### **Attention UISD Employees**

# "REFER A FRIEND"

### RECRUITMENT INCENTIVE

Do you know exceptional individuals who would be a great fit for our United ISD team?



### Refer them! If they are hired, you may be eligible for \$500

#### What jobs are in need?

The goal of this program is to assist in hiring "hard to staff" positions, as follows:

- Bus Driver or Trainee
- Cafeteria Worker
- Groundskeeper
- Custodian
- Teacher Aide
- Special Education Unit Aide
- Special Education One to One Aide
- Special Education Resource Aide

# Who is eligible for the recruitment incentive payment?

- Only full-time United ISD employees are eligible, however <u>Human Resources Personnel</u> are not eligible.
- Administrators who do not have direct authority in the hiring process and who are referring individuals to other departments or campuses are eligible.
- Part-time staff are not eligible.
- There are no limits regarding the number of qualified applicants that may be referred or the number of incentives that may be received by an employee.
- The referring employee must be employed with United ISD at the time of the incentive payment.

#### When is the Employee Referral program available?

- The program begins on March 1, 2024, for the "hard to staff" positions listed above.
- Applicants hired prior to March 1, 2024, are not eligible for this referral program.

#### How do I refer an applicant?

- Contact your friends, family, or acquaintances and refer them to apply for the "hard to staff" open positions with United ISD.
- If the employee that you refer is hired, you will be eligible for the incentive payment after the eligible applicant completes ninety (90) employment workdays.
- Incentive payments are only offered to eligible employees who refer a new candidate to United ISD for first-time employment. Internal transfers to the listed positions and rehires to United ISD are not eligible.
- Participation in this program is voluntary, recruitment efforts should not involve significant time, and efforts should be conducted outside of work hours.

## When is the incentive payment paid?

- If an eligible employee refer an eligible applicant for a "hard to staff" position and they are hired after March 1, 2024, the eligible employee will be paid a \$500 recruitment incentive payment during the next available pay period <u>after</u> the eligible applicant completes ninety (90) employment workdays. The employment waiting period may not include summer months, depending on the position type.
- Newly hired eligible applicants complete a referral form at the time of hire to identify the eligible employee.
- Eligible applicants that fail to complete ninety (90) employment workdays shall forfeit the incentive payment.
- The eligible employee referring the eligible applicant must still be employed at the time of the payout.
- The one-time incentive payment is not eligible for TRS creditable compensation. This payment would not be subject to FLSA rules. Employees are subject to all tax implications of a lump sum payment.

Please be advised, only the employment candidates who meet the essential qualifications for the position will be considered; All employment candidates are evaluated for employment consistent with District's policies and procedures; Information regarding the hiring decision will remain confidential.

For more information, you can contact the Human Resources Department at (956) 473–6273