ISU Plan Benefits...A SNAPSHOT

Plan Election	Your Choices	
Medical/Prescription	 Wellmark Blue HMO – the ISU Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) Plan and Express Scripts Pharmacy Plan Wellmark Blue PPO – the ISU Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Plan and Express Scripts Pharmacy Plan 	
Delta Dental	 Basic Dental Plan Comprehensive Dental Plan (3-year lock-in required) 	
Basic Term Life Insurance - two plan options; ISU pays premium	 2 times annual salary up to \$250,000 maximum \$50,000 term life policy Plans reduce January 1 of the year you turn age 65 	
Voluntary Life Insurance	 Must be enrolled in basic life to be eligible (allowed to drop coverage throughout year) 1 times annual salary 2 times annual salary 3 times annual salary (underwriting required for 3 or 4 x coverage) 4 times annual salary up to \$500,00 maximum 	
Dependent Life Insurance	Must be enrolled in basic life to be eligible (allowed to drop coverage throughout year) • \$5,000 spouse/partner - \$2,500 for each child to age maximum • \$10,000 spouse/partner - \$5,000 for each child to age maximum	
Long Term Disability (LTD)	 ISU pay 100% of premium after one full year of service. (underwriting required for 1st year, if requesting coverage) 63% of additional monthly salary (up to \$10,000) 	
Flexible Spending Account (FSA) (DCAP) Administrator is ASIFlex	 Health Care Spending Account - employee may contribute \$240 annual minimum up to \$3,050/year Dependent Care Assistance Program - employee may contribute \$240 annual minimum up to \$5,000 a year, per household 	
Retirement Plans	• IPERS or TIAA (see page 2)	
Eyewear Discount Plan	 Avesis Vision Employee and eligible family options 	
Employee Assistance Program	Employee & Family Resources (EFR)	
Possible Vendor Discount Services (at no premium cost to employees)	https://www.hr.iastate.edu/vendor-discounts	
Benefits Eligibility	Employees with appointments ½ time or greater	

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Plan	Iowa Public Employees	Teacher's Insurance	
Comparisons	Retirement System	Annuity Association	
Plan Definition	The IPERS plan is a defined benefit plan.	TIAA is a type of defined contribution plans (403b).	
	The retirement income is determined by a formula based on years of service and the salary earned. Defined benefit plans are sometimes called traditional pension plans.	The amount contributed to the plan is known at the beginning, the retirement income is not known. The income will be determined by investment performance.	
Contribution amounts are subject to change as determined by the governing bodies (see plan design)			
Employee Contribution	July 1, 2020: 6.29% of budgeted salary Protected Occupations (Police): 6.41%	Year 1-5: 3.33% of first \$4,800 of budgeted salary 5.00% of budgeted salary over \$4,800	
	Each July 1: IPERS may adjust rate up or down by no more than one percentage point.	Year 6: 5.00% of budgeted Salary	
Employer Contribution	July 1, 2020: 9.44% of budgeted salary Protected Occupations (Police): 9.61%	Year 1-5: 6.66% of first \$4,800 of budgeted salary 10.00% of budgeted salary over \$4,800	
	Each July 1: IPERS may adjust rate up or down by no more than one percentage point.	Year 6: 10.00% of budgeted Salary	
Vesting (Ownership in the retirement funds	Employee Contributions A member is always 100 percent vested in their own contributions.	Employee Contributions A member is always 100 percent vested in their contributions.	
deposited in your account by ISU)	ISU Contributions A member not vested by July 1, 2012 will be vested after 7 calendar years of participation (not academic years) or upon reaching 65 while contributing to IPERS, whichever comes first, to be 100% vested.	ISU Contributions A member not vested by July 1, 2009 will become vested after any of the following: • 3 calendar years of service (not academic years) • age 65 • designated as a disabled employee • die while employed • ISU discontinues the retirement plan	
Resign from ISU Employment	If a member continues working in an IPERS-covered position (Iowa public employment), participation in IPERS may continue.	The member may roll funds over to another qualified plan or leave money in TIAA for later distribution subject to investment choices earnings or losses.	
	If leaving public employment, the member may: oroll the value of the account over to another qualified plan take a refund	 Only member funds and the vested ISU Contribution account balances will be portable. Members may receive a lump sum payment once 	
	 leave funds on deposit with IPERS If not vested, funds will be in a non-interest-bearing account. If vested, the funds will continue to accumulate interest. Contact IPERS directly for options and forms. 	employment ends. Contact TIAA directly to discuss options for distribution.	
Plan Design	The rules governing the operation of IPERS are controlled by the State of Iowa legislature.	Established by Iowa State University (ISU) and approved by the State Board of Regents.	
	Changes are communicated by IPERS directly to members.	The design is subject to change. Any change is communicated to members by ISU.	

For more detailed information please visit the web page: https://www.hr.iastate.edu/employee-benefits
Note: Both TIAA and IPERS have an annual compensation limit set by the IRS. See the IRS Annual
Compensation limit for 403b plans for the current year limit. Retirement contributions will not be contributed by the employee or employer on compensation above this limit.