## Memorandum of Understanding

## Between

# Grand Rapids Community College

And

## Grand Rapids Community College Faculty Association

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is made by and between Grand Rapids Community College ("College") and the Grand Rapids Community College Faculty Association ("Association") (collectively, "the Parties"), for the purpose of revising the Academic Calendar contained within the Parties' collective bargaining agreement ("contract") and for memorializing the Parties' agreement to designate July 5, 2024 as a College holiday on a one-time, non-precedential basis.

The Parties mutually agree as follows:

1. The Parties' contract contains an Appendix ("Appendix A") setting forth various calendars, including an Academic Calendar. The Parties' contract also contains several provisions regarding holidays observed by the College.

2. In recognition of the service provided by Faculty Members throughout the 2023-2024 fiscal/contract year, which has included substantial efforts related to accreditation processes with the Higher Learning Commission, the Parties agree that it is appropriate to designate an additional College holiday on July 5, 2024.

3. This MOU will serve to amend the Parties' contract to include July 5, 2024 as a Collegeobserved holiday (involving the College's closure) for the summer 2024 semester.

4. Faculty members who would otherwise be eligible under the contract to receive compensation for any College-observed holiday within the summer 2024 semester will be compensated pursuant to regular contract processes for the July 5, 2024 holiday.

5. In addition, Job Training Faculty who would have otherwise been required to utilize vacation time on July 5, 2024, shall not be required to use vacation or other paid time off on the aforementioned date in light of the holiday designation memorialized in this MOU. (See Art. 9 § (E)(1)).

6. This MOU also memorializes the following additional revisions to the 2024-2025 Academic Calendar contained within Appendix A of the Parties' contract, as reflected in the attached Exhibit A:

- (i) the 2024-2025 Academic Calendar has been revised to reflect that examination • shall not be scheduled to take place on Thursday, December 12, 2024; and
- (ii) the Academic Calendar has been revised to reflect that grades for 14-week classes in the fall 2024 semester are due by noon on Monday, December 16.

This MOU shall not alter or amend the Parties' contract in any way except as specified 7. herein.

8. This MOU shall not be precedent-setting.

Mike Light President, Faculty Association

6/12/2024 Date

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Dr. Sheila Jones, Ph.D. **Provost and Executive Vice President** of Academic Affairs

June 12, 2024

Date

# Exhibit A - Revised 2024-2025 Academic Calendar\*

\* This revised calendar shall replace and supersede the revised Academic Calendar attached to the Parties' prior September 25, 2023 Memorandum of Understanding.

# Grand Rapids Community College 2024-2025 Academic Calendar (Revised 8/2024)

(See separate calendars for ECLL Lab Instructors, Job Training Faculty, Training Solutions, 52-week Counselors/Advisors, 52-week Laboratory Coordinators, Instructional Laboratory Coordinators, and 44-week Tutorial Coordinators)

### Fall Semester, 2024

Thursday, August 22 Friday, August 23 Monday, August 26 Monday, September 2 Friday, September 6 Monday, September 30 Monday, October 14 Tuesday, November 26 Wednesday-Sunday, November 27-December 1 Friday, December 6 Saturday, December 7 Sunday, December 8 Monday, December 9 Tuesday, December 10 Wednesday, December 11 Monday, December 16

### Winter Semester, 2025

Thursday, January 2 Friday, January 3

Monday, January 6 Monday, January 27 Sunday, February 23 Monday-Sunday, February 24 – March 2

Thursday, April 17 Friday, April 18 Saturday, April 19 Sunday, April 20 Monday, April 21 Tuesday, April 22 Wednesday, April 23 Thursday, April 24 Monday, April 28

#### Summer Semester, 2025

Monday, April 28 Monday, May 5 Monday, May 26 Monday, June 23 Tuesday, June 24 Friday, July 4 Tuesday, August 12 Friday, August 15

Opening Day Meeting/School Meetings Faculty Preparation Day and Night Classes Begin Holiday (Campus Closed) Weekend Classes Begin Counselor Preparation End of the first 7 Weeks Faculty Preparation Holiday (Campus Closed) Last Friday Night Classes Last Saturday Classes Last Sunday Classes Day Exams & Monday Evening Exams Day Exams & Tuesday Evening Exams Day Exams & Wednesday Evening Exams Grades for 14 Week Classes are due by noon \*

Faculty Preparation Opening Day Meeting/School Meetings/Faculty Learning Day Day & Night Classes Begin & Weekend Classes Begin **Counselor Preparation** End of the First 7 Weeks Mid-Semester Break (Weekend classes meet February 22 and February 23) Last Thursday Day and Night Classes Last Friday Day and Night Classes Last Saturday Classes Last Sunday Classes Day Exams & Last Monday Night Classes Day Exams & Last Tuesday Night Classes Day Exams & Last Wednesday Night Classes Commencement Grades for 14 Week Classes are due by noon \*

Restricted Start Day & Night Classes Begin for First 7 Weeks & 14 Weeks Holiday (Campus Closed) End of First 7 Weeks Day & Night Classes Begin for Second 7 weeks Holiday (Campus Closed) End of Second 7 Weeks & 14 Weeks Summer Session Grades Due by noon \*

\*Grades for non-14-week classes must be submitted by noon on the third workday after the last day of class.

- Classes that end prior to 5 p.m. are day classes and are to follow this exam schedule
- Classes meeting one day per week on Fridays for 120 minutes or longer will conduct the exam on the last regularly scheduled class day.
- Classes meeting in a condensed format (7-weeks, 10-weeks, etc.) will conduct the exam on the last regularly scheduled class day.