

TVTF Compensation Working Group Pre-Work

Please review the following ahead of the August 25th Teacher Vacancy Taskforce meeting.

- Please review the *Compensation Working Group: Recommendation Areas and Associated Policy*. Note, this is included in the google folder as a separate PDF.
- Review TRS-related resources and send any questions to <u>Grace.Wu@tea.texas.gov</u> by Friday, August 19th. TRS representatives will answer questions and join on August 25th to review and further clarify.
 - o <u>Contribution rates</u>
 - o Employment after retirement brochure
 - o Employment after retirement video
- *Optional Pre-Work:* See below for a sample of recent news or articles around the teacher shortage and compensation considerations.
 - o After a tumultuous year, teacher 'thank you' bonuses gain steam and spark debate
 - o Bills passed to help Texas schools are unintentionally contributing to teacher shortage
 - o It's not just COVID-19: Why Texas faces a teacher shortage
 - o <u>'We're wanting to work' | Retired Texas teachers having issues getting hired amid shortage</u>
 - o <u>Rural Texas districts struggling to attract teachers are switching to four-day school weeks</u>
 - o Texas teachers would be better off without a pension system