## A GREEMENT

between<br>CARROLLTON BOARD OF EDUCATION<br>and the<br>CARROLLTON BUS DRIVERS ASSOCIATION

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A G R E E M ENT
ARTICLE I
RECOGNITION
In accordance with applicable provisions of Act 379 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, the Carrollton Board of Education does hereby recognize the Carrollton Bus Drivers Association as the exclusive representative for the purposes of collective bargaining with respect to rates of pay, hours and other conditions of employment for the term of the Agreement for all regular bus drivers in the school system.

ARTICLE II
WORK ASSIGNMENTS
A. Work Assignments

1. All bus drivers are subject to assignment or transfer to such bus routes and responsibilities as will serve the best interest of the Carrollton Public School District.
2. All assignments will be made through the transportation office by the Transportation Coordinator or Director of Transportation.
3. Seniority will be given consideration in any assignment or transfer.
B. Seniority - New drivers on regular routes will be placed on ninety (90) working days probation. Time spent as a substitute driver will not be applied toward the ninety (90) day probation period. Excessive absenteeism or tardiness will result in loss of seniority. No driver shall allow anyone to
drive the bus or act as a substitute unless authorized to do so by the Coordinator or Director of Transportation.
4. Regular Driver - Driver with daily scheduled regular run(s).
5. Substitute Driver - Driver driving extra trips or substituting for regular driver.
6. Seniority determined by time and date of hire.
c. Trip sheets shall be given to all drivers one week in advance when possible.
D. In case of a merger with another District, the Board of Education will exercise its influence to attempt to insure employment for our bus drivers.

ARTICLE III
WAGES AND OTHER REMUNERATION


Individuals with more than ten (10) years of service to the District shall receive an extra ten (\$.10) per hour for all hours driven.
2. Substitutes who drive twenty-five (25) days the previous school year will be paid on the appropriate step of the salary schedule as either a first, second or third-year driver. Substitutes who drive twenty-four (24) days or less the previous year shall be paid according to the first year driving step. Substitute drivers driving the same route two (2) weeks consecutively or more shall receive the benefits of any holiday or "Act of God" day which may occur.
3. A minimum of one (1) hour driving time will be paid for any one (1) scheduled driving period. However, if the first hour run is interrupted by trip, the first hour run must be completed prior to counting trip time.
4. The Board of Education will pay one-third (1/3) of the estimated value of the trip to the driver when the trip is canceled for reasons within the control of the Board of Education and the driver is given less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice.

## B. Pay Procedures

1. Trips should be paid on the basis of the driver's hourly wage straight through from the time leaving school until the return to the school. A trip is any run outside a regular school run. (Normal class activity is not a trip; for example, taking a class to the bowling alley for six weeks.)
2. When the driver returns to the school but there is less than an
hour and one half (1 $1 / 2$ ) before the next trip or run, the driver shall receive pay for that time. When the driver is permitted to return to the school and there is an hour and one half (1 $1 / 2$ ) or more, the driver shall not receive pay for the time between the trip run.
3. Day and night trips shall be offered to all drivers on a rotation basis (in order of seniority). Drivers are eligible for trips after ninety (90) days regular driving time.
4. On all trips consisting of five (5) hours or more where a meal is not otherwise provided, the driver shall receive a Four Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$4.50) lunch allowance and a Five Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$5.50) dinner allowance.

## C. Overtime

1. All hours worked on Sundays and holidays will be paid on a double-time basis.
2. Time and one half (1 $1 / 2$ ) shall be paid for all hours worked over seven (7) hours Monday through Friday. All hours worked on Saturday shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half (1 1/2).
3. Drivers assigned to overnight trip or trips shall be paid a flat eight (8) hour rate per day, plus meals, if not provided on site.
4. Substitutes and employees having retired and drawing retirement benefits from Public Service after June 30, 1989 will not receive any benefits even though employed by the carrollton Public Schools.
D. Snow Days - The parties agree to follow state law guideline on Act of God Days. Drivers will be paid for allowable Act of God Days. Drivers will not receive pay for those days which are made up. However, each driver must work the day before and the day after such school closing to receive wages for these days.
E. Physical Examinations - Required physical examinations will be paid for by the Board of Education. All required physical examinations will be completed by a physician designated by the Carrollton Board of Education or the driver's personal physician. If the driver selects his personal physician, reimbursement will be paid to the driver in the amount equal to the amount the Board is charged by the Industrial Clinic.
F. Commercial Driver's License - Commercial Driver's License fees shall be reimbursed at the rate per year which equals the annual pro-rata share of the total fee.
G. Bus Driver's School
5. Drivers sent by the District to meet Federal or state of Michigan requirements will be paid the amount of the state of Michigan minimum wage.
6. Tuition for classes will be paid directly to the instructing institution by the Carrollton Board of Education.
H. Sick Days
(Earned on a pro-rata basis, based upon the driver's regular daily schedule)
7. Regular bus drivers will be granted ten (10) sick days per year. If the days are not used in any one school year, they can accumulate into the next school year. The maximum accumulation shall be one hundred (100) days.
8. All requests for sick leave must be submitted to be approved by the Superintendent or his designated representative.
9. The Board, at any time at its expense, may require an employee to submit to an examination by a physician.
10. A driver may use two (2) sick days per year for personal business which cannot normally be handled outside work hours. The reason and date are subject to administrative approval.
11. Upon retirement, a driver will be paid one-half (1/2) his/her accumulated sick days at the rate of $50 \%$ of the previous year's average daily rate.
I. Holidays
12. Drivers who have completed their probationary period shall receive their regular daily rate for the following holidays: Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Memorial Day, Good Friday and the Day after Thanksgiving. The Fourth of July will be a paid holiday for drivers working during the summer.
13. The employee must be a permanent employee as of the date of the holiday.
14. The employee must have worked the last scheduled work day prior to the holiday and the next scheduled work day after such holiday in order to be eligible for holiday pay.
J. Bereavement

Employees will be allowed up to three (3) days to be deducted from their sick leave for a death in the immediate family. Immediate family to include: father, mother, father-in-law, mother-in-law, spouse or child. The employee must, however, attend the funeral.

Employees will be allowed one (1) day to be deducted from their sick leave accumulation for the death of grandparents, brother, sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandchildren, son-in-law or daughter-in-law. The employee must, however, attend the funeral. Additional time may be granted upon approval by the Superintendent or his designated representative. K. Those drivers who complete the full Red Cross program, including CPR, will receive One Hundred ( $\$ 100.00$ ) upon receipt of the Red Cross certificates. Annual update certificates will be reimbursed in the amount of Ten ( $\$ 10.00$ ) Dollars.
L. Jackets - The Board of Education will pay Ten ( $\$ 10.00$ ) Dollars per year for the actual purchase of a mutually agreeable bus driver's jacket.
M. Copies of this Agreement shall be printed at the expense of the School Board and distributed to all members of the unit.

## ARTICLE IV

## GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

A. An employee having a complaint shall first present it to the Director of Transportation within five (5) days of the act or condition that caused the complaint.
B. If a complaint is not satisfactorily settled, it will be submitted, in writing, to the Superintendent or his designated representative within ten (10) days of the act or condition that caused the complaint.
C. If the employee is not satisfied with the answer received from the Superintendent or his designated representative, he may appeal the complaint to the Board of Education within twenty (20) days of the act or condition that caused the complaint.
D. At the next regular Board meeting, the Board, or a designated committee, shall answer the grievance, and this answer shall be final and binding.

ARTICLE V
UNPAID LEAVES
Written requests for unpaid personal days or leaves must be requested at least ten (10) days in advance of the date requested whenever possible. The Administration will answer the request in writing seven (7) days in advance whenever possible.

## ARTICLE VI

## DURATION

This Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until June 30, 1995.


ARTICLE VII
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
A. Maintenance of Vehicle

1. The driver should not operate a bus which he/she believes to be unsafe.
2. All bus engines should be fully warmed before moving the bus.
3. All drivers are to check gauges--oil, gas, etc.--before starting each bus run.
4. All drivers are to check the condition of the bus including brakes, steering gear, lights and signals.
5. All drivers are to check the emergency equipment on the bus including fire extinguisher, first aid equipment and flares.
6. Windshields and other necessary windows are to be kept clean at all times.
B. Operation of Vehicle
7. General Rules
a. It is most important that the driver take all possible precautions to make each trip a safe trip. All rules and regulations must be followed to ensure this.
b. The bus driver has the sole responsibility for the safety and welfare of the passengers while the bus is in motion.
8. Moving operation
a. Avoid jerky starts and sudden stops.
b. Observe that passengers are in their seats before the bus is put in motion.
c. Be sure that the doors are always closed when the bus is in motion.
d. Bring that bus to a COMPLETE STOP before passengers leave their seats to depart from the bus.
e. Avoid turning or swerving suddenly.
f. Go slow over bumps and rough places.
g. Observe carefully all signs, signals, rules of the road and courtesies due to others.
h. NEVER leave the bus while the motor is running.
i. NEVER leave the key in the bus when you leave it.
j. A school bus should not run backwards on school grounds without proper signal from a responsible person.
k. While within the city limits of Saginaw, all school buses are to pull to the curb at regular intersections when discharging or picking up passengers.
9. Accidents Involving Students - An accident report must be completed on all cases. This would involve any incident related to the bus even though it does not involve another vehicle or object. Such an instance might be a passenger slipping and falling as he enters or leaves the bus, a student bumping his nose, etc. due to any motion of the bus or another passenger pushing, etc.
10. Accidents Involving Other Objects or Vehicles.
a. The driver shall report all accidents to the Administrative Office immediately after the accident occurs.
b. The driver is not to leave the scene of an accident until the presiding police force has investigated the accident and made a report of same. Further, a driver shall remain until all students have been satisfactorily attended to or officially relieved of his responsibilities.

## ARTICLE VIII

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
A. Relative to Drivers

1. Any dangerous condition must be reported to the Director of Transportation to insure the safety of employee, passengers and equipment.
2. NEVER fill the gas tank while there are passengers on the bus.
3. A driver receiving a violation summons is financially responsible for any costs or fines assessed against him.
4. Buses shall not be used at any time other than for school purposes except when authorized by the Director of Transportation.
5. Whenever possible, have buses parked in loading areas on school grounds before students are dismissed.
6. Limit the number of passengers to the authorized capacity of the bus.
7. The bus should be properly ventilated at all times.
8. When buses are parked following the completion of the bus trip, doors and windows are to be closed.
9. Each bus driver will be held accountable for all gas for school bus operation. At the time of filling, each driver will fill in the number of gallons of gas loaded and the speedometer reading and sign same.
10. Gas tanks are to be filled before the morning schedule.
11. NO smoking is allowed on school buses. A "NO SMOKING" sign will be stenciled on the interior of the bus.
12. Neatness of the driver is important.
13. All buses shall be washed inside and out--floors, seats, etc.-prior to the first day of school.
14. The Director of Transportation is in full charge of the bus transportation program. Drivers are to contact him for information relative to mechanical repairs and maintenance, changes in bus routes, bus stops or anything pertaining to school bus operation which must be cleared through the Director of Transportation.
B. Relative to Passengers - Discipline
15. When a passenger is given two (2) discipline slips, he is subject to withdrawal of his bus pass and riding privileges for a period on one (1) week. When he resumes riding the bus, if he receives one (1) more discipline slip, he is subject to withdrawal of his bus pass and riding privilege for a period as deemed necessary by the Superintendent or his designee. The results of discipline slips shall be made known to the driver within one (1) week.
16. It is important for the driver to note that he is in full charge of the bus and its passengers. As such he is responsible for seeing that the passengers follow the established rules and regulations. The bus driver has no authority to remove a passenger from a bus; however, he shall file a complaint to the Director of Transportation or Superintendent concerning the infraction of the rules. The Director of Transportation or Superintendent will then take appropriate disciplinary steps.
17. All passengers must be seated before the bus is put in motion.
18. The bus must come to a full stop before the passengers leave their seats to depart.
19. No passenger shall AT ANY TIME extend arms or hands out the bus windows.
20. Have passengers pass in front of the bus when leaving bus to cross road.
21. Pupils may be refused transportation for continued disorderly conduct or refusal to observe rules and regulations.
22. Do not allow anyone to hold onto outside of bus when bus is in motion such as sledding, skating and bicycling.
23. No eating or drinking on the bus.
