

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

AND

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION (PBA)**

SCHOOL POLICE OFFICERS



January 1, 20~~18~~21 – December 31, 20~~20~~23
Three-Year Successor

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Palm Beach County, Florida



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Katie L. Mendoza, PBA Legal Counsel and Chief Negotiator

Officer Alexander Lopez

Officer Kevin O'Sullivan

Officer Michael Lynch

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ARTICLE 1 - PREAMBLE

This comprehensive Agreement is entered into this 25th day of October, 2021, by The School Board of Palm Beach County, hereinafter referred to as the "School District" or "District" and the Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association, hereinafter referred to as the "PBA" or "Association".

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide an orderly and peaceful procedure for resolving differences which may arise, and to set forth the agreement of the Parties regarding wages, hours, terms and conditions of employment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties below have hereto executed the Agreement on the 25th day of October, 2021. Approved by the School Board of Palm Beach County on _____, 2021. Ratified by PBA on _____, 2021.

FOR THE PALM BEACH COUNTY
POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD OF
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

John Kazanjian, PBA President

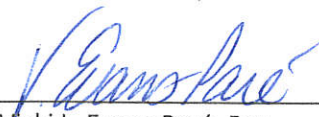
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ARTICLE 2 - RECOGNITION

- 2.1** The School District hereby recognizes the PBA as the exclusive representative for the purpose of collective bargaining with respect to wages, hours and terms and conditions of employment for all employees in the bargaining unit.
- 2.2** The bargaining unit for which this recognition is accorded is as defined in Certificate Number 1001 granted by the Public Employees Relations Commission on December 21, 1992, comprised of all sworn law enforcement personnel of the Palm Beach County School District Police Department in the following classifications: School Police Officer, excluding all other employees of the Palm Beach County School District.

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ARTICLE 3 - NON-DISCRIMINATION

- 3.1 The School District will not discriminate against any employee covered by this Agreement because of membership or non-membership in the Association or authorized activity as required in this agreement in behalf of the members of the PBA.
- 3.2 The PBA will not discriminate against employees covered by this agreement as to membership or representation with regard to terms and conditions of membership because of race, creed, sex, age or national origin.
- 3.3 The Parties further agree that the provisions of this Agreement, including but not limited to such items such as training, assignment, promotion, transfer, discipline or termination, and use of leave, shall be applied without regard to gender expression and/or gender identity, race, color, religion, national origin, age, disability, marital status, ancestry, ethnicity, gender, linguistic preference, political beliefs, sexual orientation, social/family background, or status or membership in the Association. Discrimination against and/or the harassment of employees based on any of the above listed items is barred and prohibited.
- 3.4 The Parties further agree that employees should be free from unnecessary, spiteful, or negative criticism or complaints by ~~management representatives~~ the Chief of Police. Under no conditions shall the Chief of Police ~~management representatives~~ express such complaints or criticisms concerning an employee in the presence of other employees, unless in the context of an administrative statement or other similarly formal environment authorized under management rights.

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ARTICLE 4 - DUES DEDUCTION

- 4.1 Upon receipt of a lawfully executed written authorization form from an employee, the School District agrees to deduct the current regular association dues once each month and remit such deductions to the duly designated treasurer of the PBA within fifteen (15) working days from the date of deduction. The PBA will notify the School District, in writing, thirty (30) days prior to any change in the regular PBA dues structure. The employer is expressly prohibited from any involvement in the collection of fines, penalties or special assessments and shall not honor any request of this nature other than for association dues.
- 4.2 Any employee may, at any time, revoke his dues deduction and shall submit such revocation form to the School District's payroll division with a copy to the association.
- 4.3 The PBA agrees to provide necessary Dues Deduction Authorization forms and Notice to stop Dues Deduction forms for its members. These forms shall read as follows:

AUTHORIZATION CARD FOR DEDUCTION OF PBA DUES

I hereby authorize the Palm Beach County School District to deduct from my wages each month the current regular monthly PBA dues and transmit this amount to the treasurer of the Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association.

DATE: _____ NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO STOP PAYROLL DEDUCTION OF PBA DUES

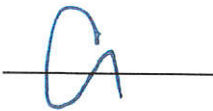
I hereby instruct the Palm Beach County School District to stop deduction from my wages each month the current regular monthly PBA dues of the Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association. A copy of this revocation has been forwarded to the treasurer of the PBA.

DATE: _____ NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

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**ARTICLE 5 - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS**

5.1 The PBA recognizes the prerogatives of the School District to operate and manage its affairs in all respects; and the powers or authority which the School District has not officially abridged, delegated, or modified by this agreement are retained by the School District. Management officials of the School District retain the rights in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to the following:

1. To manage and direct the employees of the School District.
2. To hire, promote, transfer, schedule, assign and retain employees in positions with the School District.
3. To suspend, demote, discharge or take other disciplinary action against employees for just cause.
4. To relieve employees from duties because of lack of work, funds or other legitimate reasons.
5. To maintain the efficiency of the operations of the School District.
6. To determine the methods, means, and personnel by which such operations are to be conducted, including the right to contract and subcontract existing and future work.
7. Organization of the School District.
8. The number of employees to be employed by the School District.
9. The number, types and grades of positions or employees assigned to an organization unit, department or project.
10. Internal security practices.

5.2 The School District has the sole authority to determine the purpose and mission of the schools and the amount of budget to be adopted.



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- 5.3 If, in the mandatory consultation with ~~of~~ the School Board, it is determined that Civil Emergency conditions exist, including, but not limited to, riots, civil disorders, hurricane conditions, similar catastrophes, or exigencies, the provisions of this agreement may be suspended by the Superintendent or his/her designee during the time of the declared emergency, provided that rates and monetary fringe benefits shall not be suspended.
- 5.4 PBA and the School Police Officers it represents recognize and acknowledge that said Officers are subject to random drug testing pursuant to FS 440.102.

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ARTICLE 6 - UNION BUSINESS

- 6.1 Union Representatives, up to a maximum of three (3) employees in any one instance, shall be permitted to use on-duty time for the purpose of conducting PBA business with the School District. Such use of time is at the sole discretion of the Chief of Police and may be denied if the absence of union representatives creates an insufficient number of personnel to maintain efficiency of operations within the School Police Department or unduly disrupts the operation of a school center.
- 6.2 Union Representatives, up to a maximum of four (4), shall be permitted to attend negotiations on an on-duty status. Bargaining unit members on an off-duty status shall not be carried on an on-duty status for the sessions.
- 6.3 A bulletin board will be mounted at an appropriate location for the Union's use. The PBA may use the bulletin board only for the purpose of posting official PBA business notices and related information. The PBA may not use the bulletin board for political endorsements or to further political agendas. No item shall be placed by PBA or the District, its designees or members without being approved by the PBA President and reviewed by the Chief of Police. All costs incidental to preparing and posting of PBA material will be borne by the PBA.
- 6.4 Job vacancies shall be posted on the ~~Union bulletin board and transmitted through the District email to all Officers~~ District website as they become available. Available Special Duty Assignments will be posted on the department intranet.
- 6.5 The Parties agree that annually the Chief of Police and a PBA designated Union Representative who is a School District Police Officer will develop a schedule for the Chief of Police to meet with the PBA Union Representatives ~~to meet~~ at least three (3) times during the year to discuss and review issues of importance to the Parties. ~~At such meetings, the Chief of Police and two (2) other School Police Officials selected by the Chief will meet with three (3) PBA Union Representatives who are School Police Officers.~~ Unless there is mutual agreement to do so, these meetings are not to be used as an alternative to filing a grievance should there be an alleged violation of this Agreement.

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- 6.6 On the first day of each new contract year, adequate time, as determined by the Chief of Police, will be provided to allow for a one (1) hour PBA meeting.
- 6.7 The District shall include a link to the PBA website, as provided by the PBA, as part of New Employee Orientation.
- 6.8 The District agrees to furnish the Association upon request such information as is necessary for developing intelligent, feasible and constructive proposals. This information may include, but is not limited to, such items as bulletins, annual financial reports, audits, tentative budget proposals once made public and seniority lists.

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ARTICLE 7 - POLICE OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS

7.1 All law enforcement officers employed by the School District shall have the following rights and privileges in accordance with the Florida Law Enforcement Officers Bill of Rights, unless removed from, repealed, or amended within Florida Statutes..

1. Rights of Law Enforcement Officers While Under Investigation

Whenever a law enforcement officer is under investigation and subject to interrogation by members of his agency for any reason which could lead to disciplinary action, demotion, or dismissal, such interrogation shall be conducted under the following conditions:

- A. The interrogation shall be conducted at a reasonable hour, preferably at a time when the law enforcement officer is on duty, unless the seriousness of the investigation is of such a degree that an immediate action is required.
- B. The interrogation shall take place either at the office of the command of the investigating officer or at the office of the local precinct or police unit in which the incident allegedly occurred, as designated by the investigating officer or agency.
- C. The law enforcement officer under investigation shall be informed of the rank, name and command of the officer in charge of the investigation, the interrogating officer, and all persons present during the interrogation. All questions directed to the officer under interrogation shall be asked by and through one (1) interrogator at any one time.
- D. The law enforcement officer under investigation shall be informed of the nature of the investigation prior to any interrogation, and he/she shall be informed of the name of all complainants.
- E. Interrogating sessions shall be for reasonable periods and shall be timed to allow for such personal necessities and rest periods as are reasonably necessary.
- F. The law enforcement officer under interrogation shall not be subjected to offensive language or threatened with transfer, dismissal, or disciplinary action. No promise or reward shall be made as an inducement to answer any questions.
- G. The formal interrogation of a law enforcement officer, including all recess

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periods, shall be recorded, and there shall be no unrecorded questions or statements.

- H. If the law enforcement officer under interrogation is under arrest, or is likely to be placed under arrest as a result of the interrogation, he/she shall be completely informed of all his/her rights prior to the commencement of the interrogation.
- I. At the request of any law enforcement officer under investigation, he/she shall have the right to be represented by counsel or any other representative of his/her choice who shall be present at all times during such interrogation when the interrogation relates to the officer's continued fitness for law enforcement service.

2. Complaint Review Board

A Complaint Review Board shall be composed of three (3) members: One (1) member selected by the chief administrator of the agency or unit; one (1) member selected by the aggrieved Officer, and a third (3rd) member to be selected by the other two (2) members. The Board members shall be law enforcement officers selected from any state, county, or municipal agency within the county. There shall be a Board for law enforcement officers whose members shall be from the same discipline as the aggrieved officer.

3. Civil Suits Brought by Law Enforcement Officers

Every law enforcement officer shall have the right to bring civil suit against any person, group of persons, or any organization or corporation of the head of such organizations or corporation, for damages, either pecuniary or otherwise, suffered during the performance of the officer's official duties or for abridgment of the officer's civil rights arising out of the officer's performance of official duties.

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4. Notice of Disciplinary Action

No dismissal, demotion, transfer, reassignment, or other personnel action which might result in loss of pay or benefits or which might otherwise be considered a punitive measure shall be taken against any law enforcement officer unless such officer is notified of the action and the reason or reasons thereof prior to the effective date of such action

5. Retaliation for Exercising Rights

No law enforcement officer shall be discharged, disciplined, demoted, or denied promotion, transfer, or reassignment, or otherwise be discriminated against in regard to his/her employment, or be threatened with any such treatment, by reason of his/her exercise of the rights granted by this part.

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ARTICLE 8 - INVOLUNTARY TRANSFER

- 8.1 If a non-probationary School Police Officer is transferred involuntarily, except in an emergency as defined by the Superintendent or designee, the employee shall be given an advanced written notice two (2) week before the effective date of the involuntary transfer. A one (1) week notice of transfer shall be given prior to the beginning of the school year, if applicable.
- 8.2 For the purpose of this Article, the designee shall be the Chief of Police.
- 8.3 ~~If necessary, On the first day of each new contract year, adequate time, as determined by the Chief of Police, will be provided to allow for both a one (1) hour PBA meeting and, if necessary, time~~ the Chief shall allow for adequate time for those Officers who have been assigned to a different work location to relocate ~~d~~Department and personal belongings to that new work location.

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ARTICLE 9 - PERSONNEL RECORDS

- 9.1 The School District agrees that all official personnel records shall be kept confidential to the extent provided by law. The provisions of subsection 1012.31, Florida State Statute are hereby incorporated herein. There shall be two (2) employee files, which shall be as follows: one (1) located in the Human Resources Division, which shall be the official District personnel file, and a Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) file in the School Police Department.
- 9.2 The School District agrees that in accordance with state law, upon request, a bargaining unit employee shall have the right to inspect his/her personnel record. No record(s) shall be hidden from a member's inspection. Anytime an entry is made into an employee's ~~record~~ District personnel file, the employee will be notified and given a copy of the entry.
- 9.3 The School District agrees that a member shall have the right to include in his/her official personnel record a written and signed refutation (including signed witness statements) of any material he/she considers to be detrimental within ten (10) working days of the employee's receipt of the material.
- 9.4 All such insertions will remain a permanent part of the member's official personnel records.

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ARTICLE 10 - SENIORITY, LAY-OFF, AND RECALL RIGHTS

- 10.1** Seniority shall be defined as the total length of continuous services in the Police Department. Seniority shall continue to accrue during all types of compensable leave. An employee on active military leave shall be entitled to all rights and benefits upon return to employment, as afforded by the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) in accordance with Federal and State laws. Other approved leaves of absence without pay shall not count towards the accrual of seniority.
- 10.2** The Chief of Police may initiate the lay-off of a member when it is deemed necessary by reason of shortage of work or funds, the abolition of the position, material change in the Department organization, or for other related reasons which are outside the member's control and which do not reflect discredit on the member.

In the event of a lay-off for any reason, employees shall be laid off in the inverse order of their seniority in their classification. Any employee who is to be laid off, who has advanced to the present classification in which he/she held a permanent appointment, shall be given a position in a lower classification in the same Department. His/hers seniority in the lower classification shall be established according to the date of his/her original (first) appointment to that classification. Employees shall be called back from lay-off according to the seniority in the classification from which the employee was laid off within the Department. Probationary employees shall have no recall rights.

Persons promoted out of the bargaining unit shall be permitted to bump into the bargaining unit for a period of one (1) year after the date of promotion.

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ARTICLE 11 - LEGAL BENEFITS: Limited Indemnification



- 11.1** The School District is authorized to provide legal services for officers and employees who are charged with civil or criminal actions arising out of and in the course of the performance of assigned duties and responsibilities. The School District shall provide for reimbursement of reasonable expenses for legal services for officers and employees who are charged with civil or criminal actions arising out of and in the course of the performance of assigned duties and responsibilities upon successful defense by the employee or officer. However, in any case in which the officer or employee pleads guilty or nolo contendere or is found guilty of any such action, the officer or employee shall reimburse the Board for any legal services which the Board may have supplied pursuant to this section. A School District may also reimburse an officer or employee of the School District for any judgment which may be entered against him in a civil action arising out of and in the course of the performance of his assigned duties and responsibilities. Each expenditure by a School District for legal defense of an officer or employee, or for reimbursement pursuant to this section, shall be made at a public meeting with notice pursuant to [Florida Statutes Sec. 120.53\(1\)\(d\)](#). The providing of such legal services or reimbursement under the conditions described above is declared to be a district school purpose for which district school funds may be expended.

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ARTICLE 12 - RESIGNATION AND PROBATION

- 12.1 Any bargaining unit member who submits his/her resignation will be permitted to continue his/her employment for the one (1) week notice period, or be paid for the one (1) weeks in lieu thereof at the discretion of the Chief of Police. Whenever possible, officers will attempt to give two (2) weeks notice of resignation.
- 12.2 Employees who are new in the system shall be considered probationary for the first (1st) eighteen (18) months after certification or date of employment, if certified. During such probationary period, the employee may be terminated without recourse. Employees who are hired after January 1, 2022, shall be considered probationary for the first (1st) two-hundred and fifty (250) regularly scheduled duty days, per the School Police calendar, after certification or date of employment, if certified. During such probationary period, the employee may be terminated without recourse. Employees can access the probationary end date in PeopleSoft.

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ARTICLE 14 - FUNERAL EXPENSES

- 14.1** The sum of \$25,000 shall be paid as hereinafter provided when a law enforcement officer, while engaged in the performance of his/her law enforcement duties, is accidentally killed or received accidental bodily injury which subsequently results in the loss of his/her life within one (1) year provided that such killing is not the result of suicide and that such bodily injury is not intentionally self-inflicted.
- 14.2** If a law enforcement officer, while engaged in the performance of his law enforcement duties, is unlawfully and intentionally killed or subsequently dies within one (1) year as a result of such unlawful and intentional act, the sum of \$75,000 shall be paid as hereinafter provided.
- 14.3** Such payments, pursuant to the provisions above, whether secured by insurance or not, shall be made to the beneficiary designated by such law enforcement officer in writing, signed by him/her and delivered to his/her employer during his lifetime. If no such designation is made, then it shall be paid to his/her surviving child or children and spouse in equal portions, and if there be no surviving child or spouse, then to his/her parent or parents. If a beneficiary designation is not made and there is no surviving child, spouse, or parent, then it shall be paid to his/her estate.
- 14.4** Such payments, pursuant to the provisions above, shall be in addition to any workers' compensation or pension benefits and shall be exempt from the claims and demands of creditors of such law enforcement officer.

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ARTICLE 15 - TRAVEL ALLOWANCE

- 15.1** The employee shall receive a mileage reimbursement in accordance with Florida State Statutes while using his/her personal vehicle for authorized School District Police Department business. In the event a District vehicle is provided to the employee, he/she will utilize the District vehicle and will not be eligible for mileage reimbursement when operating the District vehicle. In the event the School District sets any higher rate of reimbursement for any School District employee, then the School Police Officers shall receive the same higher rate of reimbursement.
- 15.2** Any Officer required to travel out of County as authorized by the Chief of Police, who is eligible to receive a per diem reimbursement payment per School Board Policy 6.01 shall be paid that per diem payment as provided in School Board Policy 6.01 and District procedures. Except in the case of an emergency, reimbursement payments shall be processed within two (2) full pay periods after the properly documented and signed expense report is submitted by the Officer.
- 15.3** Officers not provided with a Department issued vehicle will not be dispatched during the work day to another school. The intent of this Section is for an Officer not to be required to use his/her personal vehicle to drive to another school or non-school site during his/her work day. Driving to and from the Officer's daily work assignment is excluded.

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ARTICLE 16 – UNIFORMS, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

16.1 The District shall furnish uniform clothing to all bargaining unit members. The uniform shall be worn in the performance of their duties. The District also agrees to replace uniform clothing as reasonably required.

16.2 1. The District shall provide a \$360 annual allowance for the cleaning, maintenance and upkeep of said uniforms. This allowance is payable in \$120 increments.

Clothing allowance payments shall be made on or about October 31st, February 28th and June 30th or the last scheduled work day prior to those dates.

2. Any part of the uniform clothing initially supplied by the School District, which is damaged or destroyed while an Officer is acting in the performance of his/her official duties, shall be replaced by the School District at no cost to the Officer, provided the same is not the result of his/her negligence. Such claim of loss must be supported with reasonable proof.

3. The Union acknowledges that officers will be held to a high standard with respect to the wearing of uniforms and that the District reserves the right to discipline for inappropriate appearance.

16.3 The District will provide each officer with a two-way portable radio in good working order.

16.4 The District agrees to reimburse a bargaining unit member for damage/loss to personal property when said property is an item necessary to perform his/her duties such as a watch, eye glasses, etc. in the sum up to \$150.00 for each occurrence. Request for reimbursement shall be in writing with documentation of the loss/damage and the cost to repair or replace the item.



16.5 Officers assigned to the ~~Detective-Bureau~~ Criminal Investigations Division and Professional Standards Division, upon submitting clothing receipts, totaling at least \$500.00, will receive an additional \$500.00 clothing allowance payable annually effective on or about July 1, in one total payment of \$860.00 (\$360.00 as provided in 16.2 above and \$500.00 as provided herein) and will not receive additional increment payments throughout the year.

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ARTICLE 17 - WORKWEEK AND OVERTIME

- 17.1 (a) The School District agrees that the basic work week for bargaining unit employees shall be forty (40) hours, scheduled as need arises and at the discretion of the Chief of Police. When an employee is scheduled to work on a Saturday and/or on a Sunday, that employee will be paid his/her regular hourly rate except when working on that Saturday and/or Sunday would constitute overtime within the meaning of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). Any hours in excess of the forty (40) per week will be compensated at the rate of one and one-half (1.5) times the officer's regular hourly rate. Forty (40) hours will be calculated in accordance with the FLSA.
- (b) Properly documented ~~O~~vertime compensation shall be paid on the second pay date following the pay period that the overtime was worked.
- (c) In lieu of overtime pay, an employee may elect to accumulate compensatory time up to an annual reoccurring maximum of ~~sixteen (16)~~ twenty-four (24) hours. Such hours are not limited to code 9004 and may not be earned for work performed under a lease agreement. Both the accumulation of compensatory time and the use of compensatory time shall be at the reasonable discretion of the Chief of Police or his/her designee.
- (d) All bargaining unit members may use compensatory time up to a maximum of ~~three (3)~~ eight (8) hours per day or ten (10) hours per day when the District is operating on a compressed work week. during the calendar year. Employees must make a written request at least one week prior to the date of intended use. Said use shall be at the reasonable discretion of the Chief of Police or his/her designee, based upon the necessity to maintain the efficient operations of the School District.
- (e) All bargaining unit members shall meet with their supervisors prior to May 15 of each school year to schedule when any unused compensatory time will be utilized. All compensatory time utilization must be approved by the Chief or designee. If a bargaining unit member fails to schedule use of compensatory time by May 15, the Chief or designee will schedule when the compensatory time will be utilized.
- (f) Compensatory time may not be scheduled or utilized on any day when training is scheduled to take place unless the officer can provide an alternate training plan, in writing, that is acceptable to the Chief of Police.
- (g) Compensatory time may also not be scheduled or utilized on any day immediately preceding or following a holiday; and/or the day immediately before or after the Thanksgiving break, the Winter break, the Spring Break, or the first or last week of the school year with the following exceptions:

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1. for a medical emergency or planned medical procedure;
 2. to extend a properly authorized bereavement leave;
 3. to observe a religious day of the employee's faith; and/or
 4. upon prior written approval from the Chief of Police or his/her designee, such as when the absence will not create an operational hardship.
- (h) In the event of an exceptional circumstance that prohibits the utilization of compensatory time prior to August 15th of each year, the employee shall be paid at one and a half times his/her current hourly rate of pay effective as of the last pay date in August for all unused compensatory time, and payment will be made to the employee no later than the last pay date in September.
- (i) All compensatory time must be used before the effective date of any leave of absence without pay.
- (j) The Officer within the Department designated annually as the "Officer of the Year" will be granted a duty day off with pay on a date mutually agreed to by the Chief of Police and that Officer.
- 17.2 The Chief of Police or designee expressly reserves the right to change work schedules as necessary and for the purpose of avoiding unnecessary overtime as long as statutory requirements set forth in FLSA are not violated.
- 17.3 Bargaining unit members will be given ~~adequate~~ reasonable notice of any change in their regular hours of work except where an emergency exists. Bargaining unit members required to work beyond their normal duty hours during riot, hurricane or other emergency conditions by the Chief of Police will be entitled to compensation at the rate of one and one-half (1.5) times his/her regular hourly rate. This section does not limit or alter the required notice for involuntary transfers as provided in Article 8.1 herein.
- 17.4 When a bargaining unit employee is required to attend court or testify by deposition in connection with his/her duties as a police officer, not on his/her regular assigned shift, the School District will compensate the employee for a minimum of three (3) hours pay at the rate of one and one-half (1.5) times his/her normal regular hourly rate.
- 17.5 Any bargaining unit member called back to work prior to the start of his/her next regularly scheduled shift shall receive a minimum of three (3) hours pay at one and one-half (1.5) times his/her regular hourly rate.
- 17.6 ~~The School District agrees that bB~~ bargaining unit members will be compensated for off-duty training at the rate of one and one-half (1.5) times his/her normal hourly rate when required to attend by the Chief of Police.

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- 17.7 Members shall work overtime only when directed to do so by a School Police Supervisor or the Chief of Police, or when job situations arise which might necessitate a continuance of work beyond shift hours.
- 17.8 Whenever possible, all court appearances that require written subpoena to be served on a bargaining unit member will be served at the earliest possible time by an Officer authorized to do so by the court.
- 17.9 The School District agrees that any Officer required by the District to be out of Palm Beach County to attend court for any purpose as a result of his/her duties as a Palm Beach County School Police Officer will be paid for eight (8) hours at his/her regular rate of pay for each full day or for a fewer number of hours for each partial day required for said purpose as outlined in School Board Policy 3.70. Additional hours beyond eight (8) hours may be paid with the approval of the Chief of Police. Hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours per work week will be compensated per 17.1 (a) or (c) above.
- 17.10 The School District agrees that before contracting with any outside law enforcement agency or Officer for extracurricular school functions, it will first offer the opportunity to work such a function to the School Police Officer assigned to the school where the function is to take place. When the assigned officer declines extra duty work and/or additional officers are needed to work the function, the extra duty will first be offered to other officers within their school, and if declined or more staff is needed, then to the sector, zone, and then district-wide to all officers. In cases where the number and/or timing of call-outs for an extracurricular school function tax the capacity of the system, the District may offer the extra duty work on a district-wide basis as the initial step.
- 17.11 Outside detail is defined as work performed for a contractor other than the School District wherein such contractor pays fees to the District for the use of facilities and for the hiring of police officers from among those who are accepted and paid in keeping with Fair Labor Standards Act and is understood to be paid at a rate not to exceed \$35.00 per hour less any mandatory tax withholdings. The contractor may be charged an additional administrative fee by the District.
- 17.12 If an outside detail or extra duty work is cancelled and the officer is notified of the cancellation less than one (1) hour prior to the scheduled start time of the work, the officer shall inform his/her immediate supervisor of the situation. Upon confirmation of the cancellation and lack of appropriate notice, the officer shall be entitled to compensation for the scheduled length of time for said outside detail/extra duty work.

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This provision shall become enforceable on December 1, 2021 or the date of PBA ratification, whichever is earlier, and shall sunset on December 31, 2022.

17.132 For the purpose of computing overtime, an Officer should not be penalized for any District designated paid holiday during that work week (Monday thru Friday).

17.134 The annual Police School Year Duty Day Calendar will be distributed as soon as possible after the end of the previous school year. Necessary changes to the duty day calendar, as determined by the Chief of Police, will be distributed as soon as possible and all efforts will be made not to change the duty day calendar except when emergencies and/or unforeseen circumstances require that it be altered.

17.15 The Parties agree to establish a Joint Study Committee comprised of three (3) appointees from each Party to meet, study and make suggestions for a rotating seniority system to be used for the assignment of overtime, discuss the frequency at which outside details or extra work is cancelled without notification to the employee(s) in a timely manner, and discuss possible solutions. Upon completion, the Joint Committee's suggestions will be items for negotiations for the CBA dated January 1, 2023. If discussed during negotiations for a reopener, this item will not be counted as one of the two (2) additional Articles to be negotiated, unless other sections within Article 17 are also opened. This Committee will sunset on December 31, 2022.

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ARTICLE 18 - LEAVES

18.1 - LEAVES OF ABSENCE



A Leave of absence is permission granted by the District, or allowed under its adopted policies, for an employee to be absent from duty for specified periods of time with the right of returning to employment on the expiration of the leave. All absences of School District employees from duty shall be covered by leave duly authorized and granted. Leave shall be officially granted in advance by the School District and shall be used for the purposes set forth in the leave application. Leave for sickness or other emergencies may be deemed to be granted in advance if prompt report is made to the proper authority. No leave, except military leave, shall be granted for a period greater than one (1) year. A new leave application may be filed and granted at the expiration of leave, but automatic renewals of leave shall not be allowed. Leave may be with or without pay as provided by law, regulations of the State Board, and School District Policy.

A. The following types of leave are available to School Police Officers:

- Leave for Personal Reasons
- Sick Leave
- Catastrophic Leave
- Injury or Illness In-Line-Of-Duty Leave
- Temporary Military Leave
- Bereavement Leave
- Military Leave
- Leave of Absence for the Purpose of Campaigning for Political Office
- Personal Leave Including Maternity/Recovery and Child Care
- Domestic Violence Leave
- Family Medical Leave

B. Also in addition to the leaves listed in 18.1 (A) above, a non-probationary bargaining unit member as of July 1, of any given year, may volunteer for the ensuing twelve (12) months to meet annual fitness standards measuring body fat, body weight in proportion to height and aerobic power in accordance with standards established by the Institute for Aerobic Fitness, Dallas, Texas or other standards adopted by the Department. Eligible bargaining unit members achieving these annual fitness goals in all three categories shall be eligible for a paid administrative leave day which may be utilized only during the summer training months with the approval of the Chief of Police or designee.

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The Department will establish written procedures for bargaining unit members to follow so such members will know what fitness goals they will need to achieve in order to be eligible for this paid administrative leave day.

A. Leave for Personal Reasons

An employee shall be allowed six (6) days paid leave for personal reasons each year to be charged against accrued sick leave. Any personal leave shall be non-cumulative.

B. Sick Leave

1. Extent of Sick Leave

- a. An employee shall be credited with four (4) days (32 hours) of sick leave as of the last day of the first (1st) month of regular employment of each appointive year, and shall thereafter earn one (1) day (8 hours) of sick leave at the end of each calendar month, provided that the employee has been on duty or compensable leave a minimum of eleven (11) days and/or eighty-eight (88) hours exclusive of overtime within the month; and provided further, that the employee shall be entitled to earn no more than one (1) day (8 hours) of sick leave times the number of months of employment during the year of employment; and provided further, that upon timely written request to the Chief of Police, the employee may be scheduled so that twelve (12) days (96 hours) of accrued sick leave may be earned during a twelve month period.
- b. If the employee terminates employment and has not earned the four (4) sick days (32 hours) available, the District will withhold the average daily amount for the sick days utilized but unearned by the employee.

2. Sick leave shall be cumulative from year to year with no limit on the number of days accrued; provided, that at least one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of this cumulative leave must be established within the Palm Beach County School District. An employee returning to the system after a leave of absence or resignation shall be entitled to the accrued balance credited at the time of such leave or resignation.

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3. An employee may use accumulated sick leave for absence due to ~~the disability~~ pregnancy, miscarriage, abortion, childbirth, and recovery therefrom, all of which shall hereafter be referred to as "pregnancy". Should sick leave be insufficient, personal leave provisions may be used for pregnancy. The employee will have the duty to inform the personnel office at least one (1) month before the expected date of leave, when possible, so that a temporary replacement can be provided. Similarly, the employee should keep the ~~Principal and~~ Chief of Police informed as to the date of probable return to assignment after delivery and recovery.

An employee requiring more than thirty (30) working days (240 hours) of paid leave for recovery may be required to submit medical evidence at reasonable intervals supporting the need for additional leave.

4. Sick leave for medical appointments shall be scheduled more than forty-eight (48) hours ahead and not be changed except in the event of an emergency. All other requests for sick leave must be made at least two (2) hours in advance, except in the case of an emergency.
5. All sick leave and personal leave shall be approved by the Superintendent or designee. Personal leave shall be approved in advance.
6. Out-of-County Credit for Sick Leave – Employees shall be entitled to transfer sick leave credit from other Florida School Systems and State Agencies which are participants in any of the Florida Retirement System plans with the restriction that at least one-half (½) of the cumulative leave shall be established within this School District.
7. Sick leave claims shall be honored as submitted by the employee for personal illness, as well as illness or death of father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, child or other close relative, or member of the employee's own household.
8. Sick leave without pay may be granted for employees who have used all accumulated sick leave, but who would otherwise qualify for sick leave.
9. The Superintendent or designee may require a doctor's statement of verification

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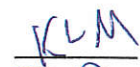

of illness. A request to the Superintendent for a verification of claim may be initiated by the ~~Principal or~~ Chief of Police. Any use of sick leave for which a doctor's note is provided shall not be considered as a violation of any sick leave policy.

10. A false claim for sick leave shall be grounds for dismissal by the School District.
11. The Parties agree that the following provisions will govern the Transfer of Sick Leave to Another Officer:

As permitted by ~~FS 1012.61 Section 1, Subsection (2), paragraph (e)~~ Florida State Statutes a regular full-time Officer may donate unused accrued sick leave, in increments of eight (8) hours to another regular full-time Officer to use as sick leave for either the recipient Officer's serious illness that prevents the Officer from performing his/her work duties/responsibilities or a recipient Officer's serious physical injury that prevents that Officer from performing his/her work duties/responsibilities. Transferred sick leave may not be used as paid personal leave for personal reasons pursuant to Section A above to be eligible to receive donated sick leave:

- a. The seriously ill or injured Officer must submit documentation to the Chief of Police signed by his/her treating physician that the Officer's serious illness or serious injury prevents the Officer from performing his/her work duties/responsibilities. Such documentation must include an approximate date when the Officer will be able to return to work and resume all of his/her work duties/responsibilities.
- b. Upon receipt of a request from the Chief of Police or his/her designee for updated documentation, including a revised date on which the Officer will be able to return to work, the Officer is required and will promptly see that all necessary steps are taken to obtain such required updated documentation, along with the revised return to duty date, and that such documentation is signed by the treating physician and promptly submitted to the Chief of Police or his/her designee.
- c. The prospective recipient Officer must have had a minimum of eight (8) earned, accumulated and unused sick leave hours at the time of illness or injury.

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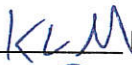

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The following provisions will govern the transfer of sick leave days:

- a. The Officer donating his/her earned and unused sick leave will use form PBSO 2175 found on the District's website.
- b. A regular full-time Officer with an accumulation of at least forty-eight (48) hours of earned and unused sick leave may donate sick leave hours pursuant to this provision to any eligible full-time Officer regardless of that Officer's tenure with the School Police Department.
- c. A donating Officer may not donate sick leave hours in a number that would lower his/her own accumulation of earned sick leave to below forty (40) hours.
- d. Such donated sick leave shall be processed using the above-mentioned District form that is completed, signed, notarized and timely submitted by the donor Officer. The donated sick leave shall not be accessible or transferred to the recipient Officer until his/her own sick leave is exhausted. Once the recipient's own sick leave is exhausted, the donors' leave shall be transferred to the recipient. Donated sick leave hours are to be used on a go forward basis and are not applied retroactively to the recipient's accrual. Once transferred, such donated leave is no longer a part of the donor's accrued sick leave and it may never be returned to the donor except as provided in g. below.
- e. Donated sick leave shall have no terminal value to the recipient, but may have terminal value to the donor if any such sick leave hours are returned to the donor's accumulation, but only as provided in g. below.
- f. If sick leave is donated, but not yet transferred to the intended recipient and it is determined the recipient either does not meet the eligibility requirements to receive such donations as set forth in this Section or is no longer in need of such donated sick leave, such sick leave will not be transferred and will remain a part of the donor's sick leave accumulation.
- g. In such instances, any completed, signed, notarized and submitted forms PBSO 2175 will be deemed void and be of no further use. In the event sick leave hours have been transferred to the recipient, but it is determined the recipient is no longer eligible to use donated sick leave hours, the number of donated, but unused sick leave hours will be transferred from the recipient's accumulation and returned to the respective donors in as equitable manner as possible as determined by the District. If a donor is no longer an employee of the School District, any sick leave hours that would have been returned to such donor(s) are

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waived/eliminated and may not be used for any purpose whatsoever by the donor, by the recipient, by anyone else, by the District or by PBA.

C. _____ Catastrophic Illness or Injury Leave

1. A catastrophic illness or injury shall be defined as a medical condition not covered by Worker's Compensation requiring absence from work greater than fifty (50) working days of consecutive absence for a single illness or injury.
2. An employee who sustains a catastrophic illness or injury may apply for and receive, for use on a matching basis, supplementary catastrophic illness or injury leave not to exceed the number of regular, unused sick leave days that the employee had accumulated on the first day of the regular sick leave applied to the catastrophic illness or injury.
3. Two (2) medical verifications of such catastrophic illness or injury shall be required. Employees shall fully cooperate with the Board and shall authorize the release of any medical records necessary. The Board shall satisfy itself that any claim for catastrophic illness or injury leave is legitimate and correctly states the facts. The Board may at its expense require an independent medical examination.
4. The School District's granting of matching leave days shall begin on the fifty-first (51) scheduled work day of catastrophic illness or injury.

D. Injury or Illness In-Line-Of-Duty Leave

An employee who is absent due to injuries or illness clearly received in the discharge of assigned duties shall be entitled to additional sick leave benefits as hereafter provided.

1. An employee who is injured in-the-line-of-duty may be entitled to a maximum of ten (10) non-cumulative leave days which shall not be charged against the employee's sick leave balance. All claims for such leave must clearly substantiate an injury received in carrying out assigned duties. Additionally, such paid leave shall

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only be awarded for the duty days for which the employee has been employed. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the employee's rights under Chapter 440, Florida Statutes.

- a. Leave will not be payable under this section if the injury occurs while the employee is intoxicated, or; while under the influence of any narcotic drug, barbiturates, or other stimulus not prescribed by a physician, to such extent as to deprive the employee of normal faculties to drive, be in actual physical control of, or operate, while on duty, any automobile, truck, or other vehicle, and the injury is caused primarily by the intoxication of the employee.
- b. Leave will not be payable under this section to an employee when that employee willfully or intentionally causes injury to self or to others while on duty.
- c. If the injury is caused by the intentional refusal of the employee to properly use equipment or observe safety rules required by State Statute or this District, and said rules have been reviewed by the employee prior to the accident, compensation as provided by Section 440.09(4), Florida Statutes, shall be reduced by twenty-five percent (25%).
- d. A law enforcement officer as defined in Section 943.10(1), (2), or (3) who, while acting within the course of employment as provided by Section 440.091, is maliciously or intentionally injured and who thereby sustains a job-connected disability compensable under this Chapter, shall be carried in full-pay status rather than being required to use sick, annual, or other leave until either the employee reaches maximum medical improvement (MMI) as determined by a health care provider or two (2) years from the date of injury or illness, whichever occurs first. Full-pay status shall be granted only after submission to the employing agency's head of a medical report which gives a current diagnosis of the employee's recovery and ability to return to work. In no case shall the employee's salary and workers' compensation benefits exceed the amount of the employee's regular salary requirements.

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2. When an employee can clearly demonstrate that the contracting of a disease was from the school center or department to which assigned, then the employee may qualify for a maximum ten (10) days of non-cumulative illness in-line-of-duty leave.


An absence for illness in-line-of-duty leave may be granted when the employee can clearly demonstrate the contracting of an infectious or contagious disease at the work location for which ~~inoculations~~ vaccinations are not available and exclusive of upper respiratory infections or complications therefrom. Common colds, influenza, or other illnesses common to the public are not to be considered as illness in-line-of-duty.

Further, this contagious disease must be exclusive of upper respiratory infections or complications therefrom and must be one for which ~~inoculations~~ vaccinations are not available. The School District agrees to provide ~~inoculations~~ vaccinations for Hepatitis A and B, and for AIDS, when available.

3. In cases of unusual illness or injury in the line-of-duty, an employee may make a request to the Superintendent for additional compensated leave days. If the Superintendent is satisfied that the condition warrants, additional leave days shall be authorized.
4. An employee who has claim for compensation while absent because of illness contracted or injury incurred as prescribed herein shall notify the ~~Principal and~~ Chief of Police as soon as such illness or injury is apparent and shall file a claim by the end of each month or pay period as requested during which such absence has occurred. The School District shall satisfy itself that the claim correctly states the facts and that such claim is entitled to payment. An employee who has a claim under this Policy shall fully cooperate with the Board and shall authorize the release of any medical records necessary.
5. "Light duty" is a term used when an employee who has been injured on the job and who has been determined eligible for Workers Compensation benefits and leave. Before and until the employee's Workers Compensation Doctor determines the employee has reached MMI (maximum medical improvement), the doctor may approve the employee to return to duty, but with work limitations that are provided

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in writing by the Workers Compensation Doctor. If the Chief of Police determines the Department can temporarily accommodate the employee returning to duty with these light-duty restrictions, the employee will return to duty under those restrictions.



E. Temporary Military Leave

If the obligation for temporary military service cannot be met outside the time of contractual employment, temporary leave for military service with the United States Armed Forces or the Florida National Guard will be granted with pay not to exceed two hundred forty (240) working hours of compensation as provided in Section 115.07, Florida Statutes, or the member of the staff may request uncompensated personal leave. All efforts should be made to prevent such leave being taken during the time school is in session. Requests for temporary military service shall be made by letter with copies of official order attached.

F. Bereavement Leave

1. An Officer who is required to be absent from work due to the death in his/her immediate family is entitled to paid bereavement leave for up to three (3) days. As used herein, "immediate family" is limited to parents, siblings, spouse, children, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparents, grandparents-in-law, domestic partner, or other relatives residing in the Officer's household.
2. The employee must provide to his/her supervisor the name of the deceased, date of death, city of death and the deceased's relationship to the employee upon return from the leave. Failure to provide the requested information may result in conversion of the bereavement leave to accrued or unpaid leave.
3. The use of bereavement leave shall not be counted against an Officer's sick leave, personal leave or compensatory leave time. If an Officer requires additional time off for bereavement, the Officer may use sick leave and may also use compensatory time if approved by the Chief or designee as provided in Section 17.1 of this Agreement.

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4. Bereavement leave is only available for active employees. It will not be permitted to be used for an officer who was already on an active leave at the time of the need for the absence.

18.3 - UNPAID LEAVES

A. Military Leave/Extended Service

1. Regular Military Service

An employee who is required to serve in the United States Armed Forces or the Florida National Guard shall be granted military leave without pay. Upon returning to the School System following completion of duty in the Armed Forces, the employee shall be reinstated with all rights and benefits of employment that the employee would have attained had the employee been continuously employed, in accordance with Federal and State law. Regular military duty shall not be initiated by the employee. All applications or requests for re-employment shall be filed with the School District in accordance with the provisions of the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA), 38 U.S.C. Chapter 4, and Palm Beach County School Policy 3.80.

2. Voluntary Military Service


When an employee enters voluntarily into active duty in the Armed Forces for temporary duty, training duty, or extended periods of service, not to exceed one (1) year, military leave may be granted at the discretion of the School District.

B. Leave for Political Campaigning

Any person who has filed to run for political office and is desirous of personal leave for political reasons shall make application for such leave and shall be entitled to personal leave. The person shall not be restricted to one (1) leave during a political campaign; however, if possible, leave shall be requested for the duration of the campaign. Leave shall be taken for all absences for political campaigning.

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C. Personal Leave

An employee requesting short-term or long-term personal leave shall make written application to the Chief of Police, stating reasons for such leave. ~~The Board shall satisfy in terms of the need for a requested leave.~~

Personal leave may be used to extend a leave of absence due to sickness when that sickness has extended beyond all compensable leave for the duration of up to one (1) calendar year when supported by doctor's statements verifying the necessity of the extended leave. An employee requesting return to duty who has served efficiently and exhibited those qualities called for in the position held prior to such leave will be given every consideration for re-employment provided the conditions of employment have been met and the request is supported by a doctor's statement certifying that his physical condition is satisfactory to return to normal duties.

D. Expectant/New Mothers and New Dependent Children

1. Maternity/Recovery and Child Care
 - a. An employee who is pregnant, adopting a child, or is receiving a foster child into the home, may request and shall be entitled to a leave of absence without pay for maternity or child care reasons to begin anytime during pregnancy (normally after post-delivery recovery) or in the case of adoption or foster child care, the receipt of custody. Leave may be granted for the remainder of the employee's term of appointment and may be extended for one (1) additional year provided that the total time away from the job is not more than eighteen (18) months.
 - b. It is the responsibility of the employee to keep the Chief of Police informed so that appropriate administrative arrangements can be made prior to the employee's return to duty.
2. At the discretion of the Chief of Police or designee, if an employee is temporarily unable to perform all of her assigned job duties due to her pregnancy, the employee may be assigned to an alternative duty assignment. There is no right to be so assigned and it is at the sole discretion of the Chief of Police or designee whether or not such alternative duty assignment will be offered, and if offered and accepted, when the employee will be reassigned back to her full regularly assigned job duties.

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E. Non-Work Related Injury

At the discretion of the Chief of Police or designee, if an employee is temporarily unable to perform all of his/her job duties due to a non-work related injury or due to a non-work related medical condition, the employee may be temporarily reassigned to an alternative duty assignment. There is no right to be so assigned and it is at the sole discretion of the Chief of Police or designee whether or not such alternative duty assignment will be offered, and if offered and accepted, when the employee will be reassigned back to his/her full regularly assigned job duties

18.4 - DISABILITY/SICK DAYS

An employee who has purchased disability insurance through the District shall not be required to use sick days for absences due to illness or injury once benefits commence to be paid to the employee pursuant to the policy.

18.5 - ATTENDANCE SUPPLEMENT

The Attendance Supplement will be held in abeyance from July 1, 2018 until July 1, 2019.

Effective January 8, 2021~~13~~, an Officer who has perfect work attendance on all of his or her scheduled days of work during each quarter of the calendar year ~~a Nine Weeks Secondary School Grading period as listed on the District's School Calendar~~, will receive a stipend of \$250, minus standard deductions, for that quarter.

~~For purposes of this Section, the first nine (9) weeks grading period will start on the first work day of the Officer's work year in July and goes through the date designated on the School Calendar as "End 1st Nine Weeks". The second Nine Weeks Grading period begins on the Officer's next scheduled work day and goes through the date designated on the School Calendar as "End 2nd Nine weeks". The third Nine Weeks Grading period begins on the Officer's next scheduled work day and goes through the date designated on the School Calendar as "End 3rd Nine Weeks". The fourth and final Nine Weeks grading period begins on the Officer's next scheduled work day and goes through June 30.~~

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18.5 - ATTENDANCE SUPPLEMENT (cont'd)

To be eligible to receive this Attendance Incentive, the Officer must be a regular full-time, non-probationary Officer of the District for the ~~entire nine (9) weeks grading period of the~~ qualifying period quarter.

"Perfect Work Attendance" means not being absent for any reason except when called for or serving on a jury, "light duty" associated with a Workers Compensation claim, taking an approved TDE that takes the Officer away from his/her regular duties to attend a District approved activity, using approved compensatory time, or using administrative leave as approved by the Chief or designee as provided for in Section 17.1 (h) or Section 18.1 (b) above.

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ARTICLE 19 - HOLIDAYS

- 19.1** Paid Holidays for all bargaining unit members shall be as approved by the School District as prescribed by the School Calendar Committee. Pursuant to Florida Statutes, the Board may authorize a maximum of six (6) paid legal holidays.

To the extent possible, the School District will attempt to schedule training on student non-attendance days.

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ARTICLE 20 - SALARY PLAN


Assigned duty days shall be as determined by the Chief of Police.


- 20.1 Dual Career Ladder/Career Path Program** - Effective July 1, 1995, and thereafter, the District shall provide a Dual Career Ladder/Career Path Program to all employees of the School District Police Department who are members of the PBA bargaining unit. A copy of this Program will be issued as General Order 26.4 and will be made available to any PBA bargaining unit employee who requests a copy within a reasonable period of time. The Parties continue to agree that this Program is not a part of this Agreement.
- 20.2 Salary Incentive Money** - Qualified School Police Officers shall be paid supplements for salary incentive money as outlined in Section 943.22, Florida State Statutes. The following is a list of the maximum amount of salary incentive money any Officer may receive per month according to the type of salary incentive for which he/she is eligible.

<u>Training</u>	<u>Maximum Payment per Month</u>
Basic Only	\$25.00*
Advanced Course Only	\$120.00 Maximum
Education Only	\$30.00 - Two (2) Year Degree \$80.00 - Four (4) Year Degree
Basic and Advanced Courses	\$130.00 Maximum
Basic and Education	\$55.00 with Two (2) Year Degree \$105.00 with Four (4) Year Degree
Advanced Courses and Education	\$130.00 Maximum
Basic, Advanced Courses and Education	\$130.00 Maximum

* Only full-time Law Enforcement Officers who were initially employed/certified prior to July 1, 1980, may receive basic salary incentive payments.

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20.3 - ASSIGNMENT PAY

The Chief of School Police may, in response to operational and/or programmatic demands, assign a permanent employee(s) to Special Duty Assignment (SDA) in any of the following areas with accompanying annual supplemental compensation, as indicated:

- Sergeant \$4,000 (take-home vehicle)
- Detective \$4,000
- K-9 Trainer \$2,800
- ~~K-9 (caretaker/handler)/per dog~~ ~~\$2,800*~~
- CRT (Crisis Response Team) \$2,800
- FTO (Field Training Officer) \$1,200 (\$4,000 as of January 1, 2022)*
- Accreditation Manager \$1,200
- K-9 Caretaker/Handler - K-9 Caretakers/Handlers shall be paid an additional one (1) hour per day at one and one half times (1.5) a rate of \$15 per hour (or the state minimum wage, whichever is greater), for each dog they are assigned, per pay period as compensable time for the care and maintenance of the assigned canine(s). For example, a current K-9 Caretaker/Handler with one canine would earn approximately \$22.50 per day. The payment for caring for the animal(s) applies to every day of the year (including weekends, holidays and breaks) in which the employee is personally caring for the animal(s). Those officers assigned more than one K-9 as of the date of the ratification of this Agreement will not have a K-9 removed as a result of this increase in supplemental pay.


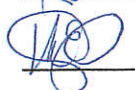
Veterinary appointments and certification activities should be scheduled during the regularly scheduled shift. Should such activities occur outside the employee's regularly scheduled shift, he/she/they will be paid for hours worked in compliance with the law.

An employee assigned to Special Duty Assignment shall receive supplemental compensation only for the duration of the assignment.

* Those officers actively assigned to a FTO position as of January 1st of each year shall receive the annual stipend. Any past practice regarding payment of the FTO Assignment Pay shall conclude on December 31, 2021.

- 20.4 Non-Contract Day Compensation** - Any school police officer who is requested to work on a non-contract day shall be compensated at the rate of ~~\$375.00~~ per hour effective upon ratification and School District approval.

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20.5 Salary Adjustments

- a. The Parties agree that effective January 1, 20~~2021~~, the maximum and minimum Hourly Pay Rates on the Minimum-Maximum Hourly Pay Rate Schedule (Appendix A) will be increased by ~~1~~ 2.5% ~~to the minimum and 3.5% to the maximum~~. This amended Minimum-Maximum Hourly Rate Pay Schedule is attached as Appendix A. Also, effective January 1, 20~~2021~~, each Police Officer's hourly rate of pay will be increased by 3.5%. Those individuals who are no longer employees of the District on the date the School Board approves this Agreement are not entitled to this pay increase.
- b. The Parties agree that the Minimum-Maximum Schedule in Appendix A is not subject to further modification or change until January 1, 20~~2022~~ as agreed to in the Duration of Agreement provision of this Contract, and further agree that future modifications or changes to Appendix A and/or the hourly rates on that Schedule will be effective January 1, of any given year unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- c. Only those employees who receive an overall satisfactory end of the school year annual evaluation the previous school year shall be eligible to receive the wage increase set forth above.
- d. ~~The District's Performance Based Evaluation Instrument for School Police Officers will continue to be in effect with the understanding that the Instrument is not a part of this Agreement. All appeals of an Officer's annual evaluation based on the District's Performance Based Evaluation Instrument will be made to the employee's evaluator and then, if necessary, to the Chief of Police for a final determination. The Parties agree that any appeal will be limited to the failure of the evaluator to have followed evaluation procedures, criteria and/or forms. The judgments and conclusions of the evaluator are not appealable and no evaluation issue may be processed through the Grievance Procedure contained in this Collective Bargaining Agreement. The decision of the Chief of Police on any evaluation appeal is final.[Moved to 27.3]~~

~~20.6 If a bargaining unit member is going to receive at least one "Not Acceptable" rating on his/her annual Performance Based Evaluation, the member shall be given notice at least sixty (60) calendar days prior to the completion of the employee's annual evaluation. If the bargaining unit member's performance continues to be "Not Acceptable" in one or more evaluation categories and the member receives an overall unsatisfactory annual performance evaluation at the end of the school year, said member will not be eligible to receive a step increase for the following school year should there be an agreement to provide step increases that year. In addition, said member will not be eligible to receive any negotiated increase to the salary schedule for the following school year, should~~

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~~there be an agreement to increase the salary schedule that year. One "Not Acceptable" rating on any of the evaluation indicators at the end of a school year annual evaluation constitutes an overall unsatisfactory annual performance evaluation rating.~~[Moved to 27.4]


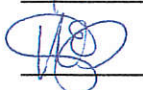
20.7 – PERFORMANCE-BASED PAY PLAN

- a. Bargaining unit members, upon completion of their sixth (6th) or more years of continuous service with the District who achieve a score of 165 or higher on the District's Performance Based Evaluation Instrument with no areas rated as "Not Acceptable" the previous fiscal year, are eligible to receive a Performance-Based Pay stipend on or about December 1 of the fiscal year following the attainment of the score of 165 or higher. The employee must remain an employee of the District through December 1 of the fiscal year following the attainment of the score of 165 or higher to maintain his/her eligibility to receive the Performance Pay stipend. The Parties agree and understand that becoming eligible for the Performance Pay stipend is contingent each year on the employee's completion of six (6) or more years of continuous service with the District, achieving a score of 165 or higher and having no area rated as "Not Acceptable" on his/her annual.

Performance-Based Evaluation form and remaining an employee through December 1 of the fiscal year following the attainment of the score of 165 or higher. In addition, it is understood that the Chief of Police or designee may establish one of the three goals that are to be attained by the employee as set forth in the Performance Based Evaluation Instrument during any years the Performance Based Pay Plan is in effect.

- b. The amount of the Performance-Based Pay stipend that is paid to each eligible employee will vary each year based on the total number of bargaining unit members who are eligible to receive a Performance-Based Pay stipend that fiscal year. The number of eligible employees each year will be divided into the District's Performance-Based Pay amount ~~on~~ of one-hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) each December.
- c. While each eligible employee is required to have all legally mandated deductions made from his/her Performance-Based Pay stipend, the District assumes all responsibility for making all additional legal payments and these additional payments will be made in addition to the one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,00) set aside annually to pay these Performance-Based Pay stipends.

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20.8 - PAYROLL SCHEDULE


The District, after giving prior written notice to the Association and to employees in the Association's bargaining unit, may implement the provisions contained in paragraphs a., b. and/or c. below either separately or together.


- a. The District may implement a 26 equal pay payroll schedule for employees who work a 12 month calendar with paychecks electronically deposited every other Friday in the employee's choice of a financial institution beginning on a Friday selected by the District. If a Friday pay date falls on a non-duty day, the paycheck will be electronically deposited the last preceding duty day. Employees who work less than a 12 month calendar may have their payroll checks electronically deposited every other Friday, but proportionately on fewer than 26 Fridays.
- b. The District may implement a paperless payroll whereas employees will not receive a paper pay stub, but will be able to access payroll stub and other payroll information by going to a District website location and, after entering their personal password, be able to view and retrieve their individual payroll information as well as being able to view and make some payroll information changes on-line such as the employee's W-2 Form.
- c. The Chief of Police may implement a new attendance/payroll tracking system for Department employees to comply with any District implemented system. The Chief of Police will confer with PBA representatives prior to implementing any such system.

The Association is invited to appoint two (2) representatives to provide input on topics that will be addressed by the District's *ad hoc* Payroll Advisory Committee. One topic of the *ad hoc* Payroll Advisory Committee will be to make an annual recommendation to the Chief Operating Officer of the first Friday paycheck date of each school year for employees who are less than 12 month employees. To that end, such Association representatives will be provided a TDE at District expense to attend meetings of this Committee when such meetings are scheduled during regular duty hours.

Notwithstanding the above provisions, in the event the District determines it is in its interests or is required by law, regulation, court order and/or the settlement of a legal suit, to establish a pay program that pays hourly paid employees for actual hours worked and for all over-time earned during each two-week pay period within two weeks of the end of each pay period, the Parties agree that such a pay program may be implemented by the District after giving the Association reasonable advanced written notice.

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20.9 - ADVANCED DEGREE PAY

Bargaining unit members shall be eligible for Advanced Degree Pay for a Master or Doctorate degree in Criminal Justice, Criminology, Public Administration, Police Administration or a related advanced degree approved by the Chief of Police, conferred by an accredited college or university.

The annual Advanced Degree Supplement shall be paid as follows:

Master's Degree	\$2,000
Doctorate Degree	\$4,000

20.10 - WEST AREA SUPPLEMENT

1. Effective January 3, 2009, an Officer permanently assigned full-time to the ~~Glades~~ West Area will be paid an annual supplement as follows:

Years of Service School District Police Dept.	Annual Supplement
0 – 2 years	\$3,000.00
2 – 8 years	\$4,500.00
9 + years	\$5,500.00

Such Supplement will be prorated based on the Officer's work year and the date he/she became eligible to receive the ~~Glades~~ West Supplement.

2. Payment of the ~~Glades~~ West Supplement shall be effective for an Officer at the beginning of the next pay period following the effective date the Officer was permanently assigned to the ~~Glades~~ West Area and shall terminate when the Officer is no longer assigned to the ~~Glades~~ West Area.
3. An officer temporarily assigned to the ~~Glades~~ West Area shall be considered to be permanently assigned for purposes of being eligible for this ~~Glades~~ West Supplement after he/she has been temporarily assigned for at least a period of twenty (20) continuous work days and shall be paid the ~~Glades~~ West Supplement effective at the beginning of the pay period commencing immediately after being temporarily assigned to the ~~Glades~~ West Area.

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20.11 – SERGEANT’S SPECIAL DUTY ASSIGNMENT

The following procedures will be followed should there be a need to assign an Officer to fill the supplemental Special Duty Assignment of Sergeant pursuant to Article 20.3 of this Agreement.

a. Qualifications

1. At least five (5) years of continuous law enforcement service with the District prior to the initial date of taking the examination. Employees who separate from employment with the Police Department and thereafter return to the employment may not bridge seniority.
2. No record of discipline in the employee’s personnel file relating to any job related incidents within the previous five (5) years.
3. At a minimum, the applicant must have successfully completed an approved “Line Supervision” course.
4. At a minimum, the applicant must have obtained a conferred Associated Degree in a related Criminal Justice field or successfully completed at least sixty (60) semester hours at a College or University.
5. Must have and maintain a valid FDLE certification.
6. Must have and maintain a valid Florida driver’s license.

b. Examination and Oral Interview

1. An Officer meeting and maintaining the above listed qualifications is eligible to sit for a promotional examination when it is next administered. The testing location and date will be announced at least forty-five (45) calendar days prior to the testing date. The District will provide a list of the areas that the examination will cover and will also provide a list of the resources from which the examination was drawn. For this purpose, the District will only use job related promotional examinations.
2. Those receiving a score of at least 80% on the examination will be considered to be “candidates” for the Special Duty Assignment of Sergeant.
3. A candidate maintains his/her eligibility to interview for the Supplemental Special Duty Assignment of Sergeant for up to 24 months from the date he/she was most recently considered to be a candidate. Thereafter, an Officer must sit for an examination and receive a score of at least 80% to continue to be a candidate or to become a candidate again should the 24-month period expire before the Officer had the opportunity to take an exam again.
4. When there is a need to assign an Officer to fill the supplemental Special Duty Assignment of Sergeant as determined by the Chief of Police, the supplemental

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position will be advertised internally and candidates at that time who wish to interview may do so before an oral interview panel comprised of Department Command Officers selected by the Chief of Police, and at least one (1) non-District law enforcement person selected by the Chief of Police. The oral interview panel will rank the candidates who participate in these oral interviews from highest to lowest.



c. Selection Process:

1. The Chief of Police may delay naming a candidate to assume the responsibilities of the supplemental Special Duty Assignment of Sergeant with respect to any candidate who is the subject of an active criminal or internal investigation.
2. After reviewing the most recent examination scores of the candidates who interviewed and the ranking of the oral interview panel and other considerations, at his discretion, the Chief of Police will make the selection and this decision is final and not appealable.

d. Other Regulations

1. Officers who are candidates may withdraw their candidacy from consideration at any time.
2. A candidate who no longer meets the eligibility requirements will no longer be considered to be a candidate.
3. A candidate is no longer a candidate should his/her employment with the District end.
4. A candidate will no longer be considered to be a candidate should he/she be found to be involved with criminal activity or administrative misconduct.
5. An Officer selected to assume the responsibility of the supplemental Special Duty Assignment of Sergeant serves in this Assignment for as long as the Chief of Police wishes that Officer to remain in that Special Duty Assignment or until the Officer elects to step out of that assignment by submitting a letter to the Chief of Police stating same.
6. An Officer being relieved of this supplemental Special Duty Assignment of Sergeant either the Chief of Police or by his/her own choosing, will no longer have those responsibilities and will no longer be eligible to receive the supplemental pay and the take-home vehicle per Article 20.3 above.

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20.12 – TERMINAL LEAVE PAY & BENCOR

An employee who retires and submits proof of eligibility from the Florida Retirement System or whose employment is terminated by death shall receive payment for accrued sick leave days. Such compensation shall be the daily rate of pay at retirement or death of the employee multiplied by the maximum percentage provided for by Florida Statute times the number of accumulated sick leave days. In the event service is terminated by death, benefits shall be paid to the beneficiary as identified on the employee's group life insurance. Form.

- (a) Effective June 30, 2017 and thereafter, employees who have a minimum of ten (10) consecutive years of District service just before they are to receive terminal pay benefits and who are retiring/leaving the employment of the District or who are entering into DROP shall have such terminal pay benefits provided to them through the BENCOR National Government Employees Retirement Plan as adopted by the School Board in 1999.
- (b) Employees who are eligible to receive terminal pay benefits and who are retiring/leaving the employment of the District prior to June 30, 2017, shall not be covered under the BENCOR Plan.
- (c) The Department of Compensation and Employee Information Services will provide affected employees with information on eligibility, how the process works and its benefit to employees in this bargaining unit.

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ARTICLE 21 - OFF DUTY EMPLOYMENT

- 21.1** Off Duty employees shall not be engaged in any outside or non-School District employment except on the written authorization of the Superintendent or designee.
- 21.2** In no event shall non-School District or outside employment interfere with the performance of an employee's duties with the School District.
- 21.3** For the purpose of this Article, the designee shall be the Chief of Police.

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ARTICLE 22 - TRAINING

- 22.1 The School District agrees to provide the proper required training to all bargaining unit members to insure the retention of police certificates.
- 22.2 ~~The School District agrees to provide state required training in handling of AIDS, as well as equipment required by law.~~
- 22.3 Additional mandatory training may be initiated by the Superintendent or designee to provide bargaining unit members with the skills and knowledge required to improve job performance.
- 22.4 Attendance at all training sessions is mandatory unless excused by the Superintendent or designee.
- 22.5 For the purposes of this Article, the designee shall be the Chief of Police.

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**ARTICLE 23 - PROHIBITION OF STRIKES**

- 23.1** Employees covered by this Agreement and the PBA, its officers, agents and representatives agree that they will not engage in any strike activities.
- 23.2** Employees covered by this Agreement, the PBA or its Officers, Agents or Representatives, agreed that ~~Section 447.505 of~~ the Florida Public Employees Relations Act prohibits them individually or collectively as public employees or the PBA from participating in a strike against the Palm Beach County School District, the employer, by instigating or supporting in any manner a strike.

Any violation of this section shall subject the violator(s) to the penalties as provided by ~~Section 447.507 of~~ the Florida Public Employees Relations Act.

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**ARTICLE 24 - SAVINGS**

- 24.1** If any section of this Agreement should be found invalidated by State Statutes or court order, then only said section shall be invalidated. At the request of either Party, such invalidated section shall be reopened for negotiations. If the Parties are unable to resolve the invalidated section(s) within twenty (20) days of the commencement of negotiations and such section(s) is a mandatory subject for bargaining, the Parties agree to abide by the provisions of Chapter 447, Florida State Statutes, concerning said invalidated section(s).

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**ARTICLE 25 - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

- 25.1** The District and the PBA agree that all negotiable items that should or could have been discussed during negotiations leading to this Agreement, were discussed, and that this Agreement represents all items agreed to and that no additional negotiations, unless stipulated in this Agreement, will be conducted during the life of this Agreement except by mutual consent of the Parties.
- 25.2** This Agreement constitutes all agreements between the Parties for the term of this Agreement and the School District shall carry out the commitments contained herein and give them full force and effect as District Policy.
- 25.3** Within thirty (30) days of the School District's and PBA's authorized signatures to the Collective Bargaining Agreement and/or modifications to said Agreement, such signed Collective Bargaining Agreement and/or modifications will be posted on the District's website.
- 25.4** The Parties agree that this Agreement and negotiated modifications thereto shall remain in full force and effect until such time a successor Agreement or a further modification to this Agreement is either mutually agreed upon via the bargaining process or is resolved and implemented pursuant to procedures in [Florida Statutes Sec. 447.403](#).

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ARTICLE 26 - GRIEVANCE AND ARBITRATION PROCEDURE

26.1 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

In a mutual effort to provide harmonious relations between the Parties to this Agreement, it is agreed to and understood by both Parties that there shall be a procedure in this Department for the resolution of grievances or misunderstandings between the Parties arising from the applications or interpretation of this Agreement as follows:

A. **STEP 1:** The aggrieved employee, with or without the Union Representative, shall discuss the problem or dispute concerning the Agreement with the immediate supervisor within ten (10) working days of the occurrence or employee's knowledge of the occurrence resulting in the problem or dispute. The supervisor has ten (10) working days after the discussion with the employee to resolve the problem/concern.

STEP 2: If, after informal discussions with the immediate Supervisor, the problem has not been resolved, the grievant and and/or PBA may elect to file a grievance with the Chief of Police, by completing the attached Grievance Form, signed by the grievant and/or PBA representative, stating the specific Article, Section, and language of this Agreement that is alleged to have been violated, misinterpreted, or misapplied.

The properly completed and signed Grievance Form must be submitted to the Chief of Police within ~~ten (10)~~ twenty (20) working days of the date on which informal discussions took place with the immediate supervisor. The Chief of Police will have ten (10) working days ~~of~~ from receipt of the Grievance Form to reconsider or notify the Grievant and the PBA of the decision.

STEP 3: If the grievance has not been satisfactorily resolved at Step Two, using the Grievance Form, the employee and/or PBA may appeal the grievance to the Director of Labor Relations within ten (10) working days after the Chief of Police's response is due. Using the Grievance Form, the Director of Labor Relations shall respond within ten (10) working days to the grievant and PBA.

1. Failure to observe the time limits for submission of a grievance, at any Step, will automatically result in the grievance being considered abandoned. Failure to respond to a grievance within the prescribed time limits will automatically move the grievance to the next step.

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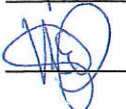
2. The Parties acknowledge that, as a principle of interpretation, employees are obligated to work as directed while grievances are pending.
3. All responses required in Steps Two and Three above shall be directed to the employee with a copy furnished to the PBA.
4. The resolution of any grievance processed by a bargaining unit member with Association representation shall be in accordance with this Agreement.
5. No more than two (2) Association Representatives shall be present at any grievance hearing.
6. An employee shall have the option of using appropriate procedures pursuant to Florida Statutes or of using this grievance procedure in resolving an issue that falls within the definition of a "Grievance" as contained in Section 26.1 of this Article; however, the employee is precluded from using more than one of the procedures when seeking a resolution to an issue.
7. The Parties acknowledge that multiple grievances may be combined with the mutual agreement of the employer and the PBA. Grievances of a general nature relating to the provisions of this Agreement may be processed directly at Step Two by the PBA.

STEP 4: Arbitration Procedure

1. If the grievance has not been satisfactorily resolved at Step 3, only the PBA may submit the grievance to arbitration, in writing, no later than ten (10) working days after the date the Director of Labor Relations' response is due. A grievance may be appealed to Step 4 - Arbitration by the PBA provided timely written notice is given to both the Superintendent and the Federal Mediation & Conciliation Service (FMCS) demanding arbitration of the grievance on a form prescribed by FMCS. Nothing contained in this Article or elsewhere in this Agreement shall be construed to permit the Association to file for arbitration, unless by mutual consent, that has not been processed through this grievance procedure.

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ARTICLE 26 - GRIEVANCE AND ARBITRATION PROCEDURE (cont'd)

2. It is further understood and agreed that the aggrieved employee(s) shall be granted release time to attend formal proceedings, as described herein, which are held during working hours. The agents of School Police and the PBA shall mutually agree on a representative number of employee witnesses to insure a full hearing on the merit of the issues for which said employee witnesses shall be granted released time to testify.
3. At the arbitration hearing, the aggrieved employee shall be accompanied by the PBA Representative. The arbitrator shall render his/her decision no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the conclusion of the final hearing. Such decision shall be final and binding and made in accordance with the jurisdictional authority under this Agreement. Copies of the award shall be furnished to both Parties.
4. Selection: The arbitrator shall be selected and shall conduct the arbitration proceedings in accordance with the rules established by the Federal Mediation Conciliation Service.
5. Powers: The Arbitration Award shall be in writing and shall set forth the arbitrator's opinion and conclusion on the issue submitted. The arbitrator shall limit his decision to the application and interpretation of this Agreement and the arbitrator shall have no right to amend, modify, nullify, ignore, or add to the provisions of this Agreement. The cost of the services of the arbitrator shall be shared equally by both Parties to this Agreement.

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**ARTICLE 27 - EVALUATION**

- 27.1** An Evaluation will be conducted annually by the Principal and the Chief of Police. The evaluation will be reviewed by the Chief of Police for final decision on renewal, transfer, or assignment of the employee.
- 27.2** [formerly 20.10] The Parties continue to agree and understand that the Performance Based Evaluation Instrument for Officers is not a part of this Agreement and that all appeals of an Officer's annual evaluation based on the District's Performance Based Evaluation Instrument will be made to the Officer's evaluator and then, if necessary, to the Chief of Police for a final determination. The Parties also agree that any appeal will be limited to the failure of the evaluator to have followed evaluation procedures, criteria and/or forms. The judgments and conclusions of the evaluator are not subject to appeal and no evaluation issue may be processed through the Grievance Procedure contained in this Collective Bargaining Agreement. The decision of the Chief of Police on any appeal is final.
- 27.3** [formerly 20.5d] The District's Performance Based Evaluation Instrument for School Police Officers will continue to be in effect with the understanding that the Instrument is not a part of this Agreement. All appeals of an Officer's annual evaluation based on the District's Performance Based Evaluation Instrument will be made to the employee's evaluator and then, if necessary, to the Chief of Police for a final determination. The Parties agree that any appeal will be limited to the failure of the evaluator to have followed evaluation procedures, criteria and/or forms. The judgments and conclusions of the evaluator are not appealable and no evaluation issue may be processed through the Grievance Procedure contained in this Collective Bargaining Agreement. The decision of the Chief of Police on any evaluation appeal is final.
- 27.4** [formerly 20.6] If a bargaining unit member is going to receive at least one "Not Acceptable" rating on his/her annual Performance Based Evaluation, the member shall be given notice at least sixty (60) calendar days prior to the completion of the employee's annual evaluation. If the bargaining unit member's performance continues to be "Not Acceptable" in one or more evaluation categories and the member receives an overall unsatisfactory annual performance evaluation at the end of the school year, said member will not be eligible to receive a step increase for the following school year should there be an agreement to provide step increases that year. In addition, said member will not be eligible to receive any negotiated increase to the salary schedule for the following school year, should there be an agreement to increase the salary schedule that year. One "Not Acceptable" rating on any of the evaluation indicators at the end of a school year annual evaluation constitutes an overall unsatisfactory annual performance evaluation rating.

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*Article number to be determined once the contract is settled - Children of Employees

1. After-School Child Care for the Children of Employees:

- a) Bargaining unit employees will be given priority for placement of their children in After-School Child Care at District elementary schools where the District has an After-School Child Care Program, so long as this does not conflict with the law.
- b) Eligibility is as follows:
 - i) The child is elementary school age.
 - ii) The child attends the After-School Child Care Program at the school in which the child is enrolled.
- c) In the event all After-School Child Care slots at one school are occupied by bargaining unit employees' children, priority for placement will be based on bargaining unit employee seniority.
- d) In the event a bargaining unit employee's child changes elementary schools during the school year, he/she will be given priority for placement if there is an After-School Child Care Program waiting list at his/her new elementary school.
- e) For purposes of this Section, eligibility to participate in the After-School Child Care Program requires that the bargaining unit employee is the legal parent/guardian of the student.
- f) The District shall assume no responsibility and/or liability for the transportation of these students.
- g) As a benefit of employment with the District, all full-time T-bargaining unit employees who properly enroll their child(ren) in a District After-School Child Care Program and who are not already eligible to receive any kind of discount, will receive a 25% discount on the hourly rates charged by these Programs to the general public. Employees already eligible to receive any other kind of discount will not receive a total discount of more than 25%. This employee discount is only for hours of District Before-School and District After-School Programs operating on regular student attendance days and do not apply to Professional Development Days (PDDs), In-Service Days, Teacher Work Days or on days these District After-School Child Care Programs are not operating.

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ARTICLE 28 - DEFINITIONS

28.1 The following list of terms will be used in the Agreement and whenever they are used will refer to the definitions described below unless otherwise stipulated.

1. Employee/Officer - All certified Police or Law Enforcement personnel approved by the Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC) to be members of the bargaining unit.
2. Association - The Police Benevolent Association, or the "PBA", meaning the bargaining unit and its duly authorized representative(s) or agent(s).
3. Superintendent - The Superintendent of Schools of Palm Beach County, Florida, or his/her designee.
4. Chief of Police - The Chief of Police of The School District of Palm Beach County, Florida, or his/her designee.
5. Principal - The School Principal or his/her designee.
6. Board - The School District of Palm Beach County, Florida, its administrative officers or agents.
7. School System or District or County - The School District of Palm Beach County, Florida
8. Public Employees Relations Act (PERA) - Florida Statutes, 447, Part II, Chapter 74-100.
9. Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC) - The PERC Commission created under Florida Statutes 447.205.
10. Day
 - A. Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, "day" or "contract day" shall mean School Police Officer work day.
 - B. "Non-contract" day shall mean any weekday when School Police Officers are not regularly scheduled to work or as designated on the School Police calendar.

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ARTICLE 28 - DEFINITIONS (cont'd.)

- €- "Working day" shall mean any day of the week, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. When the last day of any time period or a deadline prescribed or allowed by this Agreement falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the time period or deadline continues to run until the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.
11. FMCS - Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service
12. PBA Representative - Any elected or PBA appointed member of the bargaining unit, duly authorized to represent the Association.

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ARTICLE 29 - PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE

1. This Section covers actions involving discipline as described in Section 8 below, oral or written warnings, written reprimands, suspensions, demotions, dismissals, or reductions in grade or pay with prejudice.


Disciplinary action may be taken against an employee only for just cause, and this must be substantiated by sufficient evidence which supports the recommended disciplinary action.

All allegations pertaining to a disciplinary action shall be investigated. Actions under this Section shall be initiated after all the facts have been made known to the official responsible for taking the actions.

2. Disciplinary action shall be governed by applicable State Statutes.
3. An employee against whom disciplinary action is to be taken may appeal said action through the grievance procedure, excluding verbal warning/written warnings.
4. An employee against whom action is to be taken under this Section shall have the right to review all of the information relied upon to support the proposed action and shall be given a copy upon request. No adverse action may be taken against an employee on the basis of any document which has not been provided by a copy to the employee.
5. The Association shall be provided with a copy of all correspondence that is related to the action of the employee the Association is representing at the grievance procedure.
6. The employee and his representative shall be afforded a reasonable amount of time to prepare and present appropriate responses to the proposed disciplinary actions under the Section. This amount of time is to be mutually agreed upon by the Parties.
7. Previous charges or disciplinary actions that have been brought forth by the administration may be cited against the employee if these previous acts are reasonably related to the existing charge. All previous charges or disciplinary actions must have been shared with the employee.

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ARTICLE 29 - PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE (cont'd)

8. The discipline, dismissal, demotion, and suspension of any employee shall be for just cause. ~~Where just cause warrants such action(s), an employee may be demoted, suspended, or dismissed upon~~ Recommendation for such action shall be made by of the Chief of Police to the Superintendent. Except for more serious cases, which may be initiated at a higher level, progressive discipline shall be administered as follows:
- a. Verbal warning (written notation) not filed in Personnel File
 - b. Written warning, which shall neither be retained in the employee's District personnel file nor be considered after twelve (12) months from the date that the warning was issued.
 - c. Written reprimand, which is filed in the employee's Personnel File.
 - d. Suspension with or without pay with Board approval.
 - e. Dismissal, with Board approval.

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ARTICLE 301 - DURATION OF AGREEMENT

This Comprehensive Agreement has been negotiated by and between The School District of Palm Beach County, Florida, and The Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association (PBA) on behalf of School Police Officers. This Agreement shall become effective with PBA ratification and School Board approval and shall remain in effect through December 31, 20203. During the term of this Agreement, either Party may reopen the Agreement as follows:

- A. In the first year of this Agreement (~~201821~~), each Party may reopen Article 20 – Salary Plan, to be effective January 1, ~~201922~~, unless an alternative effective date is otherwise agreed to by the Parties, and two (2) additional Articles each. Coalition bargaining for Article 13 – Health, Life, Dental and Vision Insurance Benefits will commence in ~~202021~~, for a January 1, ~~202122~~ effective date, unless the District and the Coalition agree to some other effective date.
- B. In the second year of this Agreement (~~201922~~), each Party may reopen Article 20 – Salary Plan, to be effective January 1, ~~202023~~, unless an alternative effective date is otherwise agreed to by the Parties, and two (2) additional Articles each. Coalition bargaining for Article 13 – Health, Life, Dental and Vision Insurance Benefits will commence in ~~202022~~, for a January 1, ~~202123~~ effective date, unless the District and the Coalition agree to some other effective date.
- C. The Parties agree to open negotiations for a successor Comprehensive Agreement in ~~202023~~ for a January 1, ~~202124~~, effective date, unless the District and PBA agree to some other effective date. If the results of coalition bargaining in ~~201722~~ call for the commencement of coalition bargaining in ~~201823~~, coalition bargaining will commence in ~~201823~~ for a January 1, ~~201924~~ effective date, unless the District and the Coalition agree to some other effective date.

PBA and the District reserve all legal rights accorded them pursuant to Chapter 447, Florida Statutes, relating to acceptance, modification or rejection of proposals.

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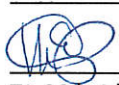
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APPENDIX A – Salary Schedule – Effective January 1, 2017

Minimum Hourly Rate of Pay:	\$ 26.57 <u>27.23</u>
Maximum Hourly Rate of Pay:	\$ 44.96 <u>46.54</u>


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APPENDIX B – Grievance Report



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

Grievance Report

☐ Non-bargaining Unit ☐ Bargaining Unit: ☐ AESOP ☐ CTA ☐ FPSU ☐ PBA

FILING DATE

NAME OF PERSON FILING GRIEVANCE (last, first, middle initial)	TITLE	LEVEL/STEP
SCHOOL OR DEPARTMENT	TELEPHONE / PX	

Board Policy(ies)/ Administrative Directive(s) misapplied/violated (for non-bargaining unit employees only)

Contract provisions grieved (for bargaining unit employees only)

Grievance Statement (include date of occurrence)

Relief Sought

SIGNATURE OF PERSON FILING GRIEVANCE

DATE

SIGNATURE OF ASSOCIATION / UNION OFFICER OR
STAFF REPRESENTATIVE (if applicable)

DATE

TITLE / POSITION

DISPOSITION BY ADMINISTRATION (attach additional sheets if necessary)

SIGNATURE

DATE

TITLE / POSITION

PBSD 0114 (Rev. 10/30/2007)

ORIGINAL - Office of Labor Relations
COPY - Association or Union Representative

COPY - Appropriate Administrator
COPY - Person filing grievance

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