

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP POLICY 2024 - 2026

The Grosse Pointe Public School System

Non-Instructional Supervisors, Professionals and Non-Bargaining Unit Secretaries

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EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP POLICY FOR NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SUPERVISORS, PROFESSIONALS AND NON-BARGAINING UNIT SECRETARIES 2024-2026

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DEFINITION

1.1 Non-Instructional Supervisors, Professionals and Non-Bargaining Unit Secretaries, referred to as "NIS" hereinafter, are defined below. Non-Instructional Supervisors are not administrative employees and do not hold positions which require administrator certification. Positions highlighted with an asterisk (*) are eligible for overtime pursuant to paragraph 2.1.

Supervisory

Director, Buildings & Grounds
Director, Finance
Director, Human Resources
Director, Technology
Senior Manager, Networks
Supervisor of Custodial Operations
Supervisor of Energy & Building Operations
Supervisor of Finance
Technical Director, Performing Arts Center

Non-Supervisory Professionals

Accountant *
Assessment Systems Analyst
Communications Coordinator
Community Relations Specialist
Fringe Benefits Coordinator *
Information Systems Supervisor
Payroll Coordinator *
Pupil Accounting Specialist
Residency & Enrollment Specialist *
Senior Accountant

Assistants/Non Bargaining Unit Secretaries

Executive Assistant to the Superintendent		
Executive Assistant to the Assistant Superintendent		
Executive Assistant to Deputy Superintendent		
Secretary to Superintendent/Enrollment		

Child Care Program Supervisory

Director, School Age Child Care	
Director, Preschool Services	

WORK YEAR

2.1 The work year for twelve month NIS employees shall begin on July 1 and end on June 30 of each year. For NIS employees who work less than twelve months the starting and ending date will be determined by the Superintendent of Schools.

OVERTIME ELIGIBILITY

2.2 All NIS employees are considered to be salaried, with an annual contract salary that is spread over 26 pays. The annual contract salaries are defined by classification in Appendix B. Certain NIS classifications are considered eligible to earn overtime for all work in excess of 40 hours per week, which will be paid at time and one half. These classifications are identified in Paragraph 1.1.

TRIAL PERIOD

3.1 The first 60 days of employment is considered a trial period.

VACATION ALLOWANCES

4.1 Twelve (12) month NIS employees shall be entitled to vacations on the following basis:

Central Office Directors:

Years of Service	12 Month Central Office Directors		
At completion of probationary period	25 days		

All other NIS:

Years of Service	12 Month NIS employee*
During 1st through 3rd year of service	15 days
During 4th through 14th year of service	20 days
15th year and thereafter	25 days

^{*} employees working less than 12 months shall be entitled to vacation prorated to the portion of their work year.

- 4.2 Vacation allowances are earned by working a full year (July 1-June 30). NIS employees who do not meet this requirement will receive a prorated vacation allowance.
- 4.3 Vacation allowance is to be used in the year earned. However, unused vacation days may accumulate for a period of up to two years; ten days for 11 month employees and twelve days for 12 month employees may be accumulated for an indefinite period. Upon resignation, NIS employees shall

receive compensation for vacation time earned up to the date of resignation at a max of 50 days + current year for central office directors and 25 days + current year for all other NIS. Any NIS employee hired before January 1, 2008 will receive up to a max of 50 days + current year.

- 4.4 Vacation days are to be taken at such times as approved by the NIS employee's immediate supervisor. Prior to the vacation the Deputy Superintendent or designee is to be notified in writing of the use of such days.
- 4.5 An NIS employee's daily rate of pay is determined by dividing the total salary compensation by 247 days for a twelve month NIS employee and 227 days for an eleven month NIS employee.
- 4.6 An NIS employee will be awarded two non-duty days to be used at the discretion of the NIS employee with approval from immediate supervisor during the fiscal year. The two non-duty days shall be used during the fiscal year and will not carryover from year to year.

HOLIDAYS

5.1 NIS employees will be eligible for paid holidays provided to all other employees, if they occur during the assigned working year. Martin Luther King holiday and Juneteenth will be considered a paid holiday if it is a non-report day for teaching staff.

PAID LEAVES

SICK LEAVE

- 6.1 During the first year of employment the NIS employee shall earn one sick leave day for each month worked. At the conclusion of one year of service the Board will provide 90 sick days unlimited sick leave program for personal illness or disability to the extent of 90 duty days per illness or disability. Any absence exceeding 10 consecutive days in a school year will require the completion of FMLA paperwork and the approval of the Deputy Superintendent or designee.
- 6.2 Illness or disability means the complete inability of the NIS employee, due to sickness or injury, to perform each and every duty pertaining to his/her assignment with the Board. Illness includes cases where emergency medical procedures are required. Appointments for medical examinations and diagnostic testing which cannot be scheduled outside the normal work day shall qualify for leave under the terms of Sick Leave. Illness or disability shall not exist where a NIS employee is actively working for the Board, another employer or in self-employment, or is confined in a penal institution. Illness or disability shall not exist where caused or contributed by intentionally self-inflicted body injury or war or any act of war.
- 6.3 The conditions and requirements of such sick leave will be determined by the Superintendent of Schools.

OTHER LEAVES

The Board will provide 2 personal business days to each NIS employee to be used between July 1 and June 30. It is agreed that personal business days are provided for the vast number of business, professional, family, and religious obligations a teacher regularly encounters which cannot be met outside the regular school day. Personal business days are not intended for casual or indiscriminate use. It is not

permissible to use personal business days for: recreational or sporting events (hunting, fishing, athletic contests of all kinds), shopping, job hunting, vacation, and other employment of any kind.

- 6.5 The Board will make reasonable provisions to extend paid leaves of absence to NIS employees for such leaves as are necessary. These provisions include leaves for such reasons as illness or death in the family, jury duty, court appearances, military duty, and personal business. Up to 10 days per year can be used for the purpose of family illness. Whenever possible, such leaves must have prior approval of the Superintendent/ Deputy Superintendent of Human Resources & Educational Services.
- 6.6 Extended leaves for such things as maternity, Peace Corps, Job Corps, sabbatical leave or for some special or unusual reason will be considered on an individual basis with a decision primarily based on the value such leave may bring to the school district.

NON-PAID LEAVES

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

7.1 The Board may grant a NIS employee a leave of absence, without pay and benefits, for any purpose it considers worthwhile for a period not to exceed one year subject to renewal at the discretion of the Board for an additional period not to exceed one year. Return from leave is expressly conditioned upon a position being available for which the Superintendent determines the NIS employee is qualified and capable of performing.

FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (FMLA)

7.2 The Board will grant up to twelve (12) weeks of family and medical leave during any twelve (12) month period to eligible NIS employees in accordance with the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA). All requests for such leave will be made to the Deputy Superintendent of Human Resources & Educational Services. When the need is foreseeable, notice will be given thirty (30) days before the start of the FMLA leave. If it is not possible for the NIS employee to give thirty (30) days' notice, the NIS employee must give as much notice as is practicable. Proper certification of the reason for the leave must be provided. A NIS employee may be required to use all available leave time (i.e., sick leave, personal leave, and/or vacation leave) for all or part of the duration of the FMLA leave, with any balance of time being without pay. At the end of the FMLA leave, the NIS employee will be returned to his/her position held prior to the leave.

FRINGE BENEFITS

8.1 The Board of Education will provide all NIS employees with health, dental, vision, life, and long term disability insurance through a flexible benefits plan. See Appendix A.

OTHER INSURANCE CONTINGENCIES

8.2 For part time NIS employees the Board's contribution to the premium cost of the above benefits shall be limited to that percentage of the premium cost which is equivalent to the percentage of full time service rendered by the NIS employee.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

9.1 A NIS employee is eligible for an annual physical examination at Board expense subject to the following conditions. Upon written request a NIS employee will receive reimbursement equal to the amount charged by Concentra Medical Centers for its basic minimum examination. Every third year a NIS employee will be eligible for reimbursement equal to the amount charged by Concentra for its full comprehensive examination. For examinations given at Concentra the school district will be directly billed. For examinations given elsewhere NIS employees will be reimbursed upon the submission of receipts and/or canceled checks.

SALARIES

10.1 Salary levels will be determined by the Board of Education each year upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools. For 2024-26, the salary will not increase as reflected on the schedule located in Appendix B. In addition, NIS employees will receive an increment of five percent (5%) each year, based upon satisfactory performance of duties, until the salary schedule maximum is reached within 5 years. See Appendix B.

EDUCATION ALLOWANCE CREDIT

10.3 NIS employees will be recognized for earned degrees according to the following formula:

Associate's Degree \$250
Bachelor's Degree \$500
Master's Degree \$750

LONGEVITY PAY

11.1 NIS employees will be eligible for longevity pay in accordance with the following schedule:

NIS Experience	Combined Grosse Pointe Experience	Amount 2024-2026
Beginning with the 5th year	Beginning with the 10th year	\$1,285
Beginning with the 10th year	Beginning with the 15th year	\$1,928
Beginning with the 15th year	Beginning with the 20th year	\$2,571

11.2 Longevity pay will be calculated on July 1st each year and will be payable to qualified NIS employees beginning with the first paycheck thereafter.

CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE

12.1 A NIS employee may attend a job related conference/workshop upon the approval of the immediate supervisor and will be reimbursed for legitimate expenses, or a portion thereof, incurred in attending such meeting. The procedures for implementing this provision will be established by the Superintendent.

NO SMOKING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

13.1 NIS employees shall not smoke on school property at any time.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

14.1 It is the policy of the Board of Education to reimburse NIS employees up to \$400 for loss or damage to personal property which is normally used in the discharge of assigned duties and when reasonable care has been demonstrated. Such reimbursement is not made for ordinary wear or gradual deterioration of property, loss of money or whatever is covered by personal insurance carried by the NIS employee or by the Board.

DISCUSSION OF PROBLEMS

15.1 NIS employees are encouraged to discuss job related problems with their immediate supervisor. If a problem is not resolved to the satisfaction of the NIS employee he/she may discuss it with the Deputy. If the problem remains unresolved the NIS employee may discuss it with the Superintendent.

TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

- 16.1 The NIS employee or the Board shall be required to provide the other four weeks' notice (20 working days) whenever the termination of employment is to occur, except during the initial 60 day trial period, when a one day notice is all that is required. Failure of the NIS employee to give such notice may result in a forfeiture of all accrued vacation pay owing the NIS employee. Failure of the Board to give such notice shall cause the Board to be liable for pay to the NIS employee beginning on the date, if any, such notice is actually given, to a maximum of twenty (20) days' pay.
- 16.2 The NIS employee who experiences a loss of employment due to job elimination shall receive notice of job elimination two (2) months prior to the scheduled job elimination unless disciplinary action is in any way involved.

SEVERANCE PAYMENT

17.1 The Board shall provide NIS employees \$200 per year for all completed years of Grosse Pointe service provided that disciplinary action is not a factor in the employment separation..

ASSESSMENT OF EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP POLICY

18.1 This Employment Relationship Policy has been discussed and assessed by the following individuals prior to Board of Education Approval.

Roy Bishop, Jr., Ed.D.

Deputy Superintendent

Moussa Hamka

Assistant Superintendent

Human Resources

APPENDIX A

FLEXIBLE BENEFITS PROGRAM

- A.1 The Board will provide a flexible benefits program that offers choices among the benefit plans described in the paragraphs below.
- A.2 Newly hired NIS employees are eligible to participate in the life, health, dental, and vision portions of the flexible benefits plan upon hire. NIS employees who have completed one year of service with the Board are also eligible to participate in the long term disability insurance portion of the flexible benefits plan.
- A.3 The Board, in consultation with the NIS employees, will establish a menu of benefit options that will be available to NIS employees under the flexible benefits plan. The cost of each benefit option will be determined by the insurance carrier or plan administrator. All benefits, conditions and requirements of the following plans shall be as set forth in the policies of insurance and as interpreted by the plan administrators and/or carriers.
- A.4 The flexible benefits plan will include the following:

LONG TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE

- A.5 The Board will provide NIS employees with long term disability insurance that has the following features:
 - 90 paid contract day waiting period;
 - Payment of 90% of base monthly earnings for the first six (6) months of benefits(cap increased to NIS maximum salary for the duration of the agreement);
 - Thereafter, payment of 66-2/3% of base monthly earnings (cap increased to NIS maximum salary for the duration of the agreement); and
 - Up to 24 months of benefits for outpatient mental and nervous disorders.

GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

A.6 The Board will provide NIS employees core group life and accidental death and dismemberment coverage with a face value equal to twice their annual salary. Additional coverage will be available under the flexible benefits plan.

HEALTH COVERAGE

- A.7 NIS employees will receive the following health plan options:
 - 1. A plan equivalent to the Blue Cross Blue Shield Community Blue PPO Plan 10 with \$250 individual/\$500 family deductible, 10% coinsurance with coinsurance maximum of \$500 individual/\$1000 family with a \$20 copay for office and \$20 copay for chiropractic visits, \$250 emergency room visit, \$15/\$50/50% prescription rider with mandatory generic, with \$70 min \$100 max MOPD 2x rider, P-D contraceptive rider and a routine mammography.
 - 2. The employee will be responsible for paying the employee portion.
 - 3. NIS employees working less than full time but at least 50% will be eligible for the health care plan. If health coverage is elected, the Board will calculate the FTE equivalent of the plan based on the percentage of time the NIS employee is employed with the district. For example, if the cost of the

- full family health plan is \$17,442, then the Board would contribute for a full time (1.0 FTE) NIS employee a total of \$13,954. For an 0.8 FTE NIS employee with the district, the Board would pay for 80% of the Board contribution to the health care and therefore, contribute \$11,163 with the remaining balance of \$6,279 being the responsibility of the 0.8 FTE NIS employee with an automatic pre-tax deduction of this amount to be paid via automatic payroll deduction over 26 pays.
- 4. An NIS employee working 50% or more time may elect to waive participation in a district-sponsored health insurance plan; they will receive a cash incentive of \$2,200.
- 5. Payments will be spread over 26 pay periods per year. This stipend will be prorated for NIS employees working less than a full year and prorated based on their scheduled FTE in the district for that school year. NIS employees working less than 50% time are not eligible for this cash incentive.

DENTAL COVERAGE

- A.8 The dental insurance coverage for an out-of-network dental facility would be covered with \$1,200 maximum payment per routine visit per year and \$1,000 lifetime orthodontic per dependent with 100% coverage for preventive and 90% for major and restorative services.
- A.9 Dental insurance coverage for in-network dental facility would be covered with \$1,500 maximum payment per routine visit per year and \$1,200 lifetime orthodontic per dependent with \$100% coverage for preventive and 90% for major and restorative services.
- A.10 An opt out payment for declining the dental insurance would be provided in an amount of \$250 per year prorated by yearly FTE assignment.

VISION COVERAGE

A.11 A choice of a Premium Vision Plan or Standard Vision plan will be available to NIS employees, with an allowance for annual exams in both plans. The Premium plan provides additional allowances for lenses, frames and contact lenses. The Board covers the full cost of the Premium Vision Plan. A stipend is provided for NIS employees choosing the Standard Vision Plan.

SECTION 125 OF THE IRS CODE

- A.12 Notwithstanding any other provision of this agreement to the contrary, the Grosse Pointe Public School System shall provide a cash option in lieu of benefits. The employer shall formally adopt a qualified plan document that complies with Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code. Said plan document shall be approved by NIS employees.
- A.13 The amount of cash option may be applied by the NIS employee to a tax deferred annuity. To elect a tax deferred annuity, the NIS employee shall enter into a salary reduction agreement.
- A.14 All costs relating to the implementation and administration of benefits under this program shall be borne by the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

APPENDIX B

	2024-2025		2025-2026	
	Salary Schedule		Salary Schedule	
Classification	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
Central Office Directors				
Director, Finance	\$118,247.58	\$134,165.70	\$119,430.06	\$135,507.36
Director, Human Resources	\$118,247.58	\$134,165.70	\$119,430.06	\$135,507.36
Director, Buildings & Grounds	\$118,247.58	\$134,165.70	\$119,430.06	\$135,507.36
Director, Technology	\$118,247.58	\$134,165.70	\$119,430.06	\$135,507.36
Supervisors				
Senior Manager, Networks	\$79,743.60	\$117,984.42	\$80,541.04	\$119,164.26
Supervisor of Finance	\$79,743.60	\$117,984.42	\$80,541.04	\$119,164.26
PAC Technical Director	\$69,089.70	\$93,267.78	\$69,780.60	\$94,200.46
Supervisor of Energy & Building Operations	\$69,089.70	\$93,267.78	\$69,780.60	\$94,200.46
Supervisor of Custodial Operations	\$69,089.70	\$93,267.78	\$69,780.60	\$94,200.46
Non-Supervisory Professionals				
Information Systems Supervisor	\$69,089.70	\$93,267.78	\$69,780.60	\$94,200.46
Senior Accountant	\$61,549.86	\$81,182.82	\$62,165.36	\$81,994.65
Assessment Systems Analyst	\$51,434.52	\$69,431.40	\$51,948.87	\$70,125.71
Fringe Benefits Coordinator	\$50,620.56	\$69,431.40	\$51,126.77	\$70,125.71
Payroll Coordinator	\$50,620.56	\$68,022.78	\$51,126.77	\$68,703.01
Community Relations Specialist	\$67,381.20	\$91,889.76	\$68,055.01	\$92,808.66
Communications Coordinator	\$50,620.56	\$68,022.78	\$51,126.77	\$68,703.01
Accountant	\$48,460.20	\$61,714.08	\$48,944.80	\$62,331.22
Pupil Accounting Specialist	\$48,460.20	\$61,714.08	\$48,944.80	\$62,331.22
Residency & Enrollment Specialist	\$37,174.92	\$50,181.96	\$37,546.67	\$50,683.78
Assistants / Non-Bargaining Unit Secretaries				
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Deputy, or				
Business Office Executives	\$49,476.12	\$73,440.00	\$49,970.88	\$74,174.40
Secretary to Superintendent/Enrollment	\$33,190.80	\$43,634.58	\$33,522.71	\$44,070.93
Child Care Programs Supervisory				
Director, Preschool Services	\$51,609.96	\$74,807.82	\$52,126.06	\$75,555.90
Director, School Age Child Care	\$47,481.00	\$68,823.48	\$47,955.81	\$69,511.71
Assistant Director, Preschool Services	\$39,732.06	\$57,837.06	\$40,129.38	\$58,415.43
Assistant Director, School Age Child Care	\$35,486.82	\$46,155.00	\$35,841.69	\$46,616.55

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