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#### AGREEMENT

between

# THE BOARD OF EDUCATION NEW HYDE PARK-GARDEN CITY PARK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

and

UNITED PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES UNION and its

NEW HYDE PARK-GARDEN CITY PARK MONITORS/CAFETERIA AIDES UNIT

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#### ARTICLE I. RECOGNITION

The Board of Education of the New Hyde Park-Garden City Park Union Free School District (hereinafter "District"), hereby recognizes the United Public Service Employees Union and its New Hyde Park-Garden City Park Monitors/Cafeteria Aides Unit (hereinafter "Union") as the exclusive bargaining agent for the District's regularly employed full-time and part-time Cafeteria Aides/Monitors, and excluding all other District employees.

#### ARTICLE II. PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

#### 1. Dues

- A. Payroll deductions will be made for membership dues in the Union upon the written consent, in conformity with law, of any unit employee of the District and will be remitted to UPSEU, 3555 Veterans Highway, Suite H, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779, or its duly authorized agent.
- B. Dues shall be deducted in uniform amounts from each paycheck.
- C. Upon request, the District will provide UPSEU annually with a list of employees who have voluntarily authorized dues deduction for the Union.

#### 2. Agency Fee

The District and Union will comply with all statutory requirements regarding Agency Fee.

#### 3. Hold Harmless

The Union shall indemnify and hold the District harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits and other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of actions or inactions taken or not taken by the District for the purpose of complying with any of the provisions of this Article requiring the District to make deductions and to forward same to the Union.

# ARTICLE III. CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

#### 1. Safety

It shall be the duty of all personnel to see that all working conditions are safe from unnecessary hazards. Such hazards should be reported to the building principal.

It shall be the duty of each employee to familiarize himself/herself with the handbook "Procedures to be Followed in Case of Fire," as well as to familiarize himself/herself with procedures to be followed in case of other emergencies.

#### 2. Work Hours and Year

- A. Daily Hours
- designated by the District.
- B. Work Year
- The work year shall be no longer than the work year for the New Hyde Park Teachers' Association.
- C. Emergency School Closing
- Effective upon the complete ratification and approval of this agreement, in the event that school is closed on a scheduled day due to an emergency, employees will be paid for the number of hours they would normally have worked on that day. Employees will only be entitled to payment for one (1) such closing day during the period after the complete ratification and approval of this agreement through June 30, 2005. Effective July 1, 2005, employees will only be entitled to payment for two (2) such closing days per school year.

# 3. Overtime Pay

# Monday through Friday inclusive

Beyond forty (40) hours per week - time and one-half (1 1/2) of the regular hourly rate of the employee, Monday through Friday inclusive.

# 4. Step Placement/Credit for Prior Experience

Effective until June 30, 2005: New hires may be placed on any step of the salary schedule at the discretion of the District. Credit for prior experience may be granted to an employee new to the unit at the discretion of the District. No credit shall be granted based upon prior service as a substitute in the District.

#### 5. Sign-In Sheet

Unit members will be required to sign in and out of the building.

#### ARTICLE IV. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

# 1. <u>Declaration of Purpose</u>

WHEREAS, the establishment and maintenance of a harmonious and cooperative relationship between the District and its employees is essential to the operation of the schools, it is the purpose of this procedure to secure, at the lowest possible administrative level, equitable solutions to alleged grievances of employees through procedures under which they may present grievance free from coercion, interference, restraint, discrimination or reprisal, and by which the District and its employees are afforded adequate opportunity to dispose of their differences without the necessity of time-consuming and costly proceedings before administrative agencies and/or in the courts.

#### 2. Definitions

- A. A <u>grievance</u> is a claim by any employee or group of employees in the unit that the District has violated the collective bargaining agreement.
- B. The term <u>employee</u> shall mean any part-time or full-time person employed under the conditions of this contract.

- C. <u>Aggrieved party</u> shall mean any person or group of persons in this unit filing a grievance.
  - D. <u>Administrator</u> is the building principal.
  - E. <u>Chief School District Officer</u> is the Superintendent.

#### 3. Procedures

- A. The employee shall attempt first to satisfy his/her grievance by an informal conference with his/her immediate supervisor. The employee shall be informed within a period of five days of the determination of his/her informal grievance.
- B. If the grievance has not been satisfactorily resolved by the informal conference, the employee shall request, in writing, a review and determination by the principal. Such a request shall be made to the principal in writing and shall include a specific statement of the grievance. Within five days of the receipt of this statement, the principal shall set a date for the meeting of the parties at the earliest possible opportunity. If the resulting informal conference fails to bring about a resolution of the grievance, the principal shall conduct a hearing and shall send a written report of his findings to all parties concerned within ten days of the completion of the hearing.
- C. In the event the employee decides to appeal the decision of the principal, the employee shall request, in writing, a review and determination by the Superintendent of Schools. Upon receipt of such a written request for a review and determination, the Superintendent shall schedule a hearing to be held not more than five school days from the date of receipt of the request for such a review, with not less than two days' notice to the employee. The Superintendent shall review the record, and shall consider oral and written statements deemed relevant by the parties.

Determination of the hearing shall be made promptly, and in any event, within ten school days from the date of the conclusion of the hearing. Written notice shall be given the employee of such determination.

D. The employee shall have the further right to appeal the decision of the Superintendent to the Board of Education, providing such employee shall direct a written notice of appeal to the President of the Board of Education within a period of ten school days from the date of receipt of the decision of the Superintendent. A copy of the notice of appeal shall likewise be directed to the Superintendent, who

shall thereupon forward to the President of the Board all records of the hearing held by him. The Board of Education shall set a date for a hearing, to be held not more

than thirty days from the receipt of the Notice of Appeal and upon not less than five days' notice to the employee of such date of hearing.

The Board of Education shall review the record presented and such additional statements or documents that may be offered by the employee or the Superintendent. Both the employee and the Superintendent may appear personally before the Board.

The Board of Education shall render its decision promptly, in any event, not more than thirty days from the date of the conclusion of the hearing and shall notify the employee and the Superintendent in writing thereof.

#### ARTICLE V. PROTECTION OF UNIT EMPLOYEES

Meetings between officers of the Union and the Superintendent or his/her designee will be held at the request of either side. Where possible, such a meeting will be held within five working days of the date of request to discuss mutual problems. All meetings will be held during non-working hours.

#### ARTICLE VI. ARMED FORCES SERVICE CREDIT

Employees who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States shall be entitled to veterans' credits as provided under the law.

#### ARTICLE VII. RETIREMENT

Benefits of the New York State Employees Retirement System are available to all eligible members.

# **ARTICLE VIII. ABSENCES**

#### 1. Personal Illness/Business Days

Effective March 14, 2005, one days' absence due to personal illness or personal business shall be permitted per school year. Effective July 1, 2005, two days' absence due to personal illness or personal business shall be permitted per school year. Effective July 1, 2007, this amount shall be increased to three days per school year. Application for personal business days shall be made to the Superintendent on the attached form, and when practicable, shall be submitted at least three days prior to the day or days requested. The Superintendent shall have the authority to accept or reject the request. Employees who do not use any days for personal liness or personal business in a school year may bank one day for use in a future year without limit.

# 2. Quarantine

Employees absent by reason of quarantine imposed by doctor's order due to illness caused by a contagious disease of a resident member of a household will submit a doctor's certificate explaining the order. Absence will be approved for duration of quarantine, however, employees shall only be paid for absences in accordance with paragraph 1 above. The Superintendent of Schools shall receive medical certification of the employee's physical ability to perform his/her duties prior to the time the employee returns from this absence.

#### 3. Medical Examinations

Medical examinations are held on school time.

#### 4. Jury Duty

Notice of jury duty must be submitted to the Superintendent on the next work day following receipt of the notice. Employees shall request on-call jury service where it is available. The District shall pay employees for their regular scheduled hours at the regular hourly wage during the first three days of jury service, up to a maximum of \$40 per day.

#### 5. Court or Governmental Agency Appearance

The number of days necessary will be allowed without loss of pay when the employee's attendance is at the request of or on behalf of the District.

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#### 6. Bereavement Leave

In the days the second of the employee's parent, spouse, child, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, or any relative residing in the personal household of the employee.

#### **ARTICLE IX. SALARY GUIDES**

#### A. Salary:

1. Salary for employees hired prior to July 1, 2005: The salary schedules for employees hired prior to July 1, 2005 shall be as follows:

#### Door Monitor

	Step	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008
Γ	1	\$7.75	\$8.00	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Γ	2	\$8.25	\$8.51	\$8.78	N.A.	N.A.
Γ	3	\$8.75	\$9.03	\$9.32	\$9.62	\$9.96

#### Cafeteria Aide/Monitor

Step	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008
1	\$ 9.65	\$ 9.96	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
2	\$10.20	\$10.53	\$10.87	N.A.	N.A.
3	\$11.35	\$11.71	\$12.08	\$12.47	\$12.91

2. Base salary for employees hired on or after July 1, 2005

	Effective July 1, 2005	Effective July 1, 2006	Effective July 1, 2007
Door Monitor	\$ 7.75/hour	\$ 8.00/hour	\$ 8.28/hour
Cafeteria Aide/Monitor	\$ 9.65/hour	\$ 9.96/hour	\$10.31/hour
Cashier	\$12.30/hour	\$12.69/hour	\$13.13/hour

# B. Fingerprints:

Newly hired employees shall be reimbursed for the costs of fingerprinting upon completion of 10 school days of employment.

# **ARTICLE X. PERSONNEL FILES**

Only one personnel file will be maintained for each employee. Other files, such as payroll, hospitalization, etc., will of course be continued.

The employee shall have the right to examine his/her file in the presence of the Superintendent's designee. At the request of the employee, items may be removed from the file for copying by the Superintendent's designee. Under no circumstances may the employee remove the file or its contents from the office.

Derogatory matters will not be entered in an individual's file until the employee has read and signed a copy of the entry. The employee's signature on such record represents only that he/she has read the material, not that he/she agrees with it. The employee may prepare an answer to the derogatory matter for his/her file. If there is a written evaluation of an employee or if the District receives a negative written statement about an employee from either the public or persons within the District, the District shall show the document to the employee before putting it in his/her personnel file. The employee shall have up to five days to sign that the document has been shown to him/her and to submit a written response. If the employee refuses to sign that a document which contains derogatory matters or a negative written statement has been shown to him/her, the District may place the document in the employee's file with a notation that it has been shown to him/her and that the employee refused to sign acknowledging that fact.

Credentials pertaining to an employee's education and service (personal and professional references) prior to his/her employment will be marked confidential and placed on the left side of the personnel folder and may not be inspected by the employee.

# ARTICLE XI. REASSIGNMENT

Employees may request reassignment from one building to another. Employees may be reassigned according to Civil Service regulations.

Employees may be reassigned for the good of the District.

# ARTICLE XII. VACANCY POSTINGS

Effective March 14, 2005, the District shall post all job openings and unit members shall be considered for any positions for which they apply.

#### ARTICLE XIII. UNION BUSINESS

- 1. Standard procedures will be followed to reserve District facilities for meetings, which must be held during non-working hours.
- 2. The President of the unit shall be given one copy of the minutes of the public meetings of the Board of Education.
- 3. The District will provide the President of the unit with a current list of all unit members and their salaries at the beginning of each school year.
- 4. Space on at least one bulletin board shall be reserved at an accessible place in each school for the use of the Union, for the purposes of posting material dealing with proper and legitimate Union business.

# ARTICLE XIV. MUTUALITY OF OBLIGATION

- 1. In the event that any provision of this agreement is, or shall at any time be, contrary to law, all other provisions of this agreement shall continue in effect.
- 2. All activities connected with this contract, including processing of grievances, shall be conducted during reasonable hours.
- 3. Present Administrative procedures regarding the presence of unauthorized personnel on school grounds will be maintained.

# ARTICLE XV. MISCELLANEOUS

1. The School District will offer direct deposit to the unit employees for their paychecks.

#### ARTICLE XVI. DURATION

- 1. The provisions of this contract shall remain in full force and effect until June 30, 2008. Either party may initiate negotiations over a successor agreement by written notice to the other party on or about January 1, 2008.
- 2. This contract shall not be changed, altered or impaired in any manner unless consented to in writing by the parties concerned herein.
- 3. The parties expressly acknowledge that during the negotiations which resulted in this contract, each party had the unlimited right and opportunity to make demands and proposals with respect to any subject or matter not removed by law from the area of collective bargaining, and that the understandings and agreements arrived at by the parties after the exercise of that right and opportunity are set forth completely in this contract, and this contract supersedes any and all prior agreements and understandings, whether verbal or written, between the parties.
- 4. In accordance with Civil Service (Taylor) Law, as amended by Section 204-a-1 and enacted by the 1969 Legislature:

IT IS AGREED BY AND BETWEEN THE PARTIES THAT ANY PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT REQUIRING LEGISLATIVE ACTION TO PERMIT ITS IMPLEMENTATION BY AMENDMENT OF LAW OR BY PROVIDING THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS THEREFOR, SHALL NOT BECOME EFFECTIVE UNTIL THE APPROPRIATE LEGISLATIVE BODY HAS GIVEN APPROVAL.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereunto set their hands and seal this 23 day of 344, 2006.

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(United Public Service Employees Union and its New Hyde Park-Garden City Park Union Free School District Monitors/ Cafeteria Aides Unit) PRESIDENT

(Board of Education, New Hyde Park
-Garden City Park Union Free
School District

PRESIDENT

(New Hyde Park-Garden City Park Monitors/Cafeteria Aides Unit)

SUPERINTENDENT

(Board of Education, New Hyde Park-Garden City Park Union Free School District STIPULATION OF AGREEMENT made and entered into this 27 day of June, 2007, by and between the NEW HYDE PARK-GARDEN CITY PARK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT (hereinafter the "District") and the NEW HYDE PARK-GARDEN CITY PARK MONITORS UNIT (hereinafter the "UNIT").

WHEREAS, as part of the expanded school lunch program offered on an experimental basis since October, 2006, the District employs nine Food Service Helpers; and

WHEREAS, one of the nine Food Service Helpers coordinates the food service operations in the four District buildings including the paperwork, training and reconciliation, and is referred to as the "Lead" Food Service Helper;

NOW IT IS AGREED BY AND BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE UNIT, as follows:

- 1. Effective July 1, 2007, the "Lead" Food Service Helper shall receive an additional two (\$2.00) dollars per hour above the hourly rate for Food Service Helper as specified in prior agreements between the District and the Unit. The "Lead" Food Service Helper's terms and conditions of employment are otherwise the same as those of the other Food Service Helpers employed by the District. The "Lead" Food Service Helper shall be assigned duties by the District consistent with the position of Food Service Helper. There shall be only one individual assigned as "Lead" Food Service Helper.
- 2. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement among the District and the Unit. No other promises have been made. This Agreement, including this paragraph, may only be modified by a written agreement executed by both parties.
- 3. This Agreement is subject to the ratification and approval of the Board of Education.

FOR THE UNIT:

Applicable

Application

Dated: 6/28/07

STIPULATION OF AGREEMENT made and entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of September, 2007, by and between the NEW HYDE PARK-GARDEN CITY PARK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT (hereinafter the "District") and the NEW HYDE PARK-GARDEN CITY PARK MONITORS UNIT (hereinafter the "UNIT").

WHEREAS, the District began offering an expanded school lunch program on or about October, 2006, which was offered on an experimental basis; and

WHEREAS, the juice and milk program previously offered by the District was abolished upon the establishment of the expanded school lunch program; and

WHEREAS, upon the creation of the expanded school lunch program, the position of Food Service Helper was added to the Monitors Unit; and

WHEREAS, the collective bargaining agreement between the District and the Monitors Unit does not include salary for the 2007-2008 school year for the position of Food Service Helper;

NOW IT IS AGREED BY AND BETWEEN THE DISTRICT AND THE UNIT, as follows:

- 1. The base hourly rate for the Food Service Helper shall be increased by 3.5%, effective July 1, 2007. In accordance with the agreement between the District and the Monitors, dated June \_\_\_, 2007, the base hourly rate for the "Lead" Food Service Helper shall be \$2 per hour above the base hourly rate for Food Service Helper. The Food Service Helper position, including the "Lead" Food Service Helper, shall otherwise be subject to the same terms and conditions of employment as set forth in the collective bargaining agreement between the District and the Monitors Unit. Persons in the Food Service Helper position will be employed for the number of hours designated by the District and the position shall not be designated as fewer than a 15 hour per week position.
- 2. In the event that the experimental expanded school lunch program is abolished at any time prior to June 30, 2008 and the District resumes the former milk and juice program, the four cashiers who were employed by the District on June 30, 2006 and whose positions were abolished upon the commencement of the expanded school lunch program, should they be employed by the District as Food Service Helpers at the time of the abolition of the expanded program, will be offered the opportunity to return to their former positions as Cashiers at the salary specified in Article IX(A)(2) of the 2005-2008 collective bargaining agreement.
- 3. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement among the District and the Unit. No other promises have been made. This Agreement, including this paragraph, may only be modified by a written agreement executed by both parties.

FOR THE DISTRICT:	FOR THE UNIT:
	Kan J. Hugh
Dated:	Dated: 9/21/07

4. This Agreement is subject to the ratification and approval of the Board of

Education.