AGREEMENT Pursuant to Sections 3540-3549 of the Government Code of the State of California

# BY AND BETWEEN MARIN COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS



# AND CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

# Walker Creek Ranch Unit



2024 - 2027

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## **AGREEMENT**

- 1.1 The articles and provisions contained herein constitute a bilateral and binding Agreement ("Agreement") by and between the Marin County Superintendent of Schools/Marin County Board of Education ("Superintendent/Governing Board") and the California School Employees Association/Marin County Office of Education, ("Association") Walker Creek Ranch Unit.
- 1.2 This Agreement is entered into pursuant to Chapter 10.7 Sections 3540-3549 of the Government Code ("Act").

# **ARTICLE 2**

## **RECOGNITION**

- 2.1 The Superintendent/Governing Board recognizes the Association as the exclusive representative for employees in the designated classified unit of the Walker Creek Ranch.
- 2.2 The designated classified unit consists of classified employees excluding: any position designated management/confidential, bus drivers, substitutes, employed on a day-to-day hourly basis to replace absent employees and who work less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the regular school year or limited term employees.
- 2.3 All newly created positions except certificated, management, confidential or supervisory positions shall be assigned by the Superintendent to the appropriate bargaining unit.

### **ORGANIZATIONAL SECURITY**

### 3.1 <u>Membership and Dues Deduction</u>

- 3.1.1 The Marin County Office of Education shall distribute CSEA-supplied membership applications to new hires (but not make any statement suggesting workers must join). Marin County Office of Education shall provide a jointly-agreed letter to new hires and anyone asking about *Janus v. American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, Council 31, et al.*, 585 US (2018), expressing Marin County Office of Education's desire to work cooperatively with CSEA due to its professionalism and strong support for increased school funding. Marin County Office of Education shall refer all employee questions about CSEA or dues to the CSEA Labor Relations Representative. CSEA shall defend and indemnify Marin County Office of Education for any claims arising from its compliance with this clause. This agreement shall satisfy Marin County Office of Education's duty to bargain effects of *Janus* decision.
- 3.1.2 The Marin County Office of Education shall not interfere with the terms of any agreement between CSEA and the Marin County Office of Education's employee with regard to that employee's membership in CSEA, including but not limited to automatic renewal yearly unless the worker drops out during a specified window period. The Marin County Office of Education need not keep track of this period which shall be tracked by CSEA within its membership database.
- 3.1.3 CSEA shall have the sole and exclusive right to receive the payroll deduction for regular membership dues.

#### 3.2 <u>Dues Deduction</u>

- 3.2.1 The employer shall deduct, in accordance with the CSEA dues schedule, dues from the wages of all employees who are members of CSEA.
- 3.2.2 The Marin County Office of Education's managers, supervisors and confidential employees shall be either positive or neutral regarding employees' decisions to belong to an employee organization or participate in its activities. Managers, supervisors and confidential employees shall not instruct employees on the process to leave CSEA, but instead simply refer any questions to the CSEA Labor Relations Representative and shall obtain their approval on behalf of the union before processing any revocation request.
- 3.2.3 The employer shall not be obligated to put into effect any new or changed deductions until the pay period commencing thirty (30) days or more after such submission.
- 3.2.4 There shall be no charge by the employer to CSEA for regular membership

dues deductions.

### 3.3 <u>Membership Information</u>

3.3.1 The Marin County Office of Education shall take all reasonable steps to safeguard the privacy of CSEA members' personal information, including but not limited to members Social Security Numbers, personal addresses, personal phone number, personal cellular phone number, and status as a union member.

### 3.4 Hold Harmless

3.4.1 CSEA shall defend and indemnify Marin County Office of Education, its offices and agents for any claims arising from its compliance with this article for any claims made by the employee for deductions made in reliance on information provided by the employee organization to the employer to cancel or change membership dues authorization. The employee shall be required to promptly notify CSEA of any claims made by employees relating to dues authorization. CSEA shall have the exclusive right to decide and determine whether any such action shall be compromised, resisted, defended, tried or appealed.

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### **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

#### 4.1 Proposals and Meetings

- 4.1.1 The Association shall present its annual proposal to the Superintendent no later than March 1st.
- 4.1.2 The Superintendent shall present its initial proposals no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 4.1.3 Negotiations shall take place at mutually agreeable times and places.
- 4.1.4 Consultants may be present and participate at the direction of the Association or the Superintendent representative.
- 4.1.5 Caucuses may be called during the negotiation sessions at the request of the chief spokesperson of the Association or the chief spokesperson of the Superintendent.
- 4.1.6 All supporting material used during negotiating sessions shall be prepared by the presenting party in sufficient copies for all representatives of each party.

### 4.2 Agenda

- 4.2.1 The agenda for each meeting shall be determined at the previous meeting.
- 4.2.2 Each agenda item shall remain on subsequent agendas until resolved or tabled by mutual consent.

### 4.3 Reporting

4.3.1 Each party shall keep its own notes and no attempt shall be made to jointly work out complete minutes of the meetings.

### 4.4 <u>Agreement</u>

- 4.4.1 Agreement reached on agenda items shall be initialed or signed by representatives of the Association and the Superintendent or designee. However, each agreement reached shall be tentative until agreement can be reached finally on all of the proposal and subjects which have been submitted.
- 4.4.2 A binding, bilateral contract shall be signed by representatives of the Association and of the Superintendent covering those matters within the scope of negotiations that have been mutually agreed upon, when ratified by the members of the bargaining unit and signed by the Superintendent.

### 4.5 <u>Release Time</u>

4.5.1 The Superintendent/Governing Board will provide a reasonable amount of release time for meeting, negotiating and processing grievances.

- 4.5.1.1 Such release time may be used by Association representatives for representational meetings, collective bargaining sessions related to any matters within scope of representation, i.e., hours, wages, terms, and conditions of employment, meetings between labor and management to adjust grievances, EERC/Superintendent's Information Meeting, New Employee Orientation.
- 4.5.2 The Association will notify the Superintendent, or designee, in writing, prior to each use in adequate time to provide for supervisor notification and substitutes.
- 4.5.3 All release time will be paid at the regular hourly rate and not subject to overtime or other provisions of Article 6, Hours of Employment, for work done during or outside of normal work hours.

### 4.6 Other Association Business

- 4.6.1 The Superintendent will provide a maximum of ninety-five (95) hours of release time per school year (July 1-June 30) beyond the release time guaranteed pursuant to the Education Employment Relations Act as described in Article 4.5. These release hours shall be combined with the Blue Unit so that the total release time shall not exceed ninety-five (95) hours across the two (2) units (Blue and Green).
  - 4.6.1.1 Such release time may be used by Association representatives for Association business including but not limited to grievance investigation, discipline investigation, negotiations preparation, Personnel Commission Meetings, CSEA Executive Board ("E-Board"), and Marin County Board of Education Meetings.
  - 4.6.1.2 Should the maximum 95-hours of release time for other association business for purposes outlined in 4.6.1.1 be exhausted, CSEA may submit an email request, setting forth good cause for an extension of hours, to the Superintendent or designee. For good cause shown, the Superintendent may grant an extension of time in 10 hour increments.
- 4.6.2. The Association will notify the Superintendent, or designee, in writing, prior to each use in adequate time to provide for supervisor notification and substitutes.
- 4.6.3 All release time will be paid at the regular hourly rate and not subject to overtime or other provisions of Article 6, Hours of Employment, for work done during or outside of normal work hours.

#### 4.7 <u>Delegate Release Time for CSEA's Annual Conference</u>

The MCOE will provide a maximum of five (5) days for up to two (2) individuals designated by the CSEA, Chapter 327 unit to attend and serve as delegates at the annual CSEA conference. This delegate release time shall be combined with the Blue Unit so that no more than two (2) individuals are released for a maximum of five (5) days each across the two (2) units (Blue and Green).

### 4.8 <u>Distribution of Contract</u>

- 48.1 After the ratification of this contract, the Superintendent shall print or duplicate and provide, without charge, copies of this contract to the Association for distribution to every employee in the bargaining unit.
  - 4.8.2 In addition, the Association shall receive, without charge, sufficient copies of the contract to distribute to new employees who are members of the unit.
  - 4.8.3 The Association and each employee in the bargaining unit shall be provided by the Superintendent, without charge, with a copy of any written changes agreed to by the parties to this agreement during the life of this agreement.

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### SALARIES AND FRINGE BENEFITS

- 5.1 The salary schedule for 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027 shall be set forth in Appendix A. This represents a 10% increase effective on July 1, 2024 and retroactive to July 1, 2024, a 5% increase effective July 1, 2025 and a 5% increase effective July 1, 2026. Effective July 1, 2013, permanent and probationary ranch employees are eligible for fringe benefits if they work .66 FTE or more.
- 5.2 Less than .66 employees will receive pro-rated benefits. Example: For a .60 FTE, 91% benefits would be paid by MCOE, and the employee would pay 9%.
- 5.3 The Superintendent will provide medical/dental/vision/life insurance in an amount not to exceed \$1,750.00 monthly per unit member beginning July 1, 2024, \$1,875.00 beginning July 1, 2025, and \$2,033.00 beginning July 1, 2026, for employees who work .66 FTE or more. The coverage shall include, but is not limited to, two (2) medical plan options. The actual amount of coverage is dependent upon the coverage selected by the employee. With the exception of dental coverage, it is understood that members of the bargaining unit shall request only that coverage actually needed.

Effective April 1, 2005, there will be no compensation in lieu of benefits for unit members hired after April 1, 2005. Only employees receiving cash-in-lieu of benefits as of March 31, 2005 shall be allowed to continue to receive this payment. Once an employee discontinues cash-in-lieu of benefits, the employee is no longer eligible to apply for cash-in-lieu of benefits. With the exception of dental coverage and vision, it is understood that members of the bargaining unit shall request only that coverage actually needed.

Eligibility for medical/dental/vision/life insurance coverage shall begin the first of the month following the first day in paid status.

Employees working .66 FTE or more who were hired prior to April 2005 and who are able to certify that they have comparable health coverage through another source shall receive \$300.00 per month in compensation in lieu of such benefits. Employees shall sign a form waiving health benefits and certifying that they have comparable health coverage through another source. The waiver and certification shall be placed in the employee's personnel file. Each Association member who is participating understands that the \$300.00 per month compensation in lieu of health benefits is considered for income tax purposes, although the employee may place these funds into a tax-sheltered annuity of their choice. Association members who participate in this option and who subsequently lose their health coverage will be able to re-enroll in Marin County Office of Education health benefit coverage as provided in section 1357.50 of the Health and Safety Code or during the next open enrollment period.

- 5.4 State Disability Insurance Benefits
  - 5.4.1 The State Disability Insurance (SDI) program will be made available for all CSEA unit members, in accordance with State Disability Insurance regulations.
  - 5.4.2 State Disability Insurance premiums shall be paid by the employee.
  - 5.4.3 State Disability Insurance benefits will be integrated with other benefits in the following manner: An employee's sick leave pay shall be reduced by the amount received from SDI. In order to determine the amount of reduction a copy of the check(s) and stub(s), as received by the employee from SDI, shall be immediately submitted to the Business Office. The adjustment will be made at the next pay period unless it is estimated that the pay will not be sufficient to cover the cost. In such case, the employee will submit a check to the Business Office to bring their account current. Sick leave will be charged proportionate to the amount paid by the Superintendent. No SDI reduction will be made from vacation pay.
  - 5.4.4 An employee may choose not to receive any sick leave pay in addition to SDI benefits. In such case the employee would continue to receive fringe benefits for the period that the employee receives SDI benefits.

This shall not work to extend the differential sick leave provided for in Article 8, Section 8.2.5.

- 5.5 The Superintendent will provide the IRS 125 Plan for Walker Creek Ranch employees to be effective on or before October 1, 1992.
- 5.6 Effective July 1, 2024, career service increments, based on date of hire, shall be paid to all unit members on the following basis: \$120 per month, beginning the sixth (6th) year of service and increasing to \$130 per month, beginning the seventh (7th) year of service and increasing to \$140 per month, beginning the eighth (8th) year of service and increasing to \$150 per month, beginning the ninth (9th) year of service and increasing to \$160 per month, beginning the tenth (10th) year of service and increasing to \$170 per month, beginning the eleventh (11th) year of service and increasing to \$180 per month, beginning the twelfth (12th) year of service and increasing to \$190 per month, beginning the thirteenth (13th) year of service and increasing to \$200 per month, beginning the fourteenth (14th) year of service and increasing to \$210 per month, beginning the fifteenth (15th) year of service and increasing to \$220 per month, beginning the sixteenth (16th) year of service and increasing to \$230 per month, beginning the seventeenth (17th) year of service and increasing to \$240 per month, beginning the eighteenth (18th) year of service and increasing to \$250 per month, beginning the nineteenth (19th) year of service and increasing to \$280 per month, beginning the twentieth (20th) year of service and increasing to \$290 per month, beginning the twenty-first (21st) year of service and increasing to \$300 per month, beginning the twenty-second (22nd) year of service and increasing to \$310 per month, beginning the twenty-third (23rd) year of service and increasing to \$320 per month, beginning the twenty-fourth (24th) year of service and increasing to \$330 per month, beginning the twenty-fifth (25th) year of service and increasing to

\$340 per month beginning the twenty-sixth (26th) year of service and increasing to \$350 per month beginning the twenty-seventh (27th) year of service and increasing to \$360 per month beginning the twenty-eighth (28th) year of service and increasing to \$370 per month beginning the twenty-sixth (29th) year of service and increasing to \$380 per month beginning the thirtieth (30th) year of service.

An employee will receive only one career service increment. Employees who work less than full time will receive a prorated amount.

- 5.7 When permanent employees work in extra hire positions they shall retain their current step at the appropriate pay grade for the classification in which they are working.
- 5.8 The Superintendent will provide medical coverage only for the retired employee only on the following basis:
  - 5.8.1 After ten (10) years of continuous employment with the Marin County Office of Education, fifty percent (50%) of the annual premium not to exceed \$51.06 per month.
  - 5.8.2 After fifteen (15) years of continuous employment with the Marin County Office of Education, one-hundred percent (100%) of the annual premium not to exceed \$102.12 per month.
  - 5.8.3 Benefits will be paid between the ages of 55 and 65.
  - 5.8.4 This article must be renegotiated each year and will not be considered one of the reopeners allowed in Article 16, TERM, for either party.
  - 5.8.5 A retiree is a person who is receiving retirement benefits from either PERS, STRS, or the Marin County Retirement System.
  - 5.8.6 In the event that a retired employee moves out of the service area for all current health care providers, the medical-only payment allowed for in 5.8.1 or 5.8.2 shall be paid directly to the medical insurance provider of the retiree's choice.
- 5.9 An employee who, after employment, is required to gain specific skills to continue in an assignment shall receive compensation as follows:
  - 5.9.1 When training occurs during the employee's regularly assigned working hours, the employee shall be paid their regular rate of pay and regular benefits.
  - 5.9.2 When the training occurs at any other than the regularly assigned working hours or workdays, the employee shall receive compensation at their regular rate of pay.
  - 5.9.3 The employee shall be reimbursed for instructional fees.

5.9.4 This provision shall take effect only upon prior approval and written direction by the Superintendent. The request shall be made by the employee in writing.

### 5.10 Professional and Personal Growth

MCOE shall annually contribute zero point one percent (0.1%) of classified salaries at Walker Creek Ranch to a fund for Professional and Personal growth, effective July 1, 2024. All bargaining unit employees who are permanent shall be eligible to request funds from money available in this fund to cover fees associated with the attendance of seminars, trainings, adult education programs, or college courses.

A joint committee of CSEA and management will be established for the purpose of developing application and fee approval rules. This committee may also convene as the need arises to review applications for fund disbursement.

5.11 Current regular employees who work less than eight hours a day, twelve months a year hired for substitute or extra-hire assignments in the same class shall be paid at their regular rate of pay and accrue proper seniority for limited term hours worked.

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### HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT

- 6.1 Full-time employment for a unit member will be 40 hours per week 12 months per year.
- 6.2 Employee work shifts will be assigned on a weekly basis. Normally the assignments will be posted on Wednesday for the following week. Assignments may be adjusted due to unforeseen circumstances up to seventy-two (72) hours prior to the assignment.
- 6.3 A work week is defined as five consecutive days.
- 6.4 A scheduling of a regular 40-hour workweek may be but is not limited to the following: four 10-hour days; five 8-hour days; two 5-hour days and three 10-hour days.
- 6.5 The arrival time, departure time, scheduling of work hours, and length of workday for each employee in the bargaining unit shall be determined by management.
- 6.6 The length of the workday for each unit member shall be designated by management. Each unit member shall be assigned a fixed regular and ascertainable minimum number of hours per day which shall not be less than four (4) hours per day. Unit members may elect to work extra shifts of less than four (4) hours per day with the approval of management.
- 6.7 There will be the equivalent of a 15-minute paid rest break at approximately the middle of each four (4) hour work period. Rest breaks shall be provided for evening or special work shifts. The break times will be posted at each work station (kitchen, office, maintenance shop, naturalists' work area).
- 6.8 Nothing shall restrict the ability of management to extend the hours of the regular workday or workweek on an overtime basis when such is deemed necessary by the management except in cases of personal emergency.
- 6.9 Contract language related to compensatory time will be consistent with Education Code Section 45129.

Compensation for overtime will be paid in wages or in compensatory time off as determined by management. Compensatory time off will be computed at one and one-half times the overtime worked and must be granted within 12 calendar months following the month in which the overtime was worked and without impairing the services of the Marin County Office of Education. Overtime wages will be computed at one and one-half times the normal rate of pay.

For work on holidays, overtime wages will be paid at the rate of two and one-half times the normal rate of pay. Compensatory time off will be computed at two and one-half times the number of overtime hours worked. Compensatory time off must be taken in the same payperiod in which it was earned.

- 6.10 For the purpose of layoff, seniority will be determined by date of hire. In the event of the same date of hire, seniority will be determined by drawing of lots.
- 6.11 Subject to the needs of the Ranch and at the discretion of management, work that may result in an employee being eligible for overtime pay will be rotated among employees in that department.

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### **HOLIDAYS**

7.1 Unless otherwise provided by the Superintendent/Governing Board or by law, holidays/ winter recess with full pay shall be granted annually for all employees who are in paid status on either the day preceding or day succeeding the following days:

July 4	Independence Day Holiday
September (1st Monday)	Labor Day
September 9	Admission Day (to be taken on December 31)
November 11	Veteran's Day
November (4th Thursday)	Thanksgiving
November (4th Friday)	Day after Thanksgiving
December 24	Winter Recess
December 25	Christmas Day Holiday
December 26	Winter Recess
December 27	Winter Recess
December 28	Winter Recess
December 29	Winter Recess
December 30	Winter Recess
December 31	In lieu of Admission Day
January 1	New Year's Day Holiday
January (3rd Monday)	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 19	Lincoln Day
February 23	Washington Day
May (last Monday)	Memorial Day
June 19	Juneteenth

- 7.2 Such other days, or portions of days as may be designated by the Superintendent/Governing Board, the Governor of California, the President of the United States, or other proper authority. This provision shall not be interpreted to include regular holidays for state or federal employees such as Columbus Day, Admission Day, etc., unless specifically enumerated in this Article.
- 7.3 Except as provided in section 7.5 below, when a holiday herein listed falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be deemed to be the holiday in lieu of the day observed. When a holiday herein listed falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be deemed to be the holiday in lieu of the day observed.
- 7.4 Actual holidays will be placed on the school calendar by the Superintendent/Governing Board.
- 7.5 The Christmas, December 31, and New Year's Day holiday will be placed on the

Marin County Office of Education calendar each year in combination with six (6) winter recess days and no more than two (2) vacation days to provide for the Marin County Office of Education to be closed for the two-week winter recess. Employees will be required to use accrued vacation during this time. However, a unit member may work during the two-

week winter recess under the following conditions:

- There is work to be done;
- Both the unit member and supervisor agree;
- The unit member shall make a request to work to their supervisor at least five (5) working days prior to the start of the two-week winter recess; in the event their immediate supervisor is on leave when a timely request is made by the unit member, the decision shall be made by the supervisor's supervisor;
- The supervisor's presence or absence from the site during this period shall not be a basis for withholding agreement to work; and
- The supervisor shall exercise good faith in deciding whether or not to agree.

If an employee does not have sufficient vacation accrual, the required time off will be unpaid. One additional vacation/unpaid day may be required for employees who are not in paid status on either the day preceding or day succeeding Admission Day.

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### LEAVES OF ABSENCE

#### 8.1 <u>Vacation Leave:</u>

- 8.1.1 Each full-time bargaining unit employee, other than emergency or limited-term employee, shall accrue vacation leave with full pay as provided herein. Full-time for purposes of this article means forty (40) hours per week, twelve (12) months per year. Each accrual may accumulate to a maximum of thirty (30) working days of unused vacation leave as of September 1 of each year. Employees having more than thirty (30) days accrued after this date shall lose those days except as provided in paragraph 8.1.4 below. Except in special cases as determined by the Superintendent, no employee may take such leave, or receive payment in lieu thereof until he/she has completed six (6) months of continuous service in the Marin County Office of Education. No employee shall accrue any paid vacation leave for any period of leave without pay, absence without leave, or suspension without pay.
  - 8.1.1.1 Each full-time employee shall accrue vacation leave at the rate of twelve (12) working days per year until completion of three (3) years of service.
  - 8.1.1.2 Each full-time employee who has completed three (3) years of service shall accrue vacation leave at the rate of fourteen (14) working days per year until completion of five (5) years of service.
  - 8.1.1.3 Each full-time employee who has completed five (5) years of service shall accrue vacation at the rate of seventeen (17) working days per year until completion of ten (10) years of service.
  - 8.1.1.4 Each full-time employee who has completed ten (10) years of service shall accrue vacation at the rate of twenty-two (22) working days per year.
  - 8.1.1.5 Each part-time employee will receive vacation credit pro rata to full-time employees.
- 8.1.2 Vacation schedules shall be arranged by Department Managers with particular regard to the needs of the service and, whenever possible, with regard to the wishes of the employee. Sincere effort shall be made to arrange vacation schedules so that each employee will take as much vacation in each year as accrued to him/her in that year.

Each employee's vacation time may be so divided as the needs of the service require or permit. No employee may take vacation leave without advance approval of the Superintendent or their designee. No employee may take vacation leave in advance of that actually accumulated by him/her at the time such leave is taken without the written recommendation of the Department Manager concerned and approval of the Superintendent.

8.1.3 Each employee who is separated from employment after completing six (6) months of continuous service shall be entitled to payment in lieu of all unused vacation leave

which he/she may have accumulated as of his/her last day of work. In the event of a deceased employee, payment shall be made to his/her estate or as otherwise provided by probate law, or court order.

- 8.1.4 When an employee has accumulated the maximum allowable vacation credit and when a critical emergency prevents their being off duty, the Superintendent may authorize payment in lieu of vacation earned above the maximum or may permit the accumulation of excess vacation credit for the duration of the emergency.
- 8.1.5 Any permanent classified employee who commences his/her prescribed vacation period and subsequently becomes ill or is bereaved such as defined in this Article, Section 8.4, before his/her vacation period has been completed, may at the employee's option, be placed on sick leave to the extent he/she has accumulated sick leave, under the following conditions:
  - 8.1.5.1 If the illness or bereavement is for three (3) consecutive days or more.
  - 8.1.5.2 If the illness or bereavement is such that had the employee been working they would have been absent on sick or bereavement leave.
  - 8.1.5.3 If the employee, normally, is required to return to duty immediately following the vacation period.
  - 8.1.5.4 If the request is filed with the Superintendent within two weeks of the illness or bereavement or within, at the latest, one week of the employee's return to duty unless extraordinary extenuating circumstances exist which prevent such filing
  - 8.1.5.5 If the filed request fully outlines the reasons for the request and is fully substantiated to include medical reports in the case of illness.
  - 8.1.5.6 When all or part of an employee's vacation is to be converted to illness or bereavement leave, the appropriate vacation credit shall be restored to the employee's earned vacation balance. If possible, he/she shall be granted opportunity to consume this vacation credit in order not to exceed the limit on accrued vacation. In other cases, the Superintendent may, at his/her discretion, authorize payment as described in paragraph 8.1.4 above.
- 8.1.6 Emergency and limited-term employees shall not earn vacation credit unless they are subsequently appointed into permanent positions without a break in service. If an emergency or limited-term employee is appointed to a permanent position without a break in service, he/she shall receive accrued vacation leave from the first date in such limited-term appointment.

### 8.2 Paid Sick Leave

- 8.2.1 Sick leave is the authorized absence of an employee due to disabilities caused by illness, injury, exposure to contagious disease, pregnancy, childbirth, and recovery therefrom.
- 8.2.2 At the beginning of each fiscal year, the sick leave "bank" of the employee shall be

increased by the number of days of paid sick leave which they would normally earn in the ensuing fiscal year. An employee's sick leave "bank" shall be adjusted if a change of assignment alters the amount of sick leave earnable.

When an employee is separated from employment prior to the end of the fiscal year if they have taken sick leave amounting to more than their has already earned pursuant to this article, that amount shall be subtracted from their final paycheck.

8.2.3 Full-time employees shall be entitled to earn sick leave without loss of pay at the rate of one working day per month. Employees who work less than five days per week shall receive sick leave in that proportion that their number of workdays bears to a full-time workweek of five (5) days. Unused sick leave shall become cumulative.

Any employee who is not a permanent employee may use no more than six (6) days of paid leave during the first six months of employment.

- 8.2.4 An employee who is absent due to a disability and receives full pay because of accrued sick leave or receives differential pay as specified in paragraph 8.2.5 shall be entitled to accrued sick leave and vacation, and receive normal paid health, dental, and life insurance fringe benefits.
- 8.2.5 When a permanent employee is absent due to a non-industrial disability and has used all of their entitlement to sick leave, vacation compensation, compensatory time or other available paid leave, the employee shall be paid the difference between their current salary and the sum which is actually paid a substitute employee to fill their position during their absence for the period remaining through the fifth month of disability. Under this section, in no case shall an employee receive less than the difference between their current salary and the first step of their position on the salary schedule, except where Marin County Superintendent of Schools/Marin County Board of Education adopts a salary schedule for substitute employees.

For purposes of this paragraph sick leave, vacation compensation, compensatory time, other available paid leave, including SDI shall be allowed for a maximum of not more than five (5) months.

- 8.2.6 A permanent employee whose disability extends beyond the five-month period may, upon written advice from a licensed medical advisor, be granted by the Superintendent a leave of absence without pay, not to exceed one year. No health, dental, or life insurance benefits will be provided by the Superintendent during this period. However, the employee may at their option, purchase such benefits at the actual cost to the Superintendent by submitting all necessary payments to the Marin County Office of Education prior to the date such payments become due. Upon their return to work, the anniversary date of their salary increments will be changed to make adjustments for time not worked and not covered by sick leave.
- 8.2.7 Emergency and limited-term employees will not earn sick leave credit unless they are subsequently appointed into permanent positions without a break in service. If any emergency or limited-term employee is subsequently appointed into a permanent position without a break in service, they shall receive accrued sick leave from first date in such limited-term appointment.

- 8.2.8 Each employee shall record their sick leave on a time sheet. The Superintendent may require a health care provider's written verification of the reason for absence due to illness or accident for any absence greater than three (3) consecutive days.
- 8.2.9 Unlimited accumulations of sick leave shall be allowed. The cumulative aspect of sick leave from year-to-year is based on accrual at the rate specified in paragraph 8.2.3 above.
- 8.2.10 If an employee leaves the employment of the Marin County Office of Education, accumulated unused sick leave will not be credited to the employee's final payment. In the event of the retirement of an employee, and pursuant to the statutes and regulations of the Public Employees Retirement System, accumulated unused sick leave may be used as a credit to the Public Employees Retirement System.
- 8.2.11 If the employee has used all sick leave and additional leave available and is still unable to assume the duties of their position, their employment will be deemed to be terminated; however, the employee shall then be placed on a re-employment list for a period of thirty-nine (39) months and shall have employment rights in the same manner as if they had been laid off for lack of work or lack of funds, except that employees laid off for lack of funds or lack of work shall have precedence in reemployment.

### 8.2.12 Use of Sick Leave to Care for the Illness of Family Members (Kin Care)

- 8.2.12.1 An employee may use up to six (6) days for 12-month employees and five (5) days for 10 month employees of accrued sick leave per calendar year to care for the illness of an "immediate family" member as defined in sections 8.2.12.3 and 8.4.1.
- 8.2.12.2 Leave taken under this section shall be known as "Kin Care" leave.
- 8.2.12.3 "Designated Person" for the purpose of this section 8.2.12 means "a person identified by the employee at the time the employee requests paid sick days." Unit members shall identify the designated person at the time they request the leave. Unit members may only identify one designated person per 12-month period (rolling forward). The terms here regarding "designated person" are intended to reflect the law and do not extend leave availability beyond legal requirements.
- 8.2.12.4 All conditions and restrictions on the use of sick leave as outlined in this Article apply. Personal necessity leave shall be deducted on a day for day basis concurrently with leave taken pursuant to this section.

#### 8.3 Industrial Accident and Industrial Sick Leave

8.3.1 Leaves resulting from an industrial accident or industrial sickness shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of Education Code Sections 44043 and 45192 and this Section 8.3.

For purposes of this contract, workers' compensation insurance is defined as the insurance program provided by the Superintendent for state-mandated workers'

compensation purposes.

- 8.3.2 An employee in the classified service, who is absent from duty because of an illness or injury defined as an industrial accident or industrial illness under provisions of the workers' compensation insurance law, shall be granted paid industrial accident leave for each such accident or illness while receiving temporary disability benefits from workers' compensation provided that:
  - 8.3.2.1 They have probationary or permanent status.
  - 8.2.2.2 In the opinion of the Superintendent or their designee the illness or injury constitutes an industrial accident or illness, or if contested, it is ultimately determined to be work connected.
- 8.3.3 Paid industrial accident leave shall be for not more than sixty (60) working days in any one fiscal year.
- 8.3.4 Paid industrial accident leave shall be reduced by one day for each day of authorized absence regardless of the temporary disability allowance made under workers' compensation. Days absent while on paid industrial accident leave shall not be deducted from the number of days of paid sick leave to which an employee may be entitled.
- 8.3.5 If the employee is still unable to return to duty after exhausting paid industrial accident leave, the employee shall be placed on paid sick leave if they are eligible therefore. Accumulated sick leave will be reduced only in the amount necessary to provide a full day's wages or salary, as indicated in the employee's assignment, when added to compensation without penalties from workers' compensation insurance.
- 8.3.6 After all paid sick leave has been exhausted following a paid industrial accident leave, an employee may choose to receive pay from accrued vacation, earned compensatory time or other earned leave to the extent necessary to make up the employee's regular salary when receiving a temporary disability allowance without penalties from the workers' compensation insurance.
- 8.3.7 Upon return to service from any paid or unpaid leave resulting from an industrial accident or industrial illness, an employee shall be assigned to a position in their former class/position title ahead of any employee with a lesser amount of seniority.

If no vacancy exists in their former class/position title, they may displace the most recently appointed employee in the class/position title with less seniority. If an employee's former class/position title has ceased to exist, the employee may be reassigned or placed on a suitable reemployment list.

8.3.8 When all available leaves of absence, paid or unpaid, have been exhausted and if the employee is not medically able to assume the duties of the person's position, the person shall, if not placed in another position, be placed on a reemployment list for a period of thirty-nine (39) months. When available, during the 39-month period, the person shall be employed in a vacant position in the class of the person's previous assignment over all other available candidates except for a reemployment list established because of lack of work or lack of funds, in which case the person shall be listed in accordance with appropriate seniority regulations.

- 8.3.9 An employee who fails to accept an appropriate assignment after being medically approved therefore shall be removed from the reemployment list. Appropriate assignment is defined as an assignment to the employee's former class/position title, in their former status and time basis, and in assignment areas in which the employee has made themself available. Employees removed from a reemployment list under this Article may appeal the removal to the Personnel Commission.
- 8.3.10 While an employee is on any paid leave resulting from an industrial accident or industrial illness, the employee's salary paid by the Office shall not, when added to a normal temporary disability allowance award without penalties granted to the employee under workers' compensation insurance laws exceed the employee's regular salary. A permanent employee's salary is computed on the basis of the number of hours and days in their basic daily assignment. An employee who is not permanent shall have their regular salary computed on the basis of the average number of hours worked each month in which the employee was in paid status during the preceding year.

During all paid leaves resulting from an industrial accident or industrial illness, the employee shall endorse to the Superintendent of the Marin County Office of Education all temporary benefit checks received under workers' compensation insurance. The Superintendent shall issue to the employee appropriate warrants for payment of wages, loss of benefits, salary and/or leave benefits and shall deduct normal retirement and other authorized contributions. With the concurrence of the employee, the Superintendent may waive the requirement that temporary disability checks be endorsed payable to the Superintendent of the Marin County Office of Education and may in lieu thereof, permit the employee to retain his/her their disability check, providing that notice be given to the Office that such check has been delivered to the employee. In such cases, the Office shall then cause the employee to receive their normal wage or salary less appropriate deductions, including, but not limited to, the face amount of the temporary disability check, which the employee has been permitted to retain. In all cases, employee benefits are to be computed on the basis of the employee's regular wage or salary prior to the deduction of any amounts for temporary disability payments.

Final allowance for permanent industrial disability settlements shall not be subject to remittance to the Office under this Article.

Eligibility for purposes of accruing vacation and sick leave will be suspended during disability leave without pay.

#### 8.4 <u>Bereavement Leave</u>

- 8.4.1 Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code 12945.7, any employee is entitled to a leave of absence, not to exceed five (5) workdays on account of the death of any member of their immediate family. Leaves can be taken in increments of one (1) day or more.
- 8.4.2 Within 30 days of the first day of the leave, the Superintendent, at their discretion, may request documentation of the death of the family member. Documentation includes, but is not limited to, a death certificate, a published obituary, or written verification of death, burial, or memorial services from a mortuary, funeral home, burial society, crematorium, religious institution, or governmental agency.
- 8.4.3 No deduction shall be made from the salary of such employee nor shall such leave

be deducted from leave granted by other sections of the Education Code or provided by the Superintendent.

- 8.4.4 Members of the immediate family means the mother, father, step-mother, stepfather, legal foster parents, grandmother, grandfather, or grandchild of the employee or of the spouse of the employee, and the spouse, son, son-in-law, daughter, daughter-in-law, brother, brother-in-law, sister, sister-in-law, domestic partner, or any other relative living in the immediate household of the employee, or of such other persons as the Superintendent may designate out of consideration of unusual circumstances and conditions. For purposes of this sub-article, an adopted child should be deemed to be a natural child.
- 8.4.5 If additional time is needed, the employee may use accrued vacation time or available personal necessity or request a leave of absence without pay. The Superintendent may or may not, in at their discretion, grant a leave of absence without pay.
- 8.4.6 Bereavement leave must be used within three (3) months of the date of death of the immediate family member unless otherwise approved by the Superintendent or designee.
- 8.4.7 Bereavement leave used shall be reported in the month in which the leave is taken, by the employee submitting leave on electronic leave report.

#### 8.5 Personal Necessity

In order to receive leave under this provision, the person requesting the leave must notify their most immediate supervisor who is management.

- 8.5.1 A classified employee may elect to use, not to exceed a total of seven (7) days in any one fiscal year, sick leave which has been earned, for personal necessities which fall into the following categories.
  - 8.5.1.1 Bereavement leave which may be necessary beyond that authorized in this Article.
  - 8.5.1.2 Accident or emergency involving their person or property, or the person or property of a member of their immediate family, as defined under Bereavement Leave.
  - 8.5.1.3 Appearance in any court or before any administrative tribunal as a litigant, party, or witness under subpoena or any order made with jurisdiction, and for which no other leave is provided for in this Article.
  - 8.5.1.4 Serious illness in the immediate family as defined under Bereavement Leave.
  - 8.5.1.5 Observance of major religious holidays.
  - 8.5.1.6 Association business as needed by members of the Association Executive Committee.

- 8.5.1.7 Matters of compelling personal importance.
- 8.5.1.8 Fulfillment of the requirements for adoption of a child.
- 8.5.1.9 The Superintendent may allow additional days to be used (out of available sick leave) in special circumstances.

#### 8.6 Jury Duty and Witness

- 8.6.1 Leave of absence for jury service shall be granted to any classified employees who have been officially summoned to jury duty in local, state, or federal court. Leave shall be granted for the period of the jury service. The employee shall receive full pay while on leave provided that the jury service fee for such leave is assigned to and the subpoena of court certification is filed with the Superintendent. Request for jury service leave shall be made by presenting the official court summons to jury service to the Director of Classified Personnel as soon as possible after receipt of such summons.
- 8.6.2 Leave of absence to serve as a witness in a court case shall be granted an employee when they have been served a subpoena to appear as a witness, not as the litigant in the case. The length of the leave granted shall be for the number of days in attendance in court as certified by the clerk or other authorized officer of the court. The employee shall receive full pay during the leave period, provided that the witness fee for such leave is assigned to and the subpoena or court certification is filed with the Superintendent. Request for leave of absence to serve as a witness shall be made by presenting the official court summons to the Department Manager as soon as possible after receipt of such summons.
- 8.6.3 The jury service fee and witness fee referred to in 8.6.1 and 8.6.2 respectively, do not include reimbursement for transportation expenses.
- 8.6.4 An employee who has received leave of absence under this Article shall make themselves available for work during hours when their presence is not required in court. Availability for work under this section, when taken together with requirements for jury and witness duty, shall not exceed the employee's regular, work assignment.

#### 8.7 Absence for Examination

8.7.1 Every employee in the classified service shall be permitted to be absent from their duties during working hours in order to take any examination for promotion in the Marin County Office of Education without deduction of pay or other penalty, provided that they gives two days' notice to their immediate supervisor.

### 8.8 Military Leave

8.8.1 Military leave of absence shall be granted and compensated in accordance with the Military and Veterans Code.

#### 8.9 <u>Leave of Absence Without Pay</u>

8.9.1 Leave of absence without pay may be granted to a permanent classified

employee, upon the written request of the employee and the approval of the Superintendent or their designee subject to the following restrictions:

- 8.9.1.1 Leave of absence without pay may be granted for any period not exceeding one year, except that leave of absence for military service and leave of absence for service in the Peace Corps, or the Red Cross or Merchant Marine during time of national emergency, may be granted for a period not to exceed two years.
- 8.9.1.2 The granting of a leave of absence without pay gives to the employee the right to return to their position at the expiration of their leave of absence, provided that they are is physically and legally capable of performing the duties, and provided that a position in their class still exists and the employee has seniority rights to the position. The position may be filled only for the duration of the leave, and the employee must be released or reassigned upon completion of the leave and return of the regular employee.
- 8.9.1.3 Upon granting leave, the Superintendent may request a letter of intent to return by one (1) month before expiration of leave.
- 8.9.2 An employee may make a written request to the Superintendent to return to work prior to the expiration date of the leave. The Superintendent may approve or reject the request.
- 8.9.3 Failure to report for duty within five (5) working days after a leave has expired shall be considered abandonment of the position and the employee may be terminated by the Superintendent. This provision is not applicable to military leaves.
- 8.9.4 If an employee cannot be placed in a vacant position in their class position title upon return from leave of absence, they shall have bumping and re-employment rights, in accordance with their seniority, in the same manner as if they had been laid off or lack of work or lack of funds on the date their leave expires.

#### 8.10 Pregnancy Disability Leave

- 8.10.1 An employee shall be granted up to 4 months (17 1/3 weeks) of Pregnancy Disability Leave (PDL) when they are actually disabled by their pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition in accordance with the provisions of Sections 8.2 and 8.9 of this Article:
  - 8.10.1.1 An employee who becomes pregnant shall advise their supervisor of that fact as early as possible giving an estimate of the dates (as confirmed by a health care provider's statement) the employee anticipates to be absent on account of disability related to the pregnancy.
  - 8.10.1.2 The length of PDL will be for the period of actual disability as determined by the unit member and their health care provider. PDL may be taken intermittently or on a reduced work schedule when medically necessary as determined by the unit member's health care

provider. The Superintendent may require the health care provider's statement or other proof to be updated from time to time.

- 8.10.1.3 The employee is entitled to use accumulated sick leave and other salary continuance benefits and extended disability pay (upon termination of accrued sick leave and other available paid leave) for the period of disability.
- 8.10.1.4 The employee shall request PDL from the Superintendent in writing supported by a health care provider's statement attesting to the disability and specifying the anticipated period of absence. The Marin County Office of Education may, at its option, obtain other medical opinions, in addition to the employee's own health care provider.
- 8.10.1.5 A leave of absence longer than the period of disability is a general leave of absence, not a pregnancy disability leave to which benefits are attendant and must be requested separately.
- 8.10.1.6 During a period of leave without pay no health, dental, vision or life insurance benefits will be provided by the Superintendent. However, the employee may, at their option, purchase such benefits at the actual cost to the Superintendent by submitting all necessary payments to the Marin County Office of Education prior to the date such payments become due.
- 8.10.1.7 Ability of an employee to return to work following the birth of their child shall be determined by the employee in consultation with their health care provider, subject to the right of the Superintendent to receive a health care provider's opinion in writing as to the physical ability of the employee to perform duties.

#### 8.11 Unpaid Parental Leave:

- 8.11.1 A personal leave of absence, without compensation or other benefits, shall be granted by the Superintendent in accordance with the provisions of Section 8.9 of this Article for the following:
  - 8.11.1.1 A rest prior to or after the birth of their child, such rest not to exceed two (2) months; or, in the alternative,
  - 8.11.1.2 To the end of the school year in which the birth of their child, adoption or placement of a foster child occurs, or
  - 8.11.1.3 For the entire academic year in which the birth of their child, adoption or placement of a foster child occurs, or
  - 8.11.1.4 For the school year following the birth of their child, adoption or placement of a foster child.

In the event that an employee receives a personal leave of absence due to pregnancy prior to actual disability, the employee shall be entitled to transfer to

sick leave status to receive the benefits thereof upon becoming disabled by pregnancy, miscarriage, abortion, childbirth, or recovery, but only if the personal leave was specifically requested for this reason and if the resulting disability was caused by pregnancy, miscarriage, abortion, childbirth, and recovery therefrom.

8.11.2 The employee shall be returned to the same position she held at the time of leave, providing the program or position has not been terminated, and if the duration of the entire leave, both compensated and uncompensated, occurs within one school year. If the leave occurs during more than one school year, the employee has no right to any particular position and will be placed according to the needs of the Superintendent.

### 8.12 Paid Parental Leave

- 8.12.1 Pursuant to Education Code section 45196.1 and Government Code Section 12945.2 (CFRA), unit members may be granted up to 12 workweeks of leave for purposes of bonding with a new child after birth, adoption or placement of a foster child (Parental Leave).
- 8.12.2 To be eligible to receive paid Parental Leave benefits, unit members must:
  - 8.12.2.1 Have been employed for at least 12 months; and
  - 8.12.2.2 Not exhausted their right to CFRA leave.
- 8.12.3 Unit members may use sick leave for Parental Leave.
- 8.12.4 After exhausting all current and accumulated sick leave, unit members may receive partial pay at a rate of at least 50% or their regular rate of pay, or the difference between their regular rate of pay and the cost of a substitute, whichever is greater.

This section is intended to be interpreted and implemented consistent with the requirements of Education Code section 44977.5 and Government Code Section 12945.2.

#### 8.13 Leave After Reproductive Loss

8.13.1 Pursuant to Government Code section 12945.6, a unit member shall be entitled to leave after suffering a reproductive loss provided the unit member:

(a) would have been the parent of the child born or adopted; and

(b) has been employed by the Superintendent for at least 30 days before the commencement of leave.

- 8.13.2 As used in this Article, Reproductive Loss means:
  - 8.13.2.1 miscarriage
  - 8.13.2.2 still birth
  - 8.13.2.3 failed adoption

- 8.13.2.4 failed surrogacy
- 8.13.2.5 unsuccessful assisted reproduction.
- 8.13.3 Unit members may receive up to 5 days of leave per Reproductive Loss, not to exceed 20 days per calendar year.
- 8.13.4 Leave for Reproductive Loss is unpaid unless the unit member elects to use vacation, personal leave, accrued and available sick leave or compensatory time off for this purpose.
- 8.13.5 Reproductive Loss leave must be taken within 3 months of the reproductive loss event, except that if the unit member was on another type of leave during the reproductive loss event, they can take reproductive loss leave within three months of finishing the other form of leave.

This section is intended to be interpreted and implemented consistent with the requirements of Government Code section 12945.6.

### 8.14 Transfer of Sick Leave from Another District

8.14.1 A classified employee of any California school district who has been an employee of that district for a period of one calendar year or more and who terminates employment with that district for the sole purpose of accepting a classified position with the Superintendent within one year of such termination of their former employment shall be credited with all of the earned unused sick leave which was properly credited to them in their former school district.

### 8.15 Leave Reporting

- 8.15.1 The Superintendent shall maintain a record of all leave taken and the leave balance accumulated by each employee.
- 8.15.2 Any absence of fifteen (15) minutes or less will be charged as one-quarter hour. Any absence over fifteen (15) minutes, but less than thirty (30) minutes, will be charged as one-half hour, etc.
- 8.15.3 Absences from work required in order to have fingerprints recorded and physical examinations for employment purposes, written or oral examinations or tests, appointments and interviews which may serve to advance the employee's status or position within the Marin County Office of Education, will not be chargeable against accrued leave. Such absences must be cleared with their most immediate supervisor who is management prior to the absence so that the supervisor may make any arrangement necessary.
- 8.15.4 Absences from work taken by permanent employees for the purpose of doctor or dentist appointments will be reported and charged against employee's accrued sick leave totals, if any. If the employee has no accrued sick leave, such time absent will be deducted from the employee's wages.
- 8.15.5 Every absence of each employee shall be reported and recorded in a manner prescribed by the Superintendent.

### 8.16 <u>Return to Work After Illness or Disability</u>

8.16.1 When an employee is absent due to illness or disability, the Superintendent may require that the employee obtain written doctor's approval prior to return to work or may require that the employee pass a medical examination prior to their return to work.

### 8.17 Family Medical Leave

8.17.1 Pursuant to the Federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (29 U.S.C. Sections 2601 et seq. FMLA) and the California Family Rights Act (Government Code Section 12945.2 (CFRA), eligible unit members have the right to up to 12 workweeks of unpaid leave in a 12 month period, and continuation of health and welfare benefits on the same terms and conditions that would apply if a unit member were reporting to work, to care for their own serious health condition or that of a family member as more specifically defined by law. FMLA and CFRA will run concurrently with other leaves provided in this Agreement to the extent permitted by law. The Marin County Office of Education will comply with all mandated provisions under these acts and reserves the right to act within the dictates of the law.

### 8.18 Catastrophic Leave

- 8.18.1 When a unit member has a catastrophic illness or injury as confirmed by a health care provider and has exhausted their sick leave, they may request the Association to take the necessary steps to implement the Catastrophic Illness Leave Program.
- 8.18.2 A "catastrophic illness or injury" is defined as a severe illness or injury which incapacitates an employee due to injury or prolonged illness and which creates a financial hardship.
- 8.18.3 The Association will present the request to the Superintendent or her Designee. The request will consist of the following documents:
  - 8.18.3.1 A written request by the employee or their Designee including the number of days requested which may not exceed 160 hours during a school year.
  - 8.18.3.2 A health care provider's verification of the unit member's catastrophic illness or injury including an anticipated date of return to work.
- 8.18.4 In no case, may the number of days requested cause the employee to exceed the total of 100 days of extended sick leave under California Education Code.
- 8.18.5 In order to participate in the Catastrophic Illness Leave Program as a donor, Probationary/Permanent unit members must retain 160 hours or the equivalent of 20 workdays in their sick leave bank.
- 8.18.6 Probationary/Permanent unit members may donate a minimum of 4 hours and a

maximum of 40 hours per school year.

- 8.18.7 MCOE will verify the sick leave for unit members making the request to access sick leave days as well as the potential donors.
- 8.18.8 The Association will inform unit members of individual requests and secure written donations.
- 8.18.9 MCOE will make the necessary transfers of sick leave.
- 8.18.10 The Superintendent or her Designee may allow modification of the definition of 8.15.2 defining catastrophic illness or injury under special circumstances.
- 8.18.11 Decisions of the Superintendent or her Designee shall not be subject to ARTICLE 13: Grievance Procedure of this Agreement.

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### **SAFETY**

- 9.1 All employees shall endeavor to maintain safe and sanitary conditions in their work areas of responsibility.
- 9.2 All employees will report to the immediate supervisor, in writing, any practice or

condition which poses a threat to the health or safety of any person associated with the Office.

- 9.3 Upon receipt of a safety report, the Superintendent shall, as soon as possible, take any corrective procedures deemed necessary or advisable by the Superintendent.
- 9.4 No employee shall be reprimanded in any way for reporting any practice or condition which poses a threat to the health or safety of any person associated with the Superintendent.
- 9.5 The Association will receive a copy of any Occupational Safety and Health Admin. (OSHA) reports made about any of the facilities where members of the bargaining unit work.
- 9.6 If, in the opinion of the Superintendent, the employment duties of an employee in the bargaining unit requires the use of any equipment or gear to insure the safety of the employee or others, the Superintendent agrees to furnish such equipment or gear.
- 9.7 All unit members will annually be offered the opportunity to participate in necessary health-related safety trainings that may include, but is not limited to: Compression only CPR, safe lifting techniques, positive behavioral programming, workplace safety, workplace violence prevention, and injury prevention.
  - 9.7.1 July 1, 2024 June 30, 2027 Pilot Program for the 2024-2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement Paraeducator Conference

When the CSEA Paraeducator Conference is held in person, MCOE shall, on an annual basis, send up to two (2) bargaining unit members who work primarily in the classroom or on trail supporting instruction and/or student supervision to the CSEA Paraeducator Conference. This release time to attend the Conference shall be combined with the Blue Unit so that no more than two (2) individuals are released annually for Conference attendance across the two (2) units (Blue and Green).

- 9.7.1.1 The MCOE shall provide the release time for the two (2) bargaining unit members to attend the conference and cover the conference registration costs.
- 9.7.1.2 The MCOE shall cover the costs associated with travel and accommodations for the two (2) bargaining unit members to attend the conference.

- 9.7.1.3 Two bargaining unit members will be identified each year to participate under this pilot from 2024-2027.
  - 9.7.1.3.1 The bargaining unit members who volunteer for this assignment shall attend the conference, assess the conference, and report back to the MCOE and the CSEA regarding the following:
    - Description of the Paraeducator Conference classes taken;
    - Applicability of the Paraeducator Conference professional development for the work of the MCOE;
    - Whether the professional development offered within the Paraeducator Conference will be beneficial to the professional development of bargaining unit members, and/or the work performed by bargaining units for the benefit of students.
  - 9.7.1.3.2 The two (2) CSEA members who attended the Conference shall share the professional development provided with MCOE Paraeducators/Ranch Naturalists.
    - 9.7.1.3.2.1 On an annual basis, the MCOE shall schedule time for the CSEA member(s) who attended the conference to share learning with all Paraeducators/Ranch Naturalists across the MCOE.
      - 9.7.1.3.2.1.1 The MCOE and CSEA shall survey the Paraeducators/Ranch Naturalists who attend the share-out to determine whether the information shared increased job-related knowledge and skill for Paraeducators/Ranch Naturalists. The number of results collected from the survey will not be used as a measure of the pilot program's success.

- 9.7.1.4 The MCOE and CSEA shall use the foregoing information to determine whether there is sufficient value in sending bargaining unit members to the Paraeducator Conference on an annual basis.
- 9.7.1.5 The MCOE and CSEA agree that continuation of the pilot past the time period identified in 9.7.1 would be the subject of future negotiations.
- 9.7.2 July 1, 2024 June 30, 2027 Pilot Program for the 2024-2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement Maintenance and Operations Academy

When the CSEA Maintenance and Operations Academy is held in person, MCOE shall, on an annual basis, send each year up to two (2) bargaining unit members who work primarily in the Maintenance and Operations Department, including Custodians, Ranch Helpers, and Ranch Workers, to the CSEA Maintenance and Operations Academy. This release time to attend the Academy shall be combined with the Blue Unit so that no more than two (2) individuals are released annually for Academy attendance across the two (2) units (Blue and Green).

- 9.7.2.1 The MCOE shall provide the release time for the two (2) bargaining unit members to attend the academy and cover the academy registration costs.
- 9.7.2.2 The MCOE shall cover the costs associated with travel and accommodations for the two (2) bargaining unit members to attend the academy.
- 9.7.2.3 Two bargaining unit members will be identified each year to participate under this pilot from 2024-2027.
  - 9.7.2.3.1 The bargaining unit members who volunteer for this assignment shall attend the academy, assess the academy, and report back to the MCOE and the CSEA regarding the following:
    - Description of the Maintenance and Operations Academy classes taken;
    - Applicability of the Maintenance and Operations Academy professional development for the work of the MCOE;
    - Whether the professional development offered within the Maintenance and Operations Academy will be beneficial to the professional development of bargaining unit members, and/or the work performed by bargaining units for the benefit of students and/or the MCOE.
  - 9.7.2.3.2 The two (2) CSEA members who attended the Academy

shall share the professional development provided with MCOE Maintenance and Operations/Ranch Staff.

9.7.2.3.2.1 On an annual basis, the MCOE shall schedule time for the CSEA member(s) who attended the academy to share learning with all Maintenance and Operations Staff.

9.7.2.3.2.1.1 The MCOE and CSEA shall survey the Maintenance and Operations/Ranch Staff who attend the share-out to determine whether the information shared increased job-related knowledge and skill for Maintenance and Operations/Walker Creek Ranch. The number of results collected from the survey will not be used as a measure of the pilot program's success.

- 9.7.2.4 The MCOE and CSEA shall use the foregoing information to determine whether there is sufficient value in sending bargaining unit members to the Maintenance and Operations Academy on an annual basis.
- 9.7.2.5 The MCOE and CSEA agree that continuation of the pilot past the time period identified in 11.7.2 would be the subject of future negotiations.

Revised 10/9/18 (9.6) Revised 9/11/24 (9.3, 9.4, 9.6, 9.7 – 9.7.2.5)

### **GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

#### 10.1 <u>Definitions</u>

- 10.1.1 A grievance is an allegation by a grievant that he/she has been affected by a violation of the specific provisions of this Agreement.
- 10.1.2 A grievant is one or more employees of the Marin County Office of Education who are members of this bargaining unit and/or the CSEA.
- 10.12 A business day is one in which the Marin County Office of Education is open for business.
- 10.1.3 Immediate supervisor is the lowest level administrator who has been designated by management to adjust grievances and who has immediate jurisdiction over the grievant.

#### 10.2 Levels

- 10.2.1 Informal Level
  - 102.1.1 Within five (5) business days of an instance of an alleged violation of this Agreement, the employee will present the grievance to his/her immediate supervisor during working hours. The employee will apprise his/her immediate supervisor that a grievance is being processed.
  - 102.12 Within ten (10) business days after the presentation of a grievance, the immediate supervisor shall give his/her answer orally to the employee.
- 10.2.2 Formal Level
  - 10.2.2.1 Step I
    - 10.2.2.1.1 Within twenty (20) business days of the oral answer at the informal level, if the grievant is not satisfied, the grievance shall be stated in writing and signed by the grievant and lodged with the Superintendent or his/her designee, on the prescribed form (Appendix C).

- 10.2.2.1.2 The Statement of Grievance shall name the employee involved, shall state the facts giving rise to the grievance, shall identify by appropriate reference all the provisions of this agreement alleged to be violated, and shall indicate the specific relief requested.
- 10.2.2.1.3 After receipt of the grievance on the prescribed form and within twenty (20) business days, a meeting to discuss and seek to resolve the grievance with representatives of the Superintendent/Governing Board, not to exceed one (1) hour, shall be held with the grievant and, if requested, one Association representative.
- 10.2.2.1.4 The Superintendent, or his/her designee, shall communicate to the grievant his/her decision in writing within twenty (20) business days after the meeting. Failure by a grievant to request the Association to consider submitting the grievance to arbitration within ten (10) business days of receipt of the decision shall be deemed an acceptance of the decision.
- 10.2.2.2. Step II
  - 102221 In the event the grievant is not satisfied with the decision at Step I, he/she may, within ten (10) business days after receipt of the decision from the Superintendent, or his/her designee, request in writing to both the Association and the Superintendent/Governing Board that the Association consider submitting the grievance to arbitration. The Association by written notice to the Superintendent, or his/her designee within fifteen (15) business days after receipt of the request from the grievant, may submit the grievance to arbitration. If not submitted by the Association, the decision at Step I shall become final.
  - 102222 The parties shall select a mutually acceptable arbitrator. In the event they are unable to agree on an arbitrator within ten (10) business days of the Association's submission of the grievance to arbitration, the arbitrator shall be selected from a list submitted by the California State Conciliation Service. If the Association representative and the Superintendent or his/her designee cannot agree on the arbitrator from the list, each party shall alternately strike names until one name remains.
- 102223 The arbitrator shall conduct a hearing at which both parties may present evidence. After concluding the hearing, the arbitrator shall prepare a report listing the issues, the pertinent facts found at the hearing, and a decision for resolution. This report shall be sent to the Superintendent/ Governing Board, with copies to the grievant, the Association, and the Superintendent, or his/her designee. The cost of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by the Association and the Superintendent/Governing Board.
- 102224 The decision of the arbitrator shall be accepted by both parties excepting, however, that the Superintendent/ Governing Board, within ten (10) business days of the receipt of the arbitrator's report, may, by written notice to the grievant and the Association, decide to conduct a review of the grievance. Said review shall be based on the documents submitted at the lower levels of grievance and the transcript of the arbitrated hearing. The Superintendent/Governing Board may not overturn the arbitrator's decision except when the vote to overturn is supported by at least five votes of a seven-member board.

# 10.3 <u>Miscellaneous</u>

- 10.3.1 Until final disposition of a grievance takes place, the grievant is required to conform to the original direction of his/her supervisor.
- 10.3.2 At any point in the grievance procedure the grievant may elect, in writing to the Superintendent/Governing Board and the Association, to represent himself/herself rather than have the Association provide representation; he/she may then proceed through the grievance through Step I without intervention by the Association. If the grievant elects to represent himself/herself, the Association shall be relieved of any further obligation of representation and shall be relieved of any obligation to share in any further expenses of the grievance procedure, including the cost of arbitration. Prior to final resolution of Step I, the Association will be given a copy of the grievance and proposed resolution for comment within ten (10) business days, relative to the proposed decision's impact on the contract.
- 10.3.3 No reprisals of any kind will be taken by the Superintendent or any member or representative of the administration or by the Board against participants in the grievance procedure by reason of such participation.

- 10.3.4 All documents, communications, and records dealing with the process of a grievance will be filed in a separate file and will not be kept in the personnel file of any of the participants.
- 10.3.5 The grievant and any necessary witness shall appear at any hearing required by these grievance procedures during working hours. The preparation of the grievance shall be on the employee's own time.
- 10.3.6 Any time limit may be extended only by mutual agreement in writing.
- 10.3.7 The Association representative shall be provided with release time, as indicated in Article 4, Section 4. 6 of Release Time, for Other Association Business, to assist in the preparation and process of grievance.

Revised 4/19/05 (10.2.1.1) Revised 9/11/24 (10.1.2, 10.3.7)

# **ARTICLE 11**

### **EVALUATION**

- 11.1 All regular classified employees shall be evaluated by their most immediate supervisor who is management in accordance with the following schedule:
  - 11.1.1 Regular probationary employees shall receive, during the probationary period, a formal written evaluation at approximately the end of the third month and again at approximately the end of the fifth month of service.
  - 11.12 Regular permanent employees shall receive a formal written evaluation each year on or about their anniversary date.
  - 11.1.3 Notwithstanding provisions of Sections 11.1.1 and 11.1.2 herein, any employee whether probationary or permanent, may be evaluated for unsatisfactory service at any time.
  - 11.1.4 For purposes of this Section 11.1.3 only, the employee may request a representative of CSEA to be present during the evaluation conference. Such representative shall be given paid release time for attendance at the evaluation conference.
- 112 Evaluations shall be made on the forms attached to this Agreement as Appendix C. Performance evaluations will be prepared by the employee's most immediate supervisor who is management.

Evaluations shall be reviewed with the employee for comments, response, and signature. The employee may attach comments to the evaluation form if he/she does so within ten (10) business days following the evaluation interview.

- 11.3 A copy of the completed evaluation form will be given to the employee. The original evaluation form will be filed in the employee's personnel record.
- 11.4 Negative evaluations must be accompanied by specific recommendations for improvement.
- 11.5 All evaluations shall provide an opportunity for discussion between the employee and evaluator.
- 11.6 If the employee feels that the evaluation of his/her job performance is not factual he/she may request a meeting with the Superintendent or designee prior to finalization of the evaluation.

# ARTICLE 12

# <u>SAVINGS</u>

12.1 If during the life of this Agreement there exists any applicable law or any applicable rule or regulation or order issued by governmental authority other than the Superintendent/ Governing Board which shall render invalid or restrain compliance with or enforcement of any provision of this Agreement, such provision shall be immediately suspended and be of no effect hereunder so long as such law, rule, regulation, or order shall remain in effect. Such invalidation of a part or portion of this Agreement shall not invalidate any remaining portions which shall continue in full force and effect.

# ARTICLE 13

# **COMPLETION OF AGREEMENT**

13.1 This document comprises the entire Agreement between the Superintendent/Governing Board and employees on the matters within the lawful scope of negotiation. Any term or condition not modified herein shall remain in full force and effect. Neither the Superintendent/Governing Board nor the Association shall have any further obligation to meet and negotiate during the term of this Agreement on any subject whether or not said subject is covered by this Agreement, even though such subject was not known nor considered at the time of the negotiations leading to the execution of this Agreement.

# ARTICLE 14

# TERM

14.1 The term of the agreement shall be from July 1, 2024 to and including June 30, 2027.

This Agreement represents the completion of Collective Bargaining for 2024-2027. All other issues subject to Collective Bargaining are hereby withdrawn by both parties. All other provisions of the 20243-2024 Collective Bargaining Agreement will remain in effect.

- 14.2 Reopeners: During the life of this agreement, there shall be no reopeners. The parties may only meet and negotiate during the term of this agreement by mutual consent.
- 14.3 Successor negotiations shall be commenced for the 2027-2028 school year by the Superintendent or the Association by notifying the other party by March 1<sup>st</sup> of the year to be bargained.

Revised: 5/12/98 (14.1, 14.2.1, 14.2.2) Revised: 4/10/01 (14.2.1) Revised: 6/25/03 (14.1, 14.2.1) Revised: 3/16/05 (14.2.1) Revised: 11/8/05 (14.1) Revised: 4/17/07 (14.1, 14.2.1, 14.2.2) Revised: 12/11/07 (14.1, 14.2, 14.2.1, 14.2.2) Revised: 12/8/09 (14.1, 14.2, 14.2.1, 14.2.2, 14.2.3) Revised: 9/24/10 (14.1, 14.2, 14.2.1, 14.2.2, 14.2.3) Revised: 9/24/10 (14.1, 14.2, 14.2.1, 14.2.2) Revised: 6/12/12 (14.2) Revised: 9/8/15 (14.1) (14.2) Revised: 10/18 (14.1, 14.2, 14.2.1, 14.2.2) Revised: 9/11/24 (14.1, 14.2, 14.3)

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1		24	Hourly	17.64	18.53	19.45	20.43	21.45	22.52
2		26	Hourly	18.53	19.45	20.43	21.45	22.52	23.64
3		28	Hourly	19.45	20.43	21.45	22.52	23.64	24.83
4		30	Hourly	20.43	21.45	22.52	23.64	24.83	26.07
5	RANCH HELPER	32	Hourly	21.45	22.52	23.64	24.83	26.07	27.37
6		34	Hourly	22.52	23.64	24.83	26.07	27.37	28.74
7	RANCH COOK	36	Hourly	23.64	24.83	26.07	27.37	28.74	30.18
8	RANCH NATURALIST RANCH WORKER	38	Hourly	24.83	26.07	27.37	28.74	30.18	31.69
9	RANCH ADMNISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	40	Hourly	26.07	27.37	28.74	30.18	31.69	33.27
10		42	Hourly	27.37	28.74	30.18	31.69	33.27	34.93

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Approved by John A. Carroll, Marin County Superintendent of Schools

1G-02 Signature

Date

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1		24	Hourly	18.52	19.45	20.42	21.44	22.51	23.64
2		26	Hourly	19.45	20.42	21.44	22.51	23.64	24.82
3		28	Hourly	20.42	21.44	22.51	23.64	24.82	26.06
4		30	Hourly	21.44	22.51	23.64	24.82	26.06	27.37
5	RANCH HELPER	32	Hourly	22.51	23.64	24.82	26.06	27.37	28.73
6		34	Hourly	23.64	24.82	26.06	27.37	28.73	30.17
7	RANCH COOK	36	Hourly	24.82	26.06	27.37	28.73	30.17	31.68
8	RANCH NATURALIST RANCH WORKER	38	Hourly	26.06	27.37	28.73	30.17	31.68	33.26
9	RANCH ADMNISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	40	Hourly	27.37	28.73	30.17	31.68	33.26	34.93
10		42	Hourly	28.73	30.17	31.68	33.26	34.93	36.67

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2		26	Hourly	20.42	21.44	22.51	23.64	24.82	26.06
3		28	Hourly	21.44	22.51	23.64	24.82	26.06	27.36
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9	RANCH ADMNISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	40	Hourly	28.73	30.17	31.68	33.26	34.92	36.67
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# MARIN COUNTY SCHOOLS OFFICE Performance Appraisal – Classified Personnel

Name:	Position:
Department:	Range & Step:
Anniversary Date:	

# **Type of Appraisal**

1 <sup>st</sup> 3 months	
1 <sup>st</sup> 5 months	
Annual	
Other	

# **GUIDELINES**

Classified employees will be evaluated during the  $3^{rd}$  and  $5^{th}$  months of the probationary period and annually thereafter on their anniversary date. The following guidelines are to assist the supervisor to evaluate the employee's performance and discuss the employee's effectiveness in a **positive** two way communication.

- 1. Using the appropriate job description as a guide, the rater will evaluate the employee's performance of responsibilities and tasks which the rater has regularly and directly observed during the rating period. Consider the way tasks or duties were performed and/or the consequences of their performance.
- 2. Use the scale below to rate the employee in <u>each</u> area, as related to the employee's specific position responsibilities. After reviewing the indicators for success in the areas as well as the employee's duties and responsibilities, check with (X) which best describes the employee's performance <u>during the rating period</u>.

(1) Your work <u>exceeds</u>	(2) Your work <u>meets</u>	(3) Your work <u>is below</u>
established performance	established performance	established performance
standards	standards	standards and needs to be
		improved as follows:

3. A space for recommendations is provided in each area which is rated below established performance standards so that ratings are explained in narrative form. Documentation and explanations of ratings is important for employee job satisfaction and upward mobility as well as employee counseling and disciplinary action if improvement is not evidenced. The rater must cite examples of ineffective performance, specify improvement required and offer recommendations.

- 4. <u>Unscheduled Evaluations</u>: Additional unscheduled evaluations may be requested by the supervisor to indicate a significant change in performance.
- 5. <u>Follow-up Action</u>: Employee evaluations indicating "below standard" will require a follow-up evaluation in accordance with contract provisions.

A.	INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS/COMMUN	ICATIONS.
	<b>INDICATORS FOR SUCCESS</b>	COMMENDATIONS/RECOMMENDAT
1.	You communicate effectively in situations requiring patience, tact and diplomacy.	1 - exceeds
2.	You establish and maintain effective and cooperative working relationships with Marin County Office of Education Personnel, other agencies and the public.	1 - exceeds
3.	You demonstrate flexibility and adaptability to change.	1 - exceeds
4.	You maintain a positive attitude toward assignments and Marin County Office of Education goals.	1 - exceeds
5.	You express ideas effectively verbally; and in writing express ideas effectively and use correct English; use correct spelling and punctuation.	1 - exceeds
B.	WORK ORGANIZATION AND PLANNING	
1.	You accept responsibility and work independently, with given supervision and direction.	1 - exceeds
2.	You plan work effectively, set priorities, define tasks and complete work assignments within acceptable timelines.	1 - exceeds
3. 4.	You produce an acceptable volume of work. You work effectively under pressure of	

deadlines and/or interruptions.

5. You maintain a well-organized work flow.

1 - exceeds

C.	PROBLEM SOLVING/DECISION MAKING	(within realm of job possibilities)
1.	You recognize and acquire appropriate data for solution to problems.	1 - exceeds
	You analyze and evaluate appropriate data. You arrive at conclusions based on logical thinking.	
4.	You are consistent and reliable in work judgments.	1 - exceeds

5. You accept the consequences of decisions. 1 - exceeds

# D. TECHNICAL EXPERTISE AND PERFORMANCE

1.	You demonstrate job related technical expertise	1 - exceeds
	and satisfactory performance of duties as	
	described in the job description.	
2.	You display necessary knowledge for the job as	1 - exceeds
	represented by job-related education, skills, and	
	experience.	
3.	You produce work generally with a high degree	1 - exceeds
0.	of accuracy.	
4.	You are aware of safety, emergency, health and	1 - exceeds
	hygienic practices as they apply to your	
	position.	
5.	You are tactful in the execution of your	1 - exceeds
0.	assigned tasks and are able to maintain	
	confidential information in a professional	
	manner.	
E.	WORK EFFECTIVENESS	
1.	You execute job tasks in an acceptable manner.	1 - exceeds
2.	You maintain a good attendance record.	1 - exceeds
	You maintain a good attendance record.	I - exceeds
3.	Your personal appearance is appropriate for	1 - exceeds
3.	•	
3.	Your personal appearance is appropriate for	
3. 4.	Your personal appearance is appropriate for your job.	
	Your personal appearance is appropriate for your job. You persevere in the pursuit of job objectives.	1 - exceeds
4.	Your personal appearance is appropriate for your job.	1 - exceeds 1 - exceeds

#### **General Comments:**

# For Supervisor (Administrator)

Ratings in the "is below Established Performance Standards" category must state specific items and be accompanied by recommendations and timeline(s) for improvement – Attach memo to employee.



Memo attached

I have discussed this appraisal with the employee on \_

Date

(For Paraeducators and other classroom personnel only). I have discussed this rating with the appropriate teacher(s) listed below:

Immediate Supervisor (Administrator)	Date
Reviewed by	Date

Employee comments may be attached as desired and become a part of this appraisal.

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Comments Attached

I have requested the presence of the teacher with whom I work at the evaluation conference.

I have read the evaluation/recommendation and:

	Agree
٦	Disagree

with the appraisal. If you disagree, please attach comments.

Employee

Date

# For Unsatisfactory Evaluation

I have requested the presence of a C.S.E.A. representative at the evaluation conference.

C.S.E.A. Representative

Date

# MARIN COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION California School Employees Association – Walker Creek UNIT EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCE FORM

Employee	Classification	
Dept. or School	Supervisor	_
Organization Representing Grievant		
Date Grievance Occurred	Contract Section Alleged to be Violated	_
I discussed this with my supervisor on (date)		
My supervisor responded on (date)		
Employ	ee signature	_
Description of problem:		
Action Requested:		
Grievance Review – Step 1:	Date received	
-	TitleDate	
Employee Statement of Appeal to Step II:	Date received	
Employee signature	Date	
Association Request of Appeal to Step II:	Date received	-
Employee signature	Date	-
Association Representative Signature	Date	_

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#### MEMORANDUM

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### UNDERSTANDING

#### BY AND BETWEEN

# CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION WALKER CREEK RANCH UNIT

#### AND

### MARIN COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

The California School Employees Association, Walker Creek Ranch Unit, ("Association") and the Marin County Office of Education ("MCOE") hereby agree as follows:

- 1. MCOE will keep a record of all assignments posted offering additional hours to unit members. The record will include information on the date of posting, the specific assignment, who signed-up for the assignment and who finally performed the work. This record will be reviewed during the course of negotiations in 2007-2008 if the Association so requests.
- 2. MCOE will make available any other information that exists relative to extra hire work at the Walker Creek Ranch upon specific requests by the Association.
- 3. MCOE will not be required to produce information in a form that does not exist as a matter of regular business practices and records.

This Agreement represents the completion of Collective Bargaining for 2007-2008. All other issues subject to Collective Bargaining are hereby withdrawn by both parties. All other articles of the 2006-2009 Collective Bargaining Agreement continue into the 2006-2009 Agreement in full force except as noted in this Memorandum of Understanding.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF. the parties herein have executed this Agreement on the dates and year written below:

DATE: <u>March 12 2008</u>

DATE: March 10, 2008 ,M

California School Employees Association, Walker Creek Ranch Unit

BENJAMIN ABRAHAM Employee Representative

JAMES SERBENT Employee Representative

**ROBIN ROBINSON** Employee Representative



Marin County Office of Education Superintendent/Governing Board

DAVID M. HELLMAN, President Marin County Board of Education

MARY JANE BURKE Marin County Superintendent of Schools