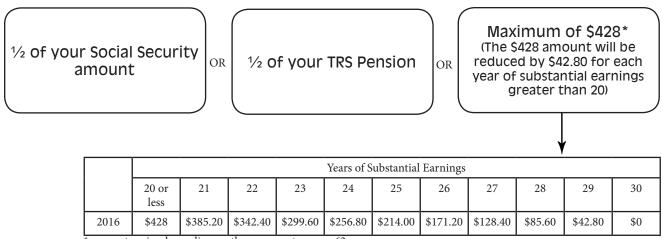
# HOW IS MY SOCIAL SECURITY AFFECTED DUE TO MY TRS PENSION?

### 1. Windfall Elimination Provision Social Security benefit based on your own work

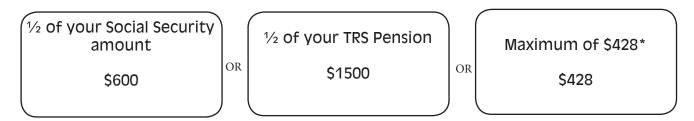
This provision reduces one's social security monthly benefit by the *smallest* of three amounts:



<sup>\*</sup> amount varies depending on the year you turn age 62

#### Example

If your TRS Pension is \$3000 per month and your Social Security benefit is \$1200 per month, your Social Security benefits will be reduced by the smallest of



Final Social Security monthly benefit \$1200 - \$428 = \$772

NOTE: You will ALWAYS get more money per month by taking your TRS pension and accepting the reduction to your social security benefit

## 2. Government Pension Offset Social Security benefit based on your spouse's work

This provision reduces one's social security monthly benefit by:

2/3 of your TRS Pension

### **Examples**

If your TRS Pension is \$3000 per month and your Social Security spousal benefit is \$1500 per month, your Social Security benefit will be reduced by:

2/3 of your TRS Pension \$2000

Final Social Security monthly benefit \$1500 - \$2000 = \$0

If your TRS Pension is \$1200 per month and your Social Security spousal benefit is \$1500 per month, your Social Security benefit will be reduced by:

2/3 of your TRS Pension \$800

Final Social Security monthly benefit \$1500 - \$800 = \$700