

## TEACHER CONTRACT UPDATE

The Maine Township High School District 207 Board of Education and the Maine Teachers' Association have agreed to a five year contract through August 15, 2012.

The approved contract includes an average yearly base salary increase for teachers of 3.3%. The average yearly base salary increase for teacher assistants will be 3.5%.

Other issues addressed by the contract include retirement and insurance benefits. A district insurance committee will meet on a quarterly basis to review insurance costs and to identify potential areas for savings.

Substantial changes were made in the Professional Growth program with additional recognition for teachers who receive National Board Certification.

A staff handbook will also be created for each of the buildings to include information on teacher working conditions.