

September 2, 2025

Subject: The Pennsylvania Budget Impasse and the Payment of Quarterly Employer and Monthly Member Contributions to PSERS

Attention School Employers: Please distribute this message to your superintendent, business manager and accountant immediately.

School employers are required to pay 100% of the employer contribution rate to the Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS). School entities (except charter schools), however, are directly reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Education for no less than 50% of the employer contribution rate (Commonwealth Share).

Commonwealth Share

Due to the ongoing budget impasse, the Commonwealth Share may not be paid to school entities by the next scheduled payment date of September 16, 2025. School entities are not required to remit the Commonwealth Share to PSERS until the school entity receives the Commonwealth Share from the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE).

When the Pennsylvania budget is enacted and the Commonwealth Share has been distributed, school entities will then have **5 business days** to remit the Commonwealth Share to PSERS.

Employer (Local) Share

During the budget impasse, school entities must pay their Local Share (as calculated below) of the employer contribution rate to PSERS by September 23, 2025. The calculation of the Local Share is as follows:

Total Employer Contributions Less: <u>Commonwealth Share</u>

Equals: Local Share

PSERS will provide this information via email to school entities by September 16, 2025, so they can remit the Local Share payment to PSERS by the **September 23, 2025, payment due date.**

Please note: All delinquent amounts for the Local Share may incur a 7% interest charge. PSERS and PDE will continue to work together in determining delinquent amounts during the budget impasse. A school employer will be notified by PSERS if they are determined to be delinquent.

Member Contributions

Payroll-deducted member contributions are not impacted by the budget impasse and must be remitted as usual to PSERS. Contributions to the Defined Contribution (DC) Plan must be remitted to Voya with each payroll and contributions to the Defined Benefit (DB) Plan must be remitted no later than 10 days after the close of the month for which deductions were withheld.

Any questions can be sent to RA-PSERSEMPACCT@pa.gov or you may contact your employer service center representative at 1-866-353-1844.

Sincerely,

Public School Employees' Retirement System