

# NH School Administrative Unit 106 | Timberlane Regional School District

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# **Preparing for Retirement**

## NH Retirement Systems:

You will need to contact NH Retirement Systems directly to notify them of your retirement and submit the required paperwork directly to them. They will you calculate your pension benefit. Ideally this is done 90 days before your retirement date which is always the first of the month.

# Medical & Dental Benefits:

**If you are under age 65:** You can continue with the same health and/or dental insurance the district offers through HealthTrust. You will be responsible for 100% of the cost monthly. You will need to decide whether you want to send payments to HealthTrust or have payments deducted from your NH Retirement benefit. Paperwork through the Timberlane Regional School District (TRSD) is required for processing retiree medical and dental benefits and must be completed and sent for processing by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month proceeding your retirement insurance effective date.

You can stay on the Medical & Dental retiree benefits throughout your retirement. However, at age 65, you will not be able to stay on the district medical insurance plans offered to employees. You will be able to sign up for Medicare Advantage Plan (MAP) offered to retirees 65 and over. Enrollment in MAP requires proof of Medicare part A & B coverage available through Social Security at age 65. You will need to contact TRSD to process the required paperwork. The paperwork must be complete and sent for processing by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month proceeding your MAP effective date.

If you decide to end your insurance coverage through TRSD and are not covered under another employer group coverage program, you will not be able to sign up for MAP when you turn 65 through TRSD or return to our retiree benefits for the dropped coverage.

FYI: Anyone turning 65 should contact Social Security to sign up for Medicare part A. Medicare part A is free.

**If you are over age 65:** You can sign up for Medicare Advantage Plan (MAP) offered to retirees 65 and over. Enrollment in MAP requires proof of Medicare part A & B coverage. Medicare part A & B is available through Social Security at age 65. You can continue the same dental insurance through HealthTrust throughout your retirement. You will be responsible for 100% of the cost monthly. You will need to decide whether you want to send payments to HealthTrust or have payments deducted from your NH Retirement benefit. Paperwork through TRSD is required for processing retiree medical and dental benefits must be complete and sent for processing by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month proceeding your MAP effective date.

**Dependents currently covered through your insurance with TRSD:** Dependents will be eligible to continue their coverage through HealthTrust as described in the paragraphs above. If the decision is made to discontinue coverage, COBRA paperwork will be sent by HealthTrust to effected dependents.

Medical and dental insurance coverage through TRSD will end the end of the month of retirement unless the full school year is completed. If the school year is completed coverage will end on 8/31.

### Vision Benefit:

You can continue your vision insurance through the district. You will be responsible for 100% of the cost monthly. You will need to decide whether you want to send payments to TRSD or have payments deducted from your NH Retirement benefit. Paperwork through the Timberlane Regional School District (TRSD) is required for processing retiree vision benefits and must be completed and sent for processing by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month proceeding your retirement insurance effective date.

**Dependents currently covered through your insurance with TRSD:** Dependents will be eligible to continue their vision coverage through the district as described in the paragraph above. If the decision is made to discontinue coverage, COBRA paperwork will be sent by the TRSD to effected dependents.



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# Life Insurance Benefit:

Your life insurance benefit will end on your last day of employment unless otherwise stipulated in your current bargaining agreement or benefit sheet. You may purchase a term life policy for all or some of your term life insurance in force at the time your employment ends, but not less than a minimum of \$1000.

Eligibility for Portable Coverage: You must meet the following requirements on your last day of employment:

- 1. You must be an Insured Person and have been insured under the Group Policy for at least 12 consecutive months ending on your last day of employment.
- 2. You must be under the age of 70.
- 3. You cannot be disabled.
- 4. You cannot be covered under any other group term life insurance plan.

Application and premium payment for portable group life insurance:

- 1. You must apply in writing and pay the first premium within 31 days after your last day of employment with SAU106.
- 2. HMRP for an "Individual Life Conversion Request For Information" form and individualized conversion rates:

HRMP Life Conversion Facility 300 Rosewood Drive, Suite 250 Danvers, MA 01923 888-999-4767 www.lifeconvmnl.com

### Severance Benefit:

Employees with 10 years of service may be eligible to have sick time paid out. Please refer to your Collective Bargaining Agreement or Benefit Sheet for details\*.

### Longevity Benefit:

You may be eligible for Longevity Benefit. Please refer to your Collective Bargaining Agreement or Benefit Sheet for details\*.

### Retirement Incentive:

You may be eligible for Retirement Incentive. Please refer to your Collective Bargaining Agreement or Benefit Sheet for details\*.

### Tax Sheltering:

You can tax shelter your final payout with your 403(b) or 457(b) account/s. If you do not have one at this time you may want to consider opening an account/s with our participating investment providers (accounts should be established by mid-April). Once the account/s are open, submit a Salary Reduction Agreement for amount to be tax sheltered to Omni403b.com by mid-May. Contact HR or Payroll at the District office if you have questions completing the form.

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

\*Retirement and resignation payouts are subject to applicable taxes and NH Retirement contribution.