

AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
ASRS RETIREE RETURNING TO WORK
ADMINISTRATIVE EXEMPT CONTRACT
(Twelve Month)

This contract is entered into between _____ ("Administrator") and the Governing Board of Amphitheater Unified School District No. 10 of Pima County, Arizona ("District"). The parties agree as follows:

1. District agrees to employ Administrator for fiscal year 2026-2027 ("the fiscal year"). The contract year for Administrator shall be in accordance with the official calendar adopted by the Governing Board. If, however, an emergency or other circumstance as determined and declared by the Governing Board or its authorized designee delays the opening or requires the closing of the schools, the period of time covered by the employment contracts shall be extended so as to maintain open schools for the number of days required by state law without additional compensation to Administrator.

2. District agrees to pay Administrator a salary of _____ together with any salary increase approved for Administrator as part of the 2026-2027 compensation package approved by the Governing Board upon completion of the meet and confer process. District is providing this contract to Administrator to confirm Administrator's appointment for the 2026-2027 school year. The parties intend, however, that the Administrator salary for this contract be the amount approved for Administrator by the Governing Board as part of the 2026-2027 compensation package and that said amount shall not be less than the salary stated above for Administrator's full-time employment for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. In the event there is a difference between the salary amount stated here and the amount approved by the Governing Board to be paid as salary to Administrator, then the amount approved by the Governing Board shall govern. Administrator will not be mandated to file additional paperwork/amendment to receive the additional monies as these sums will be automatically directed to Administrator in accordance with this contract. Administrator's benefits shall also include four (4) full weeks of paid vacation per year. For the purposes of this section, "a year" means the period of time beginning July 1st of any calendar year and ending June 30th of the following calendar year. Administrator may carry forward no more than forty (40) days of vacation from one fiscal year into the next. Administrator may sell back ten (10) days of vacation within the fiscal year, to be paid at Administrator's daily rate of pay.

3. Administrator shall serve in the school(s) of the District and at such location(s) as the Governing Board, Superintendent, Principal, or their designees, may direct for the fiscal year and will faithfully perform the duties as may be assigned according to law, rules, policies and regulations legally established for the governance of the District as are in effect or may be amended during the term of this contract. Administrator certifies that if Administrator supervises classroom instruction, Administrator will ensure that such instruction will be in accordance with state academic standards as established by the State of Arizona Board of Education.

4. If a valid Arizona certificate, license or fingerprint card is required for Administrator's employment, Administrator's employment shall be conditioned upon the possession at all times of the same, as well as the satisfactory completion of a background check. This contract shall be null and void, and Administrator's employment shall be terminated if these conditions are not satisfied.

5. District's budget incorporates assumptions about the amount of funding that will be available to the District. Administrator acknowledges and agrees that at any time after execution of this contract, the Base Salary specified above may be reduced by an amount not to exceed four percent (4%) of Administrator's salary or may be cancelled, if any of the following, individually or in conjunction, occurs: a) if the District's Base Support Level, the Revenue Control Limit, or the General Budget Limit authorized for the 2026-2027 fiscal year is less or becomes less than that authorized at the beginning of the 2026-2027 fiscal year; b) the District fails to receive, during the 2026-2027 fiscal year, funds in the amount initially budgeted for such year due to a transition to current year funding or for any other reason; or c) the District does not receive federal or state funds that, as of May 30, 2026, the District anticipates receiving for use in the 2026-2027 fiscal year. Administrator shall be given not fewer than ten (10) calendar days' notice of any reduction in Base Salary that occurs as a result of this paragraph. In addition, if the District receives new and undesignated state or federal funding after execution of this agreement, and such funding may be utilized for staff compensation, the compensation paid under this contract may increase following additional meet and confer proceedings and recommendations and Governing Board action.

6. Administrator warrants the truth of all representations and statements made by Administrator to District in connection with Administrator's employment. Any breach of this warranty may be grounds for termination of employment.

7. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-550, if Administrator is arrested for or charged with any non-appealable offense listed in A.R.S. § 41-1758.03(B), Administrator shall immediately report the arrest or charge to Administrator's supervisor. Failure to do so shall result in Administrator's immediate dismissal in accordance with Arizona law.

8. Administrator affirms and represents that Administrator and Administrator's dependents will not have a financial interest in any product or service purchased or otherwise procured by the District during the fiscal year. Alternatively, Administrator affirms that Administrator will disclose, in the records of the District's central office, whenever Administrator or Administrator's dependents do have a financial interest in a school district procurement of any product or service. This Contract is subject to cancellation pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511, regarding conflicts of interest.

9. Administrator hereby acknowledges and agrees that his/her employment is pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-766.01 which allows retirees under the Arizona State Retirement System ("ASRS") to return to work after retirement under certain conditions. Administrator acknowledges and represents that Administrator has attained normal retirement age as set forth by the ASRS, has retired under the ASRS, has terminated employment with all ASRS participating employers for at least twelve months, i.e. three hundred sixty-five (365) calendar days, before returning to work, and has chosen to work without interrupting or terminating receipt of ASRS retirement benefits. Administrator also acknowledges, desires and intends that District and Administrator will not make the contributions to ASRS for the salary paid to Administrator pursuant to this Contract or pursuant to any other aspect of Administrator's employment with District, but will comply with A.R.S. § 38-766.02. Administrator also acknowledges, desires and intends that Administrator will not accrue credited service, retirement benefits or long-term disability program benefits through ASRS for the employment agreed to pursuant to this contract. District and Administrator therefore expressly agree that Administrator's employment under this Contract is for 2026-2027 school year only. Administrator is hereby notified that Administrator's employment is for the 2026-2027 school year only and Administrator's contract will not be renewed for the following school year. This contract will automatically terminate upon the conclusion of the 2026-2027 school year without any further notice or action on either party's part; or either party may terminate this Agreement with thirty (30) calendar days' written notice to the other party. In the event of such early termination, the Administrator agrees to continue performing their duties and responsibilities until the termination date, and the District will pay for all services rendered through that date. Should either party terminate the Agreement before the completion of the notice period, they may be liable for any costs incurred because of the early termination, including but not limited to recruitment costs or replacement expenses.

10. Administrator is entitled to have the same paid holidays as other certificated employees in which that position is normally assigned. Administrator shall also receive the same number of sick and personal days in which that position is normally assigned, but unused personal or sick days will not be paid out at the end of the year. Fringe benefits-eligibility for health insurance, life insurance and the Employee Assistance Program will be determined under existing District policy.

11. Administrator understands that, pursuant to A.R.S. §15-545, resignation from employment during this contract without obtaining advance Governing Board approval is an unprofessional act which may subject Administrator to disciplinary action before the State Board of Education, including revocation of Administrator's certificate. Administrator therefore agrees not to resign from employment prior to the conclusion of the final duty day required by this Contract, unless the resignation has been approved in advance by the Governing Board. Administrator also recognizes that District will incur expenses of securing a replacement, including substitute costs, in the event that Administrator does not fulfill the full term of this Contract. Administrator and District agree that these expenses and the damage done to District's program and its students due to the premature loss of Administrator's services are difficult to determine, and therefore that it is appropriate to assess a certain amount as liquidated damages in the event of Administrator's breach of this contract in this respect. Administrator and District specifically agree that the liquidated damages which may be assessed against Administrator for resigning or leaving employment without advance Governing Board approval shall be the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars and no cents (\$2,500.00). Administrator agrees that District, in addition to any other remedies available to it by law, may deduct all or any portion of the amount of the liquidated damages from any earnings due to Administrator from any fiscal year, or from any other source. District will consider individual circumstances in the application of this provision.

12. This contract constitutes the entire agreement of the parties, and any prior or contemporaneous agreements, whether written or oral, are superseded by this contract except as provided or referenced herein. Any subsequent amendment or addendum to this contract shall be in writing and signed by both parties. This contract and any subsequent amendment, revision, or addendum to this contract is subject to all applicable State and Federal statutes.

13. Pursuant to Arizona law, Administrator must sign this Contract and return it to the District's Human Resources Office within fifteen (15) days from the date it is issued, without any additions or deletions, or District's offer of employment shall be automatically revoked.

APPROVED AT A LEGALLY CONVENED MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD on XXX.

Administrator