

My Retirement Decisions

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Today's Objectives

- Understand how to choose a retirement date
- Know how to provide for loved ones in retirement
- Consider how to receive your Defined Benefit Supplement account funds
- Take advantage of CalSTRS resources

Polling Question



Section 1: Membership Information and Resources

Benefit Structures

CalSTRS 2% at 60

- First hired before January 1, 2013

CalSTRS 2% at 62

- First hired on or after January 1, 2013



Fill in your benefit structure on page 1.



Verify your benefit structure on your *Retirement Progress Report*.



Learn about us and benefits

Download forms and publications

Access calculators and watch videos

- Read the *Your Retirement Guide* booklet.

Payment calendar - Check mailed **MARCH 29** | Direct deposit **APRIL 1**



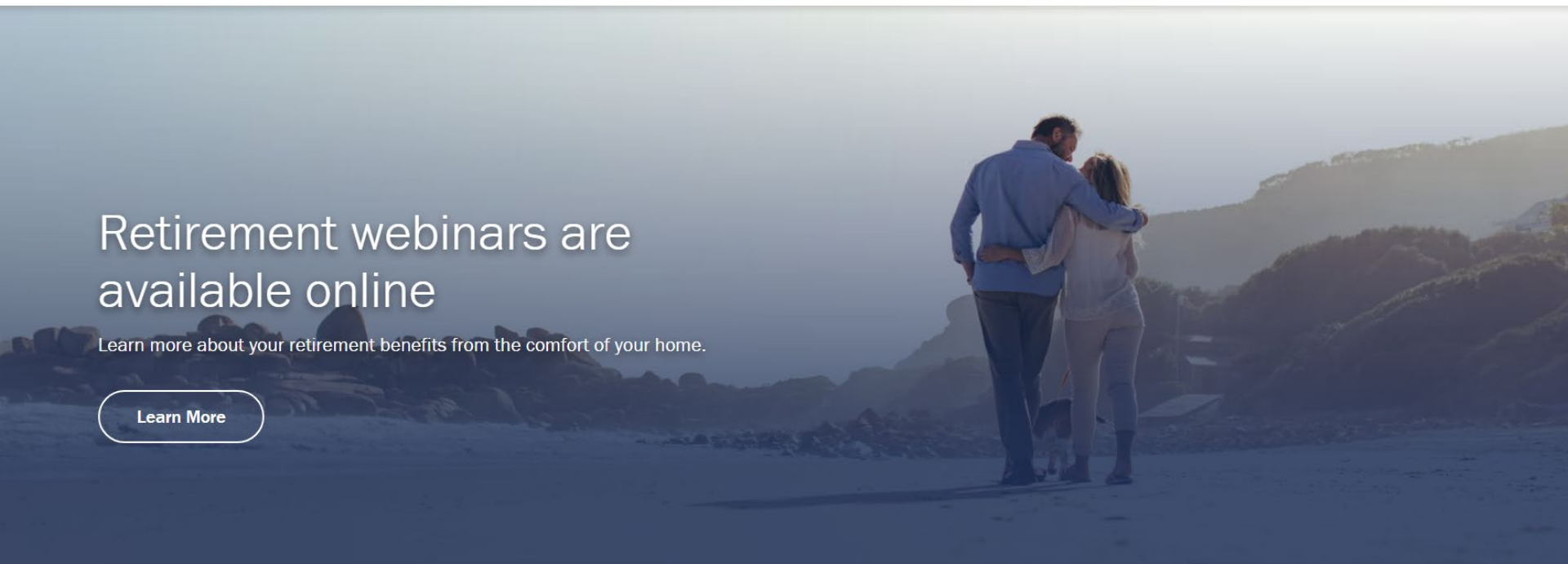
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View and update account information

Submit forms and send messages

Access Your Retirement Progress Report

- ☑ Register at myCalSTRS.com and update your contact information and communication preferences.

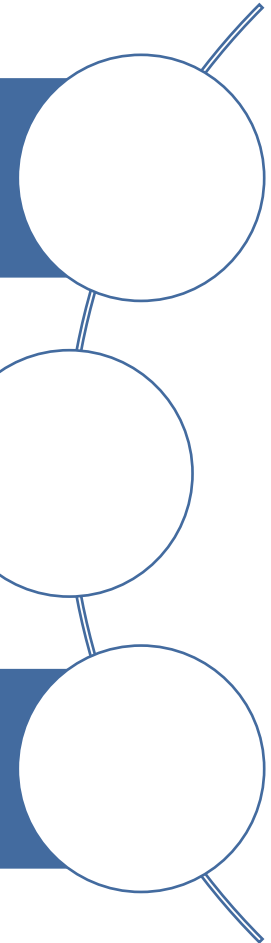
Your Retirement Progress Report

- ☑ Review your report each fall and contact your employer regarding any discrepancies.

Membership and Benefit Information

Service Credit and Account Balances

Employer Reporting



Polling Question



Section 2: Choosing a Retirement Date

Service Retirement Eligibility

Minimum Requirements

- Age 55 with five years of service credit

☑ See the *Your Retirement Guide* booklet to learn more.

Early Retirement

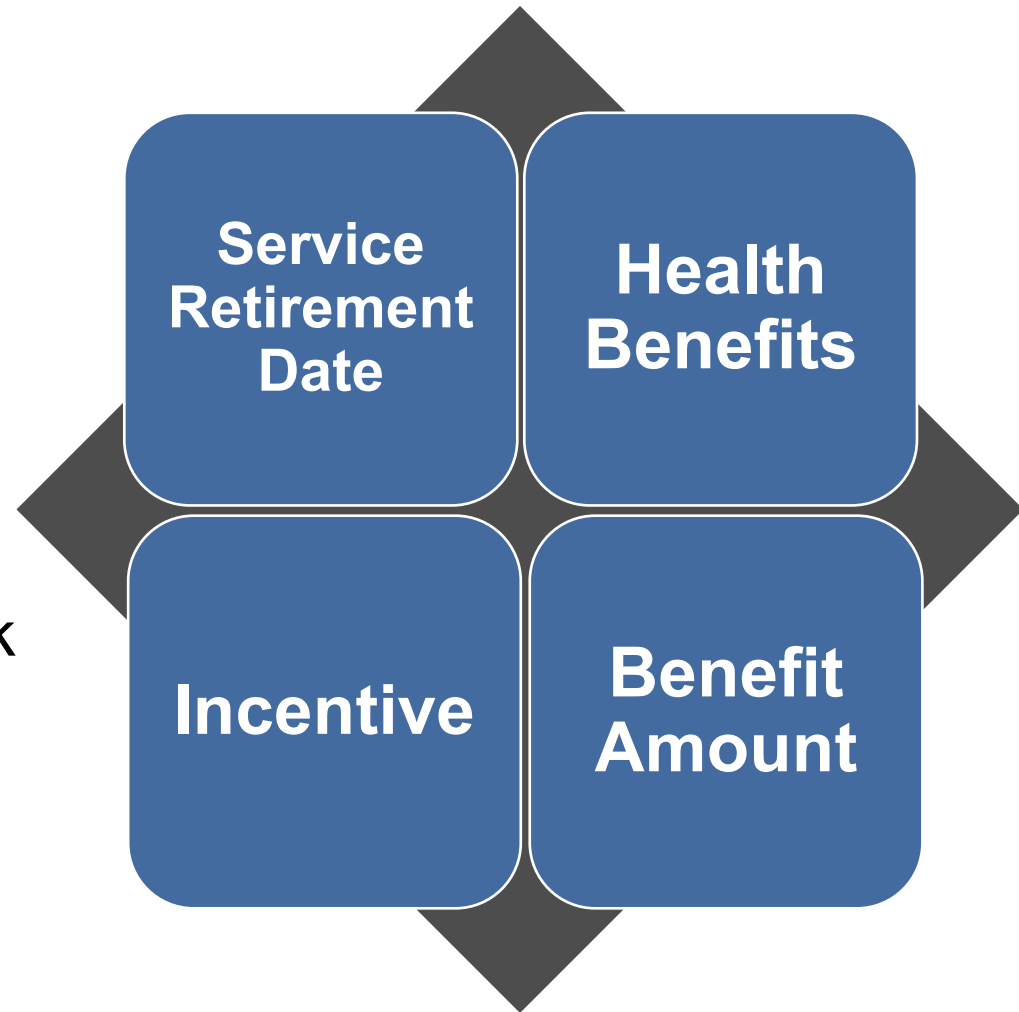
- Age 50 with 30 years of service credit (CalSTRS 2% at 60 only)

Concurrent Retirement

- Age 55 with fewer than five years of service credit if retiring for service with a concurrent retirement system

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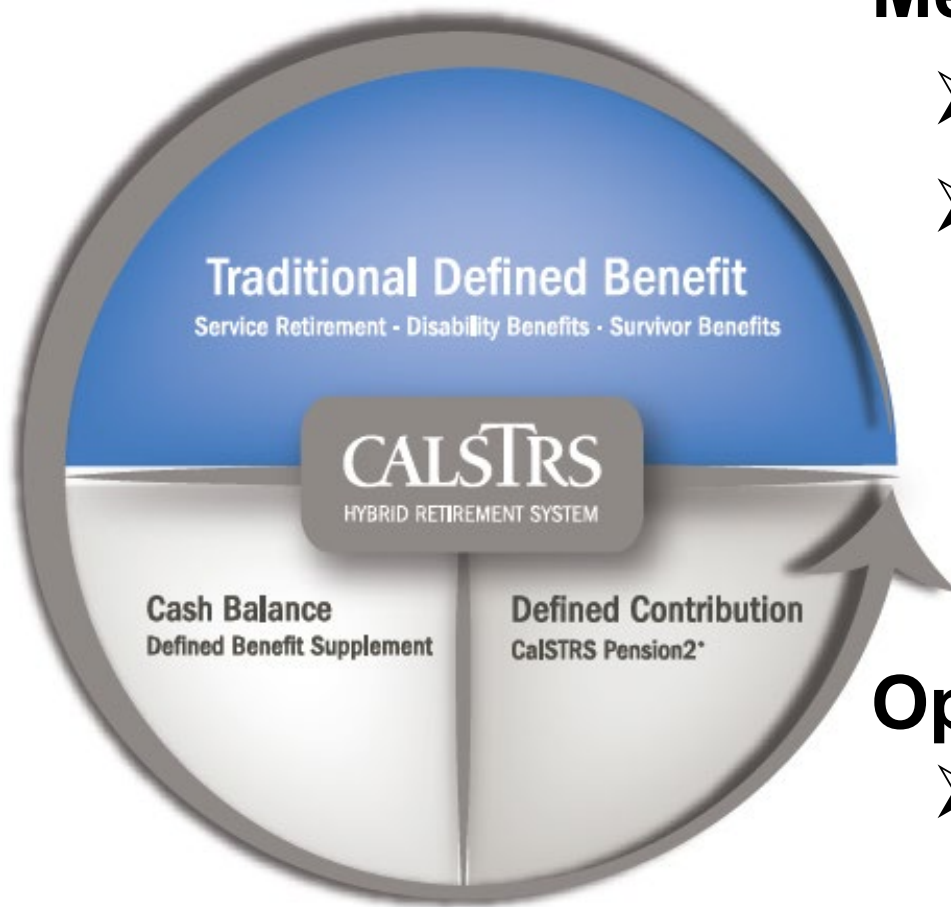
- ☑ Check with your employer about health benefits and retirement incentives.
- ☑ Verify your last day of work and retirement date with your employer.





Section 3: CalSTRS Hybrid System

CalSTRS Hybrid System



Membership includes:

- Defined Benefit Program
- Defined Benefit Supplement Program

Optional:

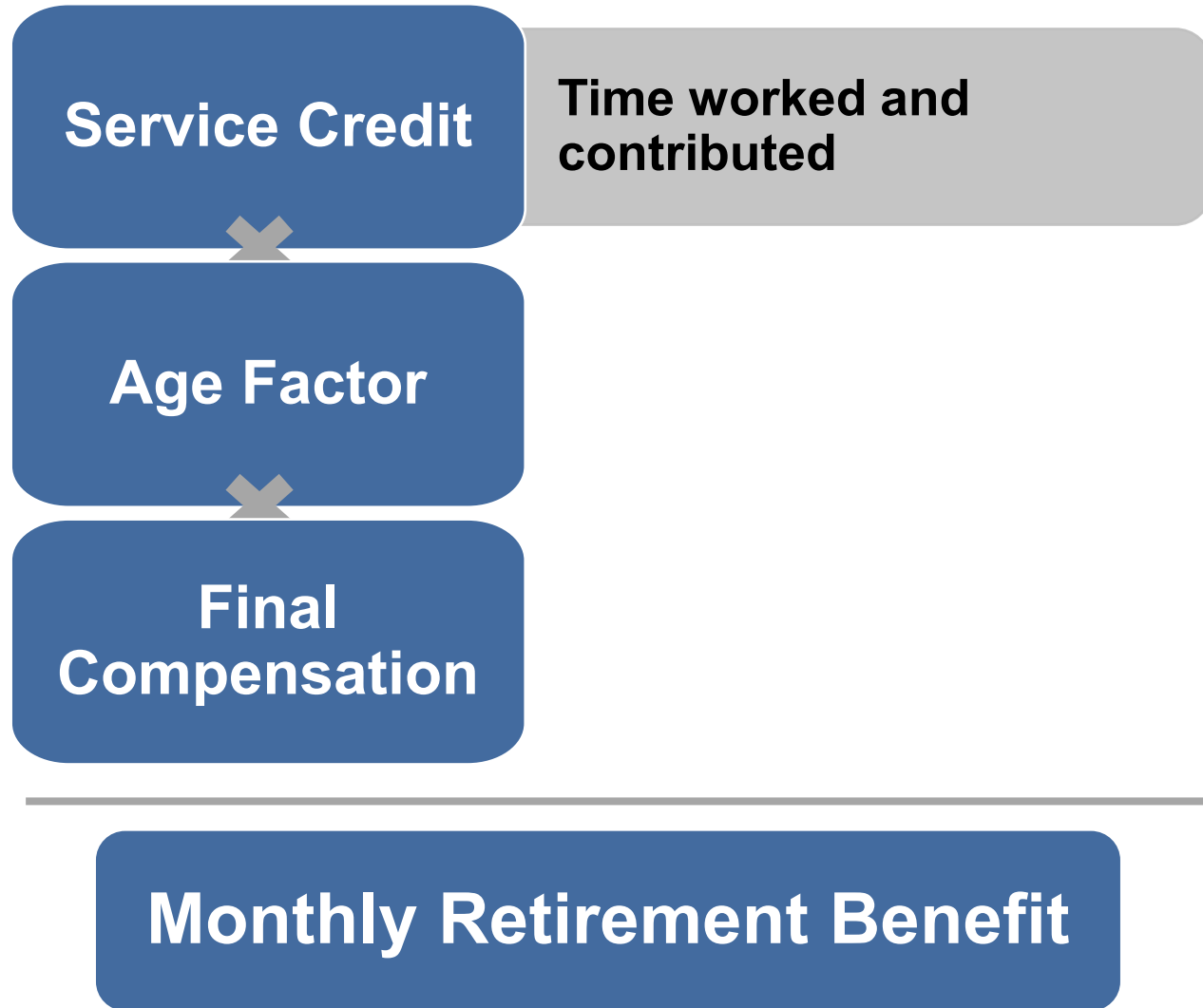
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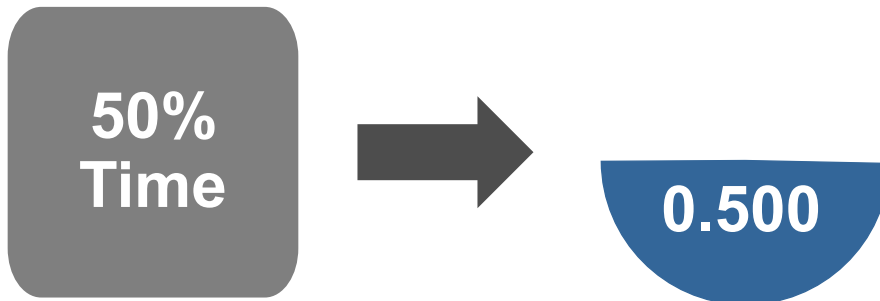
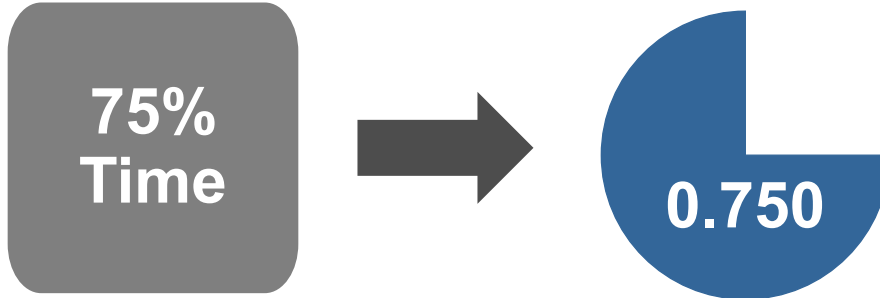
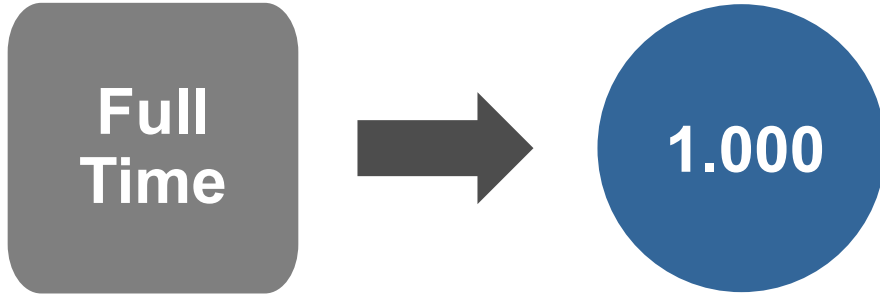
Section 4: Retirement Benefits

The Retirement Formula

- ☑ Review the *Understanding the Formula* fact sheet and video at CalSTRS.com.



Service Credit



- ☑ Track your service credit balance on your *Retirement Progress Report* each fall.

Service Credit

Unused Sick
Leave Days



Number of
Contract
Days

Additional
Service
Credit

Service Credit

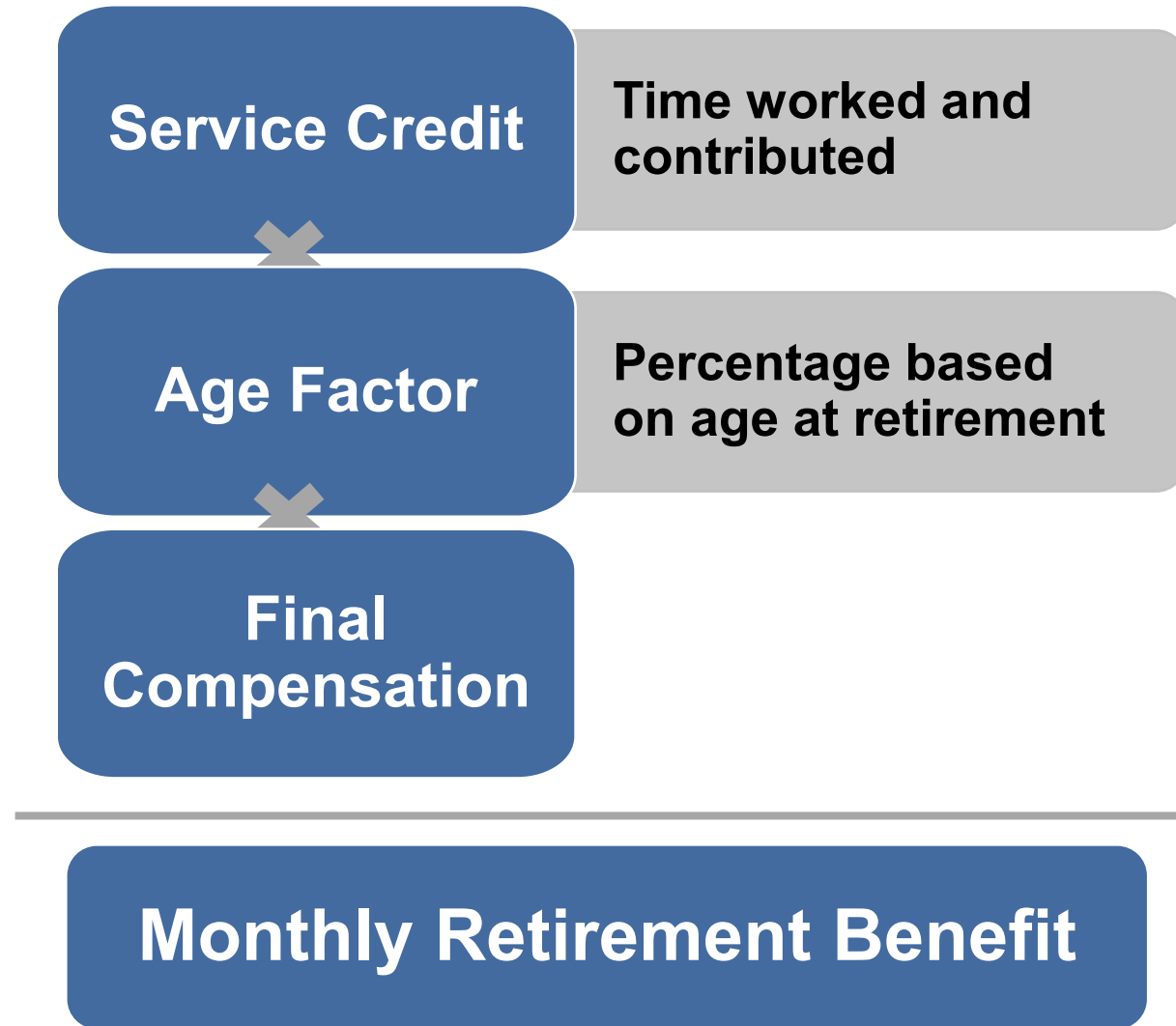
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The Retirement Formula



Age Factor

Age at Retirement	CalSTRS 2% at 60	CalSTRS 2% at 62
55	1.40%	1.16%
56	1.52%	1.28%
57	1.64%	1.40%
58	1.76%	1.52%
59	1.88%	1.64%
60	2.00%	1.76%
61	2.13%	1.88%
62	2.27%	2.00%
63	2.40%	2.13%
64	2.40%	2.27%
65	2.40%	2.40%

- ☑ View the complete age factor tables in the *Member Handbook*.

Career Factor

0.20 percent increase for CalSTRS 2% at 60 members with 30 or more years of service credit

The Retirement Formula

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Service Credit

Time worked and contributed

Age Factor

Percentage based on age at retirement

Final Compensation

Highest average annual compensation earnable for 36 consecutive months

Monthly Retirement Benefit

Final Compensation

School Year	Compensation Earnable	Number of Months
Year A	\$57,500	12
Year B	\$60,000	12
Year C	\$62,500	12

Final Compensation

\$180,000



36
Months

\$5,000

Final Compensation

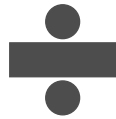
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Year C	\$62,500	12

One-Year Final Compensation

12 consecutive months for CalSTRS 2% at 60 members with 25 or more years of service credit

Final Compensation

\$62,500



12
Months

\$5,208

One-Year Final Compensation

12 consecutive months for CalSTRS 2% at 60 members with 25 or more years of service credit

Final Compensation

\$5,208



\$5,000

\$208

One-Year Final Compensation

12 consecutive months for CalSTRS 2% at 60 members with 25 or more years of service credit

Jake's Retirement Benefit

- Jake is a CalSTRS 2% at 60 member who works full time.
- He is 48 with 12 years of service credit and wants to retire at 60.
- His final compensation is \$5,000.

Service Credit

Time worked and contributed

Age Factor

Percentage based on age at retirement

Final Compensation

Highest average annual compensation earnable for 36 consecutive months

Monthly Retirement Benefit

Jake's Retirement Benefit

➤ Jake is a CalSTRS 2% at 60 member who works full time.

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12,000 + 12,000 earned between age 48 to 60

➤ He is 48 with 12 years of service credit and wants to retire at 60.

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2% at age 60

➤ His final compensation is \$5,000.

\$5,000

$(\$57,500 + \$60,000 + \$62,500) / 36$ months

\$2,400

Monthly Retirement Benefit

Polling Question

What if Jake works longer?



Estimate Jake's retirement benefit on page 2.

Jake's Retirement Benefit

- ☑ Use the *Retirement Benefits Calculator* at CalSTRS.com to estimate your benefit.

Service Credit

Time worked and contributed

Age Factor

Percentage based on age at retirement

Final Compensation

Highest average annual compensation earnable for 36 consecutive months

Monthly Retirement Benefit

Jake's Retirement Benefit

- ☑ Use the *Retirement Benefits Calculator* at CalSTRS.com to estimate your benefit.

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12,000 + 15,000 earned
between 48 and 63

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2.4% at 63

\$5,208

\$62,500 / 12 months

\$3,375

Monthly Retirement Benefit

Increasing Your Monthly Benefit

Service Credit

- Work longer
- Purchase service credit



Read the *Purchase Additional Service Credit* booklet.

Age Factor

- Work longer
- Retire later

Final Compensation

- Work at higher pay rates



Use the calculators at CalSTRS.com.

Monthly Retirement Benefit



Section 5: Defined Benefit Decision

Defined Benefit Decision

Member-Only
Benefit



Receive the
Highest
Benefit

Modified
Benefit



Receive a
Reduced
Benefit

Date of Death

Remaining
Account
Balance



One-Time
Death Benefit
Recipient

Percentage of
Reduced
Benefit



Option
Beneficiary



View the *Beneficiary Options* video at CalSTRS.com.

Polling Question

Jake's Modified Benefit

Member-
Only Benefit



Option
Factor

Modified Benefit

- ☑ View the *Beneficiary Options* video at CalSTRS.com.

Jake's Modified Benefit

MBR Age	BEN Age	100%	75%	50%
63	50	0.8054	0.8572	0.9036
63	55	0.8301	0.8776	0.9184
63	60	0.8572	0.8997	0.9340
63	65	0.8844	0.9214	0.9490
63	70	0.9094	0.9410	0.9621

- ☑ View the *Beneficiary Options* video at CalSTRS.com.

Jake's Modified Benefit

\$3,375

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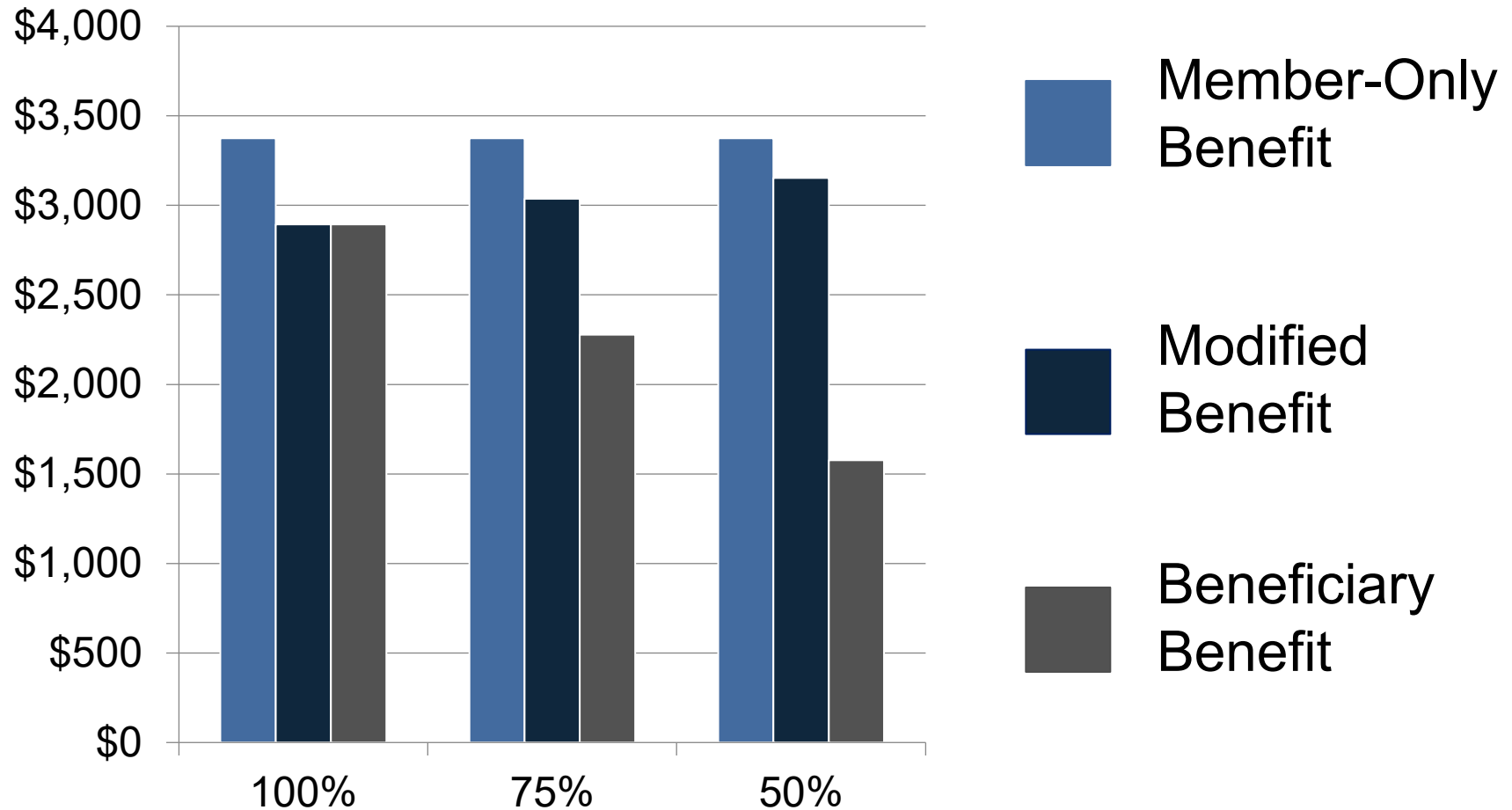
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\$3,036

View the *Beneficiary Options* video at CalSTRS.com.

Use the *Retirement Benefits Calculator* on CalSTRS.com to estimate your modified benefit.

Jake's Modified Benefit



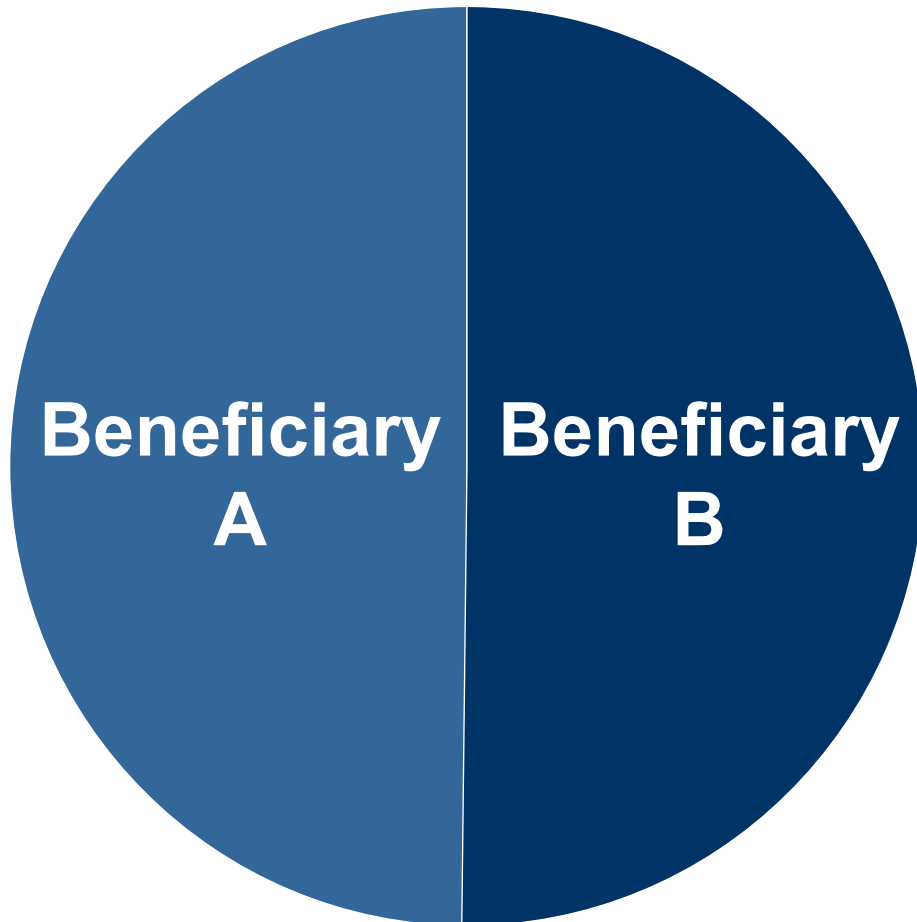
Compound Option



**Member-Only
Benefit**

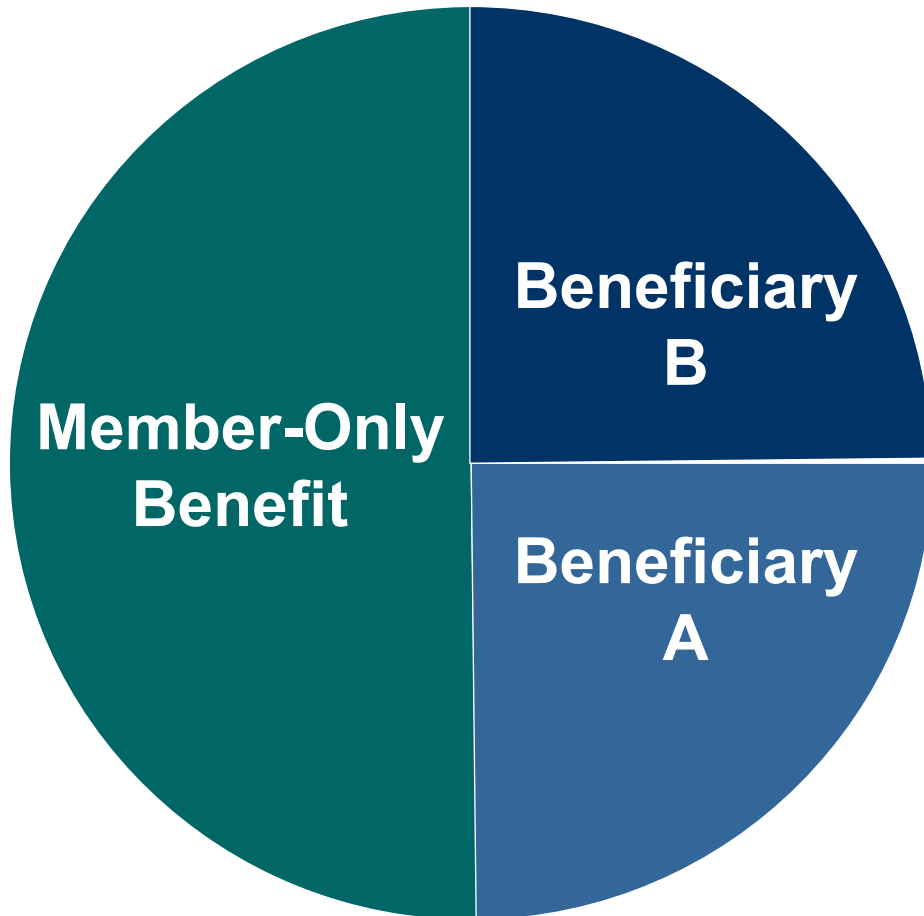
- ☑ Learn more in the *Member Handbook*.

Compound Option



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Compound Option



- ☑ Learn more in the *Member Handbook*.

Advantages

- Secure coverage for beneficiary if you should die before retirement.
- Option factor tends to be higher the earlier you elect an option.

- ☑ Attend a benefits planning session or obtain an estimate before electing an option.

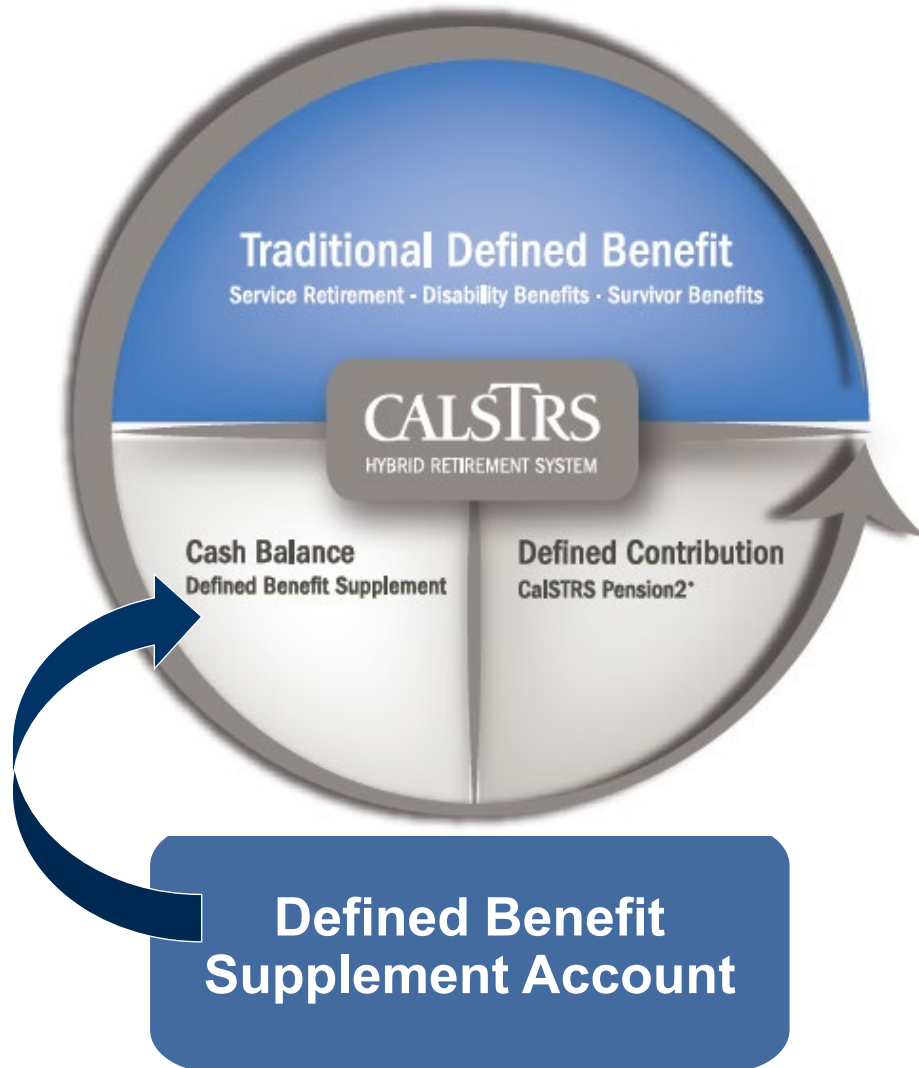
Disadvantages

- You'll be subject to an assessment if you change or cancel your option or if your beneficiary dies before you retire.
- The assessment can reduce your future monthly benefit.



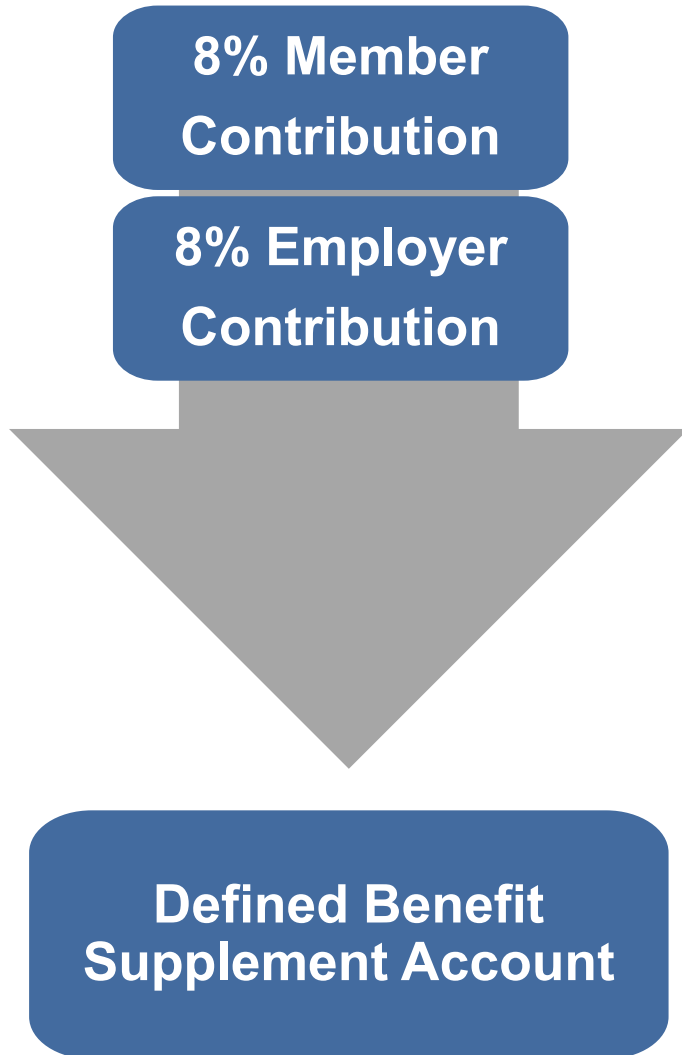
Section 6: Defined Benefit Supplement Choices

Defined Benefit Supplement Account



- ☑ View your account balance on *myCalSTRS*.
- ☑ Consider working extra-pay assignments to increase your account balance.

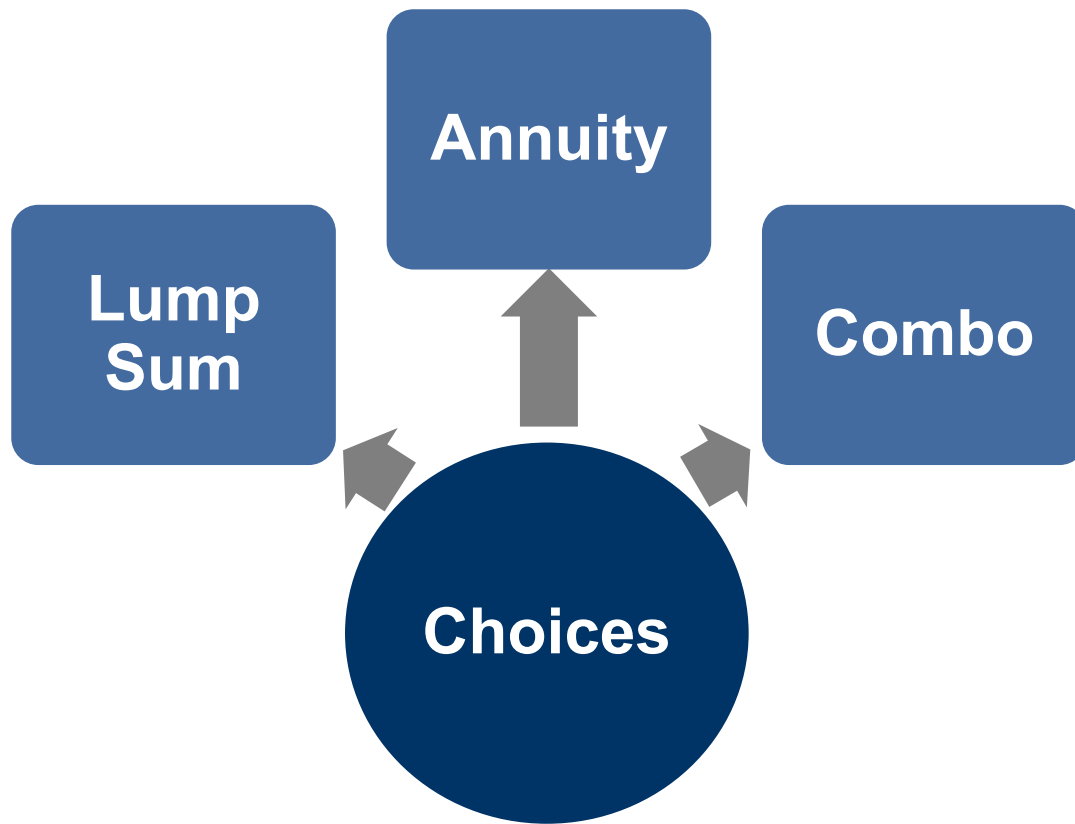
Defined Benefit Supplement Account



- View your account balance on *myCalSTRS*.
- Consider working extra-pay assignments to increase your account balance.

*9% for 2% at 62 members

Defined Benefit Supplement Distributions



- ☑ Review your choices and tax considerations with a tax professional.

Lump-Sum Payment

The diagram illustrates the process of a lump-sum payment. It starts with a box labeled 'Account Balance' on the left. A large grey arrow points from this box to two stacked blue boxes: 'Direct Payment' on top and 'Rollover' on the bottom. To the right of these boxes is a text block explaining the direct payment option.

**Account
Balance**

**Direct
Payment**

Rollover

Take your entire
account balance at
retirement.

Lifetime Annuity

**Account
Balance**

**Member-Only
Annuity**

Receive a separate monthly payment for your lifetime.

**Account
Balance**

**100%
Beneficiary
Annuity**

**75%
Beneficiary
Annuity**

**50%
Beneficiary
Annuity**

Your annuity beneficiary is your option beneficiary.

Period-Certain Annuity

**Account
Balance**



**3
Year**

**4
Year**

**5
Year**

**6
Year**

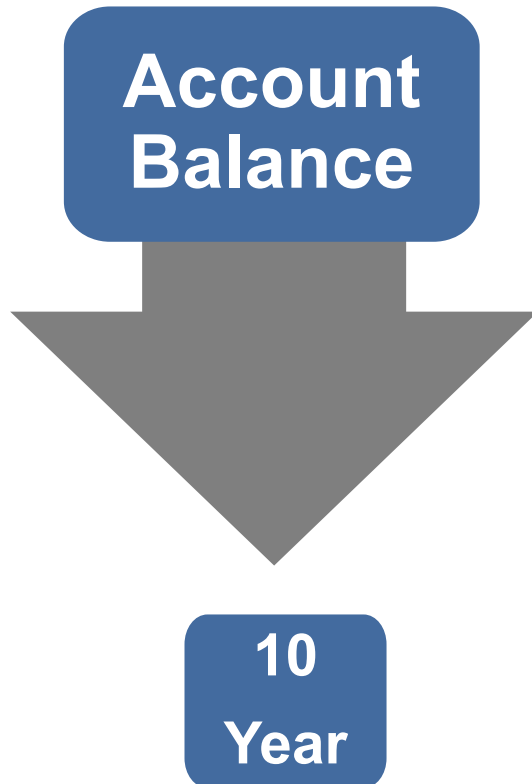
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Year**

**8
Year**

**9
Year**

Annuitize account balance and receive a monthly benefit for a specified number of years.

Period-Certain Annuity



Annuitize account balance and receive a monthly benefit for a specified number of years.

Combination Lump Sum and Annuity

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graph LR; A[Account Balance] --> B[Lump-Sum Payment]; A --> C[Lifetime or Period-Certain Annuity];
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**Account
Balance**

**Lump-Sum
Payment**

**Lifetime or
Period-Certain
Annuity**

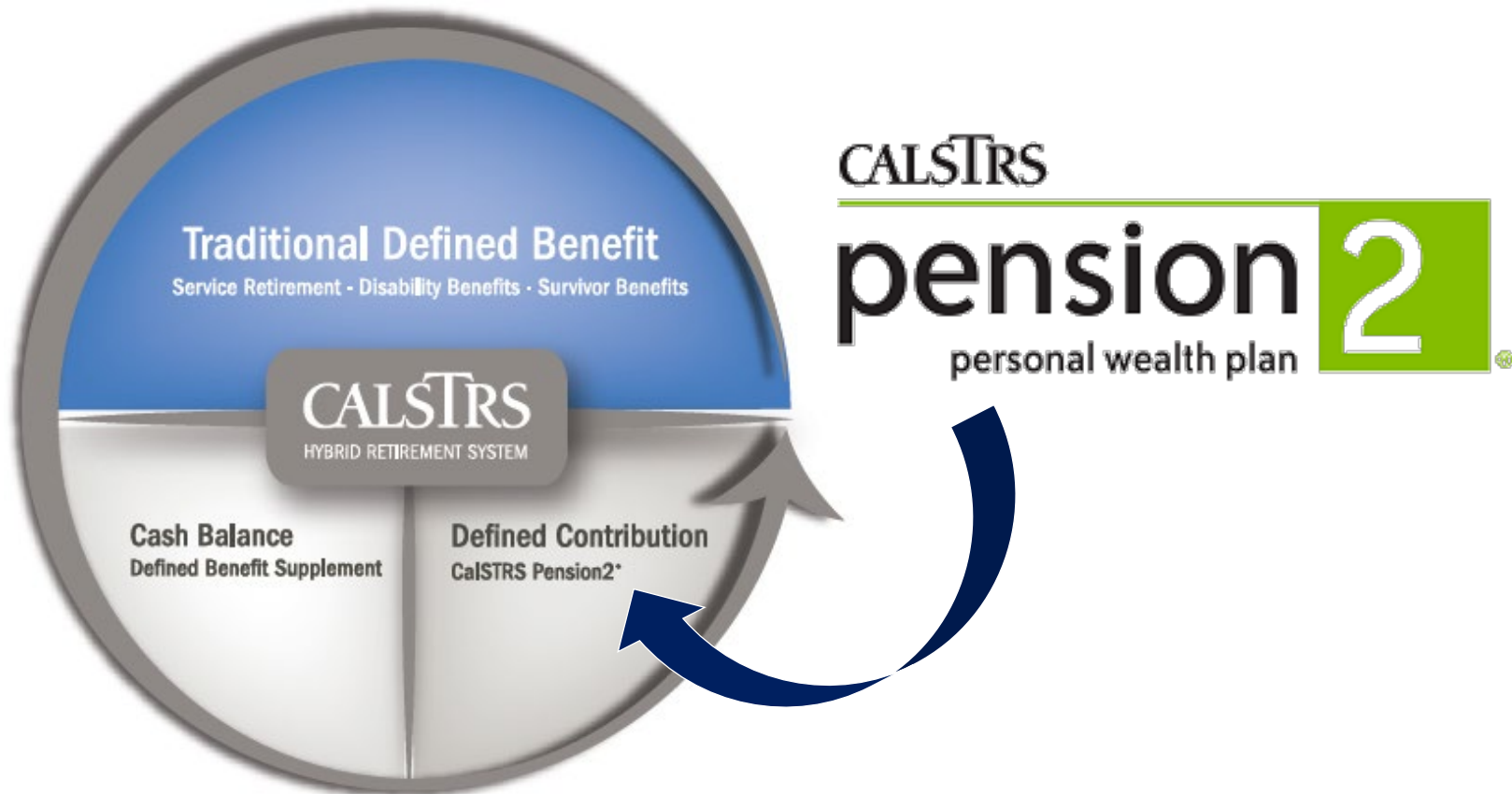
Take a lump-sum payment and annuitize the remaining account balance.

Polling Question



Section 7: CalSTRS Pension2

CalSTRS Pension2



CalSTRS Pension2

403(b)

457(b)

Roth 403(b)

Roth 457(b)



- Visit Pension2.com for more information, videos and savings calculators.
- Research your employer's plans at 403bCompare.com.

CalSTRS Pension2



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- Tax-deferred retirement savings
- Low and transparent costs
- No commissions, load fees or surrender charges
- Flexible investment options

Polling Question



Section 8: Application Process and After Retirement

Application Process

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graph TD; A[Decide] --> B[Resign]; B --> C[Retire];
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Decide

Resign

Retire

- ☑ Submit the *Service Retirement Application* to CalSTRS no earlier than 6 months before retirement.

- ☑ Verify resignation process with your employer.

Social Security Rules

Windfall Elimination Provision

- May reduce but cannot eliminate your earned Social Security benefit

- ☑ Contact the Social Security Administration for more information.

Government Pension Offset

- Reduces and may eliminate your spousal or widow/widower Social Security benefit

Working After Retirement

Separation-From-Service Requirement

- Benefit reduced dollar for dollar for any earnings from CalSTRS-covered employment during first 180 calendar days of retirement

- ☑ Track gross earnings to avoid exceeding earnings limits.

Annual Postretirement Earnings Limit

- Benefit reduced dollar for dollar for earnings in excess of the annual limit
- Limit changes every fiscal year

Polling Question



Section 9: Benefit Inflation Protection

Annual Benefit Adjustment

**Initial
Benefit**



2%

**Annual Benefit
Adjustment**

- View the *Member Handbook* for more information.

Annual Benefit Adjustment

\$3,375

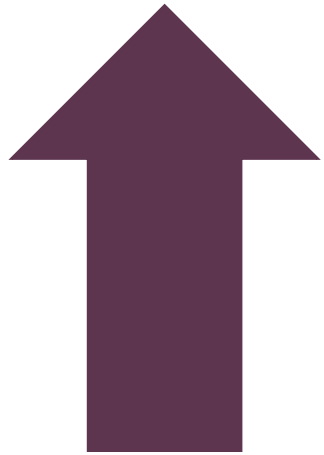
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- ☑ View the *Member Handbook* for more information.

Purchasing Power Protection



Prices

85% Purchasing Power



Purchasing
Power

- ☑ View the *Member Handbook* for more information.

Purchasing Power Protection



Purchasing
Power

- ☑ View the *Member Handbook* for more information.

85% Purchasing Power



Supplemental
Benefit



Section 10: Learn More

Financial Awareness Webinars

Save for Your Future

- Budgeting basics, savings and investing, credit and debt

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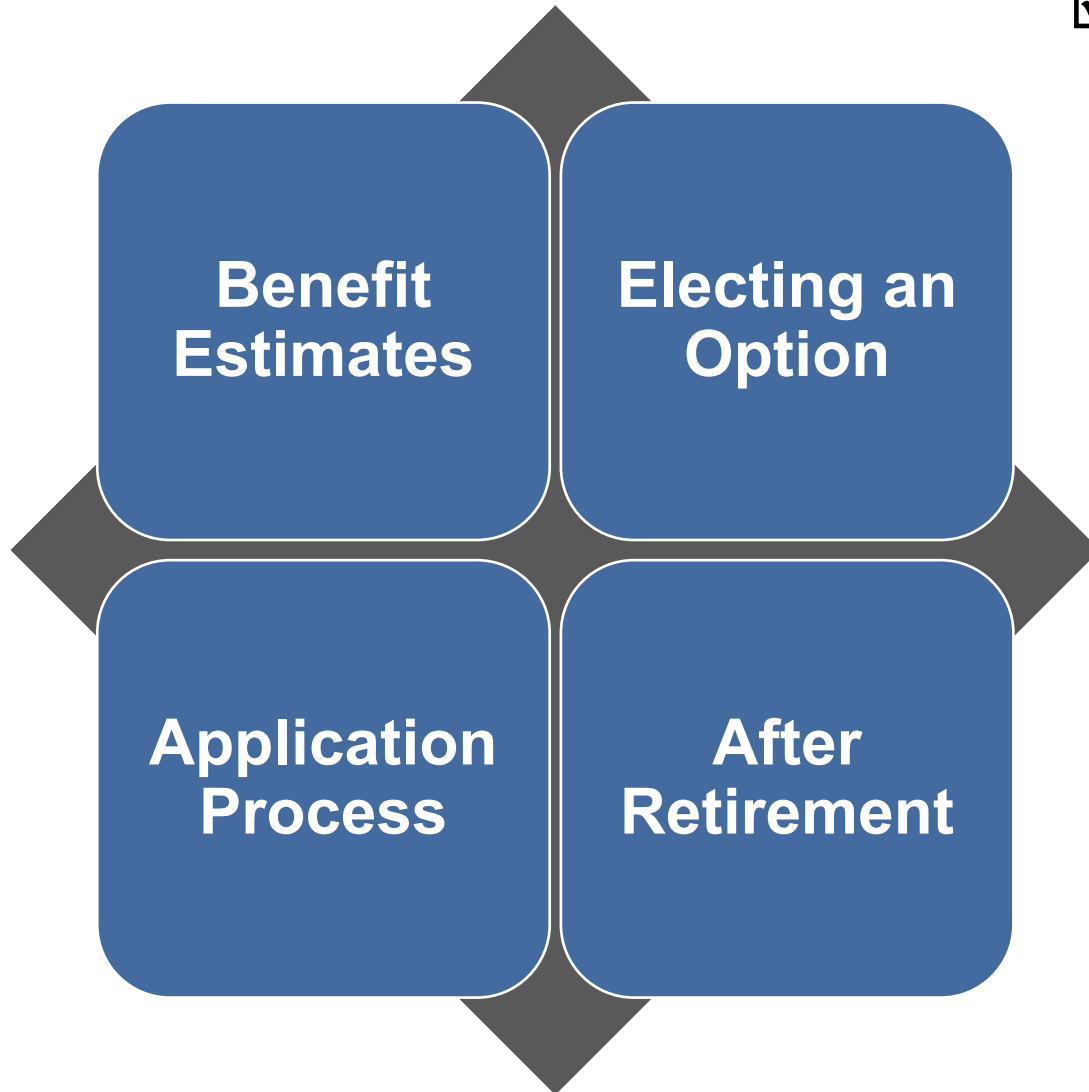
Plan for Your Future

- Retirement lifestyle, expenses, income and obstacles

Protect Your Future

- Retirement distributions, maximizing and protecting income

CalSTRS Group Session



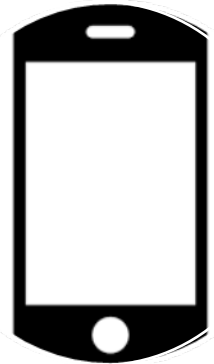
- ☑ Contact CalSTRS to schedule a CalSTRS and Your Retirement group session.

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