

Human Resources

Benefit Synopsis for Paraprofessional Employees FISCAL YEAR 2009 - 10

Note: This synopsis is intended to brief prospective and existing College employees of the fringe benefits available at Western Wyoming Community College. Details of the benefits itemized below may be obtained from the Human Resources Office).

1. **Social Security:** Those Eligible: All WWCC Employees It is mandatory that all WWCC employees, except student employees, participate in the Federal Social Security Program. In calendar year 2009, the College contributes 7.65% and the employee contributes 7.65% of gross salary, with a ceiling of \$106,800 on the OASDI portion.
2. **Retirement:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time and Selected Part-Time Employees Western Wyoming Community College participates in the State of Wyoming Retirement Program. The College pays the employer contribution at the rate of 5.68% of gross salary and also pays the employee contribution at the rate of 5.57% of gross salary for all full-time employees and for all part-time employees who serve in at least a half-time capacity. Other designated classes of part-time employees receive limited retirement benefits. See Human Resources Office for details. The total percentage rate (11.25%) is applied to the total gross salary as no ceiling prevails in the Wyoming System. An employee becomes vested and is entitled to receive retirement benefits after four years of participation in the system and after reaching the age of fifty (50). At any time following termination from College employment, and from the retirement system, an employee may request a full refund of the employee contribution, plus accrued interest.

The monthly retirement benefits are calculated using one of several formulas approved by the Wyoming Retirement Board

Employees serving in at least a one-half time capacity may, at their option, elect to contribute to an optional retirement plan, T.I.A.A.-C.R.E.F. The College contributes 11.25% of gross salary into this retirement plan as well.

3. **Worker's Compensation:** Those Eligible: All WWCC Employees. Western Wyoming Community College participates in the State Worker's Compensation Program. The College contributes approximately 1.83% of salaries paid those individuals whose positions

are classified an extra-hazardous to a fund from which benefits may be paid to any qualified employee who is injured while on the job.

The College also has worker's compensation coverage for non-extra hazardous employees through a private insurance carrier. Contact your supervisor if you are injured on the job.

4. **Group Health and Dental Insurance:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time and Selected Part-Time Employees Western Wyoming Community College participates in the State of Wyoming Group Health and Dental Insurance Plan. The College pays approximately 85% the monthly premium for both single coverage and dependent coverage. This plan is comprehensive in nature and no physical is necessary for those who enroll within 31 days of eligibility.

5. **Optional Dental Coverage:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time and Selected Part-Time Employees WWCC also participates in the State of Wyoming optional dental plan. This plan covers basic and major services not covered by the preventative dental plan at a 50% co-payment. The cost of this coverage is paid for by the employee. The monthly cost is \$12.61 for individual coverage and \$29.56 for family coverage. An employee's optional dental coverage must be the same as their group health and dental coverage.

6. **Group Life Insurance:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time and Selected Part-Time Employees. The cost of this benefit is shared, with the College paying approximately 85% and the employee paying approximately 15%. Employees may also purchase dependent life insurance. The cost is approximately \$23.40 per year per family. The amount of dependent life insurance benefit provided ranges from \$2,000 to \$4,000 depending on the age or relationship of the insured to the employee. Life insurance benefit for a spouse or unmarried children at least five years of age is \$4,000.00.

	<u>Life Insurance</u>	
<u>Age</u>	<u>Group Life Benefit</u>	<u>Accidental Death and Dismemberment</u>
Under 60	\$50,000	\$20,000
60 but less than 65	\$32,000	\$13,000
65 but less than 70	\$21,000	\$9,000
70 and over	Varies	Varies

7. **Sick Leave:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees. All eligible employees are granted fifteen (15) working days of sick leave per year, accumulative to 120 working days. Sick

leave is accrued at a rate of 1.25 days per month. Employees may take earned sick leave for themselves or immediate family members due to sickness or injury, medical examinations or treatments, home quarantine, etc. Immediate family is defined as spouse, parents, and dependents. Also, employees may join the College Sick Leave Bank. See Human Resources Office for details. The College also abides by the provisions of the Family and Medical Leave Act.

8. **Vacation:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees

Less Than Five Years of Service

<u>Category</u>	<u>Monthly Accrual Rate</u>	<u>Annual Accrual</u>
12 Month Employee	1 Day	12 Days
11 Month Employee	.916 Day	11 Days
10 Month Employee	.833 Day	10 Days
9 Month Employee	.75 Day	9 Days

Five Years to Nine Years of Service

<u>Category</u>	<u>Monthly Accrual Rate</u>	<u>Annual Accrual</u>
12 Month Employee	1.416 Days	17 Days
11 Month Employee	1.291 Days	15.5 Days
10 Month Employee	1.166 Days	14 Days
9 Month Employee	1.042 Days	12.5 Days

Ten Years or More of Service

<u>Category</u>	<u>Monthly Accrual Rate</u>	<u>Annual Accrual</u>
12 Month Employee	1.67 Days	20 Days
11 Month Employee	1.5 Days	18 Days
10 Month Employee	1.34 Days	16 Days
9 Month Employee	1.170 Days	14 Days

9. **Flexible Spending Account Plan:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time and Selected Part-Time Employees. This plan allows employees to deduct group insurance premiums from an employee's gross salary prior to income and Social Security taxes being deducted from their paycheck. The objective is to reduce your taxable earnings and increase take home pay.

10. **Dependent Care Account:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time and Selected Part-Time Employees. This plan allows employees to have their gross salary reduced and these monies set aside prior to income and Social Security Taxes being deducted from their paycheck. This account can be used for day-care, home care or nursery bills for care of dependent children under age 13, a disabled child of any age, a disabled spouse or a disabled dependent parent.
11. **Medical Reimbursement Account:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time and Selected Part-Time Employees. This plan allows employees to have their gross salary reduced and these monies set aside prior to income and Social Security Taxes being deducted from their paycheck. This account can be used for co-insurance, deductibles and most medical expenses not covered by insurance including dental, vision, and some over-the-counter drug expenses.
12. **Holidays:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees July 4, Labor Day, Fall Break, Thanksgiving Day, Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve Day, Christmas Day, New Years Day, Martin Luther King's Birthday, President's Birthday, Good Friday, Easter Monday, and Memorial Day.
13. **Bereavement:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees A maximum of five (5) days without loss of salary may be granted for each serious illness or death in the immediate family, pending the approval of the President.
14. **Personal Leave:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees A maximum of two (2) days leave, without loss of pay, per fiscal year, non-accumulative shall be granted each employee. Generally, the employee's supervisor must approve the leave in advance.
15. **Tuition Waiver-College Courses:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees All eligible employees and their legal dependents may take credit course work at WWCC without payment of tuition. There is no limit to the number of courses which may be taken; however, employees must obtain the approval of their supervisors for all personal courses taken to ensure that the particular needs of the College are met. College employees may also take non-credit courses without payment of tuition, subject to certain conditions.
16. **Disability Leave:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees Full College pay is protected up to sixty working days following a disabling injury sustained in the performance of one's duties, subject to the provisions of the policy.

17. **Short Term Disability Insurance:** Those Eligible: All Full Time and Selected Part Time Employees. A voluntary short term disability insurance program underwritten by the Standard Insurance Company, is available through the State of Wyoming. See Human Resources Office for details.
18. **Leave of Absence Without Pay:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees An extended leave of absence without pay may be granted, normally not in excess of one year.
19. **Position Reclassification Leave:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees Employee may be granted a leave of absence with one-third pay to pursue an approved program of study when the College finds it imperative to upgrade and reclassify a paraprofessional position to a professional position.
20. **Children's Center:** Those Eligible: All WWCC Employees All eligible employees may take their children to the WWCC Children's Center during their working hours. See the Director of the Children's Center for further information.
21. **Long Term Disability Insurance:** Those Eligible: All Full-Time Employees for WWCC sponsored policy. Full Time and Benefitted part time employees may participate in the State of Wyoming LTD Program. Individuals may purchase via payroll deduction long term disability insurance at a low group rate through Jefferson Pilot. The cost is .0029 of gross salary. (Example - an employee with a gross monthly salary of \$1,000 would pay \$2.90 each month). Another long term disability plan, underwritten by the Standard Insurance Company, is available through the State of Wyoming. Cost varies by age. See Human Resources for details.
22. **Vision Insurance:** Those Eligible: Full-Time Employee and Selected Part Time Employees. Western Wyoming Community College participates in a Group Vision Care Plan through the State of Wyoming Vision Service Plan. The College contributes to the premium. Employees and dependents may be covered. See the Human Resources Office for details.
23. **Long Term Care Insurance:** Those Eligible: All Full Time and Selected Part Time Employees. A Long Term Care Plan, underwritten by Genworth Insurance is available through the State of Wyoming. Cost varies based on a number of factors. For more information, see the following website: www.genworth.com/groupltc. Group name: statewy; Access Code: groupltc