

AGREEMENT By and Between BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 28 AND BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE LOCAL 4184 AFT WASHINGTON/AFL-CIO JULY 1, 2021 – JUNE 30, 2024

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

The attached articles constitute a collective bargaining agreement which is hereby agreed to by the Trustees of Bates Technical College through their negotiating team undersigned, the Bates Faculty Local 4184 AFT Washington/AFL-CIO through their negotiating team undersigned, to be presented to the parties of this Agreement for a ratification vote.

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PREAMBLE

The following articles constitute an Agreement by and between the Board of Trustees, Bates Technical College District 28, hereinafter called the "Employer" and the Bates Technical College Local 4184, AFT WASHINGTON/AFL-CIO, hereinafter referred to as the "Union."

This Agreement represents a good faith, negotiated change to multiple sections, as compared to previous versions of negotiated agreements between college administration and the faculty union. These changes are not intended to affect members' primary day-to-day work experience.

The updated sections reflect fundamental changes in both parties' shared organizational understanding of workload, program organization and capacity, and the relationship of these elements to compensation. As the codification of labor management working relations, both parties recognize the need for continued cooperation in establishing new operational norms related to:

- 1. Annual course construction patterns recognizing the state requirements of credit calculation.
 - a. Programs and their placement in various organizational constructs and alignment with statewide initiatives (e.g. ctcLink, Guided Pathways).
 - b. College program capacity and the student metrics used to set these levels.
 - c. It is understood these new norms will shift from headcounts traditionally referenced in Appendix J.
- 2. The administration and faculty will cooperate in the identification of new capacity levels for identified college programs over the life of this negotiated agreement. Both parties agree to Appendix J, included herein, as the reference for programs awaiting the required analysis to establish the new capacity levels.
 - a. It is the goal of both parties for Appendix J to sunset with the expiration of this agreement.
- 3. How faculty workload is understood and calculated.
 - a. It is recognized these new norms will reflect the mutually desired goal of maximizing student access to college programs while maintaining an identifiable, balanced work environment for faculty.
- 4. Incorporating 1 through 4 into established processes related to the implementation of this agreement.

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS AND RECOGNITION

1.1 Definitions

<u>Academic Employee(s)</u> - Employees in the bargaining unit represented by the Union Federation as defined in the recognition and unit designation section 1.2 clause, and referred to from time to time as "Faculty," "Faculty Members," "Employees," "Instructors," and "Teachers,". "Librarians," "Curriculum Assessment Coordinator," "Career Advisors," "Outreach and Recruitment Coordinator," and "Counselors".

- Full-time Employees
 - Career Training employees contracted by the College to work at least thirty-five (35) and no more than forty (40) hours per week during the two-hundred fourteen (214) or two-hundred twenty-five (225) day academic year.

- General Education (GenEd) Employees contracted by the College to teach twenty (20) credits per quarter during the two-hundred fourteen (214) day academic year (Refer to Article 7.6.6)
- Employees that do not fit in the above categories, and are contracted by the College to work at least thirty-five (35) hours per week, during the two-hundred fourteen (214) day academic year. Said employee may be authorized to work additional days and shall be paid on a per diem basis for any days over and above their individual contract.
- Deviations from the above work schedules, reference Article 8.17.
- Part-time Employees (Annually contracted)
 - Career Training Employees contracted by the College to work less than thirty (30) hours per week during the academic year.
 - General Education (GenEd) Employees contracted by the College to teach less than twenty (20) credits per quarter during the academic year.
 - Other part-time employees that do not fit in the above categories are contracted by the College to work less than thirty (30) hours per week or less than two-hundred fourteen (214) days per academic year.
 - o Deviations from the above work schedules, reference Article 8.17.

<u>Academic Quarter</u> – Four identified periods of instruction, Summer, Fall, Winter and Spring, as defined on the negotiated calendars, Appendix H.

<u>Academic Year</u> – The two-hundred fourteen (214) work days on the negotiated calendars, Appendix H.

<u>Adjunct faculty</u> - Faculty hired on a quarterly or less contract.

<u>Annually Contracted Employee</u> – A full-time or part-time employee that has been issued a regular contract on an annual basis July 1 through June 30.

Appointing Authority – The Board of Trustees of Bates Technical College District 28.

<u>Assigned Program Load</u> – Program loads for Certified Career Training Categories as they pertain to RIF (Article 10.10) in accordance with the Assigned Program Load List, Appendix J in effect at the date of execution of the collective bargaining agreement. The Assigned Program Load is included in the collective bargaining agreement as an attachment for the purpose of reference to Article 10.10. The employee reserves the right to refuse additional students above the assigned load.

College – Bates Technical College District 28.

<u>Cover Classes</u> – When an employee holding valid vocational certificates provides classroom access to and periodic classroom presence for students.

<u>Employee(s)</u> – A faculty member assigned to the bargaining unit.

<u>Employee Appointment</u> – Shall mean full-time employees employment consistent with the employees' tenure statue RCW 28B.50.

Employer – The Board of Trustees of Bates Technical College or its delegated representative(s).

<u>General Education Class Capacity</u> – Twenty-five (25) is the class capacity for General Education. The employee reserves the right to refuse additional students above the class capacity.

<u>In-class Teaching Hours</u> – For the purposes of establishing part-time academic employees' State-mandated benefits under <u>RCW 28B.50.489</u>, in-class teaching hours are defined as contractually assigned teaching duties excluding office hours and contractually delineated non-student contact related job duties.

<u>Insubordination</u> – Willful or continuous disregard of direct orders or directions from an authorized administrator.

<u>Itinerant Employee</u> – Faculty who teach at multiple campuses during the course of a single day.

<u>Moonlight</u> – Compensation for contracted, instructional work assignments beyond the regular quarterly full-time load taught by full-time faculty.

Non-Instructional Work Days – Non-instructional work days, excluding Professional Development and Planning Days, are identified on the negotiated academic calendar. Faculty and the College will jointly coordinate, whenever possible, mutually beneficial activities, including, but not limited to, assessment, revising and updating coursework, accreditation, curriculum revisions, program enhancement, equipment maintenance and outreach.

<u>Planning Days</u> – Non-student contact work days, scheduled in between quarters on the negotiated calendars. College mandatory training and professional development days will not be held on planning days.

President – President of Bates Technical College.

<u>Probationary Employee Appointment</u> – An employee appointment for a designated period of time, not to exceed nine (9) consecutive quarters excluding summer quarter and approved leaves of absence, which may be terminated without cause upon the expiration of the probationer's term of appointment.

<u>Probationer</u> – An individual holding a probationary employee appointment.

<u>Program Accreditation</u> – Status granted to a program or other entity that meets stated criteria of quality. Accreditation of professional curricula is conferred by non-governmental bodies which are often associated with professional association in the field. The College reserves the right to determine which programs may seek accreditation.

<u>Senior Administrator (SA)</u> - Most senior Instructional administrator and/or most senior student services administrator, or their assigned designee.

<u>Seniority</u> – One year of service will be credited for full-time employees who work a minimum of one-hundred seven (107) days on or before June 30, annually. Seniority will only be used in the event of a RIF.

<u>Stacked Courses</u> - Multiple GenEd courses with a combined student headcount not to exceed 25. The use of stacked courses will be collaboratively developed between the Dean and the faculty member(s). The final decision to offer stacked courses will rest with the VPI.

<u>Statutory Benefits</u> – Refers to eligibility to participate in sick leave, retirement systems, Public Employee Benefit Board (PEBB) and Heath Care Authority (HCA) administered plans as defined by applicable RCW, WAC, College policies and benefit provider requirements.

<u>Stipend</u> - A one-time payment.

<u>Student Contact Hours</u> – The time employees are assigned for teaching and supporting students.

<u>Substitute</u> – A person who is hired to work in the absence of the regular employee on an "as needed" basis as determined by the College.

<u>Supervisor</u> – The individual assigned by the appropriate SA who directly supervises and evaluates employees.

Union – The Bates Technical College Local 4184, AFT Washington/AFL-CIO.

VPI – Vice President of Instruction/Chief Academic Officer

Work Day

- Any day the employee is regularly schedule to work.
- Day a seven (7) or eight (8) hour work day beginning no earlier than 7:00
- a.m. and ending no later than 5:00 p.m.
- Afternoon a seven (7) or eight (8) hour work day beginning no earlier than 12:00 p.m. and ending no later than 11:00 p.m.
- Alternative/late evening a seven (7) or eight (8) hour work day beginning at any other time, including weekends, other than those defined as Day or Afternoon.

1.2 Recognition and Unit Designation

- 1. The Employer recognizes that the Union is the exclusive representative of all employees in the bargaining unit described below in Article 2.2, section 2.
- 2. The bargaining unit consists of all non-supervisory full-time and part-time academic employees of the College. This includes substitutes, career specialists/advisors, and employees funded through grants, or other categorical funds, or and instructors not included in the above definition.
- 3. Excluded from the bargaining unit are the president, administrators, administrative interns, and those instructors working for or under the direction of a Joint Apprenticeship Committee, whose parent unions have requested non-participation in writing from Local 4184 because of violation of their International or Local Union bylaws and all other District employees.
- 4. Exceptions to this section shall be bargained between the College and the Union.
- 5. Disputes regarding the representative status of any employee shall be resolved in accordance with <u>RCW 28B.52</u>.

ARTICLE II DURATION AND SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

2.1 Duration of Agreement

This Agreement shall be effective as of July 1, 2021 and shall continue in full force and effect until June 30, 2024.

2.2 Scope of Agreement

- 1. This Agreement constitutes the entire negotiated Agreement between the College and the Union and supersedes any previous agreements and understandings between the parties. In addition, this Agreement supersedes any rules, regulations, policies, resolutions or practices of the College which shall be contrary to or inconsistent with its terms.
- 2. Both parties believe that all provisions of this Agreement are lawful. If any provision of the Agreement is contrary to existing or future law, the remainder of the Agreement shall not be affected thereby. If a provision is contrary to law, the parties, upon request of either party, shall enter into negotiations within thirty (30) days for the purpose of arriving at a mutually agreeable satisfactory replacement of the provision.
- 3. The parties acknowledge that each had the unlimited right and opportunity to make demands and proposals during the course of negotiations. The results are set forth in this Agreement. Therefore, except as specifically stated otherwise in this Agreement, the College and the Union agree to waive the right to oblige the other party to negotiate any permissive subject unless mutually agreed otherwise.
- 4. Nothing herein will be construed as a waiver of the parties' collective bargaining rights and obligations with respect to matters related to wages, hours and working conditions.
- 5. The Employer and the Union agree that disputes which may arise between them shall be settled without resort to strike or lockout.

ARTICLE III RIGHTS OF THE EMPLOYER

3.1 Employer Rights

The Employer retains and reserves all powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities conferred upon and vested in it by the laws and the Constitution of the State of Washington and of the United States for the management and operation of the College, subject to the provisions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE IV LABOR-MANAGEMENT

4.1 Purpose

A Labor-Management Committee (LMC) may be established. The purpose of the committee is to provide continuing communication between the parties and to promote constructive labor- management relations. It is mutually recognized that both parties come to the table as equals and each party is representing their constituencies. The LMC will meet, discuss and exchange information of a group nature and general interest to both parties. The employee representatives shall be selected by the Union. The principles of Interest Based Problem Solving will be used to the fullest extent possible during committee meetings. Procedures and ground rules will be mutually agreed upon by the LMC.

4.2 Scope of Authority

The LMC shall have no authority to conduct any negotiations, bargain collectively or modify any provision of this Agreement. Nothing in this Article or any LMC activity shall be subject to the grievance procedure.

ARTICLE V UNION RIGHTS

5.1 Leaves

- 1. Up to a total of twenty (20) days of release time per academic year shall be provided to the Union for released time for officers and representatives of the Union.
- 2. Requests for such leave shall be made through the appropriate administrator or to the President in advance of the leave. The purpose of the leave shall be clearly stated. The leave shall not be granted if the purpose violates <u>RCW 28B.52</u>.

5.2 Building Use

The Union may use College facilities for meetings and to transact official business on College property at all reasonable times as long as the meeting shall not interfere with normal operation and is consistent with applicable laws.

5.3 Facilities and Equipment Use

To assist it in its representational functions and consistent with applicable laws, the Union shall have the right to use College facilities and equipment when they are not otherwise in use and when such usage would not interrupt routine College operations. This shall include meeting rooms, computers, email, audiovisual, fax, copiers, and so forth, subject to standard College fees and conditions. The Union agrees to reimburse the College for the actual cost of incidental materials and supplies used by the Union.

5.4 Unit Representation Fee

- 1. No employee will be required to join the Union. However, members of the bargaining unit will have a representation fee deducted from their salaries. The College is authorized to deduct the required amount from each monthly paycheck. The amount of the representation fee will be determined by the Union. The Union will notify the Business Office of any dues increases. The business office will have 30 days to implement the change. The representation fee shall be regarded as fair compensation and reimbursement to the Union for fulfilling its legal obligation to represent all members of the bargaining unit. Refer to RCW 28B.52.045.
- 2. Substitute and part-time employees who are scheduled to work an average of twenty (20) hours or more per month during the academic year are eligible for the representation fee. The College will implement the representation fee at the beginning of the following payroll period so that the College will not have to split a payroll period into hours which are eligible and not eligible for the payment of the representation fee.
- 3. The Union agrees to defend, indemnify and hold the College harmless (suits by the College excepted) against any and all claims, suits, orders, or judgments brought or issued against the College as a result of any action taken or not taken by the College pursuant to proper implementation of this section contingent upon the College's agreement that the Union shall be authorized to defend such suit through an attorney of the Union's own choosing.

ARTICLE VI GENERAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS

6.1 Grievance Procedure

A grievance is a claim based upon an alleged violation of this Agreement, written College policies, regulations and rules adopted by the Board, or unfair and inequitable treatment of an employee by an administrator. All grievances shall be presented in writing on the negotiated grievance form. Grievance resolutions shall be reduced to writing and signed by both parties.

6.1.1 Preamble

- 1. The Union and the College agree that it is in the best interest of all parties to resolve disputes at the earliest opportunity and at the lowest level. The Union and the College encourage problem resolution between employees and supervisors, and are committed to assisting in resolution of disputes in a timely manner. In the event a dispute is not resolved in an informal manner, this article provides a formal process for problem resolution.
- 2. Prior to filing a written grievance, the employee shall discuss the concern with the appropriate supervisor and every effort shall be made to solve the problem at this level in an informal manner. In the event that the problem is not resolved within the time frame specified in Article 6.1.3 by such discussions, the employee, when possible, will inform the supervisor that the issue many be filed as a grievance. The employee shall be responsible to document all informal efforts to resolve the problem.

6.1.2 General Conditions Related to Grievance Process

The number of days indicated at each level shall be considered to be a maximum, and every
reasonable effort shall be made to expedite the process. Failure by the grievant to meet time
limits established shall constitute waiver of the grievance for all purposes. Failure by the
College to meet time limits shall automatically move the grievance to the next level. However,

- time limits may be extended by mutual written agreement.
- 2. If a Level One grievance is not filed within forty-five (45) working days from the time the individual employee or Union became aware, or reasonably could have been aware, of the act or the creation of the condition upon which the grievance is based, then the grievance shall be waived.
- 3. The Union is the exclusive bargaining representative for all employees covered by this Agreement. The Union shall be considered the "grievant" in all grievances filed on behalf of an employee or employees.
- 4. A grievance may be filed by the Union on behalf of any or all affected members.
- 5. Representation for employees shall be through the Union, unless the employee has elected to "self-represent". If the individual employee chooses to self-represent, the Union shall be entitled to be present and provide information, testimony or evidence at any grievance meeting. The Union is solely responsible for determining which grievances will be submitted to arbitration.
- 6. The employee with a grievance shall be accompanied by a representative designated by the Union in any meeting related to a step in the grievance procedure.
- 7. In the event grievances are based on action(s) taken by a higher level administrator, then that grievance may be filed at the appropriate level so that the issue can be addressed by that administrator. This means that in such circumstances, some grievances may be initially filed at Level Two or Level Three.
- 8. Upon written request of the Union, or its designated representative, the College will produce copies of documents needed to process grievances.
- 9. There shall be no retaliation by the Union, the College or its employees for involvement in or use of the grievance procedure.
- 10. In order to preserve an orderly grievance resolution process, once a grievance is moved to a higher level, the authority to take action to resolve the grievance shall reside with the supervisor at that level. Supervisors who were responsible for the grievance at lower levels shall not continue attempts to resolve the grievance once it has moved beyond their level.
- 11. No newly alleged violations may be added to the current grievance after the initial written grievance is filed, except by written mutual agreement.
- 12. If the College provides the requested remedy or a mutually agreed-upon alternative, the grievance will be considered resolved and may not be moved to the next step.

6.1.3 Grievance Timeline

Within ten (10) work days of delivery of a written grievance at any level, the appropriate supervisor shall schedule a meeting with the individual employee and the Union. Within ten (10) work days after the meeting the supervisor shall render a decision in writing, and deliver it to the grievant, with a copy delivered to the Union president. If the grievance is not resolved, or no decision has been rendered within ten (10) work days, the grievant may move it to the next level. Timelines must be strictly adhered to unless mutually modified in writing by both parties.

6.1.4 Grievance Levels

- 1. If an issue is not resolved by informal discussions with the supervisor, within the timeline cited in Article 6.1.3, the grievance will be submitted in writing on the negotiated grievance form
- 2. The grievance must include the following information:
 - a) The date of the alleged incident
 - b) The nature of the grievance

- c) The facts upon which it is based
- d) The specific article and section of the Agreement violated
- e) The specific remedy requested
- f) The name of the grievant
- g) The name and signature of the authorized Union representative
- 3. The Union will file the grievance on behalf of the member(s) at the appropriate level.
 - a) **LEVEL ONE** Immediate Supervisor
 - b) LEVEL TWO Second Line Supervisor or Designee
 - c) **LEVEL THREE** President or Designee
 - d) LEVEL FOUR Optional Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)
 - i. The Union and College President or designee may mutually agree to submit the dispute to ADR. In the event a grievance is submitted to ADR, the timelines for submission to arbitration shall be set aside, until the ADR process is completed.
 - ii. ADR must be requested within ten (10) work days of receiving the Level Three response. Both parties will jointly agree upon an ADR facilitator. The costs of ADR will be borne equally by the parties. Sources of third party facilitators may include, but are not limited to, Public Employee Relations Commission (PERC) and Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS). If an agreement is not reached through the ADR process, then the Union may request arbitration in accordance with the Level Five process below.

e) **LEVEL FIVE** – Arbitration

- i. If the grievance is not settled at Level Three (or Optional Level Four), or if no decision has been rendered within ten (10) work days of the Level Three (or Optional Level Four) meeting, then within twenty (20) work days, the Union may file a demand for arbitration. The demand for arbitration shall be submitted in writing to the American Arbitration Association under its voluntary rules. A copy of the demand shall be submitted to the College President or designee. The College and Union will select the arbitrator in accordance with the selection procedures of the American Arbitration Association.
- ii. If a grievance is based upon an alleged violation of this Agreement and/or written College policies, regulations and rules adopted by the Board and/or unfair and inequitable treatment, then only that portion based upon the alleged violation of this Agreement, which is initiated consistent within time limits herein established prior to the expiration of this Agreement, shall be subject to arbitration.
- iii. The arbitrator shall have authority to hold hearings and make procedural rules. The College and the Union request and expect that the arbitrator's findings will be issued within thirty (30) calendar days after the date of the close of the hearings or, if requested by either party, within thirty (30) calendar days from the date the written briefs are submitted to the arbitrator.
- iv. The arbitrator's findings shall be submitted in writing to the College and to the Union and shall set forth findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions on the issues submitted. The arbitrator's decision shall be consistent with existing statues, all provisions of this Agreement and shall be binding on both parties. The arbitrator may retain jurisdiction until such time as the award is completed.
- v. Either party may request that procedural and substantive issues be consolidated for the hearing, provided that the arbitrator shall resolve procedural issues before hearing the merits of the grievance, unless the parties mutually agree

- otherwise.
- vi. The fees and expenses of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by the College and the Union. Costs of representation and/or witness fees shall be borne by the party incurring them.
- vii. The arbitrator shall have no power to alter, add to, subtract from, disregard or modify the terms of this Agreement.
- viii. Because other avenues of redress are covered in <u>RCW 28B</u>, the arbitrator shall have no power or authority to rule on any of the following:
 - a. The termination of service for cause or failure to re-employ any non-tenured probationary employee.
 - b. The termination of services or failure to re-employ any part-time employee.
 - c. Employee evaluation, provided, however, the evaluation procedures in Article X, shall be subject to arbitration.
 - d. Dismissal for sufficient cause or reduction-in-force of bargaining unit employees provided the procedures required prior to the issuance of formal notice Articles 10.7, 10.8, 10.9 shall be subject to arbitration.

6.2 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

The Union and the College recognize the importance of the development of strategies and best practices regarding diversity, equity and inclusion. Both parties embrace and promote best practices that create a more inclusive and equitable college community.

6.3 Equitable Treatment/Nondiscrimination

- 1. The parties agree that they will not engage in any act or practice or pursue any policy which results directly or indirectly in coercion or discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, national or ethnic origin, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, age, religion, status as a veteran, disability or political affiliation.
- 2. The College will not discriminate in applying the provisions of this Agreement.
- 3. The Employer agrees that it will not discriminate against employees because of their membership or non-membership in employee organizations.

6.4 Leave Approval

The authority to grant leaves rests with the President or designee. The responsibility for reviewing an application for leave is that of the SA.

6.5 Bargaining a New Contract

- 1. The Employer and Union may agree to use a collaborative bargaining approach when negotiating a new contract. Such processes may follow guidelines provided by the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS).
- 2. The Union will notify the Employer no later than ninety (90) days prior to expiration of the collective bargaining agreement to formally open negotiations. Bargaining will be conducted at times and places mutually agreeable to the negotiators named by each party. The Employer and the Union may list the issues to be negotiated at the first meeting. Other issues may be added to

the list at a later date if mutually agreed to.

- 3. During negotiations the following principles of Interest Based Bargaining, as established by the FMCS, will be used to the extent possible by both parties:
 - a) Share relevant information which is critical for effective solutions
 - b) Focus on issues, not personalities
 - c) Focus on the present and future, not the past
 - d) Focus on the interests underlying the issues, not only on positions
 - e) Focus on mutual interests; helping to satisfy the other party's interests as well as your own
 - f) Brainstorm to generate options to satisfy mutual and separate interests
 - g) Evaluate options to satisfy those interests by objective criteria, rather than power of leverage
- 4. The negotiators for each party shall have the authority to make tentative agreements. However, final agreement shall be contingent upon favorable ratification by the Board and the Union.
- 5. Bargaining sessions will be conducted according to a set of ground rules established by the parties at their first meeting. The Employer will release up to five (5) negotiators on the Union team without loss of pay for negotiation sessions scheduled during the work day.
- 6. Upon request by the Union, the Employer shall furnish information including but not limited to, budget, monthly and annual financial report(s) and staff placement on the College salary schedules.
- 7. Any changes in these procedures shall be made through the process of bargaining as provided herein.

ARTICLE VII VACANCIES, EMPLOYMENT, SALARIES AND BENEFITS

7.1 Vacancies

- 1. All authorized full-time faculty position vacancies, new or replacement, will be posted on the Employer's official job website. The tenure status will be clearly identified on the job posting, as determined by the NOFPE workgroup. See Article IX.
- 2. When a faculty position, with tenure status, becomes vacant in a multi-faculty program, and if the position will be rehired as a tenure track, the administration will conduct an internal recruitment process when attempting to fill the position. The goal of the internal process is to provide full-time faculty in non-tenured positions an opportunity to apply prior to external recruitment.
- 3. Employees shall receive written notification of their terms of employment (regular contract, appointment letter, payroll authorization, or temporary contract) prior to beginning work or within twenty (20) work days after commencing work. Notification will include compensation and expected duration of employment and a copy will be provided to the Union and placed in the employee's personnel file.
- 4. Each new employee will be oriented to policies and rules governing the College.

7.2 Regular Contract

- 1. A full-time or annually contracted part-time employee shall be issued a regular contract effective July 1 through June 30 each year, entitled "Employee Employment Agreement" which shall be in conformity with Washington State law. This contract will be issued prior to July 1 each year. The following statements shall be a part of the personnel contract:
 - a. This contract shall be subject to the terms and conditions of any agreement between the College and the appropriate exclusive bargaining representative.

- b. Prior to development of any contract or agreement offered to members of this bargaining unit, the College will meet and confer with the Union.
- c. It is hereby agreed between the Employer and the Union that full annual benefits or pro-ration thereof in accordance with the Agreement, are earned by each employee by completion of the terms and conditions of the full-time employee agreement or part-time contracted employee agreement, and that all such benefits shall be provided without interruption throughout the fiscal year in accordance with applicable RCW's.

7.2.1 First Right of Refusal

All full-time teaching faculty will have the first right of refusal during course/schedule planning to teach classes for which they are qualified as determined by the VPI. Full-time teaching faculty will not be displaced by any adjunct or part-time faculty during course/schedule planning.

7.2.2 Request to Not Work Summer Quarter

Full-time employees may request to not work summer quarter of the following year. Employees must submit their request in writing to their supervisor no later than June 1 of the preceding year to request next year's summer off. Supervisors will inform employee of decision by June 15 and shall submit copies of approved request to Human Resources and Payroll as soon as possible, but no later than June 20 for processing annual contracts and payroll for the upcoming year.

7.2.3 Temporary Contract

- 1. A temporary contract may be issued to an employee hired for a temporary position or to replace an employee granted a leave of absence by the President or designee. Each temporary contract shall be subject to the provisions of this Agreement.
- 2. Temporary contract employees may be assigned to a position which will be most advantageous to the Employer and shall maintain no claims to a specific position or duties.
- 3. A person on temporary contract will be considered for employment as openings occur, in accordance with the Employer's hiring policy.
- 4. In the event an employee on temporary contract is replaced or transferred, a personal conference with the supervisor or the SA will be granted, upon request, to that employee. An employee may have a representative of the Union present.

7.3 Extra Pay for Extra Work

- 1. It is recognized that employees normally engage in certain job related activities not specifically delineated in this agreement. Examples of such activities include, but are not limited to, ongoing curriculum improvement, integration of new technologies, faculty professional development, program or curriculum assessment, College and program promotional activities, customer service tasks, program accreditation, etc. Accordingly, upon application, each contracted employee shall receive the equivalent of ten (10) extra days pay during each contractual year at the employee's per diem rate. In the event a contracted employee is hired after the start of the contract year, they will receive a prorated portion thereof.
- 2. EPEW cannot be earned in the month of June.
- 3. If requested by the appropriate SA, employees shall provide appropriate documentation regarding the utilization of EPEW time, including dates, times and the nature of activities accomplished.

4. Faculty members can submit for EPEW once each academic quarter, for hours earned in that academic quarter. The application and all documentation for EPEW must be submitted by the last day of the academic quarter in which the work was completed.

7.4 Special Assignments

Work beyond the regular contract load shall be negotiated between the SA and faculty member.

7.5 Program Accreditation Compensation

- 1. In programs that have been approved to seek accreditation, the VPI shall choose the lead faculty and support faculty responsible for completing the accreditation work in multiple instructor programs and assign compensation in accordance with the chart below. Faculty will be compensated upon submission of the accreditation document to the accrediting body.
- 2. Employees approved to work on program accreditation will use 4 days in accordance with Article 7.3 EPEW prior to receiving approval for additional compensation.

Compensation for new accreditation	Lead Faculty (single or multi-instructor programs)	Support Faculty (multi-instructor programs only)
Stipend	\$2000	\$300
Compensation for renewal	Lead Faculty (single or multi-instructor programs)	Support Faculty (multi-instructor programs only)
Stipend	\$700	\$200

7.6 Salary Guides

7.6.1 Salary Schedule

A. New hires will begin at \$44.05 per hour on the following table.

new hire	214-7	214-8	225-8
hrly rate	Annual	Annual	Annual
\$ 44.05	\$ 65,987.00	\$ 75,414.00	\$ 79,290.00

B. The maximum hourly rate that can be earned is \$60.85 per hour.

Ma	aximum	214-7	214-8	225-8
Ηοι	urly Rate	Annual	Annual	Annual
\$	60.85	\$ 91,153	\$ 104,175	\$ 109,530

7.6.2 Experience Increases

- A. Every two years faculty whose hourly rate is between the minimum and maximum as stated in Article 7.6 section 1 A. and 1 B., above, shall receive \$1.40 per hour increase in their individual employment agreement.
- B. Faculty who successfully obtain tenure status shall receive a single step increase of \$1.40 per

hour.

- C. Biennial experience steps will be earned by annually contracted employees who work more than one half of the contracted academic year
- D. For new faculty members hired with an initial annual contract length greater than 108 days of the academic year in which they are hired, the initial contract will count as a full year when calculating a faculty members eligibility for experience steps. If the initial contract is less than 108 days, the faculty member's first year will be the first full academic year they are employed.
- E. The effective date of experience steps shall be July 1

7.6.3 Current Employees

As of July 1, 2021, current employees will receive credit for all experience and training steps earned and applied for through June 30, 2021. This makes employees 'whole' compared to previously negotiated agreements concerning experience and training steps. This new annual rate, calculated into an hourly rate, becomes the starting point for purposes of applying future experience step increases, as referenced in Article 7.6, Section 2 A, above. This group of employees shall be eligible for experience step increases beginning in July 1, 2023.

7.6.4 Salary and Compensation Adjustments

- A. Legislatively authorized cost of living increases for faculty shall be applied to the minimum and maximum hourly rates stated in Article 7.6. section 1 A. and 1 B., above.
- B. Implementation of any salary increases, other than biennial experience increases (as provided in Article 7.6. section 2 A. above), or any other benefit provided for in this Agreement which is to be funded by general funds of the State of Washington shall be provided so long as it is consistent with the legislative appropriation and/or authorization or with any subsequent modification thereto by the legislature.
- C. Afternoon and alternative/late evening Career Training faculty will be paid on the negotiated salary schedule with a shift differential of five percent (5%). After the probationers first sixty (60) work days, the shift differential pay reflects the expectation that afternoon and evening Career Training faculty may be assigned College duties during daytime hours outside of scheduled working hours. The shift differential does not preclude the faculty from using available EPEW hours as compensation for assigned daytime duties.

7.6.5 New Offers of Employment

- A. The College will consistently consider various criteria when initially placing new contracted faculty members on the Salary Schedule (Article 7.6. section 1 A.). The criteria considered will include, but will not be limited to:
 - i. Longevity and relevant experience in higher education and/or industry as appropriate
 - ii. Level of credentials above the position's minimum qualifications
 - iii. Preferred qualifications met
 - iv. Recruitment and retention issues
 - v. Other significant achievements relevant to the position or in alignment with the College's strategic and succession planning
- B. The Human Resources office may make offers above the minimum salary as stated in Article 7.6. section 1 A. with the consent of the President and will promptly notify the Union.

7.6.6 Part-time Compensation for Continuing Education, Apprenticeship and Adjunct General Education (GenEd) Instructors

- A. Employees teaching continuing education, apprenticeship and GenEd classes shall be paid as follows:
 - a) Full-time employees shall be paid at their regular hourly rate of pay for teaching continuing education and apprenticeship classes beyond their regular work assignment.
 - b) Other employees teaching continuing education, apprenticeship and GenEd classes shall be paid no less than the minimum hourly rate on the salary schedule.
 - c) Part-time GenEd faculty will be paid for one additional hour of work for every four (4) hours of instruction to compensate time spent grading and assessing student work assignments.
 - d) Employees teaching non-state supported FTE continuing education and apprenticeship classes funded through contract training or student funding, shall be paid at the rates established above unless a higher rate is negotiated, based upon established written criteria, with the immediate supervisor and approved by the SA.
 - e) Substitute employees will be paid substitute rate in accordance with salary schedules. Employees who substitute will receive their regular rate of pay, or proration thereof for the hours worked as a substitute.

7.7 Payroll Deductions

- The College shall provide for deductions from employees' salaries and wages in accordance with <u>Title 41 RCW</u>: Public Employment, Civil Service and Pension. The College benefits coordinator will notify employees of the payroll deductions available to them and of any additions, deletions or changes.
- 2. Special deductions over \$100 due to overpayment by the College will be deducted in small equal payments not to exceed \$100 over several pay periods, except in case of termination of employment for any reason. Explanation of these deductions will be supplied to the employee by the College.

7.8 Payment and Deductions of Salaries

7.8.1 Method of Payment of Salaries

- 1. In general all full-time contracted employees shall be paid in twenty-four (24) installments consistent with the negotiated salary schedule(s) on the tenth (10th) and twenty-fifth (25th) day of each calendar month as specified in RCW 42.16.010. When the designated payday falls on Saturday, the pay date shall be the Friday preceding; when the designated pay date falls on Sunday, the pay date shall be the following Monday.
- 2. An employee separating from the College prior to completing his/her contract is obligated to pay the College back for any amount overpaid for salary and benefits, which can occur due to the prepayment of salary and benefits for the month of August, early each fiscal year. The amount due shall be computed by crediting the employee with a pro-rata of the annual salary for each day contracted (including days absent on authorized leave with pay) and by subtracting this from any amounts previously paid. In the event that an employee fails to reimburse the College for any salary and benefit overpayment due, the debt may be referred to collections.

7.8.2 <u>Deduction of Salary for Absences</u>

1. Deduction of salary for absences not covered by leave with pay is computed at per diem based on the annual salary for each day's absence. This is determined by dividing the contracted salary by

- the number of days agreed to in the employee's personnel contract.
- 2. Contracted employees who are unable to report for duty during the first pay period in September because of personal illness shall be placed on payroll and be paid 1/24 of their annual salary each pay period, as provided above, until all sick leave is exhausted. If an employee is unable to report for duty after all sick leave has been exhausted, said employee must request a leave of absence.

7.9 Insurance Benefits

- 1. Health insurance benefits shall be offered to qualified employees through the <u>Public Employee</u> Benefit Board (PEBB).
- 2. An employee is eligible for health and retirement benefits if they meet the qualifications for eligibility as outlined by the <u>Health Care Authority</u> (HCA), <u>Washington State Department of Retirement Systems</u> (DRS) or TIAA guidelines.
- 3. Procedures and guidelines for insurance benefits are available through the Human Resources office.

7.10 Staff Protection

- 1. The College will take prudent and reasonable measures in an effort to provide a safe and healthy environment for employees, students and visitors.
- 2. The College shall protect employees by indemnification through the State of Washington Tort Liability Fund established by RCW 4.92.

7.11 Private Vehicle for College Purposes

- 1. The Employer will not require an employee to use his or her personal vehicle for College purposes, unless required as an essential function identified in the employee's job description.
- 2. It is the personal responsibility of an employee who uses his/her personal vehicle in the performance of duties to carry public liability insurance for bodily injury and property damage. This will be utilized prior to the State's possible provision of any excess liability protection.
- 3. Claim for reimbursement under <u>RCW 4.92.130</u> must be made to the Washington State Torts Division.

7.12 Travel Allowances

Employees required to use their private automobile to travel on Employer business or required to attend meetings at a building other than one to which they are regularly assigned shall be compensated at the Office of Financial Management (OFM) approved rate.

7.13 Tax Sheltered Annuity

The College shall furnish a list of insurance companies for which tax-sheltered annuity payroll deductions are authorized.

7.14 Leave With Pay

7.14.1 Absence Notification

1. An employee who will be absent must notify their appropriate supervisor/designee as soon as

- possible, any time day or night, prior to the start of their shift.
- 2. The employee will call or email the designated contact person, and this shall be considered notification.
- 3. The employee shall give the following information:
 - a. Name
 - b. Program
 - c. Any special instruction for the class

7.14.2 Sick Leave

- 1. An employee shall be credited at the rate of one (1) day of illness, injury and emergency leave per calendar month to a maximum of twelve (12) days per year. Unused sick leave will accumulate from year to year in accordance with current State law.
- 2. Sick leave shall apply to personal or family illness (including, but not limited to, disabilities caused or contributed to by pregnancy, miscarriage, abortion, childbirth and recovery thereof), injury and emergencies. Sick leave may also be used to care for 1) a child with a health condition that requires treatment or supervision or 2) a spouse, parent, parent-in- law or grandparent who has a serious health or emergency condition.
 - a. Weather conditions shall not be considered an emergency
 - b. Auto trouble shall not be considered an emergency except in case of an accident
 - c. Incarceration shall not be considered an emergency; however, if an employee is later acquitted, personal leave may be applied and paid retroactively
 - d. Sick leave for emergencies shall not be used when other leaves cover the situation
- 3. Employees who resign from the College and are re-employed within five (5) years shall retain the number of days of accumulated sick leave held at the time of resignation from the College provided that the sick days have not been used in another WA State agency.
- 4. Employees claiming sick leave benefits shall certify to the cause of the absence upon return to service. Forms shall be provided by the Employer for this purpose.
- 5. If the Employer suspects abuse, the Employer may require written medical documentation for any sick leave absence. An employee returning to work after any sick leave absence may be required to provide written certification from his or her health care provider that the employee is able to return to work and perform the essential functions of the job with or without reasonable accommodation.
- 6. In January of the year following any year in which a minimum of sixty (60) days of leave for illness or injury is accrued, any eligible employee may exercise and option to receive remuneration for unused leave for illness or injury accumulated in the previous year at a rate equal to one (1) day's monetary compensation of the employee for each four (4) full days of accrued leave for illness or injury in excess of sixty (60) days. Leave for illness or injury for which compensation has been received shall be deducted from accrued leave for illness or injury at the rate of four (4) days for every one (1) day's monetary compensation; provided, that no employee may receive compensation under this section for any portion of leave for illness or injury accumulated at a rate in excess of one (1) day per month.
- 7. At the time of separation from College employment due to retirement or death, an eligible employee or the employee's estate shall receive remuneration at a rate equal to one (1) day's current monetary compensation of the employee for each four (4) full days accrued leave for illness or injury.
- 8. Hourly employees will earn the prorated portion of eight (8) hours of sick leave per month in each month in which compensation was received. Sick leave earned will not accumulate year to year.

7.14.3 Bereavement Leave

- 1. The Employer will allow up to five (5) days of paid bereavement leave, per occurrence, in the event of a death in the family.
- 2. The Employer will allow up to one (1) day to pay last respects to a deceased friend, per occurrence.
- 3. Requests for extensions or exceptions to be reavement leave provisions may be granted in extraordinary circumstances by the SA and will be charged to Article 7.14.2.

7.14.4 Family Illness Leave

Employees shall be granted a leave of absence with pay of not more than three (3) days during a contract year, when such absence is occasioned by the illness of any relative residing in the household of the employee or the following family members which necessitates the presence of the employee: spouse, mother, father, daughter, son or siblings. The employee will certify to the circumstances of the illness upon return to work.

7.14.5 Personal Leave

- 1. Personal leave will be credited at a rate of five (5) days per year and is cumulative to a total of ten (10) days.
- 2. Leave may not be used during the first or last five (5) days of the academic year. Leave shall not be used for more than three (3) consecutive work days at a time. Exceptions may be approved by the appropriate SA.
- 3. Leave may not be used for political purposes or en masse meetings/activities.

7.14.6 <u>Military Service Leave (National Guard/Reserve Duty)</u>

- 1. Employees are entitled to Twenty-one (21) work days of paid military leave when called to active duty, or active duty training in the National Guard, the US Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine or Navy Reserves, or uniformed positions in the United States Public Health Service. Any additional time on active duty military leave is leave without pay.
- 2. Such leave shall be granted in order that the employee may report for active duty, when called, or report for active training duty in such manner and at such time as he/she may be ordered to active duty or active training duty. Such military leave of absence shall be in addition to any vacation or sick leave to which the employee might otherwise be entitled and shall not involve any loss of privileges or pay as outlined in RCW 38.40.060 and/or the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Procedures and guidelines for military leave are available through the Human Resources office.

7.14.7 Jury Duty, Subpoena Leave

- 1. Leaves of absence with pay are allowed for jury duty.
- 2. Leaves of absence with pay shall be granted for an employee who is subpoenaed to testify in an official proceeding except as provided below:
 - a. If the proceeding involves the College and the employee has a direct interest in the outcome, leave shall be without pay
 - b. If the proceeding involves self-employment or other employment, leave shall be without pay
- 3. Leaves under this section are only for the portion of the day when attendance is required.

7.14.8 Professional Leave

1. Leaves of absence with pay and with/without reimbursement of certain expenses may be granted to employees for the purpose of attending professional meetings. Requests for such leave shall be through the appropriate administrative procedure beginning with the Dean on the appropriate

form required by the Employer. Final approval for professional leave is delegated to the President or designee.

- 2. Categories of professional leave which are permitted without salary deductions are as follows:
 - a. Employees authorized by the President to represent the College or to attend educational conferences
 - b. This category applies to employees authorized by the College to attend educational conferences in cooperation with outside agencies
 - c. Employees authorized by the President to represent the College, to participate in conferences or meetings to represent their local organization

7.14.9 Sabbatical Leave

The purpose of sabbatical leave is to encourage educators to engage in programs of professional improvement. Sabbatical leave may also be granted for the purpose of recuperation to employees who have served in the College twenty (20) or more years. Applications for sabbatical leave, including reasons for requesting the leave and a detailed sabbatical plan, must be submitted by February 1 to the Human Resources office.

A. Sabbatical Committee

- The College will have a Sabbatical Committee, the purpose of which is to make recommendations to the President regarding the granting of sabbatical. The committee will be comprised of an equal number of faculty and College.
- 2. The committee will be convened to consider sabbatical applications and will forward a final recommendation, with supporting documentation, to the President no later than March 15. After giving reasonable consideration to the recommendations of the committee, the President or designee will determine the recipient(s) for the next year's sabbatical by April 30.

B. Criteria for Selection

- 1. Sabbatical or professional leave shall be awarded according to the following criteria:
 - a. The past contributions of the applicant (years of service, involvement with committees, etc.) to the College
 - b. The value of the proposed activity to the enhancement of the College
 - c. The value of the proposed activity to the professional growth and development of the applicant
 - d. The value of the proposed activity to the enhancement of program curriculum
- 2. Sabbatical leaves will be granted only to those employees who have served a minimum of seven (7) years of service and whose work is satisfactory. An employee who has had a sabbatical leave can become eligible for another sabbatical leave after serving an additional seven (7) years in the College. A sabbatical leave of one (1) quarter or up to one (1) year constitutes a sabbatical leave when considering individual eligibility.
- 3. While on sabbatical leave an employee will receive benefits and full pay for sabbatical leaves of one (1) academic quarter or less three-quarters pay for sabbatical leaves for two (2) academic quarters one-half of the contract salary for three (3) or four (4) academic quarters.
- 4. Sabbatical leaves shall not be granted for more than four (4) quarters.
- 5. The employee agrees that the plan as approved shall be followed unless changes are approved in advance by the appropriate SA.
- 6. Employees on sabbatical will continue to earn seniority service credit, clock-hours and credit towards experience steps on the appropriate salary schedule.
- 7. The salary of an employee during the period of sabbatical leave will be paid in bi-monthly

- installments just as though the employee were on duty in the College.
- 8. Employees who have been granted sabbatical leaves shall return to regular service in the College upon the expiration of their leaves for a period of at least one (1) year. If an employee does not return to regular service with the College at the expiration of the leave, all salary paid during the leave shall be repaid to the College. (Note exception below in # 9)
- 9. If an employee should die while on sabbatical leave, the estate of that person will not be held liable for any salary paid while on leave. If a staff member should become permanently disabled while on leave, no repayment of salary paid while on leave will be required.
- 10. Not more than eight (8) quarters of sabbatical leave overall shall be granted to members covered by this Agreement during any academic year.
- 11. A year of service for sabbatical purpose means a year of service as a full-time faculty member of the College. A year of service will be counted even though the employee may be absent due to illness or for some other reason of equal merit for an interval not exceeding two (2) quarters in any academic year; provided that all other absences during the remaining years of the tenure period are specified and are occasional absences not exceeding a few days.
- 12. An employee returning from sabbatical leave will be given the same consideration for returning to the position of last assignment as if he/she had been on active duty. It will be assumed that the employee wishes to return to the position of last assignment unless he/she notifies the President by April 30 of the sabbatical year, prior to the expiration of his/her leave. If the position of last assignment no longer exists, the employee will be assigned in accordance with Article 8.14, Assignment and Transfer.
- 13. In the event an employee did not fulfill the sabbatical leave requirements, said employee shall reimburse the College any monies received. In addition, a service increment and seniority credit will not be granted.

7.14.10 Shared Leave

- 1. The Washington State Shared Leave Program permits state employees to donate a portion of their accumulated sick leave to co-workers whose regular paid leave has been or will be depleted because of extraordinary or severe illness, or because a co-worker has been called to service in the uniformed services, or if a co-worker is a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, or if a co-worker has been called to serve as an emergency volunteer during a declared state of emergency. Shared leave is available upon request and determination of eligibility. It is the employee's responsibility to request shared leave through the established procedures, available in the Human Resources office.
- 2. The Shared Leave program is governed by <u>RCW 41.04.665</u> and administered according to <u>WAC 357.31.380</u>.

7.15 Leave Without Pay

7.15.1 Family and Medical Leave Act

Family and Medical Leave is governed by the Family and Medical Leave Act and RCW 50.A.

- 1. Family and Medical Leave will be granted for up to twelve (12) work weeks during a rolling twelve (12) month period to eligible employees for one or more of the following reasons:
 - a. The birth or care of a newborn child
 - b. The placement and care of an adopted child or foster child with the eligible employee
 - c. The employee's own serious health condition
 - d. To care for an employee's family member with a serious health condition

- 2. Military Leave Entitlement will be allowed for eligible specified family members (National Guard and Reserves)
 - a. Up to twelve (12) weeks of leave for certain qualifying exigencies arising out of a covered military member's active duty status, in support of a contingency operation.
 - b. Up to twenty-six (26) weeks of leave in a twelve (12) month period to care for a covered service member recovering from a serious injury or illness incurred in the line of duty while on active duty. Eligible employees are entitled to a combined total of up to twenty-six (26) weeks of all types of FMLA leave during a rolling twelve (12) month period.
- 3. An eligible employee is one who has worked at the College as a full-time contracted employee for at least one-thousand two-hundred and fifty (1,250) hours during the previous twelve (12) month period.
- 4. Serious health condition is defined as an illness, injury, impairment, or physical or mental condition that involves inpatient care in a hospital, hospice or residential medical care facility, or continuing treatment by a health care provider.

7.15.2 Parental and Adoption Leave

- 1. In order to facilitate planning for a replacement and provide ongoing service for students, an employee should notify the appropriate supervisor as soon as possible in advance of the birth and/or adoption of a child. Reasonable documentation may be required.
- 2. The employee will indicate to the appropriate supervisor when the leave will begin and the anticipated length of time the employee will anticipate being on leave.
- 3. Parental and adoption leave shall not extend beyond eighteen (18) months of the date on which the leave commences on which the child was born or adopted or the beginning of the next quarter after the eighteen (18) months of leave.
- 4. The employee may return to his or her previous or similar assignment as determined by the SA.

7.15.3 Political Leave

Upon written request to the SA, employees may be granted political leave in accordance with the Political Leave procedures available. Leave may be used for, but is not limited to, campaigning, running for office and lobbying.

7.15.4 Military Service Leave (Active Duty)

- 1. Refer to Article 7.14.6.
- 2. If a person is not qualified for his/her old position as a result of disability sustained during his/her service, but is nevertheless qualified to perform the duties of another vacant position, under the control of the employer, he/she shall be re-employed in such other position; provided, that such position shall provide like seniority, status and pay, or the nearest approximation thereto consistent with the circumstances of the case.

7.15.5 Other Leaves

- 1. Other leaves without pay not to exceed one (1) year may be granted:
 - a. To employees for the purpose of recuperation (recommended by a licensed medical professional and approved by the President) or study.
 - b. To employees upon completion of three (3) years of consecutive service or any time thereafter, for educational travel approved by the President or to teach in an exchange program or overseas.
- 2. Other leaves without pay may be requested for a second year.
 - a. Other leaves without pay for one (1) year of study entitles an employee to an experience

- increment on the salary schedule; provided, that the employee satisfactorily completes the terms and conditions of his or her leave request.
- b. An employee must notify the SA in writing by May 1 whether he/she will return to the College for the next academic year, resign from the College, or request another leave of absence.
- c. The College will provide reasonable accommodation for religious obligations required by the employee's faith.

7.16 Retirement/Resignation Early Notification Incentive

- 1. To assure sufficient time for an effective search for a replacement, the College will provide a one-time incentive to faculty in full-time or tenured positions who provide notification to the College between June 1 and November 1 of each year, giving at least six (6) months prior notice of their expected retirement or resignation date. Full-time or tenured faculty who have at least ten (10) years of service as of their last date of employment, will receive a \$2,000 incentive; faculty with less than ten (10) years of service as of their last date of employment will receive a \$1,000 incentive.
- 2. To qualify for this payment, Human Resources must receive signed, written notification from the faculty member, including the last date of employment. Payment of the incentive will be made to the employee in a lump sum in the final paycheck.
- 3. The incentive will not count for contributions to or in calculating benefits in a retirement system.

7.17 Buy-out Incentive

An employee may request or the College may offer an employee a one-time payment as a retirement incentive or for the early release from the employee's contract as mutually agreed between the employee and the College. Any such buy-out shall be based on available College resources. Terms of the individual buy-out agreements shall be determined by the employee and the College, based upon individual circumstances. Prior to finalization of any contract or agreement offered to members of the bargaining unit, the College will meet and confer with the Union.

7.18 Turnover Savings and Buy-out Costs

By July 31st the administration will provide an accounting for turnover savings and buy-out costs from the preceding fiscal year. The Union agrees that this information does not constitute an entitlement to receive any turnover savings or buy-out costs, nor preclude the Union's right to request to bargain the use of said savings.

7.19 Rights of Regular Substitutes and Adjunct Employees

1. Substitutes and adjunct employees shall only have the rights of the following sections of this Agreement:

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1.1	Definitions
1.2	Recognition and Unit Designation
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3.1	Rights of the Employer
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Unit Representation Fee
Grievance procedure
Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
Equitable Treatment/Nondiscrimination
Bargaining a New Contract
Salary Guides (item only for substitutes and items, Salary Schedules A for adjunct employees
Staff Protection
Travel Allowance
Academic Freedom
Job Description
Employee Files
Dissemination of Professional Information
Ownership of Materials
Covering Classes and Substituting
Itinerant Employees
Physical Facilities
Grading Practices
Documentation of Incidents Involving Students
Professional Qualifications and Certification

- 2. The appropriate supervisor shall brief the substitute and/or adjunct instructor as to policies and rules governing the College which shall include:
 - a. Attendance and forms related thereto
 - b. Shop job procedures and charges incurred
 - c. Solicitation and acceptance of job projects both on and off school property
 - d. Guidelines recommended by the appropriate advisory committee

ARTICLE VIII WORKLOAD AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

8.1 Workload

8.1.1 College Support Functions

Faculty are expected to engage in at least 5 hours weekly of college support duties, outside of Primary and Professional Responsibilities (see Section 8.1.2 below) which include, but are not limited to: program promotion, serving on committees, college governance and graduation ceremonies.

8.1.2 Primary Duties and Workload

Due to the variety of teaching modalities used at Bates Technical College, a full-time teaching/student contact load can be defined by either clock hours or credits. An employee will not be required to work a split shift. The weekly time required for engagement in primary duties as referenced in Section 8.1.3 below, for the respective faculty is listed in the following table:

Table A Weekly Workload

Categories	Primary and Professional Responsibilities Additional primary and professional responsibilities as listed in the contract and individual job descriptions.	Total Weekly Hours
Instructional - General Education, Adult Basic Education, English Language Learners, High School Equivalency	20 credits quarterly, may include stacked courses Faculty whose daily schedule in a quarter, includes teaching on multiple campuses, will teach 15 credits in that quarter. The supervisor and the faculty member(s) will collaborate to develop	35 Hours
Instructional – Career Technical Education	an annual schedule of course offerings and rotation of assignments. 20 credits quarterly Or	35 Hours or
	20 to 30 Student Contact hours weekly (Subject to program requirements.) The supervisor and the faculty member(s) will collaborate to develop an annual schedule of course offerings/class capacities which, when combined with the program's projected enrollment levels, yields an outcome of twenty-five (25) to twenty-nine (29) full-time equivalent (FTE) students.	40 hours
Child Studies	30 hours includes instruction, travel and office hours.	35 Hours
IBEST	Up to 50 IBEST students in the assigned program and 5 to 10 credits quarterly, may include stacked courses or any combination thereof, depending on IBEST student load. The supervisor and the faculty will collaborate to develop a quarterly schedule.	35 Hours
Career Advisors	35 hours Career Advisors will have primary responsibilities for assigned programs approximating a caseload of 300-400 enrolled and potential students per advisor.	40 Hours
Other Faculty Non-specified	30 to 35 hours	35 to 40 hours

Table B Primary and Professional Responsibilities

Instructional Faculty	Non-Instructional Faculty
Instruction	Advise / counsel prospective, new, and
Classroom / Laboratory setup and maintenance	enrolled students
Grading	Maintain current knowledge of instructional
Lesson planning and preparation	environment and requirements for programs
Office hours	and courses
Create, maintain and update courses and	Office hours
program curriculum	Participate in outcomes assessment
Participate in outcomes assessment	Participate in program effectiveness review
Participate in program effectiveness reviews.	Participate in retention and
Oversight and support of a realistic training	recruitment activities
enterprise as applicable	Support instructional efforts and student
Special projects in support of instruction	learning outcomes.
Participate in retention and recruitment	Conduct information sessions and participate in
Provide students program completion and career	student orientation
guidance.	Support and direct students in crisis toward
	appropriate community resources

8.2 Academic Freedom

- As professionals, employees are free to select the content and methodologies for their courses within
 the constraints established by their College approved curriculum, discipline, peers, specialized
 accrediting agencies and State or Federal licensing departments. Employees shall be free to select
 textbooks, equipment, resource persons and other educational materials which do not place an
 unreasonable financial burden on either the student or College.
- 2. Academic freedom implies not only freedom of discussion in the classroom, but also the absence of unusual restriction upon the employee's method of instruction and assessment/evaluation of student performance, provided that they are consistent with the employee's work assignment. Employees are presumed competent and responsible unless specific evidence is brought forward to the contrary.
- 3. Employees shall be free to express their personal opinions on all matters relevant to the course content and appropriate to the subject and levels taught provided that when this personal opinion is stated in the class, the class is informed that the opinion is a personal one. All facts of controversial issues shall be presented in a scholarly and objective manner within the limits of appropriate discretion and propriety.
- 4. In programs where part-time employees, professional technical or instructional aids of any kind are employed to assist the full-time instructor, they will do so under the direction of the full-time employees. The full-time employees shall be responsible for how instructional materials will be presented, scheduling and day-to-day operation of the program.

8.3 Faculty Resource Handbook (FRH)

- 1. A document jointly created by labor and management consisting of resources such as, but not limited to: policies and procedures, contact information, templates and forms.
- 2. All new faculty will be introduced to the Faculty Resource Handbook (FRH) during the onboarding

- process prior to the first day of work. The FRH is available electronically on the Bates website.
- 3. The FRH will be reviewed annually by the Human Resources department in the Spring quarter to ensure functionality of the digital document and to include statutory changes impacting employee employment.
- 4. The union will have an opportunity to review annual updates prior to final posting on the college website.

8.4 Job Description

- Job descriptions shall contain employees' duties and responsibilities. A copy of job descriptions for
 employees and a copy of the charts indicating the line and staff relationships in the administrative
 structure of the College will be provided and shall be available to all employees. Before changes that
 affect employees' working conditions are made to existing job descriptions, the recommendations of
 the Union will be considered.
- 2. The generic job descriptions shall be reviewed by the College and the Union before implementation. Qualifications specific to each program area shall be determined by the College.

8.5 Employee Files

- 1. The only official personnel file is kept by the Human Resources office and shall contain all state and federally required documents. The personnel files shall be subject to review at reasonable times by the employee.
- An employee will sign or initial any document which could adversely affect his/her employment prior
 to its inclusion in the official personnel file. The College will provide a copy of said document at the
 time the employee signs or initials the document. The employee's signature or initial represents
 acknowledgment of its entry into the official personnel file but not necessarily agreement with its
 content.
- 3. Copies of records of grievances filed by an employee shall not be entered into the personnel file.
- 4. An employee may include a written response to any document in the personnel file; such response will be attached to the original document in the file.
- 5. Supervisors may keep a working file on employees. The contents of the working file for full-time employees shall be removed at the end of the evaluation period. Employees may have access to the working file upon request.

8.6 Staff Development

- 1. Information concerning staff development opportunities offered by the College shall be provided to all employees.
- 2. Employees should advise their appropriate supervisor of any training needs. The supervisor will work with the employees to review the needed training.

8.6.1 Afternoon and Alternative/Late Evening Career Development

To foster afternoon and evening career training probationary faculty success, the College will select from the following possible overlapping options:

1. Overlapping is defined as: a) bringing probationers in prior to their first date of instruction, or b) bringing probationers in two (2) hours early prior to start of shift. Overlapping activities could include, but are not limited to; one-on-one dean's meetings, meetings with tenured faculty, Human Resources, and/or peers for sharing information.

- 2. Overlapping activities occurring within the first sixty (60) work days, as outlined in this subsection, which are outside the probationer's shift, will be compensated at their hourly rate of pay.
- 3. After the first sixty (60) work days, the shift differential pay (Article 7.6.4 C) applies to these activities and is no longer considered for overlapping compensation.

8.6.2 Professional Development

Completion of professional development courses and activities is considered an essential part of an employee's responsibilities. With supervisory approval, employees will be allowed release time to complete such courses and/or activities.

8.6.3 Employee Professional Development Days

The College will set aside three (3) days per academic year for employee professional development and dissemination of College information. Those days will be identified as Opening and Professional Development days on the calendar. Professional Development offered by the College on those days shall be approved for training increments on the salary schedule. These days will not be scheduled on faculty planning days.

8.6.4 Mandatory Training

The College may require all employees to attend mandatory training/meetings. The College will make reasonable provisions to allow employees to attend such required training, including timely notice and release time for afternoon and late evening employees if needed. These days will not be scheduled on faculty planning days.

8.6.5 Dissemination of Professional Information

The College will retain information relating to professional development in the Human Resources office. The material will be readily available and accessible to employees.

8.7 Ownership of Materials

- 1. The ownership of any materials, processes or inventions developed by an employee's individual efforts and expense shall vest in the employee and be copyrighted or patented, if at all, in his/her name.
- 2. The ownership of materials, processes or inventions produced for the College and at College expense shall vest in the College and be copyrighted or patented, if at all, in its name in accordance with <u>WAC 292-110-010</u>.
- 3. In those instances where materials, processes or inventions are produced by an employee with College support, by way of use of significant personnel, time, facilities or other College resources, the use of the materials, processes or inventions shall be designated by written agreement between the parties entered into prior to the production in the event there is no such written agreement entered into, the use shall be designated by the College.
- 4. When negotiating an agreement concerning right-to-use, the Union will be notified and the employee has the right to Union representation.

8.7.1 Course Development Compensation

When the College approves the development of a new course or conversion of an existing course, it will support this development through stipends or release time. New course suggestions may be submitted by employees to their appropriate supervisor.

The faculty member will apply through their direct supervisor to create a new or convert an existing

course to online-only or hybrid instructional modality. Course conversion to online or hybrid must be approved through the eLearning process. Faculty understand that it may be necessary for the Vice President of Instruction to review courses for accreditation purposes.

Employees who develop new courses or convert existing courses shall be compensated by stipend and/or release time. Such compensation or release time will be specifically addressed in the written assignment and agreed upon by the employee and the appropriate supervisor. If release time is determined, the amount of time shall be five (5) hours per credit

<u>New Course</u> – In-Person, Hybrid, or on-line – \$300 per credit hour for courses not currently offered in the college catalog.

<u>Existing Courses</u> – converting to Hybrid or on-line – \$200 per credit hour for courses currently offered in the college catalog.

8.8 Covering Classes and Substituting

- The decision to utilize substitutes and/or to arrange for class coverage is vested in the Employer.
 When practicable, each employee or program shall be expected to provide to the SA the names and contact information for qualified individuals who could substitute in the class at the beginning of each academic year.
- 2. An instructor who will be absent must notify their supervisor pursuant to College procedures.
- 3. If a substitute Instructional employee is authorized by the SA, the appropriate supervisor will be responsible for making final arrangements for the substitute Instructor.
- 4. The SA may request employees holding valid vocational certificates to cover classes when arrangements for a regular substitute cannot be made because of a time factor, the unavailability of a qualified substitute, or if the student load in multi-instructor program does not warrant using a substitute. Such covering of classes is voluntary. Declining to cover a second class will have no adverse impact on an employee's evaluation or employment.
- 5. Arrangements for temporary class coverage may be made between Instructors with the approval of the appropriate supervisor.

Class Coverage Stipend Pay		
Less than one hour	\$33.00	
1-3 hours	\$66.00	
3 hours or more	\$99.00	
Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) do not automatically apply to class coverage stipend pay		

8.9 Itinerant Employees

In order for itinerant employees to be most effective in their duties, it is agreed that their schedules shall include time for lunch, and sufficient time to include walking between their modes of travel and their assigned places of duty when traveling from one assignment location to another.

8.10 Physical Facilities

The College will provide a break area at each College campus.

8.11 School Construction

When any proposed construction, remodel, or move pertaining to a particular instructional area is under consideration, the College shall involve employees who are affected prior to implementation.

8.12 Grading Practices

- 1. The instructor shall have the authority and responsibility to determine grades and other evaluations of students. Grading practices should adhere to the following:
 - a. Standards for performance are provided to the students in advance of assessment/evaluation
 - b. Adequately documented
 - c. Based on achievement, in relationship to established standards for performance
 - d. Consistent with the College rules
- 2. Grades may only be changed by following Bates policy and procedure.

8.13 Documentation of Incidents Involving Students

Any incident which could potentially affect the status of a student shall be documented using the college provided incident form. This should include date, time, place, witnesses and any pertinent facts that clarify the incident.

8.14 Assignment and Transfer

8.14.1 Procedures

- 1. Transfers and assignments shall be made based on program needs of the College, and continuity of the program. Non-certificated personnel will not be used to replace certificated instructors.
- 2. Any employee who is appointed to an exempt position and later returns to faculty status shall be entitled to retain such rights as the employee may have had under this Agreement prior to such appointment, per RCW 28B.50.860.
- 3. Any employee who has a reason to believe he or she was not given consideration for a transfer will be granted a personal conference with the President or designee upon request.
- 4. Each assignment or transfer will be considered on its own merits and will be made in keeping with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Assignments within the College are at the direction of the SA subject to the review and approval of the President or designee.
- 5. When an employee's occupational title is administratively changed without major change in duties, that employee's seniority shall remain the same as it was before the change in title.

8.15 Attendance at Educational Conference

8.15.1 General Regulations

Evaluation of applications for travel funds will be guided by the following criteria:

- a. The appropriateness of the meeting for the duties and professional growth of the staff member making application.
- b. Location of meeting and the resultant costs.

8.15.2 Application Procedures

Employees desiring travel authorizations should make applications to the SA. A copy of the required forms for this purpose shall be available upon request to the Instruction office.

8.15.3 Reimbursement

All persons attending educational meetings at the expense of the College shall submit a request for reimbursement to the Finance office on the appropriate forms provided by that office.

8.16 Professional Qualifications and Certification

8.16.1 Professional-Technical Education Certificate

- 1. A contract made by the College with an employee is not binding if the employee cannot qualify for and/or maintain a current professional-technical education certificate or demonstrate applicable academic credentials. Salary warrants cannot be released to an employee until a valid certificate has been issued. All state requirements must be fulfilled for certification. The College shall issue a certificate to qualified applicants within thirty (30) working days after receiving documentation of completion of required professional development plan activities.
- 2. Certificates are returned to the employee when completed.
- 3. Detailed information on certification and assistance in certification problems are available in the Human Resources office.
- 4. To qualify for initial and to maintain standard certification, all employees teaching two-thirds or more of a full-time load for the equivalent of three (3) quarters or more per year, must meet the requirements articulated in <u>WAC 131.16.092</u> to include documenting and completing Professional Development Plans (PDPs).
- 5. Courses required to qualify for the standard professional-technical education certificate shall be offered at no cost to the employee by the College during the year. Employees shall be offered release time, if needed, to attend such classes or professional development activities.
- 6. The Human Resources office will make a copy of the current certification standards for the professional-technical education certificate available to employees upon request. The immediate supervisor will assist the employee in understanding the requirements for certification, renewal of professional-technical certificates and will collaborate with the employee to create the required PDP. In the event that the employee and the supervisor are unable to reach consensus on the elements of the PDP, then the employee or supervisor may present the plan to the appropriate SA for resolution.

8.16.2 Academic Qualifications

- 1. Other employees teaching more than two-thirds of a full-time for more than the equivalent of three quarters per year not covered by Article 8.16.1 (4) shall maintain applicable academic credentials and/or qualifications by documenting and completing a PDP.
- 2. The immediate supervisor will assist the employee in understanding the requirements for maintaining professional qualifications and will collaborate with the employee to create the required PDP. In the event that the employee and the supervisor are unable to reach consensus on the elements of the PDP, then the employee or supervisor may present the plan to the appropriate SA for resolution.

8.17 Employee Calendar

1. A two-hundred fourteen (214) day academic calendar will be developed by the parties. Those employees contracted for two-hundred twenty-five (225) days will arrange their schedule with their SA to include their non-contract days and based on departmental needs. The parties will develop calendars for the next two (2) regular academic years no later than November 1 of the current academic year. Calendars will be posted on the College's website.

2. Work days or non-work days may vary from the negotiated calendar, as determined by program needs and by mutual agreement between the College and employees of the department.

8.18 Evaluation of Supervisor

Employees are encouraged to provide feedback and information to supervisors that may be helpful in building more effective and positive work relationships. The most desirable feedback occurs when employees feel free to offer constructive feedback about the supervisory relationship. Therefore, employees shall have the opportunity to provide written input to the annual assessment of their supervisor's performance.

8.19 Privacy and Off-Duty Conduct

- 1. Employees have the right to confidentiality related to individual performance, personal information and personnel issues to the extent provided/allowed by law. The Employer and the Union will take appropriate steps to maintain such confidentiality.
- 2. When documents or information in an employee's personnel, payroll, supervisor or training file are the subject of a public disclosure request, the Employer will provide the employee with a copy of the request at least seven (7) working days in advance of the intended release date. The Employer will redact the employee's social security number on any document subject to a public disclosure request prior to its release.
- 3. The off-duty activities of an employee will not be grounds for disciplinary action unless said activities are a conflict of interest or violations as set forth in College policies or are detrimental to the employee's work performance. Employees will notify the Employer prior to engaging in any off-duty employment. Employees may engage in off-duty employment that will not interfere with the performance of their duties or result in a conflict of interest.

8.20 Commencement

- 1. The parties agree to alter the schedule of the commencement work day to include faculty professional development, faculty recognition and commencement ceremony activities. The work schedule will begin at 12:30 p.m. and end at 8:00 p.m., which includes a lunch break.
- 2. The College expects the faculty to participate in the Commencement Ceremony, dressed in academic regalia and seated in the faculty section.

8.21 Program Effectiveness Three-Year Review and Reporting Process

Program review will be implemented through a process agreed to by the parties, which may be amended by mutual agreement if necessary. The process will be posted on the College website. Programmatic issues identified during the three (3) year review process will be referred for a Program Sustainability Analysis (Article 8.22).

8.22 Program Sustainability Analysis

1. The purpose of Program Sustainability Analysis (PSA) is to provide review, evaluation and assistance for programs that have low enrollments, misalignment with industry standards, accreditation issues, and/or low student completions but are currently essential to the mission, vision, and institutional instructional priorities. The process will be fair and balanced, including consultation with the

- responsible program administrator, faculty and advisory committee.
- 2. The Program Sustainability Analysis will be implemented through procedures agreed to by the parties that may be amended by mutual agreement and are to provide a framework guiding the activities of the committee. The procedures will be posted on the College website.
- 3. Written notice by the VPI or designee shall be submitted to the Union and the affected program faculty before initiating a Program Sustainability Analysis. This written notice will convene the Program Sustainability Analysis Committee (PSAC Article 8.22.1). Written notice on College letterhead from VPI shall be submitted to the Union and the affected program faculty thirty (30) work days before the end of the preceding quarter when the analysis is to begin.
- 4. The timelines contained in the procedures shall result in a facile, responsible, well-informed review that will identify at-risk programs and allow timely decision-making.
- 5. The timelines in the procedures are important but are not meant to be interpreted as rigid or absolute. They are essential to a fair, non-discriminatory, professional and objectively administered process.

8.22.1 Program Sustainability Analysis Committee (PSAC)

- 1. A PSAC has the sole responsibility for conducting the Program Sustainability Analyses and delivering a recommendation to the College president. Possible outcomes may include recommendations for program continuance, program modification, program improvement or program discontinuance.
- 2. The responsibilities of the committee members shall include, but are not limited to, reporting committee activities to their appropriate constituency and effectively participating as representatives of both their constituency and as members of the College community.
- 3. The committee shall consist of the VPI/CAO, one (1) Instructional Dean, three (3) faculty appointed by the Union, one (1) classified employee and, when available, one (1) external member from the program's technical advisory committee and, when available, one (1) additional industry expert not on the technical advisory committee.
- 4. The PSAC shall meet on an as needed basis during the PSA process.

ARTICLE IX TENURE

The importance of tenure to the Mission, Vision and Values of the college is established through the maintenance of a tenured faculty position in every faculty RIF category. For purposes of this section, faculty shall carry the same definition as that contained in RCW 28B.50.851. It is recognized that faculty investment in their program of instruction/department, as represented by tenure status, is essential to the well-being and success of the college.

All new full-time or vacant full-time faculty positions (authorized for replacement) will have tenure assignment determined by the SA or designee prior to the posting of the job on the employer's website. To assist the administration of this determination, a recommendation will be provided by the New and Open Faculty Position Evaluation (NOFPE) workgroup.

As an advisory work group charged with examining how prospective appointments to a vacant or new faculty position will be assigned, NOFPE will be convened when there is an authorized vacant or new faculty position. The work group membership shall consist of at least one faculty member of TROC and other stakeholders as necessary to make the proper evaluation of the vacant position. New programs will have at least one tenure track faculty appointment within one year of the start of the program.

1. In administering the provisions of Article 9.1, the following conditions shall apply:

9.1.1 Tenure Review Oversight Committee (TROC)

- 1. The Tenure Review Oversight Committee (TROC) is responsible for ensuring that the tenure review process is followed. The TROC will make recommendations to the tenure review committee(s), the College and/or the Union for corrective action when required. Procedures for tenure are found in the Tenure Workbook, which has been jointly developed by the employee Union and the College, to provide a framework guiding the activities of tenure review committee and probationers. The timelines contained in the workbook provide a schedule resulting in ongoing guidance to probationers by tenure review committees.
- 2. The responsibilities of the committee shall include, but are not limited to, forms approval, Tenure Workbook modification, monitoring individual committee progress, providing procedural oversight and tenure review committee orientation training.
- 3. The committee shall consist of three (3) tenured employees and two (2) administrators, one of whom shall be the SA.
- 4. Probationers, committee member and other interested parties may contact the TROC with questions and concerns as needs arise.
- 5. The TROC shall meet on a regular basis and shall meet with tenure review committees, probationers and individual tenure review committee members as it deems necessary.

9.1.2 Tenure Review Committee(s)

Tenure Review Committee(s) (TRC) will be knowledgeable of and adhere to the responsibilities and process outlined in the Tenure Workbook.

- 1. The College President or designee will communicate with the Local when tenure review committees need to be established. Each tenure review committee shall be comprised of five (5) members. Three (3) members shall be tenured faculty. One (1) of the tenured employee representatives shall serve as tenure committee chair. The Union shall submit the names of employee's tenure review committee members in accordance with statute. One (1) administrative appointee shall be designated by the College President or designee. The fifth (5th) member shall be a full-time student chosen by the Associated Student Government (ASG).
- 2. If a vacancy arises on any tenure review committee, the vacancy shall be filled consistent in #1 above.
- 3. At least three (3) tenure review committee members, one (1) of whom should be the administrator, shall be present to conduct business at any meeting of said committee.

9.1.3 Probationer

- 1. Probationers will adhere to the responsibilities outlined in the Tenure Workbook.
- If the probationer disagrees with the tenure review committee's annual recommendation they
 and/or a representative shall be given an opportunity to challenge the committee's
 recommendations before TROC, the College President, and/or the Board of Trustees.
- 3. In the event of the notification of non-renewal or discontinuation of a probationary employee's appointment shall be given no later than one (1) complete quarter, excluding summer quarter, before the expiration of or discontinuation of the probationary employee's appointment per RCW 28B.50.861.

9.1.4 Tenure Recognition Incentive

- 1. Tenured employees are obligated to serve on tenure review committees. Therefore, tenured employees shall serve on tenure review committees when asked. An employee may request an exemption from service, on a request by request basis, from the TROC. All decisions on exemptions made by the TROC shall be final.
- 2. Employees serving on a tenure review committee may choose one (1) of the following options as compensation for their service:

Compensation	Committee Member	Committee Chair
Professional Development	\$500	\$1000
Program Purchase	\$500	\$1000
Extra EPEW Days	1	2
Extra Personal Leave Day	1	2
Stipend	\$250	\$500

- 3. Faculty TRC members will submit the Tenure Recognition Incentive Application when the TRC is dissolved. Compensation will be bound by contract year and pro-rated for the time served to be paid within 45 work days.
- 4. If an employee resigns from a tenure review committee, without prior TROC approval, the employee shall forfeit all compensation received in connection with that tenure review committee service. If compensation has already been received, it shall be paid back to the College per Article 7.7 #2.

9.1.5 Tenure Committee Chair

- 1. The Chair is responsible for calling and conducting meetings, summarizing and submitting the committee's annual and final recommendations to extend or not to extend probation or to grant or not grant tenure to a probationary employee to the Board of Trustees.
- 2. Employees must serve as the committee chair throughout the process to receive compensation. Prorated compensation shall be provided to those employees that fill a vacancy as tenure review committee chairperson or when the process is shortened.

9.1.6 Final Action of Tenure

- 1. The Union recognizes that the ultimate authority to grant or deny tenure is vested with the Board of Trustees. It is further agreed that any and all decisions relating to the awarding or withholding of tenure or the President's non-renewal or renewal of individual contracts of probationary employees shall not be subject to the grievance procedure.
- 2. The decision to grant tenure shall rest with the Board of Trustees, after it has given reasonable consideration to the recommendations of the tenure review committee and any additional information it deems appropriate. Failure by a committee to submit a recommendation shall not act as a bar to the Board of Trustees' action.
- 3. Notification of non-renewal or discontinuation of a probationary employee's appointment shall be given no later than one (1) complete quarter, excluding summer quarter, before the expiration of or discontinuation of the probationary employee's appointment per RCW 28B.50.861.
- 4. The Union shall receive a copy of said notice within three (3) work days after delivery/receipt.
- 5. Only the record of award of tenure status shall become part of the probationer's personnel file. All other records related to the process of evaluation and review conducted by the TROC shall become the property of the employee.
- 6. Upon completion of the probationary period, if the probationary employee is not granted tenure or the member's contract is not renewed, the TROC records shall be maintained under the supervision of the SA as long as pending or potential litigation exists.

ARTICLE X EMPLOYEE EVALUATION

10.1 Employee Evaluation

The purpose of evaluation procedures shall be to review employee performance and effectiveness with the goal of continuous improvement. If the supervisor does not meet the evaluation deadlines as set forth herein, the employee may submit the completed self-assessment, collegial input and student input form as the sole documentation pertinent to the employee's evaluation. Annual evaluations of the previous 12 month period, shall be completed between July 1 and June 30, using the following guidelines:

- 1. Tenured employees shall be formally evaluated every three (3) years with interim assessments done annually from the date of tenure.
- 2. The evaluation of probationary employees shall be the tenure review process and shall constitute completion of the first formal evaluation.
- 3. Non-tenured contracted full-time employees shall be evaluated annually.
- 4. Part-time employees shall be evaluated annually if they work an average of twenty (20) hours or more per month worked.
- 5. Employees who work less than twenty (20) hours per month will be assessed using the appropriate student input form at the end of the instructional period. The assessment forms will be returned to the supervisor.

10.1.1 Evaluation Process

- 1. The supervisor, as assigned by the appropriate SA, is responsible for conducting and completing formal three (3) year evaluations. The evaluation process shall include the following:
 - a. Faculty evaluation (Appendix A)
 - b. A review of student input data (Appendix B)
 - c. A review of collegial input (Appendix C)
 - d. A self-evaluation (Appendix D)
 - e. A review of the Professional Development Plan (PDP)
- 2. Employees shall not be assigned to evaluate any other employee in the bargaining unit with the exception of peer review and tenure review processes.
- 3. Scheduling of steps in the evaluation process shall be coordinated between the employee and the supervisor. The employee may adjust the date(s) if needed. Student and collegial input will be submitted to the employee as well as the evaluator.

10.1.2 Annual Interim Assessment

Supervisors shall meet annually with tenured employees to informally discuss program/area needs, results of periodic student input, job performance, and to update the Professional Development Plan progress and objectives. The supervisor and the employee will jointly agree upon a meeting date and time. The employee will provide student input data and an up-to-date Professional Development Plan to the supervisor at least three (3) days prior to the meeting.

10.1.3 Student Collegial Input

The purpose shall be to improve student learning and shall not be used for any discipline related action or other action that might adversely affect the employee's employment status. Issues identified through student or collegial input may be used to develop a Professional Improvement Plan (PIP) or may be incorporated into a Professional Development Plan. When potential problems are identified,

the College will make available opportunities for improvement.

10.1.4 Evaluation Elements and Forms

- 1. The following forms will be used for the purposes of employee evaluation:
 - Faculty evaluation (Appendix A)
 - A review of student input data (Appendix B)
 - A review of collegial input (Appendix C)
 - A self-evaluation (Appendix D)
 - A review of the Professional Development Plan
- 2. Tenured and Contracted Non-tenured employee evaluations shall include Student Input, Collegial Input, Employee Evaluation forms and a Self-Evaluation form.

10.1.5 Student Input Form (Appendix B)

- The student input process will be conducted quarterly or at the end of the instructional period for courses of shorter duration. The supervisor and faculty will collaboratively identify two courses per quarter. Student input summary data will be made accessible to the employee's supervisor upon request and when available. Student input will be collected using the Student Input Form (Appendix B).
- 2. In the event that an alternative, program/course specific student input form is needed, it shall be mutually developed by the appropriate supervisor, assessment department and the affected employee(s), and at a minimum, include the following elements:
 - a. Effective delivery of service/information or instruction
 - b. Adequacy of resources and materials provided
 - c. Communication skills
 - d. Respectful treatment
 - e. Student/customer satisfaction
- 3. In multiple instructor programs, students will complete separate forms for each employee with which they have regular instructional contact.
- 4. The requirements of this section do not apply to faculty members without direct student interaction.

10.1.6 Collegial Input Form (Appendix C)

The employee being evaluated will select a tenured employee who will provide input to the evaluation process. The colleague selected will assess the employee's work performance using Appendix C.

10.1.7 Unsatisfactory Evaluation

- 1. If, after the evaluation conducted pursuant to Article 10.1.1 of this Agreement, the performance of the employee is judged to have area(s) that are unsatisfactory, the supervisor will provide the employee written suggestions for improvement. A Performance Improvement Plan (PIP) may be mutually developed only with the approval of the appropriate SA and will be implemented immediately upon completion. The PIP will be in effect for a period of not less than one (1) quarter.
- 2. The supervisor will meet with the employee at least twice per month to review progress of the employee and to make suggestions for improving deficiencies.
- 3. At the end of the quarter, the supervisor will submit a progress report to the appropriate SA and the employee.
- 4. Upon successful completion of the employee's PIP, the improved performance shall be so noted and attached to the relevant evaluation in the employee's personnel file.
- 5. If after the first quarter, unsatisfactory performance continues the supervisor will choose to

continue the employee's PIP or create a new PIP, or move to progressive discipline in section 10.3(Discipline).

10.2 Corrective Action Plan

For issues unrelated to an unsatisfactory evaluation, and in an attempt to avoid progressive discipline, the supervisor will attempt to verbally correct the behavior or a corrective action plan may be developed by the supervisor and provided to the employee. Upon receipt of the corrective action plan, the employee will be given an opportunity to respond in writing and resolve the identified problem. A corrective action plan will not be placed in the employee's personnel file and is not considered discipline.

10.3 Discipline

- 1. Discipline shall only be for cause. An employee will not be disciplined for an arbitrary or capricious reason. A process of progressive discipline will be used. Progressive discipline includes written warning, written reprimand, suspension of other actions less than dismissal as appropriate to the infraction. The employee may elect and shall be entitled to have a representative of the Union present during any meeting that may result in discipline. In addition, said employee and the Union will be given at least twenty-four (24) hours written notice on any discipline related meetings. If representation is not available, the meeting will be rescheduled at a mutually agreeable time, but no later than five (5) work days after the first meeting was scheduled.
- 2. Cause shall include acts of a nature that seriously impair the employee's ability to perform his or her contractual responsibilities such as, but not limited to, gross or continued unsatisfactory performance; blatant disregard for terms of this Agreement or College policies and regulations, insubordination, dishonesty, conflict of interest, or violation of the provisions of RCW 28B.50.862. Employees are expected to be familiar with and comply with all published College policies.
- 3. Written reprimands shall be clearly identified as such and delivered to the employee who shall acknowledge receipt in writing prior to being placed in the employee's personnel file. The employee's signature implies knowledge of the reprimand, not agreement. Refusal to sign will be noted. The employee has the right to attach a written response to the reprimand.
- 4. Suspension with or without pay shall be imposed only in cases of a serious nature, and /or where the employee's presence would pose a danger to student or staff, and/or would create a liability for the College. The employee shall be afforded a conference with the appropriate SA to discuss the infraction and discipline.

10.4 Dismissal

- 1. Dismissal of tenured employees shall only be for cause. When appropriate, corrective action and/or progressive discipline will be followed prior to instituting formal dismissal procedures in an attempt to resolve the matter.
- 2. A probationary employee shall not be dismissed prior to the written terms of the appointment except for cause. An employee has the right to Union representation during any dismissal proceeding.
- 3. The final decision to dismiss or not to dismiss shall rest with the appointing authority/designee in accordance with RCW 28B.50.863.
- 4. Reassignment of duties by the President or designee during the College proceedings (prior to the final decision) is justified if it is deemed that there is the potential for substantial disruption of the educational process. There will be no reduction of pay or benefits with such reassignment.

10.4.1 Dismissal Procedures

- 1. An employee shall receive a written notice of charges and notification of a pre-dismissal meeting to discuss the charges with a copy provided to the Union. The employee will be given an opportunity to respond to the changes and present reasons why the dismissal should not occur.
- 2. The employee and the Union will be notified of the decision of the pre-dismissal meeting within five (5) work days. Prior to dismissal, the case shall be reviewed by a Dismissal Review Committee (DRC) in accordance with <u>RCW 28B.50.863</u>.

10.4.2 Written Notice

- 1. In accordance with <u>RCW 28B.50.863</u>, after it is determined that dismissal proceedings should be initiated, the President or designee shall specify the grounds for dismissal, serve written notice to the affected employee, the Union and, once established, the DRC.
- 2. Further, the Union shall receive notice of all subsequent meetings related to such proceedings.
- 3. Written notice to the employee shall include:
 - a. A clear statement that the employee shall be continued at current salary and benefits until the completion of due process.
 - b. A statement of the matters asserting the reasons for the dismissal and all pertinent documentation relied upon to make the decision.

10.4.3 Committee Composition

A five (5) member DRC shall be convened no later than twenty (20) working days after notification of the decision as referenced in Article 10.4.1. The DRC shall be composed of three

(3) faculty members, an SA, and a student representative. The Union shall submit the names of the faculty members of the DRC in accordance with statute. The student representative shall be a full-time student and shall be chosen by the ASG.

10.4.4 Scheduling of Hearing

After the DRC has been established, a time and place for the hearing shall be determined. The hearing shall be scheduled within ten (10) working days, unless mutually agreed upon otherwise. The hearing shall occur on regularly scheduled work days unless mutually agreed by the parties.

10.4.5 Employee Rights

- 1. The employee has:
 - a. The right to confront and cross-examine witnesses.
 - b. The right to be heard in his/her own defense and to present witnesses, testimony and evidence on all pertinent issues involved. The DRC will give appropriate weight to written testimony provided by unavailable witnesses.
 - c. The right to Union representation and/or counsel of his/her choosing who may appear and act on his/her behalf at the hearings.
 - d. The right to have witnesses declare under affidavit the truthfulness of their testimony.

10.4.6 DRC Chairperson

- 1. One of the five (5) members of the DRC will serve as chair as determined by the DRC. The chair will preside over the hearing. After the DRC reaches a decision by a majority vote, on the action they propose be taken, the chair shall submit such recommendations to the appointing authority/designee.
- 2. A committee member with a dissenting opinion may prepare a written statement to be included with the DRC recommendation. The chair shall:

- a. Prepare a written recommendation based on the record presented as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event longer than thirty (30) calendar days after the conclusion of the hearing. The written recommendation and all evidence received and considered by the committee will be presented to the appointing authority or designee, affected employee and the Union.
- b. The appointing authority shall permit an opportunity for oral or written argument by the parties or their representatives within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving the written recommendation from the DRC.
- c. Ensure that a record of the hearing is made, and that a copy of the record or any part thereof is furnished to any party to the hearing upon request and payment of any reproduction costs.

10.4.7 Final Decision by the Appointing Authority/Designee

- 1. The final decision to dismiss or not to dismiss shall rest, with respect to both the facts and the decision, with the appointing authority or designee after giving reasonable consideration to the recommendation of the DRC. The committee's recommendations shall be advisory only. The appointing authority or designee, shall within a reasonable time following the conclusion of the hearing, notify the employee, the DRC and the Union in writing of the final decision.
- 2. No statements about the case shall be made by the DRC, administrative officers, or the appointing authority or designee until all administrative proceedings and appeals have been completed.

10.4.8 Right to Appeal

- 1. Pursuant to RCW 34.05 as not existing or hereafter amended, the employee shall have the right to appeal the final decision of the appointing authority or designee within thirty (30) calendar days after service of the final decision.
- 2. The initial filing of an appeal shall not affect the decision; however, any ruling by courts of proper jurisdiction shall be binding on both parties.

10.5 Reduction-in-Force (RIF)

- This article shall govern reduction-in-force, which is deemed to constitute sufficient or adequate cause for dismissal or termination of tenured employees. No employee shall be subject to RIF for an arbitrary or capricious reason. Reduction-in-force of tenured or probationary employees due to financial emergency is governed by <u>RCW 28B.50.873</u>.
- 2. Loss of "soft money" shall not constitute a financial emergency and shall not constitute cause for reduction-in-force affecting employees.
- 3. Layoff units, seniority and re-employment rights shall be governed by this collective bargaining agreement.

10.5.1 Dismissal at the End of Employment Agreement

- 1. Tenured employees may be subject to a RIF at the completion of their individual employment agreement in the event of:
 - a. Significant reduction of State Board for Community and Technical Colleges allocation
 - Significant reduction in high school enrollments (when high school enrollments decline, only those programs that lost high school students may be subject to elimination resulting in a RIF)
 - c. State mandated closure due to duplication of programs
 - d. The Program Sustainability Analysis Committee determines that a program is no longer

- sustainable and no satisfactory alternative to a RIF can be found
- e. Program reduction or elimination formally approved by the Board of Trustees after the provisions below have been completed
- 2. The Office of Registrar shall be the exclusive source of enrollment data as pertains to RIF. While a RIF consideration exists, all parties to the process may have access to such data on a weekly basis.
- 3. Consideration will be given to future industry needs and trend and technological requirements. Student input will be minimized when at all possible. Advisory committee/industry input will be sought.
- 4. Consideration will also be given to the College's needs to manage FTE's, program re-design as necessitated by industry/technological changes and employee concerns. Student retention, completion and job placement information as well as student issues/comments may also be considered.
- 5. This section in no way affects the employee's rights to due process as outlined in this agreement.

10.6 General Conditions Related to Reduction-in-Force

- 1. When the appointing authority or designee determines a situation exists that may cause a RIF, written notice of a potential RIF and the extent thereof shall be given to the Union president or to a member of the Union Executive Board if the Union president is not available. The reasons and conditions necessitating the RIF will be included in such notice. The appointing authority or designee will consider all recommendations and alternatives presented by the Union and administrative staff that are received within thirty (30) work days of the issuance of the notice. The matter may be resolved at this step by use of alternatives including, but not limited to, a PSAP, reassignment, retraining, transfer, leave of absence, retirement and/or resignation.
- 2. Non-personnel budget categories shall be considered for reduction prior to any program essentials or personnel reductions.

10.7 Reduction-in-Force Procedure

- 1. The Union and the employee(s) will be notified in writing of the decision on the proposed RIF within ten (10) work days.
- 2. The College and the Union will meet to review the reasons for the RIF within five (5) work days after the delivery/receipt of said notice.
- 3. Nothing in this article shall be construed to affect the decision and right of the appointing authority not to renew a probationary employee appointment pursuant to RCW 28B.50.857.

10.8 Hearing Procedure Used in RIF

Hearings will be held in accordance with <u>RCW 28B.50.863</u> (Tenure Review prior to dismissal) and <u>RCW 34.05</u> (the Administrative Procedures Act).

10.9 Notice

- 1. After it is determined that RIF should be initiated, the appointing authority or designee shall specify the reasons for the RIF, serve written notice to the affected employee(s) and provide copies to the Union. Further, the Union shall receive notice of all subsequent meetings related to such proceedings. The notice shall include:
 - a. A clear statement that the employee shall be continued at current salary and benefits until the

- completion of due process
- b. A statement of the time, place and nature of the hearing (the hearing must be held on not less than ten (10) work days written notice)
- c. A statement of the legal authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held
- d. The notice shall clearly indicate the separation is not due to the job performance of the employee and hence is without prejudice to such employee and, in addition, shall indicate the basis for RIF. The notice must also indicate the effective date of separation from service.

10.9.1 Request for Hearing

- 1. The affected employee(s) shall have ten (10) work days from the date of the notice of RIF to make a written request for a hearing. If the affected employee does not request such a hearing from the appointing authority or designee will request a written determination from the employee as to whether he/she wishes to avail himself/herself of the right to a hearing. If the employee fails to respond within ten (10) work days provided herein, this failure to request a hearing shall constitute acceptance of RIF and waiver of any right to a hearing. The decision of an employee not to request a hearing shall be communicated to the appointing authority or designee.
- 2. Hearings shall occur only on regularly scheduled work days unless mutually agreed by both parties.

10.9.2 Procedural Rights of Affected Employees

- 1. An affected employee who has requested a hearing shall be entitled to one (1) formal, contested case hearing pursuant to the Administrative Procedural Act, <u>RCW 34.05</u>. the only issue to be determined shall be whether under the applicable policies, rules and collective bargaining agreement the particular employee or employees advised of RIF are the proper ones to be terminated. The employee's rights include, but are not limited to:
 - a. The right to confront and cross-examine witnesses, provided that, when a witness cannot appear and compelling reasons therefore exist, the identity of the witness and a copy of the statement of the witness reduced to writing shall be disclosed to the employee at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing on the matter towards which the testimony of the witness is considered material.
 - b. The right to be free from compulsion to divulge information which he/she could not be compelled to divulge in a court of law.
 - c. The right to be heard in his/her own defense and to present witnesses, testimony and evidence on all issues involved.
 - d. The right to the assistance of the hearing officer in securing the witnesses and evidence pursuant to RCW 34.05.
 - e. The right to counsel of his/her choosing who may appear and act on his/her behalf at the hearings.
 - f. The right to have witnesses sworn and testify under oath.

10.9.3 Hearing Officer

- 2. Upon receipt of a request for a hearing from affected employees, the appointing authority or designee shall appoint a qualified impartial hearing officer in accordance with applicable RCWs and WACs.
- 3. Costs incurred for the services of such hearing officer shall be shared equally by the College and the employee or employees requesting a hearing. It shall be the role of the impartial hearing officer to conduct the hearing in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement and RCW 34.05.

10.9.4 Final Decision by the Appointing Authority/Designee

- 1. The appointing authority or designee may permit an opportunity for oral or written argument or both by the parties or their representatives.
- 2. The appointing authority or designee may hold such other proceedings as it deems advisable.
- 3. The final decision to dismiss or not to dismiss shall rest, with respect to both the facts and the decision, with the appointing authority or designee after giving reasonable consideration to the recommendation of the hearing officer. The decision of the hearing officer shall be advisory only and in no respect binding in fact or law upon the decision maker, the appointing authority or designee. The appointing authority or designee shall within a reasonable time following the conclusion of the final hearing, notify the employee and the Union in writing of his/her final decision, and the effective date of the RIF.

10.9.5 Layoff or Soft Money Positions

When "soft money" supporting specific programs is lost, only those programs and those employees shall be subject to layoff. The following criteria will be considered when selecting which employee(s) will be laid off:

- a. Years of service
- b. Education and/or certification
- c. Experience
- d. Grant/program requirements and outcomes

10.10 Assigned Program Load List

- 1. The Assigned Program Load List is included in the collective bargaining agreement as an attachment for the purpose of reference and shall not be subject to the negotiations process. For reference see Appendix J.
- 2. New Programs will be allowed two (2) years of operation, plus, at the option of the College, an additional one (1) year to develop the FTE load to required program loads, as outlined above.

10.11 Reduction-in-Force Categories

Commercial Truck Driving

- 1. Prior to selecting faculty for RIF, part-time and full-time non-tenured faculty will be considered first for lay-off. The College shall RIF probationary faculty before the tenured faculty.
- 2. The RIF categories are listed below and subject to review/revision by the Negotiations Committee. Any revisions to this list of RIF categories will be reduced to writing and submitted to the College and the Union for ratification.

10.11.1 Contracted Tenured Career Training RIF Categories

Administrative Medical Assistant/Medical Transcriptionist
Administrative Office Assistant
Architectural Woodworking/Cabinet Making Technology
Audio/Visual Technology and Communications
Auto Body Rebuilding & Refinishing
Automotive Technology
Barber
Carpentry
Civil Engineering Technology

Computer Sciences

Culinary Arts

Dental Assisting

Dental Lab Technician

Denturist

Diesel & Heavy Equipment Mechanic

Early Childhood Education

Electrical Engineering Technician

Electrical Construction

Electronic Equipment Service Technician/Biomedical Equipment Service Technician

Facilities Maintenance Engineer

Fire Service

Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Technician

Industrial Electronics and Robotics

Information Technology

Machinist/CNC Machinist

Marketing & Business Management

Mechanical Engineering Technology

Motorcycle and Marine Technology

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Practical Nurse

Sheet Metal Technology

Welding

10.11.2 Contracted Child Studies RIF Category

Child Studies

10.11.3 Advising RIF Category

Career Advisors

10.11.4 Contracted General Education RIF Category

Communications

English

Mathematics

Basic Studies and Transitional Studies

10.11.5 Contracted Librarian RIF Category

Librarian

10.11.6 Instructional Technology Support RIF Category

ctcLink Org Change Management Coordinator

10.11.7 Admissions Officer/Recruiter RIF Category

Outreach and Recruitment Coordinator

10.11.8 Afternoon or Alternative/Late Evening Career Training

When afternoon or alternative/late evening career training classes or programs are offered which are substantially similar in content or purpose, as determined by the College, to day programs offered by

the College, the employees of that program shall be given choice of shift based on seniority in that RIF category. In the event that enrollment in the total program falls to a level which may necessitate a RIF of an employee, the separate programs – day, afternoon or alternative/late evening – shall be merged with the senior Instructor choice as to shift worked.

10.12 Seniority

- 1. Seniority is the total years of full-time contractual service in a specific RIF category as an employee at Bates Technical College. One (1) year of seniority is granted for each year of service that an employee has earned in accordance with the definition of Seniority. The College and the Union may mutually agree to a change in the title of a RIF category, when course content remains unchanged. In such a case the College and the Union agree that an employee's seniority will not be adversely affected.
- 2. When an employee's occupational title is administratively changed without major change in course content, that employee's seniority shall remain the same as it was before the change in title.
- 3. Any revision to correct the seniority list will be reduced to writing and submitted to the College and the Union for approval. Disputes regarding seniority calculation and/or RIF unit assignment shall be subject to expedited arbitration.
- 4. A break in service of two years or more will result in the loss of previously accumulated seniority.

10.12.1 Order of Reduction-in-Force

The College will RIF employees by seniority within each RIF category so that the least senior employee currently employed in the RIF category will be RIF'd first; provided, however, if the least senior employee was promoted or transferred, voluntarily or involuntarily, from another category within the last five (5) student academic years, including the current student academic year, the employee's seniority in the previous RIF category will be given precedence and he/she will be retained over the least senior employee in that RIF category who has less seniority. When two (2) or more employees have the same number of years of seniority, ties will be broken by date of employment. When date of employment is the same, ties will be broken by lot.

10.12.2 Re-employment Rights

- 1. A member of this bargaining unit who is unemployed as a result of a RIF will have recall rights for any vacancies within the RIF unit for two (2) calendar years from the effective date of RIF. The Employer will recall the employees with the most years of seniority on the recall list from this bargaining unit who is qualified and able to be certified in the RIF category in which the vacancy exists.
- 2. The College will provide a copy of the updated Tenured Faculty Seniority List and year of service list to the Union annually by July 31.

10.12.3 Transfer

An employee who transfers to another position within the bargaining unit and later is returned to the original position, shall retain their seniority.

ARTICLE XI MISCELLANEOUS

11.1 Reopened for Amendment

This Agreement may be reopened for amendment only by the mutual consent of the Board and the Union.

11.2 Copies of Agreement

This Agreement shall be made available on the College website within forty-five (45) days after ratification by the Board and the Union, and executed by the authorized representatives thereto. Each full-time and part-time employee covered by this Agreement may print a section or the entire CBA using a College copier.

AGREEMENT

This agreement is entered into this first day of July, 2021 by and between Bates Technical College District No. 28 and the Bates Technical College Local 4184, AFT WASHINGTON/ AFL-CIO, and shall be effective July 1, 2021 and continue through June 30, 2024.

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 28

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Chair, Board of Trustees

Date 12/03/21

Secretary, Board of Trustees

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE

LOCAL 4184, AFT WASHINGTON/ AFL-CIO

Date /2/03/2021

President, Local 4184

Bates Technical College Faculty Evaluation Form

	<u>To be comp</u>	eted by Evaluator				
Name of Employee:		Date:				
Department/Program	:	Years in Position:	T.			
Years in College:		Evaluation Period: From:	То:			
Tenured Faculty:	Non-tenurable Full-time Faculty	<u> </u>				
e following steps ha	we been adhered to in this evaluati	on.				
Date: 1. Pre-conference (planning). Explanation of process and performance elements for each category to						
Initials:	 evaluated. Provide a copy of <u>Performance Plan</u> to the employe 	<u>mance Elements"</u> attachment and <u>"Employe</u> e.	ee Development and			
Date:		alysis. Both parties understand and have dis	cussed the performance			
nitials:	Elements (attached) for each categ —	ory.				
Date:	3. Employee Development & Perfo	rmance Plan has been discussed and agreed	upon.			
Initials:	<u> </u>					
Date:	4. The following have been reviewed: Employee Performance Elemen	d and discussed during the Evaluation Meet	ing:			
Initials:	Student Input Data Collegial Input Data					
such by the supervisor	in the post-observation conference and	mance is deemed unsatisfactory, it shall be sed on the evaluation record standing performance and/or suggestions for				
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Employee's Comme	nts:					
Employee's Signature	Date	Supervisor's Signature	Date			
	uman Resources office no later than th luation forms and, in my judgment, the					
Executive Director of I	Human Resources/Designee Signature					
			Date			

Note: Once the performance evaluation is completed and signed by all parties, it is the supervisor's responsibility to provide a copy to the employee and to ensure that the original is forwarded to the Human Resources Department for placement in the employee's personnel file.

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE Faculty Evaluation Form

Name of Department: Employee:

EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE ELEMENTS

The evaluator should meet with the employee to discuss the evaluation process. A copy of the <u>Performance Elements"</u> and the <u>Development and Performance Plan"</u> forms shall be provided to employee. The employee will list goals for the future and discuss them with the evaluator at the post conference meeting.

The evaluator will complete the evaluation form and provide comments when appropriate. The evaluation results will be discussed with the employee at the post conference meeting. The "Development and Performance Plan" from the past year shall also be discussed and analyzed at the post conference meeting.

The evaluator shall indicate the priority of each performance element as it pertains to the employee's job assignments. The evaluator may indicate more than one performance element as having the same priority (ie: three different elements can be marked as a #1 priority, etc).

Key: 1 = Unsatisfactory: 2 = Needs improvement: 3 = Satisfactory: 4 = Exceeds requirements: 5 = Excellent: N/A = Not applicable:

Priority

		1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Α.	Self-Management Skills						
В.	Work Processes, Skills and Results						
C.	Teamwork Skills						
D.	Innovation and Change Skills						
E.	Development Skills						
F.	Communication Skills						
G.	Customer Service Skills						
Н.	Supervisory Performance						
I.	Special Projects/Other						

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE PERFORMANCE ELEMENTS

Faculty Evaluation Form

The following performance elements should be considered, where applicable, in assessing employee performance and determining future performance expectations and development needs. Other performance elements may be added as needed. Please provide a copy of this attachment to the employee at the Pre-conference-Meeting.

A. SELF-MANAGEMENT SKILLS

- Punctual and consistent work attendance.
- Efficient, effective use of work time, equipment, and resources.
- Follows rules and procedures.
- Works in a safe manner.
- Proper use and maintenance of equipment.
- Seeks and assumes additional responsibilities as is appropriate.
- Exhibits integrity and honesty.
- Treats others with respect and dignity.
- Gives and accepts constructive feedback.
- Works effectively in a diverse work environment.
- Focuses on the situation, issue or behavior rather than on the person.
- Other:

B. WORK PROCESSES, SKILLS & RESULTS

- Provides products & services that consistently meet or exceed the needs and expectations of customers.
- Uses customer satisfaction as a key measure of quality.
- Uses appropriate problem-solving methods to improve processes.
- Collects and evaluates relevant information to make decisions.
- Uses good judgment.
- Sets and adheres to priorities.
- Meets productivity standards, deadlines and work schedules.
- Accurate and timely work with minimal supervision.
- Achieves successful results.
- Pursues efficiency and economy in the use of resources.
- Informs supervisor or appropriate others of problems; identifies issues and alternative solutions.
- Other:

C. TEAMWORK SKILLS

- Supports and focuses on the vision, mission, and goals of the organization and team.
- Understands the benefits of teamwork.

- Cooperates with and offers assistance to others.
- Views the success of the organization and team as more important than individual achievements.
- Contributes to the development, cohesion and productivity of the team.
- Appropriately shares information internally and externally.
- Supports teamwork and cooperation through open, honest communication.
- Other:

D. INNOVATION AND CHANGE SKILLS

- Is creative and innovative when contributing to organizational and individual objectives
- Receptive to new ideas and adapts to new situations.
- Avoids being overly defensive, willing to explore different options.
- Takes calculated risks
- Seeks and acts on opportunities to improve, streamline, and re-invent work processes.
- Helps others overcome resistance to change.
- Other:

E. DEVELOPMENT SKILLS

- Participates in opportunities to enhance knowledge and skills identified and offered by the organization or the evaluator.
- Displays initiative in developing or upgrading knowledge and skills.
- Applies new knowledge or skills acquired from developmental opportunities.
- Helps others learn new systems, processes, or programs.
- Learns to use technology effectively, as is appropriate for the job.
- Other:

F. COMMUNICATION SKILLS

- Participates in meetings in an active, cooperative, and courteous manner.
- Effectively communicates orally on a one-on-one basis and in small groups.
- Make effective oral presentations before groups.
- Writes clearly and succinctly.
- Avoids "bureaucracies" whenever possible in written and oral communications.
- Understands and empathizes with the listener or reader.
- Responds promptly to emails, phone messages, and mail.
- Follows through with commitments.
- Other:

CUSTOMER SERVICE SKILLS

- Understand and responds to customer's objectives and needs.
- Is sensitive to public attitudes and concerns.
- Is accessible, timely, and responsive when interacting with customers.
- Handles customer inquiries and complaints promptly, courteously, and non-bureaucratically.
- When feasible, goes the extra mile to satisfy customer needs and expectations.
- Other:
- SUPERVISORY PERFORMANCE
- Clearly communicates the mission and goals of the organization to staff.
- Provides regular, ongoing feedback to staff
- Facilitates coaches, and supports staff's efforts to succeed. Provides meaningful recognition of staff success.
- Supports diversity in the workplace.
- Sets clear direction and follow through.
- Makes effective employee selection and promotion decisions.
- Other:
- SPECIAL PROJECTS/OTHER

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE PERFORMANCE ELEMENTS Faculty Evaluation Form

H. Position Specific Performance Elements (Check elements to be evaluated)

	Provides students with appropriate, updated, competency-based syllabi indicating what, when, why and how they will be evaluated
	Provides approved competency-based instruction
	Documents and submits timely student attendance, competency completion, and grades
	Uses a variety of instructional materials and methods
	Aware of and/or incorporates current technology and new developments into course structure
	Maintains student accountability for behavior and/or academic work
	Sets expectations for students, assists with setting goals and effectively critiques student progress
	Participates in activities to market college programs
	Works with Student Services to assist with enrollment, student issues and retention
	Works with Advisory Committee and industry/affiliate partners to maintain program validity
	Maintains industry contacts
	Submits timely and accurate reports, requisitions, and other documentation as needed
	Participates in college projects, task-groups and committees
	Identifies and contacts new and existing clients to identify training needs and market training programs
	Establishes a follow-up schedule for clients to assess program satisfaction
	Prepares and submits training related reports and information required
	Is aware of new developments, ideas and events related to subject matter
	Handles confidential information in a professional manner
	Participates on community advisory committees, community program planning taskforces, or in other ways that strengthen
	community partnerships and awareness of college programs.
	Responds to college-related reference questions in an accurate and timely manner
	Provides an organized collection of library materials and equipment to meet customers' college-related information needs.
Ш	Increases customer awareness of the Library and its services through orientations, web site, and other means
	Assists in the administration and management of the Library's facility, staff and services
	Demonstrates competence in knowledge of program, prerequisite requirements. Interpretation of Asset/Compass results and
	placement in academic courses, degree/certificate requirements and college/community resources
	Participates in professional development opportunities to keep abreast of current issues
П	Works collaboratively with faculty to foster and ensure student success.
靣	Involve students in advising processes
同	Provides accurate information in advising and the registration process
П	Provides students with information on college policies and procedures
	Other:
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Classroom Teaching Student Input Form

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2.	Students are treated with respect.	$\overline{\Box}$	$\overline{\Box}$	$\overline{\Box}$	$\overline{\Box}$	$\overline{\Box}$	
3.	I receive individual attention when requested.						
4.	I was kept informed of my progress.						
5.	Materials are adequate, relevant, appropriate and effective.						
6.	Assigned activities challenge students to think.						
7.	Written and verbal directions are clear and specific.						
8.	Objectives are clearly explained.						
9.	Tests and assignments are relevant to objectives.						
10). What is your overall rating of the instructor's effectivenes	s/services recei	ved?				
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	Usually effective		Almo	ost never ef	fective		
	Sometimes effective						
	11. Comments.						

Non-Classroom Student Input Form



Fac	culty Member:						
Tit	le: (e.g., Career Specialist, Librarian, etc.)						
Da	te:						
	This form is used to provide input regarding non-instruction advising). The data will be used to help us get better. Your opinion is statements. Fill in the circles completely using a dark part of the circles circles completely using a dark part of the circles	important to pen or pencil.	us! Ple				
1.	Students are treated in a professional and respectful manner						
2.	I received the information that I needed.						
3.	Telephone calls or emails are answered in a timely manner.						
4.	Students receive encouragement and support when appropria	te					
5.	The materials provided are adequate, relevant, appropriate an effective.	d					
6. of (Scheduled meetings/appointments start within 10 minutes designated time.						
7.	Written and verbal directions are clear and specific.						
8.	Questions are adequately answered (i.e., faculty member had good knowledge of subject area).	a					
9.	I am afforded the time I need.						
10.	What is your overall rating of the services received?						
П	Excellent	Fair					
=	Very Good	Poor					
	Good	Unaccept	able				
11. Comments.							

APPENDIX C

Bates Technical College Collegial Input Form Data

	o provide a peer's perception of skills and abilities. n another's subject area or to have specific knowle	
	nput is limited to what occurred or was noticed.	
1. What did th	ne employee do well?	
2. What sugge	estions do you have regarding how the employee can imp	prove?

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE Employee Self-Evaluation

To be completed by Employee

Employee Development and Performance Plan This form is to be completed by the employee and discussed with supervisor.			
Employee's Name:	inpieted by the empi	Department/Program:	Supervisor's Name:
Evaluation Period:	From:		of Evaluation Session:
How have you contr	ibutad in vaur nasit	Part I: Performan	
How have you contr	ibuted, in your posit	ion, to the mission, vision, an	d goals of the College, your department or program?
		Part II: Future Performa	nce Expectations
What skills would yo College?			pility to contribute toward the mission, vision, and goals of the

Use additional sheets if needed.

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE Employee Self-Evaluation

To be completed by Employee

Part III: Future Training & Development

What training do you feel you need to assist you to e	nhance future performance (should also	appear in Professional Development
Plan)		
Part	IV: Organizational Support	
What suggestions do you have as to how your superv		
Jos and With ratare career goals.		
	Use additional sheets if needed.	
	: Comments and Signatures	
This report has been discussed with my supervisor.		
Employee's Signature:	Title:	Date:
I have discussed the Self-Evaluation with the employ	WAA	
Thave discussed the sen Evaluation with the emplo	yee.	
Supervisor's Signature:	Title:	Date:
Comments specific to self-evaluation:		

APPENDIX E

Informal Annual Employee Assessment

Employees are formally evaluated by their supervisors every three years. During the other two years, employees are to meet at least once per year where the supervisor and the employee have an opportunity to share with each other how things are going. At this meeting, the employee will share student input data with the supervisor, go over the employee's Professional Development Plan with the supervisor, and have an opportunity to discuss college related issues of interest to the employee. Similarly, the supervisor will have an opportunity to discuss college related issues of interest with the employee. This form is the sole document that is to be completed relative to this informal assessment.

Date of informal assessment:
Employee:
Supervisor:
Date of last 3 year evaluation:
Supervisor's Initials:
The informal assessment took place on the date indicated above.
Employee's Signature:
Supervisor's Signature:

This form is to be placed in the employee's working file.

APPENDIX F

Bates Technical College Local 4184 AFT WASHINGTON

Grievance Form

Instructions: (1) Review the grievance procedures. (2) Consult with authorized Union representative. (3) File within timeframe and at appropriate level. Grievant: Campus: Supervisor: Indicate the level at which the grievance is being filed or being moved to. Received by Level One B: (Supervisor) Date Level Two: (Appropriate Senior Admin.) Received by Date Level Three: (President or Designee) Received by Date Level Four: (ADR) Received by Date Level Five: (Submit to union for arbitration) Received by Date Number of pages attached Attachments: No Yes If more space is required, place on an additional sheet. Any additional information may be attached. Nature of grievance: Date of alleged incident: Relevant facts upon which the grievance is based: Specific article or section of the CBA alleged to be violated: Remedy requested: Follow the grievance procedure as found in Article VI. Grievant Signature/Date Authorized Union Representative/Date

APPENDIX G REGARDING CURRICULUM REVIEW

The purposes of curriculum review are for document standardization, facilitation of program changes, providing an opportunity for employees to participate in institutional policy making related to curriculum, and enhancement of the student learning environment. Teaching employee's may be expected to participate in the curriculum review process as curriculum committee members or as Instructors involved with programs being reviewed. Results from curriculum review shall:

Not be placed in any personnel file;

Not be used for any employee evaluation;

Not be used in any manner that would adversely affect any employee's employment; and

Not be used in any manner that would subject the employee to any discipline-related procedure(s).

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE / 2021-2022 CALENDAR

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEC	GE / 2021-2022 CALENDAR
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Non-teaching (225) faculty work in conjunction with their immediate supervisor to coordinate their respective non-contract days.

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE / 2022-2023 CALENDAR

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BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE / 2023-2024 CALENDAR

BATES TECHNICAL COLLEGE / 2023-2024 CALENDAR			
S M T W T F S June 12 Summer quarter begins 3-4 5 6 7 8 3-4 Fourth of July Holiday 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	S M T W T F S 2 Winter quarter begins 12 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 15 MLK Holiday 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27		
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APPENDIX J

Load is based on students per individual full time faculty

is based on students per maintable facility	
Program Title	Load
Administrative Medical Assistant/Medical Transcriptionist	20
Administrative Office Assistant	20
Architectural Woodworking/Cabinet Making Technology	18
Audio/Visual Technology and Communications	20
Auto Body Rebuilding & Refinishing	18
Automotive Technology	18
Barber	18
Carpentry	18
Civil Engineering Technology	20
Commercial Truck Driving	10
Computer Sciences	20
Culinary Arts	18
Dental Assisting	15
Dental Lab Technician	16
Denturist	16
Diesel & Heavy Equipment Mechanic	18
Early Childhood Education	20
Electrical Engineering Technician	20
Electrical Construction	18
Electronic Equipment Service Technician/Biomedical Equipment Service Technician	20
Facilities Maintenance Engineer	18
Fire Service	20
Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Technician	18
Industrial Electronics and Robotics	20
Information Technology	20
Machinist/CNC Machinist	18
Marketing & Business Management	20
Mechanical Engineering Technology	20
Motorcycle and Marine Technology	18
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