1. **Introduction**

It is the College's policy to re-employ retirees of the State of North Carolina when such employment is necessary for the College's efficient and effective operation. Such employment will be authorized by the President as designated by the Board of Trustees.

The College recognizes that a retired state employee has valuable experience to offer. The College further recognizes that the age of the College and the longevity of many employees will predicate an increase in retirements. A retiree of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System (TSERS) is subject to earnings limitations. The purpose of this policy is to define and authorize benefits to be available to employees in this classification when the restricted earnings will be less than the employee will earn under the College salary plan. Retirees are subject to a six (6) month waiting period before re-employment may occur.

a. **Benefits - Leave Accruals**

Full-time employees who are also retirees of the retirement system will earn annual leave (staff and occupational faculty) and sick leave under the same guidelines as active employees.

b. **Benefits - Life Insurance**

The College will cover the re-employed retiree under class 1 of the life insurance policy as long as the person continues to work a full-time schedule as defined by College policy. When the re-employed retiree ceases full-time employment with the College, the College will cover that person under class 2 of the life insurance plan if the person retired from the College.

c. **Benefits - Longevity Pay**

A full-time employee who is also a retiree is eligible for longevity pay subject to the earnings limitation.

d. **Health Insurance**

If a re-hired retiree returns to work and, as a result of the position and hours worked, qualifies for an offer of health insurance by the College, TSERS will transfer health insurance responsibilities back to the College and the retiree-employee will receive the legal, mandated health insurance coverage from the College as required by law.

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