY				
M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27

JUNE				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

NOVEMBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

MARCH				
M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

Notes:

(1) The number appearing to the left of each month represents the number of days available for instruction.

9 Weeks Schedule	12 Weeks Trimester Schedule	Teacher Inservice Schedule	Total Instructional Days
Sept 3 - Oct 31	Sept 3 - Nov 21	Sep 2 ,	164
Nov 3 - Jan 16	Nov 25 - Mar 6	Sept/Oct TBD ,	
Jan 20 - Mar 27	Mar 9 - May 29	Nov 5 ,	Totyal Inservice Days
Mar 30 - May 29		Feb TBD ,	5
		Mar 10 ,	

Article 14
Wages and Benefits

- A. Salary. The salaries of the members covered by this Agreement are set forth in Schedule A, which is attached to and incorporated in this Agreement. Such salary schedule shall remain in effect during the terms of this Agreement. Each year, all employees shall be eligible to receive a one-step increase until the employee has reached the top step on the salary schedule.
- B. Paid Holidays. Association members shall receive as paid holidays the following:
1. Thanksgiving Day
 2. Christmas Eve
 3. Christmas Day
 4. New Year's Day
 5. Good Friday
 6. Memorial Day
 7. One (1) Floating Personal Holiday

Note: The paid floating holiday (#7 above) must be approved by the Building Administrator one (1) week in advance of the personal holiday taken, and cannot be taken during the day prior to, or immediately following, a scheduled day off.

- C. Insurance. The Board shall provide group term life insurance in the amount of \$10,000 and Long Term Disability Insurance.

Schedule A

All employees covered by this Agreement shall be compensated per the following schedule:

	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>2008-09</u>	<u>2009-10</u>
Step 1	\$12.44		
Step 2	\$12.57	2007-08 +	2008-09 +
Step 3	\$12.80	Achievement	Achievement
Step 4	\$13.17	Award %	Award %
Step 5	\$13.66	for all steps	for all steps
Step 6	\$14.28		
Step 7	\$15.07		

Note: The Achievement Award % will be based on the award scale below:

Award Scale

District GPA	Achievement Award %
4.0 - 3.5 = A	1.00%
3.49 - 3.0 = B	0.75%
2.99 - 2.0 = C	0.50%

Example

Building	Composite Grade	Grade Points
#1	B	3
#2	B	3
#3	B	3
#4	B	3
#5	C	2

Average District 2.80

Achievement Award % 0.5%

In the event that the State assessment scores are not available for any reason, or if there are significant changes to the scoring rubric, it is agreed that the Achievement Award % will be 0.5

Schedule B

DUES AUTHORIZATION FORM

I, the undersigned, authorize the Jefferson Board of Education to deduct in equal payments from my salary the equivalent of NEA, MEA and JA/PA dues as stated in Article 3, Section C for the purpose of:

_____ Membership

_____ Representation Fee

Name _____

Date _____

Schedule C

**INTENT TO PAY MEMBERSHIP DUES AND ASSESSMENTS IN
CASH**

I, the undersigned, recognize that the proper negotiation and administration of collective bargaining agreements entail expense which is appropriately shared by all paraprofessionals who are beneficiaries of such agreements. Therefore, it is my intent to pay membership dues and assessments in cash. I will make payments within sixty days from commencement of the school year. Further, I understand that failure to make the necessary dues and representation cost payments will constitute just cause for discharge from my employment.

_____ Membership

_____ Representation Fee

Name _____

Date _____

Schedule D

TO: JEFFERSON SCHOOLS PAYROLL DEPARTMENT

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 4, sections A and B of the Jefferson Paraprofessionals contract with the Jefferson Schools; I request compensation for _____ days from my bank of sick days.

Signature

Date

Duration of Agreement

This Agreement shall be effective as of July 1, 2007 and shall continue in effect until the end of the contract year June 30, 2010. The Agreement shall not be extended orally, and it is expressly understood that it shall expire on that date indicated.

Jefferson Schools Board of Education

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