

# Tax Sheltered Annuity Program: 403(b), Roth 403(b), 457 plan

A tax-sheltered annuity (TSA) is a retirement savings plan that allows public school district employees to invest pre-tax dollars in a 403(b) or 457 retirement account, or after-tax dollars in a Roth 403(b) account.

### Where to find information

Visit our website at <a href="https://www.isd623.org">https://www.isd623.org</a> Click on "Our District" and then "Human Resources" in the District Services column. On the left side of the screen, click on "Employee Insurance Plans" and then on "403(b) /457 Tax Sheltered Annuity"

#### Process to enroll

- Employee must invest with one of the approved vendors and set up their accounts. You can use any financial agent you choose just be sure you are investing in one of the approved companies.
- Not all investment companies offer a Roth option. Check with your financial agent.
- Complete the Salary Reduction Agreement to contribute a fixed dollar amount or a percentage of your salary. Use the same form to change or stop your contributions.
- Please return the completed Salary Reduction Agreement to Peggy Sepion in the Payroll Department at the District Center. If you have any questions, please call 651-628-6443 or by email <a href="mailto:peggy.sepion@isd623.org">peggy.sepion@isd623.org</a> Forms may be sent by email or faxed to 651-635-1659.

## **District Matching Contribution**

- Depending on your employment group, you may be eligible to receive a matching contribution from the district. Matching contributions are a percentage of your salary. Please check your contract for eligibility requirements and matching amounts.
- Matching contributions can only be made to pre-tax 403(b) contributions not to a Roth account.

### Timeline

- You may begin participating at any time by completing the Salary Reduction Agreement form
- To receive the district's matching contribution, completed forms are due by May 31<sup>st</sup> for 12 month employees, and July 31<sup>st</sup> for school year employees. Matching contributions will begin in July for 12-month employees, and in September for those working a school year calendar. For teachers who miss the July 31<sup>st</sup> deadline, matching contributions would begin in October if your form is received by August 31<sup>st</sup>. Send forms to Peggy Sepion in Payroll at the District Center.

### Third party vendor

• Aviben (formerly EBC) is a third-party administrator to ensure our plan follows IRS regulations. Please direct any questions regarding loans, rollover transactions, etc., to Aviben, at 855-369-5518.