

**SOUTHERN WESTCHESTER
BOCES
TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION**

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PLEASE KEEP THIS LETTER AND ENCLOSED MATERIALS FOR YOUR RECORDS

Dear Certified Staff Members,

The BOCES Teachers' Association Benefits Trust Fund is excited to announce the following benefit enhancements to our Davis Vision and Delta Dental plans:

Davis Vision enhancements effective 5/1/24:

- **\$200 frame and \$200 contact allowance** (was \$130 total for both)
- **frame and contact allowance can be used in the same benefit cycle** (was only 1 & biennial)
- **\$0 copayment for Blue Light coverage** (was \$15)
- **\$0 copayment for Transition Lenses** (was \$65 for plastic lenses)
- **\$0 copayment for Premium Progressive lenses** (was \$40)
- **New benefit period May 1, 2024-May 1, 2026** (was March)

Delta Dental enhancements effective 7/1/24:

- **90% coverage for Basic Services which also includes Endodontics, Periodontics and Oral Surgery** (was 80%)
- ****On the enclosed form, per NYS, the coinsurance (10%) listed is the enrollees responsibility not what the plan pays. The benefit is still 90% coverage for Basic Services**
- **\$1750 Orthodontics lifetime maximum benefit for dependents up to age 19** (was \$0)
- **New benefit period July 1-June 30** (was Jan.1 -Dec. 31)

Please read the enclosed flyers or visit our website at bocesta.net for benefit details:

Additional important information found on enclosed Davis Vision flier:

- Plan name is **Davis Vision Designer Gold Group Plan** Biennial Services (May 1)
1-800-999-5431
- Create an online account at davisvision.com/members
- Login to account to view benefits, track usage, find providers, update your information, **order new cards, Shop Online** and view **Exclusive Collection**
- Davis Vision defines dependents as your spouse/domestic partner and children up to age 26
- Covered children are eligible for the benefit every 12 months
- **QualSight LASIK** and **Your Hearing Network** discounts

Additional important information found on enclosed Delta Dental flier:

- Plan name is **Delta Dental PPO Southern Westchester BOCES Benefits Trust Fund (NYSUT) 1-800-932-0783**
- ID cards not needed as all members have the same **group # 10919**
- Create an online account at **deltadentalins.com**
- Login to account to view *Claims, Find a dentist, Plan summary (print ID cards), Benefits details (eligibility), Benefits usage*
- Deductibles are waived for Diagnostic & Preventive (D & P) services nor do they count towards the yearly maximum benefit
- You are encouraged to visit an in-network provider. They have contracted rates with Delta Dental lowering your out-of-pocket expenses
- *QualSight LASIK and Amplifon Hearing Health Care* discounts

Effective April 1, 2022 the **Group Access Legal Service Plan 1-800-292-8063** now includes the **Elder Law Services** benefit which extends to **covered members, parents, in-laws, grandparents and grandparent in-laws**. Please see our website **bocesta.net** for a list of additional services and any fees that may apply. A total of three Legal Security Packages every 2 years are included at no cost. Additional Legal Security Packages may be purchased for a fee.

Below is a complete list of benefits that the **BOCES Teachers' Association Benefit Trust Fund** provides for our certified staff and their eligible dependents. The BTA continues to update and improve its website **bocesta.net** so that all certified staff can readily locate plan highlights, policy information, plan contacts and requested forms. As a reminder, these programs include:

- **Davis Vision Designer Gold Group Plan** Biennial Services (May 1)
- **Individual and Family Dental Insurance (Delta Dental PPO Group Plan)**
- **Group Access Legal Service Plan** including **Elder Law Services (Feldman, Kramer & Monaco P.C.)**
- **Group Life & Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) Insurance \$25,000 (UNUM)**
- **Group Long Term Disability Plan (UNUM)**

The *BOCES Teachers' Association Benefit Trust Fund* was established to provide certain benefits to supplement the basic health plan provided by Southern Westchester BOCES. It was created as a result of collective bargaining between the BTA and Southern Westchester BOCES. It is strictly funded by employer contributions and administered solely by the fund's Trustees, whose hard work and dedication have maintained a sound and successful fund! Please contact the Trustees listed below if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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