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ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — After constructive and cooperative bargaining this summer, Albuquerque Public Schools and the Albuquerque Teachers Federation have reached a tentative agreement for a contract covering the next two school years.

The committed negotiating teams on both sides worked to reach an agreement that focuses on student outcomes and staff well-being. Included in the agreement is a supervision stipend created to ensure student safety before and after school and increased stipends for athletic coaches- for the first in 25 years- and Special Education department chairs. The tentative agreement leads the way nationally in creating contract language specific to community schools. Educators will receive a six percent pay increase.

The work completed by the district and union also took into account the state mandated increase in instructional time and the four additional days added to the school calendar as a result.

APS and ATF remain proud of the relationship they have built, and their joint dedication to strong, vibrant, and safe public schools. This agreement is a result of that dedication.

ATF's ratification vote is scheduled for July 31 to Aug. 2, and the Board of Education will vote at its next meeting, on Aug. 2.

[You can read the agreed upon changes to the Negotiated Agreement at atfunion.org.](https://www.atfunion.org)