### AGREEMENT

#### between

### HUDSON AREA SCHOOLS

## HEREINAFTER referred to as the "Employer"

and

# THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 324

## HERINAFTER referred to as the "Union"

July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2024

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**Purpose** 

It is the purpose of this Agreement to promote and insure harmonious relations cooperation and understanding between the Employer and the Employees covered hereby, to insure true collective bargaining and to establish standards of wages, hours, working conditions, and other conditions of employment.

Union Recognition	4203
Union Recognition	4203.1

The Employer hereby recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive collective bargaining agent of the employees covered by this Agreement for the purpose of collective bargaining with respect to rates of pay, wages, hours of employment and other conditions of employment.

The term "employee" as used here in, shall include all Building Engineers and Custodians, employees of the Employer.

Visitation

Upon request by the Union and the presentation of proper credentials, officers or accredited representatives of the Union shall be admitted into the buildings of the school system during working hours for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not this Agreement is being observed by the parties or for assisting in the adjusting of grievances, provided, that said observation shall not be in areas which would be detrimental to the management and function of the school and its students.

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It is agreed between the parties that any employee who is covered by this Agreement and works less than the established hours in his/her classification shall be entitled to a pro-rated portion of all of the benefits as provided under this Agreement, based on the hours the employee works for the Employer.

<b>Rights of the Board of Education</b>	4205
Changes	4205.1

# The Board of Education has the right to changes its policies, including those policies which effect salaries, fringe benefits, and other terms and conditions of employment, if such changes do not conflict with the express terms of the Agreement.

#### Employment

To hire all employees and subject to the provisions of the law, to determine their qualifications and the conditions for their continued employment, or their dismissal or demotion; and to promote, and transfer all such employees. Legal Rights

The Board, on its own behalf and on behalf of the electors of the district, hereby, retains and reserves unto itself, without limitation, all powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities conferred upon and vested in it by the laws and the Constitution of the State of Michigan and of the United States, including but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the rights:

#### Limitation

To determine work load, hours of employment, and the duties, responsibilities, and assignment of employees covered under this Agreement. The exercise of the foregoing rights, authority, duties and responsibilities by the Board, the adoption of policies, rules, regulations and practices in furtherance thereof, and the use of judgment and discretion in connection there with shall be limited only by the specific and express terms of this Agreement and then only to the extent such specific and express terms hereof are not in conflict with the Constitution and laws of the State of Michigan and the Constitution and laws of the United States.

#### Management

To executive management, and administrative control of the school system and its properties and facilities and the activities of its employees during the school day.

#### Evaluation

The parties recognize the importance and value of a procedure for assisting and evaluating the progress and success of experienced personnel; therefore, each employee will be formally evaluated at least once during each contract year. The evaluator will be the Maintenance Supervisor in cooperation with the principal where the individual being evaluated performs his/her major duties or is assigned. The employee shall receive a copy of their evaluation.

#### **Contractual Work**

The right of contracting or subcontracting is vested in the Employer as permissible by law.

#### **Discipline and Discharge**

Dismissal, or suspension, and/or other disciplinary action shall be for stated causes. Written notice of such action by Superintendent or Board will be sent to the employee and Union within two (2) school days of the occurrence. Job descriptions, rules of employment and written orders of the supervisors will determine cause of such action. Verbal orders should be obeyed or above

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procedures will be instituted. When an employee receives a written reprimand, the Union will receive a copy of the reprimand.

Grievance Procedure	4208
Definitions	<u>4208.1</u>
Grievance	<u>4208.1a</u>
A grievance shall be defined as an alleged violation, misinterpretation, or misapplicat express terms of this Agreement.	ion of the
Timing	<u>4208.1b</u>
The time elements in the steps can be shortened or extended upon mutual agreement be parties.	tween the
Work Days	<u>4208.1c</u>
Working days shall be defined as those days that the Central Office is open.	
<u>Safety</u>	<u>4208.1d</u>
A grievance concerning alleged safety hazards may be processed directly to Step Th Grievance Procedure, providing all procedures of 4219 are followed.	ree of the

Limitation

Any employee grievance or Union grievance not presented for disposition through the grievance procedure in five (5) working days of the occurrence of the condition giving rise to the grievance, or within five (5) working days of the date it is reasonable to assume that the employee became aware of the condition giving rise to the grievance, unless the circumstances made it impossible for the employee or the Union, as the case may be, to know prior to the date that there were grounds for such a claim, the grievance shall not hereafter be considered a grievance under this Agreement.

Step One

Any employee having a grievance shall discus the grievance informally with his/her supervisor and then if the grievance is not settled orally the employee may request a meeting with the Steward.

The Steward then shall submit the grievance in writing to the immediate supervisor stating the remedy or correction requested, plus the facts upon which the grievance is based and the alleged contract violation. The employee and the Steward shall sign the grievance.

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#### Step Two

The Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds shall then within two (2) working days meet with the Steward to discuss the grievance.

The Supervisor of Building and Grounds shall then give his decision in writing within two (2) working days of his meeting with the Steward.

#### Step Three

Any appeal of a decision rendered by the Supervisor of Building and Grounds shall be presented in writing and state the reason or reasons why the decision of the Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds was not satisfactory.

#### Step Four

The Superintendent of Schools shall meet with a Business Representative of the Union at a time mutually agreeable to them, but no later than fifteen (15) days following receipt of the appeal.

The Superintendent of Schools shall give his/her decision in writing relative to the grievance within five (5) working days of the meeting with the Business Representative of the Union.

#### Step Five

If the decision of the Superintendent of Schools is unsatisfactory, an appeal must be presented in writing relative to the grievance within five (5) working days of receipt of the decision of the Superintendent of Schools to the Board of Education. The appeal must be in writing stating the reason or reasons why the decision of the Superintendent of Schools was unsatisfactory. The Board of Education shall meet with a Business Representative of the Union at a time mutually agreeable to both parties, but no later than thirty (30) days from the date of the receipt of the appeal. The Board of Education shall give a decision in writing relative to the grievance within five (5) working days of the Business Representative's meeting with the Board of Education.

#### Step Six

If the grievance is not resolved through Step Five, then the parties shall within ten (10) days of the Unions receipt of Managements Step Five answer, request the assistance of a Michigan Employment Relations Commission (MERC) mediator. Such mediation will commence as soon as possible. The Board of Education and the Union may mutually agree to waive mediation. If the mediation results in a satisfactory settlement, then the parties shall reduce it to writing. If no settlement is reached, the grievance shall proceed to the next step in the procedure.

#### Step Seven

If the appealing party is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance through the services of Michigan Employment Relations Commission (MERC), then within fifteen (15) days from the

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date of conclusion of the last meeting of mediation, the grievance may be submitted to Arbitration. The parties agree to follow the procedures of the American Arbitration Association in the selection of an arbitrator.

The Arbitrator, the Union or the Employer may call any employee as a witness in any arbitration hearing. Each party shall be responsible for the expenses of the witnesses that they may call.

The Arbitrator shall not have jurisdiction to, subtract from or modify any of the terms of this Agreement or any written amendments hereof, or to specify the terms of a new Agreement, or to substitute his discretion for that of any of the parties hereto.

The fees and expenses of the Arbitrator shall be borne equally by the parties.

The Arbitrator shall render his decision in writing no later than thirty (30) days from the conclusion of the arbitration hearing.

#### **Binding Decision**

The decision of the Arbitrator shall be final and conclusive and binding upon all Employees, the Employer and the Union, (unless found contrary to law by a court of competent jurisdiction).

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The Employer will pay regular pay for the following holidays, even though no work is performed by the employee:

New Year's Eve Day	Thanksgiving Day
New Year's Day	The Day After Thanksgiving
Memorial Day	Christmas Eve Day
July Fourth	Christmas Day
Labor Day	Good Friday

In the event that Good Friday is dismissed as a holiday, the employee's birthday would replace the Good Friday holiday.

#### Triple Time

Employees required to work on any of the above named holidays shall receive double time for hours worked in addition to the regular holiday pay.

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#### Equivalency - Vacation or Sick

If an employee is on vacation or sick leave on any of the above named holidays, they shall be entitled to an additional day off with pay for the holiday or shall receive regular pay for the holiday.

#### Equivalency – Weekend

When the scheduled holiday falls on a Saturday, the employee shall receive the Friday prior to the holiday off with pay; in the event that the scheduled holiday fall on a Sunday, the employee shall receive the Monday after the holiday off with pay. If either the Friday prior to the holiday or the Monday after the holiday are school session days, the employee shall then be granted another day at a later date that is mutually agreeable to the employee and the Employer.

#### Medical Proof

Insurance

Employees off sick on the holiday or the day before or after the holiday may be required to submit medical proof of illness to receive holiday pay.

# The Board will provide all full-time full year bargaining unit members the following insurance benefits:

Medical/hospitalization – The board will pay the statutory cap amount. The employee is responsible for any amount above the statutory cap. Dental Life Insurance (term, in the amount of \$20,000 per employee) Vision Long term Disability

Current full-time employees who are moved to part-time will have their insurance prorated.

If no hospitalization is used, a tax-sheltered annuity will be provided at two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).

#### Sick Leave/Premium

After an employee (five years or more) has utilized all of their district sick leave and FMLA and is still hospitalized or unable to return to work, (understanding: the employee will be able to return to work when physically and/or mentally able) the district may pay for the first three (3) months premium of medical insurance for the employee with the stipulation the employee will pay back the full cost/100% of the premiums upon returning to work. A schedule of payments will be negotiated on an individual basis.

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Regular Hours 4211.1	<u>1</u>
<u>Week</u> <u>4211.1a</u>	<u>a</u>
The full-time regularly scheduled workweek shall consist of forty (40) hours beginning at 12:01 a.m. Monday and ending one hundred twenty-seven (127) hours thereafter. Regular workweek will include Friday 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Saturday.	
<u>Day</u> <u>4211.1b</u>	<u>b</u>
The normal workday for full-time employees shall be eight (8) consecutive hours plus an unpaid lunch period, which shall be mutually agreeable to the employee and the Board.	d
<u>Change</u> <u>4211.1c</u>	<u>c</u>
When special maintenance duties or specific assignments are required that would deviate from the employee's normal job assignment, the supervisor shall schedule these changes.	e
Overtime 4211.2	<u>2</u>
Time And A Half 4211.2a	<u>a</u>
Time and a half $(1 \ 1/2)$ will be paid for all time worked in excess of eight (8) hours in a twenty- four (24) hour period; all time worked in excess of forty (40) hours in one work week for which overtime has not already been earned.	
Double Time 4211.2b	<u>b</u>

Double time will be paid for all hours worked on Sunday, when such hours are overtime.

Rest Periods	<u>4211.2c</u>
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Each employee covered by this Agreement shall receive one (1) fifteen (15) minute rest period during the first four (4) hours worked per day; and one (1) fifteen (15) minute rest period during the second four (4) hours worked per day.

#### Call Back and Weekend Check

Whenever an employee is required to return to work after completion of the regularly scheduled working hours, they shall receive pay for the actual time worked at time-and-one-half the regular rate or minimum of two hours pay at his/her straight time hourly rate, whichever is greater.

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The respective building engineers and system engineer (4) shall be reimbursed \$8 for each weekend building check. (Maximum one hundred fourteen [114] checks per year per building.)

The compensation is an auto expense allowance to check boilers during the heating season and building checks throughout the school year. The building engineers and system engineer will equally share the building checks and additional pay allotted. Six hundred eighty four (\$684) dollars per person per year.

The two (2) Building Engineers and two (2) Utility Custodians will receive travel expense of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) per year for the use of their own personal vehicle for school business.

#### Distribution of Overtime

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Overtime shall be divided and rotated as equally as possible within the district according to seniority and among those employees who regularly perform such work. When overtime is awarded, it will be awarded in order from the most senior to the least senior employee. An employee refusing overtime must wait until the next overtime rotation to have an opportunity to be awarded overtime.

When the list of employees eligible for overtime has been exhausted (because of refusals of overtime, etc.) the overtime will be required to be taken by the least senior employee. In the event of a breakdown of the equipment in the building or the need to take care of a problem in the building.

- 1. When non-school groups use the building and are paying for use of facilities.
- 2. When school or civic groups of forty or more use the kitchen, cafeteria, or gym area.
- 3. Immediately before vacation periods, overtime will not be authorized unless the facility is being used for instructional purposes the following school day.

#### Notification

An employee shall be expected to notify their Supervisor in the event s/he is not able to report to work or is leaving before completion of regularly assigned hours. Attempts should be made two hours prior or as soon as possible.

#### Jurisdiction

Employees of the Employer not covered by the terms to the Agreement may temporarily perform work covered by this Agreement only for the purposes of instructional training, experimentation or in cases of emergency, except in the cases of the Grounds Maintenance Man and the temporary help who shall continue to perform work as has been historically performed in past years provided there is no discrimination against the employees covered by this Agreement.

Leaves	4213

#### Sick Leave Bank

Each employee shall earn Sick Leave days at the rate of one (1) per month, twelve (12) days per year to a maximum accumulation of sixty (60) days. Those employees who presently have an accumulation in excess of sixty (60) days shall have such accumulation frozen. Should their number of days drop below sixty (60) days, they shall accumulate earned days to a maximum of sixty (60) days. Days that may be accumulated annually in excess of sixty (60) days may be claimed up to ten (10) days at twenty (20) dollars per day or \$200. Each employee should request such payment by May 1st on the district Expense Form and payment will be made the last pay day of June.

#### Sick Leave

#### <u>4213.1b</u>

Sick Leave shall be granted to an employee when s/he is unable to perform their duties because of personal injury, personal quarantine or for medical, dental or optical examination or treatment. Sick Leave shall also be granted when a member of the immediate family is afflicted with a contagious disease and requires the care and attendance of the employee, or when the presence of the employee at their employment position would jeopardize the health of others. If the district suspects abuse of sick leave, (one warning) the district may require verification of the illness or injury from the individual's family physician or a doctor designated by the school district. The board will pay for the examination fee if the sick day is disallowed and in either case the employee shall not submit a claim for the expense to any insurance company.

In accordance with the Michigan Paid Medical Leave Act ("PMLA"), MCL 408.961 et seq., an eligible non-exempt (hourly) employee may use paid (sick/medical/PTO) leave for any of the following for the employee or family member:

- 1. Mental or physical illness, injury or health condition, including related medical diagnosis, care, treatment, or preventative medical care.
- 2. For a victim of domestic violence or sexual assault, any related medical care or counseling victim services or legal services, judicial proceedings, or relocation.
- 3. For closure of the employee's primary workplace by order of a public official; for an employee's need to care or a child whose school or place of care as been closed by order of a public official; or a determination by health authorities that the presence of the employee or family member in the community would jeopardize the health of others due to exposure to a communicable disease.

A family member includes a child, parent, spouse, grandparent, grandchild, or sibling as defined by the PMLA. This provision shall be interpreted and applied consistent with the PMLA, and shall not provide greater benefits then that is allowed by the statue.

To be eligible, the non-exempt (hourly) employee must be employed for more than 25 weeks in a calendar year, worked an average of at least 25 hours per week during the immediately proceeding calendar year.

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#### Funeral - Family

All employees shall be granted up to five (5) working days off with pay for a death in the employee's immediate family, meaning; parents, siblings, spouse, child, parent-in-law, grandparents, son/daughter-in-law, or any other member of the family or household who has clearly stood in the same relationships as any of these. Such leave will only be granted at the time of death of immediate family. The employee may request additional time for traveling to said funeral with said days to be deducted from vacation time or taken as an unpaid leave of absence.

#### Funeral - Other

Leave not to exceed one (1) days shall be granted for the funeral of a niece, nephew, first cousin, aunt, uncle, sibling-in-law or close friend. Such leave will only be granted at the time of death.

#### Personal Business

All employees shall be entitled to a total of three (3) days per year, for personal emergency and/or business leave. Business days shall not affect the bonus vacation plan. The purpose of this leave is to relieve the employee of financial hardship in situations over which they have no control. Personal Business means an activity that requires the employee's presence during the work day and is of such a nature that it cannot be attended to at another time of the day.

Application for personal business leave, containing the reasons for the leave, must be submitted in writing at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance, except in the event of an emergency when a shorter notice may be acceptable. Unused personal business days will be added to the sick leave bank.

#### Jury Duty

# Employees requested to appear for jury qualification or if they are subpoenaed as a witness in a trial, shall be expected to present their per diem payment to the Board of Education. If the employee meets these requirements, s/he shall be then paid their regular rate of pay for the time s/he is on such leave by the Employer. The employee shall have the right to any expense monies provided (meals and employee mileage). If the employee is released before the end of his/her required work day, the employee shall contact the Supervisor to determine whether the employee should report to work.

#### Long Term Disability

The Employer shall provide to each employee covered by this Agreement, a Long Term Disability Insurance Plan. Benefits shall be payable upon the 61st calendar day of disability at 66 2/3% of the employee's salary to a maximum of \$2,000 monthly to age 65 years. All claims will be between the carrier and the employee.

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#### Sick Leave - Retirement

Upon retirement from Hudson Area Schools an employee will receive twenty (20) dollars per day of their accumulated sick leave up to a maximum of fifty (50) days or a maximum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars.

#### Worker's Compensation

The Board shall carry worker's compensation insurance coverage for all members of the custodial unit in the manner required by the laws of the State of Michigan.

Without Pay	4213.2
Disability Medical Leave	<u>4213.2a</u>

Any bargaining unit member who is unable to work because of personal illness or disability and who has exhausted all sick leave available, shall be granted a disability leave of absence up to one year. No fringe benefits will be paid during such leave. The employee must provide a physician's statement to the employer verifying their ability to return to work.

#### <u>FMLA</u>

Employees who work one thousand two hundred fifty (1,250) hours per year shall be eligible for FMLA pursuant to Board policy and the act and its regulations. Paid sick leave shall be concurrent with FMLA. An employee on his/her own volition who fails to return upon exhaustion of FMLA shall reimburse the district the health insurance premiums paid.

#### Family

A non-paid leave of absence shall be granted up to one year for required prolonged serious illness in the immediate family, which includes husband, wife, children, or parents living in the same household. All procedures provided in 4213.2a will apply. If unemployment is claimed during a non-paid leave of absence, the employee will reimburse the district for any such cost.

#### **Training**

Leaves of absence shall be granted for a specified period of time for training related to an employee's regular duties in an approved educational institution.

#### Military

The reinstatement rights of any employee who enters the military service of the United States by reason of an act or law enacted by the Congress of the United States, or who may voluntarily enlist during the effective period of such law shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of the law granting such rights. Leaves of absence will be granted to employees who are active in the National Guard or a branch of the Armed Forces Reserved for the purposes of fulfilling their annual

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field training obligations, provided such employees make written request for such leave of absence immediately upon receiving their orders to report for such duty.

Union Office

Any employee in the bargaining unit who is elected or appointed to full-time positions or office in the Union whose duties require his absence from work shall be granted a leave of absence, without pay, for up to one (1) year. The employee may request an extension on a year-to-year basis upon approval by the Board of Education.

#### **Seniority**

An employee who meets all of the requirements as hereinbefore specified shall be granted a leave of absence without pay and s/he shall not accumulate seniority during leave of absence and s/he shall be entitled to return to a vacant position in the former classification.

#### Application

All reasons for leaves of absence shall be in writing stating the reason for the request and the approximate length of leave requested, with a copy of the request to be maintained by the Employer, a copy furnished to the employee and a copy sent to the Union. Leaves of absence may be granted at the discretion of the Employer for reasons other than those listed above when they are deemed beneficial to the Employer.

#### Falsification

A falsification or attempt to circumvent the provisions of leaves provided in this Article will be grounds for dismissal.

The Board will pay the approved IRS rate to the employee who uses his personal car for school business. A travel expense form must be submitted for reimbursement and must be submitted annually prior to June 1st.

**New Jobs** 4215 4215.1

**Establish New Position** 

The Employer shall have the right to establish, evaluate, change and obsolete jobs, providing such action on the part of the Employer shall not be directed toward reducing the rate of a job in which no substantial change in the job itself has occurred. When a new or revised operation involves duties which are not adequately or specifically described or properly evaluated in an existing job description, specification and classification, the Employer has the right to develop and establish such new or revised job descriptions, specification and classifications rate of pay and to place them

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Rate and classification will become a part of Schedule A (4229).	
Salary Schedule 4229	<u>4215.5</u>
Any rate adjustment so negotiated will be retroactive to date of hire.	
Retroactive to Date of Hire	<u>4215.4</u>
If the Union does not wish to meet the rate and classification established by the Employ become permanent during the life of this Agreement.	ver, it will
Negotiation	<u>4215.3</u>

into effect. Whenever new buildings or a job is made operational, the Employer shall establish the

The Employer and the Union both recognize their responsibilities under Federal, State and Local laws pertaining to fair employment practices as well as the moral principles involved in the area of Civil Rights. Accordingly, both parties reaffirm by this Agreement the commitment not to discriminate against any person or persons because of race, creed, color, religion, sex, age or national origin.

Payroll	4217
<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>4217.1</u>

A custodian temporarily transferred from their classification to another classification (Four (4) hours or more in one day and approval from their immediate supervisor) shall be paid on the highest classification rate (of the two assignments) for the entire day. It is the responsibility of the employee to note the classification change on their time card.

The utility custodian and engineers will receive the higher rate after one day's assignment.

#### Pay Computation

job description.

the rate and classification.

Notification

All new employees will be held back for two (2) weeks for the basic hours worked and these two (2) weeks' pay will be paid upon termination. It is also further agreed that all overtime payment will be delayed two (2) weeks.

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The Employer will notify the Union in writing of such new or changed job, and will within thirty (30) calendar days after such new or changed job is established, meet with the Union to negotiate

#### Retirement

The Board will pay percentage of salary required for employees to participate in the Michigan **Employees Retirement Fund.** 

Safety Practices	4219
Job Hazards	<u>4219.1</u>

The Employer will take reasonable measures in order to prevent and eliminate any present or potential job hazards, which the employee may encounter at their places of work, which are not recognized as a part of the employees' normal jobs.

#### Employee Responsibility

The employee will also be expected to inform, in writing, the Employer of any such job hazard as soon as the employee first becomes aware of such unsafe areas, conditions or equipment.

#### Investigation

The Employer, upon notification of an alleged unsafe condition, shall investigate such condition and shall be expected to make adjustments in such condition if, in the Employer's investigation, the alleged unsafe condition is found to be a hazard to the employee.

Seniority	4220

#### Probation

A newly hired employee shall be on a probationary status for ninety (90) calendar days. The probationary period shall be ninety (90) calendar days taken from and including the first working day. If at any time prior to the completion of the ninety (90) calendar day probationary period, the employee's work performance is unsatisfactory, he may be dismissed by the Employer during this period without appeal by the Union. Probationary employees who are absent during the first ninety (90) calendar days of employment shall work additional days equal to the number of days absent and such employee shall not have completed his probationary period until these additional days have been worked.

#### Benefits to Date of Hire

The district will provide benefits as per the Master Contract from the date of hire as those benefits are available through district carriers.

#### Lay Off, Recall or Demotion

Employees shall be laid off, recalled or demoted according to their seniority in their classification previously held by the employee, provided the senior employee is qualified to hold the position

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held by the employee with the lesser seniority. A twenty (20) day notice shall be given in the event of a lay off. The accumulated sick days incurred at the point of the last day worked before the lay off period begins, will be frozen for two (2) years from the last day worked.

#### Loss of Seniority

An employee will lose his/her seniority for the following reasons:

- 1. S/he resigns.
- 2. S/he is discharged for cause.
- 3. S/he is absent for one (1) working day without notifying the Employer and/or without good and sufficient reasons.
- 4. Laid off for more than two (2) years without being recalled.

#### Supervisory Position

Seniority shall not continue to accumulate within the bargaining unit for an employee who is transferred to a supervisory position, with that employee having the right to exercise their seniority and return to the bargaining unit in the event that s/he vacates his/her supervisory position.

#### List Annually

An agreed to seniority list shall be furnished to each employee covered by this Agreement on or about July 1st of each year. Employees may object to the list within ten (10) days, thereafter the list shall be final and conclusive. Such list shall contain date of hire, employees' location and classification. Seniority in Classification shall be as of date of entry into the classification.

#### Stewards

The employees shall be represented by a Chief Steward who shall be chosen or selected in a manner determined by the employees and the union.

Reasonable arrangements will be made to allow the Chief Steward time off with pay for the purpose of investigating grievances and to attend grievance and negotiation meetings, after arrangements have been made with his/her Supervisor.

#### Strike

Accordingly, the Union agrees during the term of the agreement, it will not direct, instigate, participate in any strike against the Board by any employee or group of employees without loss of all benefits, economic and otherwise, provided by this contract. Employees who participate in a strike are subject to dismissal.

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#### <u>Notice</u>

Notice of all vacancies and newly created positions shall be posted on employee bulletin boards within one (1) pay period from the date of vacancy and the employees shall be given five (5) days' time in which to make application to fill the vacancy or new position. The senior employee making application shall be transferred to fill the vacancy or new position, provided s/he has the necessary qualifications to perform the duties of the job involved. Newly created positions or vacancies are to be posted in the following manner: The type of work; the place of work; the starting date; the rate of pay; the hours to be worked; and the classification.

#### Temporary Transfers

Temporary transfers shall be for a period of no longer than sixty (60) days, except in the event that both parties mutually agree to an extension of the sixty (60) day time period.

#### Uniforms

The Employee shall be provided with three (3) uniforms per year per employee. One (1) pair of coveralls will be provided for System Engineer, Building Engineers, and Utility Custodian (a total of five at this time). Laundry being the responsibility of the employee and the replacement upon need. Uniforms will be provided with patches designating "Hudson Area Schools, Custodial Staff" and "Name of the Employee".

Uniforms must be worn by the employee during their regular working hours.

Suggestions regarding supplier will be received from employees.

#### Vacation

All employees who have completed one (1) year of service shall receive one (1) weeks' vacation with pay; after two (2) years' of service they shall receive two (2) weeks with pay; after (5) years, three (3) weeks with pay; after ten (10) years, four (4) weeks with pay; after twenty (20) years, 3 days plus 4 weeks.

During the first year of employment, an employee shall receive pro-rata vacation time from his/her date of hire until June 30<sup>th</sup>, at the pro-rata amount of time based upon his/her months of service.

The district will purchase back up to one (1) week of vacation pay. It is the employees' responsibility to notify the business office in writing by the first week of May to activate this benefit.

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#### Eligibility

To be eligible for a vacation, an employee must have worked eighty percent (80%) of his regularly scheduled working hours.

#### Pro-Rata Amount

Employees terminating employment or on a leave of absence shall receive pro-rata amount vacation allowance based upon 1/12 of the vacation pay for each month or major fraction thereof between July 1st and his/her termination date, providing the employee has given the Employer a minimum of two (2) weeks' notice prior to the date s/he terminates his/her employment. One (1) year or more of employment is necessary to qualify for this provision "and every year thereafter his/her years of service will be based on June 30th with credit given for nine (9) months or more of service the first year".

#### Utilization of Time

Vacation will be taken at five (5) work days at a time unless two weeks prior arrangement is made with the supervisor. All vacations will be scheduled between July 1st and June 30th. No more than one (1) employee may be on vacation at any given time unless prior approval has been granted by the System Engineer and District Supervisor.

#### **Rotation Covering Holiday**

Vacation time that is scheduled over a holiday period shall be rotated according to seniority among all of the employees covered by this Agreement.

Bonus Plan

All employees who have a minimum of two (2) years vacation credit may earn additional vacation days annually according to the following schedule.

Days Absent During Year	Number of Days Bonus Vacation
0	5
1	5
2	4
3	3
4	2
5	1

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# Bargaining Agreement in his/her sole discretion. This authority is a prohibited subject of bargaining under the Public Employment Relations Acts (PERA).

**Emergency Financial Manager** 

If an emergency financial manager is appointed by the state under the Fiscal Accountability Act the emergency manager may reject, modify, or terminate the Collective Bargaining Agreement in his/her sole discretion. This authority is a prohibited subject of bargaining under the Public Employment Relations Act (PERA).

If an emergency financial manager is appointed by the State under PA 4 of 2011, Fiscal Accountability Act, the emergency manager may reject, modify, or terminate the Collective

Binding Effective Agreement	4227

This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties hereto, their successors and assigns.

Scope Waiver and Alteration of Agreement	4228

#### Alteration

No Agreement, alteration, understanding, variation, waiver or modification of any of the terms or conditions contained herein shall be made by any employee or group of employees unless executed in writing between the parties hereto and the same has been ratified by the Union.

Waiver

The waiver of any breach or condition of this Agreement by either party shall not constitute a precedent in the future enforcement of the terms and conditions herein.

#### Invalid Article

If any Article or Section of this Agreement or any supplement thereto should be held invalid by operation of law or by any tribunal of competent jurisdiction, or if compliance with or enforcement of any Article or Section should be restrained by such tribunal, the remainder of this Agreement and Supplements shall not be affected thereby, and the parties shall enter into immediate collective bargaining negotiations for the purpose of arriving at a mutually satisfactory replacement for such Article or Section.

Termination and Modifications	4229
Termination	<u>4229.1</u>

If either party desires to terminate this Agreement, it shall ninety (90) days prior to the termination date give written notice of termination. If either party shall give notice of termination or withdraws the same prior to termination date of this Agreement, it shall continue in full force and effect from

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mail to the Union, the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 324, 500 Hulet Drive, Bloomfield Township, MI 48302; and if the Employer - addressed to Hudson Area Schools, 781 N. Maple Grove Avenue, Hudson, Michigan 49247.

Notice of termination or modification shall be in writing and shall be sufficient if sent by certified

The effective date of this Agreement is July 1, 2021. IN WITNESS WHEREOF: the parties hereto

Effective Date have cause this instrument to be executed. INTERNATIONAL UNION OF HUDSON BOARD OF EDUCATION **OPERATING ENGINEERS** LOCAL 324 Douglas W. Stockwell President of the Board **Business Manager** Chief Negotiator Kenneth D. Dombrow President Secretary Jeff McCarthy Recording-Corresponding Secretary BG/srp:UFCW876

#### Continuation

Notice

notice prior to the current year of termination.

This Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until June 30, 2024 with an annual reopening for the purposes of wage and benefit revisions.

year to year thereafter subject to notice of termination by either party on ninety (90) days written

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#### SALARIES

There shall be an annual reopening for the purposes of wage and benefit revisions.

POSITION	DESCRIPTION	2021-2022
		Total Per Hour
Building Engineer	Middle / High School	\$21.68
Building Engineer	Elementary School	\$21.34
Utility Custodian	District	\$21.24
Custodian	District	\$18.40

POSITION	DESCRIPTION	2022-2023
		Total Per Hour
Building Engineer	Middle / High School	\$22.12
Building Engineer	Elementary School	\$21.77
Utility Custodian	District	\$21.66
Custodian	District	\$18.76

POSITION	DESCRIPTION	2023-2024
		Total Per Hour
Building Engineer	Middle / High School	\$22.56
Building Engineer	Elementary School	\$22.20
Utility Custodian	District	\$22.10
Custodian	District	\$19.14

- 1. 2021-2022
  - a. Building Engineer 3%
  - b. Utility Custodian 3%
  - c. Custodian 3%
  - d. Sick days to be cashed in at time of retirement for \$40 each for this year only

#### 2. 2022-2023

- a. Building Engineer -2%
- b. Utility Custodian 2%
- c. Custodian 2%
- d. Sick days to be cashed in at time of retirement for \$40 each for this year only.

3. 2023-2024 a. 2%

#### Probationary Employees

Probationary employees will receive, during their ninety (90) day period, thirty (30) cents an hour less than is provided on salary schedule 4229.

#### Longevity

After 5 years of service and additional 10 cents per hour. After 10 years of service and additional 10 cents per hour. After 15 years of service and additional 15 cents per hour. After 20 years of service and additional 15 cents per hour. After 25 years of service and additional 15 cents per hour.

#### Shift Differential

Employees that work the second or third shift the majority of their hours (four [4] or more hours) between the hours of 3 p.m. and 7 a.m. will receive an additional twenty-five (25) cents per hour. Regular shift will occur on vacation periods or when students are not in session, unless specifically so assigned to another shift by the Supervisor of Building and Grounds.

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