

## **Standard Insurance Company Educator Options Voluntary Long Term Disability Coverage Highlights**

Alief Independent School District

## Voluntary Long Term Disability (LTD) Insurance

Long Term Disability insurance is designed to pay a monthly benefit to you in the event you cannot work because of a covered illness or injury. This benefit replaces a portion of your income, thus helping you to meet your financial commitments in a time of need. Standard Insurance Company (The Standard) has developed this document to provide you with information about the optional coverage you may select through Alief Independent School District.

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

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A minimum number of eligible employees must apply and qualify for the proposed plan before Educator Options Voluntary LTD coverage can become effective

## **Employee**

- A regular employee of Alief Independent School District
- · Actively working at least 20 hours each week
- A citizen or resident of the United States or Canada
- Temporary and seasonal employees, full-time members of the armed forces, leased employees and independent contractors are not eligible

#### **Premium**

You pay 100 percent of the premium for this coverage through easy payroll deduction

#### **Benefit Amount**

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You may select a monthly benefit amount in \$100 increments, based on the table and guidelines presented in the Rates section of these Coverage Highlights. The monthly benefit amount must not exceed 66 2/3 percent of your monthly predisability earnings. The minimum monthly amount you may elect is \$200.

**Plan Maximum Monthly Benefit**  The lesser of \$8,000 or 66 2/3 percent of your predisability earnings

**Plan Minimum Monthly Benefit**  \$200

#### Note:

- If you do not apply for this coverage within 31 days after becoming eligible, and later decide to do so, you must wait until your employer holds an annual enrollment.
- Reinstatements are subject to medical underwriting approval. To submit a medical history statement online, visit: www.standard.com/mhs

## **Disability Needs Calculator**

Your family has a unique set of circumstances and financial demands. To help you figure out the amount of Disability insurance you may need if you become unable to work, The Standard has created a Disability Needs Calculator found at: http://www.standard.com/calculators/dineeds.html

#### **Employee Coverage Effective Date**

To become insured, you must satisfy the eligibility requirements listed above, serve an eligibility waiting period, receive medical underwriting approval (if applicable), and be actively at work (able to perform all normal duties of your job) on the day before the scheduled effective date of insurance. If you are not actively at work on the day before the scheduled effective date of insurance, your insurance will not become effective until the day after you complete one full day of active work as an eligible employee.

Please contact your human resources representative for more information regarding the requirements that must be satisfied for your insurance to become effective.

## **Understanding Your Plan Design**

## Benefit Waiting Period

The benefit waiting period is the period of time that you must be continuously disabled before benefits become payable. Benefits are not payable during the benefit waiting period. The benefit waiting period options associated with your plan include:

Accidental Injury	Other Disabilities
7 days	7 days
14 days	14 days
30 days	30 days
60 days	60 days
90 days	90 days
180 days	180 days

## Own Occupation Definition of Disability

For the benefit waiting period and the first 24 months for which LTD benefits are paid, you are considered disabled when you are unable as a result of physical disease, injury, pregnancy or mental disorder to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of your own occupation **AND** are suffering a loss of at least 20 percent of your indexed predisability earnings when working in your own occupation. You are not disabled merely because your right to perform your own occupation is restricted, including a restriction or loss of license.

## Any Occupation Definition of Disability

After the own occupation period of disability, you will be considered disabled if you are unable as a result of physical disease, injury, pregnancy or mental disorder to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of any occupation.

#### **Deductible Income**

Deductible income is income you receive or are eligible to receive while LTD benefits are payable. Deductible income includes, but is not limited to:

- Sick pay, annual or personal leave pay, severance pay or other forms of salary continuation (including donated amounts) paid are considered deductible income only after you have been Disabled for 12 months
- · Benefits under any workers' compensation law or similar law
- Amounts under unemployment compensation law
- Social Security disability or retirement benefits, including benefits for your spouse and children
- · Disability benefits from any other group insurance
- Disability or retirement benefits under your employer's retirement plan
- · Benefits under any state disability income benefit law or similar law
- Earnings or compensation included in predisability earnings which you receive or are eligible to receive while LTD benefits are payable
- Earnings from work activity while you are disabled, plus the earnings you could receive if you worked as much as your disability allows
- Amounts due from or on behalf of a third party because of your disability, whether by judgment, settlement or other method
- Any amount you receive by compromise, settlement or other method as a result of a claim for any of the above

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## **Understanding Your Plan Design (Continued)**

## Maximum Benefit Period

If you become disabled before age 62, LTD benefits may continue during disability until you reach age 65. If you become disabled at age 62 or older, the benefit duration is determined by your age when disability begins:

<u>Age</u>	<b>Maximum Benefit Period</b>
62	3 years 6 months
63	3 years
64	2 years 6 months
65	2 years
66	1 year 9 months
67	1 year 6 months
68	1 year 3 months
69+	1 year

## **Benefit Calculation**

## Example

You select the amount of your LTD benefit when you enroll for coverage in the plan. The dollar amount selected must be a multiple of \$100, from a minimum of \$200 to a maximum of the lesser of \$8,000 or 66 2/3 percent of your predisability earnings. This amount is then reduced by deductible income you receive, or are eligible to receive, while LTD benefits are payable. As an example, if your monthly predisability earnings are \$4,500, you may select any dollar amount (in \$100 increments) between \$200 and \$2,700 (66 2/3 percent of predisability earnings). In the example below, assume you elected the maximum benefit amount of \$2,700, and you now receive a monthly Social Security disability benefit of \$1,200 and a monthly retirement benefit of \$900. Your monthly LTD benefit would be calculated as follows:

Amount of LTD benefit	\$900
Less retirement benefit	-\$900
Less Social Security disability benefit	-\$1,200
Maximum benefit amount	\$2,700
Maximum benefit percentage	X 66 2/3%
Insured predisability earnings	\$4,500

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## **Additional Features**

Please see your human resources representative for additional information about the features and benefits below.

24-hour LTD plans provide coverage for disabilities occurring on or off the job.

**Rehabilitation Plan** If you are participating in an approved Rehabilitation Plan, The Standard may include

payment of some of the expenses you incur in connection with the plan including but not limited to: training and education expenses, family (child and elder) care expenses,

job related expenses and job search expenses.

Reasonable Accommodation Expense Benefit If your employer makes an approved work-site modification that enables you to return to work while disabled, The Standard will reimburse your employer up to a pre-

approved amount for some or all of the cost of the modification.

Rehabilitation Incentive Benefit

If you agree to participate in a rehabilitation plan that prepares you to return to work (plan must be approved by The Standard), you may be eligible to receive an additional benefit equal to 10 percent of your predisability earnings. When added to any other amount you receive from The Standard, your total benefit cannot exceed the

maximum benefit allowed by the policy.

**Employee Assistance Program** 

Includes an Employee Assistance Program and WorkLife Services to offer support, guidance and resources to help you and your household members resolve personal

issues.

**Survivors Benefit** If you die while LTD benefits are payable, and on the date you die you have been

continuously disabled for at least 180 days, a survivors benefit equal to three time your unreduced LTD benefit may be payable (any survivors benefit payable will first be

applied to any overpayment of your claim due to The Standard).

First Day Hospital Benefit

If you are hospital confined for at least 4 hours during the benefit waiting period, admitted as an inpatient and you are charge room and board, the following will apply; the remainder of your benefit waiting period will be waived, LTD benefits will become payable on the first day you are hospital confined, and your maximum benefit period will begin on the date your LTD benefits are payable. You are eligible for this benefit

only if your elected benefit waiting period is less than 45 days.

Family Care Expense Benefit

Applies when a disabled employee has returned to work and continues to receive LTD benefits. For 12 months, a portion of expense is deducted from the amount of your

work earnings.

#### **Exclusions**

Subject to state variations, you are not covered for a disability caused or contributed to by any of the following:

- Your committing or attempting to commit an assault or felony, or your active participation in a violent disorder or riot
- · An intentionally self-inflicted injury
- War or any act of war (declared or undeclared, and any substantial armed conflict between organized forces of a military nature)
- The loss of your professional or occupational license or certification
- If applicable, with respect to insurance increases, you are not covered for the insurance increase if your
  disability is caused or contributed by a preexisting condition or the medical or surgical treatment of a preexisting
  condition unless on the date you become disabled, you have been continuously insured under the group policy
  for the specified exclusion and limitation period, and you have been actively at work for at least one full day after
  the end of the specified exclusion and limitation period

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## **Preexisting Condition Provision**

A preexisting condition is a mental or physical condition:

- For which you or a reasonably prudent person would have consulted a physician or other licensed medical
  professional; received medical treatment, services or advice; undergone diagnostic procedures, including selfadministered procedures; or taken prescribed drugs or medications
- Which, as a result of any medical examination, including routine examination, was discovered or suspected

Preexisting Condition Period

The 90-day period just before your insurance becomes effective or any insurance

increases become effective

Specified Exclusion and Limitation Period

12 months

#### Limitations

LTD benefits are not payable for any period when you are:

- Not under the ongoing care of a physician in the appropriate specialty as determined by The Standard
- Not participating in good faith in a plan, program or course of medical treatment or vocational training or education approved by The Standard, unless your disability prevents you from participating
- · Confined for any reason in a penal or correctional institution
- Able to work and earn at least 20 percent of your indexed predisability earnings, but you elect not to work during
  the first 24 months after the end of the benefit waiting period the responsibility to work is limited to work in your
  own occupation; thereafter, the responsibility to work includes work in any occupation

In addition, payment of LTD benefits is limited in duration:

- If you reside outside the United States or Canada
- If applicable, if your disability is caused or contributed by a preexisting condition or the medical or surgical treatment of a preexisting condition unless on the date you become disabled, you have been continuously insured under the group policy for the specified exclusion and limitation period, and you have been actively at work for at least one full day after the end of the specified exclusion and limitation period
- If your disability is caused or contributed to by mental disorders, substance abuse or the environment, chronic fatigue conditions, chronic pain conditions, carpal tunnel or repetitive motion syndrome or temporomandibular joint disorder or craniomandibular joint disorder

## When Benefits End

LTD benefits end automatically on the earliest of:

- · The date you are no longer disabled
- · The date your maximum benefit period ends
- · The date you die
- The date benefits become payable under any other LTD disability insurance plan under which you become
  insured through employment during a period of temporary recovery
- The date you fail to provide proof of continued disability and entitlement to benefits

#### When Insurance Ends

Insurance ends automatically on the earliest of the following:

- The last day of the last period for which you make a premium contribution (except if premiums are waived while disabled)
- The date your employment terminates
- · The date the group policy terminates
- The date you cease to meet the eligibility requirements (coverage may continue for limited periods under certain circumstances)
- If applicable, the date your employer ceases to participate under the group policy

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## **Group Insurance Certificate**

If coverage becomes effective, and you become insured, you will receive a group insurance certificate containing a detailed description of the insurance coverage including the definitions, exclusions, limitations, reductions and terminating events. The controlling provisions will be in the group policy. Neither the information presented in this summary nor the certificate modifies the group policy or the insurance coverage in any way.

#### **Rates**

Employees can select a monthly LTD benefit ranging from a minimum of \$200 to a maximum amount based on how much they earn. Referencing the appropriate attached chart, follow these steps to find the monthly cost for your desired level of monthly LTD benefit and benefit waiting period:

- Find the maximum LTD benefit by locating the amount of your earnings in either the annual earnings or Monthly
  Earnings column. The LTD benefit amount shown associated with these earnings is the maximum amount you
  can receive. If your earnings fall between two amounts, you must select the lower amount.
- Select the desired monthly LTD benefit between the minimum of \$200 and the determined maximum amount, making sure not to exceed the maximum for your earnings.
- In the same row, select the desired benefit waiting period to see the monthly cost for that selection.

If you have questions regarding how to determine your monthly LTD benefit, the benefit waiting period, or the premium payment of your desired benefit, please contact your human resources representative.

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			Accident/Sickness Benefit Waiting Period					
		Monthly		Cost Per Month				
Annual	Monthly	Disability		4444			00.00	100 100
Earnings	Earnings	Benefit	7-7	14-14	30-30	60-60	90-90	180-180
3,600	300	200	7.96	6.36	4.96	3.60	2.64	1.72
5,400	450	300	11.94	9.54	7.44	5.40	3.96	2.58
7,200	600	400	15.92	12.72	9.92	7.20	5.28	3.44
9,000	750	500	19.90	15.90	12.40	9.00	6.60	4.30
10,800	900	600	23.88	19.08	14.88	10.80	7.92	5.16
12,600	1,050	700	27.86	22.26	17.36	12.60	9.24	6.02
14,400	1,200	800	31.84	25.44	19.84	14.40	10.56	6.88
16,200	1,350	900	35.82	28.62	22.32	16.20	11.88	7.74
18,000	1,500	1000	39.80	31.80	24.80	18.00	13.20	8.60
19,800	1,650	1100	43.78	34.98	27.28	19.80	14.52	9.46
21,600	1,800	1200	47.76	38.16	29.76	21.60	15.84	10.32
23,400	1,950	1300	51.74	41.34	32.24	23.40	17.16	11.18
25,200	2,100	1400	55.72	44.52	34.72	25.20	18.48	12.04
27,000	2,250	1500	59.70	47.70	37.20	27.00	19.80	12.90
28,800	2,400	1600	63.68	50.88	39.68	28.80	21.12	13.76
30,600	2,550	1700	67.66	54.06	42.16	30.60	22.44	14.62
32,400	2,700	1800	71.64	57.24	44.64	32.40	23.76	15.48
34,200	2,850	1900	75.62	60.42	47.12	34.20	25.08	16.34
36,000	3,000	2000	79.60	63.60	49.60	36.00	26.40	17.20
37,800	3,150	2100	83.58	66.78	52.08	37.80	27.72	18.06
39,600	3,300	2200	87.56	69.96	54.56	39.60	29.04	18.92
41,400	3,450	2300	91.54	73.14	57.04	41.40	30.36	19.78
43,200	3,600	2400	95.52	76.32	59.52	43.20	31.68	20.64
45,000	3,750	2500	99.50	79.50	62.00	45.00	33.00	21.50
46,800	3,900	2600	103.48	82.68	64.48	46.80	34.32	22.36
48,600	4,050	2700	107.46	85.86	66.96	48.60	35.64	23.22
50,400	4,200	2800	111.44	89.04	69.44	50.40	36.96	24.08
52,200	4,350	2900	115.42	92.22	71.92	52.20	38.28	24.94
54,000	4,500	3000	119.40	95.40	74.40	54.00	39.60	25.80
55,800	4,650	3100	123.38	98.58	76.88	55.80	40.92	26.66
57,600	4,800	3200	127.36	101.76	79.36	57.60	42.24	27.52
59,400	4,950	3300	131.34	104.94	81.84	59.40	43.56	28.38
61,200	5,100	3400	135.32	108.12	84.32	61.20	44.88	29.24
63,000	5,250	3500	139.30	111.30	86.80	63.00	46.20	30.10
64,800	5,400	3600	143.28	114.48	89.28	64.80	47.52	30.96
66,600	5,550	3700	147.26	117.66	91.76	66.60	48.84	31.82
68,400	5,700	3800	151.24	120.84	94.24	68.40	50.16	32.68
70,200	5,850	3900	155.22	124.02	96.72	70.20	51.48	33.54
72,000	6,000	4000	159.20	127.20	99.20	72.00	52.80	34.40

		Monthly	Accident/Sickness Benefit Waiting Period					
Annual	Monthly	Disability		Cost Per Month				
Earnings	Earnings	Benefit	7-7	14-14	30-30	60-60	90-90	180-180
73,800	6,150	4100	163.18	130.38	101.68	73.80	54.12	35.26
75,600	6,300	4200	167.16	133.56	104.16	75.60	55.44	36.12
77,400	6,450	4300	171.14	136.74	106.64	77.40	56.76	36.98
79,200	6,600	4400	175.12	139.92	109.12	79.20	58.08	37.84
81,000	6,750	4500	179.10	143.10	111.60	81.00	59.40	38.70
82,800	6,900	4600	183.08	146.28	114.08	82.80	60.72	39.56
84,600	7,050	4700	187.06	149.46	116.56	84.60	62.04	40.42
86,400	7,200	4800	191.04	152.64	119.04	86.40	63.36	41.28
88,200	7,350	4900	195.02	155.82	121.52	88.20	64.68	42.14
90,000	7,500	5000	199.00	159.00	124.00	90.00	66.00	43.00
91,800	7,650	5100	202.98	162.18	126.48	91.80	67.32	43.86
93,600	7,800	5200	206.96	165.36	128.96	93.60	68.64	44.72
95,400	7,950	5300	210.94	168.54	131.44	95.40	69.96	45.58
97,200	8,100	5400	214.92	171.72	133.92	97.20	71.28	46.44
99,000	8,250	5500	218.90	174.90	136.40	99.00	72.60	47.30
100,800	8,400	5600	222.88	178.08	138.88	100.80	73.92	48.16
102,600	8,550	5700	226.86	181.26	141.36	102.60	75.24	49.02
104,400	8,700	5800	230.84	184.44	143.84	104.40	76.56	49.88
106,200	8,850	5900	234.82	187.62	146.32	106.20	77.88	50.74
108,000	9,000	6000	238.80	190.80	148.80	108.00	79.20	51.60
109,800	9,150	6100	242.78	193.98	151.28	109.80	80.52	52.46
111,600	9,300	6200	246.76	197.16	153.76	111.60	81.84	53.32
113,400	9,450	6300	250.74	200.34	156.24	113.40	83.16	54.18
115,200	9,600	6400	254.72	203.52	158.72	115.20	84.48	55.04
117,000	9,750	6500	258.70	206.70	161.20	117.00	85.80	55.90
118,800	9,900	6600	262.68	209.88	163.68	118.80	87.12	56.76
120,600	10,050	6700	266.66	213.06	166.16	120.60	88.44	57.62
122,400	10,200	6800	270.64	216.24	168.64	122.40	89.76	58.48
124,200	10,350	6900	274.62	219.42	171.12	124.20	91.08	59.34
126,000	10,500	7000	278.60	222.60	173.60	126.00	92.40	60.20
127,800	10,650	7100	282.58	225.78	176.08	127.80	93.72	61.06
129,600	10,800	7200	286.56	228.96	178.56	129.60	95.04	61.92
131,400	10,950	7300	290.54	232.14	181.04	131.40	96.36	62.78
133,200	11,100	7400	294.52	235.32	183.52	133.20	97.68	63.64
135,000	11,250	7500	298.50	238.50	186.00	135.00	99.00	64.50
136,800	11,400	7600	302.48	241.68	188.48	136.80	100.32	65.36
138,600	11,550	7700	306.46	244.86	190.96	138.60	101.64	66.22
140,400	11,700	7800	310.44	248.04	193.44	140.40	102.96	67.08
142,200	11,850	7900	314.42	251.22	195.92	142.20	104.28	67.94
144,000	12,000	8000	318.40	254.40	198.40	144.00	105.60	68.80



## **Standard Insurance Company**

For more than 100 years we have been dedicated to our core purpose: to help people achieve financial well-being and peace of mind. We have earned a national reputation for quality products and superior service by always striving to do what is right for our customers.

Headquartered in Portland, Oregon, The Standard is a nationally recognized provider of group Disability, Life, Dental and Vision insurance and Individual Disability insurance. We provide insurance to more than 24,800 groups, covering over 8 million employees nationwide.\* Our first group policy, written in 1951 and still in force today, stands as a testament to our commitment to building long-term relationships.

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