

**EARLY RETIREMENT HEALTH BENEFITS FOR
MANAGEMENT/CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES**

Effective July 1, 1999, Management and Confidential employees who meet the qualifications for early retirement shall be eligible and may apply for paid medical and health insurance benefits on the following basis:

1. The certificated/classified employee in the PERS retirement system must have the equivalent of ten 10 years of full service with district, the last five years of which must be consecutive and the employee must have reached or passed the age of 50 years, and be in a paid status the year of retirement.
2. The certificated/classified employee in the STRS retirement system must have the equivalent of ten 10 years of full service with district, the last five years of which must be consecutive and the employee must have reached or passed the age of 55 years, and be in a paid status the year of retirement.
3. The coverage will be limited to health and medical benefits of the plan provided by the district under which the employee was insured during the last year of employment.
4. The district will pay the health and medical premiums for the retiree up to the annual cap of \$7,200 (\$600 per month).
5. The district will continue to provide this coverage until the retiree reaches the age of 65 years, or is eligible for Medi-Care, whichever comes first.
6. Employees retiring may enroll dependents, at the retiree's expense, under the following conditions:
 - a. The dependent must have been enrolled one year prior to the effective date of retirement.
 - b. Rates and other conversion requirements for dependent coverage are at the discretion of the insurance company.
 - c. Spousal coverage may continue until the spouse reaches the age of 65 years, or is eligible for Medi-Care, whichever comes first. All other dependents may be covered at the discretion of the insurance carrier.
7. Pursuant to the insurance carrier regulations, the retiree may purchase dental and/or vision coverage at the district rate. Retirees enrolled in a vision or dental plan as of December 31, 2018 may maintain their coverage indefinitely. Dependent dental and/or vision coverage will be limited to the district plan in place at the time of retirement.

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