



# Staff Optional and Limited Alternative Work Schedule Benefit Rollout & Training for

Summer 2024



#### What is an Alternative Work Schedule?

Alternative work arrangements provided outside of strict adherence to unilaterally applied, weekly work schedules (i.e. Monday – Friday, 8am-5pm only).





## Why Allow Flexible Work?

- Serve current employee needs by providing alternative arrangements that may optimize work-life balance and increase engagement and retention
- Become an innovator by being responsive to workplace trends at little to no cost
- ...all while retaining our focus on delivering a brighter future for our students and communities.



## Summer 2024 Optional and Limited Alternative Work Schedule

- ► Eligible staff who can perform their job duties via an alternative schedule have the option to request during 5/13-8/2:
  - ► A flexible daily work schedule, with different start/end times than regular hours (i.e. 7am 4pm instead of 8am 5pm)
  - An alternative schedule that eliminates 1 day of regularly scheduled work by working 4, 10-hour days
  - An alternative schedule that eliminates .5 day of regularly scheduled work by working 4, 9-hour days and one 4-hour day



#### What Process Would Be Used?

- ➤ Staff will complete a request and submit to supervisor using the form provided by the target date listed (3/25)
- Supervisors will review all requests
- Supervisors will meet with staff and devise a plan
- Final plans will be communicated in writing (or via email) by the supervisor (4/5)



## Sample Schedule

#### Summer 2024 (beginning 5/13)

| Employee | Monday                      | Tuesday                     | Wednesday                   | Thursday                    | Friday                      |
|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Jane     | Off                         | 7:30-6<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 7:30-6<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 7:30-6<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 7:30-6<br>w/30-min<br>lunch |
| Roger    | 7:30-5<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 7:30-5<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 7:30-5<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 7:30-5<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 7:30-11:30                  |
| Nicole   | 8-6:30<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 8-6:30<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 8-6:30<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | 8-6:30<br>w/30-min<br>lunch | Off                         |
| Joe      | 7-4<br>w/1 hr<br>lunch      |



#### **Best Practices: Communication**

- Communication of who to reach during normal business hours must be provided
- For an alternative schedule that includes any full-day absence from office, an email and voicemail response should be created to route inquiries
- A calendar event indicating time away from work will help in coordinating meeting times
- Simple signage may be considered as needed at some locations



#### Best Practices: Students Come First

- Schedules may be revised with sufficient notice if needed to ensure service continuity
- Only alternative arrangements that ensure continuing service to students and college need will be approved
- Changes should be avoided, but if needed, may be requested by submitting a revised form in advance of any change and would require similar planning/approval



### Next Steps

- Review Summer Optional and Limited Alternative Work Schedule Benefit - Staff Packet
- Employees Submit Request Forms to Supervisor by 3/25
- Supervisors review all requests, meet with staff, and devise a plan
- Final plans will be communicated in writing (or via email) by the supervisor (4/5)
- Questions: Refer to information/contacts in packet



### Thank You for Your Time and Attention



