## NTA Proposal <br> w/Summary of Current Agreements and Proposals <br> December 18, 2023

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## NTA Proposals:

## 1. Salaries and other Compensation: Salary Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAS)



| NPS: Hold | 5-18-23 | No response from NPS |  |  |
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|  | 6-1-23 | NPS packages a slightly higher cola with all of their proposals, rejecting all of ours |  |  |
| NTA | 12-18-23 | NTA: Counter: |  |  |
|  |  | 1 year contract: <br> - Effective September 1, apply the below COLAs to the U |  |  |
|  |  | - Effective September 1, 2024 , 2025,and 2026, apply the below COLAs to the Units A, B, C, D, and E pay scales, and the stipend and coaches salaries pay scales. |  |  |
|  |  | Units A, B, and E |  |  |
|  |  |  | Year | COLA |
|  |  |  | 1 | 5\% |
|  |  |  | 2 | 4\% |
|  |  |  | 3 | 4\% |
|  |  |  | 4 | 5\% |
|  |  | Unit C and D |  |  |
|  |  |  | Year | COLA |
|  |  |  | 1 | 5\% |
|  |  |  | 2 | 4.5\% |
|  |  |  | 3 | 4.5\% |
|  |  |  | 4 | 6.0\% |
|  |  | Coaches Salary and Stipends |  |  |
|  |  |  | Year | COLA |
|  |  |  | 1 | 5\% |
|  |  |  | 2 | 4\% |
|  |  |  | 3 | 4\% |
|  |  |  | 4 | 5\% |

## 4. Salaries and Other Compensation: New Category 3 Unit C Salary Schedule




## 5. Salaries and Other Compensation: New Unit D Salary Schedules




## 7. Salaries and Other Compensation: New Top Level Steps to Unit E Salary Schedules

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit E, Article 30, Salaries | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Add a $2 \%$ increment half step (7.5) to the top of the Unit E Salary Schedules. Anyone on Step 6.5 or 7 at the time of this change shall be advanced to the new top step effective September 1, 2023. <br> - Prior to the application of the COLA, add a $2.75 \%$ increment half step (8) to the top of the Unit E Salary Schedules. Anyone on Step 7 or 7.5 at the time of this change shall be advanced to the new top step effective September 1, 2024. |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: No response until after override (March 14) |
| NPS Hold |  | 2-13-23 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 3-16-23 | NPS: Will respond April 4 |
| $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { NPS } \\ \text { Reject } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | 4-4-23 | NPS: Reject |
| NTA Reassert |  | 4-4-23 | NTA: Reassert |
| No change |  | 4-26-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 12-18-23 | NTA reasserts |

## 8. Salaries and Other Compensation: Longevity




| NPS Hold | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NPS Hold | 12-21-22 | NPS: Provided longevity information (scattergram of recipients) |  |
| NPS Hold | 1-25-23 | NPS: No response until after override (March 14) |  |
| NPS Hold | 2-13-23 | NPS: No response, MJZ: Comment: With Sean's financial analysis, scattergrams are helpful to understand where costs come from. |  |
| NPS Hold | 3-16-23 | NPS: Will respond April 4 |  |
| NPS Reject | 4-4-23 | NPS: Reject |  |
| NTA Hold | 4-4-23 | NTA: Hold |  |
| No change | 4-26-2023 | No change in status |  |
| No change | 5-18-23 | No change in status |  |
|  | 6-1-23 | NTA Revised Proposal |  |
|  |  | For all units |  |
|  |  | Proposed Years of Service | Proposed Payment |
|  |  | After 10 years of service | \$900 |
|  |  | After 15 years of service | \$1,250 |
|  |  | After 20 years of service | \$1,800 |
|  |  | After 25 years of service | \$4,500 |
| NPS rejects | 6-12-23 | NPS rejects revised proposal: "Not one of our priorities right now. We have limited resources and this is not where we want to invest." |  |
| NTA Reasserts | 12-18-23 | NTA Reasserts |  |

## 10. Salaries and Other Compensation: Step Increases Anniversary Date

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article 39, Salaries <br> Unit B, Article 31, <br> Salaries <br> Unit D, Article 15, Wages <br> Unit E, Article 30, Salaries | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, for Units A, B, D, and E, September 1 is the new anniversary date for step increases. <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, modify Unit D, Article 13, Section 2 to allow for annual step increments. <br> ARTICLE 13 <br> Wages <br> Section 2: Employees shall be eligible to advance to Step 2 one step on the salary schedule for each after three (3) years of continwous year of service as an ISS employee. <br> Section 3:-February September ${ }^{\text {st }}$ is the anniversary date of step increases for all Unit D members. (This is currently what the district doe, but it is not required by contract.) |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: No response until after override (March 14) |
| NPS Hold |  | 2-13-23 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Reject |  | 4-4-23 | NPS: Reject |
| NTA Counter |  | 4-4-23 | NTA: Counter: <br> Move step increase back to September 1 on September 1, 2024. |
| NTA Reasserts |  | 4-26-23 | NTA Holds on Counter packaged with NTA counter to NPS salary cola proposal \#1 Counter this because moving the step date back to September part of accepting SC idea of differential of COLA for those stepping from those on top step. |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| NTA Counter |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Counter: <br> 3 year contract: <br> - Effective September 1, 2024, move anniversary date of Step Increase to November 1. <br> - Effective September 1, 2025, move anniversary date of Step Increase to October 1. <br> - Effective September 1, 2026, move anniversary date of Step Increase to September 1 |


|  |  |  | Unit D <br> ARTICLE 15 <br> Wages <br> Section 2: Employees shall be eligible to advance to Step 2 one step on the salary schedule for each after three (3) years of continuous year of service as an ISS employee. <br> Section 3:-February September $1^{\text {st }}$ is the anniversary date of step increases for all Unit D members. (This is currently what the district doe, but it is not required by contract.) |
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## 11. Salaries and Other Compensation: Initial Step Placement of Unit E Employees

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit E, Article 10, Initial Staff Employment | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, each year of outside experience in a related field of work shall count as one year toward initial placement on the salary schedule. <br> ARTICLE 10 <br> Initial Staff Employment <br> Section 3: Initial placement on the salary schedule shall be based on training and/or experience. <br> Section 4: With respect to initial placement, the Committee shall determine, based on reasonable criteria, the amount of credit which may be given for previous outside experience, related experience, and Peace Corps work, but said experience shall not be counted for less than one year of credit for each year of previous related outside service. Reasonable effort will be made to award such credit equitably for all new employees. |
| NPS <br> Counter |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: We currently have an MOA-place that language in the CBA-reject year to year credit <br> Referenced MOA language from 5-16-13: <br> "As part of the resolution to the Unit E placement grievance, the parties agree that effective today there will be a new placement protocol for new hires based on years of applicable experience in their field as determined by the School Committee to be added to Article 10, section 3 in the Unit E collective bargaining agreement. 1-5 years of applicable experience in their field - Placed on Step 1, 6-10 years of applicable experience in their field - Placed on Step 1.5, 11-15 years of applicable experience in their field - Placed on Step 2, 16+ years of applicable experience in their field - Placed on Step 2.5. This placement protocol will be adjusted when the initial step on the salary scale is adjusted per this Collective Bargaining Agreement." |
| NTA <br> Reassert |  | 2-13-23 | NTA: MJZ Explains context: NTA filed grievance in 2013 because all Unit E new hires were being initially placed on step 1 , regardless of experience. <br> Contract states, in Article 10 <br> Section 3: Initial placement on the salary schedule shall be based on training and/or experience. <br> Section 4: With respect to initial placement, the Committee shall determine, based on reasonable criteria, the amount of credit which may be given for previous outside experience, related |


|  |  |  | experience, and Peace Corps work. Reasonable effort will be made to award such credit <br> equitably for all new employees. |
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|  |  |  | While equitable, this came at the cost of no credit being given for prior experience. Resolution awarded <br> some credit for prior experience. NTA's position remains that we are bargaining for more. |
| NTA <br> Reassert |  | $3-16-23$ | NTA reasserts proposal, says NPS response is reiteration of status quo. NPS responds that this is their <br> counter, to put this in the contract since we hadn't done it to date. |
| No change |  | $4-4-2023$ | No change in status |
| No change |  | $4-26-2023$ | No change in status |
| No change |  | $12-18-23$ | No change in status |
| NTA <br> Reasserts |  | NTA Reasserts |  |

## 12. Working Conditions: Modify Unit C Hours

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit C, Article 3, Work Day Work Year | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> 1. Effective September 1, 2023, Article 3, "Work Day - Work Year," Section 5 shall be renumerated as Section 4, and the current Section 4 shall become section 5 . <br> 2. Effective September 1, 2023 full time Category 1 and Category 2 Educational Support Professionals at the elementary and middle schools shall all be assigned, minimally, 35 hours per week and 36.25 hours per week at the high schools. Category 3 Social Emotional Learning Interventionists and ABA Behavior Technicians working in Sub-Separate Programs and SEL Interventionists shall be assigned, minimally, 40 hours per week. <br> ARTICLE 3 <br> Work Day - Work Year <br> Section 5: The parties agree that Educational Support Professionals must work time above and beyond the time during which they provide direct services to students. This is delineated as follows: <br> All full time Educational Support Professionals (ESPs), Category 1 and Category 2, shall be expected to arrive at school 10 minutes before the arrival of students. All full time Category 2, shall leave school 10 minutes after the departure of students. <br> All Category 1 full-time ESPs shall be assigned, minimally, to work an additional 150 minutes per month. <br> All Category 2 full time ESPs shall be assigned, minimally, to work an additional 300 minutes per month. <br> Additional time may be used flexibly to (1) plan with teachers, including attending PLC meetings, common planning time meetings, consults with Special Education staff, (2) attend building based and other staff meetings, (3) work with Unit A members on planning lessons and modifying curriculum, (4) record data, including, for ABA Behavior Technicians, diserete trial data, and for both ABA Behavior Technicians and Flexible |



| NTA <br> Reassert |  | $5-28-23$ | NTA unpackages from \#3 and reasserts |
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| NTA <br> Reassert |  | $12-18-23$ | NTA reasserts |
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## 13. Working Conditions: Increase Elementary Prep Time

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article 44, Elementary Preparation Time | 11-21-2022 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, Article 43, "Elementary Preparation Time," Section 1, shall be modified to increase elementary preparation time to a minimum of 240 minutes per week, with a minimum of 45 minutes of preparation time each day at least three days per week. <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, the Committee agrees to indemnify teachers who lose their preparation time. <br> ARTICLE 44 <br> Elementary Preparation Time <br> Section 1: Each elementary teacher will be scheduled for a minimum of $180 \underline{240}$ minutes of preparation time per week (during the regular school day), which is to be scheduled in meaningful units, pro-rated by FTE. Given the minimum scheduled preparation time of $180 \underline{240}$ minutes per week, elementary teachers will receive a minimum of $30 \underline{45}$ minutes of duty-free preparation time (excluding their duty-free lunch time) for three (3) days per week, and the Committee will make reasonable efforts to continue providing, subject to economic factors, a minimum of $30 \underline{45}$ minutes of duty-free preparation time (excluding their duty-free lunch time) on two (2) additional days per week for a total of five (5) days per week. <br> Section 2: The Committee will indemnify a teacher in an elementary school who loses preparation time such that their total preparation time falls below 240 minutes per week. Teachers will timesheet their missed preparation time, and shall be reimbursed in the next pay period. They shall be paid at their regular per diem rate. |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: No response until after override (March 14) |
| NPS Hold |  | 2-13-23 | NPS: No response |
| NTA Counter |  | 3-16-23 | NTA: Will accept NPS proposal \#2-Elementary School Day Working Group-on condition that the charge of the group include a modified version of our proposal \#13, providing a minimum of 220 minutes of elementary prep time for all teachers during the time students are in school. This would be part of the charge of the Elementary School Day Working Group. |
| NPS Reject |  | 4-4-23 | NPS: Rejects. Do not want to restrict the options of the working group |



|  |  |  | September, 2024 to increase elementary preparation time to 220 minutes for all classroom, special <br> education, and specialist teachers in the 2023-2024 school year and going forward. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| NPS <br> Rejects |  | $5-18-23$ | NPS Rejects: they see challenges in being able to commit to 220 without knowing what will have to be <br> given up in order to do this. |
| NTA <br> Reasserts |  | $12-18-23$ | NTA Reasserts |

## 16. Working Conditions: Provide Adequate Technology Support

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article 25,Teacher Facilities | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, modify Unit A Article 25 Section "Teacher Facilities" to state that the district shall Provide adequate technology infrastructure in each school, including, but not limited to: <br> 1. WiFi that functions continuously, without interruption; <br> 2. Adequate technical support staffing to provide prompt, timely service and repair of computer technology, including, but not limited to, all personal computing devices issued by the district, printers, chargers, projectors, etc; <br> 3. Adequate Instructional Technology Specialist staffing to provide prompt, timely professional development and instructional support for utilizing to its fullest potential district issued instructional technology. <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, modify Unit A Article 25 "Teacher Facilities" to state that for each school building in the Newton public schools, increase the RATIO of Information Technology staffing to the total number of students and staff working in each building by $20 \%$ from FY23 levels by September 1, 2023, an additional 15\% from the FY24 levels by September 1, 2024, and an additional 10\% from the FY25 levels by September 1, 2025. <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, modify Unit A Article 25 "Teacher Facilities" to state that for each school building in the Newton public schools, increase the RATIO of Instructional Technology Specialist staffing to the total number of students and staff working in each building by $20 \%$ from FY23 levels by September 1, 2023, an additional 15\% from the FY24 levels by September 1, 2024, and an additional 10\% from the FY25 levels by September 1, 2025. <br> ARTICLE 25 <br> Teacher Facilities <br> Section 1: Where the buildings and facilities furnished by the City of Newton make feasible and practical to do so, the Committee, subject to physical limitations, shall make an effort to: <br> A. Make reasonably accessible to each teacher the audio-visual instructional equipment, clerical equipment, professional resources, and periodicals necessary for the performance of his/her duties. |


|  |  |  | B. Provide adequate technology infrastructure in each school, including, but not limited to: <br> 1. WiFi that functions continuously, without interruption; <br> 2. Adequate technical support staffing to provide prompt, timely service and repair of computer technology, including, but not limited to, all personal computing devices issued by the district, printers, chargers, projectors, etc; <br> 3. Adequate Instructional Technology Specialist staffing to provide prompt, timely professional development and instructional support for utilizing to its fullest potential district issued instructional technology. <br> C. For each school building in the Newton public schools, increase the RATIO of Information Technology staffing to the total number of students and staff working in each building by $20 \%$ from FY 23 levels by September 1, 2023, an additional 15\% from the FY24 levels by September 1, 2024, and an additional $10 \%$ from the FY25 levels by September 1, 2025. <br> Information Technology staffing levels shall include the total number Administrative Technology Specialists, Technology Support Specialists, Network Specialists, Network Media Specialists, Systems Administration Specialists, and Data Management Specialists working for the Newton Public Schools. <br> In order to calculate staffing ratios, the total number of Information Technology staff shall be divided by the total number of all staff and students, and said ratio shall then be used to calculate staffing levels going forward, and for each building. <br> For each school building in the Newton public schools, increase the RATIO of Instructional Technology Specialist staffing to the total number of students and staff working in each building by $20 \%$ from FY23 levels by September 1, 2023, an additional 15\% from the FY24 levels by September 1, 2024, and an additional 10\% from the FY 25 levels by September 1, 2025. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Reject |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: Reject |




17. Working Conditions: Provide Adequate Substitute Coverage



18. Working Conditions: Provide Adequate Substitute Coverage: Floating BTs




## 22. Leave Benefits: Add Additional Days of Parental Leave, with more of these Paid Directly




| NPS Hold | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NPS Hold | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| Partial TA | 1-25-23 | NPS Response <br> 1. Reject <br> 2. Reject <br> 3. Reject <br> 4. Accept <br> 5. Accept |
| NTA <br> Reassert <br> 1, 2, 3 <br> 4,5, TA | 2-13-23 | NTA: 1, 2, 3, reasserted 4,5, TA |
|  | 3-16-23 | We, NTA, need to initiate a conversation with the SC about this proposal. Why are they rejecting the proposal? What are their concerns? <br> NPS clarifies: <br> 1. Sixty days is significant regarding more money and sub coverage issues <br> 2. Coverage issues <br> 3. Is too difficult for planning and for students to have two different people, etc., not good for coverage. <br> Asked for clarification on rejection of $\# 2$-is it because it is more than 45 , or is the concern about how they pay it, sick days versus direct? Are people forced to take unpaid days now if they use all their sick days and have to go to sick leave bank. |
| No change | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
|  | 4-26-23 | No change |
| No change | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
|  | 6-1-23 | No change |
|  | 6-12-23 | No change |
| NTA <br> Supplement | 7-17-23 | NTA Supplements Proposal (to bring into conformity with MCAD Guidelines) <br> - Effective for leaves commencing after ratification, modify Article 5, Section 12 to allow equitable access to sick leave bank. <br> ARTICLE 5 <br> Sick Leave Bank <br> A. There shall be a sick leave bank for use by eligible employees covered by this Agreement who have exhausted their own sick leave. Eligible employees are members who qualify under one of |





## 24. Professional Development: Equalize Middle School Meeting Time

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Units A and B Time \& Learning Appendix | 11-21-22 | - Effective September 1, 2023, Wednesday meetings at all middle schools shall end one (1) and one half $(1 / 2)$ hours after students are released for the day. <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, on early release days, students will be scheduled to attend school for three (3) hours. Professional Development shall be for three hours. <br> BIGELOW, DAY, AND OAK HILL MIDDLE SCHOOLS <br> 3. There will be up to four (4) special early release days during the year. when students are dismissed at 11:30 AM. Students will be scheduled to attend school for three (3) hours before dismissal. Professional Development shall last for three hours. <br> 4. (new section number) On Wednesday afternoons, staff meetings shall end one and one half (1 $1 / 2)$ hours after student dismissal. <br> BROWN MIDDLE SCHOOL <br> 3. There will be up to four (4) special early release days during the year. when students are dismissed at 11:30 AM. Students will be scheduled to attend school for three (3) hours before dismissal. Professional Development shall last for three hours. <br> 4. (new section number) On Wednesday afternoons, staff meetings shall end one and one half (1 $1 / 2)$ hours after student dismissal. |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Reject |  | 12-21-22 | NPS Proposes (\#11) to eliminate T\&L agreements entirely |
| NTA Hold |  | 1-25-23 | NTA: No response |
| NTA Reassert |  | 2-13-23 | At NTA request, NPS confirms that their position is their proposal \#11 is a rejection of our \#24; NTA: Reasserts |
| No Change |  | 3-16-2023 | No change...this is the status |
| No change |  | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 4-26-23 | No change |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { See NPS } \\ & \# 11 \end{aligned}$ |  | 12-18-23 | Included in NTA Time and Learning Counter to NPS proposal. See below, NPS \#11 |

## 25. Professional Development: High School Staff Meetings before School

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Units A and B <br>  <br> Learning <br> Appendix | $11-21-22$ | NTA Proposal: <br> Effective September 1, 2023, faculty meetings in the high school will convene Tuesday <br> mornings at 8:00 a.m. and end ten minutes before classes begin, rather than Tuesday afternoons. <br> HIGH SCHOOL TIME AND LEARNING AGREEMENT |

## 26. Professional Development: Changes to Evaluation Handbook

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Units A and B Evaluation Handbook | $\begin{aligned} & 11-21- \\ & 22 \end{aligned}$ | NTA Proposal: <br> Effective September 1, 2023: <br> - For teachers with PTS who are at risk of having an overall rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory: <br> - Require at least two (2) unannounced observations prior to issuing a warning letter. <br> - Move the date of the warning letter from the last school day in March to the last school day in January. <br> - Move the date of the formative or summative evaluation from the first Friday in June to the second Friday in May. <br> - For teachers who are being placed on a Directed Growth or Improvement Plan: <br> - Make clear that the educator's goals are determined by the evaluator, and thus eliminate the requirement of self-assessment and proposing professional practice and student learning goals. <br> - Require a meeting to discuss development of the plan goals by the first Friday in June of the year prior to implementation of the plan. <br> - Require delivery of the completed plan by the last school day in June of the year prior to implementation of the plan. <br> - "Calendar of Evaluation Process" grids <br> - Incorporate the above changes; and <br> - Incorporate the prior agreed upon inclusion of language from the Evaluation Handbook regarding Evidence Gathering and Summative Evaluation. <br> - "Chart of Evaluation Responsibilities": <br> - Unit A: Incorporate changes in duties regarding evaluation of special educators and related services providers per MOA from 2021-2022 <br> - Unit A: Add positions and make name corrections to reflect current positions. <br> - Unit B: Proposed "Chart of Evaluation Responsibilities" |
| Counter |  | $\begin{aligned} & 11-30- \\ & 22 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | NPS: See their proposal \#8 |
| Hold |  |  | NTA: No reply |
| Hold/ Counter |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1-25- \\ & 23 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | NPS Response: Their proposal \#8 is a counter to this-to form an evaluation Labor Management Committee. We reminded them that we would like to know what they would like to see come out of that committee-specifically |
| Package Counter |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 2-13- } \\ & 23 \end{aligned}$ | NTA Counter: Agree to their \#8, Evaluation Labor Management Committee, if NPS agrees to change in evaluation procedures for employees on Directed Growth Plans and Improvement Plans. |


| Hold | $\begin{aligned} & 3-16-1 \end{aligned}$ | NTA reiterates and holds-it wasn't clear to SC that this was our position in last session. Must send language to SC. |
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|  |  | NTA sent language between sessions |
| No change | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 4-4- \\ & 2023 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | No change in status |
| No change | $\begin{aligned} & 4-26- \\ & 23 \end{aligned}$ | No change in status |
| Reassert | $\begin{aligned} & 5-18- \\ & 23 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Reassert/remind them of our position given on 2-13-23. They will have a counter proposal re: DGP/IP language at the next session |
|  | 6-1-23 |  |
| NTA <br> Reasserts | $\begin{aligned} & 6-12- \\ & 23 \end{aligned}$ | NTA Reasserts package proposal |
| NTA Counter | $\begin{aligned} & 12-18- \\ & 23 \end{aligned}$ | NTA Counter: <br> Units A and B Handbook for Evaluation <br> 1 year contract <br> - Effective September 1, 2023: <br> - For teachers with PTS who are at risk of having an overall rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory: <br> - Require at least two (2) unannounced observations prior to issuing a warning letter. <br> - Move the date of the warning letter from the last school day in March to the last school day in January. <br> - Move the date of the formative or summative evaluation from the first Friday in June to the second Friday in May. <br> - For teachers who are being placed on a Directed Growth or Improvement Plan: <br> - Make clear that the educator's goals are determined by the evaluator, and thus eliminate the requirement of self-assessment and proposing professional practice and student learning goals. <br> - Require a meeting to discuss development of the plan goals by the first Friday in June of the year prior to implementation of the plan. <br> - Require delivery of the completed plan by the last school day in June of the year prior to implementation of the plan. <br> - "Calendar of Evaluation Process" grids <br> - Incorporate the above changes; and <br> - Incorporate the prior agreed upon inclusion of language from the Evaluation Handbook regarding Evidence Gathering and Summative Evaluation. underlined text with highlight |

- "Chart of Evaluation Responsibilities":
- Unit A: Incorporate changes in duties regarding evaluation of special educators and related services providers per MOA from 2021-2022 underlined text with highlight
- Unit A: Add positions and make name corrections to reflect current positions.
- Unit B: Proposed "Chart of Evaluation Responsibilities"


## Handbook Section 7 "Evaluation Cycle: Self-Assessment"

## Subparagraph A"Completing the Self-Assessment

a. The evaluation cycle begins with the Educator completing and submitting to the Primary Evaluator a self-assessment by the 2nd Friday in October or within four weeks after the Educator's first day of employment if the Educator begins employment after September 15th. Educators who are new to the Newton Public Schools will work together with their Evaluator to complete this self-assessment, which should be completed by the 2nd Friday in October.
b. For Educators with PTS who are placed on Directed Growth or Improvement Plans the above paragraph is not applicable. The evaluation cycle begins with the Evaluator meeting with the educator no later than the first Friday in June of the year prior to implementation of the plan to discuss the goals of the plan based on information from the just completed Formative or Summative Assessment.
c. [no change from current paragraph "b"]

## Subparagraph B(e) "Proposing the Goals

e. For Educators with PTS who are placed on Directed Growth or Improvement Plans and as a result of an overall ratings of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory, the professional practice goal(s) shall be developed by the Evaluator by the last school day of June in the year prior to implementation of the plan and must address specific standards and indicators identified for improvement. In addition, the goals may address shared grade level or subject area team goals.

## Handbook Section 8 - "Evaluation Cycle: Goal Setting and Development of the Educator Plan"

## Subparagraph C(b)

b. The Evaluator shall meet individually with Educators with PTS who have and ratings of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory and who will be moving to a Directed Growth or Improvement Plan by no later than the 4th Friday in October last school day of June to develop finalize professional practice goal(s) that must address specific standards and indicators identified for improvement and present the


## Handbook Section 18 - "Educator Plans: Directed Growth Plan"

## Subparagraph D

A copy of the signed Directed Growth Plan shall be provided to the Educator and the Association no later than the last school day in June of the year prior to the plan's implementation. The Educator's signature indicates that the Educator received the Directed Growth Plan in a timely fashion. The signature does not indicate agreement or disagreement with its contents.

## Handbook Section 19 - "Educator Plans: Improvement Plan"

## Subparagraph F:

A copy of the signed Improvement Plan shall be provided to the Educator and the Association no later than the last school day in June of the year prior to the plan's implementation. The Educator's signature indicates that the Educator received the Improvement Plan in a timely fashion. The signature does not indicate agreement or disagreement with its contents.

TEACHERS ON DEVELOPING EDUCATOR PLANS (NON-PTS TEACHERS) CALENDAR OF EVALUATION PROCESS

| Deadline | Action |
| :--- | :--- |
| End of September | Annual Orientation meeting on Evaluation Procedures |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Friday in October | Educator completes self-assessment and proposes draft goals. An Educator <br> new to Newton meets with Evaluator to complete self-assessment and draft <br> goals. |
| 4th Friday in October (or within four <br> weeks of beginning employment if this <br> occurs after September 30 | Self-assessment/goal setting conference. Educator and Evaluator meet and <br> work together to design a Developing Educator Plan. |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Friday in November | Evaluator completes Educator Plan, which is signed within five (5) days by the <br> Educator. |
| Last school day in <br> November | Completion of 1st announced observation and associated conferences. |
| By last school day in <br> January | Completion of 2nd announced observation and associated conferences (First <br> year Educators); completion of 2 unannounced observations and associated <br> feedback (All non-PTS Educators) |
| 1st Friday in February | Presentation of Formative Assesment, with the opportunity for conference <br> within five (5) days of request by either the Evaluator or the Educator. <br> (Evaluator requests evidence of performance two weeks prior to completing <br> the Formative assessment.) Deadline for Evaluators to identify and inform in <br> writing any teacher whose performance suggests non-reappointment. |



|  |  |  | $4^{\text {th }}$ Friday in October (or within four weeks of beginning employment if this occurs after September 30th) | Self-assessment/goal setting conference. Educator and Evaluator meet and work together to design/review Educator Plan. |
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|  |  |  | $1^{\text {st }}$ Friday in November | Evaluator completes the Educator Plan, which is signed within five (5) days by the Educator. |
|  |  |  | Last school day in Mareh January (year 1 or 2 of cycle) | Written warning from Evaluator sent to Educators who are at risk of receiving an overall rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory. A copy will be sent to the respective Central Staff Administrator, the Office of Human Resources, and the Association President. This letter must indicate the prior dates of conferences with the Educator, must reference at least two unannounced observation reports from observations conducted during the current school year, and set forth the new timeline for evaluation calling for a meeting regarding the Summative or Formative Evaluation by the second Friday in May. |
|  |  |  | Last school day in April (year 1 of cycle) | Completion of at least one unannounced observation and associated conversation. |
|  |  |  | $\underline{2^{\text {nd }} \text { Friday in May (year } 1 \text { or } 2 \text { of cycle) }}$ | For educators with PTS who will have an overall ranking of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory, formal conference and presentation of Formative or Summative Evaluation, with the opportunity for discussion. Evaluation must be delivered to Educator at least two days prior to conference. |
|  |  |  | $1^{\text {st }}$ Friday in June (year 1 of cycle) | Presentation of Formative Evaluation, with the opportunity for conference within ten (10) days of request by either the Evaluator or the Educator. |
|  |  |  | $1^{\text {st }}$ Friday in June (year 2 of cycle) | Formal conference and presentation of Summative Evaluation, with the opportunity for discussion. Summative Evaluation must be delivered to Educator at least two days prior to conference. |
|  |  |  | ${ }^{\text {st }}$ Friday in June | For educators with PTS who will be placed on Directed Growth or Improvement Plans for the upcoming year, their Evaluator will meet with them no later than the first Friday in June of the prior year to discuss development of the goals for their plan based on information from the just completed Formative or Summative Assessment. |
|  |  |  | Last day of school | The Evaluator shall meet individually with Educators with PTS who have ratings of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory and who will be moving to a Directed Growth or Improvement Plan no later than the last school day in June to finalize professional practice goal(s) that must address specific standards and indicators identified for improvement and present the educator with the Directed Growth or Improvement Plan for the upcoming year. |
|  |  |  | Last day of school | Submission of Evaluation Reports to Office of Human Resources |



## TEACHERS ON DIRECTED GROWTH OR ONE-YEAR IMPROVEMENT PLANS CALENDAR OF EVALUATION PROCESS

| $1^{\text {st }}$ Friday of June of the prior school year | For educators with PTS who will be placed on Directed Growth or Improvement Plans for the upcoming year, their Evaluator will meet with them no later than the first Friday of June of the prior year to discuss development of the goals of their plan based on information from the just completed Formative or Summative Assessment. |
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| Last school day of the prior school year | The Evaluator shall meet individually with Educators with PTS who have ratings of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory and who will be moving to a Directed Growth or Improvement Plan no later than the last school day in June to finalize professional practice goal(s) that must address specific standards and indicators identified for improvement and present the educator with the Directed Growth or Improvement Plan for the upcoming year. |
| End of September | Annual Orientation meeting on Evaluation Procedures |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Friday in October | Educator completes self-assessment and proposes draft goals. |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Friday in October | Self assessment/goal setting conference. Educator and Evaluator meet and work together to design an Educator Plam. |
| ${ }^{1 s t}$ Friday in November | Evaluator completes Edueator Plan, which is signed within five (5) days by the Educator. |
| Last school day in November | Completion of announced observation and associated conferences. |
| Last school day in January | Completion of 2 unannounced observations and associated feedback. |
| Last school day in March January | Written warning from Evaluator sent to Educators who are at risk of receiving an overall rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory. A copy will be sent to the respective Central Staff Administrator, the Office of Human Resources, and the Association President. |
| 2nd Friday in February | Presentation of Formative Assessment, with the opportunity for conference within five (5) days of request by either the Evaluator or the Educator. |


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## 29. NTA Supplemental Proposals: Minimum of one social worker per building

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article 18 | 1-25-23 | NTA Proposal: <br> Effective September 1, 2023, the pre-school and every elementary, middle, and high school shall have a minimum of one full time social worker per building. <br> Amend Unit A, Article 18, Class Size, by adding a replacing section 3, as below: <br> ARTICLE 18 <br> Class Size <br> Section 3: It is understood and agreed that the decision with respect to class size and pupil-staff ratio is within the exclusive judgment and discretion of the Committee. <br> Section 3: The pre-school and every elementary, middle, and high school shall have a minimum of one full time social worker per building. |
| NPS Reject |  | 2-13-23 | NPS Rejects: Rationale: "Cannot" agree to staffing levels |
| NTA Reassert |  | 3-16-23 | NTA Reasserts |
|  |  | 4-26-23 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| NTA Counter |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Counter: <br> ARTICLE 18 <br> Class Size <br> Section 3: It is understood and agreed that the decision with respect to class size and pupil-staff ratio is within the exclusive judgment and discretion of the Committee. <br> Section 3: In order to support classroom teachers, special education teachers and related service providers to continue to meet the mental health and behavioral needs of their students, which have grown acutely and are overburdening the capacity of these educators, the district shall place in NECP, each elementary, and each middle school a minimum of one full time regular education Social Worker, Guidance Counselor or School Adjustment Councilor, as well as continue to assign a minimum of one full time SEL Interventionist in each building. |

## 32. NTA Supplemental Proposals: All Career and Technical Education Aides will be placed on the Television Aide Salary Schedule

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
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|  | Unit A: Article <br> 17: Work Year, <br> Teaching <br> Hours, and <br> Teaching Load <br> (pp. 26-27), <br> Unit B: Article <br> 15 (formerly <br> Article 14): <br> Work Day - <br> Work Year (pp. <br> 19-21), Unit C: <br> Article 3: Work <br> Day - Work <br> Year (pp. 2-6) |  |  |
|  |  | NTA Proposal: <br> 1 year contract: <br> Effective September 1, 2023, amend Unit A, Article 17, Work Load, Teaching Hours, and Teaching Load <br> by (1) modifying Section 2, paragraph 1, by replacing 'Wednesday and Thursday' with 'Monday and <br> Tuesday', and by inserting the following in Section 2, subparagraph (B) |  |
| •During the first two (2) workdays of the school year, all employees covered by this agreement shall <br> have ten (10) hours set aside for self-directed preparation for the school year, including, at their <br> discretion, attendance at any district wide opening day event. |  |  |  |
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## 33. NTA Supplemental Proposals: Volunteering Non-Precedent Setting

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
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|  | Unit A, Article <br> 21, Non- <br> Teaching <br> Duties, | $11-15-23$ | Effective September 1, 2023, modify the Article 21 by adding a new section 3 as follows |
| ARTICLE 21 |  |  |  |

## 34. NTA Supplemental Proposals: Paid FMLA Leave to Care for Relative(s)

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article 5, Sick Leave, Unit B, Article 5, Sick Leave, Unit C, Article 8, Sick Leave, Unit D, Article <br> 7, Authorized Leaves of Absence, Unit E, Article 5, Sick Leave | 11-15-23 | 1 year contract: <br> - Effective for leaves commencing after ratification, employees eligible and approved for leave pursuant to the FMLA may use up to sixty (60) days to be deducted from the employees accrued sick leave for FMLA qualifying circumstances requiring the Employee to attend an ill spouse, child, or parent, per FMLA definition of said. <br> ARTICLE 5 <br> Sick Leave <br> Section 5: Sick leave with pay is intended to cover the employee's own incapacitation due to sickness or injury. with the following exceptions: <br> An employee covered by this Agreement may use up to eleven (11) fourteen (14) of his or her fifteen (15) annual sick days for a close family member's or dear friend's illness or injury. <br> Employees covered by this agreement and eligible and approved for leave pursuant to the FMLA may use up to sixty ( 60 ) days to be deducted from the employees accrued sick leave for FMLA qualifying circumstances requiring the Employee to attend an ill spouse, child, or parent, per FMLA definition of said. |
| NTA <br> Reasserts |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Reasserts |

## NPS Proposals:

## 1. NPS: Duration

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
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|  | Unit A. Article 47 <br> (formerly Article 45): <br> Duration (p. 58): <br> Unit B. Article 39: <br> Duration (p. 45) <br> Unit C, Article 32: <br> Duration (p 42) <br> Unit D, Article 27: <br> Duration (p 20) <br> Unit E, Article 37: <br> Duration (p. 38) |  | NPS Proposal: <br> September 1, 2023 - August 31, 2026 |
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|  |  | $12-18-23$ | NTA Counter: <br> 1 year contract, September 1, 2023-August 31, 2024 <br> 3 year contract, September 1, 2024- August 31, 2027 |
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*Numeration for SC proposals based on Unit A proposal list; numeration of proposals for other units, when different, noted in bold in the
"Contract/Unit column.)

| ESPs (A, B)   <br> Status Contract/Unit Date |  |  | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: no Article specified <br> Unit B: no Article specified (Proposal \#2) <br> Unit C: no Article specified (Proposal \#3) | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Evaluation of ESPs: <br> The parties agree that the Committee has satisfied its bargaining obligations with respect to the following: <br> - The principal/designee may require Team Specialists and/or BCBAs to evaluate ESPs. <br> - Principals/designees may require teachers to provide input into the evaluations of ESPs. |
|  |  | 11-30-22 | NTA Questions/Comments <br> Why is this worded the way it is - not just contract language, but the words "the parties agree that the Committee has satisfied its bargaining obligations with respect to the following" |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-21-2022 | NTA rejects proposal regarding Unit C evaluation, but we'd welcome a more comprehensive counter proposal that considers: <br> 1. Training of evaluators <br> 2. Pay for the work that is being shifted into our bargaining unit <br> 3. Workload for evaluators - what will be dropped? <br> 4. Revision of the evaluation tool to support Unit C <br> 5. STRIDE - how does this work in sub sep programs? |
| Not clear |  | 3-16-2023 | NTA asked if NPS withdrew this proposal. NPS: Jill said that she is not sure they officially withdrew it...talked about it. Perhaps talked about it. Will come back to you. |
| No Change |  | 4-4-23 | No change |
| No Change |  | 4-26-23 | No change |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Reiterates rejection. |

4A. Work Day Work Year: Earlier Start to School Year; Additional PD day at Beginning of Year

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: Article 17: Work Year, Teaching Hours, and Teaching Load (pp. 26-27) <br> Unit B: Article 15 (formerly Article 14): Work Day Work Year (pp. 19-21) ( <br> (Proposal \#3) <br> Unit C: Article 3: Work Day Work Year (pp. 2-6) (Proposal \#2) | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Replace the first paragraph of Section 2 as follows: <br> Section 2: To provide for greater flexibility in seheduling the sehool calendar, the parties agree that the two (2) conference days for teachers at the beginning of the school year may be scheduled on the Wednesday and Thursday before Labor Day. The work year for teachers will end one day after the last day for students but not later than June 30 . Each year at least fourteen (14) days prior to the adoption of the school calendar for the following year, the President of the Association will be given a copy of the proposed calendar. If the Association does not agree with the proposed calendar, it may submit recommended changes to the School Committee, which will consider the recommendations prior to finat adoption of the calendar by the School Committee. <br> To provide for greater flexibility in scheduling the school calendar, the parties agree that up to three (3) conference days for teachers at the beginning of the school year may be scheduled no earlier than Monday before Labor Day. The work year for teachers will end not later than June 30 and may include the day after the last day for students. |
|  |  | 11-30-22 | NTA Questions/Comments <br> - Bring educators back as early as the Monday before Labor Day weekend, and in any case be able to add another day of district control over staff schedule in the days before students return after Labor Day--three days instead of two? YES (from discussion at table) <br> - Flexibility to bring students back before Labor Day? YES (from discussion at table) |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-21-2022 | NTA rejects proposal in part because it does not include additional pay for the additional time. This proposal and proposal 4B entail a $1.4 \%$ increase in the length of the work year. |
| NPS <br> Reasserts |  | 3-16-2023 | NPS Reasserts |
| No change |  | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| Counters |  | 11-15-23 | NTA counters: <br> Effective September 1, 2023, amend Unit A, Article 17, Work Load, Teaching Hours, and Teaching Load by (1) modifying Section 2, paragraph 1, by replacing 'Wednesday and Thursday' with 'Monday and Tuesday', and by inserting the following in Section 2, subparagraph (B) |


|  |  |  | -During the first two (2) workdays of the school year, all employees covered by this agreement <br> shall have ten (10) hours set aside for self-directed preparation for the school year, including, at <br> their discretion, attendance at any district wide opening day event <br> NPS Reasserts$\quad$  NTA Reasserts 11-15-23 counter |
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4B. Work Day Work Year: Parent Conference/PD Day(s) During School Year

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: Article 17: Work Year, Teaching Hours, and Teaching Load (pp. 26-27) <br> Unit B: Article 15 (formerly Article 14): Work Day Work Year (pp. 19-21) (Proposal \#3) <br> Unit C: Article 3: Work Day Work Year (pp. 2-6) (Proposal \#2) | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Amend Section A of Section 2 by adding the following to the end of Section A: "The Committee may utilize any school days in excess of 180 as a family conference day(s) with teachers and/or for professional development/training." <br> Article 17, Section 2: A. One hundred and eighty-five (185) scheduled school days, less those days that school is canceled because of inclement weather. Such canceled days will be deducted, up to a maximum of five (5), from the total number of scheduled school days; however, in no event will employees be required to be present for more than one hundred and eighty-two (182) school days. The Committee may utilize any school days in excess of 180 as a family conference day(s) with teachers and/or for professional development/training. |
|  |  | 11-30-22 | NTA Questions/Comments <br> - To our questions about the relationship between parts A and B, Toby replied that these are "Interlocking things to improve. ability to start prior to Labor Day and not have late end to school year; potential need for more planning time for school year, and conferences that do not interrupt instruction during the year." Which is how we thought these two parts of the proposal worked together. Very clear what they would like. |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-22-2022 | NTA rejects proposal because it does not include additional pay for the additional time. This proposal and proposal 4A entail a $1.4 \%$ increase in the length of the work year. |
| NPS: <br> Reassert |  | 3-16-2023 | NPS Reasserts |
| No change |  | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 4-26-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Rejects |
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## 4C. Work Day Work Year: Psychologists' Work Year 190 Days

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: Article 17: Work Year, Teaching Hours, and Teaching Load (pp. 2627) | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Amend Section 3: Replace Section 3 with the following: The work year for psychologists will be 190 days. <br> Article 17, Section 3: Psychologists may be required to work up to five (5) additional days during the summer at their per diem rate. Psychologists may work more than the required five (5) days on a voluntary basis at their per diem rate with the prior approval of the Superintendent or his/her designee. The work year for psychologists will be 190 days. |
|  |  | 11-30-22 | NTA Questions/Comments <br> After the November 30 session, psychologists were surveyed. About $40 \%$ of respondents worked some summer hours; number of hours varied from 8 to 30 . <br> So we need clarity on what the district is looking for in this proposal. |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-21-2022 | NTA Rejects: The proposal to reduce the pay of Psychologists by increasing their work year is unacceptable to us. NPS currently has a way to require these people to work extra days in the summer. |
| NPS: <br> Reassert |  | 3-16-2023 | NPS Reasserts |
| No change |  | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 4-26-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Rejects |
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## 5. Reduce Allocation of Sick Days for New Staff in First Three Years of Employment

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: Article 5: <br> Sick Leave <br> Unit B: Not in proposal <br> Unit C, Article 7; <br> Sick Leave <br> (Proposal \#5) <br> Unit D, Article 7: <br> Authorized Leaves of <br> Absence (Proposal <br> \#2A) <br> Unit E: Article 5: <br> Sick Leave <br> (Proposal \#2) | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Amend Section 1 by adding the following underlined language: <br> Every regular professional employee of the Newton School Committee covered by this Agreement shall be granted an annual leave of fifteen (15) days without loss of pay for absence caused by illness. Notwithstanding the prior sentence, effective with the start of the 2023-2024 work year, new employees shall be granted annual sick leave in accordance with the following table: |
|  | Same as above | 11-30-22 | B. Amend the second paragraph in Section 2 as follows: (deleted language struck; new language underlined): <br> "An employee covered by this Agreement may use up to eleven (11) of their his or her available fifteen(15) sick days for a close family member's or dear friend's illness or injury annually." |
| NTA counter- |  | 12-21-2022 | NTA counter-proposal on NTA proposal \#20 included provision that NPS withdraw proposal \#5 and revise 6 A and B . |
| NPS rejects package |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: Responds independently to our proposal \#20; package proposal off the table. |
|  |  | 2-13-23 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { NPS } \\ & \text { reasserts } \end{aligned}$ |  | 3-16-23 | NPS reasserts original proposal |
| No change |  | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 4-26-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Rejects |
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6 A and B. Restrict Access to Sick Leave Bank

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: Article 5, Section 11 Sick Leave Bank (pp. 10-11) <br> Unit B: Article 5, Section 12 Sick Leave Bank (pp. 8-9) (Proposal <br> \#4) <br> Unit C: Article 8, Sick Leave (pp. 11-14) (part of the sick leave proposal \#5) Proposal \#3 <br> Unit E: Article 5: Section 12 (Sick Leave Bank) Proposal \#2 Part C | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Employees must have been employed by tne Newton Public Schools for a minimum of two full years prior to the of the request for sick leave bank benefits. <br> A. Amend Section A by adding the below underlined language: <br> A. There shall be a sick leave bank for use by eligible employees covered by this Agreement who have exhausted their own sick leave. Eligible employees are members who qualify under one of the following circumstances: a member with a serious illness; members who gave birth and are considered disabled due to the birth of the child; and members who are the primary adoptive parents within the first six months of the adoption (adoptive primary parent includes a primary parent via surrogacy). <br> Employees must have been employed by the Newton Public Schools for a minimum of two full years prior to the date of the request for sick leave bank benefits. <br> B. Delete "fifteen (15) from the first sentence in Section B. (housekeeping) <br> B. At the beginning of every school year, members of the professional staff covered by this Agreement shall each contribute one (1) day of their annual fifteen (15) days of sick leave in order to fund the bank.* There shall be no accumulation of unused sick leave bank days beyond each applicable school year. |
| NTA Counter | Same as above | 12-21-2022 | NTA Counter Proposal: <br> 1. NPS accepts NTA proposal regarding family sick usage (NTA \#20) <br> 2. NPS withdraws proposals limiting sick day grant for new employees (NPS \#5) <br> 3. NTA counter re: sick bank access <br> a. First year of employ, limited to 30 days <br> b. Second year, limited to 60 days <br> c. Exception to this sick bank access is on the job injury - those provisions continues to apply |
|  |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: Responds independently to our proposal \#20; package proposal off the table. |
| NPS reasserts A and B |  | 3-16-23 | NPS reasserts proposals |
| No change |  | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |


| No change |  | $4-26-2023$ | No change in status |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| No change | $5-18-23$ | No change in status |  |
| NTA Rejects |  | $12-18-23$ | NTA Rejects |
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## 6 C and D. Limit the Number of Days that can be Allocated from Bank to 60.

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: Article <br> 5, Section 11 <br> Sick Leave Bank <br> (pp. 10-11) <br> Unit B: Article <br> 5, Section 12 <br> Sick Leave Bank (pp. 8-9) <br> (Proposal \#4) <br> Unit C: Article <br> 8, Sick Leave (pp. 11-14) (part of the sick leave proposal \#5) <br> Proposal \#3 <br> Unit E: Article <br> 5: Section 12 <br> (Sick Leave <br> Bank) Proposal <br> \#2 Part C | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> C. Amend Section D by adding the following to the end of the sentence: "but in no event more than an additional thirty (30) days," <br> D. Upon completion of an initial grant of a thirty (30) day period, the period of entitlement may be extended by the Sick Leave Bank Committee upon demonstration of need by the applicant, but in no event more than an additional thirty (30) days, <br> D. Amend Section F by replacing "Sick Leave Bank Committee" with the "Superintendent" in the second sentence, (housekeeping) <br> F. The Sick Leave Bank shall be administered by a Sick Leave Bank Committee consisting of four members. Two members shall be designated by the Sick Leave Bank Committee Superintendent to serve at its the Superintendent's discretion and two members shall be designated by the Association.* The Sick Leave Bank Committee shall determine the eligibility for the use of the bank and the amount of leave to be granted. The following criteria shall be used by the Sick Leave Bank Committee in administering the bank and in determining eligibility and amount of leave: <br> 1. Adequate medical evidence of serious illness; <br> 2. Prior utilization of all eligible sick leave. |
| NTA Rejects <br> C <br> TA on D |  | 12-21-2022 | NTA Rejects Proposal C, but accepts housekeeping proposal D |
| NPS <br> Reasserts C <br> TA on D |  | 3-16-23 | NPS reasserts proposal C |
| No change |  | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 4-26-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Rejects |

## 6 Unit D. Restrict Access to Sick Leave Bank: Limit the Number of Days that can be Allocated from Bank to

60. 

(Note that the Unit D language is different, but this is the same change as proposed in 6 A trhough 6 C above.)

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit D: Article 17: Sick Bank (p.14) Proposal \#3 | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Amend the first sentence of Section 1 as follows (new language underlined): <br> Unit D 5-day a week members who have been employed by the Newton Public Schools for a minimum of two full years prior to the date of the request for sick leave bank benefits may participate in the sick leave bank* subject to the following restrictions: (i) the Unit D member contributed one (1) day of sick leave to fund the bank: (ii) these sick days from can only be used prospectively by a unit member who has been out sick for more than two consecutive weeks and whose illness is confirmed by a doctor's certificate; (ii) the initial grant of days by the Sick Leave Bank Committee shall not exceed thirty (30) days; (iii) upon completion of the initial grant of sick leave by the Sick Leave Bank Committee, the Sick Leave Bank Committee may extend additional sick leave days upon the Unit D member's demonstrated need but in no event more than an additional thirty (30) days. |
| NTA counter | Same as above | 12-21-2022 | NTA counter proposal: <br> 1. NPS accepts NTA proposal regarding family sick usage <br> 2. NPS withdraws proposals limiting sick day grant for new employees <br> 3. NTA counter re: sick bank access <br> 1. First year of employ, limited to 30 days <br> 2. Second year, limited to 60 days <br> 3. Exception to this sick bank access is on the job injury - those provisions continues to apply |
|  |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: Responds independently to our proposal \#20; package proposal off the table. |
| NPS reasserts |  | 3-16-23 | NPS reasserts original proposal |
| No change |  | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 4-26-23 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| NTA Rejects |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Rejects |

## 8. Form a Teacher Evaluation Working Group.

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: Proposal to come |
|  | Unit A: Article 20 Teacher Evaluation <br> Unit B: Not in proposal <br> Unit C: Not in proposal <br> Unit D: Not in proposal <br> Unit E: Not in proposal | 11-30-22 | The Evaluation Working Group consisting of NPS and NTA members, shall be re-established for the purpose of collaboratively reviewing and proposing revisions to the Unit A evaluation rubrics, forms, and templates, as well as associated and related documents, as well as the Evaluation Handbook, which memorializes the evaluation process. The Evaluation Working Group will propose revisions to the evaluation process and documents for adoption and implementation for the 24-25 School Year; however, nothing prevents the Evaluation Working Group from recommending agreed upon proposed revisions to elements of the process or revised documents for implementation prior to the 24-25 SY. |
| NTA requests detail |  |  | NTA Response: <br> NTA has made a detailed proposal about what we would like to change in the evaluation instrument. We would like a detailed proposal from the district about what they would like to change and why. |
| Clarify | Unit B: Article 16: Evaluation | 2-13-23 | NPS Clarifies: Proposal is for Unit B as well. NPS also provided some clarification to their proposal: <br> Toby - "We met several times, were not working on integrating state mandates, was a model of collaboration at ways we needed to improve, had right training for evaluators, fine tuning how it could be changed/adapted. How to keep integrating state mandates, interest in the cultural responsive components regarding the rubrics and potential things coming from the state. Not one particular issue to fix, more about the collaborative effort." |
| Package Counter |  | 2-13-23 | NTA Counter: Agree to their \#8, Evaluation Labor Management Committee, if NPS agrees to change in evaluation procedures for employees on Directed Growth Plans and Improvement Plans (\#28 above). |
| Package Counter |  | 3-16-2023 | NTA Reasserts Counter: This wasn't clear on last negotiations date |
| No change |  | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 4-26-2023 | No change in status |
| Reassert Package |  | 5-18-23 | NPS indicates they will have a counter next session |
| NTA counter |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Accepts IFF NPS accepts NTA \#26 |

## 9. Health Insurance.

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: Article 28: Health Insurance (pp. 34-36) <br> Unit B; Article 24: Health Insurance (pp. 26-28) <br> (Proposal \#7) <br> Unit C: Article <br> 7, Health Insurance (pp. <br> 9-11) (Proposal <br> \#6) <br> Unit D: Article 25 Health Insurance, (pp. 18-20) ) <br> (Proposal \#5) <br> Unit E: Article 23 Health Insurance, (pp. 26-28) ) <br> (Proposal \#4) | 1-25-23 | NPS Proposal: <br> 1. PPO/OOA plans: Employer (NPS) contribution for PPO/OOA plans is set at $75 \%$ of the EPO individual or family plan. <br> 2. Deductibles: Increase Deductibles from $\$ 250 / \$ 500$ to $\$ 400 / \$ 800$ <br> 3. Out-of-Pocket Maximum: Increase OOP maximum from $\$ 1,000 / \$ 2,000$ to $\$ 2,000 / \$ 4,000$ <br> 4. Urgent Care Copay: Increase Urgent Care Copay from $\$ 10$ per visit to $\$ 20$ per visit <br> 5. Retail Care copay: Increase Retail Care Copay by $\$ 5$ per visit to $\$ 20$ per visit. [Must be a typoshould read "from $\$ 5$ per visit to $\$ 20$ per visit" instead of "by $\$ 5$ per visit," as the co-pay is currently $\$ 5$ per visit.] <br> 6. Prescription Copays: increase prescription drug copays by $\$ 5$ at all three Tiers from $\$ 20$ to $\$ 25$ for Tier I, from $\$ 35$ to $\$ 40$ at Tier II, and from $\$ 55$ to $\$ 60$ for Tier III <br> *In discussion, told that \#1 is currently the practice in city plans. |
|  |  | 2-13-23 | NTA: Asks for information on savings the district anticipates; we say we cannot reply until we have better sense of district's financial proposals AND changes happening as city procures new providers. (Tufts and Harvard no longer exist independently.) |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Before 3- } \\ & 16-23 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Sean Mannion sends reply to our information request. Data is somewhat confusing and hard to determine future savings because the savings different for different carriers, but Harvard and Tufts are merging. |
| NTA Rejects |  | 3-16-23 | NTA rejects changes to health insurance plan design and contribution rates |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |


| NPS revises proposal | 6-12-23 | NPS revised Proposal: <br> Starting on July 1, 2024 <br> 1. PPO/OOA plans: Employer (NPS) contribution for PPO/OOA plans is the dollar amount equal to: <br> - $75 \%$ of the premium for the EPO individual plan for PPO/OOA individual plans; <br> - $75 \%$ of the premum for the EPO family plan for PPO/OOA family plans; <br> Starting on July 1, 2025 <br> 1. Deductibles: Increase Deductibles from $\$ 250 / \$ 500$ to $\$ 400 / \$ 800$ <br> 2. Out-of-Pocket Maximum: Increase OOP maximum from $\$ 1,000 / \$ 2,000$ to $\$ 2,000 / \$ 4,000$ [no change] <br> 3. Urgent Care Copay: Increase Urgent Care Copay from $\$ 10$ per visit to $\$ 20$ per visit <br> 4. Retail Care copay: Increase Retail Care Copay by $\$ 5$ per visit to $\$ 20$ per visit. [Must be a typoshould read "from $\$ 5$ per visit to $\$ 20$ per visit" instead of "by $\$ 5$ per visit," as the co-pay is currently $\$ 5$ per visit.] <br> 5. Prescription Copays: increase prescription drug copays by $\$ 5$ at all three Tiers from $\$ 20$ to $\$ 25$ for Tier I, from $\$ 35$ to $\$ 40$ at Tier II, and from $\$ 55$ to $\$ 60$ for Tier III [no change] |
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| NTA rejects | 6-12-23 | NTA Rejects |
| No change | 12-18-23 | No change |

## 10. Tuition Free Attendance.

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: Article 42-Tuition Free <br> Attendance (p. 55) <br> Unit B: Not in proposal <br> Unit C: Article 24 Tuition Free Attendance (p. <br> 34) (Proposal <br> \#7) <br> Unit D: Article 18, Tuition Free Attendance (Proposal \#4) Unit E: Article 34 - Tuition Free Attendance (p. 37) | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Proposal to come |
|  | Same as above | 11-30-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Replace Section 1 as follows: <br> ARTICLE 42 <br> Tuition-Free Attendance <br> Acceptance of Non-Resident Teachers' Children in Newton Public Schools <br> Section 1: Subject to the conditions and restrictions that apply to Newton students who seek out- of district placement, a teacher in the Newton School System who is not a resident of the City will have the option, at no cost, of having his/her child(ren) or a child residing with the teacher attend the regular education program of one of the two high schools in Newton and, on a space available basis, the regular education program at the Elementary or Middle |

Schools in the Newton Public Schools. However, once a child is accepted, so long as the teacher is employed in the Newton Public Schools, the child shall be allowed to attend that school through grade 12 subject to the rules and regulations that apply to Newton residents. In addition, every reasonable effort will be made to place siblings in the same school if the parent so requests. It is further understood that if a child(ren) of a teacher is approved to attend the Newton Public Schools, such attendance shall not be grounds for a teacher grievance concerning workload and/or class size, nor shall such attendance be calculated as part of teacher load and/or class size in cases of such grievances

## RELABEL: Children of Non-Resident NTA Members Attending Newton Public Schools

Section 1: A member employed by the Newton Public Schools who is not a resident of the City of Newton will have the option of having their child(ren) who resides in the member's residence, and for whom they have legal guardianship, enroll in one of the two high schools in Newton and, on a space available basis, in one of the Elementary or Middle Schools in the Newton Public Schools. This option of enrollment/continued attendance is subject to the following conditions:
(i) the payment by the member of an annual materials fee that is established by the Newton School Committee;
(ii) the enrollment/continued attendance does not result in the need to add additional classrooms, programs, or services, increase staffing levels; or
(iii) enrollment/continued attendance does not require Newton Public Schools to provide or purchase additional equipment, modify facilities, or fund any program or services that are not then currently being provided by the Newton Public Schools.

The purpose of this provision is to allow the children of non-resident member employees to attend the Newton Public Schools provided that such attendance does not result in the need to add additional classrooms, staffing, programs, services, or to purchase additional equipment or modify facilities. In the event enrollment or attendance of a non-resident members' child would require an additional classroom, additional staff, additional programs or services, or the purchase of additional equipment or modification of facilities, the member and the member's child will be referred back to the school district of the student's residence.

Non-resident students requiring an out-of-district placement under Massachusetts or Federal special education law will be referred back to the school district of the student's residence and all

|  |  | rights and costs regarding such placements shall remain the obligation of the school district of actual residence. <br> Once a child is accepted for enrollment, and so long as the member remains employed by the Newton Public Schools, and the child resides with the member, subject to the conditions set forth herein, the child shall be allowed to attend that school through grade 12. The right of continued attendance is conditioned upon the payment of the fees and costs set forth in this provision and is subject to the rules and regulations that apply to Newton residents. In addition, every reasonable effort will be made to place siblings in the same school if the parent so requests. It is further understood that if a child(ren) of a member is approved to attend the Newton Public Schools, such attendance shall not be grounds for a grievance, including but not limited to a grievance concerning teacher workload and/or class size, and in all such instances, workload and/or class size shall be calculated on the basis of students who reside in the City of Newton. |
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| NTA rejects | 12-21-2022 | NTA rejects out of district proposal |
|  | 1-25-2023 | NPS: Hold |
|  | 2-13-2023 | NPS: Hold |
| NPS Counter | 3-16-2023 | NPS: Counter <br> RELABEL: Children of Non-Resident NTA Members Attending Newton Public Schools <br> Replace Section 1 with the following: <br> Section 1: A member employed by the Newton Public Schools who is not a resident of the City of Newton will have the option of having their child(ren) who resides in the member's residence, and for whom they have legal guardianship, enroll in one of the elementary, middle, or high schools in the Newton Public Schools, on a space available basis. Once a child is accepted for enrollment, and so long as the member remains employed by the Newton Public Schools, and the child resides with the member, the child shall be allowed to attend Newton Public Schools through grade 12 subject to the following conditions: <br> (i) the enrollment/continued attendance is subject to the rules and regulations that apply to Newton residents; <br> (ii) the payment by the member of an annual materials fee that is established by the Newton School Committee; and <br> (iii) the enrollment/continued attendance does not result in the likely need to add additional classrooms, or hire additional staff. <br> The purpose of this provision is to allow the children of non-resident member employees to attend the Newton Public Schools provided that such attendance does not result in the |



|  |  |  | the student's special education team recommends out-of-district placement for a student attending the Newton Public Schools under this provision, the Newton Public Schools will work with the employee's residential school district to ensure that the transition to an out-of-district placement be as seamless as possible. <br> It is further understood that if a child(ren) of a teacher an employee is approved to attend the Newton Public Schools, such attendance shall not be grounds for a teacher grievance concerning workload and/or class size, nor shall such attendance be calculated as part of teacher load and/or class size in cases of such grievances. |
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| NTA <br> Counter |  | 12-18-23 | NTA Counter <br> Article 42: Tuition-Free Attendance ( <br> Replace Section 1 with the following: <br> Section 1: A member employed by the Newton Public Schools who is not a resident of the City of Newton will have the option of having their child(ren) who resides in the member's residence, and for whom they have legal guardianship, enroll in one of the elementary, middle, or high schools in the Newton Public Schools, on a space available basis. Once a child is accepted for enrollment, and so long as the member remains employed by the Newton Public Schools, and the child resides with the member, the child shall be allowed to attend Newton Public Schools through grade 12 subject to the rules and regulations that apply to students who reside in Newton. <br> Reasonable efforts will be made to place siblings in the same school if the member so requests. <br> Non-resident students requiring an out-of-district placement under Massachusetts or Federal special education law will be referred back to the school district of the student's residence and all rights and costs regarding such placements shall remain the obligation of the school district of actual residence. The benefit provided under this Article does not obligate the Newton Public Schools to pay out-of-district tuition costs for non-resident members' children attending the Newton Public Schools under this Article. The Newton Public Schools will work with the school district of the student's residence with a goal of providing a smooth transition. |


|  |  | It is further understood and agreed that if a child(ren) of a non-resident member is <br> approved to attend the Newton Public Schools, such attendance shall not be grounds for a <br> grievance concerning workload and/or class size, nor shall such attendance be calculated <br> as part of teacher load and/or class size in cases of such grievances. |
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| If and when the School Committee authorizes School Choice, non-resident employees |  |  |
| whose children attend the Newton Public Schools under this provision shall apply for |  |  |
| available School Choice seats. The failure to obtain a School Choice seat shall not |  |  |
| prevent the employee from continuing to utilize the benefit provided in this section |  |  |

## 11. Time on Learning.

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: <br> Appendix E - <br> Time on <br> Learning <br> Agreement (pp. <br> 124-132) <br> Unit B: <br> Appendix F- <br> Time on <br> Learning <br> Agreement (pp. 148-156) <br> (Proposal \#8) <br> Unit C: Not in proposal <br> Unit D: Not in proposal <br> Unit E: Not in proposal | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Proposal to come |
|  | Same as | 11-30-22 | NPS Proposal: Proposal to come |
|  |  | 12-21-22 | Appendix E - Time on Learning Agreement (Unit A, pp. 124-132; Unit B; pp. 148-156) <br> REMOVE (Units A and B) and REPLACE (Unit A only) with: <br> 1. Article 17 (pp. 26-27) <br> Amend Article 17 by adding the following new sections: <br> Section \# 4: The work week for teachers in grades preK-5 will be 35 hours including their preparation time and duty-free lunch break. <br> Section \# 5: The work week for middle school teachers will be 35 hours including their preparation time and daily duty-free lunch break. |



|  | 1-25-23 | NTA no response |
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|  | 2-13-23 | NTA no response |
| NTA rejects; NPS reasserts | 3-16-23 | NTA rejects; NPS Reasserts |
| No change | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| No change | 4-26-2023 | No change in status |
| No change | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| NTA Counter | 6-26-23 | TIME AND LEARNING AGREEMENT <br> PREAMBLE <br> The Newton School Committee (the Committee) and the Newton Teachers Association (the Association) acknowledge that the Time and Learning regulations issued by the Department of Education pursuant to its mandate under the Education Reform Act of 1993 warrant a change in the existing practices with respect to total teacher hours of employment, length of sehool day, and work load. In an effort to develop muttally satisfactory changes in the afore mentioned existing practices, the parties hereby agree on the following Time and Learning changes*: <br> ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS <br> [renumber below as necessary] <br> 1. Thursdays will be a regularly scheduled day, eliminating the "Thursday Afternoon Program." <br> 2. The Newton Public Schools will offer citywide professional development during the regular school day in either a half or full day timeframe. Teachers will be released from their regular teaching duties during this time, and the district will provide appropriate coverage. <br> 3. Wednesday afternoon release time will be used as follows: <br> - Building principals may schedule one staff meeting per month from 1:05-3:00. <br> - The parties agree to set aside three (3) or four (4) Wednesday afternoons per month (three when there are four Wednesdays in a month and four when there are five) for one hour of Professional Learning Community (PLC) time and one hour of personal planning time. The district reserves the right to use 4 hours per year from this personal planning time for urgent, unexpected, or mandated district-wide staff training or professional development. <br> - Beginning in the 2017-2018 school year, Special Education Teachers, ELL Teachers, and special area teachers have an average of 4 hours per month unassigned on Wednesday |


8. The Committee will have the option, beginning with the 2016-2017 sehool year, to permanently change the Tuesday elementary dismissal time to $12: 45 \mathrm{pm}$ from $12: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. If the Committee exercises this option and if the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated April 27, 2015, which changed the start time to $8: 25$ am are no longer being observed, then the restriction on the use of additional time for social and emotional learning purposes will remain in effect through the 2017-2018 school year as described in the MOA.
If the Committee exercises this option, preparation time for all elementary school teachers will, at the same time, increase to a minimum of 180 minutes per week. This increase will be effective concurrent with the change in the elementary dismissal time. The Tuesday elementary sehool day for teachers will remain the same length, even with contact time increasing by fifteen (15) minutes. The thirty (30) minute duty free lunch time, as well as allocation of adequate travel time for teachers, remains in effect.

The School Committee and the Association acknowledge that there may be recommendations from a Joint Committee to be established during the 2015-2016 school year (pursuant to the elause "Elementary/Middle School Time Issues: Thursday Afternoon Program") that may lead to changes in this Committee option. Any such changes are subject to approval by the Committee and the Association.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL TIME AND LEARNING AGREEMENT

## BIGELOW, DAY, AND OAK HILL MIDDLE SCHOOLS

## [renumber below as necessary]

1. The week shall consist of four (4) days of 6.5 hours and one (1) day of 5.75 hours, for a total of 31.75 hours ( 1905 minutes) per week. The goal is to minimize the spread in the start/stop time among the 4 schools
2. The regular work day will begin 10 minutes before students are expected to report to their classroom/homeroom for attendance purposes. The regular work day will end 10 minutes after students are dismissed from school.
3. There will be up to eight four (4 $\underline{8}$ ) special early release days during the year. when students are dismissed at $11: 30 \mathrm{AM}$. Of these eight, four may be used for district or building based professional development or training, and four shall be used at the teachers' discretion. Students will be scheduled to attend school for three (3) hours before dismissal. Professional development or teacher discretionary time shall last for three hours.


## BROWN MIDDLE SCHOOL

## [renumber below as necessary]

1. The week shall consist of four (4) days of 6.5 hours and one (1) day of 5.75 hours, for a total of 31.75 hours ( 1905 minutes) per week. The goal is to minimize the spread in the start/stop time among the 4 schools.
2. The regular work day for will begin 10 minutes before students are expected to report to their classroom/homeroom for attendance purposes. The regular work day will end 10 minutes after the students are dismissed from school.
3. There will be up to eight fow (4 $\underline{8}$ ) special early release days during the year. when students are dismissed at 11:30 AM. Of these eight, four may be used for district or building based professional development or training, and four shall be used at the teachers' discretion. Students will be scheduled to attend school for three (3) hours before dismissal. Professional development or teacher discretionary time shall last for three hours.
4. Teachers will have up to 1215 minutes/week of contact time with students.
5. On the 5.75 hour days, staff meetings shall end one and one half ( $11 / 2$ ) hours after student dismissal.
6. Teachers may be assigned up to two duties per six-day cycle (which include advisory as an option).
7. Teachers will have one (1) duty-free lunch period/day based on the building schedule.
8. Team teachers will have up to four (4) periods every two (2) cycles for scheduled team and Grade Level Department meetings.
9. Teachers (e.g., SPED teachers) who are regularly scheduled for more than two (2) meetings per cycle will be compensated with additional preparation time for scheduled meetings above the two (2) per cycle.
10. Homeroom and advisory will continue to be sehool-based decisions.
11. All teachers will have an average of eight (8) preparation periods/cycle or forty-eight (48) preparation periods over a six-cycle period. Preparation time is defined as time during which the teacher has no direct service time with students. It is the goal of the Committee and the Association to balance the teaching load of all teachers equitably.
12. Homeroom, lunch and passing time are not counted as part of 1215 minutes/week.
13. Team teachers will have up to 20 teaching periods in their core subject per cycle. Multi-team teachers will teach up to 25 periods per cycle.
14. The Committee and Administration do not intend to make any significant changes in the split between core contact time and other student learning time (OSLT/Academic Responsibilities) beyond what is in the proposed schedules for 2001-2002.
15. The Committee and the Administration will consult the Association prior to any significant changes being made to the split between core contact time and OSLT/Academic Responsibilities. The Committee recognizes its obligation to bargain with the Association over mandatory subjects of collective bargaining.
16. The Middle School Oversight Committee, with an equal number of members appointed by the Committee and the Association, will continue to meet for the purpose of overseeing implementation of the Agreement and resolving related problems.

## HIGH SCHOOL TIME AND LEARNING AGREEMENT

The following agreement is specific to the proposed high school schedule developed by a joint committee of educators from Newton North, Newton South and the Newton Public Schools and completed during the 2018-19 school year. The agreement allows that minor changes may be made to the schedule to allow for unanticipated contingencies, such as accommodation to bus schedules, response to faculty feedback, etc., by the High School Joint Oversight Committee.
Upen ratification of the 2019-2020 and 2020-2023 Units A, B, and C contracts, Section 1 of the revised High School Time and Learning Agreement below will come into immediate effect, charging the High School Joint Oversight Committee (HSJOC), among the responsibilities listed below, and within the parameters of its charge, with determining whether, when and how the new schedule shall be implemented. Section 8 will also immediately come into effect.

The remaining sections of this revised High School Time and Learning Agreement will take effect upon implementation of the new schedule. The High School Time and Learning agreement from the 2015-18 NTA NPS Contract will remain in effect until a new sehedule is implemented.

1. Within 30 days of ratification of this Agreement, the Association and School Committee will appoint an equal number of representatives to the High School Joint Oversight Committee. Both the Association and the School Committee may appoint members of Unit B as their respective representatives, but for purposes of tallying the number of members appointed by the Association and the School Committee, a



|  |  |  | 6. Flexible learning blocks in the schedule will be used for student flexible learning time facilitated by teachers, as well as teacher collaboration time, as specified below: <br> - The schedule will include no more than 260 minutes of flexible learning time per week; <br> - Teachers may be assigned to work with students up to three hundred and forty (340) minutes every two weeks; <br> - Educators (with exceptions noted below) shall be assigned at least 100 minutes of teacher collaboration time during flexible learning time every two weeks; educators may elect to work up to fifty minutes more every two weeks with students, taken from collaboration time. <br> - Counselors and psychologists shall be assigned 100 minutes of collaboration time every two weeks; collaboration time for counselors and psychologists may be assigned during teaching blocks rather than flexible learning blocks in order to maximize counselor and psychologist availability for students during flexible learning time. This time for collaboration is in addition to Tuesday meeting time or professional half days. <br> - Educators shall not be assigned more than 10 flexible learning blocks, including student flexible learning time and collaboration time, every two weeks. <br> - Flexible learning blocks may be used to assign Unit C members collaboration and/or planning time. <br> - Unit B members will be fully engaged during flexible learning blocks. They will participate in supporting student learning and faculty collaboration during flexible learning blocks on a floating basis. <br> - Part-time staff will be assigned responsibilities proportional to their FTEs and respecting their part-time schedule. <br> - No later than Jantary of the second year of implementation, the HSJOC will meet to consider revising the flexible learning time expectations for student time and collaboration time. The goal of the HSJOC will be to decrease educators flexible learning time with students per two week period by 50 minutes and increase collaboration time for the same period by 50 minutes, without increasing overall staffing needs for high sehools or creating unsafe supervision loads during flexible learning time. <br> 7. It is the intent of the Committee and Association that high school students will have a minimum of 990 hours of time on learning via traditional and flexible learning time. |
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|  |  | 8.-During the 2019-2020, 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 sehool years, the parties agree that all full time high school English teachers will be capped at 258 students ( 21.5 students average class size). <br> Beginning with the 2022-23 school year, the parties agree that all full-time high school English teachers will be capped at 264 students ( 22 students average class size) over a three-year period. <br> Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, the parties agree that all full time Teachers of English, English Language Learners, History and Social Science, Mathematics, Science, Engineering, and World Language will be capped at 272 students ( 24 students average class size) over a three-year period, with no individual classes to exceed 30 students. <br> A calculation of the total number of students each English teacher has taught for the 2019-2020, 20202021, and 2021-2022 school years shall be provided to the Association by March, 2022. The calculation of the three-year total shall then restart in the 2022-2023 school year, and every three years a calculation of the total number of students each English teacher has taught during the past three years shall be provided to the Association by March of the third year ( 2025,2028 , etc.). The district will inelude all relevant information the Association needs to ascertain compliance with the cap when it provides this calculation, including, but not limited to, faculty FTEs during the three-year period, any hire, leave, or resignation/retirement dates relevant to the calculation, ete. <br> The cap will be applied pro-rata for part-time teachers working at least $75 \%$ time. The cap will be applied pro-rata for teachers who have not worked a total of three years when a calculation of the cap limit is computed with an additional variance of two students per class on average for each year less than 3 completed. <br> Any FTE reductions resulting from the increase in the cap will be achieved through attrition and not through a Reduction in Force (RIF). <br> 9. The current practice of scheduling at least one high school conference time between $4: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ and 7:30 pm will continue. <br> 10. Faculty meetings and weekly professional development meetings will begin no earlier than 8:00, take place end 10 minutes after before the last first class each Tuesday, and will be no longer than one hour and $30 \underline{20}$ minutes in length. |
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| NPS Counter <br> (From package; not on the record) | 7-17-23 | NPS Counter (From 7-17-23 package; not on the record as an individual response to NTA proposal) <br> TIME AND LEARNING AGREEMENT <br> (Attempting to preserve the numbering as is wherever possible. Yellow highlighting indicates identical to NTA Counter on 6-26-23) (Did not receive original Word document; received PDF and had to use OCF |

 development. Tuesday afternoon release time will be U3ed as-foilows-:-
a. Building principals may-sehedule-one-3taff-meeting per month from 1:15 to 3:20.
b. The parties agree to set aside three-\{3) or-four (4) Tuesday a-fternoons per month (three-when-there areTbur Tuesdays in-a-month-and four when there are five) for one hourof Professional-Learning-Commumty [PLC] time)-and one-hour of persenal planning time;
c. Beginning-in the 2TT7-2018- school-year, Special EducationTeachers, ELL Teachers, and special area teachers' haver an average oT4 hours-per month unassigned: en Tuesday afternoens-Special Education Teaehers and-ELL Teaehers-aet as-consultants forgrade level PLG-teams and-attend those meetings as-meeded up to 1 hour per- month-with the remaining 3 hours being-reserved- for personal plaming.'
d. Specialists, ELE teachers-and Speeial Education -Tcachers-fe.g.; SW/Psyeh, OT, Learning Center, Speeeh/Langwage, PE,-Art, Music, Library cte-j may have up to one Tuesday meeting per month with members of their respective departments-m addition tothe building 3 taff meetings.
e. Speeial Education Teachers and ELL Teachers will have an average of three (3-) hours of personal planning time each month, with-flexibility from month-To month. They may participate-mPLGs-on thenemainmg Tuesdays. While on oceasion building or-ether administrators may requesTand/or requirnthat these educators attend a particular PLC, the professional judgment. ofthe educator concerning when and how to most effectively participate inPLCs should be respected ${ }^{1}$.
f Social Workers and-Psychologist and Specialist teachers will continue to-re3erve-one Tuesday per month to use as-a-job alike-PLGT
g. Specialists, special educators, and ELL teacher sehedules shall include the equivalent of the additional weekly short day personal planning time ( 180 minutes of planning time per month: 240 minutes in a month with 5 weekly short davsh Such time mav oceur on weekly short dav afternoens and/or during the regular scheol day, provided it is in increments of at least 30 minutes within the regular sehool dav.
h. Instructional coaches will medify-develop their schedules to allow for the equivalent of the Tuesday weekly short day planning time during the school day so that they can dedicate weekly short dav-afternoens to professional collaboration and consulting with colleagues during attend-the maximum number ofPLC;;
i. Teachers will continue to use the Tuesday weekly short day afternoons adjacent to the two District wide early release teacher discretion Thursdays at their discretion. (See the replacement "language- below for-section H-ef the Elementary Section of the $\wedge$ Fime
4. The Elementary Oversight Committee, with an equal number of members appointed by the Committee and the Association, will convene as needed for the purposes of overseeing implementation of the Agreement and resolving related problems.

A joint subcommittee of the Elementary-Over sight-Committee will be established for the express-purpose of overseeing the-Thursday Afternoon Program:
5. There will be one-fid faculty/staff meeting per month. This section intentionally left blank.
6. The hours for students will be four (4) days (M,W, Th, F) from 8:10 AM 8: AM to- $2 \mathrm{f}^{\wedge} \theta$ PM, and one (1) day (Tuesday) from 8; 10-8:35 AM to 12;30TTtf0 PM- (See New \#7 above) This section intentionally left blank.
7. The district will schedule un to and including six ( 61 District wide early release days Thursdaysper year at approximately six (6) week intervals. Of these six, four may be used for district or building based professional development or training, and two shall continue to be used at the teachers' discretion during the elementary conference periods.
8. The Committee will have the option to permanently change the weekly short day dismissal time bv extending the dismissal time by fifteen (15) minutes.

The Committee will have the option, beginning with the 2016-2017-sehool yeaq-to permanently ehange the Tuesday-elementary di3mi33al time to $12: 45 \mathrm{pm}$ fromH- $2: 30 \mathrm{pm}$; If the Committee exercises-this option and if the-terms of the-Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated April-27, 2015,-whieh changed the staid time to $8: 25$ am are no longer being observed, then the restriction on the use of additional time for secial and emotionallearning purposes wilTremain in effect through the 2017-2018 school year as described in the MOA-;

If the Committee exercises this option, preparation time-for all elementary school teachers will, at the-same time, increase to a minimum of 180 minltes per week. This increase wiH be effective concurrent with the change in the elementari-dismissal time-all The Tuesday elementary sehool day work days for elementary teachers will remain the same length, even with contact time increasing by fifteen (15) minutes on the weekly short days. The thirty (30) minute duty free lunch time, as well as allocation of adequate travel time for teachers, would remain in effect.

|  |  |  | ■The-School Committee and the Association acknowledge that there may be recommendations from a-Joint Committee to be established during the-2015-2016 school year (pursuant to-the elause "Elementary/Middle School Time Ts3ue3: Thursday . Afternoon Program") thatmay lead to changes in this Committee option. Any such changes are subject to approval by the-Committee and the Asseciation. <br> Secondary <br> BIGELOW, DAY, AND OAK HILL MIDDLE SCHOOLS <br> 1. The weekly hours for student will be; <br> - four (4) days of 6.5 hours ${ }^{\circledR}$ one (1) day of 5.75 hours (weekly short day).for a total of 31,75 hours ( 1905 minutes) per week. The goal is to minimize the spread in the start/stop time among the 4 middle schools. <br> 1. The regular work day will begin 10 minutes before students are expected to report to their classroom/homeroom for attendance purposes. The regular work day will end 10 minutes after the students are dismissed from school, except for weekly short days when the regular work day for teachers will end at the end of the teacher work day. Time during the regular work day not already assigned for direct work with students, collaboration, other meetings or lunch shall continue to be considered preparation time, for the general purpose of preparing for instruction or for additional collaboration with other educators, and teachers will be available as needed. <br> 2. There will be up to and ineluding.foum- $\mathrm{fd}^{1}$ ! six. 16) special.early release days during the year when students are dismissed after at least 3 hours of instructional time at 11:30: <br> 3. Teachers will have up to 1215 minutes/week of contact- time with students: On weekly short days, professional development meetings will begin 10 minutes after the students are dismissed from school and last no longer than 90 minutes, <br> 4. Teachers may be assigned up to and including two three (3) duties per six-day cycle (which may include advisory), inelude advisory a3 an--eption): <br> 5. Teachers will have one (1) duty-free lunch period/day based on the building schedule. <br> 6. Teachers will have up to-live (5) periods every two (2) cycles for-seheduled team and Grade-bevel Department meetings at least one period of unscheduled preparation time each day unless this time has been allocated pursuant to Article 16. Section 2 of the contract (reference to coverage agreement). The focus of team, GLD and other collaborative meetings will continue to |
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10. Hemeroom,- lunch and passing time are not counted as part of 1215 minutes/week. This section intentionally left blank.
11. Team teachers will have up to 20 teaching periods in their core subject per cycle. Multi-team teachers will teach up to 25 periods per cycle. Team teachers will have up to and including 4 additional periods working with students.
12. The Committee and-Administration do not intend to make any significant changes in the split betweerreorc" contact time- and other student learning time (OSTT/Academic Responsibilities) beyond whabH-i-n--the-propesed ${ }^{1}$ sehedules for 2001-2002. This section intentionally left blank.
13. The Committee and/or the Administration will consult the Association prior to any significant changes being made to the split between cor-e-eenfaet time and OSLT/Academic Responsibilities; middle school schedule framework, except in exigent circumstances. The Committee recognizes its obligation to bargain with the Association over mandatory subjeets of collective bargaining.
14. The Middle School Oversight Committee, with an equal number of members appointed by the Superintendent and the Association, will convene as needed for continue to meet for tire continue to meet for the purpose of overseeing implementation of this Agreement and resolving related problems

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## The High School Joint Oversight Committee shall:

- Review the impact of the schedule and assess its implementation, including the organization and administration of flexible learning time' effectiveness of professional development offered, and other impacts.
- Make recommendations to the Committee and the Association should any need arise for significant changes to the schedule for the two, high sehools. Any changes to the high school schedules other than those contemplated in this agreement shall be subject to bargaining if and to the extent required by law.
2, The Committee recognizes its obligation to bargain with the Association over mandatory subjects of collective bargaining, including changes to the provisions of this High School Time and Learning Agreement to the extent required by law.
T: For the '2020-2021 school year, at least seventy five percent ( $75 \%$ ) of total time spent professionally (on Tuesday afternoons and half days) wilfbe-designed- to support-instruction in the new sehedule. Educators will spend at least half of this time collabomting-^vith-eaeh-other on instructional change and eurricular development.
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In the ${ }^{1}$ second year of implementation of the new schedule ${ }^{\wedge}$-ove $\wedge$ fifty--percent ( $50 \%$ ) of total-time spent professionally" $(\theta \mathrm{B}-\mathrm{ff}$-uesday--aftemeong-and half days) will be designed to support instruction in the new sehedule. Educators will spend at-least-half of this time collaborating with each other on instmetionaf ehange-and curricular development:





## Tentative Agreements

## 2. Salaries and Other Compensation: Coaches Salary and Stipends

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters <br> E <br> Appendices |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1, } 2 \text { Hold } \\ & \text { 3, 4, TA } \end{aligned}$ | 4-4-23 | NTA: Holds on 1, 2 <br> Note: Need to get information from other districts on how they handle these two stipended positions; can look at contracts in MTA database. |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { 1 Reject } \\ & 1,3,4 \text { TA } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 4-26-23 | NPS: Rejects 1 and Accepts 2 |
| 2,3,4, TA | 4-26-23 | NTA: Counter on 1 <br> Include the following language in the MOA: "In the event that Ultimate is recognized as a sport by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association or an different appropriate governing agency,, the Ultimate Head Coaching position and Varsity Assistant coaching position will move to Group V of the High School Salary Schedule." |
| TA | 5-18-23 | NPS: Rejects counter on 1. <br> NTA withdraws \#1. <br> TA on 2, 3, and 4 |

## 3. Salaries and Other Compensation: New Entry Level Steps to Unit C Salary Schedules



NTA \#6. Salaries and Other Compensation: New Entry Level Steps to Unit E Salary Schedules

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
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|  | Unit E, Article 30, <br> Salaries | 11-22-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> 1. Effective September 1, 2023, drop one half step (1/2) from the Unit E Salary Schedules (NTE, NTF and NCE). Anyone currently on step 1 of the salary schedule shall be moved to step 1.5 of their respective Salary Schedule. Step 1.5 shall become the new entry level step for the Unit E Salary Schedules (NTE, NTF and NCE). <br> 2. Effective September 1, 2023, drop one half step (1/2) from the Unit E Salary Schedules (NTE, NTF and NCE). Anyone currently on step 1.5 of the salary schedule shall be moved to step 2 of their respective Salary Schedule. Step 2 shall become the new entry level step for the Unit E Salary Schedules (NTE, NTF and NCE). |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| TA |  | 1-25-23 | NPS Response: Yes to points 1 and 2 above |
| TA |  | 2-13-23 | NTA: Agree. TA |

NTA \#9. Salaries and Other Compensation: Increase Sick Days Buy Back Incentive Maximum

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article 5, Sick Leave, Section 10 <br> Unit B, Article 5, Sick Leave, Section 11 <br> Unit C, Article 8, Sick Leave, Section 5 <br> Unit D, Article 7, Authorized Leaves of Absence, Section 2 <br> Unit E, Article 5, Sick Leave, Section 9 | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Increase the sick leave buy back incentive maximum allowable amount from $\$ 2,500$ to $\$ 3,000$. <br> Sick Leave <br> Section 11: Effective September 1, 2014 2023, upon the retirement or death of an employee covered by this Agreement, said teacher or his/her estate will receive: <br> C. One-quarter (1/4) pay for all the employee's unused accumulated sick leave days up to a maximum of $\$ 2,500 \$ 3,000$. <br> Sick leave pay for unused sick leave shall be calculated on the salary basis the employee was receiving at the time of death or retirement. |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: Working on a counter-proposal that would include a retirement incentive |
| NPS Hold |  | 2-13-23 | NPS: No further response |
| NPS Hold |  | 3-16-23 | NTA: Waiting for NPS to respond with early retirement incentive |
| NPS Counter |  | 4-4-23 | NPS: Counter <br> For all Units, but referencing only Unit A <br> No changes to sick days buy-back <br> Article 46 changes. Currently allows for a $\$ 500$ buy-back incentive to employees who give notice of retirement 4 months in advance. Continue that incentive. Add for employees who give notice 6 months in advance AND retire at end of school year a $\$ 1,000$ bonus |
| TA |  | 4-4-23 | NTA: Accepts NPS counter (pending seeing the language) |
| Language update |  | 5-18-23 | Re: Unit E- <br> Effective September 1, 2023, employees who give notice of retirement at least six (6) months prior to their las day of work and who work through June $30^{\text {th }}$ following such notice shall receive five hundred dollars (\$500) in addition to the benefit provided in Section 1 of this Article. |

## 14. Working Conditions: Define "Reasonable Time Necessary" for Unit E Workday

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
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|  | Unit E, Article 13, Work Day - Work Year | 11-21-22 | - Effective September 1, 2023, modify Article 13, "Work Day - Work Year" Section 2 to define the Unit E work week as thirty-seven and one-half ( $371 / 2$ ) hours per week. (Forty (40) hours minus a paid daily one half (1/2) hour lunch break.) <br> ARTICLE 13 <br> Work Day - Work Year <br> Section 1: It is the intention of the Committee to maintain the existing practices with respect to total Unit E member hours of employment, length of work day, and work load. If considerations and circumstances warrant a change, the Committee will notify the Association of the contemplated change, and the Committee will confer with the Administration and staff concerning the contemplated change. In making its decision, the Committee will attempt to reach a decision that is mutually satisfactory. <br> Section 2: Unit E members shall work at their assigned duties each day for whatever reasonable time may be necessary. <br> The work week for Unit E employees shall be thirty-seven and one-half ( $371 / 2$ ) hours per week. (Forty (40) hours minus a paid daily one half (1/2) hour lunch break.) <br> Under normal circumstances, Unit E members shall report to work for forty (40) hours per week. <br> Under exigent circumstances, Unit E members may need to report to work for more than forty hours in a given week. <br> In order to ensure that the average number of hours worked per week shall not exceed thirtyseven and one-half ( $371 / 2$ ), the Committee agrees to provide compensatory time off for employees who have worked more than thirty-seven and one-half ( $371 / 2$ ) hours in a given week. <br> Employees may accrue up to thirty-seven and one-half ( $371 / 2$ ) compensatory hours, and may use these compensatory hours in like manner to the use of vacation days. |



$\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|l|l|}\hline \text { NTA } \\ \text { Counter }\end{array} \quad \begin{array}{lll}\text { NTA Counter } \\ \text { The work week for Unit E employees is generally thirty-seven and one-half (37-1/2) hours per } \\ \text { week excluding their unpaid meal breaks each day. Under certain exigent circemstances, Unit } \\ \text { E members may be required at times to work for more than 37-1/2 hours in a per week in } \\ \text { connection with time sensitive work. }\end{array}\right\}$

NTA \#15. Working Conditions: Allow Eligible Unit E Employees to Work from Home

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
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|  | Unit E, Article 13, Work Day - Work Year | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, add a new Article 13, "Work Day - Work Year" Section 3 as below in order to allow for remote work opportunities for eligible employees with the approval of their supervisor, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. <br> Section 3: With the approval of their supervisor, Unit E employees may work remotely. All work week/work day requirements stated in this article remain in place for employees working remotely. <br> Approval of the request to work remotely shall not be unreasonably withheld. |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| Counter |  | 1-25-23 | NPS Response: <br> Section 3: With the prior approval of their supervisor outside the NTA, Unit E employees may work remotely. All work week/work day requirements stated in this article remain in place for employees working remotely. <br> Approval of the request to work remotely shall not be unreasonably withheld. |
| TA |  | 2-13-23 | NTA Response: Agree |

19. Working Conditions: Pay Unit A Employees to Substitute

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
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|  | Unit A, Article 16, Substitutes | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, Unit A employees with Professional Teacher Status, may, on a strictly voluntary basis, provide short term substitute coverage for classes or caseloads when Unit A employees are absent from one (1) day to up to a maximum of eight (8) weeks. Payment on a per diem basis shall be based on MA step nine (9) of the Unit A salary schedule. |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: Request for clarification. <br> NTA clarified that the proposal covers both short term and longer-term exigencies: <br> - In the case of longer-term exigencies - a teacher is out on an extended leave, then the substitution would be done within a department or subject area, by a teacher licensed in that area. <br> - In the case of shorter-term exigencies, particularly at middle schools, a teacher without the same licensure might cover for another teacher because there is no one else to cover for that teacher that day, and students cannot be given a "free period." <br> - In all cases, the substitution would be voluntary |
| NPS Hold |  | 2-13-23 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 3-16-2023 | NTA: We are waiting for your response. |
| NPS Counter |  | 4-4-23 | NPS: "Effective 9/1/2023, teachers at the high school level may, on a voluntary basis and at the request of the principal or department head, substitute teach during the teacher's non-teaching periods for classes that they are qualified to teach when another teacher in their department is absent. The teacher who is substitute teaching will be paid at the rate of $\$ 50$ per additional class taught under this provision. Payments in the aggregate under this provision are limited to $\$ 50,000$ per contract year." <br> Key differences from NTA proposal: <br> - Specific to high schools <br> - Removed requirement that the teacher have professional teacher status <br> - Changed rate of compensation. <br> - Must happen at the request of principal or department head <br> - Specify that it can happen only during non-teacher period <br> - Aggregate of $\$ 50,000$ |
| NTA Counter |  | 4-4-23 | NTA Counter: <br> - Include both HS and MS <br> - $\$ 75$ per class in HS and $\$ 50$ per class in middle <br> - Exclude non-PTS |


|  |  | - Increase aggregate to $\$ 100,000$ <br> - Anybody who is asked to substitute by a supervisor must be paid <br> Did not say this at the time, but the amounts paid must go into the stipend pay schedule, so that they are subject to COLA. |
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| NPS counter | 4-26-23 | NPS Counter <br> Replace Section 2 of Article 16, as follows: <br> Effective 9/1/2023, teachers at the high school level may, on a voluntary basis and at the request of the principal their designee, substitute teach during the teacher's non-teaching periods for classes that they are qualified to teach when another teacher in their department is absent. The high school teacher who is substitute teaching will be paid at the rate of $\$ 60$ per additional class taught under this provision. <br> Effective 9/1/2023, teachers at the middle school level may, on a voluntary basis and at the request of the principal or their designee, substitute teach during the teacher's non-teaching periods. The middle school teacher who is substitute teaching will be paid at the rate of $\$ 40$ per additional class taught under this provision. <br> Payments in the aggregate under this provision are limited to $\$ 75,000$ per contract year. |
| NTA <br> Counter | 4-26-23 | Replace Section 2 of Article 16, as follows: <br> Effective 9/1/2023, teachers at the high school level may, on a voluntary basis and at the request of the principal their designee, substitute teach during the teacher's non-teaching periods for classes that they are qualified to teach when another teacher in their department is absent. High school teachers who are in their first two years of employment with the NPS shall not be asked to volunteer to substitute teach under this provision. The high school teacher who is substitute teaching will be paid at the rate of $\$ 60$ per additional class taught under this provision. <br> Effective 9/1/2023, teachers at the middle school level may, on a voluntary basis and at the request of the principal or their designee, substitute teach during the teacher's non-teaching periods. Middle school teachers who are in their first two years of employment with the NPS shall not be asked to volunteer to substitute teach under this provision. The middle school teacher who is substitute teaching will be paid at the rate of $\$ 40$ per additional class taught under this provision. <br> The stipends stipulated in this provision shall be included in the high school and middle school stipend schedules included in the appendices to this document, and shall be subject to any future cost of living adjustments applied to those schedules in the years following the first year of inclusion of this provision to the Unit A contract. |


|  |  | Payments in the aggregate under this provision are limited to $\$ 75,000$ per contract year. The district shall give written notice to the NTA when this fund has been depleted to $\$ 60,000$. |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { NPS } \\ & \text { Counter } \end{aligned}$ | 5-18-23 | Replace Section 2 of Article 16, as follows: <br> Effective 9/1/2023 September 1, 2023, teachers at the high school level may, on a voluntary basis and at the request of the principal their designee, substitute teach during the teacher's non-teaching periods for classes that they are qualified to teach when another teacher in their department is absent. High sehool teachers who are in their first tw years of employment with the NPS shall not be asked to volumteer to substitute teach under this provision. The high school teacher who is substitute teaching will be paid at the rate of $\$ 60$ per additional class period unght under this provision. <br> Effective 9/1/2023 September 1, 2023, teachers at the middle school level may, on a voluntary basis and at the request of the principal or their designee, substitute teach during the teacher's non-teaching periods. Middle sehool teachers who are in their first two years of employment with the NPS shall not be asked to velunteer to substitute teach under this provision. The middle school teacher who is substitute teaching will be paid at the rate of $\$ 40$ per additional class period ught under this provision. <br> The stipends stipulated in this provision shall be included in the high school and middle sehool stipend sehedules included in the appendices to this document, and shall be subject to any future cost of living adjustments applied to those schedules in the years following the first year of inclusion of this provision to the Unit A contract. <br> Payments in the aggregate under this provision are limited to seventy-five thousand dollars $(\$ 75,000)$ per contract year. The distriet Superintendent/designee shall give will provide the Union president with written notice by email the NTA when this fund has been depleted to $\$ 60,000$. When approximately $\$ 60,000$ of the $\$ 75,000$ funds allocated for this provision have been depleted. |
| NTA Counter | 5-18-23 | Accept their language with the addition of the following language after the second paragraph: Teachers who are in their first year of employment in NPS shall not be asked to volunteer to substitute teach under this provision. |
| NPS <br> Accepts - <br> TA | 5-18-23 | NPS accepts the addition of the above language. |

## 20. Leave Benefits: Expand the Use of Sick Days

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article 5, Sick Lave Unit B, Article 5, Sick Leave Unit C, Article 8, Sick Leave Unit D, Article 7, Authorized Leaves of Absence Unit E, Article 5, Sick Leave | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, any of an employee's own sick days whether granted that year, or in the employee's personal sick days bank, can be used for their own, a family member's, or a dear friend's incapacitation. <br> ARTICLE 5 <br> Sick Leave <br> Section 5: $\quad$ Sick leave with pay is intended to cover the employee's own incapacitation, that of a close family member or of a dear friend due to sickness or injury., with the following exceptions: <br> An employee covered by this Agreement may use up to eleven (11) of his or her fifteen (15) annual sick days for a close family member's or dear friend's illness or injury. |
| NTA <br> Package Counter |  | 12-21-2022 | NTA has packaged this as part of a Counter Proposal to NPS \#6 A and B <br> 1. NPS accepts NTA proposal regarding family sick usage (This proposal, \#20) <br> 2. NPS withdraws proposals limiting sick day grant for all employees (NPS \#5) <br> 3. NTA counter re: sick bank access (NPS \#6 A and B) <br> a. First year of employ, limited to 30 days <br> b. Second year, limited to 60 days <br> c. Exception to this sick bank access is on the job injury-those provisions continues to apply |
| NPS <br> Counter <br> to <br> discreet <br> proposal |  | 1-25-21 | NPS: <br> Not responding to the package proposal <br> Counter to this discreet proposal: <br> Current practice is to count the total number of family illness days, and not have them exceed 11, regardless of order of use, personal versus family <br> Propose increasing the cap to 14 days that can be used for family illness |
| NTA Counter |  | 2-13-23 | NTA Counter: <br> Accept the NPS Counter, with the following revision to bring the language into conformity with the practice, and increasing the total number of yearly family illness days available to 15 . <br> Section 5: $\quad$ Sick leave with pay is intended to cover the employee's own incapacitation, due to sickness or injury, with the following exceptions: |


|  |  |  | An employee covered by this Agreement may use up to eleven fifteen (15) of his or her their fifteen (15) annwal personal-sick days per school year for a close family member's or dear friend's illness or injury. |
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| NPS Accept and Reassert |  | 3-16-2023 | NPS Counter: <br> Accept our clarifying language; reassert 14 days. |
|  |  | 3-16-23 | NTA accepts clarifying language; reasserts 15 days. |
|  | NTA clarifies in written follow-up to session to NPS | 4-26-23 | Clarification sent to NPS: <br> We have agreed on language; the only remaining disagreement is fourteen or fifteen days: <br> Sick leave with pay is intended to cover the employee's own incapacitation, due to sickness or injury, with the following exceptions: <br> An employee covered by this Agreement may use up to fourteen (15) (NPS) fifteen (NTA) personal sick days per school year for a close family member's or dear friend's illness or injury. |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| TA |  | 6-12-23 | NTA accepts NPS counter proposal |

## 23. Professional Development: Increase Tuition Reimbursement; Change Allocation Limits

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article <br> 22, Tuition Cost and Tuition Reimbursement <br> Unit B, Article 22, <br> Tuition Cost <br> Unit C, Article <br> 13, Tuition Cost and Tuition Reimbursement <br> Unit D, Article 8, <br> Professional <br> Development <br> Unit E, Article 19, <br> Tuition Cost | 11-21-22 | Effective September 1, 2023: <br> 1. Increase total available tuition reimbursement funds from $\$ 170,000$ to $\$ 250,000$; <br> 2. Increase maximum per person from $\$ 750$ to $\$ 1,000$ (licensure advancement or renewal) and from $\$ 600$ to $\$ 750$ (not for licensure); <br> 3. Add a BIPOC-specific career advancement maximum individual reimbursement of $\$ 2,500$; <br> 4. Allow tuition reimbursement for non-graduate credit granting professional development when appropriate, and with supervisory approval. <br> Tuition Cost and Tuition Reimbursement <br> Section 3: $\quad$ The Committee agrees to budget and expend up to $\$ 170,000 \$ 250,000$ with the following guidelines: <br> A. The maximum amount of reimbursement is $\$ 2,500$ per individual who is a selfidentified BIPOC unit C or D employees enrolled in a degree granting program that will fulfill the requirements for educator licensure per contract year, $\$ 750$ $\$ 1,000$ per individual seeking licensure per contract year; $\$ 600 \$ 750$ per individual per contract year for all other applicants. <br> B. Preference will be given to members seeking certification. Tuition reimbursement shall be allowed for non-graduate credit granting professional development when appropriate, and with supervisory approval. |
| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No response |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No response |
| Partial TA |  | 1-25-23 | NPS Response: <br> 1. Reject <br> 2. Accept <br> 3. Reject <br> 4. Accept with the following modification: <br> Allow tuition reimbursement for non-graduate credit granting professional development when appropriate, and with HR and supervisor supervisory approval. <br> We had some following conversation about whether this would only apply to Unit E folks, or whether it would apply to Unit C members doing the coursework for RBT licensure so that they could work as a BT |


|  |  | in the NPS. This is strictly a clarifying question that I asked, but would have no bearing on our acceptance of the language. |
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| 1. Counter NTA <br> 2. TA <br> 3. W <br> 4. TA | 2-13-23 | NTA Counter: <br> 1. Reduce increase to $\$ 220,000$ <br> 2. TA <br> 3. Withdraw <br> 4. TA |
| H | 3-16-23 | NPS: Will respond April 4 |
| No change | 4-4-23 | NPS did not respond |
|  | 4-26-23 | NPS explains that they do not want to budget more than they spend, particularly under current budgetary constraints. <br> NTA did not respond on 4-26-23, but can withdraw \#1. Explanation convincing. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { TA on \#2, } \\ & 4 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 5-18-23 | NTA withdraws \#1. TA on \#2 and \#4 |

## \#27. Other Provisions: Add Juneteenth to Unit E Holiday List

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit E, Article 14 | 11-21-22 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, include Juneteenth in the list of recognized holidays on which Unit E members are off without pay. <br> ARTICLE 14 <br> Holidays <br> Section 1: $\quad$ The following days shall be days off without loss of pay: |
| TA |  | 1-25-23 | NPS Response: Accept |

## 30. NTA Supplemental Proposals: Recognize the position of "Program Coordinator"

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article 1, Article 17 | 1-25-23 | NTA Proposal: <br> Effective September 1, 2023, assign the title "Program Coordinator" to one special education teacher in each sub-separate program (List of current programs to follow). <br> Bargain a job description that reflects both the teaching and the administrative responsibilities of the Program Coordinator. <br> On an "as needed by the position" basis (to be bargained), reduce the teaching responsibilities (classes taught and or caseload) to reflect the percentage of time the Program Coordinator spends on administrative responsibilities. <br> Add a pay differential for Program Coordinators of 5\% of employee's salary. <br> Specific language to follow |
| NPS <br> Counter |  | 2-13-23 | NPS counter: hear what you are saying, think that this would be a working group of sped educators, experts involved to assess the needs of each program. Meet a couple of times, propose a couple of times. Make a recommendation by Jan. 2024, admins and sped staff. Address needs of programs and the jobs in these programs, come up w jobs. |
| NTA <br> Counter |  | 3-16-23 | NTA Counter: Would agree to a labor management working group, charged with bringing a recommendation back to the SC and NTA by end of January, 2024, IF a budget of $\$ 200,000$, beginning in FY25, is allocated to use for pay differentials for Program Coordinators. |
|  |  | 4-4-23 | NPS: no response |
|  |  | 4-26-23 | No change in status |
| No change |  | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| (Off the Record) TA |  | 11-15-23 | Unit A, Article 1, Article 17 <br> 3 year contract: <br> Effective October 1, 2024, form a Labor management working group, to use for recommending pay differentials for Program Coordinators, charged with bringing a recommendation back to the SC and NTA by end of March, 2025. |

NPS \#2: Elementary School Day

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Proposed in Unit A Proposal Document Only-no specific article | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Working Group on Elementary School Day <br> There shall be a Working Group on the Elementary School Day (WGESD) with an equal number of representatives appointed by the NTA and administrators appointed by the Superintendent. Both the Association and the Superintendent may appoint one or more members of Unit B as their respective representatives, but for purposes of tallying the number of members appointed by the Association and the Superintendent, a Unit B member may count either as a representative of the Association, or as a representative of the Superintendent. The WGESD will conduct a comprehensive examination of the elementary school day and gather information to make recommendations to the parties that improves the learning experience outcomes for students, offers clear and pragmatic scheduling guidance, and provides increased planning and common planning time for elementary teachers including specialists. Such recommendations shall be made to the Parties on or before January 15,2024. |
|  |  | 11-30-22 | NTA Questions/Comments <br> There is no contract language this would replace. <br> Is this intended to be a side letter? <br> - What is the district contemplating with this proposal? Is it intended to replace the current agreement on elementary prep time, which includes a budget line of $\$ 100,000$ to increase preparation time? <br> - Second concern: District leadership has not been able to find the time for the Labor Management contemplated by the prior contractual obligation. This seems more sweeping in scope. How will management find time for this? <br> - It does not seem to be part of this proposal, but is the district contemplating the committee might recommend a longer school day? <br> - What does the district intend to do with the proposal once it is returned to the parties? <br> Ayesha's responses to the questions Chris and I raised during the session seemed evasive: <br> From Sue's Minutes: "...started to talk last year, increasing planning time, multilevel issue, figuring out where does time come from - issue from teachers and admins, construction of the day and minutes on planning time, to make decisions about increasing planning time need to take into account of daily minutes - is this really possible? What are we trying to achieve in the elementary |

$\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|l|l|}\hline & & & \begin{array}{l}\text { school day? How does that picture look like that is inclusive of planning time in overall school } \\ \text { day?" } \\ \text { I mentioned my frustration, because I had proposed we use the money to run a pilot in one or two } \\ \text { schools, to which Ayesha responded: }\end{array} \\ \text { "...we had different takeaways from last year. Sense of pilots was what could we do with } \$ 100,000 \text { ? } \\ \text { Teachers complain about the nature of the elementary school day, chance to make changes that } \\ \text { would be good for kids as well as improvements for staff as well." }\end{array}\right\}$

|  |  |  | The WGESD Joint Labor Management Group on the Elementary School Day will conduct a comprehensive examination of the elementary school day and gather information to make recommendations to the parties. that improves The charge of the Group will be to look for proposed changes that will: <br> - Improve the learning experience outcomes for students; <br> - Offer clear and pragmatic scheduling guidance for the elementary day; and <br> - and provide increased planning and common planning time for elementary teachers including specialists and special educators. <br> Such recommendations shall be made to the Parties on or before Janmary 15,2024. <br> Recommendations from the Group shall be made to the parties no later than June 30, 2025, in order that they may be included in bargaining a successor agreement. |
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| NPS Counter |  | 5-18-23 | NPS will accept the proposal with one minor change - add "or designee" after the words School Committee in the first two sentences. |
| NTA Accepts TA |  | 5-18-23 | NTA agrees to the proposed change -- TA |

## NPS \#12. Green Team Coordinators Stipends.

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Unit A <br> Unit B, not in <br> proposal <br> Unit C, not in <br> proposal <br> Unit D: Not in <br> proposal <br> Unit E: Not in <br> proposal | NPS Proposal: <br> Proposal to come |  |
|  | $11-21-22$ | Same as above <br> nPS Proposal: <br> No formal written proposal, but per our minutes, Kathy Shields said their proposal was to include <br> the stipend at the pay rate for group B of high school stipends-_approximately \$895 right now. Not <br> agreeing to the number of stipends per school-"up to" in our proposal. |  |
| TA |  | NPS: Group B high school stipends |  |

## Withdrawn

## NTA \#21. Leave Benefits: Allow the Use of an Additional "Other" Day for Urgent Personal Business

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Unit A: Article 7 <br> Section 2: Personal <br> days (See NPS <br> Proposal \#7) | $11-21-22$ | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, three (3) out of the six (6) "other" days can be used as urgent <br> personal days. |
| Unit B: Article 7 <br> Section 2: Personal <br> days (See NPS <br> proposal \#5) <br> Unit C: Article 7, <br> Section 2: Personal | ARTICLE 7 |  |  |


|  | Days (p. 18) (See NPS proposal \#4) <br> Unit D: Article 7, Section 5: (See NPS proposal \#2B) <br> Unit E: Article 6 Section 2: Leaves of Absence with pay (pp. 11-12) (See NPS proposal \#3) |  | Section 2: | From the six (6) paid absence days established in Section 1 above (housekeeping change) primarily for death and illness in the immediate family, two (2) three (3) days shall be allowed for urgent personnel business as judged by the employee. The following four (4) items of explanation apply: |
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| NPS Hold |  | 11-30-22 | NPS: No r |  |
| NPS Hold |  | 12-21-22 | NPS: No r |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { NPS } \\ & \text { Counter } \end{aligned}$ |  | 1-25-23 | NPS: If NTA and June | ithdraws this proposal, NPS will withdraw their \#7 on the use of personal days in May |
| NTA W |  | 2-13-23 | NTA Resp | : Agree |

NTA \#28. Supplemental Proposals: Add an Assistant Athletic Director Position to Unit A

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A, Article 1 | 1-25-23 | NTA Proposal: <br> - Effective September 1, 2023, add an Assistant Athletic Director to Unit A <br> ARTICLE 1 <br> Recognition <br> Section 1: <br> For the purposes of collective bargaining with respect to wages, hours, and other conditions of employment and the negotiations of collective bargaining agreements, the Committee hereby recognizes Unit A of the Association as the exclusive collective bargaining representative and agent of all regularly appointed full-time and part-time classroom teachers, librarians, guidance and adjustment counselors, psychologists, social workers, speech and hearing specialists, occupational and physical therapists, enrichment coordinators, teachers in charge, special education teachers, youth development program workers, on site work supervisor, coaches, media specialists, science specialists, resource room teachers, and learning center teachers and assistant athletic directors. |
|  |  | 2-13-23 | NPS Counter: propose both assistant athletic director and athletic trainer be added to Unit E group C on a 10 -month basis. Not agreeing to staffing levels. |
|  |  | 2-13-23 | NTA Comment: We did not assume there would be mandatory staffing of these positions. |
| NTA W | Unit B, Article 1, Section 1, Recognition | 3-16-23 | NTA withdraws proposal; Assistant Director position in Unit B recognition clause: <br> Section 1: $\quad \begin{aligned} & \text { For purposes of collective bargaining .... Assistant Principals, Directors, Assistant Directors, } \\ & \text { Senior High School Department Heads, ... etc.. }\end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  | NPS accepts withdrawal; rejects idea that already in contract |

## 31. NTA Supplemental Proposals: Move the position of Director of Data Analysis and Enrollment Planning from Unit E, Group H, to Unit B, Salary Schedule BA3-215 Days"

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit B, Article 1, Recognition | 1-25-23 | NTA Proposal: <br> Effective September 1, 2023, move the position of Director of Data Analysis and Enrollment Planning from Unit E, Group H, to Unit B, Salary Schedule BA3-215 days. <br> Amend Article 1, Recognition, to read as below: <br> ARTICLE 1 <br> Recognition <br> Section 1: $\quad$ For purposes of collective bargaining with respect to wages, hours, and other conditions of employment and the negotiation of collective bargaining agreements, the Committee hereby recognizes Unit B of the Association as the exclusive collective bargaining representative and agent of all regularly appointed Assistant Principals, Directors, Assistant Directors, including the Director of Data Analysis and Enrollment Planning, Senior High School Department Heads, Housemasters, Chairperson of Speech and Language Department, Head Social Workers, Administrative Assistants, Coordinators, Assistant Coordinators, Supervisors, and Assistant Supervisors. <br> Amend Appendix B, Category A 215 day salary schedule to read as below: <br> Salary Schedule BA3 (Category A) - 215 Days <br> Assistant Director of Student Services, Director of Early Childhood, Director of Elementary Special Education, Director of Out-of-District Placement, Supervisor of ABA, High School Special Education Department Heads, High School Vice Principals, Director of Data Analysis and Enrollment Planning |
| NPS Reject |  | 2-13-23 | NPS: Reject, everyone in unit B should have a DESE admin license. Not the right thing to do with position. |
| NPS <br> Reassert |  | 3-16-23 | NTA reasserts: The position should be in Unit B, and the job description should require a MA degree or above in Measurement, Evaluation, Statistics, and Assessment in Education-or a similar degree-from a school of Education. <br> Rationale: <br> It is true that Katie does not hold an administrative license from DESE. <br> But DESE does not offer a license for data-related work; nor is there a governing body related to this type of work, so there isn't a place to get a license/certification. Katie does hold a PhD in Measurement, |


|  |  | Evaluation, Statistics, and Assessment in Education, which is directly related to the work she does in Newton. Although this is not a license, it is a degree that requires intense, demanding and substantial work focused specifically on training that is utilized on a consistent basis in this role. That should hold as much weight as a license. <br> The fact that a license/certification for this work does not exist should not preclude the position from being in Unit B. |
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| No change | 4-4-2023 | No change in status |
| No change | 4-26-2023 | No change in status |
| No change | 5-18-23 | No change in status |
| W | 7-17-23 | NTA withdraws proposal |

NPS \#4D. Work Day Work Year: Changed Work Year for Stride Educators

| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Unit A: Article 17: <br> Work Year, Teaching <br> Hours, and Teaching <br> Load (pp. 26-27) | $11-21-22$ | NPS Proposal: |
| Proposal to come. |  |  |  |$\quad$| W |
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## NPS \#7. Employees who use personal days in May or June will be charged two days for when they take off

 one day.| Status | Contract/Unit | Date | Proposals/Counters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Unit A: Article 7 Section 2: Personal days (pp. 13-14): <br> Unit B: Article 7 <br> Section 2: Personal days (p. 11) (proposal \#5) <br> Unit C: Article 7, <br> Section 2: Personal Days (p. 18) (proposal \#4) <br> Unit D: Article 7, <br> Section 5: (Proposal \#2B) <br> Unit E: Article 6 Section 2: Leaves of Absence with pay (pp. 11-12) (Proposal \#3) | 11-21-22 | NPS Proposal: <br> Add the following between the first and second sentence: <br> An employee who uses a personal day in the months of May or June shall be charged with two personal days. <br> Section 2: From the six (6) paid absence days established primarily for death and illness in the immediate family, two (2) days shall be allowed for urgent personnel business as judged by the employee. An employee who uses a personal day in the months of May or June shall be charged with two personal days. The following four (4) items of explanation apply: |
|  | Same as above | 11-30-22 | SC revised the above proposal so it now reads: <br> 1. Section 2: From the six (6) paid absence days established primarily for death and illness in the immediate family, two (2) days shall be allowed for urgent personnel business as judged by the employee. An employee who uses a personal day in the months of May or June shall be charged with two personal days. A member must have two (2) personal days remaining to take a personal day in May or June. The following four (4) items of explanation apply: |
| Rejects |  | 12-21-2022 | NTA rejects NPS personal day proposal |
| W |  | 2-13-23 | NPS/NTA mutually agree to withdraw-NTA withdraws their \#21 |

