

AUSTWELL TIVOLI ISD EMPLOYEE BENEFITS GUIDE

2020 - 2021 Plan Year



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Austwell Tivoli ISD offers eligible employees a competitive benefits package that includes both district-paid and voluntary products. We have worked closely with First Financial (FFGA) to provide you with a variety of benefits and resources to help you reach your healthcare and retirement needs. Details of all available benefits can be found on the Employee Benefits Center website, https://benefits.ffga.com/austwelltivoliisd/.

Be sure to read the product descriptions carefully so you are well prepared before enrollment begins. If you have questions, feel free to reach out to your First Financial Account Manager or your Benefits department.

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ELIGIBILITY

Eligible employees must be actively at work on the plan effective date for new benefits to be effective.

BENEFITS ENROLLMENT

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CENTER

The Employee Benefits Center (EBC) is a one-stop-shop for you to find all things benefits related. On the website, you'll find open enrollment and plan year dates, benefit descriptions, carrier contact information, product brochures, claim forms and enrollment details. Visit https://benefits.ffga.com/austwelltivoliisd/ today!

NEW EMPLOYEES

You have 31 days from your actively-at-work date to make benefit elections.

EXISTING EMPLOYEES

When it's time to enroll in your benefits, your First Financial Account Representative will be onsite to assist you with making your elections. Your elections can be made anytime during annual enrollment online from your work or home computer. Before enrollment, take time to educate yourself on the available benefits and what options would work best for you and your family by visiting the Employee Benefits Center.

Online Enrollment

ENROLL ONLINE

To begin online enrollment, visit https://ffga.benselect.com/enroll/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fenroll.

LOGIN

- Login: Your Employee ID or Social Security Number (no dashes)
- PIN (first login only): The last four digits of your social and the last two digits of the year you were born (six digits total)
- New PIN: The first time you log in you will be required to change to a new PIN. Please note your new PIN because you will use the new PIN from that point forward.

VIEW CURRENT BENEFITS

After logging in, you will arrive at the welcome screen. Your current benefits and premium deductions will be listed on this screen.

VIEW/ADD DEPENDENTS

Click next to view your dependents. It is very important to make sure the social security numbers and birth dates listed are correct. If you plan to add dependents, you will need to enter their social security numbers and birth dates.

BEGIN ELECTIONS

Click next again to begin making your benefit elections. Remember, no changes to your elections can be made during the plan year unless you have either a qualified mid-year change under Section 125 or a special enrollment event.

MID-YEAR BENEFIT CHANGES

You may add or cancel coverage during the plan year if you have a change in family status. You must notify the benefits department within 31 days of the change.

QUALIFYING LIFE EVENTS INCLUDE:

- Changes in household, including marriage, divorce, legal separation, annulment, death of a spouse, birth, adoption, placement for adoption, or death of a dependent child
- Loss of health coverage, attributable to your spouse's employment, losing existing health coverage including job-based, individual & student plans, losing eligibility for Medicare, Medicaid, or CHIP, turning 26 and losing coverage through a parent's plan

DECLINING COVERAGE

If you are eligible for benefits, but wish to DECLINE coverage, please complete the online enrollment either on your work or home computer. Under each option, you will need to select "waive." You must still complete the beneficiary information.

Dental Insurance



Ameritas | www.ameritas.com | 1.800.487.5553

Taking care of your oral health is not a luxury, it is a necessity to long-term optimal health. Dental insurance can greatly reduce your costs when it comes to preventative, restorative, and emergency procedures. Review the plan benefits to the right to see which option is best for you and your family's dental needs. A range of procedures may be covered, such as:

- Comprehensive Exams
- Cleanings
- X-Rays

- Fillings
- Tooth Extractions
- General Anesthesia

- Crowns
- Root Canals

DENTAL MONTHLY PREMIUMS		
	LOW	HIGH
EMPLOYEE ONLY	\$24.08	\$34.16
EMPLOYEE + SPOUSE	\$45.12	\$64.92
EMPLOYEE + CHILD(REN)	\$57.44	\$78.76
EMPLOYEE + FAMILY	\$78.44	\$109.48

Vision Insurance



Superior | www.superiorvision.com | 1.800.507.3800

Proper vision care is essential to your overall wellbeing. Regular eye exams at any age will help prevent eye disease and keep your vision strong for years to come.

Your employer provides you with a vision plan to take care of you and your family's needs. You must enroll in the vision plan each plan year and premiums are typically paid through payroll deduction. Here are just a few of the areas where you will save money with your plan:

Eye exams

Contact lenses

Vision correction

Eyeglasses

Eye surgeries

VISION MONTHLY PREMIUMS		
EMPLOYEE ONLY	\$7.94	
EMPLOYEE + SPOUSE	\$15.88	
EMPLOYEE + CHILD(REN)	\$18.02	
EMPLOYEE + FAMILY	\$27.84	

Flexible Spending Accounts



First Financial Administrators, Inc. | www.ffga.com | 1.866.853.3539 P.O. Box 161968 | Altamonte Springs, FL 32716

HEALTHCARE FSA

A Health Flexible Spending Account (Health FSA) is an IRS-approved program to help you save taxes and pay for out-of-pocket medical expenses not covered under your medical plan. If your plan includes a grace period option, you have additional time to incur and claim against unused funds in the new plan year. Keep in mind that remaining balances after the grace period is exhausted will be forfeited under the use-it-or-lose-it rule.

Your maximum contribution amount for 2020 is \$2,750.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Contributions are automatically deducted from your paycheck on a pre-tax basis, which helps reduce your taxable income and increase your spendable income.
- Your full election will be available to you at the beginning of the plan year.
- Be conservative any money left in your account at the end of the plan year with be forfeited.
- Use your benefits card to pay for qualified expenses upfront so you don't have to spend money out of pocket.
- Keep all receipts in case you need to substantiate a claim for tax purposes.

NOTE: The IRS requires proof that all expenses are eligible. Keep all receipts in case you need to substantiate a claim for tax purposes. Your receipt must include: Date of purchase or service, amount you were required to pay after insurance, description of the product or service, merchant or provider name, and the patient name.

DEPENDENT CARE FSA

With a Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account, you can set aside part of your pay on a pre-tax basis to pay for eligible dependent care expenses like child care, babysitters and adult day care.

You may allocate up to \$5,000 per tax year for reimbursement of dependent care services. If you are married and file a separate tax return, the limit is \$2,500.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Eligible dependents must be claimed as an exemption on your tax return.
- Eligible dependents must be children under age 13 or an adult dependent incapable of self-care.
- Contributions are not loaded upfront. Funds become available as contributions are made to your account.
- Keep all receipts in case you need to substantiate a claim for tax purposes.
- Balances will be forfeited at the end of the runoff or grace period.

FSA RESOURCES

BENEFITS CARD

The First Financial Benefits Card is available to all employees that participate in Medical FSA and/or a Dependent Care FSA. The Benefits Card gives you immediate access to your money at the point of purchase. Cards are available for participating employees, their spouse, and eligible dependents that are at least 18 years old.

• The IRS requires validation of most transactions for FSAs. You must submit receipts for validation of expenses when requested. If you fail to substantiate by providing a receipt to First Financial within 90 days of the purchase or date of service your card will be suspended until the necessary, receipt or explanation of benefits from your insurance provider is received.

• **Dependent Care FSA Contributions are not loaded upfront.** Funds become available as contributions are made to your account.

ONLINE FSA PORTAL

Flexible Spending Account participants can log in to their online FSA portal to access account balances, check on claims, upload receipts and access other account details. Visit https://ffga.com/individuals to login or set up your account.

FF FLEX MOBILE APP

Managing your benefit accounts on the go is made easy with *FF Flex Mobile App*. This powerful, intuitive mobile application gives you access to view your account balances, update your profile, submit a claim and much more – right from your Android or Apple device.

- Access account Information
- View card details and profile information
- Submit FSA claims using an electronic claim form
- View pending claims
- Upload receipts and documentation
- Receive alerts
- Update direct deposit information

FSA STORE

First Financial has partnered with the FSA Store to bring you an easy to use online store to better understand and manage your FSA. An online marketplace that connects consumers to FSA-eligible products, seasonal deals, and account support resources such as open enrollment guides and educational videos.

Visit http://www.ffga.com/fsaextras for more details & special deals!

- Shop for eligible items from bandages to wheelchairs and thousands of products in between
- Browse or search for eligible products and services using the Eligibility List
- Visit the Learning Center to help find answers to questions you may have about your account.



Life Insurance



Blue Cross Blue Shield | www.bcbstx.com/ancillary | 1.888.442.4207

EMPLOYER-PAID TERM LIFE INSURANCE

Life insurance protects your loved ones. It pays a benefit so they can afford to pay for funeral expenses, pay off debt and maintain their current standard of living. It is one of the best ways to show you care. Your employer provides all eligible employees a \$10,000. The cost of this policy is paid for 100% by your employer. This is a term life policy that is in effect while you are employed.

American Fidelity | www.americanfidelity.com | 1.800.654.8489

VOLUNTARY TERM LIFE INSURANCE

Voluntary life insurance is term life coverage you can purchase in addition to the basic life plan provided by your employer. It will cover you for a specific period of time while you are employed. Plan amounts are offered in tiers so you can choose the amount of coverage that works best for you and your family. Because it's a group plan, premiums are typically lower, so it's more affordable to gain the peace of mind that life insurance provides. Limitations apply, please see policy for details. Visit the Employee Benefits Center for more details.

Life Insurance



Texas Life | www.texaslife.com | 1.800.283.9233

TEXAS LIFE INSURANCE - PERMANENT, PORTABLE LIFE INSURANCE

The peace of mind voluntary, permanent life insurance provides is unmatched. It is a solid companion to your group life insurance plan. Texas Life provides life insurance that you can keep for a lifetime. The plan is easy to purchase, pay for, and keep through the convenience of payroll deduction. Coverage is affordable and dependable. Plus, Texas Life has over a century of experience protecting families and giving the peace of mind only permanent life insurance can provide.

HIGHLIGHT

- You own the policy, even if you change jobs or retire.
- The policy remains in force until you die or up to age 121, as long as you pay the necessary premium on time
- It is a permanent, universal life policy which means you can rest easy knowing your loved ones will be well taken care of when you're gone.

Disability Insurance



American Fidelity | www.americanfidelty.com | 1.800.654.8489

Have you ever wondered what would happen to your income if you had an accidental injury, sickness, or pregnancy? That is why you need disability coverage. It replaces a portion of income for the period of time you are unable to work due to those reasons. You are able to choose the benefit amount, which is the amount of your income to replace, and the waiting period that you begin receiving payments.

How do you decide if you need disability insurance? Consider these questions when making your decision:

- How much employer leave do you have?
- Do you have savings?
- Do you have other income you can rely on, such as from your spouse or from child support?
- How close are you to retirement?
- Could you go on Social Security Disability or take a Disability Retirement?
- What are your other sources of income?

Cancer Insurance



American Fidelity | www.americanfidelty.com | 1.800.654.8489

Thousands of Americans are diagnosed with cancer each day. No doubt, the news is devastating, both personally and financially. It's impossible to anticipate a cancer diagnosis, but it is possible to prepare for it with a cancer insurance plan.

It is likely that your major medical coverage will not cover all of the costs associated with a cancer diagnosis. Supplementing your major medical with cancer insurance may help you pay for related expenses, such as copays and deductibles, specialists, experimental treatment, specialty hospitals, travel expenses, in-home care and more.

Premiums are paid through convenient payroll deduction to ensure your policy remains in force if you should need it. Benefits are paid directly to you, so you can choose how to spend the money. Visit the Employee Benefits Center and view policy for more details.

Accident Insurance



American Fidelity | www.americanfidelty.com | 1.800.654.8489

The costs associated with an injury can add up. Between hospital visits, exams and treatment, out-of-pocket costs could put you in a financial hardship. An accident plan pays benefits directly to you so you can determine where to spend the money. It's comforting to know that an accident insurance policy can be there through all stages of your care, from initial treatment to follow-up care. Accident coverage is available to you through payroll deduction and may provide a benefit for costs associated with:

- Concussions
- Lacerations
- Broken teeth

- Emergency room visits
- Ambulance, ground or air
- Intensive care unit

Medical Transport



MASA | www.masamts.com | 1.800.643.9023

Americans today suffer from a false sense of security that their medical coverage will pay for all costs associated with emergency or critical care transport. The reality is that a majority of Americans are only partially covered for these high costs.

Most medical plans will only pay a portion of costs leaving you with the remainder of the bill. There is also the possibility of your medical provider denying your claim altogether, which means you would be responsible for paying the entire bill.

With medical transport protection, you will have zero out-of-pocket expenses for any emergent air or ground transport from anywhere in the United States, regardless of who transports you. You will receive medical emergency transportation solutions to help cover your out-of-pocket medical transport costs when your insurance falls short.

Telehealth



WellVia | www.wellviasolutions.com | 1.855.935.5842

Studies show that more than 50 percent of doctor's office visits can be handled over the phone. With the Telehealth program, you can get a diagnosis quicker and spend less time in the waiting room.

Board Certified physicians will diagnose your illness, recommend treatment and prescribe medication via telephone or video. You can contact them from anywhere – home, work, school, even while on vacation. They are able to treat common health issues like acid reflux, allergies, asthma, cold and flu, sinus infections, rashes, sore throat and more.

It's like having a doctor on call whenever you need medical advice. Access is only a call or click away!

Clever RX



Clever RX | https://partner.cleverrx.com/ffga | 1.800.873.1195

Clever RX helps you save money by using a prescription drug savings card. They partner with the healthcare community to bring state-of-the-art, money-savings tools to participants. It helps you save up to 80% off prescriptions drugs and often beats the average copay. Plus, it's completely free. Thanks to Clever RX, you will never overpay for prescriptions again!

HIGHLIGHTS

- 100% FREE to use.
- Unlock discounts on thousands of medications.
- Save up to 80% on prescription medication Often beats your copay!
- Download the Clever RX app by using the information on your card below to unlock exclusive savings at over 60,000 pharmacies nationwide.
- Available to use now!

Use Clever RX every time you pay for a medication for instant savings! Download the app or visit the site to price a drug: https://partner.cleverrx.com/ffga.





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