

Clarksville-Montgomery County School System

1.0 SCOPE:

1.1 This procedure outlines the process for terminating benefits.

2.0 RESPONSIBILITY:

2.1 Benefits Associate

The online version of this procedure is official. Therefore, all printed versions of this document are unofficial copies.

3.0 APPROVAL AUTHORITY:

3.1 Chief Human Resources Officer

4.0 DEFINITIONS:

- 4.1 Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA): The offer of continuation of health insurance coverage for 18 months to an employee that has terminated. The employee pays for this coverage.
- 4.2 Vested Employee: An employee who has five years of credit with Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS).

5.0 PROCEDURE:

- 5.1 The decision to terminate employment is made by the employee or the employer.
- 5.2 Human Resources certified or classified representative enters the personnel action regarding an employee's termination.
- 5.3 All terminations of employees with insurance benefits, excluding retirees, will result in the following:
 - 5.3.1 HR Benefits Office notifies insurance companies in writing, via email, online or on monthly bill to terminate insurance coverage.
 - 5.3.2 HR Benefits Office notifies the COBRA administration office, via online form, of CMCSS staff terminating their employment or moving to a non-benefit position and the effective date of change. The online form is printed and filed appropriately.
 - 5.3.3 BCBS COBRA administration office completes Federal notification requirements on CMCSS's behalf, offering terminated employees health, dental, vision insurance coverage, and medical flexible spending account/DCAP under COBRA, as appropriate.
 - 5.3.4 Ending deduction dates are entered into MUNIS deduction screen by Benefits Staff based on last coverage date.
- 5.4 Vested employees terminating due to retirement, meet with the Chief Human Resources Officer or designee for assistance in completing the application process for

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retirement benefits (TCRS) and Blue Cross/Blue Shield health insurance Add Dependent/Change Request form, if appropriate.

- 5.4.1 HR Benefits Office notifies insurance companies to terminate insurance coverage at the election of the retiree.
- 5.5 Benefits Associate notifies employee, by letter, of benefits termination dates and continuance options. Copy of letter is maintained in Docuphase.

6.0 ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS:

None

7.0 RECORD RETENTION TABLE:

<u>Identification</u>	<u>Storage</u>	<u>Retention</u>	Disposition	<u>Protection</u>
COBRA form	Benefits Office/HR Vault	Indefinitely	N/A	Secured Office
BCBS Add Dependent/Change Request form	Benefits Office/HR Vault	Indefinitely	N/A	Secured Office

8.0 REVISION HISTORY:

Date:	Rev.	Description of Revision:
2/07/03		Initial Release
2/20/03	Α	Clarify scope
11/30/06	В	Update scope to reflect any termination of benefits, change approval authority, update flowchart
11/22/11	С	Changed Approval Authority to HR Director, changed delivery of information to online form and via e-mail. Updated logo.
5/29/12	D	Added termination form and COBRA form to retention table, added 5.5, updated approval to Chief of Human Resources
9/19/14	Е	Included HR Director throughout procedure, added information regarding non-benefit position and dependent/change request form; deleted BCBS termination from Record Retention Table and added BCBS Add Dependent/Change Request form; updated flowchart and logo
10/26/15	F	Changed responsibility to CHRO. 5.2 inserted certified or classified rep. enters the personnel action.

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10/5/16	G	Removed "via e-mail" from 5.4.1.
6/27/19	Н	5.3.3, added dental.
3/20/23	1	Added medical flexible spending account.

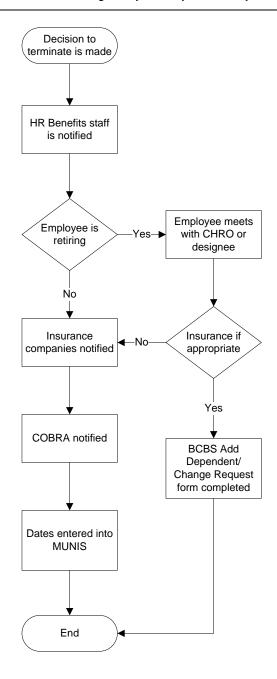
9.0 FLOWCHART:

9.1 A flowchart detailing this process can be found below.

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End of procedure

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