MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN OSSEO AREA SCHOOLS, ISD 279

AND

EDUCATION MINNESOTA – OSSEO LOCAL #1212

TOPIC: READ ACT Professional Development Stipend

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon Signing

The following contains the full text of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Osseo Area Schools District No. 279 ("District"), and Education Minnesota - OSSEO, Local #1212, ("Union"), relating to required professional development for teachers.

Section 1. Purpose: The purpose of this agreement is to clarify required professional development for teachers due to new legislation under the Read Act made into law during the 2023 legislative session.

Section 2. Conditions: The parties agree to the following:

- 1. The Read Act governs the responsibility for all teachers to receive training in evidence based literacy instruction through an approved Minnesota State training program.
- 2. The District has selected the LETRS Volume 2 (LEXIA) and OL&LA (CORE) professional development program for Osseo Area Schools which are both approved state training programs.
- 3. **Options:** The District and the Union collaborated to establish three options for teachers to be able to complete the required training, understanding that a license is only good for one year:
 - a. Option 1: Spring 2025
 - b. Option 2: Spring 2025/Fall 2025
 - c. Option 3: Fall 2025/Spring 2026

The District Learning and Achievement Department in collaboration with the Union shall be responsible for determining when training will take place for all options.

4. **<u>Stipend:</u>** A stipend will be offered to teachers in the amount of \$850.

- <u>Payment:</u> Payment will be made once the teacher has submitted evidence of training completion, including demonstrating the required passing score to the Learning & Achievement Department. Payment will be made in June 2025, November 2025, February 2026, May 2026 and June 2026
- 6. <u>Prior Training Completion</u>: Teachers who have completed their training in District 279 prior to this MOU and did not receive compensation or a lane change will be eligible for the \$850 stipend. Teachers who have received training outside of the District, but complete their training in the District, will be eligible for a pro-rated stipend upon completion. Proof of partial completion must be provided to the Director of Learning & Achievement.

Per Article 6 Section 4 Subdivision 1 Part C in the Teacher's Contract, credits will not qualify if school district funds have been expended.

This MOU shall set no precedent between the parties. Any conflicts regarding this agreement will be handled through the Meet & Confer process or grievance process in the collective bargaining agreement.

By signing below, the parties agree to the terms of this MOU:

Education Minnesota - OSSEO

Osseo Area Schools, ISD 279

Signed by: Timesha Burroughs 1A82308RF

President

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