# Draft Outline DTA District Sunshine 22-23 Finalized 12/05/22

# Current Contract

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### 3.1 - Workdays -

**ISSUES**:

- 1. Discrepancy between the adopted 2023-2024 calendar's 187 work days and Section 3.1's 186 workdays
- 2. All of the extra duty days for counselors have not historically been used and there is a lack of clarity regarding how/when they should be used.
- 3. Lack of uniform application of the table in Section 3.1

District Interest:

- To clarify which document will prevail if there were to be discrepancies between the board adopted calendar and the contract language
- Clarify and correct the number of days listed in the updated contract to reflect approved calendars
- Define clearly how extra counselor works days can be used and when and for what purposes
  - Lens on A-G and graduation requirements

Below relates to workday 3.1/7/workload

- Define the number of extra days when they are used and how they can be pre-approved
- Discuss letter writing days documentation required and the number of days subs and or pay can be used
- Define when counselors can use school business days
- Define AD workload related to workdays and times and responsibilities
- Discuss flextime related to evening events and other "outside of work hours" events
- See workload

- The table in section 3.1 determines the teacher work year..
- Reduce the amount of work being performed outside the school day and school year.
- Adjust the current workload levels for DTA members.
- Ensure the counselors have advanced notice of extra duty days.

#### 3.2 - Calendar -

**ISSUES**:

- 1. The placement of teacher workdays and PD has caused workload questions.
- 2. The placement of back-to-school night needs to be examined.
- 3. Changes in the yearly-calendar schedule within the school year can impact teacher planning and preparation.

District Interest:

• Ensure calendar language regarding deadlines and process can be followed with fidelity in order that the contract provision be able to adhere to

- Ensure that teacher vacation and work days are placed in the work year calendar appropriately.
- Develop clear guidelines for school calendar adoption.

# 4.3.4 - Agency Fee-

ISSUE:

1. Contract language will be updated to reflect changes in the law.

District Interest:

• Clean up language in order to be in compliance

DTA Interest:

• Align contract language with current laws.

#### 4.0 -- Compensation

**ISSUES**:

- 1. Many DTA Unit Members' careers extend past 28 years of service but longevity increments end at Step 28.
- 2. Longevity increments have only adjusted relative to percentage increases in compensation.
- 3. Professional growth incentives have not been recently analyzed.
- 4. Other forms of compensation, daily sub pay, workshop pay, etc... require examination and updating in the contract.
- 5. Obtaining CTE Credential requires additional work and we have very few teachers with such credentials

District Interest:

- The District wants to compensate employees in an equitable and meaningful manner
- Ensure fiscal stability when adopting any new salary provisions
- To incentivize teachers to obtain CTE credentials

- Reward years of service beyond year 28.
- Update all non-salary schedule compensation.
- Provide added incentives for professional growth.
- Examine EPED stipends
- Consider the impact of CTE credentialing on mandatory subjects of bargaining

### 5.1 - Retirement Programs-

**ISSUES**:

- 1. Hourly rate in CAIP provision does not adjust for increases in the cost of living.
- 2. There is a need to review current CAIP provisions
- 3. There is a need to index the rates paid to CAIP participants
- 4. Additional retirement benefits available through STRS

District Interest:

• Add CAIP eligibility language in order to incorporate certificated staff needing to retire early via an approved STRS disability retirement.

- Enhance the early retirement program.
- Ensure that retirees have access to CAIP benefits.

### 6.0 Benefits

**ISSUES**:

- 1. The Cost Containment Committee has not met for a number of years to examine trends and costs associated with Health Benefits.
  - a. Examine Health Plans and Coverage
  - b. Examine Health Plan Providers
- 2. The Death Benefit has not been analyzed. .

District Interest:

• Ensure fiscal stability when adopting any new benefit agreements/provisions

- Examine health benefit cost containment options.
- Ensure unit members have access to health care provider networks.
- Ensure that unit members' beneficiaries are supported.

# 7 - Hours of Employment

**ISSUES:** 

- 1. Contract language needs to be updated to reflect the current hours of employment.
- 2. Analyze the topics of the Teacher Work-Year workdays, work hours, and the expectation regarding teacher collaboration that causes teacher work to be done outside of the school day and school year.
- 3. Procedures and practices related to hours of employment regarding contract language and/or past practice need to be clarified.
  - a. Leaving campus
  - b. Special Schedules
  - c. Finals
- 4. Changes in the weekly bell schedule can cause teacher workload.
- 5. Review Athletic Directors' hours of employment.
- 6. Review Part-time teachers' hours and responsibilities.
- 7. Review IST hours of employment.
- 8. Review Psychologist and SLP hours and responsibilities
- 9. Review specifics related to Unit Members who cannot complete an assigned Adjunct Duty.

District Interest:

- Define hours of employment relative to
  - New bell schedule
  - Part-time employment
    - Update Appendix D as appropriate
      - Percentage of adjunct duties (also specifically related to Special Education teachers, At Risk Counselors & AD)
      - Adjunct duty concept where certificated teachers with admin credentials can be paid for after school supervision
      - Percentage of meetings
      - Percentage of IEPs and 504s
      - Percentage of preps
      - Percentage of covering peer classes
  - Special days including finals and PSAT

- Define hours of employment/expectations for non-certificated DTA unit members (i.e. psychologists, counselors, SLPs) and teachers in alternative programs (AVHS, Freestyle, Middle College)
- Clarify Teacher Work Day responsibilities
- Clarify Athletic Director hours and related duties

Section 7.2

- Define adjunct duty relative to part-time employees
- Clarify athletic director hours and related duties

Section 7.4.2

- Incorporate Pilot Program for Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Consider clarification language regarding the duration of time and more of a conference in order to ensure equity and accountability

Section 7.5

• Define parameters related to leaving campus and related permissions and notifications

□ Consider adding language to define hours related to mandated training and the impact to the work year

□ Consider adding language regarding mandatory activities - as an example: Check out procedures.

- Update Appendix D in relation to the new Bell Schedule.
- Ensure all employee work hours and responsibilities are defined.
- Ensure all contract provisions are up-to-date and adhered to current hours of employment
- Finalize the PTC pilot program.
- Examine Adjunct Duty.

#### 8 - Leaves -

#### **ISSUES**:

1. Examine current leave provisions.

**District Interest:** 

- Consider incentives in order to support staff and students on days where staff absenteeism tends to be impactful
- Continue to provide meaningful and valuable leave provisions that provide appropriate support

DTA Interest:

• Examine the terms and usage of Personal Necessity and Sick Leave.

# 9.0 Assignments

ISSUE:

1. There is insufficient contract language that defines assignments.

District Interest:

• Explore assignment challenges

### DTA Interest:

• Discuss and define the terms and conditions surrounding assignments.

### 11 - Evaluations -

**ISSUES:** 

- 1. Evaluation Forms are not included in the CBA as appendices.
- 2. Evaluation forms need to be developed for non-classroom unit members.
- 3. Article 11.3 and Appendix H (PAR) need to be reviewed and reimplemented.

District Interest:

- Form a committee comprised of DTA and District members in order to review all forms of current certificated evaluation with a focus on the following goals
  - Meaningful evaluation procedures that effectively support professional development and student success
    - Steps and procedures that are clear and sequential
    - Forms that are reflective of the evaluation objectives
    - Clarify non-classroom evaluation procedures
    - Incorporate applicable professional standards related to various non-classroom certificated positions
    - Review student survey questions and results
    - Ensure that traditional observation evaluation is not designed as a punitive measure but rather as a productive professional development tool
    - Review rubric for clarity and consistency
    - Review rating scale for calibration clarity and consistency
  - Update timelines outlined within the contract as appropriate

- Ensure that current contract provisions meet the professional needs of all DTA members.
- Ensure that the Evaluation process supports all teachers.
- Ensure the current workload for DTA members is maintained or decreased.

#### 12 -Class Size-

#### **ISSUES**:

- 1. Clarification is needed with regards to class size maximums relative to classes that serve special populations. Specifically looking at ratios and embedded supports.
- 2. The Enhancements provisions in 12.2 are not being designated as required per the CBA.
- 3. Examine lab classes in relation to contractual guidelines.
- 4. Examine class size provisions and staffing formulas.

District Interest:

- Review class size provisions and provide additional clarity regarding defined parameters, including what category certain classes fall in
- Incorporate non-defined class size provisions particularly relative to Special Education classes and case management
- Clarify how enhancements can be used to reduce class size in specified areas

- Assess the impact of balancing student proficiency levels on class size in all courses.
- Ensure all class size provisions are meeting the needs of students and teachers.

# Appendices

ISSUE:

1. Review and update the appendices to reflect current practices

District Interest:

1. Consider adding Option B staffing appendix

## DTA Interest:

1. Ensure the appendices are accurate and up to date

### **Contract Maintenance**

**ISSUES**:

- 1. There is a need for clear procedures and processes for contract maintenance.
- 2. Clarifying any contract language that is assessed to be problematic or vague as needed.
- 3. Addressing discrepancies/deviations from the contract.
- 4. Tracking implementation of contract provisions and practices.

District Interest:

• Develop a clear process for reaching an agreement over the implementation of the contract provisions.

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- Develop a notification process that informs DTA leadership when there are deviations from normal District practices and procedures.

### MOU on Co-teaching

ISSUE:

1. The current MOU doesn't comport with the law and the current District needs

District Interest:

- Incorporate co-teaching into the contract and prior to doing so, redefine parameters in a manner that allows for parity among certificated staff member assignments
- Clearly identify co-taught sections during the creation of the master schedule

- Ensure that the co-teaching model supports students and teachers and complies with Ed Code
- Identify and negotiate all impacts on mandatory subjects from co-teaching models

### **OTHER Topics**

#### **Mandated Training**

ISSUE:

1. Increased number of hours necessary to complete the mandated training

**District Interest** 

• Keeping the District in compliance with the applicable laws and regulations

#### **DTA Interest**

• Assess the impact of the mandatory training on terms and conditions of employment

#### Workload

ISSUE:

1. Services we need to provide for students' social-emotional and academic needs continue to evolve

#### District Interest

• Reviewing the current counseling model to adapt to evolving student needs

#### **DTA Interest**

• Identify any impact