Independent School District No. 1

Memo

**To:** Retirees

**Date:** August 23, 2018

**Re:** 2018-2019 Retiree Insurance

**RETIREE’S UNDER AGE 65**

**HEALTH, VISION AND DENTAL INSURANCE**

**Health Carrier: Blue Cross of Idaho** – Rate increase of 3.16% and no benefit changes.

**Vision Carrier: Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.** – No change in rate or benefits.

**Dental Carrier: Delta Dental of Idaho** – No change in rate or benefits.

**Dental Carrier: Blue Cross of Idaho, Dental Blue Connect (aka Willamette Dental)** – Rate increase of 6.61% and no benefit changes.

**Rates are located on the back of this page.**

**LIFE FLIGHT NETWORK: To be eligible for this benefit Retirees need to be on one of the District’s Retiree health insurance plans.**

The voluntary benefit membership is paid by the Retiree once a year. The membership is $50.00 ($15 savings for group) per year. The annual membership period is from November 1st through October 31st. Life Flight cannot be paid through PERSI***.* Please see the attached application for details.**

**If you would like to become a member or renew your Life Flight membership, please follow the directions below:**

1. Complete the Life Flight Application **(please print).**
2. Attach a check payable to the Independent School District No. 1 in the amount of $50.00. *Life Flight cannot be paid through PERSI.*
3. **Return completed application and check to the address below by Friday, September 21, 2018**

Jan Anderson, Benefits Specialist **OR** Ann Marie Patchen, Benefits Clerk

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**DISTRICT WEBSITE:**

Please see the District’s new website and the Retiree page at <http://www.lewistonschools.net> then choose Staff Resources, then Retiree Information. **Important:** The District no longer has the ability to track Retirees over 65 who have chosen the MedAdvantage True Blue plans, or Idaho MedPlus plan. **Retirees who have these plans will have to rely on the District’s website for Retiree Insurance Information and Retiree Meetings.**

**OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR RETIREES UNDER AGE 65 (Health, Vision & Dental):**

The District’s open enrollment period is August 15, 2018 through September, 21 2018 for an effective date of September 1, 2018. If you have questions or if you would like an application to make changes, additions, deletions or deductible changes to your existing health, vision, and dental insurance, please contact Jan Anderson, District Benefits Specialist at 208-748-3039, Ann Marie Patchen, Benefits Clerk at 208-748-3036 or Nellie Armstrong at The Murray Group at 1-877-765-2620. It is extremely helpful to receive any changes to your health, vision or dental on or prior to Monday, September 10, 2018.

(Over)

**OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR RETIREES AGE 65 & OVER OR ON MEDICARE (Health):**

Medicare Open Enrollment period is from October 15, 2018 through December 7, 2018 for an effective date of January 1, 2019. During that period, you can make changes to your over age 65 insurance plan. The rates for the over age 65 plan/Medicare are not available until October 15, 2018. You will receive the new rates in the mail around the middle of October. Beth Edwards at The Murray Group is the contact person for questions for over 65 retirees. Beth can help you choose the best option for your healthcare needs. Beth Edwards at The Murray Group telephone number is 1-877-765-2620.

**RETIREE MEETING:**

The District and The Murray Group would like to invite you to a Retiree meeting to discuss benefit changes and over age 65 health insurance options. **Please mark your calendars for the following date:**

**Retiree Insurance Meeting**

**Friday, November 2, 2018**

**10:00 am to 11:00 am**

**Curriculum Resource Center**

**3317 12th Street**

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