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### **District Proposal**

# Memorandum of Understanding Cerritos Community College District and the Cerritos College Faculty Federation, AFT Local 6215 February 3, 2021

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is intended to address the effect on the Cerritos College Campus over immediate concerns relating to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and address any known and identifiable impacts created by the District's response to the outbreak of COVID-19, currently categorized by the World Health Organization as a globalized pandemic, and declared by the President of the United States and the Governor of California to be a national and state emergency. This Agreement supersedes the prior COVID-19 MOU's executed on May 6, 2020 and August 26, 2020.

The Cerritos Community College District ("District") and the Cerritos College Faculty Federation, Local 6215 ("Federation"), herein collectively referred to as the "Parties," are committed to fulfilling our duty to provide a safe work and educational environment, and agree as follows:

- The Federation will cooperate with the District in any necessary public health actions, including but not limited to those actions recommended by the federal, state, and local Departments of Public Health. The District will comply with all health and sanitation standards in compliance with all applicable local, state, and federal orders and guidelines, as well as the District's "Return to Campus Plan." The District shall consult with the Federation in formulating updates to the "Return to Campus Plan."
- (2) Although reliable attendance at work is a standard business expectation, pandemic conditions challenge this norm. Employees shall continue to perform their assigned work absent a reasonable belief that such work poses a risk to health or safety. Accordingly, the District agrees to be as flexible as possible in permitting leave requests and working with unit members to identify available leaves.
- (3) For the duration of this MOU, unit members who are not otherwise relieved from duty due to a leave of absence are expected to perform duties associated with their instructional or noninstructional assignments, professional obligations, and/or those duties that are otherwise necessary to achieve the District's mission within their normal scope of work. In exchange, the District will maintain pay and benefits for bargaining-unit employees relative to their regular schedules.

For purposes of stipend payments under this MOU, the District has accepted the recommendation of the CCCAA that Fall 2020 sports be considered part of the Spring 2021 semester.

Every sport will receive the same number of increments as those distributed during the 2019-20 academic year. Stipends will be allocated pursuant to Article 4 of the 2018-21 CBA in order to provide appropriate compensation for duties related to coaching assignments, including but not limited to recruiting, compliance training, attending meetings, preparing schedules related to competitions and/or training, etc. Stipends should be distributed regardless of whether athletic seasons have been modified for cancelled.

a. Unit members may be assigned to primarily work remotely during the Spring 2021 and Summer 2021 terms as determined by the District;

b. To the fullest extent possible, instructional and non-instructional services (e.g. counseling and library services) will continue to be offered and will be delivered through a distance modality. Faculty will devote the same contractual hours to preparation and delivery as exist under normal operations;

- c. Instruction will continue to follow the course outline of record and be designed to meet stated learning outcomes in conformance with existing CCCCO and ACCJC standards. The manner of delivery (e.g. synchronous/asynchronous, etc.) will be left up to the discretion of the instructor, except that the supervising administrator will review to ensure the modification:
  - 1. Satisfies attendance accounting requirements approved by the State Chancellor;
  - 2. Satisfies accreditation and/or CCCCO standards currently in effect; and
  - 3. Ensure schedule modifications do not create scheduling conflicts.
- d. For the term of this MOU, unit members shall participate in institutional or professional duties in an alternative format (email; Zoom; Skype; etc.) to the extent possible. Those duties that cannot be completed online shall be waived, and unit members shall complete substitute duties as directed by the District for an equivalent period of time as part of their contractual load obligation.
- (4) The District may provide equipment (such as computers, webcams, or tablets) and supplies (such as laboratory materials and digital software), that are reasonably required to effectively conduct online instruction. For faculty unable to work remotely, facilities may be made available on campus for faculty to perform their duties, upon request and subject to space limitations. Faculty shall request access in advance as early as possible, but with a minimum of 24-hour notice and subject to approval by the appropriate administrator, in order to ensure social distancing and facilities sanitation in compliance with CDC guidelines.

For faculty who share office space, it is expected that faculty will maintain health and safety standards, including social distancing and scheduling alternating attendance arrangements amongst themselves.

Faculty employees who experience difficulties in sourcing reliable equipment may contact their Division Dean to arrange alternative methods of delivery of educational services to the District's students. The District shall, upon request, allow full-time faculty remote access to hard drives in office computers and to campus z: drives, OneDrive, or other forms of District-approved remote access.

- (5) The District may permit faculty to enter the campus grounds to retrieve materials for instructional or student services or to create instructional material (e.g. lab demonstration videos) that may not be possible to create remotely. Faculty shall request access in advance as early as possible, but with a minimum of 24-hour notice and subject to approval by the appropriate administrator, in order to ensure social distancing and facilities sanitation in compliance with CDC guidelines.
- (6) If the District deems that a lab or class must be split into 2 or more entities while retaining the instructor on record, each entity shall be treated as a separate lab or class. The instructor shall be compensated for each of the newly separated classes or labs at the overload rate (full-time

faculty) or hourly rate (part-time faculty), so long as it does not exceed 67% of a full-time faculty load. (Educ. Code § 87482.5.)

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In the event that a faculty member who is assigned to campus (or a member of the faculty member's household) has symptoms of COVID-19/Coronavirus (e.g. fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue), the faculty member must self-quarantine away from all District facilities for a period beginning at the start of symptoms and continuing for at least fourteen (14) days.

Full-time faculty who self-quarantine based upon advice from, or while seeking a diagnosis from, a health care provider after exhibiting symptoms shall complete the attached "Temporary Modification of Assignment due to Sick Leave Tracking Authorization" form (Attachment A). Similarly, those employees who have been advised to self-quarantine for reasonable cause, including being over age 65 or having a compromised immune system or other similar medical condition, and are unable to work as a result, shall be provided with options for further absence from work, as indicated on the "Temporary Modification of Assignment due to Sick Leave Tracking Authorization" form (Attachment A).

In the event that a faculty member, who is assigned to work on campus) has additional reasonable cause to work remotely (e.g. the need to care for a dependent, a member of their household falls into one of the categories identified by the CDC as being at high risk for serious complications from the pandemic), they should contact their dean for accommodations.

 The Parties acknowledge that leaves authorized by HR-6201 lapsed on December 31, 2020, consistent with the legislative intent of HR 6201/FFCRA. The Parties further agree that if State and/or Federal directive(s), authorization(s), and/or appropriation(s) for additional paid sick leave are approved and implemented, the District shall provide additional leaves and benefits as required by new legislation and directives. If necessary, the parties agree to meet regarding the applicability of said leaves and benefits to faculty members.

In addition to any other leaves and benefits provided by federal, state, or local law or the current CBA, unit members who must absent themselves from work due to COVID 19 related absences may use leave under the Family Medical Leave Act (Family Medical Leave Act) or the California Family Rights Act (CFRA). Unit members who use FMLA or CFRA may use their accumulated sick leave pay during this period of absences. The District shall pay the balance of supplemental paid sick leave for full-or part-time time faculty members who do not currently have accrued sufficient sick leave to cover the first 14 calendar days of FMLA/CFRA leave.

COVID-19 related absences shall have been deemed to occur if a member:

• is subject to a governmental quarantine or isolation order,

 has been advised by a health-care provider to self-quarantine,

is caring for an individual who is subject to governmental or self-quarantine,
is caring for the employee's child because the child's school or child-care provider is closed

 Is caring for the employee's child because the child's school or child-care provider is closed due to COVID 19, or
 is experiencing a substantially similar circumstance related to COVID-19 as specified

Is experiencing a substantially similar circumstance related to COVID-19 as specified by the Department of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Department of Labor.
 Exposure to any individual who exhibit symptoms of COVID 19 who has worked on

campus in a previous 14 day period.

Should it become necessary to extend the absence, the member shall complete Attachment A, included in this document, and choose either option A, B, or C. If the member has chosen A, (accumulated sick leave balance), then upon exhaustion of accumulated sick balance, the member may choose option B (Extended Leave; differential pay) or C (Work from home)

### (8) Online Instruction

- a. Starting in the Spring 2021 semester, all faculty teaching distance education (as defined by Title 5 CCR §55200) must meet the requirement for minimum competency before the start of the class. In accordance with section 4.7 of the 2018-21 CBA, the District shall offer online professional development/training for all faculty to assist in remote instruction. To meet the minimum competency, all faculty shall have completed, at a minimum, the "Accessibility" and "Regular Substantive Contact" modules in order to instruct online/distance education.
- b. Faculty who previously completed training on both of these components may demonstrate that they have met this requirement by providing verification of completion to the DE Coordinators for review and approval.
- c. Full-time faculty who have completed these modules in 2020-2021 will receive 4 hours of flex credit for these 2 modules. Part-time faculty will be paid after completion of these two modules (2 hours per module for a total of 4 hours) pursuant to Article 8.2(d).
- d. Non-instructional faculty who instruct online/distance education and are not eligible to receive flex credit for the two modules, and who complete mandatory trainings, shall be paid at \$40 per hour (for a maximum of 4 hours).
- e. All full-time and part-time faculty who sign up and satisfactorily complete the full online certification will receive a one-time stipend of \$500. Any instructor who can verify certification in @ONE training, or other District-approved online certification is eligible for the \$500 stipend by completing other District-approved training. Instructors shall present alternate training to the DE Coordinators via email for approval. The District shall provide information on what training is available during Spring 2021.-
- (9) Evaluations: For the Fall 2020 semester and Spring 2021 semester:
  - a. Faculty shall use evaluation form(s) that is currently in use to conduct evaluations;
  - b. Contract (probationary or "tenure-track") faculty shall be evaluated in the Fall 2020 semester;
  - c. Regular (tenured) faculty who were scheduled to be evaluated in Fall 2020 shall have the option of having that evaluation conducted in the Fall 2020 or Spring 2021. Tenured faculty who postponed their scheduled evaluation shall be evaluated in Spring 2021.
  - d. Part-time faculty who were scheduled in 2019-2020 and were not evaluated prior to March 30, 2020, will be evaluated in the next semester in which they hold an assignment in accordance with the current District/CCFF Agreement;
  - e. Part-time faculty who are scheduled to be evaluated in 2020-21 shall have their evaluation conducted as scheduled unless mutually agreed with the appropriate Vice-President.

202 203 204			Upon approval, the affected faculty member's evaluation shall be conducted the nex semester in which they hold an assignment.			
205		f.	All student evaluations shall be conducted online during the term of this MOU.			
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207 208 209	lical Reimbursement: Part-time faculty who qualified for medical reimbursements in ordance with the collective bargaining agreement provisions, and are actively employed at the they apply, are eligible for <i>pro-rated</i> reimbursements for the Spring 2021 semester. The					
210 211 212	maximum reimbursement shall be \$1,000, as in the CBA. Faculty whose load is 40% or more a full-time load will be eligible for up to the \$1,000 maximum. Faculty whose load is below 4 will have the maximum reimbursement set by the amount of their load relative to 40%.					
213 214 215	example, faculty who work 20% FTE are eligible for up to \$500 reimbursement, as 20% is one half of 40%.					
216 217 218 219	The Parties agree that this MOU is reached in a changing and fluid physical, social, and political climate, and that subsequent events may require additional discussions, or create additional impacts and effects, and agree to meet and negotiate over those matters in good faith.					
220	The Parties intend this MOU to settle all impacts and effects currently existing and related to the District's actions and decisions in implementing an emergency change in instructional delivery methods. This MOU					
22 223 224 225	where	expre	n-precedential, and shall not establish or support any claim of "past practice." Further, except essly indicated herein, this MOU shall not abrogate the terms and conditions of the Parties Collective Bargaining Agreement.			
226			agree and understand that this MOU shall expire and have no further effect after the curren			
27	public-health crisis has subsided, which shall be determined in relation to any Local, County, State, and					
228	Federal order involving quarantine, a declared state of emergency, or similar pronouncements, or on June 30, 2021, whichever occurs first.					
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235	Jay E	larcos	a, CCFF/Lead Negotiator Date			

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#### **ATTACHMENT A Temporary Modification of Assignment Due to Sick Leave LEAVE TRACKING AUTHORIZATION** During the possibility of a pandemic, the District is offering temporary accommodations for employees who are sick and need to or are directed to go home to help prevent the disease from spreading. This is a temporary accommodation that may be implemented by the District as needed. Employee Name: Department: Leave begin date: Leave return date: Options Available (circle one) A. Use my current sick leave balance Extended leave (differential) pay B. Work from home (to be arranged with direct supervisor) , hereby authorize the District to process my leave of absence as indicated above. If Option A: • In the event that my leave is exhausted during the pandemic, I hereby authorize the District to process my leave in accordance with option (B/C) above. If Option C: Employee has responsibility for maintaining the security and confidentiality of District files, data and other information that are in the off-site work place. District will not reimburse the unit member for the cost of off-site related expenses such as internet connection, phone service, water, electricity, and any expenses incurred by working from home. • Employee may be asked to participate in meetings via online. The failure to adhere to these expectations may have an adverse effect on the continued ability to work from home

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