

CERTIFICATED REGULAR RETIREE WANTS TRUST FUND
UNDER AGE 67

- Meet with a STRS counselor to review exactly how much you expect to receive. Also determine with the STRS counselor the best retirement date for you. You will need a minimum of two months to process the STRS documents. Call for an appointment at (562) 922-6838.
- Ask the STRS counselor whether or not you should complete the STRS Express Benefit Form.
- Determine your retirement date _____.
- Resign from the District with as much notice as possible.
- Apply to STRS for your retirement benefits. Meet with a counselor to review exactly how much you expect to receive.
- Apply for Medicare at least 2 months prior to your 65th birthday at the Social Security Office. Social Security will determine whether or not you are entitled to Medicare benefits (A & B). All MUSD retirees and/or dependents must apply for part B of Medicare. Part A is for hospital and Part B is for doctors.
- The District will pay a flat dollar amount toward the health insurance for you and your dependents through the month that you turn 67 (\$664.32 until 9/30/08). Determine how much coverage you require (for example: single coverage or 2 party coverage). If your health insurance costs more than the flat dollar amount paid by the District, you must pay a differential. The differential is paid directly to the Risk Management Department at the beginning of each month. Coverage must be continuous. If you fail to retain coverage after retirement you will not be reinstated. You may also continue other insurances for yourself and your dependents at your own expense. Apply through the Risk Management Department.
 - Dental (paid through credit union)
\$55.90/Single coverage per month
\$143.68/ 2 party coverage per month
 - Vision (paid to Risk Management)
\$14.77/Single coverage per month
\$28.82/ 2 party coverage per month
 - Life Insurance (may convert and pay directly to insurance carrier)

- Long Term Care (premium paid directly to carrier)
The rate is based on your individualized coverage.
- Open enrollment for health insurance carriers occurs during the month of September for retirees as well as active employees. You may change health insurance carriers or change your dependents during open enrollment each year. Dependents must be deleted as soon as they are no longer qualified as dependents.
- Make arrangements to authorize monthly payments from your credit union account to the MTA Trust Fund at \$100 per month October through July. Arrangements must be made prior to October 1. If you do not already have an account, establish an account with the Camino Federal Credit Union, 520 N. Taylor, Montebello 90640, (323) 722-3400 or (1-800) 835-3400, prior to July 1 of the year you retire.
- Make arrangements to authorize monthly payments from your credit union account to pay MTA annual dues of \$20 to the MTA office prior to September 1 each year with your current address and phone number.