

# Ascension Parish School Board

Dental Highlight Sheet



## Active Employee - Dental Plan Summary

Effective Date: 11/1/2023

<b>Plan Benefit</b>	
Type 1	100%
Type 2	80%
Type 3	50%
<b>Deductible</b>	\$50/Calendar Year Type 2 & 3 Waived Type 1 \$150/family
<b>Maximum (per person)</b>	\$2,000 per calendar year
<b>Preventive Plus<sup>SM</sup></b>	Included
<b>Allowance</b>	95th U&C
<b>Dental Rewards<sup>®</sup></b>	Included
<b>Waiting Period</b>	None
<b>LASIK Advantage<sup>®</sup></b>	Included
<b>SoundCare</b>	Included
<b>Annual Open Enrollment</b>	Included

## Orthodontia Summary - Adult and Child Coverage

<b>Allowance</b>	U&C
<b>Plan Benefit</b>	50%
<b>Lifetime Maximum (per person)</b>	\$1,000
<b>Waiting Period</b>	None

## Sample Procedure Listing (Current Dental Terminology © American Dental Association.)

Type 1	Type 2	Type 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Routine Exam (2 per benefit period)</li> <li>Bitewing X-rays (2 per benefit period)</li> <li>Full Mouth/Panoramic X-rays (1 in 5 years)</li> <li>Periapical X-rays</li> <li>Cleaning (2 per benefit period)</li> <li>Fluoride for Children 18 and under (2 per benefit period)</li> <li>Sealants (age 15 and under)</li> <li>Space Maintainers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restorative Amalgams</li> <li>Restorative Composites (anterior and posterior teeth)</li> <li>Periodontics (nonsurgical)</li> <li>Denture Repair</li> <li>Simple Extractions</li> <li>Anesthesia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Onlays</li> <li>Crowns (1 in 5 years per tooth)</li> <li>Crown Repair</li> <li>Endodontics (nonsurgical)</li> <li>Endodontics (surgical)</li> <li>Periodontics (surgical)</li> <li>Implants</li> <li>Prosthodontics (fixed bridge; removable complete/partial dentures) (1 in 5 years)</li> <li>Complex Extractions</li> </ul>

## Monthly Rates

<b>Employee Only (EE)</b>	\$0.00
<b>EE + 1 Dependent</b>	\$30.60
<b>EE + 2 or more Dependents</b>	\$60.15

## Ameritas Information

### We're Here to Help

This plan was designed specifically for the associates of Ascension Parish School Board. At Ameritas Group, we do more than provide coverage - we make sure there's always a friendly voice to explain your benefits, listen to your concerns, and answer your questions. Our customer relations associates will be pleased to assist you 7 a.m. to midnight (Central Time) Monday through Thursday, and 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Friday. You can speak to them by calling toll-free: 800-487-5553. For plan information any time, access our automated voice response system or go online to [ameritas.com](http://ameritas.com).

**Dental Health Scorecard**

How would you rate your dental health?

In 2016, you can receive your Dental Health Report Card by signing into your secure member account online. Your assessment is based on claims submitted. The report card also offers suggestions if you strive to improve your dental health. Ameritas members can access the personalized report card by going to [ameritas.com](http://ameritas.com), click Account Access in the top right corner and choose the Dental/Vision/Hearing drop down. Select the Secure Member Account link and sign in to see your report.

**Rx Savings**

Our valued plan members and their covered dependents can save on prescription medications at over 60,000 pharmacies across the nation including CVS, Walgreens, Rite Aid and Walmart. This Rx discount is offered at no additional cost, and it is not insurance.

To receive this Rx discount, Ameritas plan members just need to visit us at [ameritas.com](http://ameritas.com) and sign into (or create) a secure member account where they can access and print an online-only Rx discount savings ID card.

**Eyewear Savings**

Ameritas plan members may receive up to 10% off eyewear frames and lenses purchased at any Walmart Vision Center nationwide. Members may also bring in their current vision prescription from any vision care provider and purchase eyewear at Walmart. This savings arrangement is not insurance: it is available to members at no additional cost to their plan premium.

To receive the eyewear savings identification card, Ameritas plan members can visit [ameritas.com](http://ameritas.com) and sign-in (or create) a secure member account. Members must present the Ameritas Eyewear Savings Card at time of purchase to receive the discount.

**Dental Rewards®**

This dental plan includes a valuable feature that allows plan members to carry over part of their unused annual maximum. A member must submit at least one claim during the benefit year while staying at or under the plan-specific threshold amount. Earns an extra reward, called the PPO Bonus, by seeing a Network Provider. Employees and their covered dependents may accumulate rewards up to the stated maximum carry-over amount, then use those rewards for any covered dental procedures subject to applicable coinsurance and plan provisions. If a plan member doesn't submit a dental claim during a benefit year, all accumulated rewards will be lost; but he or she can begin earning rewards again the very next year.

Benefit Threshold	\$750	Dental benefits received for the year cannot exceed this amount
Annual Carryover Amount	\$400	Dental Rewards amount is added to the following year's maximum
Annual PPO Bonus	\$200	Additional bonus is earned if the member sees a network provider
Maximum Carryover	\$1,200	Maximum possible accumulation for Dental Rewards and PPO Bonus combined

Groups with a program similar to Dental Rewards on their previous plan are eligible for Dental Rewards Credits. To qualify for Dental Rewards Credits, the employer must request a list of carryover amounts from the previous carrier, to be sent to Ameritas.

Ameritas will credit each account based on amounts identified by the previous carrier. The credit is available only to initial insureds. The credit, and any amounts earned under our plan, will not exceed the maximum carryover proposed for the plan selected.

Enrollment data must include information for all dependents enrolling in the plan.

### LASIK Advantage®

LASIK Advantage provides coverage for LASIK and related procedures, including standard LASIK, Custom LASIK, LASIK with Wavefront Technology, CustomVue LASIK, LASIK with IntraLase technology and Photorefractive Keratectomy (PRK). Members earn a lifetime benefit per eye over time. The benefit amount increases throughout a three-year period, with the highest coverage provided at year three. Members earn benefits for each eye and can't combine benefits for both eyes to use for a single eye. If a member enrolls after the initial enrollment period, they must wait 12 months from enrollment to be eligible for coverage; after 12 months the member will begin coverage at the year-one benefit. The LASIK Advantage benefit is available to members age 18 and older. Adult and child coverage is allowed - adult only and child only coverage are not. LASIK Advantage is only available with dental plans with preventive, basic and major coverage. There is no network tied to this coverage.

Lifetime Benefit Earned Per Eye	Year One	Year Two	Year Three
	\$175	\$175	\$350

### SoundCare Summary

<b>Coinsurance</b>	
Annual Hearing Exam	100%
Hearing Aid	50%
Hearing Aid Maintenance	100%
<b>Deductible</b>	
	None
<b>Maximum (per benefit period)</b>	
Annual Hearing Exam	Up to \$75
Hearing Aids (both ears)	
Year One	Up to \$200
Year Two	Up to \$600
Year Three	Up to \$800

### SoundCare<sup>SM</sup> Hearing Health Benefits

**Life's getting louder.**<sup>SM</sup> Thanks to the cranked-up volume of modern life, hearing loss has become one of the most common chronic health problems in the U.S. It afflicts more than 30 million of us - about 10% of the population has a significant hearing loss - and the number is growing. Today's Baby Boomers have the most active and noisy lifestyle of any previous generation. And hearing loss is occurring at younger and younger ages, partly because of electronic devices that flood our society.

In addition to the obvious culprits we're sticking in our ears - portable media players, cell phone earpieces, gaming headsets - here's a look at common noises that affect hearing, and the amount of time it can take for hearing loss to occur:

- stadium football game: two and a half hours
- tractor: 37 minutes
- hand drill: 23 minutes
- snowmobile: 15 minutes
- leaf blower, smoke alarm, chain saw, airplane cabin: a minute and a half
- rock concert, ambulance: 9 seconds

#### An Important Benefit

Today's top employers care about the well-being of their employees. Taking care of your hearing is an important but often overlooked habit for good health, and SoundCare can help. Practice good hearing health habits, prevent future problems and seek treatment when needed. That's sound advice for a happy, healthy future.

### Preventive Plus<sup>SM</sup>

With this plan option, benefits for Type 1/Preventive procedures are not deducted from the plan member's annual maximum benefit. This saves the entire annual maximum for the Type 2/Basic and Type 3/Major procedures that are covered by your plan.

### Dental Network Information

To find a provider, visit [ameritas.com](http://ameritas.com) and select **FIND A PROVIDER**, then **DENTAL**. Enter your criteria to search by location or for a specific dentist or practice. California Residents: When prompted to select your network, choose the Ameritas Network found on your ID Card or contact Customer Connections at 800-487-5553.

Your provider network is Ameritas Classic and Plus Network.

### **Pretreatment**

While we don't require a pretreatment authorization form for any procedure, we recommend them for any dental work you consider expensive. As a smart consumer, it's best for you to know your share of the cost up front. Simply ask your dentist to submit the information for a pretreatment estimate to our customer relations department. We'll inform both you and your dentist of the exact amount your insurance will cover and the amount that you will be responsible for. That way, there won't be any surprises once the work has been completed.

### **Open Enrollment**

If a member does not elect to participate when initially eligible, the member may elect to participate at the policyholder's next enrollment period. This enrollment period will be held each year and those who elect to participate in this policy at that time will have their insurance become effective on November 1. If you do not enroll during your company's open enrollment period, then you will be subject to the Late Entrant Provision.

### **Late Entrant Provision**

We strongly encourage you to sign up for coverage when you are initially eligible. If you choose not to sign up during this initial enrollment period, you will become a late entrant. Late entrants will be eligible for only exams, cleanings, and fluoride applications for the first 12 months they are covered.

### **Section 125**

This plan is provided as part of the Policyholder's Section 125 Plan. Each employee has the option under the Section 125 Plan of participating or not participating in this plan. If an employee does not elect to participate when initially eligible, he/she may elect to participate at the Policyholder's next Annual Election Period.

### **Dental Cost Estimator**

Ever wonder what a dental procedure usually costs? The answer can be found using the Ameritas group division's Dental Cost Estimator tool located in our Secure Member Account portal.

Members can search by ZIP Code for a specific dental procedure and see fee range estimates for out-of-network general dentists in that area. Of course, we always suggest that members partner with their dentists, so they know what's involved in any recommended treatment plan.

The estimator tool is powered by Go2Dental and uses FAIR Health data that is updated annually. Please note, cost estimates do not reflect discounted rates available through provider networks, and the estimator does not include orthodontic estimates at this time.

In addition, when members are in their Secure Member Account, they can:

- Go paperless with electronic Explanation of Benefits statements and reduce the clutter in their mailboxes
- View their certificate of insurance and specific plan benefits information
- Access value-added extras like the Rx discount ID card

### **Worldwide Support**

When our members travel abroad, they'll have peace of mind knowing that should a dental or vision need arise, help is just a phone call away. Through AXA Assistance, Ameritas offers its dental and vision plan members 24-hour access to dental or vision provider referrals when traveling outside the U.S.

Immediately after a call is made to AXA, an assistance coordinator assesses the situation, provides credible provider referrals and can even assist with making the appointment. Within 48 hours following the appointment, the coordinator calls the member to find out if additional assistance is needed. If all is well, the case is closed. Then, the plan member may submit a claim to Ameritas for reimbursement consideration based on applicable plan benefits. Contact AXA Assistance USA toll free by calling 866-662-2731, or call collect from anywhere in the world by dialing 1-312-935-3727.

### **Language Services**

We recognize the importance of communicating with our growing number of multilingual customers. That is why we offer a language assistance program that gives you access to: Spanish-speaking claims contact center representatives, telephone interpretation services in a wide range of languages, online dental network provider search in Spanish and a variety of Spanish documents such as enrollment forms, claim forms and certificates of insurance.

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