



Woodstock Community Unit School District 200

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Board of Education approves 5-year teacher contract

The Woodstock Community Unit School District 200 Board of Education Tuesday unanimously approved a new five-year contract with the Woodstock Council of Teachers.

The contract increases salaries for the next three years with Consumer Price Index salaries set for the final two years.

Salaries will increase 5 percent for the 2024-2025 school year, 4.5 percent for the following year and 4.25 percent in the 2026-2027 school year. During the final two years, salaries will be set according to CPI with a floor of 3.25 percent and a ceiling of 4.5 percent.

Mike Moan, D 200 superintendent of schools, noted a national teacher shortage and the challenge of replacing retiring staff as factors in the negotiations.

“During these negotiations, both sides shared the goal of retaining our high-quality teaching staff as well as continuing to attract excellent teacher candidates with a salary structure that is comparable to surrounding communities,” Moan said.

“We are proud of the education District 200 provides, highlighted by our Dual Language Program, our Dual Degree and Dual Credit programs and our overall academic growth. We offer a high-level education for our students and our families, which should be credited to our teachers,” Moan continued. “This contract will help us maintain and exceed that level of quality education while also remaining fiscally responsible.”

Other highlights of the contract include the formation of grading committees on the elementary, middle and high school levels; increasing personal leave days to 3 per year, increasing meal and lodging allowances to \$100 and \$200 per day, respectively among other considerations.

The Board also approved a new five-year contract with the custodial employees union with the same salary increase percentages approved for teachers. The contract also includes a \$300 attendance each six months for employees with perfect attendance and increased the uniform allowance from \$200 to \$450 among additional considerations.