HUMAN RESOURCES SERVICES

Request approval of the following Human Resources Services Items:

G. Personnel Actions as presented in Human Resources Services Exhibit E.

(Purpose: To approve Resignations, Retirements, Terminations, Employment, Leaves of Absence, and/or Change of Position/Status/Salary.)

H. First Reading of revised Policy 347 – Transitional Return-to-Work Program (Reference Human Resources Exhibit F).

(Purpose: This policy is being revised to update the IU13 procedure. This policy was last updated April 2012.)

HUMAN RESOURCES SERVICES ADDENDUM PERSONNEL ITEMS: EMPLOYMENT

#	First Name	Last Name	Position	Program	Department	Effective Date	Salary	Step	Days of Service	Reason
	1 TONYA	ARTUS	SEC SPECIAL EDUCATION	AUTISTIC SUPPORT	ECSES	08/04/2025	\$96,847.00	M+15/16	195	Filling Vacancy
	2 LACY	JACKSON	HEALTH CARE ASSISTANT	MULTIPLE DISABILITIES SUPPORT	ECSES	08/04/2025	\$29.64 /hour	08	185	Filling Vacancy
	3 DAVID	MENDEZ	CUSTODIAN		TS	05/12/2025	\$20.67 /hour		260	Filling Vacancy
	4 BROOKE	WEISS	SUB DAILY PARAPROFESSIONAL		HRS	05/27/2025	\$115.00 /day		185	New - Program Need

HUMAN RESOURCES SERVICES ADDENDUM PERSONNEL ITEMS: CHANGE OF POSITION, STATUS, OR SALARY

CHANGE OF POSITION:													
#	First Name	Last Name	FROM - Position	Program	Department	TO-Position	Program	Department	Effective Date	Salary	Step Da	ys of	Reason
											Sei	vice	
	1 MARGARET	ANASTASIO	PROGRAM DIRECTOR		ECSES	DIRECTOR OF ECSES -		ECSES	07/01/2025	\$170,000.00			Filling Vacancy
						SCHOOL AGE							
	2 LAWRENCE	BOPP	SEC SPECIAL EDUCATION	I	ECSES	INTERIM SUPERVISOR OF		ECSES	05/09/2025	\$ 103,969.00			Filling Vacancy
						SPECIAL EDUCATION			Through Close of				
									24-25 School Year				
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	3 JEREMY	SWEIGART	PROGRAM DIRECTOR		ECSES	DIRECTOR OF ECSES -		ECSES	07/01/2025	\$160,000.00			New - Program
						EARLY CHILDHOOD							Need



Policy: 347 Section: 300 Employees

Proposed Revised Policy – First Reading 5/14/25 (markups shown)

Workers' Compensation Transitional Return-to-Work Program

<u>Purpose</u>

A workers' compensation <u>The</u> transitional return-to-work program is <u>intended to return</u> <u>eligible_the safe, timely return of injured</u> Intermediate Unit employees <u>to modified duty</u>, <u>light duty</u>, or regular employment, as recommended by the employee's healthcare provider, and through the interactive process. to transitional or regular employment.

<u>Authority</u>

In an effort to <u>control workers' compensation costs</u> <u>explore reasonable accommodations</u> <u>under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)</u>, <u>employees who have been injured at</u> work and are covered by workers' compensation return to work as soon as possible, in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulations, <u>this policy shall apply to</u> <u>any employee who meets all of the following conditions</u>:

This shall apply only to an employee who meets all of the following conditions: 2.1. Has been injured at work.or ill,

3.2. Is disabled as defined under <u>applicable state and federal laws</u>, the state Workers' Compensation Act.

- 4.3. Is capable of productive work,-
- 5.4. Cannot return to his/her pre-injury/pre-illness job for the Intermediate Unit with or without reasonable accommodations because of his/her injury/illness, and as a result of his/her work injury.
- 6.5. Is expected to be able to return to his/her pre-injury/pre-illness job within a definite period. of time.

7.—Is being paid workers' compensation disability benefits.

An employee shall not be eligible for continuation in the transitional return-to-work program if one (1) of the following determinations is made:

- 1. <u>The Ee</u>mployee <u>cannot is not medically able to perform the assigned modified duty or light er</u> duty work.
- 2. The Eemployee fails to follow his/her healthcare provider's recommendations and creates a significant risk of substantial harm to the health and safety of himself/herself and others that cannot be remedied by a reasonable accommodation. [29 C.F.R. 1630.2(r)].
- 2.3. The employee will be unable to return to his/her pre-injury/pre-illness occupation with or without reasonable accommodations within a reasonable period of time.

The work that is offered to an <u>injured/ill_eligible</u> employee shall be productive, <u>meaningful</u> work that will advance the <u>interests mission</u>, <u>vision</u>, <u>and goals</u> of the Intermediate Unit.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Executive Director <u>or designee</u> shall determine if <u>modified duty or</u> a lighter duty job will be offered to an eligible employee.

The Executive Director <u>or designee</u> shall establish a transitional return-to-work program and develop administrative regulations to implement the Board policy.

The Executive Director or designee shall ensure that all staff responsible for the returnto-work program shall receive periodic training from legal counsel with expertise in the Family and Medical Leave Act, Americans With Disabilities Act, Workers' Compensation Act, and labor relations. The Training shall include information on the interaction of the transition return-to-work program and applicable laws, contracts, and collective bargaining agreements.

Guidelines

The transitional return-to-work program and Board policy shall be implemented in a manner that does not conflict with applicable laws, contracts or collective bargaining agreements.

Nothing in this policy shall be construed as requiring that <u>modified duty or</u> a lighter duty job be provided to an eligible employee or that the essential functions of any job be eliminated. <u>Modified duty and/or Lighter duty jobs are intended as a transitional opportunity to assist an eligible injured employee to return to his/her pre-injury/pre-illness occupation with or without reasonable accommodation(s).</u>

Legal References:	29 CFR Part 825
	<u>29 U.S.C. 2601 et seq</u>
	<u>42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq</u>
	45 CFR Part 160

45 CFR Part 164

77 P.S. 1 et seq

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