School Employer Advisory Committee

August 3, 2022



Housekeeping (1 of 2)

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Agenda (1 of 2)

Legislation Update – Andrea Peters

School Pay Rates – Brad Hanson

Employer Review Overview – Steve McKee

Post-Retirement Determinations – Heather Porter

State Social Security Administrator Update – Heather Porter

Break – 10 minutes



Agenda (2 of 2)

myCalPERS System Enhancements – Meghan Korte

Technical Education Resources – Lindsey Doll

CalPERS Educational Forum Update – Joshua Robinson

Questions and Answers – Brad Hanson and Christina Rollins



Legislative Update

Andrea Peters
Legislative Affairs Division



School Pay Rates

Brad Hanson
Employer Account Management Division



Pay Rates

Government Code (Gov. Code) 20636.1(b)(1)

Full-time employment for school employees is 40 hours per week regardless of their schedule

Report pay rate based on a 40-hour equivalent or hourly rate of pay



Service Credit

Gov. Code 20962

Full-time service credit

- 10 Months
- 215 Days
- 1,720 Hours

Earnings/pay rate = service credit



Pay Rate Reporting (1 of 3)

Example

Full-time employees: 225 Days (7.5 hours per day)

Annual earnings: \$120,000

Daily earnings: \$533.33

• \$120,000.00 / 225 days = \$533.33 per day

Hourly pay rate: \$71.11

• \$533.33 / 7.5 hours = \$71.11 per hour



Pay Rate Reporting (2 of 3)

Example - Incorrect

Monthly pay rate: \$10,000

• \$120,000 / 12 = \$10,000 monthly pay rate

Service credit: 0.1 per month

• \$10,000 (E) / \$10,000 = 1.0/10 = 0.1 per month

0.1 x 12 months = 1.2 service credit (capped at 1.0 per FY)

Retirement calculation based on 2% at 20 years:

• 40% of \$10,000 = \$4,000.00



Pay Rate Reporting (3 of 3)

Example - Correct

Monthly pay rate: \$12,325.93

• $$71.11 \times 2080 \text{ hours} = $154,793.60 \text{ per year/}12 \text{ months}$

Service credit: 0.0811 per month

• \$10,000 (E) / \$12,325.93 = 0.811/10 = 0.0811 per month

 $0.0811 \times 12 \text{ months} = 0.9732 \text{ service credit}$

Retirement calculation based on 2% at 20 years:

• 38.928% of \$12,325.93 = \$4,798.24



Comparison

Reported	Final Comp	Allowance
Incorrect Pay Rate	\$10,000.00	\$4,000.00
Correct Pay Rate	\$12,325.93	\$4,798.24
Differences		
	\$2,325.93	\$798.24



Pay Rate Questions



Pay Schedules and Pay Rates – School Employers Review Overview

Steve McKee

Office of Audit Services, Employer Compliance Reviews



Office of Audit Services

Conduct public agency and school reviews for compliance with the Public Employees' Retirement Law (PERL)

Pay Schedules and Pay Rates – School Employers Review, part of our fiscal year 2020-21 audit plan

Released report in December 2021



Review Objective and Scope

Objective

- School employer pay schedules and reported pay rates comply with:
 - Gov. Code section 20636.1 (b)(1) and (d)
 - Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 570.5
- Pay schedules and reported pay rates represent correct full-time pay rate based on 40 hours per week for 52 weeks for classic classified members

Selected 60 school employers

Review period January 1, 2016, to December 31, 2020



Review Criteria (1 of 2)

Gov. Code section 20636.1 (b)(1) and (d)

Pay rate is the normal monthly rate of pay or base pay paid in cash for services rendered on a full-time basis during normal working hours, pursuant to a publicly available pay schedule

For classified members, full-time is 40 hours per week, and payment for services rendered, not to exceed 40 hours per week, shall be reported as compensation earnable for all months of the year in which work is performed



Review Criteria (2 of 2)

Title 2 of the CCR section 570.5

Identifies requirements for pay schedules

 Example of requirements – Pay schedule must be duly approved by the employer's governing board, be publicly available, identify position title for every employee position, and indicate the time base, etc.

Pay rates shall be limited to amount listed on pay schedule



Review Results

Identified 58 out of 60 school employers:

- Did not have pay schedules that met requirements of CCR section 570.5
- Did not report pay rates that complied with Gov. Code section 20636.1 and CCR section 570.5



Pay Schedule Observations

52 school employers' pay schedules were not compliant

Pay schedules:

- Were not properly approved by the Superintendent of School Districts of the County Office of Education or Board of Education
- Did not include position titles for all employee positions
- Did not identify the full-time pay rate for each identified position
- Did not indicate the time base for the identified positions
- Referenced another document in lieu of disclosing the pay rate
- Did not identify an effective date or revision date



Pay Rate Observations (1 of 2)

26 school employers reported pay rates that did not reflect a full-time pay rate.

 Reported pay rates incorrectly reflected earnings based on the number of contracted days worked in an academic year

Reported pay rates should reflect earnings based on 40 hours per week for 52 weeks per year



Pay Rate Observations (2 of 2)

19 school employers reported pay rates that included additional compensation

 Reported pay rates incorrectly included additional compensation, such as amounts for post-retirement health benefits, professional growth stipends, overtime, and longevity pay

Reported pay rate should be the base pay and not include any items of additional compensation



Non-Compliance Impacts

Employer contribution miscalculations

Delays with processing member retirement benefits

Inaccurate retirement estimates

Incorrect benefit payments

Benefit reductions

Increased employer administrative costs for processing corrections



Employer Review Questions



Post-Retirement Determinations Update

Heather Porter
Employer Account Management Division



Governing Body for Retired Annuitant Appointments

Policy change effective June 2022 (CL release date)

- A district's governing body is the school board at the district level for:
 - Retired annuitants 180-day resolutions
 - Vacant position Gov. Code 21221(h)
- Questions



Executive Order Suspensions End

Effective April 1, 2022, all suspended requirements, due to the Executive Orders relating to the pandemic, have ended

Reminders:

- Ensure all employment has been reported in myCalPERS regardless of suspensions
- Send emails to <u>Working After Retirement@calpers.ca.gov</u> to identify appointments related to the Executive Order



Post-Retirement Determination Questions?



State Social Security Administrator Update

Heather Porter Employer Account Management Division



Topics

School AIR

Invoices

School police positions

Annual Information Request (AIR)

Fiscal Year 2021-22

- Issued 1112 AIR
- Received 607 responses (about 55%)

Findings:

- Medicare being withheld for CalSTRS members who were hired prior to April 1, 1986, and the district does not have a Medicare Agreement
- County Offices of Education withholding social security taxes and they do not have their own Social Security Agreement

Invoices

For 2022-2023 Fiscal year, no invoices will be issued

Refer to Circular Letter 200-028-22

School Police Positions (1 of 2)

SSSA team received notification from the Social Security Administration (SSA), school police positions at the San Diego Community College (SDCC) are covered for social security

SDCC:

- Covered under modification 839
- Entered into a safety pension contract on February 1, 2017
- School police position started as a security officer and later reclassified as a peace officer position
- Social security coverage continued until February 1, 2017

School Police Positions (2 of 2)

Based on SSA's determination SDCC will:

- Collect social security taxes for school police positions
- Submit social security taxes for open tax years to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and corrected w2 forms for all years from 2017 to SSA
- Retrieve employees amended tax returns and contact SSA to have their social security benefits reviewed if they are already collecting

If your school district has a similar SDCC situation, contact the SSSA team for assistance

Refer to Circular Letter 200-047-22 for additional information



SSSA Team Contact

Email: sssa@calpers.ca.gov

Call: (916) 795-0810

Mail: CalPERS

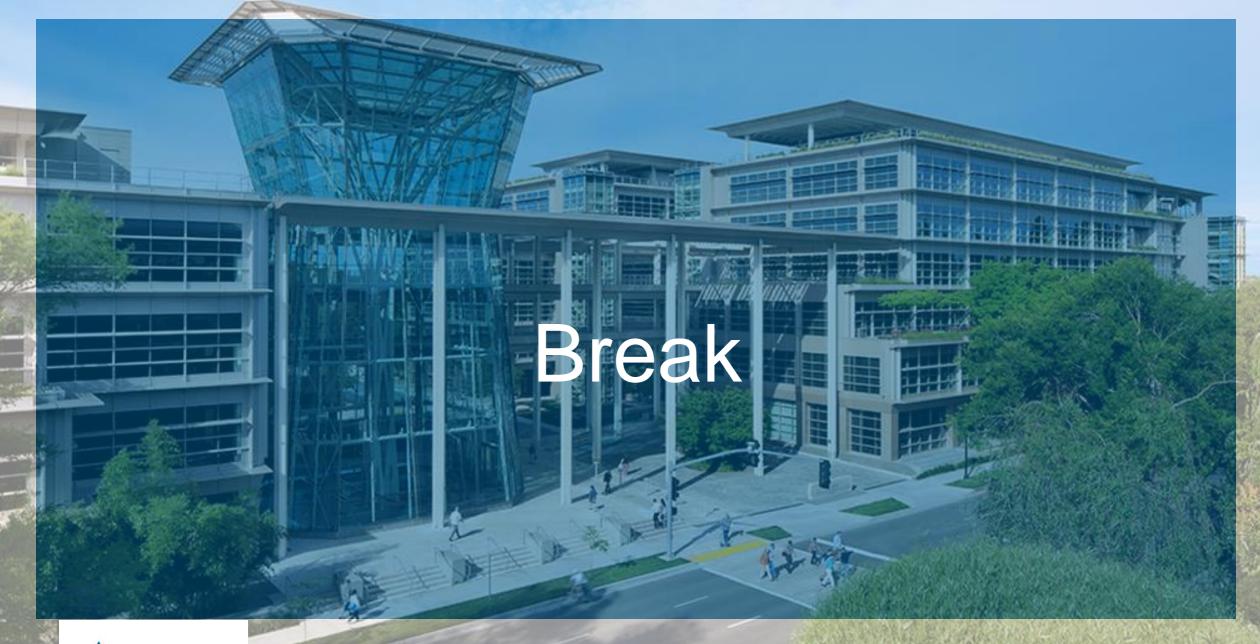
State Social Security Administrator

P.O. Box 720720

Sacramento, CA 94229

State Social Security Administrator Questions





myCalPERS System Enhancements

Meghan Korte
Employer Account Management Division



myCalPERS Enhancements

Arrears Receivable Detail Report

Notification for payroll adjustments on completed arrears determinations

Certificated member reminder



Other Enhancements

Reciprocal salary redesign

Electronic certification for reciprocal agencies



Reminders

Undeliverable Address Cognos Report

Recent system security enhancement reminders

Primary contact for Arrears Administrator, Financials, General, Human Resources, Payroll, Social Security Administrator

Retirement appointment reconciliation compliance



System Support Questions



myCalPERS Technical Resources

Lindsey Doll myCalPERS Employer Education & Training Unit



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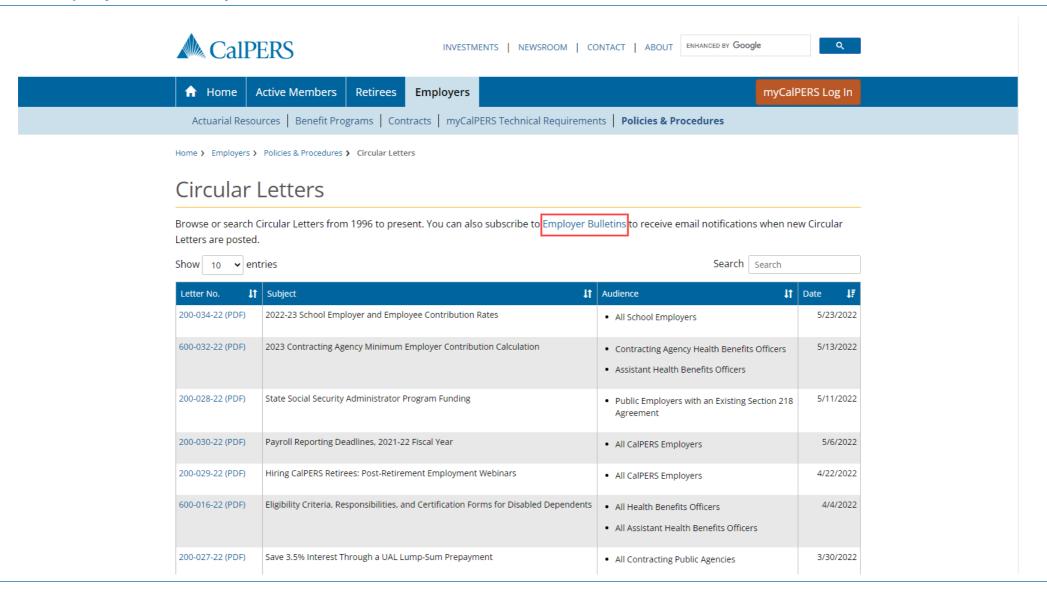
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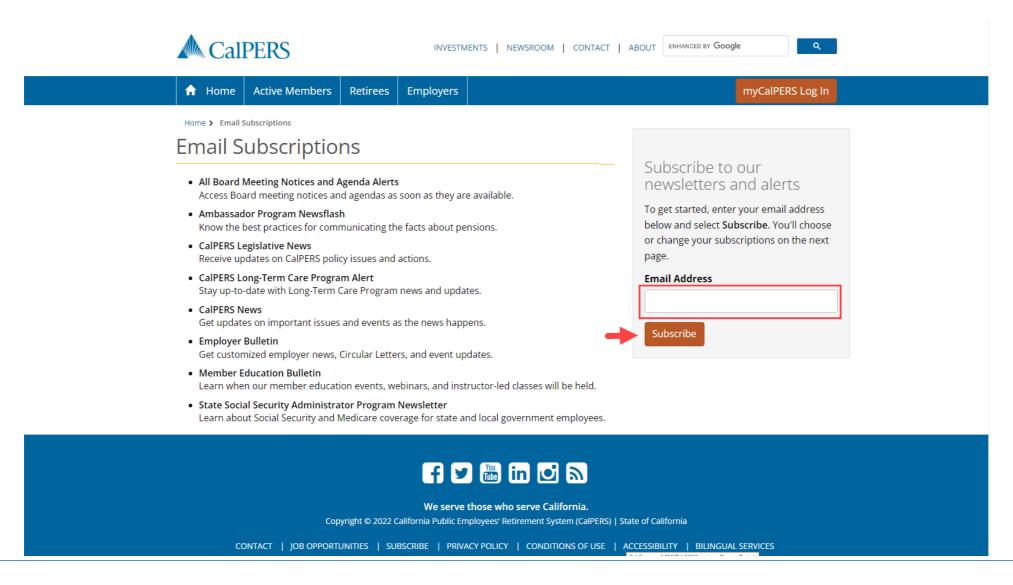
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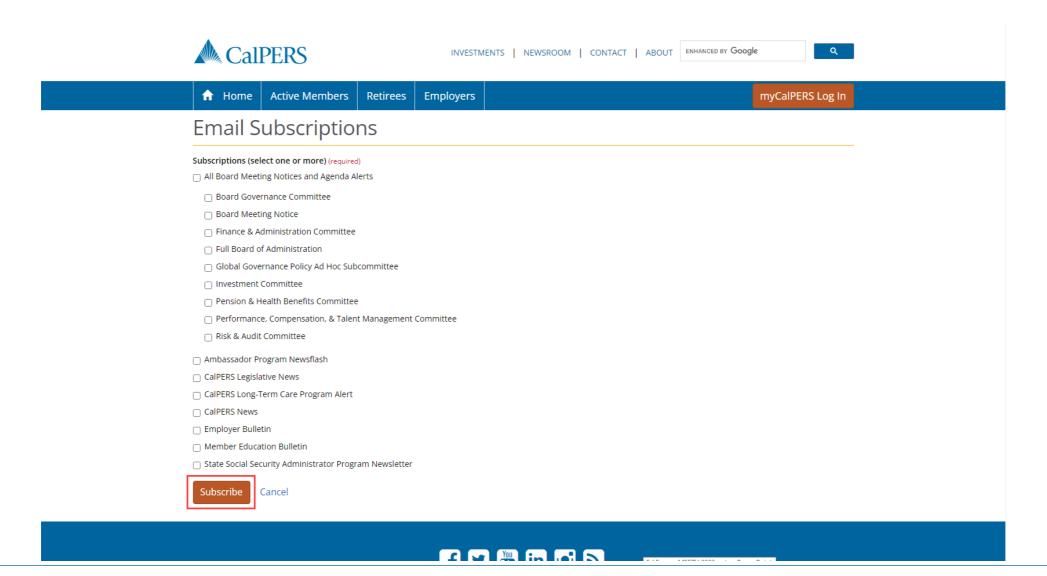






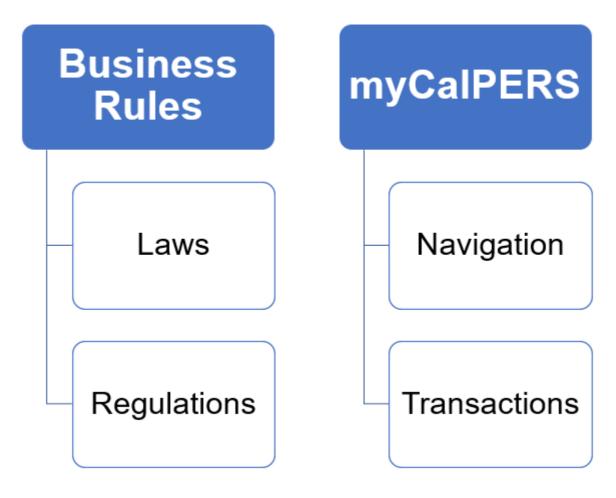








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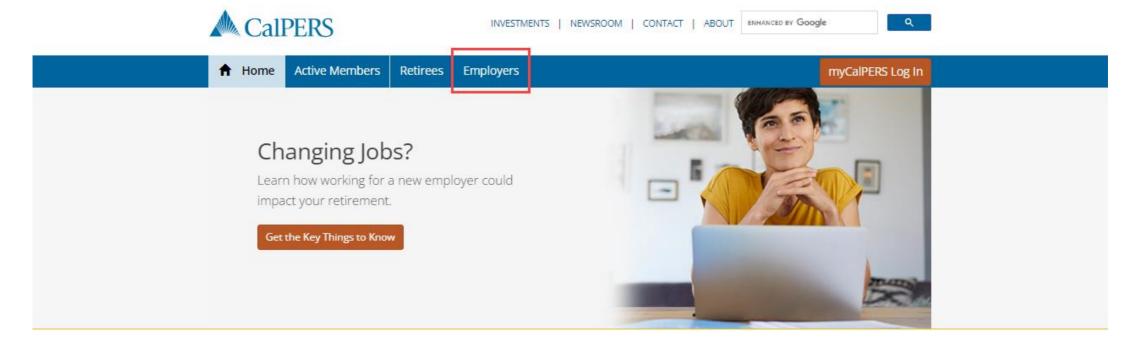
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- Flexible scheduling
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Service Retirement Election Application (BSD-369-S) (PDF)





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Name	Description	Format
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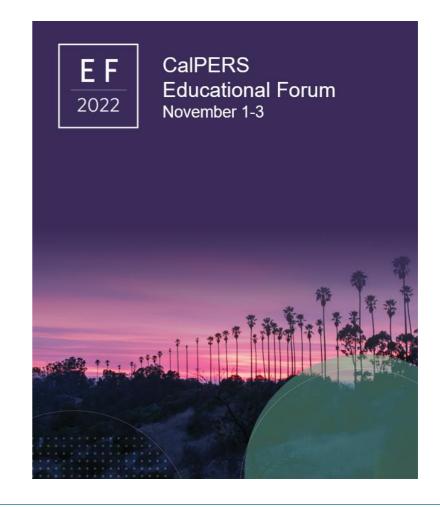


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- Advance Your Career: Earn Continuing Education Credit, acquire new skills and knowledge
- Partnerships: Share best practices with colleagues across the state
- Personal Connections: Schedule
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