

TEACHERS

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

BETWEEN THE

CHARLES CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

AND THE

**CHARLES CITY COMMUNITY EDUCATION
ASSOCIATION
(CCCEA)**

2026-2027

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AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT was made and entered into at Charles City, Floyd County, Iowa, by and between CHARLES CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT and CHARLES CITY COMMUNITY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, as follows:

ARTICLE 1: DEFINITIONS AND RECOGNITION

SECTION

1. DEFINITIONS

As used in this agreement:

1. "Employer" or "Board" means the Board of Education of the Charles City Community School District or its duly authorized representative.
2. "Association" means the Charles City Community Education Association or its duly authorized representatives or agent.
3. "Employee" means the professional employees included in the bargaining unit described in Section 1.2.
4. "District" means the Charles City Community School District.
5. "Superintendent" means the Superintendent or his designee.
6. "Principal" means the Principal and, in his absence, the Acting Principal designated by the Superintendent. See Section 8.3 for another definition of "Principal".
7. Words and phrases herein shall be construed as in the singular or plural number, and as masculine, feminine, or neuter gender, according to the context.
8. The word "may" confers power and is permissive and discretionary. The word "shall" imposes a duty and is mandatory.

1.2 RECOGNITION AND BARGAINING UNIT

1. The Board hereby recognizes the Association (an affiliate of the Iowa State Education Association and the National Education Association) as the certified, exclusive, and sole bargaining representative for all personnel as outlined in the PERB certification instrument (Case No. 63) issued by the PERB on the 9th day of July 1975.

2. The unit described in the above certification is as follows:

INCLUDED: Professional employees, including classroom teachers, professional school counselors, librarians, team or unit leaders, and department heads or chairpersons, nurses, social worker, non-supervisory director (if certified teacher), home school assistance program, and juvenile court liaison (if certified teacher).

EXCLUDED: Superintendent, principals, assistant principals, directors, and transitional alliance teachers

ARTICLE 2: WAGES AND SALARIES

SECTION

2.1 SALARY

A. Initial Placement

Previous experience may be granted to new employees in alignment with current employees with similar experience and education level. New hires in designated CTE positions shall be granted one (1) step on the salary schedule for every one (1) year of verified, full-time professional experience in the trade or field related to their teaching assignment, up to a maximum of ten (10) years. School nurses shall receive individual salaries based on experience, aligned with teachers' salaries with similar years of experience. Travel allowance for a registered nurse shall be \$600 per semester.

2.2 PLACEMENT

1. Adjustment on Salary Schedule

- (a) Any full-time employee hired before the 91st day will be given credit and placed in similar compensation the following year, with teachers having similar education and experience

2. Credit for Experience

New employees shall be placed in alignment with similar teachers based on their education and experience. Placement for experience will be at the discretion of the district and may include up to the full number of years of outside teaching experience.

3. Returning to the District

Any employee with previous teaching experience in the District shall be granted compensation in alignment with current employees with similar experience and education level, military experience, or alternative civilian service required by the Selective Service System.

2.3 ADVANCEMENT IN ALTERNATIVE SALARY SCHEDULE

1. Educational Lanes

Hours used for advancement on the salary schedule will be in the following guidelines:

- (a) Semester hours presented for advancement must be graduate hours earned through an accredited college or university.
- (b) Credit for advancement from one educational lane to a higher educational lane shall be granted if the semester hours earned are in the employee's teaching field or are accepted by the college or university for credit toward an advanced degree.

- (c) Exceptions to the above shall be granted should the semester hours be determined by the employee's building principal to benefit the employee's professional competence. The building principal will recommend credit for such semester hours on the salary schedule to the Superintendent.
- (d) Advancement to the MA lane shall be granted if the MA is in the employee's teaching field. An exception may be granted if prior written approval has been granted by the Superintendent. A copy of such approval shall be placed in the employee's personnel file.

2. Salary Adjustment

Employees seeking a lane advancement shall submit, on the form provided by the district, a request for lane advancement. Requests shall be submitted to the building principal no later than April 1st. Suitable evidence (i.e., student grade report) of additional credits must be filed with the Superintendent by September 10 if a salary adjustment is requested. After an official transcript is filed with the Superintendent, a new contract will be issued, and the employee's salary will be adjusted retroactively.

2.4 METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. Pay Periods

Employees will be paid every other Friday in twenty-six equal installments except where payment is delayed because of weather, computer breakdown or other causes beyond the employer's control. All employees will receive their paycheck by direct deposit. A payroll summary (check stub) will be sent to each employee via email throughout the calendar year. Twice each year, employees will receive three checks in a month. All payroll deductions will come from the first two checks and none from the third.

2. Termination

Each terminated employee may receive all or any part of such employee's earned, contracted salary on the pay period in the month following the date of termination.

2.5 EXTENDED CONTRACT RATE

The pay for an extended contract will be the per diem rate based on the Regular Program Salary, excluding TSS funds: 41,682

2.6 TEACHER SALARY SUPPLEMENT

Teacher Salary Supplement (TSS) - Annually appropriated and paid to the District in by Iowa Code Section 284.13(1)(h) (TSS) shall be distributed as follows: After payment of mandated salary minimums and net of Employer FICA IPERS contribution the remaining appropriation will be distributed 33% equally on a per capita (FTE) basis and 67% using the index of the Regular Program base salary unless a teacher can be paid for by categorical funds. The calculation will be made using staff certified under the Iowa code that

will be employed the following school year, and will also include an annual estimate of TSS expense for 4 phantom teachers, between 0 and 4, needed to cover new positions or lane changes at BA Step 1

2.7 GIVING UP A 40-MINUTE PLANNING PERIOD

The District will pay \$30 when a teacher has to give up an entire planning period (40 minutes) to cover for another absent teacher.

Preparation Time

A teacher who forgoes their preparation time in order to cover for another teacher's unfilled absence during that time will be reimbursed \$30 for the loss of their preparation time by completing a Substitute Pay by Period form.

Combining Classes

Teachers who cover for another teacher's unfilled absence for a half or full day, while also fulfilling their own teaching responsibilities, will be compensated according to the portion of the class that they are absorbing, as well as the length of time (elementary) or the number of class periods covered (secondary). The dollar amount will be a percentage of a substitute teacher's pay. This compensation applies when a teacher is directly supervising five or more additional students. For special education teachers, eligibility for compensation will be determined at the discretion of the building administrator based on the specific circumstances

Examples: Elementary

If a class is split 3 ways for the entire day, the covering teachers would receive $\frac{1}{3}$ of the sub pay, or \$46.66 each. If the class is split 2 ways, \$70 each. If another teacher is assuming all of another teacher's students, they would receive full-day substitute pay (\$140).

If a class is split three ways due to a specialist's absence, the covering specialist teachers would receive $\frac{1}{3}$ of the sub pay for the number of periods they are covering (for example, there are three periods at Lincoln, one for each grade level – \$16.66).

Examples: Secondary

Secondary teacher covers 1 period (Prep) = \$30

2 periods = 35

3 periods = 52.50

4 periods/ $\frac{1}{2}$ day = 70

Full day = 140 (full day sub pay)

2.8 ALTERNATIVE SALARY SCHEDULE

2026-27 Base Salary Schedule								
Column Increase	BA	BA+12	BA+24	BA+45/MA	MA+10	MA+20	MA+30	MA+40
Generator Base	\$35,835	\$37,627	\$39,419	\$41,210	\$43,002	\$44,794	\$46,586	\$48,377
TSS Base for New Hires (Base)	\$5,847	\$6,042	\$6,237	\$6,588	\$6,627	\$6,822	\$7,017	\$7,212
Combine TSS +Base Pay	\$41,682	\$43,669	\$45,656	\$47,798	\$49,629	\$51,616	\$53,603	\$55,589

State Minimums of \$50,000 (0-11 Years) and \$62,000 (12+ Years) will be met as required by Iowa law

Pool Amount Increase 2500

ARTICLE 3: SUPPLEMENTAL AND EXTRA DUTY

SECTION

3.1 SUPPLEMENTAL PAY

1. Supplemental Pay under Schedule F of the master contract will be: \$36,278.94
2. Employees who are requested by the district to assume any positions listed in Schedule F may accept a supplemental pay position for only one year at a time.

3.2 OTHER EXTRA DUTY

1. Volunteers: If the district determines that it does not have sufficient qualified non-employee volunteers, extra duty assignments for employees will be voluntary and will be made from the list of volunteers. If the district cannot find anyone from the volunteer list to work, they will have the right to assign the duty.
2. Employees will be compensated \$30.00 per assignment for all extra duty on a regular workday and \$35.00 per event on non-regular workdays. For events that last longer than three (3) hours, the employee will be compensated at the rate of \$8.00 per hour for each additional hour or part of the hour worked. Length of service at any given event will be determined by the principal or activities director.
3. Employees will be required to work one (1) extra duty assignment in exchange for one (1) adult athletic pass or up to four (4) extra duty assignments in exchange for four (4) adult or student athletic passes for their immediate family. If the employee wants passes, the employee must sign up for work events prior to October 1st.
4. Employees shall submit extra duty hours for payment monthly and will be reimbursed with the next possible payroll.
5. Every reasonable effort shall be made to place a reminder of such assignments in the employee's school email twenty-four (24) hours in advance.
6. A reasonable effort will be made to schedule these duties and post them within twenty (20) days after the beginning of the school year. It is recognized that all such assignments may not be anticipated and, therefore, a notice of other assignments not so posted will be given within a reasonable period, ten (10) days in advance, except in an emergency.
7. Class or Student Organization Sponsors, and Graduation, which has been usually and customarily performed by the employees, will continue to be performed by them at such reasonable times and places as are determined by the principal or superintendent.

SCHEDULE F

SCHEDULE F - PAGE 1															
2026-27															
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE															
CHARLES CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL															
BASE	LEVEL	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	Activities Schedule	Level	
\$36,278.94		15.0%	14.0%	10.0%	8.0%	7.0%	6.0%	5.0%	4.0%	3.0%	2.0%	1.0%	Middle School Band Director	D	
1	1.00	\$ 5,441.84	\$ 5,079.05	\$ 3,627.89	\$ 2,902.32	\$ 2,539.53	\$ 2,176.74	\$ 1,813.95	\$ 1,451.16	\$ 1,088.37	\$ 725.58	\$ 362.79	Orchestra Director	D	
2	1.04	\$ 5,659.51	\$ 5,282.21	\$ 3,773.01	\$ 3,018.41	\$ 2,641.11	\$ 2,263.81	\$ 1,886.50	\$ 1,509.20	\$ 1,131.90	\$ 754.60	\$ 377.30	Head Varsity Tennis Coach	D	
3	1.08	\$ 5,877.19	\$ 5,485.38	\$ 3,918.13	\$ 3,134.50	\$ 2,742.69	\$ 2,350.88	\$ 1,959.06	\$ 1,567.25	\$ 1,175.44	\$ 783.63	\$ 391.81	Head Varsity Golf Coach	D	
4	1.12	\$ 6,094.86	\$ 5,688.54	\$ 4,063.24	\$ 3,250.59	\$ 2,844.27	\$ 2,437.94	\$ 2,031.62	\$ 1,625.30	\$ 1,218.97	\$ 812.65	\$ 406.32	Middle School Football Coach	D	
5	1.16	\$ 6,312.54	\$ 5,891.70	\$ 4,208.36	\$ 3,366.69	\$ 2,945.85	\$ 2,525.01	\$ 2,104.18	\$ 1,683.34	\$ 1,262.51	\$ 841.67	\$ 420.84	Middle School Basketball Coach	D	
6	1.20	\$ 6,530.21	\$ 6,094.86	\$ 4,353.47	\$ 3,482.78	\$ 3,047.43	\$ 2,612.08	\$ 2,176.74	\$ 1,741.39	\$ 1,306.04	\$ 870.69	\$ 435.35	Middle School Wrestling Coach	D	
7	1.24	\$ 6,747.88	\$ 6,298.02	\$ 4,498.59	\$ 3,598.87	\$ 3,149.01	\$ 2,699.15	\$ 2,249.29	\$ 1,799.44	\$ 1,349.58	\$ 899.72	\$ 449.86	Middle School Volleyball Coach	D	
8	1.28	\$ 6,965.56	\$ 6,501.19	\$ 4,643.70	\$ 3,714.96	\$ 3,250.59	\$ 2,786.22	\$ 2,321.85	\$ 1,857.48	\$ 1,393.11	\$ 928.74	\$ 464.37	Middle School Track Coach	D	
9	1.32	\$ 7,183.23	\$ 6,704.35	\$ 4,788.82	\$ 3,831.06	\$ 3,352.17	\$ 2,873.29	\$ 2,394.41	\$ 1,915.53	\$ 1,436.65	\$ 957.76	\$ 478.88	High School Drama Director	D	
10	1.36	\$ 7,400.90	\$ 6,907.51	\$ 4,933.94	\$ 3,947.15	\$ 3,453.76	\$ 2,960.36	\$ 2,466.97	\$ 1,973.57	\$ 1,480.18	\$ 986.79	\$ 493.39	High School Yearbook (Annual) Director	E	
11	1.40	\$ 7,618.58	\$ 7,110.67	\$ 5,079.05	\$ 4,063.24	\$ 3,555.34	\$ 3,047.43	\$ 2,539.53	\$ 2,031.62	\$ 1,523.72	\$ 1,015.81	\$ 507.91	Assistant Varsity Soccer Coach	E	
													Middle School Cross Country Coach	E	
				EXTRA DUTY									Activities Schedule	Level	
													Assistant Varsity Cross Country Coach	E	
Chaperones \$30.00 per trip													Head Varsity Football Coach	A	Assistant Varsity Bowling Coach
													Head Varsity Basketball Coach	A	Assistant Middle School Volleyball Coach
													Head Varsity Boys Wrestling Coach	A	Assistant Middle School Basketball Coach
Chaperone means a Board designated supervisor who volunteers to accompany students (not including players) in a school bus to a school sponsored athletic event scheduled to be held outside the District.													Head Varsity Girls Wrestling Coach	A	High School Assistant Drama Director
													Head Varsity Volleyball Coach	A	High School Assistant Musical Director
													Head Varsity Baseball Coach	A	Assistant Varsity Tennis Coach
One chaperone per bus. \$30.00 per trip to be included in student fees.													Head Varsity Softball Coach	A	Assistant Varsity Golf Coach
													Head Track Coach	A	High School Speech Director
													Supervised Study Supervision		\$15.00 /hour
													High School Dance Chaperone		\$30.00 /event
													Middle School Dance Chaperone		\$30.00 /event
													Strength Room Supervisor		\$25.00 /hour
													Assistant Varsity Football Coach	C	Middle School Production Director
													Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach	C	Project Rise
													Assistant Varsity Basketball Coach	C	Middle School Robotics
													Assistant Varsity Softball Coach	C	High School Junior Class/Prom Director
													Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach	C	Skills USA
													Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach	C	High School Assistant Speech Director
													Assistant Varsity Track Coach	C	Middle School Yearbook (Annual) Director
													Head Varsity Soccer Coach	C	Middle School Assistant Production Director
													Head Bowling Coach	C	Assistant Spirit Team Coach
													High School Musical Director	C	K-6 Music
															DECA Director
															High School National Honor Society Director
															FCCLA
															Unified Champions Coach

ARTICLE 4: EMPLOYEE HOURS

SECTION

4.1 LENGTH OF DAY

The employee's usual workday shall consist of eight (8) hours except as otherwise provided in this Article.

4.2 ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL TIME

1. The arrival time for elementary teachers will be 7:40 AM. The dismissal time will be 3:40 PM.

2. The arrival time for secondary teachers will be 7:30 AM. The dismissal time will be 3:30 PM.

3. On days preceding non-work holidays, vacation periods, or Fridays, employees may leave after students have been dismissed.

4.3 LEAVING THE BUILDING

Employees may leave the building during the regular workday with permission from the Principal. The Principal may determine the procedure by which he/she will grant permission to leave the building and notify the employees of the procedure at the beginning of the school year.

4.4 LUNCH PERIOD

1. Each employee shall have a regularly scheduled duty-free lunch period of thirty consecutive minutes, between the time frame of 10:30 and 1:30. Employees can leave the building without requesting permission during their lunch period.

2. The exception to this provision would be when an employee is given reasonable notice to be 'on call' for duty.

3. The lunch period may be altered at the discretion of the principal to meet the needs of the District caused by a shortened school day.

4.5 PREPARATION TIME

1. Elementary teachers shall, in addition to their 30-minute duty-free lunch, have 150 minutes during the student day per week for preparation time. They shall not be assigned to any other duties during this time.

2. Middle school and high school teachers shall, in addition to their 30-minute duty-free lunch, have one class period per student day for preparation time. They shall not be assigned to any other duties during this time.

ARTICLE 5: WORK YEAR

SECTION

5.1 REGULAR SCHOOL YEAR

1. The regular work year for employees shall not exceed 187 contract days, except that first-year employees shall be required to attend two (2) additional orientation days preceding the first contract day.

2. The Superintendent will designate days for the kindergarten round-up and the pre-kindergarten project.

3. Parent-teacher conferences/ open house may be held in each of the elementary buildings. Should the district decide to hold these conferences, the elementary employees involved shall have a workday from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All other employees shall have a workday as covered in Article 7, Paragraph 2.

5.2 EXTENDED CONTRACT

The Board may issue a contract of over 187 days to selected employees.

5.3 NON-WORKDAYS

No employee shall be required to perform duties on Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, and other non-work days shown on the board-approved school calendar.

5.4 PAID HOLIDAYS

Employees shall receive Christmas Day as a paid holiday, reducing the work days to 186

5.5 SCHOOL CLOSINGS

1. If students are dismissed due to excessive heat, teachers will remain until the end of their regular workday. They will have the option of working at the HS or in an air-conditioned space at Washington, Lincoln, or the Middle School.

2. If one building loses power and classes are canceled only at that building, teachers at that building will finish their regular day planning or collaborating at one of the open buildings.

3. If students are dismissed due to any other event, teachers may leave 15 minutes after student dismissal, but will remain longer if necessary for the safety of the students.

ARTICLE 6: HEALTH & SAFETY

SECTION

6.1 WELLNESS PROGRAM

Should the district choose to provide a wellness program, it shall be voluntary. All personal information regarding personal wellness shall be handled in the strictest confidence.

6.2 REPORTING THREATS AND ASSAULTS

1. Employees who are threatened with harm must notify their Principal or an appropriate supervisor immediately.

2. Employees shall immediately report cases of assault suffered by them in connection with their employment to their Principal or other appropriate supervisor, or to the police.

6.3 USE OF REASONABLE FORCE

An employee may, within the scope of his employment, use and apply such amount of force as is reasonable, lawful, and necessary to quell a disturbance threatening physical injury to others; to obtain possession of weapons or other dangerous objects upon the person or within the control of the pupil; for self-defense; and for the protection of persons or property.

6.4 REASONABLE CARE

1. The Board will use reasonable and ordinary care to provide the employee with a safe place to work and safe place to work and safe equipment to work with - such equipment will be as has been provided in the past.

2. All employees shall endeavor to be alert to all practices, equipment or conditions, and to report any unsafe practices, equipment or conditions to their Principal.

6.5 BOMB SEARCH

No employee shall be required to search for a bomb.

6.6 EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

In the event of an emergency, the employee shall inform the administration.

6.7 FIRST AID

If first aid must be rendered, employees shall be required to provide assistance to the degree of competence.

ARTICLE 7: SICK LEAVE

SECTION

7.1 PERSONAL ILLNESS OR INJURY

1. Sick leave days may be used in either full or one-half day units for physical or mental personal illness, bodily injury, medically related disabilities, including disabilities resulting from pregnancy or childbirth, or contagious disease:

- a. which require the employee's confinement,
- b. which render the employee unable to perform assigned duties,
- c. when the performance of assigned duties would jeopardize the employee's health or recovery, or
- d. which require medical appointments or examinations.

2. An employee shall have fifteen (15) days of sick leave per year. The employee must have continuous service with the employer. During such continuous service, unused sick leave shall accumulate to the credit of the employee until a maximum of 135 days of leave is attained. Any employee may use such sick leave for the current year (15 days) before using such accumulated leave. An employee who has accumulated at least thirty (30) days of sick leave may elect to convert twelve (12) sick days into one (1) additional personal day for the current year or (20) sick days into 2 personal days. The employee must let the district know in writing by October 1 if he or she intends to convert sick days into additional personal day(s). Only one conversion of days can be made per year, resulting in 1 or 2 additional personal day(s) per year.

3.

- a. If an employee begins the school year with 10 personal days, they are ineligible to convert sick days into personal days.

4. The Board may, at its discretion and acting through the Superintendent, request a doctor's statement of the inability to perform the usual assignment. When requested and unfurnished, an amount equal to the pay for one day of service shall be deducted for each day of unexcused absence.

5. All accumulated sick leave is deposited into the sick bank upon the termination of the employee.

6. An employee laid off (reduction of staff) who has the right of recall does not accrue sick leave, and at the time of recall will be credited the same accumulated sick leave as such employees had at the time of layoff.

7. Present employees shall be credited with all unused sick leave.

8. The employer shall deduct one full day of sick leave for each day for which employees on workers' compensation elect to receive any district supplement to the workers' compensation as pay.

9. An employee may use up to twelve (12) weeks of the employee's available leave as paid leave due to medical disability related to pregnancy, childbirth, or a related condition, or care for a child after birth as maternity leave. The employee must submit a request to the superintendent no later than two (2) weeks before the use of maternity leave unless an unplanned or emergent situation arises, as determined solely by the superintendent. No paid leave will be deducted if an employee is not required to report to work. A leave of absence beyond the time of medical confinement for pregnancy and childbirth may be granted without salary or sick leave benefits for a period not to exceed one year. If an extended leave of absence is anticipated, a request for leave shall be filed with the Superintendent thirty (30) days prior to the anticipated absence, except in extenuating or emergent situations as determined solely by the Superintendent. If the leave taken under this section also qualifies as Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave, then the paid leave shall run concurrently with FMLA leave.

If an employee has less than 8 weeks of accumulated maternity leave, they may access the employee sick bank for up to 8 weeks, with their current accumulated leave deducted (leave includes sick days, personal days, and family illness days).

10. If an employee uses all of their accumulated sick leave days, the superintendent may grant additional sick leave days. If an individual has a catastrophic situation requiring significant extended sick leave, the superintendent, with permission from the affected individual, may request voluntary donations of sick leave from staff for use by the affected individual. The superintendent will determine the number of days to be granted on a case-by-case basis. Each staff member would be able to voluntarily donate up to 2 days of sick leave per request.

10. Adoption Leave

a. An employee may use up to five 5 days of paid sick leave to complete adoption procedures.

b. If pre-approved by the superintendent, an additional twenty-five (25) days of available paid leave will be granted after the adoption of a child for the purpose of caring for and bonding with the child. Available leave can include sick leave, family medical leave, or personal days.

c. Spouses may take a combined thirty (30) days of sick leave for the adoption of a child.

d. All applicable paid leave must be used for adoption leave.

7.2 MEDICALLY-RELATED DISABILITY

The on-the-job injury or off-the-job injury must be for a medically related disability. For such medically-related disability, the employee is granted a leave of absence with full pay for the duration of the employee's accumulated paid leave

ARTICLE 8: LEAVES OF ABSENCE

SECTION

PART A: TEMPORARY LEAVES OF ABSENCE PART B: EXTENDED LEAVES OF ABSENCE

PART A. TEMPORARY LEAVES OF ABSENCE

8.1 PRIOR NOTICE

1. An employee must complete a request for approval of absence from school duties on such forms as provided by the Board for all such absences. This form must be completed at least five (5) working days prior to the date of the absence whenever reasonably possible, except as otherwise provided in this Article.

2. If an employee expects to return to the assignment, the employee must notify the Principal of such intention by no later than 4:00 P.M. on the previous day. If the employee does not give the required notification of intent to return and a substitute subsequently reports for duty the following morning, the substitute will be paid for an additional half-day, and the pay for this will be deducted from the employee's salary.

3. This Section 16.1 applies to all provisions of this Article, whether Part A or Part B.

8.2 PERSONAL LEAVE

1. Two full days or four half days, consecutive or non-consecutive, will be granted with pay without cause.

2. A maximum of 2 employees from Lincoln Elementary and a

maximum total of 4 employees from each of Washington Elementary, Middle School, and High School may use personal leave prior to, or immediately following, a scheduled non-work holiday or vacation period.

3. An employee planning to use a personal leave day shall notify their Principal at least five (5) days in advance, when reasonably possible, except in emergencies.

4. This leave will be granted when a substitute is available or when an employee's assignments can be covered by the then available staff.

5. Unused personal leave may be accumulated at a rate of one day for each full day not used and half a day for each half-day not used. Days may be accumulated to a maximum of eight, and no more than eight days may be taken in any one year. After reaching the maximum number of eight days, unused personal leave may be converted to sick leave at the rate of one day for each full personal day not used. Consecutive personal days may not be taken in the last 4 weeks of the school year without the Principal's permission.

6. An employee may elect to be paid for unused personal days, in lieu of accumulating them, at a per diem rate. The employee must notify the employer of his/her desire for this option by the end of the school year.

7. After a day has been accumulated, it cannot be cashed in. Days earned in the current contract year shall be used first. Only these two days shall be eligible for the payment if unused at the year's end.

8.3 JURY DUTY

In the absence of extraordinary circumstances, teachers in the school system may be excused for jury duty. In order that no teacher shall suffer financial loss because of such absence, the difference between their normal salary and the compensation received for jury duty shall be paid.

8.4 PROFESSIONAL

1. The Superintendent may authorize leave for attendance of employees at state, regional, and national meetings or school visitations with pay.

2. All requests shall be in writing and made to the Superintendent through the Building Principal at least ten (10) days in advance of the first day of anticipated absence.

8.5 BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

1. Employees shall be granted up to ten (10) days per year, if necessary, with pay. In case of the death of an employee, student, or other closely related to the school system, the number of employees granted leave may be restricted depending on the availability of substitutes. An additional five (5) days may be granted with a substitute pay deduction.

2. In cases other than stated in section 16.6, paragraph 1, such leaves shall be charged against the employee's personal leave, if such absence is for a half-day or longer.

3. The provisions of paragraph 8.1 do not apply to this section 8.5.

8.6 FAMILY ILLNESS OR INJURY

1. Personnel shall be granted leave of absence at full pay for illness or injury of a member in the immediate family (father, mother, sibling, husband, wife, child, parent-in-law, son, or daughter-in-law, grandchild, step-child, step-parent, foster care child) limited to five (5) days per year. If more than five (5) days are needed, up to three (3) Employee sick days may be used in addition if necessary.

2. Superintendent may grant such leaves at full pay, which are not included in the above, for critical illness or injury, supported by a written statement (in advance if possible) from the attending physician certifying that the illness or injury was of a critical nature.

3. The provisions of paragraph 8.1 do not apply to this.

4. If an employee has exhausted his/her family illness leave and the employee has a catastrophic situation requiring extended family illness leave, the superintendent, at the request of the employee, may permit the employee to use additional sick leave days from his/her personal sick leave account for this catastrophic family illness. The superintendent will determine the number of personal sick leave days to be granted on a case-by-case basis. If the employee has already exhausted all of his/her personal sick leave days, the superintendent, with permission from the employee, may request voluntary donations of sick leave from staff for this catastrophic family illness, following the procedures and subject to the conditions set out in the preceding paragraph.

8.7 TEMPORARY PARENTAL LEAVE

1. For the birth of a child, the father shall be allowed to use up to five (5) days of sick leave for the purpose of caring for and bonding with the child. The provisions of Paragraph 8.1 (1) do not apply to this section 8.7.

PART B. EXTENDED LEAVES OF ABSENCE

8.8

1. Replacement on the salary schedule following an extended leave of absence shall be in accordance with the following procedure. This procedure shall pertain to all extended leaves unless designated otherwise. Sick leave accumulated prior to the granting of extended leave shall be retained by the employee. The examples below illustrate the re-entry procedure.

(a) An employee having completed less than one-half of the teacher contract period shall be placed in alignment with similar teachers based on their years of service and education level.

(b) An employee having completed one-half or more than One-half of the teacher contract period would be advanced and aligned with similar teachers based on their years of experience and educational level.

(c) An employee who has completed the teacher contract period in year Six of the schedule and has been granted a two-year leave of absence shall be placed in alignment with similar teachers based on their years of service and education level, with a seven-year experience level.

2. In the event the Board has entered into a written individual contract with a substitute for the teacher on leave, the teacher on leave will not be permitted to return to service prior to the conclusion of the substitute's contract. Every reasonable effort will be made by the Board to have the termination date for the substitute's contract to be the same as the date for the ending of the teacher's authorized leave.

8.9 ASSOCIATION

1. A leave of absence without pay for up to two (2) years shall be granted to any employee for the purpose of serving as an officer of the Association, its affiliates or its staff. Notice shall be given to the Superintendent not later than May 15 preceding the year of absence.

2. The Association shall have ten (10) days with pay to attend conferences, conventions, or other activities of the local, state, and national affiliated organizations.

3. The above-mentioned days may not be used for negotiations, grievance or arbitration procedures, fact-finding, or arbitration hearings under the Public Employment Relations Act.

8.10 FAMILY ILLNESS

A leave of absence without pay for up to one school year shall be granted for the purpose of caring for a sick or injured member of the employee's immediate family. The immediate family shall be defined as father, mother, sibling, spouse, child, stepchild, proposed adopted child, if living in the employee's home, parent-in-law, son-in-law, or daughter-in-law, brother-in-law or sister-in-law, or grandchild. Additional leave may be granted at the discretion of the Board.

Family Medical Leave Act

The Association and the District agree to comply with the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act. The District and any employee applying for leave under the Family Medical Act shall reduce the specifics of said leave to writing prior to commencement (or as soon as possible in cases of emergency). Nothing in the granting of this leave shall diminish the benefits or terms of the Master Contract.

8.11 EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT

1. A regularly employed teacher with three or more years of continuous service with the Board may be granted a year's academic leave of absence without pay for the purpose of furthering professional growth by means approved by the Superintendent.

2. Application for academic leave shall be made in writing prior to March 15 preceding the year for which such leave is requested.

8.12 MILITARY RESERVE DUTY

A leave of absence will be granted by the Superintendent for reservists for training purposes, but not for a period exceeding a total of thirty (30) days in any calendar year. Leaves for training purposes are granted without a loss of pay, but employees are expected to take such training during the times when school is not in session whenever possible. Section 8.8 does not apply to 8.12.

8.13 MILITARY SERVICE

Leaves of absence will be granted by the Superintendent for military purposes, not to exceed the enlistment or draft period. On completion of the military service, the employee is entitled to reinstatement to the same benefits he would have received had he not taken such leave, but subject to the following conditions: That the position was not abolished; that he is physically and mentally capable of performing the duties of the position; that he makes written application for the reinstatement to the Superintendent within ninety (90) days after the termination of military services; and, that he submits an honorable discharge from the military service.

8.14 PARENTAL

A leave of absence for up to one school year may be granted without pay for the purpose of caring for a child, stepchild, proposed adopted child, or grandchild. If any of this leave also qualifies as FMLA leave, the leave taken pursuant to this section shall run concurrently with FMLA leave.

8.15 GOOD CAUSE

Other temporary or extended leave of absence without pay may be granted in writing by the Superintendent for good reason.

8.16 CHARLES CITY SICK BANK

A sick leave bank shall be established for all employees of the Charles City Community School District. The single district sick bank accepts donations and requests for usage from all classifications of employees.

Any unused sick days from an employee who is retiring or resigning will automatically be submitted to the sick bank. Individual carry-over days, beyond the 135 days at the end of the school year, will be deposited into the sick bank. The sick leave bank will not have a limit to the number of days that can be donated or accumulated. Any donated and unused days in the bank will carry over in full from year to year.

When an employee has exhausted all of their accumulated personal illness days and has a catastrophic personal or family illness that requires leave, they may request the use of additional leave days from the sick leave bank. An employee can request up to a maximum of twenty (20) days in any one request. An individual approved for use of the sick leave bank may make an additional request if the previously approved amount of days is exhausted and additional leave is necessary. Requests will be made in writing to the Administrator stating the reason for requesting days and the number of days requested. This will go to the superintendent for final approval. If a sick bank leave request is denied by the administration, the employee may request an appeal. The employee can make an appeal request in writing to the superintendent. The superintendent will convene a committee that includes the superintendent, one administrator not previously involved in the decision, one representative selected by the school board, one representative selected by the teachers' association, and one representative selected by the support staff association. This 5-person committee will discuss the request and decide on approval or denial. The decision of the committee will be final.

ARTICLE 9: DISTRICT AND ASSOCIATION COMMUNICATIONS

SECTION

9.1 MEETINGS WITH DISTRICT AND ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP

Meetings may be requested by the District or the Association leadership. Meeting times and locations must be agreed to jointly by the District and the Association. These meetings shall be held from time to time as requested by the Association or District. The meetings shall be held in a reasonably timely manner when requested.

ARTICLE 10: GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

SECTION

10.1 DEFINITIONS

1. GRIEVANCE

"A grievance is a claim made by an employee or the Association that there has been a violation of a specific provision of this agreement."

2. AGGRIEVED PERSON

An "aggrieved person" is the employee or the Association making the complaint.

3. PARTY IN INTEREST

A "party in interest" is the employee making the complaint and any person, including the Association or the Board, who might be required to take action, or against whom action might be taken to resolve the complaint.

10.2 PURPOSE

(a) The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, solutions to the problems that may, from time to time, arise affecting employees. Both parties agree that these proceedings will be kept as informal and confidential as may be appropriate at any level of the procedure. Confidentiality means only that there will be no release to the news media.

(b) To accomplish this purpose, each grievance will state the name of the employee involved and shall contain a short, concise statement of alleged facts in sufficient detail so that the employer will know the nature of the grievance.

10.3 PROCEDURE

1. TIME LIMITS

Every reasonable effort should be made to expedite the grievance procedure. The time limits specified may, however, be extended by mutual agreement.

2. YEAR-END GRIEVANCE

In the event a grievance is filed at such a time that it cannot be processed through all the steps in this grievance procedure by the end of the school year, the time limits set forth herein shall be reduced so that the grievance procedure may be exhausted before the end of the school year or within a maximum of 45 days thereafter.

3. IDENTIFICATION

For identification purposes, each written grievance filed will be assigned a number by the Association president or his designee, and the number will be placed on the grievance before it is presented at Level Two.

4. FILING OF GRIEVANCE

(a) A written grievance shall be filed within 25 school days after the date of the alleged violation as outlined in the grievance and, if not so filed, that grievance shall be void and of no force or effect and shall not be a subject or part of the grievance procedure; provided, however, any clerical mistake in the calculation of the employee's pay shall be corrected as of the date the mistake was made, subject, to the statute of limitations as provided by the laws of the State of Iowa.

(b) All counterparts of the grievance will be processed at all levels and one counterpart shall be retained by the grievant, one by the Association, one by the Superintendent, at the time said grievance has been processed to all levels before arbitration. A photocopy may be furnished to the arbitrator.

10.4 LEVELS

1. LEVEL ONE - PRINCIPAL (INFORMAL)

An employee with a grievance shall first discuss it with his principal, either directly or through the Association's designated representative, to resolve the matter

informally.

2. LEVEL TWO - PRINCIPAL (FORMAL)

If, as a result of the informal discussion with the principal at Level One, a grievance still exists, the aggrieved person may invoke the formal grievance procedure through the Association on the form outlined in Schedule A. A grievance filed by any employee or the Association on any form different than Schedule A shall be void, and it shall not be processed through the grievance procedure. The grievance form shall be available from the Association president or his designees, and said form shall be made in triplicate; one copy to be filed with the appropriate principal and one copy to be filed with the Association president. If the grievance involves more than one school building, one copy shall be filed with the Superintendent and one copy with the Association President. The appropriate principal shall indicate his disposition of the grievance in writing within ten (10) school days of the presentation of the formal Grievance and shall furnish a copy thereof to the Association. If the aggrieved person or the Association is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance, or if no disposition has been made within the ten (10) school day period, the grievance shall be transmitted to Level Three.

If the grievance is not processed to Level Three within ten (10) school days after the written disposition is made, the grievance shall be conclusively deemed to have been satisfactorily resolved and settled.

3. LEVEL THREE - SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent shall meet with the aggrieved person and the Association's representative within five (5) school days of receipt of the grievance. Within ten (10) school days of receipt of the grievance, the Superintendent shall indicate his disposition of the grievance in writing and shall furnish a copy thereof to the Association and Board.

If the grievance is not processed to Level Four within forty-five (45) calendar days after the Superintendent's written disposition is made, the grievance shall be conclusively deemed to have been satisfactorily resolved and settled.

4. LEVEL FOUR - ARBITRATION

(a) No grievance shall be processed to arbitration except with the written approval of the Association.

(b) Within ten (10) school days after written notice to the Board of submission to arbitration, the Board and the Association shall attempt to agree upon a mutually acceptable arbitrator and shall obtain a commitment from the said arbitrator. In case of failure to so agree or obtain such a commitment within the specified period, a written request for a list of arbitrators shall be made to the Public Employment Relations Board (PER Board) by either party. The list shall consist of seven (7) arbitrators, and the parties shall determine by lot which party shall have the right to remove the first name from the list. The party has the right to remove the first name and shall do so within three

(3) school days upon receipt of the list. The parties shall proceed, striking alternately. The person whose name remains shall be the arbitrator.

(c) The arbitrator so selected shall hold a hearing promptly and shall issue his written decision not later than twenty (20) school days from the date of the close of such hearing; provided, however, the parties may by mutual, written agreement waive the oral hearing, and in such event, the arbitrator will issue his decision not later than twenty

(20) school days from the date the final statements on the issues are submitted to him by each party. Both parties shall submit their final statement to the arbitrator within five (5) school days after the date of such waiver of oral hearings, after which, both parties will have two (2) school days to file a rebuttal. A copy of all statements presented to the arbitrator will, at the same time, be furnished to the other party. The arbitrator's decision shall be in writing and shall set forth his findings of fact, reasoning, and conclusions on the issues submitted. The decision shall be signed by the arbitrator and furnished by him to each party.

(d) The arbitrator shall be without power or authority to add to, detract from, amend, modify, nullify or ignore the provisions of this agreement. His authority shall be strictly limited to deciding only the issues presented to him in the grievance, and

his decision shall be based solely and only upon his interpretation and construction of the meaning or the application of the express relevant language of the agreement. The arbitrator's decision shall be final and binding when rendered by the terms of this agreement.

(e) Not more than one grievance may be arbitrated at one arbitration hearing except by mutual agreement. An "arbitration hearing" shall be an occasion wherein the arbitrator shall be scheduled on a certain date to meet with the parties to hear one grievance which may have been properly processed to the point of arbitration under the provisions of this article. Such hearings shall be of such duration as the arbitrator shall determine what is necessary for a proper presentation hearing. No more than one arbitration hearing shall be held during any ten (10) school day period.

(t) The costs for the services of the arbitrator, including reasonable expenses, and the costs of the hearing room, shall be paid equally by the Association and the Board. Any other expenses incurred shall be paid by the party incurring the same.

(g) Arbitration hearings will not be scheduled during school hours without mutual agreement of the Association and Board.

10.5 RIGHTS OF EMPLOYEES

1. EMPLOYEE AND ASSOCIATION

(a) Any aggrieved person may be represented at all stages of the grievance procedure by the grievant or by a representative selected or approved by the Association.

(b) All employees on layoff or leave of absence shall have the right to file grievances.

2. GUARANTEED RIGHTS

The employee, the Association, and the Board and District will have all the rights guaranteed by the PERA, Chapter 20, Code of Iowa.

3. GROUP GRIEVANCE

If, in the judgment of the Association, a grievance affects a group or class of employees, the Association may submit such grievance in writing to the Superintendent directly, and the processing of such grievance shall be commenced at Level Three. The Association may process such a grievance through all levels of the grievance procedure.

4. SEPARATE GRIEVANCE FILE

All documents, communications, and records dealing with the processing of a grievance shall be filed in a separate grievance file.

5. MEETINGS AND HEARINGS

All meetings and hearings under this procedure shall be conducted in private and shall include only witnesses, the parties in interest, and their designated or elected representatives.

SCHEDULE A

NO. _____

CHARLES CITY COMMUNITY
SCHOOL DISTRICT

_____BUILDING

Distribution of Form

1. Association
2. Employee
3. Principal
4. Superintendent

Name of Aggrieved Person _____

LEVEL TWO

A. Date of Violation Occurred _____

B. Section(s) of Contract Violated _____

C. Statement of Grievance• _____

D. Relief Sought* _____

Signature _____ Date _____

E. Disposition by Principal* _____

Signature _____ Date _____

REQUEST TO SUBMIT TO
LEVEL III

LEVEL THREE

- A. _____
Signature of Aggrieved Person Date Received by Supt.
- B. Disposition by Superintendent or Designee* _____

Signature of Supt. or Designee

Date

*If additional space is needed, attach additional sheets.

LEVEL FOUR - ARBITRATION

Arbitrator's Disposition and Award may be attached hereto.

ARTICLE 11: DURATION AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SECTION

11.1 SEPARABILITY

Should any article, section, or clause of this agreement be declared illegal by a court of competent jurisdiction, then that article, section, or clause shall be deleted from this agreement to the extent that it violates the law. The remaining article, sections, and clauses shall remain in full force and effect. If any court of competent jurisdiction should invalidate any portion of this agreement, the Association and the Board will meet within a reasonable time to negotiate on the provisions so invalidated.

11.2 DURATION

1. This Agreement shall be effective on the 1st day of July 2026 and shall continue in force and effect until the 30th day of June 2027. During the term of this agreement, all articles shall remain under the current contract, except for the following: The parties agree that Article Two Wages and Salaries, and the alternative salary schedule shall be open to negotiation and other articles mutually agreed upon for the 2022-23 Master contract and all following contract years.

2. All extended leaves of absence granted under this agreement shall be in force beyond the duration of this agreement.

3. This agreement shall be automatically renewed from year to year thereafter unless either party shall notify the other in writing that it desires to modify this agreement. If such notice is given, negotiations shall proceed under Chapter 20 of the Code of Iowa.

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May 27, 2026

Charles City Community School District

Tentative Agreement for the Master Contract 2026 – 2027 to the Charles City Education Association

Pool Amount Increase \$2500

Amend Article 2, Section 2.7, Increase Compensation for subbing from \$15 to \$30 dollars per period of coverage, reference the example below.

Examples: Elementary

If a class is split 3 ways for the entire day, the covering teachers would each receive $\frac{1}{3}$ of the sub pay, or \$46.66. If the class is split 2 ways, \$70 each. If another teacher is assuming all of another teacher's students, they would receive full-day substitute pay (\$140).

If a class is split three ways due to a specialist's absence, the covering specialist teachers would receive $\frac{1}{3}$ of the sub pay for the number of periods they are covering (for example, there are three periods at Lincoln, one for each grade level – \$16.66).

Examples: Secondary

Secondary teacher covers 1 period (Prep) = \$30

2 periods = 35

3 periods = 52.50

4 periods/ $\frac{1}{2}$ day = 70

Full day = 140 (full day sub pay)

Schedule F

Increase the base for schedule F by to \$36,278.94 and add step 11 at 1.40 increase for veteran coaches

Add

Unified Champions Coach to Schedule F at the activities level K

Article 5

Section 5.4 Added PAID HOLIDAYS

Employees shall receive Christmas Day as a paid holiday, reducing the work days to 186

Section 7.1

2. An employee who has accumulated at least thirty (30) days of sick leave may elect to convert twelve (12) sick days into one (1) additional personal day for the current year or **(20) sick days into 2 personal days**. The employee must let the district know in writing by October 1 if he or she intends to convert **sick days into** additional personal day(s). Only one conversion of days can be made per year, resulting in **1 or 2** additional personal day(s) per year.

Duration

This Agreement shall be effective on the 1st day of July 2026 and shall continue in force and effect until the 30th day of June 2029. During the term of this agreement, all articles shall remain under the current contract, except for the following: The parties agree that Wages and Salaries and Schedule F shall be open to negotiation, and other articles mutually agreed upon for the 2026-27 Master Contract and all following contract years.