#### Cabarrus County Schools - Frequently Asked Questions Relating to W-2s

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# What date are the W-2 forms legally required to be mailed out?

They must be postmarked by January 31.

### When will I receive my W-2?

The W-2 tax statements will be available no later than January 31 via the TimeKeeper employee portal.

https://timekeeper.cabarrus.k12.nc.us

W-2 statements via first class mail was discontinued December 31, 2013 for active employees.

W-2 statements via first class mail was discontinued December 31, 2017 for inactive employees.

#### If your social security number or name is incorrect on your W-2 statement:

Email payroll@cabarrus.k12.nc.us or call directly at (704) 260-5716. The first available staff member will assist you.

Please be prepared with the following information:

Complete Name.

Complete Social Security Number.

# The amount listed on my W-2 is not the same as year-to-date earnings on my December pay stub?

Refer to the "Understanding Your W-2 document".

The year-to-date earnings on your check stub are the actual amounts that you earned during the calendar year. Not all of your earnings are taxable; some of your deductions, such as medical insurance, are made before taxes. This reduces your taxable income. The amount on your W-2 statement is taxable earnings.

#### Why are my federal and state taxable wages different from Social Security wages?

Refer to the "Understanding Your W-2 document".

Certain pre-tax deductions such as Section 125 plans including medical, dental, vision, life, flex medical and dependent care reduce federal, state, and Social Security wages. Other pre-tax deductions including NC state retirement, annuities, and 401K reduce only federal and state taxable wages.

### I don't understand what all the items are on my W-2.

See "Understanding Your W2" or "W2 FAQ's" on the Cabarrus County Schools website. - (Departments / Finance/ Payroll / Useful Links and Forms). Also refer to "Notice to Employee" on the back of W-2 copy B, and "Instructions" on the back of W-2 copy B and C.

## Why are my earnings higher / lower than last year?

The most common reason for higher or lower earnings is a change in your State Installment Plan election. Earnings are recognized in the calendar year they are received, regardless of when earned.

### What address do you have on file for me?

The last address provided to Payroll on or before December 31. Current addresses may be viewed online under the employee portal.

### Can you fax or email a copy of my W-2?

Duplicate W2's are available to print or view online under the employee portal. https://timekeeper.cabarrus.k12.nc.us

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