Collective Agreement Between



The Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation (hereinafter called the "OSSTF" or Union)

Representing

The Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation - Northern Shield Occasional Teachers' Bargaining unit

And



The Keewatin-Patricia District School Board (hereinafter called the "Employer" or "Board")

September 1, 2022 To August 31, 2026

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C1.00 STRUCTURE AND CONTENT OF COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

C1.1 Separate Central and Local Terms

a) The collective agreement shall consist of two parts. Part "A" shall comprise those terms which are central terms. Part "B" shall comprise those terms which are local terms.

C1.2 Implementation

a) Part "A" may include provisions respecting the implementation of central terms by the school board and, where applicable, the bargaining agent. Any such provision shall be binding on the school board and, where applicable, the bargaining agent. Should a provision in the Central Agreement conflict with a provision in the Local Agreement, the provision in the Central Agreement, Central Term will apply.

C1.3 Parties

- a) The Parties to the collective agreement are the school board and the bargaining agent.
- b) Central collective bargaining shall be conducted by the central employer and employee bargaining agencies representing the local parties.

C1.4 Single Collective Agreement

a) Central terms and local terms shall together constitute a single collective agreement.

.00 LENGTH OF TERM/NOTICE TO BARGAIN/RENEWAL

C2.1 Term of Agreement

a) The term of this collective agreement, including central terms and local terms, shall be for a period of four (4) years from September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2026, inclusive.

C2.2 Amendment of Terms

a) In accordance with the School Boards Collective Bargaining Act, the central terms of this agreement, excepting term, may be amended at any time during the life of the agreement upon mutual consent of the Central Parties and agreement of the Crown.

C2.3 Notice to Bargain

- a) Where central bargaining is required under the *School Boards Collective Bargaining Act*, notice to bargain centrally shall be in accordance with the *Labour Relations Act*. For greater clarity:
- b) Notice to commence bargaining shall be given by a Central Party:
 - i. within 90 (ninety) days of the expiry of the collective agreement; or
 - ii. within such greater period agreed upon by the Parties; or
 - iii. within any greater period set by regulation by the Minister of Education.
- c) Notice to bargain centrally constitutes notice to bargain locally.

C3.00 DEFINITIONS

- C3.1 Unless otherwise specified, the following definitions shall apply only with respect to their usage in standard central terms. Where the same word is used in Part B of this collective agreement, the definition in that part, or any existing local interpretation shall prevail.
- C3.2 The "Central Parties" shall be defined as the employer bargaining agency, the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF/FEESO).
- **C3.3** "Teacher" shall be defined as a permanent Teacher and specifically excludes Adult Day School, Continuing Education, Long Term Occasional and Daily Occasional Teachers, unless otherwise specified.
- **C3.4** "Employee" shall be defined as per the *Employment Standards Act*.
- C3.5 "Professional Judgement" shall be defined as judgement that is informed by professional knowledge of curriculum expectations, context, evidence of learning, methods of instruction and assessment, and the criteria and standards that indicate success in student learning. In professional practice, judgement involves a purposeful and systematic thinking process that evolves in terms of accuracy and insight with ongoing reflection and self-correction.

90 CENTRAL LABOUR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

- **C4.1** OPSBA, the Crown and OSSTF agree to establish a joint Central Labour Relations Committee to promote and facilitate communication between rounds of bargaining on issues of joint interest.
- **C4.2** The Parties to the Committee shall meet within sixty days of the completion of the current round of negotiations to agree on Terms of Reference for the Committee.
- C4.3 The Committee shall meet as agreed but a minimum of three times in each school year.
- **C4.4** The Parties to the Committee agree that any discussion at the Committee will be on a without prejudice and without precedent basis, unless agreed otherwise.

C5.00 CENTRAL GRIEVANCE PROCESS

The following process pertains exclusively to grievances on central matters that have been referred to the central process. In accordance with the *School Boards Collective Bargaining Act* central matters may also be grieved locally, in which case local grievance processes will apply.

C5.1 Definitions

a) A "grievance" shall be defined as any difference relating to the interpretation, application, administration, or alleged violation or arbitrability of an item concerning any central term of a collective agreement.

- b) The "Central Parties" shall be defined as the Ontario Public School Boards' Association and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation, OSSTF/FEESO.
- c) The "Local Parties" shall be defined as the Board or the local OSSTF/FEESO bargaining unit party to a collective agreement.
- d) "Days" shall mean regular instructional days.

C5.2 Central Dispute Resolution Committee

- a) There shall be established a Central Dispute Resolution Committee (the Committee or CDRC), which shall be composed of two (2) representatives from each of the Central Parties, and two (2) representatives of the Crown.
- b) The Committee shall meet at the request of one of the Central Parties. At the time of the request, the Central Parties shall jointly recommend in writing to the Local Parties that local grievance timelines be suspended until the Committee or either of the Central Parties has taken an action in c) below.
- c) The Central Parties shall each have the following rights:
 - i. To file a dispute as a grievance with the Committee.
 - ii. To engage in settlement discussions, and to mutually settle a grievance with the consent of the Crown.
 - iii. To withdraw a grievance.
 - iv. To mutually agree to refer a grievance to the local grievance procedure.
 - v. To mutually agree to voluntary mediation.
 - vi. To refer a grievance to final and binding arbitration at any time.
- d) The Crown shall have the following rights:
 - i. To give or withhold approval to any proposed settlement between the Central Parties.
 - ii. To participate in voluntary mediation.
 - iii. To intervene in any matter referred to arbitration.
- e) Only a Central Party may file a grievance and refer it to the Committee for discussion and review. No grievance can be referred to arbitration without three (3) days prior notice to the Committee.

- f) It shall be the responsibility of each Central Party to inform their respective Local Parties of the Committee's disposition of the dispute at each step in the central dispute resolution process including mediation and arbitration, and to direct them accordingly.
- g) Each of the Central Parties and the Crown shall be responsible for their own costs for the central dispute resolution process.

C5.3 The grievance shall include:

- a) Any central provision of the collective agreement alleged to have been violated.
- b) The provision of any statute, regulation, policy, guideline, or directive at issue.
- c) A detailed statement of any relevant facts.
- d) The remedy requested.

C5.4 Referral to the Committee:

- a) Prior to referral to the Committee, the matter must be brought to the attention of the affected Local Parties.
- b) The Central Parties may engage in informal discussions of the disputed matter. Upon the request for informal discussions, the Central Parties shall jointly recommend in writing to the Local Parties that local grievance timelines be suspended until the discussions conclude.
- c) Should the matter remain in dispute at the conclusion of the informal discussions, a Central Party shall refer the grievance forthwith to the CDRC by written notice to the other Central Party, with a copy to the Crown, but in no case later than 40 days after becoming aware of the dispute.
- d) The Committee shall complete its review within 10 days of the grievance being filed.
- e) If the grievance is not settled, withdrawn, or referred to the local grievance procedure by the Committee, the Central Party who has filed the grievance may, within a further 10 days, refer the grievance to arbitration.
- f) All timelines may be extended by mutual consent of the Parties.

C5.5 Voluntary Mediation

- a) The Central Parties may, on mutual agreement, request the assistance of a mediator.
- b) Where the Central Parties have agreed to mediation, the remuneration and expenses of the person selected as mediator shall be shared equally between the Central Parties.

c) Timelines shall be suspended for the period of mediation.

C5.6 Selection of the Arbitrator

- a) Arbitration shall be by a single arbitrator.
- b) The Central Parties shall select a mutually agreed upon arbitrator. The Central Parties shall consider equity, diversity, and inclusion among the criteria for selecting an arbitrator.
- c) The Central Parties may refer multiple grievances to a single arbitrator.
- d) Where the Central Parties are unable to agree upon an arbitrator within 10 days of referral to arbitration, either Central Party may request that the Minister of Labour appoint an arbitrator.
- e) The remuneration and expenses of the arbitrator shall be shared equally between the Central Parties.

C6.00 CERTIFICATION GROUP/CATEGORY RATING STATEMENT PROVIDER

School Boards will recognize the Qualifications Evaluation Council of Ontario (QECO) as the provider of new qualification rating statements. Notwithstanding, existing OSSTF Certification Rating Statements will continue to be recognized, unless or until a QECO statement has been provided.

C/.00 BENEFITS

The Parties have agreed to participate in the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation Employee Life and Health Trust "OSSTF ELHT" established October 6, 2016. The date on which the school boards and the bargaining units benefit plan commenced participation in the OSSTF ELHT shall be referred to herein as the "Participation Date".

C7.1 ELHT Benefits

The Parties agree that since all active eligible employees have now transitioned to the OSSTF ELHT all references to existing life, health and dental benefits plans in the applicable local collective agreement for active eligible employees shall be removed from that local agreement.

Post Participation Date, the following shall apply:

C7.2 Eligibility and Coverage

a) Permanent teachers, long-term occasional teachers and adult day school teachers shall be eligible for benefits subject to the rules as established by the ELHT.

Daily occasional teachers are not eligible, nor are other term teachers who do not meet the Trust's eligibility criteria.

Other members who were eligible for ELHT benefits in the 2018-19 school year shall continue to be eligible for benefits.

- b) With the consent of the Central Parties, the OSSTF ELHT is also permitted to provide coverage to other active employee groups in the education sector with the consent of their bargaining agents and Employer or, for non-union groups in accordance with an agreement between the trustees and the applicable board.
- c) Retirees who were previously represented by OSSTF, who were, and still are members of a board benefit plan as at the Participation Date are eligible to receive benefits through the OSSTF ELHT with funding based on prior arrangements.
- d) No individuals who retire after the Participation Date are eligible.

C7.3 Funding

C7.4 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) and Employer Contributions

- a) For purposes of ongoing funding, the FTE positions shall be those consistent with the Ministry of Education FTE directives as reported in Staffing by Employee/Bargaining Group (referred to as "Appendix H") for job classifications that are eligible for benefits.
- b) The FTE used to determine the board's benefits contributions shall be based on the estimated average FTE reported by the boards in the staffing schedule by Employee/Bargaining group as of October 31st and March 31st.
- c) Monthly amounts paid by the boards to the OSSTF ELHT's administrator based on estimates FTE shall be reconciled by the Crown to the actual average FTE reported by the boards in the staffing schedule by Employee/Bargaining group for each school year ending August 31. If the reconciliation of FTE results in any identified differences in funding, those funds shall be remitted to or recovered from the OSSTF Trust in a lump sum upon notice to the OSSTF ELHT, but no later than 240 days after the school boards' submission of final October FTE and March FTE counts.
- d) In the case of a dispute regarding the FTE used to determine the boards' benefits contributions to the OSSTF ELHT, or in the case where a dispute regarding other amounts paid by the board as described above and/or third-party secondment remittance, the dispute shall be resolved between the board and the local union represented by OSSTF. Any unresolved dispute shall be forwarded to the Central Dispute Resolution committee.

C7.5 Benefits Committee

As per LOA#10, a benefits committee comprised of the employee representatives and the employer representatives, including the Crown, shall convene upon request to address all matters that may arise in the operation of the OSSTF ELHT.

C7.6 Privacy

The Parties agree to inform the OSSTF ELHT benefits plan administrator, that in accordance with applicable privacy legislation, it shall limit the collection, use and disclosure of personal information to information that is necessary for the purpose of providing benefits administration services. The OSSTF ELHT benefits plan administrator's policy shall be based on the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA).

C7.7 Benefits not provided by the OSSTF ELHT

a) Any other cost sharing or funding arrangements regarding the EI rebate as per previous local collective agreements in effect as of August 31, 2014 shall remain status quo.

C7.8 Benefits for Daily Occasional Teachers

- a) Where employee life, health and dental benefits coverage was previously provided by the boards for daily occasional teachers as terms of the local collective agreement in effect as of August 31, 2014, the boards shall continue to make a plan available with the same funding arrangement.
- b) Eligible daily occasional teachers in the four boards listed below shall be entitled to the lesser of a) the following table amounts and b) the actual benefit plan cost multiplied by the percentage of the employer co-pay existing in the 2012-2014 local collective agreements, to be used for the sole purpose of purchasing from among health, life and/or dental benefit plans:

Board	Maximum Funding Amount (a)	Employer % Co-Pay (b)
<u>Durham DSB</u>	\$2,985	50%
Hastings & Prince Edwards DSB	\$4,477	75%
Toronto DSB	\$2,985	50%
York Region DSB	\$597	10%

i. These amounts shall be prorated for the portion of the year that the daily occasional teacher enrols in the plan. Eligibility criteria for these amounts are based on the existing eligibility criteria of the 2012-2014 local collective agreements which is based on the number of days worked in the previous school year and varies by board. Payments shall be provided to the eligible daily occasional teacher on a monthly basis.

ii. Funding

iii. Notwithstanding the aforementioned, where any daily occasional teacher chooses not to participate in any health, life or dental benefit plan, the school boards shall not provide any amount for those employees.

C7.9 Payment in Lieu of Benefits

- a) All employees not transferred to the OSSTF ELHT who received pay in lieu of benefits under a collective agreement in effect as of August 31, 2014, shall continue to receive payment in lieu of benefits.
- b) New hires after the Participation Date who are eligible for benefits from the OSSTF ELHT are not eligible for pay in lieu of benefits.

C7.10 WSIB Top-Up

- a) Teachers who, as of August 31, 2014, were entitled to Workplace Safety and Insurance Board benefits top-up, such entitlement shall be as follows:
 - i. Where the WSIB top-up was previously deducted from sick leave the board shall continue to maintain the same level of top-up without deduction from sick leave.
 - ii. These top-up payments are to be made for a period not to exceed four years and six months and that period should include any time in the past that eligible unused sick credits were already used by the employee.
- b) Additional provisions related to this article remain status quo in accordance with terms of collective agreements in effect as of August 31, 2014.

C7.11 Long-Term Disability (Employee Paid Plans)

- a) All permanent Teachers shall participate in the long-term disability plan (LTD Plan) as a condition of employment, subject to the terms of the LTD plan.
- b) The Board shall cooperate in the administration of the LTD Plan. It is understood that administration means that the Board will co-operate with the enrolment and deduction of premiums and provide available necessary data to the insurer, upon request. The Board will remit premiums collected to the carrier on behalf of the Teachers.
- c) Where the plan administrator implements changes in the terms and conditions of the LTD Plan or the selection of an insurance carrier, the Board shall, for administrative purposes, be advised of changes at least thirty (30) days prior to the date the changes are to be implemented.
- **C7.12** Existing employee assistance programs or other similar health and welfare benefits remain in effect in accordance with terms of collective agreements as of August 31, 2019.

C8.00 STATUTORY LEAVES OF ABSENCE/SEB

C8.1 Family Medical Leave or Critical Illness Leave

- a) Family Medical Leave or Critical Illness leaves granted to a permanent teacher, long-term occasional teacher or teacher hired into a term position under this Article shall be in accordance with the provisions of the *Employment Standards Act*, as amended.
- b) The teacher will provide to the employer such evidence as necessary to prove entitlement under the *Employment Standards Act*.
- c) A teacher contemplating taking such leave(s) shall notify the employer of the intended date the leave is to begin and the anticipated date of return to active employment.
- d) Seniority and experience continue to accrue during such leave(s).
- e) Where a teacher is on such leave(s), the Employer shall continue to pay its share of the benefit premiums, where applicable. To maintain participation and coverage under the Collective Agreement, the teacher must agree to provide for payment for the teacher's share of the benefit premiums, where applicable.
- f) In order to receive pay for such leaves, a teacher must access Employment Insurance and the Supplemental Employment Benefit (SEB) in accordance with g) to j), if allowable by legislation. An employee who is eligible for E.I. is not entitled to benefits under a school board's sick leave and short term disability plan.

Supplemental Employment Benefits (SEB)

- g) The Employer shall provide for permanent teachers, long-term occasional teachers and teachers hired into a term position who access such Leaves, a SEB plan to top up their E.I. Benefits. The teacher who is eligible for such leave shall receive 100% salary for a period not to exceed NUMBER (#) weeks provided the period falls within the school year and during a period for which the permanent teacher would normally be paid. The SEB Plan pay will be the difference between the gross amount the teacher receives from E.I. and their regular gross pay.
- h) Long Term Occasional Teachers and those on term assignments are eligible for the SEB plan with the length of the benefit limited by the term of the assignment.
- i) SEB payments are available only to supplement E.I. benefits during the absence period as specified in this plan.
- j) The teacher must provide the Board with proof that he/she has applied for and is in receipt of employment insurance benefits in accordance with the *Employment Insurance Act*, as amended, before SEB is payable.

C9.00 SICK LEAVE

C9.1 Sick Leave/Short Term Leave and Disability Plan – Teachers (excluding daily occasional Teachers)

a) Sick Leave Benefit Plan

The Sick Leave Benefit Plan will provide sick leave days and short-term disability days for reasons of personal illness, personal injury, including personal medical appointments and personal dental appointments. Routine medical and dental appointments will be scheduled outside of working hours where possible.

b) Sick Leave Days

Subject to paragraphs C9.1 d) i-vi below, full-time Teachers will be allocated eleven (11) sick days at one hundred percent (100%) salary in each school year. Teachers who are less than full-time shall have their sick leave allocation pro-rated.

c) Short-Term Leave and Disability Plan (STLDP)

Subject to paragraphs C9.1 d) i-vi below, full-time Teachers will be allocated one hundred and twenty (120) short-term disability days in September of each school year. Teachers who are less than full-time shall have their STLDP allocation pro-rated. Teachers eligible to access STLDP shall receive payment equivalent to ninety percent (90%) of regular salary.

d) Eligibility and Allocation

The allocations outlined in paragraphs C9.1 b) and c) above, will be provided on the first day of each school year, subject to the restrictions outlined in C9.1 d) i-vi below.

- A Teacher is eligible for the full allocation of sick leave and STLDP regardless of start date of employment or return to work from any leave other than sick leave, WSIB or LTD.
- ii. All allocations of sick leave and STLDP shall be pro-rated based on FTE at the start of the school year. Any changes in FTE during a school year shall result in an adjustment to allocations.
- iii. Part-time Teachers working an unbalanced schedule who work every day of a full school year shall have 11 days of sick leave at 100% pay and 120 additional days of STLDP at 90% pay. In this situation, pay is defined as the amount of money the employee would have otherwise received over that period of absence.
- iv. Where a Teacher is accessing sick leave, STLDP, WSIB or LTD in a school year and the absence due to the same illness or injury continues into the following school year, the Teacher will continue to access any unused sick leave days or STLDP days from the previous school year's allocation. Access to the new allocation provided as per paragraphs C9.1(b) and (c) for a recurrence of the same illness or injury will not be provided to the Teacher until the Teacher has completed eleven (11) consecutive working days at their full FTE without absence due to illness.

v. Where a Teacher is accessing STLDP, WSIB, or LTD in the current school year as a result of an absence due to the same illness or injury that continued from the previous school year and has returned to work at less than their FTE, the Teacher will continue to access any unused sick leave days or STLDP days from the previous school year's allocation.

In the event the Teacher exhausts their STLDP allotment and continues to work parttime their salary will be reduced accordingly and a new prorated sick leave and STLDP allocation will be provided.

Any absences during the working portion of the day will not result in a loss of salary or further reduction in the previous year's sick leave allocation. Once provided, the new allocation will be reconciled as necessary, consistent with (a), (b) and (c) above, to account for any sick leave which may have been advanced prior to the new allocation being provided.

vi. A partial sick leave day or short-term disability day will be deducted for an absence for a partial day.

e) Short-Term Leave and Disability Plan Top-up

- Teachers accessing STLDP will have access to any unused Sick Leave Days from their last year worked for the purpose of topping up salary to one hundred percent (100%) under the STLDP.
- ii. This top-up is calculated as follows: Eleven (11) days less the number of sick leave days used in the most recent year worked.
- iii. Each top-up from 90% to 100% requires the corresponding fraction of a day available for top-up.
- iv. In addition to the top-up bank, top-up for compassionate reasons may be considered at the discretion of the board on a case-by-case basis. The top-up will not exceed two (2) days and is dependent on having two (2) unused Short Term Paid Leave Days in the current year. These days can be used to top-up salary under the STLDP.
- v. When Teachers use any part of an STLDP day they may access their top up bank to top up their salary to 100%.

- f) Sick Leave and STLDP Eligibility and Allocation for Teachers in a Term Assignment Notwithstanding the parameters outlined above, the following shall apply to Teachers in a term assignment:
 - i. Teachers in term assignments of less than a full year, and/or less than full-time, shall have their allocation of sick leave and STLDP prorated on the basis of the number of work days in their term compared to 194 days.
 - ii. Where the length of the term assignment is not known in advance, a projected length must be determined at the start of the assignment in order for the appropriate allocation of sick leave/STLDP to occur. If a change is made to the length of the term or the FTE, an adjustment will be made to the allocation and applied retroactively.
 - iii. A Long-Term Occasional Teacher who works more than one LTO assignment in the same school year may carry forward Sick leave and STLDP from one LTO assignment to the next, provided the assignments occur in the same school year.

g) Administration

- i. The Board may require medical confirmation of illness or injury to substantiate access to sick leave. If the school board requests, the Teacher shall provide medical confirmation to access STLDP.
- The Board may require information to assess whether an employee is able to return to work and perform the essential duties of their position. Where this is required, such information shall include their limitations, restrictions and disability related needs to assess workplace accommodation as necessary (omitting a diagnosis) and will be collected using the form as per Appendix B. An alternate form may be used where one is mutually developed and agreed upon at the local level.
- iii. If the employee's medical practitioner has indicated on the form referenced in (ii) above that the employee is totally disabled from work, the Board will not inquire further with respect to the employee's abilities and/or restrictions until the next review of the employee's abilities and/or restrictions in accordance with the review date indicated on the form, subject to the Board's ability to seek medical reassessment after a reasonable period of time.
- iv. At no time shall the employer or any of its agents contact the medical practitioner directly.
- v. A board decision to deny access to benefits under sick leave or STLDP will be made on a case-by-case basis and not based solely on a denial of LTD or WSIB.
- vi. The employer shall be responsible for any costs related to independent third-party medical assessments required by the employer.

C10.00 PROVINCIAL SCHOOLS AUTHORITY/PSAT

OSSTF/FEESO members who are employees of the Provincial Schools Authority (PSAT), teaching in elementary classrooms, shall be subject to the working conditions agreed to by the local parties as per the current collective agreement.

C11.00 MINISTRY/SCHOOL BOARD INITIATIVES

- a) OSSTF/FEESO will be an active participant in the consultation process at the Ministry Initiatives Committee. Ministry Initiatives Committee shall meet at least quarterly each year to discuss new initiatives, including implications for training and resources.
 - The Crown will endeavour to provide an informational briefing to OSSTF and OPSBA in the event of the implementation of significant new policy initiatives, such as the implementation of a new PPM, that are not brought to the Ministry Initiatives Committee. Such informational briefings may take place at the Ministry Initiatives Committee, or another forum, at any time, and may include other attendees at the discretion of the Crown.
- b) Teachers shall use their professional judgement as defined in C3.5 above. Teachers' professional judgements are at the heart of effective assessment, evaluation, and reporting of student achievement.
- c) Teachers' professional judgement is further informed by using diagnostic assessment to identify a student's needs and abilities and the student's readiness to acquire the knowledge and skills outlined in the curriculum expectations. Information from diagnostic assessments helps teachers determine where individual students are in their acquisition of knowledge and skills so that instruction is personalized and tailored to the appropriate next steps for learning. The ability to choose the appropriate assessment tool(s), as well as the frequency and timing of their administration allows the teacher to gather data that is relevant, sufficient and valid in order to make judgements on student learning during the learning cycle.
 - i. Boards shall provide a list of pre-approved assessment tools consistent with their Board improvement plan for student achievement and the Ministry PPM.
- d) Teachers will be consulted, where possible, if a student's grade/mark/comment is changed.

C12.00 OCCASIONAL TEACHERS AND PA DAYS

Long term occasional teachers shall participate in, and be paid for, each scheduled PA day during the term of their assignment. If the term is a full semester, the long-term occasional teacher is entitled to the PA day(s) at the beginning or end of that semester.

C13.00 PROVINCIAL FEDERATION RELEASE DAYS

- a) At the request of the OSSTF/FEESO Provincial Office, and in accordance with local notification processes, OSSTF Teachers and Occasional Teachers, subject to program and operational needs shall be released for provincial collective bargaining and related meetings.
- b) Federation release days granted for the purpose of such provincial federation work will not be charged against local collective agreement federation release time.
- c) OSSTF Teachers and Occasional Teachers released for such provincial federation work shall receive salary, benefits, and all other rights and privileges under the collective agreement in accordance with local provisions.
- d) OSSTF/FEESO Provincial Office shall reimburse the Employer as per the local collective agreement.
- e) Nothing in this article affects existing local entitlements to Federation Leave.

C14.00 E-LEARNING

- a) E-Learning is defined as a method of credit course delivery that relies on communication between students and teachers through the internet or any other digital platform and does not require students to be face-to-face with each other or with their teacher. Online learning shall have the same meaning as E-Learning.
- b) Any E-Learning credit course that is offered by a school board in the English Public System shall be delivered by a bargaining unit member in accordance with Part B collective agreement language and local staffing processes. These courses will be offered to a teacher who has expressed interest, where possible.
- The Joint Staffing Committee or equivalent shall receive information related to E-Learning staffing.
- d) School Boards shall make available to any teachers delivering E-Learning credit courses the required secure hardware and software, and the appropriate training, within the workday, on the delivery of E-Learning credit courses.

APPENDIX A – RETIREMENT GRATUITIES

Sick Leave Credit-Based Retirement Gratuities

- 1) A Teacher is not eligible to receive a sick leave credit gratuity after August 31, 2012, except a sick leave credit gratuity that the Teacher had accumulated and was eligible to receive as of that day.
- 2) If the Teacher is eligible to receive a sick leave credit gratuity, upon the Teacher's retirement, the gratuity shall be paid out at the lesser of,
 - (a) the rate of pay specified by the board's system of sick leave credit gratuities that applied to the Teacher on August 31, 2012; and
 - (b) the Teacher's salary as of August 31, 2012.
- 3) If a sick leave credit gratuity is payable upon the death of a Teacher, the gratuity shall be paid out in accordance with subsection (2).
- 4) For greater clarity, all eligibility requirements must have been met as of August 31, 2012 to be eligible for the aforementioned payment upon retirement, and the Employer and Union agree that any and all wind-up payments to which Teachers without the necessary years of service were entitled to under Ontario Regulation 01/13: Sick Leave Credits and Sick Leave Credit Gratuities, have been paid.
- 5) For the purposes of the following boards, despite anything in the board's system of sick leave credit gratuities, it is a condition of eligibility to receive a sick leave credit gratuity that the Teacher have 10 years of service with the board:
 - i. Near North District School Board
 - ii. Avon Maitland District School Board
 - iii. Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board
 - iv. Huron Perth Catholic District School Board
 - v. Limestone District School Board

B. Other Retirement Gratuities

A Teacher is not eligible to receive any non-sick leave credit retirement gratuity (such as, but not limited to, service gratuities or RRSP contributions) after August 31, 2012.

APPENDIX B – ABILITIES FORM

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WSIB Claim: Yes	· □ No	WSIB Claim Number:				
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APPENDIX B – ABILITIES FORM

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BETWEEN

The Ontario Public School Boards' Association (hereinafter called 'OPSBA')

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RE: Sick Leave

The Parties agree that any current collective agreement provisions and/or Board policies/practices/procedures related to Sick Leave that do not conflict with the clauses in the Sick Leave article in the Central Agreement shall remain as per August 31, 2019.

Such issues include but are not limited to:

- 1. Requirements for the provision of an initial medical document.
- 2. Responsibility for payment for medical documents.

The Parties agree that attendance support programs are not included in the terms of this Letter of Understanding.

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The Ontario Public School Boards' Association (hereinafter called 'OPSBA')

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RE: Status Quo Central Items

Status quo central items

The Parties agree that the following central issues have been addressed at the central table and that the provisions shall remain status quo, unless modified by voluntary interest arbitration award. For further clarity, if language exists, the following items are to be retained as written in 2019-2022 local collective agreements. As such the following issues shall not be subject to local bargaining or mid-term amendment between local parties. Disputes arising in respect of such provisions shall be subject to Section 43 of the *School Boards Collective Bargaining Act*.

Issues:

- 1. Early Retirement Incentive Plan
- 2. Hiring Practices
- 3. Occasional Teacher PD and Training
- 4. Voluntary Unpaid Leaves of Absence Program
- 5. Professional Colleges Requirements
- 6. Job Security
- 7. Education Program Funding
- 8. Employee Advocacy Program Funding

BETWEEN

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RE: Central Items That Modify Local Terms

The parties agree that the following central issues have been addressed at the central table and that the provisions shall be amended as indicated below. For further clarity, the following language must be aligned with current local provisions and practices. As such the following issues shall not be subject to local bargaining or mid-term amendment by the local parties. Disputes arising in respect of such provisions shall be subject to Section 43 of the *School Boards Collective Bargaining Act*, 2014.

1. Certification Group/Category Rating Statement Provider

Where there is reference to OSSTF Certification Rating Statements, the local parties will amend that language to insert "or Qualifications Evaluation Council of Ontario (QECO)".

2. Pregnancy SEB Language

- a) Seniority and experience continue to accrue during Pregnancy leave.
- b) Employees living in Quebec and eligible for benefits under the QPIP, are also eligible for this SEB plan.

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RE: Qualifications Evaluation Council of Ontario (QECO)

In moving to the QECO certification process, the following principles will be in place:

- 1. OSSTF Certification Rating Statements will continue to be recognized.
- 2. Process timelines will continue to be governed by the local agreement. All new rating statements will be issued using the QECO evaluation process.
- 3. The most current QECO program will be utilized. Notwithstanding, no Teacher or Occasional Teacher will be negatively impacted by any changes to the certification program.

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RE: Provincial Working Group - Health and Safety

The Parties confirm their intent to continue to participate in the Provincial Working Group - Health and Safety in accordance with the Terms of Reference dated May 25, 2016, including Appendix B as updated November 7, 2018 and including any updates to such Terms of Reference. The purpose of the working group is to consider areas related to health and safety in order to continue to build and strengthen a culture of health and safety mindedness in the education sector.

Where best practices are identified by the committee, those practices will be shared with school boards.

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RE: Employee Mental Health

The Parties jointly recommend to the Provincial Working Group — Health and Safety (PWGHS) that Employee Mental Health be added as a standing item to the agenda.

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The Ontario Public School Boards' Association (hereinafter called 'OPSBA')

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RE: Online Reporting Tool for Violent Incidents for the Provincial Schools Authority

Notwithstanding Letter of Agreement RE: Workplace Violence, the Provincial Schools Authority shall have a functioning Online Incident Reporting Tool consistent with Memorandum SB06, dated April 19, 2018, by September 2024. The employer shall meet with the bargaining unit to ensure consistency with Memorandum SB06.

Any disagreement as to whether the reporting tool implemented by the employer is consistent with Memorandum SB06, will be referred to the Central Labour Relations Committee ("CLRC").

If the CLRC determines that the reporting tool implemented by the employer is not consistent with Memorandum SB06, it will advise the employer of any remaining issues relating to the implementation of the reporting tool. The employer will implement any necessary changes.

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RE: Combined Teachers' Bargaining Units

Given that consequent reduction of bargaining unit fragmentation will contribute to the development of an effective collective bargaining relationship, facilitate viable and stable collective bargaining, and ameliorate labour relations, therefore;

The Parties agree as follows:

A school board will agree to the combining of bargaining units pursuant to subsection 6(1) of the School Boards Collective Bargaining Act, 2014, upon the written request of the bargaining agent that represents the permanent teachers' bargaining unit and the occasional teachers' bargaining unit at the board. In order to initiate such a request, the secondary school teachers' bargaining unit and the secondary school occasional teachers' bargaining unit of a district school board shall contact the OSSTF bargaining agent to request that the units are combined.

The school board and bargaining agent may meet to discuss the timing and implementation of the requested combination.

It is understood that terms and conditions of employment for occasional teachers remain status quo upon consolidation, subject to bargaining processes.

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RE: Long Term Disability Administration

All OSSTF Teacher Bargaining Unit members who are permanent employees shall participate in the Long Term Disability Plan as a condition of their employment subject to the terms of the OSSTF LTD plan administered by OTIP. The Provincial OSSTF LTD plan shall commence April 1, 2013.

The Employer shall be responsible for the following tasks related to the administration of the mandatory LTD Plan:

A. Enrolment/Eligibility Administration

- I. Provide all teachers with written LTD coverage information as provided by OSSTF and/or OTIP;
- II. enroll all eligible teachers into the LTD program;
- III. Inform teachers going on an approved leave of absence through written information provided by OSSTF/OTIP of their option to maintain LTD coverage during the approved leave.
- IV. keep all records updated / submit teacher information for the benefits that are insured through OTIP on or before November 30th each year using the required process and formats required by OTIP;
- V. support the LTD waiver/termination of LTD coverage process for retiring teachers as defined by OSSTF and OTIP;
- VI. where a payroll feed administration is jointly selected by the District and Board; submission of the required eligibility/enrolment information defined by OTIP.

B. Premium Administration

- Make monthly payroll deductions based on the premium and insured salary provisions and timelines provided and outlined by the OSSTF Provincial LTD program;
- II. submit all payroll deduction (premiums) along with the required supporting information defined by OSSTF and the Teacher Bargaining Unit (ie. premium rate used in calculation, total insured salary, number of insured lives, policy and division number, premium period);

- III. collect and submit appropriate premiums from eligible teachers who elect LTD coverage while on approved leave of absence;
- IV. support the information and process requirements in the agreed-upon payroll feed (as per A vi);
- V. all of the above requirements must be performed within the contractual and administrative timelines established for the Provincial OSSTF LTD Program;
- VI. process premium refunds for members who have had incorrect deductions due to items such as administration errors, not eligible etc.

C. LTD Claims Administration

- Provide notification of prolonged absences after 15 consecutive working days to the designated OSSTF Teacher Bargaining Unit Representative and OTIP in order to support the early intervention rehabilitation process;
- II. Support the mandatory early intervention process by providing contact information where required;
- III. utilize the OTIP claims kit to adhere to the required procedures for the LTD claims process;
- IV. provide teachers with the appropriate claims applications in the event of disability
- V. support, complete and submit the employer statement in the LTD claim process;
- VI. support return to work programs for teachers returning from disability including job description, scheduling and salary information.

All of the above requirements must be performed within the contractual and administrative timelines established for the Provincial OSSTF LTD Program.

D. OSSTF and OTIP are required to:

- I. Provide LTD insurance to eligible OSSTF teachers;
- II. provide the group policy/plan document to Employers and teachers;
- III. provide claims kits to Employers that provide supporting information about the administrative procedures;
- IV. communicate any changes to the LTD program including premium rates to teachers and the Board on a timely basis;
- V. provide access to teachers on the LTD coverage information;
- VI. develop and support the LTD waiver/termination of LTD coverage process for retiring teachers as defined by OSSTF and OTIP;
- VII. provide full support for teachers who are off due to prolonged absence through Early Intervention and Union Services;
- VIII. participate along with the Board and OTIP in return to work programs.

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RE: Employee Life and Health Trust (ELHT) Committee

In order to support member experience related to the OSSTF ELHT and contain administrative costs, the Parties agree to establish a joint central committee specific to OSSTF. This committee shall be comprised of representatives from both Parties and shall include the Crown as a participant.

The committee's mandate shall be to identify and discuss matters related to compliance with administrative matters which shall include the following:

- Discuss member experience issues including new member data transfers;
- Review and assess the monthly compliance reporting document from the Ontario Teachers' Insurance Plan;
- Identify and discuss any issues regarding information, data processing or member coverage;
- Identify and discuss issues related to remittance payments;
- Identify and discuss issues related to plan administrator inquiries; and,
- Identify other issues of concern to OPSBA, school boards, the ELHT and the OSSTF provincial or local units in respect of benefits.
- Facilitate the sharing of data between the local boards and local unions relevant to amounts paid by the boards to the OSSTF ELHT. Such data may include Appendix H, OTIP Secondment Funding Remittance forms, and other such forms reporting the amounts paid by the boards

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RE: Pilot on a Streamlined Arbitration Process Model

OSSTF and OPSBA shall develop and implement a Streamlined Arbitration Process Model ("the Model"), for use with local grievances between OSSTF teacher bargaining units and school boards that have been referred to arbitration.

The intent of the Model is to:

- create a fair process
- resolve grievances quickly
- proceed to arbitration expeditiously
- address cost containment

Phase 1

Following ratification of the central terms, the Parties shall meet at least one day per month to discuss the elements of a Streamlined Arbitration Process Model. The Parties shall finalize the contents of the Model within six months.

Phase 2

Should the Parties fail to agree, a jointly agreed upon mediator shall be engaged within 30 days to facilitate completion of the Model.

Phase 3

Once the Model is finalized, OSSTF and OPSBA shall identify at least two school boards and teacher bargaining units to voluntarily participate in the Pilot.

Phase 4

Two years following the implementation of the Pilot by the local school boards/teacher bargaining units, the Parties will meet to evaluate the Pilot. At that time, and at any other time the Parties mutually agree to, the Parties may meet and make any necessary modifications through mutual agreement. The Parties may also choose to expand the number of school boards and teacher bargaining units participating in the Pilot.

The Parties retain the right to end their participation in the Pilot at any time, and/or jointly modify the timelines contained in this Letter of Agreement.

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RE: Short Term Paid Leaves – Leave for Indigenous Practice/Days of Significance

The Parties agree that Short Team Paid Leaves (number of days) has been addressed at the central table and that the number of short term paid leave days shall remain status quo.

Usage of short term paid days remains available for local bargaining.

The Parties jointly agree to encourage local parties to consider adding the following language to existing short term paid leave provisions:

Indigenous Teachers may use existing short term paid leave:

- to vote in elections as indicated by self-governing Indigenous authority where the employee's working hours do not otherwise provide three hours free from work and/or
- b. for attendance at Indigenous cultural/ceremonial events.

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RE: E-Learning Alternative Models

Prior to the establishment of any alternative delivery model of E-Learning program for which collective agreements between OSSTF and the English Public District School Boards do not apply, the Crown shall meet and consult with OSSTF and OPSBA regarding the proposed alternative delivery model.

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RE: Hybrid Instruction

The parties acknowledge that in most instances other instructional methods, including inperson learning and e-learning, are preferred over hybrid instruction and provide better outcomes for most students.

Teachers will not be required to provide hybrid instruction for a student who is absent from inperson class for discretionary reasons.

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The Ontario Public School Boards' Association (hereinafter called 'OPSBA')

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RE: Preparation Time

- 1. The Parties and the Crown recognize the importance of regular daily preparation time for teachers.
- 2. For the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years, School Boards/Employers shall ensure that the scheduling of preparation time aligns with practices that were in place in the 2018-19 school year.
- 3. This does not preclude the implementation of existing alternative programs that are in place in the system, after consultation with the local bargaining unit.
- 4. New alternative programs that do not exist in the system and do not provide daily preparation time may only be established with mutual agreement between the local parties.
- 5. Where an alternative program has been established (as per paragraph 3 or 4) and a teacher is scheduled without daily preparation time, at the request of the teacher, the School Board/Employer will place the teacher in a different assignment while adhering to the existing local staffing processes.
- 6. This Letter of Agreement shall be subject to Part B provisions, including but not limited to preparation time, supervision, and on-call provisions.

BETWEEN

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The Crown

RE: Bereavement Leave

 The local bargaining unit shall decide whether or not to insert the following into the local (Part B) collective agreement, with such language replacing existing bereavement language in its entirety:

Teachers shall be provided with three (3) regularly scheduled work days' bereavement leave without loss of salary or wages immediately upon the death of and/or to attend a funeral or other ceremony for an employee's spouse, parent, step-parent, child, step-child, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse's parent, or child's spouse.

2. Teachers shall be as defined as in C3.3.

BETWEEN

The Ontario Public School Boards' Association (hereinafter called 'OPSBA')

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The Crown

RE: Violence Prevention Health and Safety Training

Effective in the 2023-24 school year and in each subsequent year, mandatory violence prevention health and safety training will be provided in a timely manner on one or more PA Days to teachers. This shall include the following topics: Online Incident Reporting Software, and Notification of Potential Risk of Injury. Other possible topics may include: Prevention and De-escalation of Violence, Effective Risk Assessments and Safety Plan Development, Use of Truncated Student Safety Plan and General Safety Plan.

The Parties agree that material produced by the Provincial Working Group on Health and Safety, including the Roadmap Resource, be used as resource material for this training.

BETWEEN

The Ontario Public School Boards' Association (hereinafter called 'OPSBA')

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The Crown

RE: Workplace Violence

The Parties acknowledge that school boards and supervisors are required to provide workers with information, including personal information, related to a risk of workplace violence from a person with a history of violent behaviour, if the worker can be expected to encounter that person in the course of their work and the risk of workplace violence is likely to expose the worker to physical injury.

School Boards and supervisors must not disclose more personal information about a person with a history of violent behaviour than is reasonably necessary to protect workers from physical injury. For instance, workers may not need to know specific personal information, but will be provided with information on the measures and procedures to be followed as part of the workplace violence program in order to protect themselves.

In the case of student safety plans, procedures should be in place so that workers who work directly with the student have access to the student safety plan.

The Parties acknowledge that online reporting tools have been implemented by School Boards, as initiated by 2018:SB06, and the existing systems will be maintained.

By November 30, 2023, school boards will recirculate the *Workplace Violence in School Boards:* A Guide to the Law (released in 2018 by the Ministry of Labour) to local health and safety committees.

BETWEEN

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The Crown

RE: Occasional Teacher Information Package

Before the beginning of an assignment, occasional teachers shall be provided the following:

- i) A map of the school with room numbers, where available
- ii) Keys for appropriate classrooms and where required for access to staff washrooms;
- iii) The absent teachers schedule for the day. This will include any required supervision and times when classes change;
- iv) Lesson plans or other instructions for the classes of the absent teacher;
- V) Class lists, including any available seating plans with photographs where possible.
 The class lists will indicate which students have further information identified in vi) and vii) below;
- vi) The location of and access to student safety plans or equivalent (which shall include known triggers) for students that are in the classes assigned to the occasional teacher, including coverage of classes as part of supervision;
- vii) The location and access to information and procedures for students known to have severe health issues that are in the classes assigned to the occasional teacher, including coverage of classes as part of supervision;
- viii) Written safety procedures including emergency protocol, lock down and lock out procedures, or any other emergency processes that the occasional teacher would be expected to follow;
- ix) Other procedures, in writing, that the occasional teacher is required to follow during the day; and
- x) Where supplemental provisions exist in Part B of the collective agreement they shall remain in effect.

BETWEEN

The Ontario Public School Boards' Association (hereinafter called 'OPSBA')

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The Crown

RE: Learning and Services Continuity and Sick Leave Usage Task Force

The Parties and the Crown agree to establish a provincial task force to review data and explore leading practices related to learning and service continuity and sick leave.

The Crown will facilitate the meetings of the task force. The task force will be composed of members of OSSTF and OPSBA, with members of the Ministry of Education serving in a resource and support capacity. Members from other employee bargaining agencies will be invited to participate, with the intention of creating a sector-wide task force. There shall be an equal number of representatives of all participating groups.

The task force shall meet 4 times per school year, in the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years.

The task force will:

- explore data and best practices relating to sick leave initiatives including return to/remain at work practices;
 - 2. gather and review information including but not restricted to the following:
 - a. utilization of the sick leave and short-term disability plans;
 - a jurisdictional scan on sick leave and short-term disability plans from the education sector in Canada and other broader public sector employers;
 - 3. report its findings to school boards and local unions.

The task force shall complete its work by August 31, 2025.

THIS LOA WILL BE RETAINED FOR HISTORICAL REFERENCE ONLY

LANGUAGE FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2014- AUGUST 31, 2017, AND EXTENSION UNTIL AUGUST 31, 2019

LETTER OF AGREEMENT #6

BETWEEN

The Ontario Public School Boards' Association (hereinafter called 'OPSBA')

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The Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (hereinafter called the 'OSSTF')

RE: Status Quo Central Items as Modified by this Agreement

The parties agree that the following central issues have been addressed at the central table and that the provisions shall remain status quo. For further clarity, the following language must be aligned with current local provisions and practices to reflect the provisions of the 2012-13 MOU. As such the following issues shall not be subject to local bargaining or mid-term amendment by the local parties. Disputes arising in respect of such provisions shall be subject to Section 43 of the *School Boards Collective Bargaining Act*, 2014.

1. PREGNANCY LEAVE BENEFITS

Common Central Provisions

- a) The Employer shall provide for permanent and long-term occasional teachers and teachers hired into a term position who access such leaves, a SEB plan to top up their E.I. Benefits. The teacher who is eligible for such leave shall receive salary for a period immediately following the birth of her child, but with no deduction from sick leave or the Short-Term Leave Disability Program (STLDP). The SEB Plan pay will be the difference between the gross amount the teacher receives from E.I. and her regular gross pay.
- b) SEB payments are available only to supplement E.I. benefits during the absence period as specified in this plan.

- c) Teachers hired in a term position or filling a long-term assignment shall be entitled to the benefits outlined in a) above, with the length of the SEB benefit limited by the term of the assignment.
- d) Teachers on daily casual assignments are not entitled to pregnancy leave benefits.
- e) The teacher must provide the Board with proof that she has applied for and is in receipt of employment insurance benefits in accordance with the Employment Insurance Act, as amended, before SEB is payable.
- f) Teachers not eligible for employment insurance benefits or the SEB plan will receive 100% of salary from the employer for a total of not less than eight (8) weeks with no deduction from sick leave or STLDP.
- g) For clarity, for any part of the eight (8) weeks that falls during a period of time that is not paid (e.g. summer, March Break, etc.), the remainder of the eight (8) weeks of top-up shall be payable after that period of time.
- h) Teachers who require a longer than eight (8) week recuperation period shall have access to sick leave and the STDLP through the normal adjudication process.
- i) If an employee begins pregnancy leave while on an approved leave from the employer, the above maternity benefits provisions apply.
- j) The start date for the payment of the pregnancy benefits shall be the earlier of the due date or the birth of the child.
- k) Births that occur during an unpaid period (i.e. summer, March break, etc.) shall still trigger the pregnancy benefits. In those cases the pregnancy benefits shall commence on the first day after the unpaid period.

Local Bargaining Units will identify which of the SEB plans below apply in their circumstance. The applicable language must be included with the Common Central language above as paragraph I). The full article should then reside in Part B of the collective agreement;

- A SEB plan to top up their E.I. Benefits for eight (8) weeks of 100% salary is the minimum for all eligible teachers. The teacher who is eligible for such leave shall receive 100% salary for a period not to exceed eight (8) weeks immediately following the birth of her child but with no deduction from sick leave or the Short-Term Leave Disability Program (STLDP). The SEB Plan pay will be the difference between the gross amount the teacher receives from E.I. and their regular gross pay;
- 2. A SEB plan with existing superior entitlements;
- 3. A SEB or salary replacement plan noted above that is altered to include six (6) weeks at 100%, subject to the aforementioned rules and conditions, plus meshing with any superior entitlements to maternity benefits. For example, 17 weeks at 90% pay would be revised to provide 6 weeks at 100% pay and an additional 11 weeks at 90%.

2. Workplace Safety Insurance Benefits (WSIB) Top Up Benefits

If the employee is in a class of employees that, on August 31, 2012, was entitled to use unused sick leave credits for the purpose of topping up benefits received under the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997;

- a) The top-up amount shall be paid for a maximum of four years and six months.
- b) The top-up amount shall be paid at a rate determined in accordance with the collective agreement in effect on August 31, 2012 or, if the collective agreement did not provide for the top up, in accordance with a board policy in effect on August 31, 2012.
- c) If, as a result of an accident, an employee received benefits under the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, 1997 in respect of the first workday in the 2012-2013 fiscal year, the employee's entitlement to be topped up for four years and six months shall be reduced by the length of time for which the employee received benefits under that Act as a result of that accident.
- d) Status quo to be determined.

3. Short Term Paid Leaves

The parties agree that the issue of Short Term Paid Leaves had been addressed at the Central Table and the provisions shall remain status quo to provisions in current local collective agreements. For clarity, any leave of absence in the 2008-12 Collective Agreement, that utilizes deduction from sick leave, for reasons other than personal illness shall be granted without loss of salary or deduction from sick leave to a maximum of five (5) days per school year. Local collective agreements that have more than (5) days shall be limited to five (5) days. These days shall not be used for the purpose of sick leave nor shall they be accumulated from year-to-year.

Such provisions shall not be subject to local bargaining or mid-term amendments between local parties. Notwithstanding this stipulation, local collective agreement terms will need to align with the terms above.

4. Retirement Gratuities

The issue of Retirement Gratuities has been addressed at the Central Table and the parties agree that formulae contained in current local collective agreements for calculating Retirement Gratuities shall govern payment of retirement gratuities and be limited in their application to terms outlined in Appendix A - Retirement Gratuities.

Disputes arising in respect of such provisions shall be subject to Section 43 of the *School Boards Collective Bargaining Act, 2014.*

The following language shall be inserted unaltered as a preamble to Retirement Gratuity language into every collective agreement:

"Retirement Gratuities were frozen as of August 31, 2012. A Teacher is not eligible to receive a sick leave credit gratuity or any non-sick leave credit retirement gratuity (such as, but not limited to, service gratuities or RRSP contributions) after August 31, 2012, except a sick leave credit gratuity that the Teacher had accumulated and was eligible to receive as of that day.

The following language applies only to those teachers eligible for the gratuity above:"

[insert current Retirement Gratuity language from local collective agreement]

PART B – LOCAL TERMS

L1:00 PURPOSE

L1:01 It is the purpose and intent of the Parties to set forth reasonable and fair terms and conditions of employment and other related provisions and to provide for the equitable settlement of all matters in dispute which may arise between the Parties.

L2:00 SCOPE AND RECOGNITION

- L2:01 The employer being the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board (hereinafter referred to as "the Board") recognizes the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (hereinafter referred to as "the Union,") as the bargaining agent for all Secondary School Occasional Teachers employed by the Board.
- L2:02 Each year the Bargaining Unit will provide to the Board the names of those who are authorized to act on behalf of the Union.

L3:00 DEFINITIONS

- L3:01 "Occasional Teacher" shall mean an "Occasional Teacher" as defined in the Education Act.
- L3:02 "Bargaining Unit" shall mean the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation Northern Shield Occasional Teachers' Bargaining Unit.
- L3:03 "Union" shall mean the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation.
- L3:04 "Probationary Occasional Teacher" is a newly hired Occasional Teacher who shall be on probation for twenty-five (25) teaching days (a teaching day may be less than 1.0) as an Occasional Teacher and will not have access to the grievance procedure in instances of demotion, discharge, dismissal or discipline. Notwithstanding, a surplus or retired Teacher of the Board would be considered to be a non-probationary Occasional Teacher.
- L3:05 "Long Term Occasional Teacher" shall mean a Teacher who is required to teach for a period of 10 or more consecutive teaching days as a substitute for the same Teacher.
- L3:06 "Daily Occasional Teacher" shall mean an Occasional Teacher who is not a Long Term Occasional Teacher. A Daily Occasional Teacher must work a minimum of ten (10) full days (or required number of days pro-rated on start date), if work is available, in one full school year to remain in good standing.
- "Unqualified Occasional Teacher" shall mean a person who does not have a Certificate of Registration and Certificate of Qualification from the Ontario College of Teachers, who is approved by the Board for inclusion on an Emergency Unqualified Occasional Teacher List. A Daily Unqualified Occasional Teacher must work a minimum of ten (10) full days (or required number of days pro-rated on start date), if work is available, in one full school year to remain in good standing.

- L3:08 "Occasional Teacher Roster" means a database containing the names of all Occasional Teachers approved by the Board to teach as an Occasional Teacher with the Board and who have paid their membership fees to OSSTF-Northern Shield Occasional Teachers Bargaining Unit.
- L3:09 "Secondary Teachers" shall mean the Secondary Teachers, other than Occasional Teachers, employed by the Board in its secondary panel.
- L3:10 "Recognized Teaching and Related Experience" shall mean, teaching experience as outlined in Articles 11:13 and 11:14.
- L3:11 "School Term" shall mean the first semester or the second semester, as per the approved annual School Year Calendar.
- L3:12 "Board" shall mean the Board and its predecessors.

L4:00 UNION DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

- L4:01 The Board shall deduct for every pay period for which an Occasional Teacher receives a pay, union dues and assessments. Dues and assessments deducted in accordance with this article shall be forwarded to the Provincial Office of the Union within thirty (30) days of the dues being deducted for secondary occasional teaching days.
- L4:02 The payment shall be accompanied by a dues submission list showing the names, addresses, wages earned, dues and assessments deducted, and the number of days worked for each Occasional Teacher from whose wages the deductions have been made. In addition to providing a written copy of this information the Board shall, where available, provide the information in electronic form. A copy of this list and these deductions shall be forwarded to the President of the Bargaining Unit after each submission to the Treasurer of OSSTF (60 Mobile Drive, Toronto, Ontario M4A 2P3).
- L4:03 The Board shall provide the Local President access through the automated call out system at the level of school principal to generate reports including, but not limited to, total number of absences of secondary school teachers, and the total number of daily and Long Term Occasional teaching assignments.
- L4:04 The Board shall deduct from the first pay cheque issued to each Occasional Teacher, each school year, the Occasional Teacher Bargaining Unit levy. The Board shall forward to the Bargaining Unit the monies collected before January 31 and July 31 of each year. Unless otherwise notified, the levy shall be a one-time payment of ten dollars (\$10.00). A copy of this list of Occasional Teachers and these deductions shall be forwarded to the President of the Occasional Teacher Bargaining Unit.

L5:00 RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Reasonable Exercise of Rights

L5:01 The Board agrees that its rights and responsibilities shall be exercised in a manner that is fair, reasonable, equitable, non-discriminatory and consistent with this collective agreement and the prevailing statutes.

Statutory Responsibilities

L5:02 The Board agrees to comply with the Education Act, the Employment Standards Act, the Ontario Human Rights Code, the Occupational Health and Safety Act, and any other applicable statutes governing education and employment, and all regulations thereunder.

No Penalty

L5:03 The Board agrees not to penalize or discriminate against any Occasional Teacher for participating in the activities of the Union, including exercising any rights under this collective agreement or the prevailing statutes of Ontario.

No Discrimination

L5:04 The Board and the Occasional Teachers agree that there shall be equal treatment without discrimination or perpetuation of the effects of past discrimination, if any, because of race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, creed, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, family status, or handicap, or because of participation in the activities of, or membership in, the Union.

Evaluations

- L5:05 Only supervisory officers, secondary principals and vice-principals shall evaluate an Occasional Teacher's competence. No member of a union shall be required or requested to evaluate an Occasional Teacher's competence.
- L5:06 Occasional Teachers shall be evaluated upon request of an Occasional Teacher, or the Employer.
- L5:07 The jointly developed Occasional Teacher Performance Appraisal Procedure as applicable to the particular status of the Occasional Teacher (Daily, Long Term, or Probationary) shall be used for the appraisal of Occasional Teachers. The procedure may be amended from time to time following joint discussions with the Board and the Bargaining Unit.

Just Cause

- L5:08 a) i) No Occasional Teacher, who has completed the probationary period, shall be demoted, discharged, dismissed, disciplined in any way, have their name removed from the list(s), or fail to be assigned work as a result of performance or conduct, without just and sufficient cause. Such cause shall be provided to the Occasional Teacher and the Bargaining Unit President in writing.
 - ii) Notwithstanding a) i) above, a probationary Occasional Teacher who has been demoted, discharged, dismissed, or disciplined, will be provided a written explanation of any such actions with a copy to the Bargaining Unit President.
 - b) In circumstances outlined in a), except in extenuating circumstances the Board shall hold a meeting as soon as possible between the Occasional Teacher and a Board representative to discuss the matter. In every case there shall be a meeting. The Occasional Teacher shall have the right to have a Union representative present.
 - c) The Employer further recognizes the right of OSSTF to represent a member at any meeting when the conduct or competence of the member is being considered or any meeting with a

member where an investigation of allegations of misconduct or incompetence is taking place. Further to this, the employer shall inform the employees of their right to OSSTF representation.

Non-Harassment

L5:09 The Parties recognize the right of employees to work in an environment free from harassment, including sexual harassment, and the Board shall take such actions as are necessary as per Board Policy.

L6:00 PERSONNEL FILE

- L6:01 The Board agrees to abide by the provisions of the <u>Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy</u>
 Act, and all prevailing statutes governing personal privacy in Ontario and all regulations thereunder.
- L6:02 Personnel files regarding performance or contractual status issues will be maintained in a secure manner within Human Resources.
- L6:03 a) An Occasional Teacher, either alone or accompanied by one (1) other person, shall have access to the Occasional Teacher's personnel file under the Supervision of the Human Resources Manager or designate. Such access shall be upon prior arranged appointment.
 - b) An employee may authorize another person to access their personnel file on the employee's behalf. Once authorized by Human Resources, the employer may provide such request.
- L6:04 Occasional Teachers shall receive copies of any written material, including but not limited to formal evaluations or letters of discipline placed in their personnel file within five (5) days of the material being filed.
- L6:05 The signature of an Occasional Teacher on any document respecting the performance or conduct of that Occasional Teacher shall be deemed to be evidence only of the receipt thereof and shall not be construed as approval of, consent to, or agreement with the contents.
- L6:06 An Occasional Teacher has the right to challenge, in writing, the accuracy or completeness of information referred to in 6:04 and 6:05. The Occasional Teacher's written submission shall become part of the file.
- L6:07 An Occasional Teacher may request to have copies of pertinent materials placed in his or her central personnel file.
- L6:08 An Occasional Teacher may make a written request to the Human Resources Manager that a written warning or disciplinary material be removed from their personnel file after two (2) years. Should there be no re-occurrence of the actions giving rise to the written warning or disciplinary letter, the material shall be removed. Records of disciplinary actions pertaining to sexual or physical misconduct affecting the safety of students and/or staff will remain in the file.

L7:00 COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT COPIES AND UNION INFORMATION

- L7:01 The Board shall provide an electronic copy of the current collective agreement to all Occasional Teachers on the Occasional Teacher Roster and to any Occasional Teacher who may be hired throughout the term of this agreement. Further, the Board shall provide an electronic copy to the principal of each secondary school under the jurisdiction of the Board.
- L7:02 The Board shall provide any newly hired Occasional Teachers, with an information package to be supplied by the Union.

L8:00 OCCASIONAL TEACHER ROSTER

- L8:01 The Board shall have only qualified Teachers on the Roster. Unqualified Teachers will only be called in as mutually agreed between the parties.
- L8:02 a) Only those Occasional Teachers whose names are on the Roster shall be called for Daily and Long Term Occasional teaching assignments.
 - b) Where no one currently in the employ of the Board is available to work and Human Resources has provided prior approval, individuals recommended by a Principal/Vice Principal_may be used for coverage. In such cases, the Bargaining Unit will be advised.
- L8:03 It is the responsibility of the Occasional Teacher to keep their contact information current with the Human Resources Office through the utilization of the Employee Self Service Portal. Instructions are available by contacting Human Resources.
- L8:04 An Occasional Teacher's name shall be removed from the Roster for the following reasons:
 - a) they are removed for just and sufficient cause;
 - b) they ask, in writing, to have their name removed from the Roster;
 - c) they fail to complete the annual Offence Declaration by the first Professional Development (PD) school day of each school year. Members on an approved leave of absence shall be exempt from this requirement.
 - d) they fail to complete the mandatory training modules within the timelines provided by the Board. Members on an approved leave of absence shall be exempt from this requirement;
 - e) they resign;
 - f) they do not work the required minimum of ten (10) days (pro-rated) per school year, if work is available, for the Board for a full school year. Occasional Teachers who are on an approved leave of absence are exempt from this requirement. Days worked in the capacity of union work will count as work for the Board for the purposes of this Article.
- L8:05 It is incumbent upon Occasional Teachers to manage their calendar in the call in system with regard to their availability or non-availability for work.

L9:00 CALLING OF OCCASIONAL TEACHERS

L9:01 When a known Long Term Occasional position declared by the Board becomes available, the Board will notify the Bargaining Unit President and post such notice for five (5) days using the on-line system,

- following which the position may be filled. Positions may be advertised externally subsequent to or simultaneously with internal postings. Internal applicants shall be given first consideration.
- L9.02 It is understood that occasional Teachers who have already accepted long term assignments for some or all of the period covered by the posted assignment are not eligible to be considered for the position, unless the posted position requires specific qualifications held by an individual Teacher already in a Long Term Occasional assignment. If the posted assignment allows the individual to move from a 0.5 position to a 1.0 LTO assignment, the Board and the Bargaining Unit shall discuss the possibility of a transition of the member from 0.5 to 1.0 FTE.
- L9.03 The Board and the Bargaining Unit agree to continue to work together to resolve call-in issues which may arise over the term of this collective agreement. It shall be the responsibility of the Bargaining Unit, through member communication and without fear of reprisal, to bring these matters forward to the Principal, or designate and to the Human Resources Manager, or designate.

L10:00 JOB VACANCIES: SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHING POSITIONS

- L10:01 The Board will provide to the President of the Secondary Occasional Teacher's Bargaining Unit access to all job postings for full-time and part-time secondary teaching positions.
- L10:02 The Board will post vacancies for the period defined in the TBU collective agreement prior to the closing date in order to allow sufficient time for all interested and qualified Occasional Teachers to make application. Upon request, an Occasional Teacher who was unsuccessful in their application for a position shall receive a verbal debriefing from the Principal.

L11:00 SALARY

Effective upon the date of ratification of this Collective Agreement, the Board shall pay rates of remuneration for Daily Occasional Teachers as follows:(All rates are deemed to include statutory holiday pay, vacation pay and pay in lieu of benefits)

Effective Date	Qualified	Unqualified
Effective first school day of 2022-2023	\$271.99	\$204.00
Effective September 1, 2023	\$280.15	\$210.12
Effective September 1, 2024	\$287.85	\$215.90
Effective September 1, 2025	\$295.05	\$221.30

- L11:02 a) Daily Occasional Teachers shall be paid on a bi-weekly basis, by direct deposit into the bank, trust company or credit union account designated by the Teacher. An Occasional Teacher who changes bank, trust company or credit union shall notify, in writing, the Payroll Department, at least two weeks in advance of the next scheduled payday.
 - b) An Occasional Teacher who holds a permanent or probationary teaching assignment of 0.5 or more with the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board and has completed daily Occasional Teacher work will have their pay for their daily occasional work added to their pay for the permanent or probationary position.

- L11:03 The Daily Occasional Teacher's remuneration shall be determined either by a half day or a full day worked. Half/full day can be a combination of various assignments that total no more than a regular teaching assignment (where a regular teaching assignment means that no Occasional Teacher shall be assigned duties more than 3.5 periods per day).
- L11:04 a) Long Term Occasional Teachers shall be paid for each day of employment at a daily rate of 1/194 of the Secondary Teachers' salary grid according to their qualifications and teaching experience. It is understood that payment on the Secondary Teachers' salary grid includes payment for vacation pay, statutory holiday pay, and payment in lieu of benefits. (Appendix A Secondary Long Term Occasional Daily Rates Grid)
 - b) Where an Unqualified Occasional Teacher is employed in a long term assignment, they shall be compensated at 1/194 of Group 1, 0 years of experience on the Secondary Salary grid.
- L11:05 a) A Long Term Occasional Teacher shall be placed on the Secondary Teachers' salary grid in accordance with the Occasional Teacher's recognized teaching experience and category/group placement effective on the first (1st) day of a single assignment should an assignment replacing the same Teacher extend beyond nine (9) consecutive teaching days.
 - b) In accordance with Article 11:05 a) the appropriate salary grid will be the grid of the panel, elementary or secondary, in which the assignment occurs. The qualifications and experience will be those of the Occasional Teacher accepting the assignment being applied to the appropriate grid.
- L11:06 For all Occasional Teachers, the statement of earnings shall indicate the number of days worked during the pay period and will be made available electronically through the Employee Self Service Portal.
- L11:07 a) It shall be the responsibility of the Occasional Teacher to provide the Board with all relevant statements of teaching experience within their current long term assignment for retroactive adjustment to the first day of the current long term assignment. Should a long term assignment end prior to submitting the most recent QECO/OSSTF rating statement and/or relevant teaching experience, no retroactive adjustments will be made.
 - b) If receipt of the QECO/OSSTF rating statement and/or relevant teaching experience statements are delayed, as a result of circumstances beyond the Occasional Teacher's control, such retroactive adjustment will not be unreasonably withheld. It shall be the responsibility of the Occasional Teacher to provide proof of their timely application for the evaluation.

Category/Group Placement

L11:08 Each Occasional Teachers' category/group classification on the salary grid shall be determined by the application of the current Qualifications Evaluation Council of Ontario (QECO) Programme and/or Certification plan of OSSTF, or at the option of the Occasional Teacher, they may continue placement under the previous programme/plan. Should QECO or OSSTF develop a new programme/plan during the life of the collective agreement, the new programme/plan shall apply. An Occasional Teacher who has chosen per the above, to continue placement under a previous programme/plan shall have

the option to either continue placement under the chosen programme/plan or to have their placement determined according to the new QECO programme/OSSTF Certification Plan. Where an Occasional Teacher has decided to continue under the current programme/plan and later decides to have their placement re-evaluated, they must notify the Board when making application. Any such resulting adjustment will be made in accordance with their application for re-evaluation and will not be made retroactive any further than the time of their re-application.

- L11:09 Where an Unqualified Occasional Teacher is employed in a long term assignment, under a Letter of Permission, they shall be compensated at the daily rate of Group 1, 0 Years of Experience on the Secondary Salary grid.
- a) The Record of Employment (ROE) certificates for casual Occasional Teachers will be issued at the end of the school year upon request of the Occasional Teacher. Long Term Occasional Teachers will receive the record of employment at the conclusion of their assignments or at the end of the school year by request.
 - b) Upon request of daily/casual occasional teachers, Records of Employment will be issued electronically to Service Canada for the Christmas Break, March Break and/or at the end of the school year. Records of Employment are submitted after the final pay for the period is processed.

Records of Employment for those holding Long Term Occasional positions will be issued automatically for these periods once the final pay has been processed.

- L11:11 For the purposes of employment insurance, the number of insurable hours to be reported shall be eight (8) hours per day.
- L11:12 Occasional teachers will be credited with experience in days for teaching on a permanent, probationary or long term contract, or performing duties that require a teaching certificate pro-rated for part time teaching and occasional teaching on a daily basis. All such experience shall be totalled, divided by 194 and when this reaches 0.5 of a year the teacher shall be placed on the next grid step. Such credited teaching experience will apply to grid experience when the Occasional Teacher is placed on a Long Term Occasional teaching assignment.

It is incumbent upon all Occasional Teachers to submit documentary proof of experience to the Board. It is recognized that the primary documentary proof acceptable will be the Teacher's Pension Plan Service Record indicating the summary of experience, or written confirmation from the prior employing Board including the number of days taught, or such other documentation deemed acceptable by Human Resources.

L11:13 Related Experience

An allowance for trade or business experience will be granted to a Long Term Occasional Teacher who is teaching in the area of technological or business studies and whose basic qualifications for admission to a college or faculty of education were technological or business qualifications rather than academic qualifications.

Each year of the related experience in excess of the minimum requirements set out in the Regulations of the *Education Act* will be recognized up to the maximum number of years on the Secondary Salary grid. At the Board's discretion, additional experience for salary purposes may be recognized.

Years of related experience will be equated to qualified teaching experience on a one-to-one basis to the maximum on the Secondary Salary grid. Related experience must be certified by the previous employer(s). Other proof of related experience acceptable to the Director of Education or Designate may be used for this purpose.

The years recognized for related experience will be added to the years recognized for base experience.

A documented request for related experience allowance must be presented to the Director or Designate during the term of the Long Term Occasional teaching assignment in order for the salary adjustment to be retroactive to the first day of the Long Term Occasional assignment.

- a) Should the Board require an Occasional Teacher to attend a Board sponsored event, be it a workshop, a seminar, health and safety training, or any other such event, the Board will pay either a half day or a full day (or days) as the circumstances dictate. Travel expenses will be paid as per Board Policy.
 - b) Should the Board require an Occasional Teacher to complete mandatory training, the Occasional Teacher shall be compensated as per communication via Human Resources, dependent on the amount of time to complete the required training.

L12:00 STAFFING

- L12:01 Only persons employed by the Board in accordance with this collective agreement or in accordance with the Board's Secondary School Teachers' collective agreement shall be assigned to teach secondary pupils.
- L12:02 The Board may assign an Occasional Teacher when a Secondary Teacher is absent.

L13:00 WORKING CONDITIONS

- L13:01 The Board recognizes the unique role of the Occasional Teacher and the variety of assignments given.

 The Board will ensure that each school will:
 - a) Provide basic school related information to assist the Occasional Teacher at the beginning of the assignment
 - b) Assign only the regular timetable of the Teacher being replaced including on-calls and supervision assignments
 - c) The School Principal, or designate, will be available to assist the Occasional Teacher in matters of discipline with students
 - d) All Daily Occasional Teachers shall be provided with keys to permit them independent access to all classroom and workspaces necessary to the performance of their duties and the maintenance of a safe, secure environment for all members of the school community

- e) Any concerns regarding timetable changes should be brought to the attention of the Principal or designate by the Occasional Teacher
- L13:02 The Teacher-Board Relations Committee shall meet regularly to monitor the number of Alternative Professional Assignments (APA's) assigned to Daily Occasional Teachers. The monitoring of APA's is to ensure that the number of days in which an APA is assigned will not exceed the proportional level of APA's assigned to probationary or permanent Teachers, on an annual basis.
- L13:03 A Daily Occasional Teacher must work a minimum of 10 full days (or required number of days prorated on start date), if work is available, in one full school year to remain in good standing.
- L13:04 A Daily Unqualified Teacher must work a minimum of 10 full days (or required number of days prorated on start date), if work is available, in one full school year to remain in good standing.

L14:00 MEDICAL PROCEDURES

Not Responsible for Diagnosis or Medication

L14:01 The Board shall not require any Occasional Teacher to administer medication or perform any medical or physical procedure on any pupil that might in any way endanger the safety or well-being of the pupil or subject the Occasional Teacher to risk, injury or liability for negligence.

It shall not be part of the duties and responsibilities of an Occasional Teacher to examine pupils for communicable conditions or diseases or to diagnose such conditions or diseases.

L15:00 SERVICES NOT REQUIRED, LATE CALLS, AND EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE

L15:01 The automated call-in system shall be used for cancellation of assignments by the school and/or the Occasional Teacher. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a cancellation which occurs with less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice of the assignment start time, shall also be communicated via telephone (school to Occasional Teacher and/or Occasional Teacher to school).

If circumstances require the cancellation of a Daily Occasional assignment without notice two (2) hours prior to the start of class, the Occasional Teacher shall be assigned professional activities by the Principal for:

- a) one-half day and paid for one-half day if called for one half day.
- b) a full day and paid for a full day if called for a full day.

The Occasional Teacher may decline the assignment and forfeit pay.

Late Calls

L15:02 An Occasional Teacher shall not be considered late for an assignment as a result of a late request to report for such assignment provided they arrive within a reasonable time of receiving such late request.

Emergencies

L15:03 In the event of an emergency closure of a school or early dismissal for emergency reasons, employees will follow Board Policy #804.

L16:00 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

Work Refusal

L16:01 No Occasional Teacher shall be discharged, penalized or disciplined in any way for making a complaint relating to health and safety or for otherwise seeking to enforce her or his rights in any matter related to health and safety.

Health and Safety Committee

- L16:02 The Board agrees to provide Certification Training for one member of the Occasional Teacher Bargaining Unit. Training will be provided at the Board's expense with the Occasional Teacher's time being unpaid.
- L16:03 The Board agrees to comply with and to fulfill its obligations under The Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations, and any other relevant Acts and Regulations. The Board recognizes its obligation to promote a safe and healthy environment. The Board shall inform the Bargaining Unit President of any incidents which involve or affect members of the Bargaining Unit.

L17:00 TEACHER-BOARD RELATIONS COMMITTEE

- L17:01 The Teacher-Board Relations Committee shall be composed of an equal number of members from the Union and the Board. The Union and the Board shall each appoint a Co-Chair either of whom may request a meeting.
- L17:02 The Teacher Board Relations Committee shall meet at least two (2) times per school year (once per semester) to discuss any concerns that arise during the year. Such meetings shall be held within two (2) weeks of the request by either party.

L18:00 PAID SICK LEAVE (See also Central Agreement Part A Article C9.1 f)

Long Term Occasional Teachers

L18:01 For absence due to illness or injury in excess of five (5) consecutive days, such Occasional Teacher shall, if requested by the Board, produce evidence of injury or illness satisfactory to the Board, which may include a certificate or report signed by a health care practitioner.

L19:00 VOLUNTARY LEAVE OF ABSENCE

L19:01 Upon written request to the Human Resources Department, the Board agrees to approve a voluntary leave of absence for any Occasional Teacher on the Occasional Teacher Roster. The member's name remains on the Roster during this voluntary leave. Such leave may be for a period up to and including one school year.

L20:00 LEAVE FOR UNION BUSINESS

L20:01 The Board will allow members of the Bargaining Unit enough release time to conduct the business of the Union in accordance with the guidelines set out by the Ontario Secondary School Teachers'

Federation. The Federation release days will be subject to the approval by the Bargaining Unit President and prior arrangements with the Principal. The Federation shall advise the Board as soon as possible of the intended use of these days, the dates and the names of the teachers involved. Both parties agree that the best interest of the pupils, the system and the integrity of the education programs shall not be compromised in applying this provision. Such released members will receive pay, benefits, teaching experience, seniority and other entitlements under this collective agreement and such leave shall not constitute a break in service.

The Union shall reimburse the Board with respect to its actual costs for such release time.

L21:00 SHORT-TERM PAID LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR LONG TERM OCCASIONAL TEACHERS

Bereavement Leave

a) In the event of a death in the immediate family, as defined in L20:01 b), a leave not exceeding five
 (5) consecutive working days shall be granted commencing the first working day following the day of death, without loss of salary or seniority. The absence on the day of death is not included in the calculation of the leave, if within the employee's regular scheduled working hours.

For Long Term Occasional Teacher's only – If the day(s) of service (funeral, burial, celebration of life) are not within the allotted five (5) consecutive days, then a portion of the allotted five (5) days may be applied at a future time but must be within the current school year and will not be carried over into the next school year.

Additional travel time may be granted at the discretion of the Principal, or designate, in consultation with the Human Resources Manager.

L21:01 b) Immediate family shall include:

- spouse (includes both married and unmarried couples, of the same or other genders)
- parent, step-parent, foster parent, legal guardian, child, step-child, foster child, grandparent, step-grandparent, grandchild or step-grandchild of the employee or the employee's spouse
- spouse of the employee's child
- spouse of the employee's sibling
- sibling of the employee or the employee's spouse
- relative of the employee who is dependent on the employee for care or assistance

Jury Duty

L21:02 A Long Term Occasional Teacher is entitled to a paid leave of absence if ordered for jury duty or is summonsed to be a witness in a court proceeding (not including tribunals) for which the Teacher is not a party. Application for such leave must be in writing to the Director of Education or Designate and must fully articulate the reasons surrounding the request.

Quarantine

L21:03 Leave with pay and without loss of benefits, experience or seniority shall be granted to an employee for a period of quarantine when declared by the Medical Officer of Health or Designate.

L22:00 PREGNANCY/PARENTAL/FAMILY CARE LEAVE (See also Central Terms Letter of Agreement #3)

The Board shall grant to a Long Term Occasional Teacher a Pregnancy/Parental/Family Care leave in accordance with the *Employment Standards Act*, 2000, as amended from time to time.

L23:00 GRIEVANCE AND ARBITRATION PROCEDURE

Definition of Grievance

L23:01 Any dispute involving the application, administration, interpretation or alleged violation of this collective agreement, including any question as to whether a matter is arbitrable, may be the subject of a grievance, and an effort shall be made to settle such a grievance fairly and promptly in the following manner.

It is understood that an employee has no grievance until the matter has been referred to the appropriate principal or designate and an opportunity given to adjust the complaint.

L23:02 Policy Grievance

The Union and the Board shall have the right to file a grievance based on a dispute arising out of the application, administration, interpretation or alleged violation of this collective agreement. A policy grievance shall be presented at Step 2 to the Union or the Director of Education, and shall proceed through the balance of the grievance procedure outlined herein.

L23:03 Individual Grievance

STEP 1

Grievance(s) must be submitted by the Union in writing to the Human Resources Manager or designate within twenty (20) school days of the time the grievor became aware of the circumstances giving rise to the grievance. Within ten (10) school days of receipt of the grievance a meeting will be held with the grievor, a Union representative and the Human Resources Manager, or designate. The Human Resources Manager or designate shall respond to the grievance in writing within ten (10) school days of the meeting.

STEP 2

L23:04 If no settlement is reached, the Union shall file the grievance in writing to the Director of Education with ten (10) school days from the response from the Human Resources Manager or designate. Within ten (10) school days of receipt of the grievance a meeting will be held with the Director of Education. A written response will be provided to the Union from the Director of Education within five (5) school days of the meeting.

STEP 3

L23:05 If no settlement is reached, the Union may submit the grievance to arbitration within ten (10) school days of receipt of the response.

Arbitration

L23:06 When either party requests that a grievance be submitted to a single arbitrator, the request shall be conveyed in writing to the other party to the agreement, indicating the name of the arbitrator.

Within ten (10) school days thereafter, the other party shall respond in writing indicating their

agreement of arbitrator or suggesting another name. If the parties fail to agree upon an arbitrator, the appointment shall be made by the Minister of Labour of Ontario upon the request of either party.

Decision of the Arbitrator

L23:07 An arbitrator shall give a decision within thirty (30) calendar days after the hearing on the matters submitted to arbitration is concluded. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding upon the parties and upon any employee or employees affected by it.

Board of Arbitration

L23:08 When both parties agree, a grievance may be submitted to a Board of Arbitration. Notification shall be provided in writing to the other party to the agreement indicating the name of an appointee to an Arbitration Board. The recipient of the notice shall within five (5) school days inform the other party of the name of its appointee to the Arbitration Board. The two (2) so selected shall, within five (5) school days of the appointment of the second of them, appoint a third person who shall be the chair. If the two (2) appointees fail to agree upon a chair within the fixed time limits, an appointment as arbitrator shall be made by the Minister of Labour of Ontario upon the request of either party.

If either party fails to appoint a nominee to the Arbitration Board, the other party may request the Minister of Labour of Ontario to refer the grievance to a single arbitrator.

Powers of the Board of Arbitration

- L23:09 An arbitrator or an Arbitration Board, as the case may be, has the powers of an arbitrator or Arbitration Board under the Labour Relations Act and, in addition, has the power:
 - a) to extend the time for the taking of any step in the grievance or arbitration procedures, including the submission to arbitration, notwithstanding the expiration of such time, where in its discretion it considers it proper to do so; and
 - b) to grant such interim orders, including interim relief, as the arbitrator or Arbitration Board considers proper, including interim reinstatement.

Decision of the Board of Arbitration

L23:10 An Arbitration Board shall give a decision within sixty (60) calendar days after hearings on the matter submitted to arbitration are concluded. The decision of the Board of Arbitration shall be final and binding.

Expenses of the Arbitrator or Board of Arbitration

Both parties agree to pay one-half (½) of the fees and expenses of the single arbitrator or the fees and expenses of the parties respective appointees and one-half (½) of the fees and expenses of the chair of the Arbitration Board.

Grievance Mediation

L23:12 Nothing in this Article precludes the parties from mutually agreeing to grievance mediation during any stage of the grievance procedure. The agreement shall be made in writing and stipulate the name of the person and the time line for grievance mediation to occur.

L23:13 An Occasional Teacher's attendance at a meeting at any stage of the grievance procedure shall be without loss of pay or any other entitlement. As far as practical, such meetings shall be held during the school day.

L24:00 STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS

L24:01 The Board agrees that there shall be no lockout of Occasional Teachers and the Union agrees that there shall be no strike during the life of this agreement. Lockout and strike shall be as defined in the Labour Relations Act.

Strike by other Board Employees

L24:02 Where an Occasional Teacher feels that their safety is jeopardized by crossing a picket line, the Occasional Teacher shall contact the Principal, or designate, who in turn will provide for the safety of the employee in reporting for work.

L25:00 UNION REPRESENTATION

- L25:01 The Bargaining Unit shall provide the Board with the names of those persons elected to office in the Bargaining Unit.
- L25:02 The Board shall provide to the Union bulletin board space in each school for the posting of notices which may be of interest to Occasional Teachers.
- L25:03 The Board shall provide Occasional Teachers with suitable meeting space on request, free of charge, provided this does not interrupt the instructional program.

L26:00 CORRESPONDENCE

L26:01 All correspondence between the Parties arising out of this collective agreement shall pass to and from the Director of Education or designate, through the Human Resources Manager or designate, and to and from the President or designate of the Bargaining Unit.

L27:00 PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY DAYS

- L27:01 The Board shall provide information to the Union about the professional development activities provided by the Board.
- L27:02 A Professional Activity Day shall not interrupt the continuity of an Occasional Teaching assignment.
- L27:03 A Long Term Occasional Teacher who is scheduled to work when there is a Professional Activity Day will be paid for the day and will be required to participate in the scheduled Professional Activity sessions.
- L27:04 An Occasional Teacher may attend, without pay, scheduled Professional Activity Days arranged by the Board. Requests for attendance should be made through the Principal of a school.

- L27:05 An Occasional Teacher shall, upon request, have access to other Board in-service programs on a voluntary basis without pay. Request for attendance should be made through the Principal of a school.
- L27:06 The Board will assist the Bargaining Unit in organizing one unpaid Professional Development Day for Occasional Teachers each school year. It is understood that any Professional Development Day organized will be at no cost to the Board unless expenses are pre-authorized by the Board.

L28:00 REPRESENTATION

L28:01 The Board agrees that it will deal solely with the duly authorized agents of the Bargaining Unit in all matters pertaining to the administration and interpretation of this agreement. In order that this may be carried out, the Bargaining Unit will supply the Board with the names of its officials and committee members. Similarly, the Board, if requested, will supply the Bargaining Unit with a list of its supervisory personnel.

L29:00 CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

- L29:01 The Board shall pay the cost of any criminal record check required in respect of an incumbent Occasional Teacher provided the occasional Teacher participates in the process operated by the Ontario Education Services Corporation.
- L29:02 The Board shall ensure that all records and information (including offence declarations and C.P.I.C. records) obtained pursuant to Regulation 521/01 of The Education Act and other subsequent regulation or law dealing with the same matter, are stored in a secure location and in a confidential manner. Normal, daily access to such records and information shall be limited to the Manager of Human Resources and those personnel designated by the Manager of Human Resources. The Manager of Human Resources shall, upon request, advise the Bargaining Unit of the names of those so designated. Such personnel shall not be members of the Bargaining Unit.
- L29:03 The Board shall not release any information about an Occasional Teacher obtained pursuant to Regulation 521/01, or any subsequent regulation or law dealing with the same subject matter, except for the purpose of exercising its legal rights or obligations.
- L29:04 The Board shall consult with the Bargaining Unit regarding any changes to the Board's policy or operating procedures with respect to criminal record checks and any changes the Board makes to the offence declaration form.

L30:00 DURATION AND RENEWAL

- L30:01 1. Any party to this collective agreement desiring to amend an article or articles of this Agreement shall give notice in writing to the other party and both parties shall meet within fifteen (15) school days of the notice being received.
 - 2. No changes can be made to this Agreement without the mutual consent of the parties; nor can any changes be made without submitting the changes for ratification by the parties, as determined by their respective bargaining procedures.

L31:00 RETURN TO WORK/ACCOMMODATION

- L31:01 The employer, the union, and the employee shall meet to develop cooperatively a modified return to work and/or accommodation program.
- L31:02 An employee/member has the right to union representation at any meeting where a return to work/accommodation program is being discussed. The employer shall notify the employee/member of this right.

Sep	September 1, 2022							
	Group 1	Daily	Group 2	Daily	Group 3	Daily	Group 4	Daily
0	\$54,989	\$283.45	\$57,249	\$295.10	\$61,762	\$318.36	\$64,692	\$333.46
1	\$58,117	\$299.57	\$60,742	\$313.10	\$65,549	\$337.88	\$68,814	\$354.71
2	\$61,249	\$315.72	\$64,237	\$331.12	\$69,340	\$357.42	\$72,932	\$375.94
3	\$64,382	\$331.87	\$67,728	\$349.11	\$73,130	\$376.96	\$77,052	\$397.18
4	\$67,509	\$347.98	\$71,216	\$367.09	\$76,915	\$396.47	\$81,170	\$418.40
5	\$70,642	\$364.13	\$74,712	\$385.11	\$80,710	\$416.03	\$85,291	\$439.64
6	\$73,770	\$380.26	\$78,204	\$403.11	\$84,496	\$435.55	\$89,406	\$460.86
7	\$76,902	\$396.40	\$81,699	\$421.13	\$88,287	\$455.09	\$93,526	\$482.09
8	\$80,032	\$412.54	\$85,194	\$439.14	\$92,077	\$474.62	\$97,647	\$503.34
9	\$83,161	\$428.66	\$88,689	\$457.16	\$95,865	\$494.15	\$101,766	\$524.57
10	\$86,432	\$445.53	\$92,221	\$475.37	\$99,931	\$515.11	\$106,291	\$547.89
11	\$90,223	\$465.07	\$96,267	\$496.22	\$104,315	\$537.71	\$110,961	\$571.96

Sep	September 1, 2023							
	Group 1	Daily	Group 2	Daily	Group 3	Daily	Group 4	Daily
0	\$56,639	\$291.95	\$58,966	\$303.95	\$63,615	\$327.91	\$66,633	\$343.47
1	\$59,861	\$308.56	\$62,564	\$322.49	\$67,515	\$348.02	\$70,878	\$365.35
2	\$63,086	\$325.19	\$66,164	\$341.05	\$71,420	\$368.14	\$75,120	\$387.22
3	\$66,313	\$341.82	\$69,760	\$359.59	\$75,324	\$388.27	\$79,364	\$409.09
4	\$69,534	\$358.42	\$73,352	\$378.10	\$79,222	\$408.36	\$83,605	\$430.95
5	\$72,761	\$375.06	\$76,953	\$396.66	\$83,131	\$428.51	\$87,850	\$452.84
6	\$75,983	\$391.66	\$80,550	\$415.21	\$87,031	\$448.61	\$92,088	\$474.68
7	\$79,209	\$408.29	\$84,150	\$433.76	\$90,936	\$468.74	\$96,332	\$496.56
8	\$82,433	\$424.91	\$87,750	\$452.32	\$94,839	\$488.86	\$100,576	\$518.43
9	\$85,656	\$441.53	\$91,350	\$470.88	\$98,741	\$508.97	\$104,819	\$540.30
10	\$89,025	\$458.89	\$94,988	\$489.63	\$102,929	\$530.56	\$109,480	\$564.33
11	\$92,930	\$479.02	\$99,155	\$511.11	\$107,444	\$553.84	\$114,290	\$589.12

Sep	September 1, 2024							
	Group 1	Daily	Group 2	Daily	Group 3	Daily	Group 4	Daily
0	\$58,197	\$299.98	\$60,588	\$312.31	\$65,364	\$336.93	\$68,465	\$352.91
1	\$61,507	\$317.05	\$64,285	\$331.37	\$69,372	\$357.59	\$72,827	\$375.40
2	\$64,821	\$334.13	\$67,984	\$350.43	\$73,384	\$378.27	\$77,186	\$397.87
3	\$68,137	\$351.22	\$71,678	\$369.47	\$77,395	\$398.94	\$81,547	\$420.35
4	\$71,446	\$368.28	\$75,369	\$388.50	\$81,401	\$419.59	\$85,904	\$442.80
5	\$74,762	\$385.37	\$79,069	\$407.57	\$85,417	\$440.29	\$90,266	\$465.29
6	\$78,073	\$402.44	\$82,765	\$426.62	\$89,424	\$460.95	\$94,620	\$487.73
7	\$81,387	\$419.52	\$86,464	\$445.69	\$93,437	\$481.63	\$98,981	\$510.21
8	\$84,700	\$436.60	\$90,163	\$464.76	\$97,447	\$502.30	\$103,342	\$532.69
9	\$88,012	\$453.67	\$93,862	\$483.82	\$101,456	\$522.97	\$107,702	\$555.16
10	\$91,473	\$471.51	\$97,600	\$503.09	\$105,760	\$545.15	\$112,491	\$579.85
11	\$95,486	\$492.20	\$101,882	\$525.16	\$110,399	\$569.07	\$117,433	\$605.32

Sep	September 1, 2025							
	Group 1	Daily	Group 2	Daily	Group 3	Daily	Group 4	Daily
0	\$59,652	\$307.48	\$62,103	\$320.12	\$66,998	\$345.35	\$70,177	\$361.74
1	\$63,045	\$324.97	\$65,892	\$339.65	\$71,106	\$366.53	\$74,648	\$384.78
2	\$66,442	\$342.48	\$69,684	\$359.20	\$75,219	\$387.73	\$79,116	\$407.81
3	\$69,840	\$360.00	\$73,470	\$378.71	\$79,330	\$408.92	\$83,586	\$430.86
4	\$73,232	\$377.48	\$77,253	\$398.21	\$83,436	\$430.08	\$88,052	\$453.88
5	\$76,631	\$395.01	\$81,046	\$417.76	\$87,552	\$451.30	\$92,523	\$476.92
6	\$80,025	\$412.50	\$84,834	\$437.29	\$91,660	\$472.47	\$96,986	\$499.93
7	\$83,422	\$430.01	\$88,626	\$456.84	\$95,773	\$493.68	\$101,456	\$522.97
8	\$86,818	\$447.52	\$92,417	\$476.38	\$99,883	\$514.86	\$105,926	\$546.01
9	\$90,212	\$465.01	\$96,209	\$495.92	\$103,992	\$536.04	\$110,395	\$569.05
10	\$93,760	\$483.30	\$100,040	\$515.67	\$108,404	\$558.78	\$115,303	\$594.35
11	\$97,873	\$504.50	\$104,429	\$538.29	\$113,159	\$583.29	\$120,369	\$620.46

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ALLOCATIONS

ASSIGNMENT	FTE STATUS
1 period	0.166
2 periods	0.333
3 periods	0.500
4 periods	0.666
5 periods	0.833
6 periods	1.000

AGREEMENT OF CONTRACT

It is hereby certified that this agreement has been drafted according to the terms and conditions agreed upon by the negotiating committees appointed by the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board and The Ontario Secondary School Teacher's Federation Northern Shield Occasional Teachers' Bargaining Unit. It is further certified that this agreement was ratified by the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board on February 27, 2024, and The Northern Shield Occasional Teachers' Bargaining Unit on February 20, 2024.

Dated atDryden	, Ontario,September 4, 2024
FOR THE KEEWATIN-PATRICIA DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD (KPDSB)	FOR THE ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS FEDERATION, DISTRICT 5A NORTHERN SHIELD OCCASIONAL TEACHERS BARGAINING UNIT (OSSTF D5A-OTBU)
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