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CONTRACT LANGUAGE HIGHLIGHT: ARTICLE 6: EMPLOYEE RIGHTS

6.1 The District and CSEA recognize the right of employees to form, join, and participate in lawful activities of employee organizations and the equal alternative right of employees to refuse to form or participate in employee organization activities.

6.2 Neither the Board nor the Association shall discriminate against any employee on the basis of race, ethnicity, gender, religion, national origin, (as provided in federal and State law), age, disability, sexual orientation (as limited by State law), or any other protected class or activity, including membership or lack of membership in an employee organization, or for participation in lawful employee organization activities, or refraining from participation in employee organization activities, or for the exercise of any rights or benefits granted by this Agreement.

6.3 Employee groups in the District will be able to arrange for group transportation to conferences and workshops at their discretion. All allowable contracted transportation will be posted at the bus driver center 48 hours prior to the trip.

6.4 Personnel Files. Employee personnel files are to be made available for inspection by the employee provided that the request is made at a time when the employee is not actually requested to render services to the district. Such material is not to include ratings, reports, or records which (1) were obtained prior to the employment of the person involved, (2) were prepared by identifiable examination committee members or (3) were obtained in connection with a promotional examination.

6.4.1 Information of a derogatory nature shall not be entered into the employee's personnel file unless and until the employee is given notice (10 working days) and an opportunity to review and comment on that information. An employee shall have the right to enter and have attached to any such derogatory statement, his/her own comment thereon. Such review may take place during normal business hours provided the release time to the employee does not negatively inpact the day-to-day operations of the site/department.

6.4.2 All personnel files shall be kept in confidence and shall be available for inspection on a need to know basis.

6.4.3 Subject to the above conditions, an authorized representative of CSEA may accompany the employee in inspecting the employee's personnel file or may inspect the personnel file provided he/she first presents a current written authorization to do so signed and dated by the employee. An appointment shall be scheduled for such review as soon as practicable.

6.5 Evaluations. A permanent employee shall have the right to review and respond to an evaluation with an overall rating of unsatisfactory or improvement needed. An evaluation may be appealed to the Executive Director of Personnel Services (The appeal shall be made within 10 working days of presentation of the evaluation. The Executive Director shall hold a conference with the employee and his/her CSEA labor representative as soon as is practical. Upon a showing that the evaluation has been improperly based or issued, the Executive Director shall make any necessary changes to the evaluation to insure that the evaluation is accurate and fair. The Executive Director of Personnel Services decision is final and not subject to arbitration.

NEW CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES

Amabel Garcia - Safety Supervisor (MV) Briana Garcia - Bus Driver Transportation (DT) Liliana Gradilla - Safety Supervisor (CFS) Christina Hernandez - Bilingual Psychologist Tech (SPED) Monique Lopez - Safety Supervisor (MV) Cristina Moreno - Safety Supervisor (CC)



PROMOTED CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES

Alma Bautista - Budget Specialist (Fiscal) Alexa Celedon - English Learner Support Asst. (DM) Melissa Montez - Administrative Specialist (DM) Amber Zabalza - Administrative Specialist (WSHS)





POLICY 610 REVIEW UNDERSTANDING THE 610 PROCESS

SCAN THE QR CODE TO WATCH THE VIDEO ABOUT THE 610 PROCESS



Check out the graphic on the next page to see the timeline of the 610 process.



610 PROCESS - SURVEY TO RATIFICATION



NOVEMBER RATIFICATION RESULTS

VOTING RESULTS ON THE THREE MOUS UP FOR RATIFICATION

2022-23 Bus Driver and Bus Driver Trainee Incentive MOU

47 - Yes 13 - No

CFS Custodian I to Custodian/Maintenance Reclass MOU 58 - Yes 2 - No

Curriculum Resource Technician Reclassification MOU 56 - Yes 4 - No

AMENDMENT VOTING RESULTS

VOTING RESULTS ON ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS

Article VI - Meetings

36 - Yes

1 - No



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FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS

INCLUDING PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS WAIVER GIB No. 49-22

A. SUBJECT MATTER

We want to make sure CSEA members are aware of two actions by the Biden administration that may help them reduce or eliminate student loan debt. These have been in the news, and you should go to official government sources for details. We are providing a summary and links to official websites to help spread the word to our members and their families who might benefit.

1. Individuals with federal student loans can be eligible for up to \$20,000 in loan forgiveness

Individuals who have federal student loan debt can be eligible to have up to \$10,000 of that debt forgiven. If the individual received a Pell Grant in college (a specific kind of federal aid), they are eligible for another \$10,000 of debt forgiveness, for a total of up to \$20,000.

This debt forgiveness is available to anyone whose individual income is less than \$125,000, or \$250,000 for households.

The federal Department of Education is preparing a simple application for this debt forgiveness. For more information, go to https://studentaid.gov/debt-relief-announcement/.

2. There is a temporary waiver (until October 31, 2022) that can get you more credit towards the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program

People who hold public-service jobs, including working for public employers like school and community college districts, may be eligible for the federal Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program or PSLF. Under this program, student loans can be completely forgiven after the individual makes 120 "qualifying payments." There is a limited waiver, through October 31, 2022, that allows eligible individuals to receive credit for past periods of repayment that wouldn't otherwise qualify for PSLF. This can get you closer to full loan forgiveness under PSLF. To take advantage of this opportunity, you must have a Direct Loan, which means you might have to apply to consolidate your loans before October 31, 2022. For more information, go to https://studentaid.gov/articles/take-advantage-pslf-waiver/.

If you have any questions regarding these programs, go to <u>https://studentaid.gov/help-center/contact</u> to obtain phone numbers and/or ask your question via live chat.

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

Keith Pace Executive Director



CSEA PARAEDUCATOR CONFERENCE

APRIL 4-6, 2023 | ONTARIO CONVENTION CENTER

CSEA's 26th Annual Paraeducator Conference will be held inperson at the Ontario Convention Center April 4 – 6, 2023. Registration will be open in the late Fall, more details to come.

CSEA's long-running, annual paraeducator conference is one of our most popular events. Held each spring, the conference provides paraeducators with an opportunity to improve their knowledge, learn the latest in education trends and network with other paraeducators from around the state.

The conference has grown in size and popularity every year since, it debuted in 1998. Today, it is known statewide by members and school district administrators alike as the premier training and development opportunity for paraeducators.



CLASSIFIED WORK YEAR CALENDAR

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COACHELLA VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT CLASSIFIED WORK YEAR CALENDAR

2022-2023

Workdays:	180 Days	180 Days	182 Days	182 Days	190 Days	10 Month	10.5 Months	11 Months
		PARAEDUCATOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT	1 Day Before / 1 Day After	2 Days Before	5 Days Before/ 5 Days After COOK/ASSISTANT KITCHEN MANAGER	OFFICE ASSISTANT	ATTEN. DATA ENTRY CLERK I	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
	BILINGUAL SPEECH THERAPIST PARAEDUCATOR	SAFETY SUPERVISOR (CFS)			KITCHEN MANAGER I		ATTEN. DATA ENTRY CLERK II	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - ATHLETIC
	CAMPUS FACILITY ATTENDANT			KITCHEN WORKER	KITCHEN MANAGER II		ELEMENTARY ATTENDANCE CLERK	ASB ACCOUNT CLERK
ö	CAMPUS SECURITY ASSISTANT						ENGLISH LEARNER SUPP ASSIST.	BIL PSYCHOLOGIST TECHNICIAN
SNOITISO4	PARAED BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION SPED						HEALTH SERVICES TECHNICIAN	INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA ASSISTANT
ISOA	GENERAL ED. INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE						IT SERVICES ASSISTANT	LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE
	PARAED I, II & MODERATE SEVERE DISABILITIES							OFFICE MEDIA CLERK
	PARAED SPECIALIZED PHY HEALTH MOBILITY							SCHOOL NURSE ASSISTANT
	PARENT COMMUNITY LIAISON							SPORTS FACILITIES ASSISTANT
	SAFETY SUPERVISOR (Up to 180 days = Adult Ed)							
	SPECIAL EDUCATION EXPANSION AIDE							

FIRST DAY:	8/11/2022	8/10/2022	8/10/2022	8/9/2022	8/4/2022	8/1/2022	8/8/2022	8/1/2022
LAST DAY:	6/6/2023	6/5/2023	6/7/2023	6/6/2023	6/13/2023	5/31/2023	6/22/2023	6/30/2023
JUL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUG	15	16	16	17	20	23	18	23
SEP	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21
OCT	20	20	20	20	20	21	21	21
NOV	16	16	16	16	16	19	19	19
DEC	12	12	12	12	12	19	19	19
JAN	16	16	16	16	16	20	20	20
FEB	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
MAR	22	22	22	22	22	23	23	23
APR	14	14	14	14	14	19	19	19
MAY	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22
JUN	4	3	5	4	9	0	15	21
Workdays:	180	180	182	182	190	205	215	226



NEGOTIATION UPDATES

NEGOTIATION UPDATES FOR NOVEMBER 2022

CSEA met with the District Tuesday, November 29th to resume contract negotiations for the 2022-23 Reopener.

The District did counter on Article 11 - Salary on Tuesday.

After weeks of delay, during which time Management gave itself multiple raises, the District came in a with 4% on schedule and still wanted to take off the employee group "me too" language (we offered to remove it IF they agreed to our two-year proposal for 7% each year). We countered back immediately with the original 10% language including our current "me too" language that includes all employee groups. We gave every opportunity to the District to work with us on salary, however Management continues to provide nothing but nonsensical counters. We were blunt at the table: our members already earned their COLAs, and 4% is nothing but disrespect. Other districts (Desert Sands, College of the Desert, Morongo, etc.) did the right thing months ago.

The District did counter on Article 17 - Transportation and have dropped the time clock language. They are also seeking to improve the bidding language which we will be reviewing.

The District countered on Article 16 – Discipline. We are continuing to work together on progressive discipline language, and are close.

We meet again in January to continue work on the remaining reclassifications and reopeners. We are also pursuing a grievance regarding our current "me too" language and the recent raises to management compensation.



Questions? Please contact your bargaining team.

CHAPTER 109 EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS

CHAPTER SECRETARY NOMINEE SPEECH

Hello Chapter 109,

My name is Javier Martinez. I had the privilege of being nominated to run for Secretary, and I humbly accepted, as it would be an honor to serve you all on our Union Board. Sacrifice is not a foreign concept to me, I have years of experience making sacrifices to serve the community as well as our nation. I served 4 years in the U.S. Army as a Communications Specialist. In 2006 I was hired as a Campus Security Officer and later promoted to my current position of District Patrol Officer. Since then, I have always been encouraged by the employees of our district to grow and do more. I believe in the youth of our community and show my commitment to their future not only by ensuring their safety on campus but off campus as well. Some of my accomplishments include, Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice Assistant Scoutmaster with Troop 51 Boy Scouts Football Coach at Shadow Hills High School Volunteer Football Coach Elementary school age Friday Night Lights Numerous hours of training with F.E.M.A and Emergency Management Disaster Preparedness This month I am asking for your vote and confidence in me, so that I can be given the opportunity to learn from our hard-working elected Board to better serve you all. If elected Secretary, I would build upon the hard work of our previous Secretaries and help build a better and more secure future for ALL the employees of Chapter 109 and their Families. Thank you for taking the time to read my article. Respectfully,

Javier Martinez



QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT YOUR NEGOTIATIONS TEAM.

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CHAPTER 109 MEETING DATES

MEETING DATES FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR All meetings will be in person at 5pm unless otherwise stated. Location will be shared on the agenda when it is sent out. All meetings are for CSEA members only. Please, no family members.

Executive Board Meetings	Site Representative Meetings	Chapter Meetings
September 13, 2022	September 28, 2022 (Zoom)	September 29, 2022
October 11, 2022	October 26, 2022 (Zoom)	October 27, 2022
November 8, 2022	November 16, 2022 (Zoom)	November 17, 2022
December 6, 2022	December 14, 2022 (Zoom)	December 16, 2022*
January 10, 2023	January 25, 2023 (Zoom)	January 26, 2023
February 14, 2023	February 22, 2023 (Zoom)	February 23, 2023
March 14, 2023	March 22, 2023 (Zoom)	March 23, 2023
April 11, 2023	April 26, 2023 (Zoom)	April 27, 2023
May 9, 2023	May 24, 2023 (Zoom)	May 25, 2023



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IMPORTANT LINKS

Questions/Comments Form



CSEA Main Site



Chapter 109 Constitution



CVUSD Seniority List



Coachella Unified Chapter 109 Microsite



Chapter 109 CBA/Contract



CVUSD Salary Schedule



CVUSD Job Descriptions



