# Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Board of Education

"Building a Bright Future for All Learners"

Regular Meeting August 21, 2024

6:00 p.m. Closed Session 7:00 p.m. Open Session

Vernon E. Greer Elementary Bright Future Learning Center (BFLC) 248 West A Street, Galt, CA 95632

#### **Board Members**

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## **AGENDA**

Anyone may comment publicly on any item within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction to the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Board of Education. However, the Board may not take action on any item not on this Board meeting agenda except as authorized by Government Code section 54954.2.

- Complete a public comment form indicating the item you want to address and give it to the board meeting assistant.
- Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item.
- Public comments emailed to <u>superintendent@galt.k12.ca.us</u> 24 hours before the board meeting will be posted on the GJUESD website with the agenda. Email public comment is limited to 450 words.
- The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. With Board consent, the president may increase or decrease
  the time allowed for public presentation, depending on the topic and the number of persons wishing to be heard.

Board of Education Meetings are recorded.

- A. 6:00 p.m. Closed Session Location: Vernon E. Greer Elementary, Room 3
- B. Announce items to be discussed in Closed Session, Adjourn to Closed Session
  - 1. STUDENT MATTER, Education Code §35146, 48918(c)
    - Case No. 24/25-01
  - 2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE, Government Code §54957
  - 3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, Government Code §54957.6

Agency Negotiator: Lois Yount, Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano, Kuljeet Nijjar, Alejandra Garibay

- Employee Agency: (GEFA) Galt Elementary Faculty Association
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- 4. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS, Pursuant to Government Code, §54956.8

Property: 320 W Elm Avenue [APN 148-0140-057-0000] Agency Negotiator(s): Lois Yount, GJUESD Superintendent

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### C. Adjourn Closed Session, Call Meeting to Order, Flag Salute, Announce Action Taken in Closed Session

### D. Recognition

- 1. 2024 Governing Board Member Candidates
- 2. Galt Character Coalition Recognition of Susan Hughes

### E. Board Meeting Protocol

### F. Public Comments for topics not on the agenda

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### G. Reports

### LCAP GOAL 1

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- 1. New School Year and Enrollment Updates
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### LCAP GOAL 2

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1. Student Smartphone Use On School Campus

### OTHER REPORTS

- 1. Williams Uniform Complaint Process (UCP) Quarter 4 Report
- 2. City And Schools Together (CAST)
- 3. School Calendars

### H. Routine Matters/New Business

### 242.501 Consent Calendar

a. Approval of the Agenda

At a regular meeting, the Board may act upon an item of business not appearing on the posted agenda if,

1) The Board, by a majority vote of the entire Board, decides that an emergency (as defined in Government Code section 54956.5) exists or

first, the Board publicly identifies the item, and second, one or more of the following occurs:

- 2) Upon a decision by a two-thirds vote of the Board, or if less than two-thirds of the Board members are present, a unanimous vote of those present, the Board decides that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the District after the agenda was posted; or
- 3) The item was posted on the agenda of a prior meeting of the Board occurring not more than five calendar days before the date of this meeting, and at the preceding meeting, the item was continued to this meeting.

#### b. Minutes

- June 17, 2024 Special Board Meeting
- June 18, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

#### c. Payment of Warrants

- Vendor Warrants: 25501171-25501228, 25499035-25499113, 25496720-25496801, 24491311-24491377, 24492219-24492276, 24493692-24493784, 24494533-24494583, 24495983
- Payroll Warrants: 7/10/24; 7/31/24; 8/9/24

MOTION

- d. Personnel
  - Resignations/Retirements
  - Leave of Absence Requests
  - New Hires/Reclassifications
- e. Donations
- f. 2024-25 After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between GJUESD and the City of Galt
- g. Agreement for Legal Services with Lozano Smith, Attorneys At Law
- h. Master Contracts for Nonpublic Schools and Agencies
  - 1. Assistive Tech 4 All, Inc.
  - 2. Assistive Technology and Beyond
  - 3. CCHAT Center
  - 4. Creative Behavior Systems
  - 5. Easter Seals Superior CA
  - 6. Hansine Fisher & Associates
  - 7. Lodi Children's Therapy
  - 8. Point Quest Education Central Valley
  - 9. Point Quest Education Depot Park
  - 10. Sara Hall
  - 11. Tilly Therapy

242.502	Consent Calendar (Continued) – Items Removed for Later Consideration	MOTION
242.503	Board Action Regarding Student Matter No. 24/25-01	MOTION
242.504	Board Consideration of Approval of 2024-2025 SchoolWorks, Inc. Proposal for Demographics and Enrollment Projections	MOTION
242.505	Board Consideration of Approval of Consultant Agreement for Outdoor Education	MOTION
242.506	Board Consideration of Approval of Variable Term Waiver for Newly Hired Educator	MOTION
242.507	Board Consideration of Approval of Resolution No. 1 Accepting Final Completion of Contract for the Maintenance and Operations Shop	MOTION
242.508	Board Consideration of Approval of General Contractor for Site Work for Portable Classrooms at Vernon E. Greer Elementary	MOTION
242.509	Board Consideration of Approval to Update the Supervisory Salary Schedule	MOTION
242.510	Board Consideration of Approval of Administrator Daily Substitute Rate	MOTION
242.511	Board Consideration of Approval to Piggyback on Clovis Unified School District Contract with AZ Bus Sales to Purchase Three (3) Electric School Buses	MOTION
242.512	Board Consideration of Approval of Revised GJUESD Facility Use Forms & Fees	MOTION

**242.513** Board Consideration of Approval to Change the April 16, 2025 Regular Board MOTION Meeting Date to April 23, 2025

**242.514** Board Consideration to Nominate California School Boards Association (CSBA) MOTION Directors-at-Large Asian/Pacific Islander and Hispanic

### **242.515** First Reading of Board Policies

First Reading

- 1. BP 1260 Educational Foundation
- 2. BP 2121 Superintendent's Contract
- 3. BP 4127/4227/4327 Temporary Athletic Team Coaches
- 4. AR 4127/4227/4327 Temporary Athletic Team Coaches
- 5. BP 5113 Absences and Excuses
- 6. AR 5113 Absences and Excuses
- 7. BP 5145.6 Parent/Guardian Notifications
- 8. BP 6164.2 Guidance/Counseling Services
- 9. BP 6177 Summer Learning Programs
- 10. BP 7214 General Obligation Bonds
- 11. AR 7214 General Obligation Bonds

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### J. Pending Agenda Items

### K. Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the GJUESD Board of Education is September 18, 2024

Board agenda materials are available for review at the address below. Individuals who require disability-related accommodations or modifications, including auxiliary aids and services, to participate in the Board meeting should contact the Superintendent or designee in writing.

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Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX

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### **BOARD MEETING PROTOCOL**

### **SESSION INTRODUCTION**

- 1. The meeting is being recorded.
- 2. The meeting is open to the public.
- 3. The meeting is being broadcast live through Zoom teleconference.

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### **BOARD VOTE AND CONNECTIVITY**

- 1. Each motion will be followed by a roll call vote for action items.
- 2. Should a board member attend the meeting remotely and lose connectivity by teleconference or phone, the meeting will be delayed five minutes.

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS SHALL BE ADJOURNED BY 10:30 P.M.





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Lois Yount, Superintendent

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Kuljeet Nijjar, Educational Services Director and Lori Jones, District Expanded Learning Coordinator

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Claudia Del Toro Anguiano, Curriculum Director

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Claudia Del Toro Anguiano, Curriculum Director



## Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

# Enrollment

### **Total Enrollment**

Beginning	Ending	Ending
2024-25	2023-24	2022-23
3459	3447	3361

### **Enrollment by School**

	2024-25	2023-24	2022-23
Fairsite (Transitional Kinder)	154	125	94
Greer	544	539	508
Lake Canyon	468	470	511
Marengo Ranch	449	467	446
River Oaks	509	517	534
Valley Oaks	540	515	508
McCaffrey	781	777	781

### **Enrollment by Grade Level**

	TK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Fairsite	154									
Greer		62	81	66	82	77	62	89		
Lake Canyon		58	50	64	55	61	92	63		
Marengo		64	63	52	61	56	62	78		
Ranch										
River Oaks		54	51	62	78	69	81	60		
Valley Oaks		89	84	67	65	72	70	65		
McCaffrey									380	401
Total	154	327	329	311	341	335	367	355	380	401

# Summer Programs 2024

Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

# **Programs**

## Extended School Year (ESY), Summer School, Migrant Program:

June 17th through July 12th (no school 6/19, 7/4)

## **Expanded Learning Summer Program (GEL)**

June 14th through July 24th (no school 6/19, 7/4)

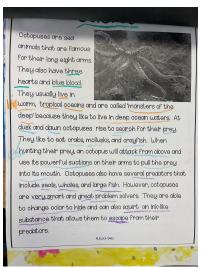
# Staffing

- ESY Coordinator: Gina Fuentes
- Summer School Coordinator: Gerardo Martinez
- Expanded Learning Coordinator: Lori Jones
- Expanded Learning Site Coordinators 7
- Teachers 29
- Classified Staff 52 (IAs, Yard Supervisors, Office Assistants, GEL IAs, Food and Nutrition, RBT, BIAs, BMT, custodians)
- School Nurse-1
- Speech Therapists-2

## **Attendance**



Grade	Number of Students	Average Attendance
PreK	42	64%
К	41	57%
1	51	68%
2	50	69%
3	41	58%
4	52	73%
5	51	63%
6	45	57%
7-8	28	44%
Total	401	



# **Academic Growth**

Percentage of students that made growth on pre and post tests.



	Accuracy	Rate
Kindergarten	70%	N/A
1st	91%	95%
2nd	80%	73%
3rd	78%	77%
4th	81%	62%
5th-6th	59%	81%

# Migrant Program

## Measurable Program Objectives Cultural and Self-Pride and Mathematics

- Students will research the history of Mexico's independence from Spain.
- Students will research the history of United States independence from England.
- Students will compare and contrast the factors which impacted the desire for independence of Mexico and the United States.
- Students will compare and contrast Independence Day celebrations in Mexico and the United States
- Students will present their findings in a Google Drawing.
- > Expressions and Equations/ Functions
- Number System
- Ratios and Proportions



Independence

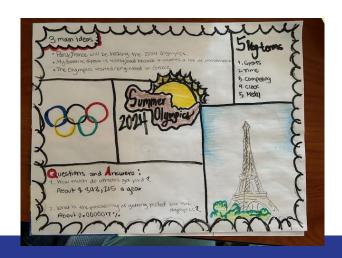
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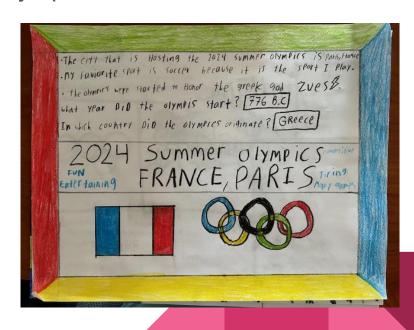
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## Olympics Thematic Unit: ELA/Social Studies

- 1. What do you know about the Summer Olympics?
- 2. What are your favorite events?
- What do you wonder?
- 4. Why are the Olympics important?





# **Expanded Learning Summer Programs**

- Served students and families at 5 sites
- 7 Site Coordinators and
   15 Instructional Assistants
- 21 Community members volunteered in the Summer GALEP program
- 250 students served throughout the summer session

## **Expanded Learning Summer Programs**

Students participated in a variety of activities that included:

- Field trips Cosumnes River Preserve,
   Walking field trips, Library
- Special projects Solar ovens, Volcanos, Sensory bottles, making Slime and Oobleck
- Indoor activities (to avoid the heat)
- Water days
- Summer GALEP









### **CAASPP 2024 Results**

### **SBAC**

The Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments (SBAC) consist of two sections and questions are based on the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) for English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics. These ELA and mathematics results provide one measure of how well students are mastering California's challenging academic standards. The skills called for by these standards- the ability to write clearly, think critically, and solve problems- are essential for preparing students for college and careers. SBAC is administered to students in Grades 3 -8.

There are four performance levels for ELA and math; <u>Level 1</u>- Standard Not Met, <u>Level 2</u>- Standard Nearly Met, <u>Level 3</u>- Standard Met and <u>Level 4</u>- Standard Exceeded. The goal is a Performance Level 3 or Level 4.

The data below reflects the percent of students who obtained a Performance Level 3 or Level 4 as measured by SBAC 2024. As a reference point, SBAC 2023 results are also included:

English Language Arts/Literacy								
District 3 4 5 6 7 8 All								
2023	50%	41%	40%	50%	50%	54%	48%	
2024 50% 46% 46% 49% 61% 49% 50%								

Mathematics								
District 3 4 5 6 7 8 All							All	
2023	55%	40%	31%	39%	33%	33%	38%	
2024 49% 41% 33% 37% 36% 27% 37%							37%	

### **CAST**

The California Science Test (CAST) is a statewide assessment that measures how well students in California's public schools understand science concepts. The CAST is aligned with the California Next Generation Science Standards. CAST is administered in Grades 5 and 8.

There are four achievement levels; <u>Level 1</u>- Standard Not Met, <u>Level 2</u>- Standard Nearly Met, <u>Level 3</u>- Standard Met and <u>Level 4</u>- Standard Exceeded. The goal is a Performance Level 3 or Level 4.

The data below reflects the percent of students who obtained a Performance Level 3 or Level 4 as measured by CAST 2024:

	Grade	% Met or Exceeded	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
District	5	27%	16%	57%	20%	7%
District	8	28%	9%	62%	21%	7%
Greer 2024	5	31%	9%	60%	21%	10%
Lake 2024	5	39%	13%	49%	30%	9%
Marengo Ranch	5	24%	15%	61%	20%	4%
River Oaks	5	23%	12%	65%	17%	6%
Valley Oaks	5	15%	33%	52%	11%	4%
McCaffrey	8	28%	9%	62%	21%	7%

### **ELPAC**

The ELPAC consists of two separate English Language Proficiency (ELP) assessments: one for the initial identification of students as English learners (ELs), and a second for the annual summative assessment to identify students' English Language Proficiency level and to measure their progress in learning English. ELPAC is administered to English learners in Grades K-8.

There are four performance levels of English skills development; <u>Level 1</u>- Beginning stage, <u>Level 2</u>- Somewhat Developed , <u>Level 3</u>- Moderately Developed and <u>Level 4</u>- Well Developed. The goal is a Performance Level 4.

The data below reflects the percent of students at each performance level as measured by ELPAC 2024:

Grade	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 1
TK/K	15%	27%	25%	32%
1	8%	29%	42%	21%
2	14%	50%	20%	16%
3	16%	41%	33%	11%
4	22%	38%	22%	19%
5	16%	49%	17%	7%
6	49%	37%	10%	4%
7	40%	28%	16%	16%
8	49%	29%	8%	14%
District	22%	36%	24%	18%

### **Galt Joint Union Elementary School District**

CAASPP: Smarter Balanced Test Results
Percentage of Students Met/Exceeded Grade Level Standards

### ~ Preliminary ~

	Eng	lish La	nguage	Arts/I	Literacy	,					N	lathem	natics			
District	3	4	5	6	7	8	All		District	3	4	5	6	7	8	All
2023	50%	41%	41%	50%	50%	53%	48%		2023	45%	40%	30%	39%	33%	33%	38%
2024	50%	46%	46%	49%	61%	49%	50%		2024	49%	41%	33%	37%	36%	27%	37%
Greer		3	4	5	6	ΔII Stı	udents		Greer		3	4	5	6	All Stu	udents
	2023	55%	44%	33%	52%		6%			2023	52%	42%	26%	36%	40	)%
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Lake Can	yon	3	4	5	6	All Stu	udents		Lake Cany	on_	3	4	5	6	All Stu	udents
	2023	46%	45%	48%	52%	4	8%			2023	53%	58%	37%	42%	47	7%
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Marengo F	Ranch	3	4	5	6	All Stu	udents		Marengo	Ranch	3	4	5	6	All Stu	udents
2	2023	57%	45%	58%	52%	5	3%			2023	53%	47%	57%	39%	49	9%
-	2024	69%	51%	48%	57%	5	6%		2024		56%	39%	37%	46%	44	1%
River Oak	rs	3	4	5	6	ΔII Stı	udents		River Oak	:s	3	4	5	6	All Stu	udents
	2023	56%	44%	42%	47%		7%			2023	73%	34%	24%	39%	42	2%
	2023	57%	56%	45%	43%		0%			2024	63%	52%	23%	23%		)%
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Valley Oa	ks	3	4	5	6	All Stu	udents		Valley Oa	ks	3	4	5	6	All Stu	udents
	2023	36%	27%	20%	49%	3	4%			2023	36%	21%	9%	38%	26	5%
2	2024	44%	26%	28%	57%	3	9%			2024	45%	22%	15%	44%	32	2%
ELA			6	7	8	All St	udents		Math			6	7	8	All Stu	udents
	-	2023	50%	50%	53%	5	2%				2023	39%	33%	33%	33	3%
			2024	61%	49%	5	5%					2024	36%	27%	31	L%

# CAASPP & ELPAC Results

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# Reflecting Back

**Testing Administration** 

Good Place To Look At Cohort Growth

*	2018	Regular Year
*	2019	Regular Year
*	2020	Suspended
*	2021	Flexed
*	2022	Back On Track
*	2023	Regular Year
*	2024	Regular Year

## SBAC

English Language Arts & Mathematics

Goal: Met/Exceed Standard Level 3 or 4

Administered to all

students in Grades 3 - 8

# District Summary

	English Language Arts/Literacy										
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# District Summary

Mathematics									
District	3	4	5	6	7	8	All		
2023	45%	40%	30%	39%	33%	33%	38%		
2024	49%	41%	33%	37%	36%	27%	37%		

## **Data Reflections**

Administrative Reflections

**Teacher Reflections** 



**Identification of trends** 

**Instructional implications** 

Alignment of local assessments

**Correlation to MAP** 

**Correlation to attendance** 

**Curricular pacing** 

**Testing conditions & timing** 

## **Greer Elementary**

ELA	3	4	5	6	All Students
2023	55%	44%	33%	52%	46%
2024	37%	48%	52%	38%	44%

Math	3	4	5	6	All Students
2023	52%	42%	26%	36%	40%
2024	40%	48%	35%	33%	39%

## Lake Canyon

ELA	3	4	5	6	All Students
2023	46%	45%	48%	52%	48%
2024	50%	46%	57%	48%	50%

Math	3	4	5	6	All Students
2023	53%	58%	37%	42%	47%
2024	42%	44%	54%	41%	45%

# Marengo Ranch

ELA	3	4	5	6	All Students
2023	57%	45%	58%	52%	53%
2024	69%	51%	48%	57%	56%

Math	3	4	5	6	All Students
2023	53%	47%	57%	39%	49%
2024	56%	39%	37%	46%	44%

## **River Oaks**

ELA	3	4	5	6	All Students
2023	56%	44%	42%	47%	47%
2024	57%	56%	45%	43%	50%

Math	3	4	5	6	All Students
2023	73%	34%	24%	39%	42%
2024	63%	52%	23%	23%	40%

# Valley Oaks

ELA		3	4	5	6	All Students
	2023	36%	27%	20%	49%	34%
	2024	44%	26%	28%	57%	39%

Math	3	4	5	6	All Students
2023	36%	21%	9%	38%	26%
2024	45%	22%	15%	44%	32%

# **McCaffrey Middle**

ELA	6	7	8	All Students
2023	50%	50%	53%	52%
2024		61%	49%	55%

Math	6	7	80	All Students
2023	39%	33%	33%	33%
2024		36%	27%	31%

## CAST

Science

Goal: Level 3 or 4

Administered to all students in **Grades 5** and **Grade 8** 

## CAST Summary

	Grade	% Met or Exceeded	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
District	5	27%	16%	57%	20%	7%
DISTRICT	8	28%	9%	62%	21%	7%
Greer	5	31%	9%	60%	21%	10%
Lake Canyon	5	39%	13%	49%	30%	9%
Marengo Ranch	5	24%	15%	61%	20%	4%
River Oaks	5	23%	12%	65%	17%	6%
Valley Oaks	5	15%	33%	52%	11%	4%
McCaffrey	8	28%	9%	62%	21%	7%

## **ELPAC**

**English Proficiency** 

Goal: Level 4

Administered to all

**English Learners in** 

Grades K - 8

## **ELPAC Summary**

Grade	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 1
District	22%	36%	24%	18%
TK/K	15%	27%	25%	32%
1	8%	29%	42%	21%
2	14%	50%	20%	16%
3	16%	41%	33%	11%
4	22%	38%	22%	19%
5	16%	49%	27%	7%
6	49%	37%	10%	4%
7	40%	28%	16%	16%
8	49%	29%	8%	14%

Important to always use multiple sources of data before making instructional decisions.



## SBAC ELPAC CAST MAP DRA

Benchmark, Amplify, Eureka, CPM

# Comments | Questions







### **LCAP GOAL 1**

Engaging all learners with a focus on academic rigor using inclusive practices in a variety of learning environments.

### 4. Dual Language Immersion (DLI) Program

The Dual Language Immersion (DLI) cohort began their journey two years ago at Fairsite and completed kindergarten last year at Valley Oaks Elementary. We are excited to now offer the DLI program in first grade.

#### The DLI vision statement is as follows:

At Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, we believe that all languages and cultures are important. We will provide an inclusive educational opportunity that values and teaches multiculturalism, develops bilingualism/biliteracy, and provides a high-quality academic program for our students to strengthen their self-perception and identity and be successful in a global society.

Laura Marquez, Principal at Fairsite/DLI Coordinator, and David Nelson, Principal at Valley Oaks Elementary will share the progress with our DLI program.

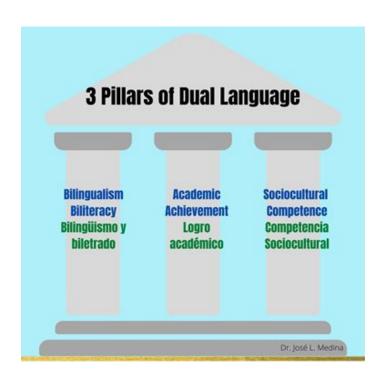
# **Dual Language Immersion**

Board Presentation August 2024

## **Vision Statement**

At Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, we believe that all languages and cultures are important. We will provide an inclusive educational opportunity that values and teaches multiculturalism, develops bilingualism/biliteracy, and provides a high quality academic program for our students to strengthen their self perception and identity, and be successful in a global society.

## **Three Pillars**



"In Dual Immersion Programs, English-dominant and target-language-dominant students are purposefully integrated with the goals of developing bilingual skills, academic excellence, and positive cross-cultural and personal competency attitudes for both groups of students." (Lindholm-Leary, 2001 pg. 30)

## **Instructional Model**

Grado Grade	Idioma de destino- español Target Language- Spanish	Inglés English	
PS/TK	90%	10%	
Kinder	90%	10%	
1st	80%	20%	
2nd	70%	30%	
3rd	60%	40%	
4th - 6th	50%	50%	
7th-8th	20-40%	60-80%	

## **Language Allocation Plan, PK-1st**

Grade	Percentage <b>Spanish</b>	Daily Minutes	Content	Percentage English	Daily Minutes	Content
Preschool	90%	153 mins	Math Science Social Studies SEL Reading and Writing Library	10%	17 mins	English Language Development (ELD)
Tk	90%	140 mins	Math Science Social Studies SEL Reading and Writing Library	10%	15 mins	• ELD
Kínder	90%	288 min	Math Science Social Studies Reading & Writing Library	10%	32 min	ELD Music PE
1st 320 min total	80%	256 min	Math Science Social Studies Reading & Writing Library	20%	64 min	ELD Music PE

## **Language Allocation Plan, 2nd - 5th**

Grade	Percentage Spanish	Daily Minutes	Content	Percentage English	Daily Minutes	Content
2nd	70%	224 min	<ul><li>Math</li><li>Science</li><li>Social Studies</li><li>Reading &amp; Writing</li><li>PE</li></ul>	30%	96 min	<ul><li>ELD</li><li>Music</li><li>PE</li><li>Library</li></ul>
3rd	60%	192 min	<ul> <li>Math</li> <li>Science</li> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>Reading &amp; Writing</li> <li>PE</li> </ul>	40%	128 min	<ul> <li>ELD</li> <li>Music</li> <li>PE</li> <li>Library</li> <li>Math</li> <li>Reading and Writing</li> </ul>
4th	50%	165 min	<ul><li>Math</li><li>Social Studies</li><li>Reading &amp; Writing</li><li>PE</li></ul>	50%	165 min	<ul> <li>Music</li> <li>PE</li> <li>ELD</li> <li>Math</li> <li>Reading &amp; Writing</li> <li>Science</li> </ul>
5th	50%	165 min	<ul><li>Math</li><li>Social Studies</li><li>Reading and Writing</li><li>PE</li></ul>	50%	165 min	<ul> <li>ELD</li> <li>Music</li> <li>PE</li> <li>Math</li> <li>Reading and Writing</li> </ul>

## Language Allocation Plan, 6th

Grade	Percentage	Daily	Content	Percentage	Daily	Content
	Spanish	Minutes		English	Minutes	
6th	50%	165 min	Math	50%	165 min	• ELD
			<ul> <li>Reading and Writing</li> </ul>			• Music
			Science			• PE
			• PE			<ul><li>Math</li></ul>
						<ul> <li>Reading and Writing</li> </ul>
						<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> </ul>

## **Curriculum and Instruction**

- District's core curriculum
  - Benchmark Adelante/Advance
  - Eureka Math
  - SSRI/SIPPS
- Grade level, standards-based instruction
- Lessons are taught in the target language (90/10 model)
- Teachers highly trained, continuous PD
  - California Association for Bilingual Education (CABE)-trained instructor(s) providing our professional development

## **Program Growth**

- Grades:
  - Preschool
  - o TK
  - Kinder- 2 classes
  - o 1st- 2 classes

Waiting list since year 1

## **Data**

	23-24 Trimester 1 DRA	23-24 Trimester 2 DRA	23-24 Trimester 3 DRA
Kinder DLI: Students Meeting Benchmark on District Reading Assessment (DRA)	32/43 = <mark>75%</mark>	41/43 = <mark>95%</mark>	41/43 = <mark>95%</mark>



### **LCAP GOAL 1**

#### CA School Dashboard Adjustment

### LCAP GOAL 1

Engaging all learners with a focus on academic rigor using inclusive practices in a variety of learning environments.

### 5. 2022-2023 CA School Dashboard Local Performance Indicator Adjustment

The State Board of Education (SBE) approved standards for the local indicators that support a local educational agency (LEA) in measuring and reporting progress within the appropriate priority area.

As part of the process, this item was presented to the Board during the June 2024 meeting. The information included in the self-reflection tool under 'Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean and Functional School Facilities (LCFF Priority 1) reflected information of the 2021-2022 Academic Year. This updated report now reflects information related to the 2022-2023 Academic Year (page 4).

Updated Self-Reflection Document Attached



## 2024-25 Local Performance Indicator Self-Reflection

Local Educational Agency (LEA)	Contact Name and Title	Email and Phone
Galt Joint Union Elementary School District	Lois Yount Superintendent	superintendent@galt.k12.ca.us (209) 744-4555

## Introduction

The California State Board of Education (SBE) approved standards for the local indicators that support a local educational agency (LEA) in measuring and reporting progress within the appropriate priority area.

This template is intended as a drafting tool and based on the Local Performance Indicator Quick Guide published by CDE in January 2024.

## **Performance Standards**

The approved performance standards require an LEA to:

- Annually measure its progress in meeting the requirements of the specific Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) priority.
- Report the results as part of a non-consent item at the same public meeting of the local governing board/body at which the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) is adopted.
- Report results to the public through the Dashboard utilizing the SBE-adopted self-reflection tools for each local indicator.

This Quick Guide identifies the approved standards and self-reflection tools that an LEA will use to report its progress on the local indicators.

## **Local Indicators**

The local indicators address the following state priority areas:

Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean and Functional School Facilities (LCFF Priority 1)

LEAs will provide the information below:

- Number/percentage of students without access to their own copies of standards-aligned instructional materials for use at school and at home
- Number of identified instances where facilities do not meet the "good repair" standard (including deficiencies and extreme deficiencies)

Note: The requested information are all data elements that are currently required as part of the School Accountability Report Card (SARC).

Note: LEAs are required to report the following to their local governing board/body in conjunction with the adoption of the LCAP:

- The LEA's Teacher Assignment Monitoring and Outcome data available at <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/ad/tamo.asp">https://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/ad/tamo.asp</a>.
- The number/percentage of students without access to their own copies of standards-aligned instructional materials for use at school and at home, and
- The number of identified instances where facilities do not meet the "good repair" standard (including deficiencies and extreme deficiencies)

## Implementation of State Academic Standards (LCFF Priority 2)

The LEA annually measures its progress implementing state academic standards; the LEA then reports the results to its local governing board/body at the same public meeting at which the LCAP is adopted and reports to educational partners and the public through the Dashboard.

### Parent and Family Engagement (LCFF Priority 3)

This measure addresses Parent and Family Engagement, including how an LEA builds relationships between school staff and families, builds partnerships for student outcomes and seeks input for decision-making.

LEAs report progress of how they have sought input from parents in decision-making and promoted parent participation in programs to its local governing board or body using the SBE-adopted self-reflection tool for Priority 3 at the same public meeting at which the LEA adopts its LCAP, and reports to educational partners and the public through the Dashboard.

### **School Climate (LCFF Priority 6)**

The LEA administers an annual local climate survey that captures a valid measure of student perceptions of school safety and connectedness, in at least one grade within each grade span(s) the LEA serves (e.g., TK-5, 6-8, 9-12), and reports the results to its local governing board/body at the same public meeting at which the LCAP is adopted and to educational partners and the public through the Dashboard.

### Access to a Broad Course of Study (LCFF Priority 7)

The LEA annually measures its progress in the extent to which students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study that includes the adopted courses of study specified in the California Education Code (EC) for Grades 1-6 and Grades 7-12, as applicable, including the programs and services developed and provided to unduplicated students and individuals with exceptional needs; the LEA then reports the results to its local governing board/body at the same public meeting at which the LCAP is adopted and reports to educational partners and the public through the Dashboard.

## Coordination of Services for Expelled Students – County Office of Education (COE) Only (LCFF Priority 9)

The COE annually measures its progress in coordinating services for foster youth; the COE then reports the results to its local governing board/body at the same public meeting at which the LCAP is adopted and reports to educational partners and the public through the Dashboard.

## Coordination of Services for Foster Youth – COE Only (LCFF Priority 10)

The COE annually measures its progress in coordinating services for foster youth; the COE then reports the results to its local governing board/body at the same public meeting at which the LCAP is adopted and reports to educational partners and the public through the Dashboard.

## **Self-Reflection Tools**

An LEA uses the self-reflection tools included within the Dashboard to report its progress on the local performance indicator to educational partners and the public.

The self-reflection tools are embedded in the web-based Dashboard system and are also available in Word document format. In addition to using the self-reflection tools to report its progress on the local performance indicators to educational partners and the public, an LEA may use the self-reflection tools as a resource when reporting results to its local governing board. The approved self-reflection tools are provided below.

## Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean and Functional School Facilities (LCFF Priority 1)

LEAs will provide the information below:

- Number/percentage of students without access to their own copies of standards-aligned instructional materials for use at school and at home
- Number of identified instances where facilities do not meet the "good repair" standard (including deficiencies and extreme deficiencies)

Note: The requested information are all data elements that are currently required as part of the School Accountability Report Card (SARC).

Note: LEAs are required to report the following to their local governing board/body in conjunction with the adoption of the LCAP:

- The LEA's Teacher Assignment Monitoring and Outcome data available at https://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/ad/tamo.asp.
- The number/percentage of students without access to their own copies of standards-aligned instructional materials for use at school and at home, and
- The number of identified instances where facilities do not meet the "good repair" standard (including deficiencies and extreme deficiencies)

Academic Year	Total Teaching FTE	Clear	Out-of- Field	Intern	Ineffective	Incomplete	Unknown	N/A
2022-2023	165.7%	87.7%	1.2%	3.6%	2.0%	5.5%	0.0	0.0

Access to Instructional Materials	Number	Percent
Students Without Access to Own Copies of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials for Use at School and at Home	0	0

Facility Conditions					
Identified Instances Where Facilities Do Not Meet The "Good Repair" Standard (Including Deficiencies and Extreme Deficiencies)	6-				

### Implementation of State Academic Standards (LCFF Priority 2)

LEAs may provide a narrative summary of their progress in the implementation of state academic standards based on locally selected measures or tools (Option 1). Alternatively, LEAs may complete the optional reflection tool (Option 2).

### **OPTION 1: Narrative Summary (Limited to 3,000 characters)**

In the narrative box provided on the Dashboard, identify the locally selected measures or tools that the LEA is using to track its progress in implementing the state academic standards adopted by the state board and briefly describe why the LEA chose the selected measures or tools.

Additionally, summarize the LEA's progress in implementing the academic standards adopted by the SBE, based on the locally selected measures or tools. The adopted academic standards are:

- English Language Arts (ELA) Common Core State Standards for ELA
- English Language Development (ELD) (Aligned to Common Core State Standards for ELA)
- Mathematics Common Core State Standards for Mathematics
- Next Generation Science Standards
- History-Social Science
- Career Technical Education
- Health Education Content Standards
- Physical Education Model Content Standards
- Visual and Performing Arts
- World Language

The optional self-reflection tool (Option 2) was completed for LCFF Priority 2.

### Implementation of State Academic Standards (LCFF Priority 2)

#### **OPTION 2: Reflection Tool**

Recently Adopted Academic Standards and/or Curriculum Frameworks

1. Rate the LEA's progress in providing professional learning for teaching to the recently adopted academic standards and/or curriculum frameworks identified below.

Rating Scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5
ELA – Common Core State Standards for ELA					5
ELD (Aligned to ELA Standards)					5
Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics					5
Next Generation Science Standards				4	
History-Social Science			3		

2. Rate the LEA's progress in making instructional materials that are aligned to the recently adopted academic standards and/or curriculum frameworks identified below available in all classrooms where the subject is taught.

Rating Scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5
ELA – Common Core State Standards for ELA					5
ELD (Aligned to ELA Standards)					5
Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics					5
Next Generation Science Standards				4	
History-Social Science				4	

3. Rate the LEA's progress in implementing policies or programs to support staff in identifying areas where they can improve in delivering instruction aligned to the recently adopted academic standards and/or curriculum frameworks identified below (e.g., collaborative time, focused classroom walkthroughs, teacher pairing).

Rating Scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5
ELA – Common Core State Standards for ELA					5
ELD (Aligned to ELA Standards)					5
Mathematics – Common Core State Standards for Mathematics					5
Next Generation Science Standards				4	
History-Social Science				4	

#### **Other Adopted Academic Standards**

4. Rate the LEA's progress implementing each of the following academic standards adopted by the state board for all students.

Rating Scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Career Technical Education			3			
Health Education Content Standards			3			
Physical Education Model Content Standards					5	
Visual and Performing Arts					5	
World Language				4		

#### **Support for Teachers and Administrators**

5. Rate the LEA's success at engaging in the following activities with teachers and school administrators during the prior school year (including the summer preceding the prior school year).

Rating Scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

Academic Standards		2	3	4	5
Identifying the professional learning needs of groups of teachers or staff as a whole					5
Identifying the professional learning needs of individual teachers					5
Providing support for teachers on the standards they have not yet mastered					5

#### **Optional Narrative (Limited to 1,500 characters)**

6. Provide any additional information in the text box provided in the Dashboard that the LEA believes is relevant to understanding its progress implementing the academic standards adopted by the state board.

## Parental Involvement and Family Engagement (LCFF Priority 3)

#### Introduction

Family engagement is an essential strategy for building pathways to college and career readiness for all students and is an essential component of a systems approach to improving outcomes for all students. More than 30 years of research has shown that family engagement can lead to improved student outcomes (e.g., attendance, engagement, academic outcomes, social emotional learning, etc.).

Consistent with the California Department of Education's (CDE's) Family Engagement Toolkit: 1

- Effective and authentic family engagement has been described as an intentional partnership of educators, families and community members who share responsibility for a child from the time they are born to becoming an adult.
- To build an effective partnership, educators, families, and community members need to develop the knowledge
  and skills to work together, and schools must purposefully integrate family and community engagement with
  goals for students' learning and thriving.

The LCFF legislation recognized the importance of family engagement by requiring LEAs to address Priority 3 within their LCAP. The self-reflection tool described below enables LEAs to reflect upon their implementation of family engagement as part of their continuous improvement process and prior to updating their LCAP.

For LEAs to engage all families equitably, it is necessary to understand the cultures, languages, needs and interests of families in the local area. Furthermore, developing family engagement policies, programs, and practices needs to be done in partnership with local families, using the tools of continuous improvement.

#### Instructions

This self-reflection tool is organized into three sections. Each section includes research and evidence-based practices in family engagement:

- 1. Building Relationships between School Staff and Families
- 2. Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes
- 3. Seeking Input for Decision-Making

Based on an evaluation of data, including educational partner input, an LEA uses this self-reflection tool to report on its progress successes and area(s) of need related to family engagement policies, programs, and practices. This tool will enable an LEA to engage in continuous improvement and determine next steps to make improvements in the areas identified. The results of the process should be used to inform the LCAP and its development process, including assessing prior year goals, actions and services and in modifying future goals, actions, and services in the LCAP.

LEAs are to implement the following self-reflection process:

- Identify the diverse educational partners that need to participate in the self-reflection process in order to ensure input from all groups of families, staff and students in the LEA, including families of unduplicated students and families of individuals with exceptional needs as well as families of underrepresented students.
- Engage educational partners in determining what data and information will be considered to complete the selfreflection tool. LEAs should consider how the practices apply to families of all student groups, including families of unduplicated students and families of individuals with exceptional needs as well as families of underrepresented students.
- 3. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, identify the number which best indicates the LEA's current stage of implementation for each of the 12 practices using the following rating scale (lowest to highest):
  - 1 -- Exploration and Research
  - 2 Beginning Development
  - 3 Initial Implementation
  - 4 Full Implementation
  - 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability
- 4. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, respond to each of the prompts pertaining to each section of the tool.
- 5. Use the findings from the self-reflection process to inform the annual update to the LCAP and the LCAP development process, as well as the development of other school and district plans.

#### Sections of the Self-Reflection Tool

### Section 1: Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families

Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, identify the number which best indicates the LEA's current stage of implementation for each practice in this section using the following rating scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

	Practices	Rating Scale Number
1.	Rate the LEA's progress in developing the capacity of staff (i.e., administrators, teachers, and classified staff) to build trusting and respectful relationships with families.	4
2.	Rate the LEA's progress in creating welcoming environments for all families in the community.	5
3.	Rate the LEA's progress in supporting staff to learn about each family's strengths, cultures, languages, and goals for their children.	4
4.	Rate the LEA's progress in developing multiple opportunities for the LEA and school sites to engage in 2-way communication between families and educators using language that is understandable and accessible to families.	5

### **Building Relationships Dashboard Narrative Boxes (Limited to 3,000 characters)**

1. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's current strengths and progress in Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families.

2024 Districtwide CalSCHLS Parent Survey:

Percentage responding "STRONGLY AGREE" or "YES"

Elementary parent responses: 202 Middle School parent responses: 50

1. Indicators on the CalSCHLS survey identified the following areas of strength:

Elementary: Goal=50%

Parental involvement in school=56% School is a safe place for my child=47%

School has adults who really care about students= 51%

Communication with parents about school= 52%

School staff treat parents with respect=54%

Middle School: Goal 50%

Parental involvement in school=44%

Communication with parents about school= 41%

School keeps me well informed about school activities=48%

School treats all students with respect=44%

School provides parents with advice and resources to support my child's social and emotional needs.=51%

Current strengths district-wide in the area of Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families include:

- Every school has a Social Worker or Counselor that performs daily outreach and regular home visits for students and families.
- Bilingual Community Outreach Assistants have supported communication at all schools.
- · Every school site includes bilingual office staff to welcome families upon arrival to the office.
- Grades PreK-8 meet with parents for individual conferences one or more times per year.
- All communications are sent home in both English and Spanish. Interpreters are provided at all parent meetings.
- The District website is available in multiple languages.
- The District supports the funding of a full time School Resource Officer dedicated to its schools. The
  resource officer promotes safe positive safe school environment; meeting with parents and students.
- Bilingual staff are available at each school to support great family engagement and increase two-way communication between teachers and parents.
- Family engagement activities are implemented at all sites: School Picnics, Literacy Nights, Science Nights, Math Nights, Back-to School Nights, Open House, Fall Festivals, Movie Nights, Color Runs, etc.
- 2. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's focus area(s) for improvement in Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families.

The focus area for the District to improve is to continue developing staff capacity to learn about each family's strengths, cultures, languages and goals for their children. Strengths-based practices, goal setting with students and families, and building a positive school climate will continue to be strengthened at each school site.

3. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe how the LEA will improve engagement of underrepresented families identified during the self-reflection process in relation to Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families.

To improve engagement of underrepresented families in Building Relationships Between School Staff and Families, the District will continue to improve the outreach to families by:

- utilizing bilingual assistants, bilingual staff and the Bilingual Community Outreach Coordinator to provide interpretation and translation at parent meetings/events
- have an outreach table at school and community events
- making personal phone calls to families for attendance at parent advisory committee meetings
- maintain the School Readiness parent center at Fairsite with resources and services
- provide parent education classes in English and Spanish: nutrition series, english classes, wellness groups

### Section 2: Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes

Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, identify the number which best indicates the LEA's current stage of implementation for each practice in this section using the following rating scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

8	Practices Practices Practices	Rating Scale Number
5.	Rate the LEA's progress in providing professional learning and support to teachers and principals to improve a school's capacity to partner with families.	4

	Practices	Rating Scale Number
6.	Rate the LEA's progress in providing families with information and resources to support student learning and development in the home.	4
7.	Rate the LEA's progress in implementing policies or programs for teachers to meet with families and students to discuss student progress and ways to work together to support improved student outcomes.	5
8.	Rate the LEA's progress in supporting families to understand and exercise their legal rights and advocate for their own students and all students.	5

#### **Building Partnerships Dashboard Narrative Boxes (Limited to 3,000 characters)**

1. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's current strengths and progress in Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes.

Current strengths district-wide in the area of Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes include:

- ParentVUE in the District's student information system for parents to have daily access to student progress.
- Technology trainings and live tech support for students and parents.
- Parent Advisory Committees at the site and district levels (ELAC/DELAC, DAC, Migrant PAC, Special Education PAC, Preschool Advisory).
- The examination of state and local data are presented at the site and district stakeholder meetings.
- Bilingual Community Outreach Coordinator to strengthen services for our migrant families.
- 1. Indicators on the CalSCHLS survey identified the following areas of strength:

Elementary: Goal = 50%

- Teachers communicate with parents about what students are expected to learn in class: 48%
- School encourages me to be an active partner with the school in educating my child: 43%
- School promptly responds to my phone calls, messages, or emails: 55%

Middle School: Goal = 50%

- Letting you know how your child is doing in school between report cards=50%
- School keeps me well-informed about school activities=48%
- Communication with parents about school: 41%
- 2. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's focus area(s) for improvement in Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes.

The focus area for the District to improve is to continue developing staff capacity by providing additional professional learning to teachers and principals to improve their schools' capacity to partner with families. The role of the Bilingual Community Outreach Coordinator, counselors and social workers is being expanded to provide support to families afterschool, into the evenings and through home visits.

3. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe how the LEA will improve engagement of underrepresented families identified during the self-reflection process in relation to Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes.

To improve engagement of underrepresented families in Building Partnerships for Student Outcomes, the District will continue to improve the outreach to families by

 utilizing bilingual assistants, bilingual staff and the Bilingual Community Outreach Coordinator to provide interpretation and translation at parent meetings/events

- have an outreach table at school and community events
- making personal phone calls to families for attendance at parent advisory committee meetings
- maintain the School Readiness parent center at Fairsite with resources and services
- · provide parent education classes in English and Spanish: nutrition series, english classes, wellness groups

#### Section 3: Seeking Input for Decision-Making

Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, identify the number which best indicates the LEA's current stage of implementation for each practice in this section using the following rating scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

Practices	Rating Scale Number
<ol><li>Rate the LEA's progress in building the capacity of and supporting principals and staff to effectively engage families in advisory groups and with decision-making.</li></ol>	5
<ol> <li>Rate the LEA's progress in building the capacity of and supporting family members to effectively engage in advisory groups and decision-making.</li> </ol>	5
11. Rate the LEA's progress in providing all families with opportunities to provide input on policies and programs, and implementing strategies to reach and seek input from any underrepresented groups in the school community.	5
12. Rate the LEA's progress in providing opportunities to have families, teachers, principals, and district administrators work together to plan, design, implement and evaluate family engagement activities at school and district levels.	5

## Seeking Input for Decision-Making Dashboard Narrative Boxes (Limited to 3,000 characters)

1. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's current strengths and progress in Seeking Input for Decision-Making.

Indicators on the CalSCHLS survey identified the following areas of strength:

Parental Involvement in schools: Elementary: 56% Middle: 44%

Indicators on the CalSCHLS survey identified the following areas of improvement needed:

School actively seeks the input of parents before making important decisions. Elementary: 28% Middle: 32%

Current strengths in the area of Seeking Input for Decision Making include:

- Numerous Stakeholder Feedback sessions annually provide direction and feedback for the district to incorporate into the LCAP; sessions are presented in English and Spanish.
- Numerous parent advisory groups include: District Advisory Committee (DAC), District English Learner
  Advisory Committee (DELAC), School Site Council (SSC), English Learner Advisory Committee. (ELAC),
  Special Education Parent Advisory Committee(PAC). Parents actively play a role in the decision-making
  process at the site and district levels. The groups include information shared in English and Spanish.
- Principals and teachers attend the District Advisory Committee meetings with parent representatives from each site.
- LCAP progress updates and the examination of state and local data are included in quarterly District Advisory Committee (DAC) and District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) meetings.

- The annual CalSCHLS survey is conducted with families to provide feedback in the following areas: Parent engagement, Communication, Facilities and School Safety.
- Principals actively work alongside their Parent Clubs at each site to plan, design and implement a wide variety of family engagement activities.
- 2. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe the LEA's focus area(s) for improvement in Seeking Input for Decision-Making.

The focus area for the District to improve is to continue encouraging school district administration to engage more families to provide input on policies and site decision-making processes. Increasing the number of families that participate in the English Learner Advisory Committees at schools will provide parents a greater voice. Increasing the informal parent- principal meetings or special school-wide events will also keep parents better informed and more able to participate in the decision making process.

3. Based on the analysis of educational partner input and local data, briefly describe how the LEA will improve engagement of underrepresented families identified during the self-reflection process in relation to Seeking Input for Decision-Making.

To improve engagement of underrepresented families in Seeking Input for Decision-Making, the District will continue to improve the outreach to families by

- utilizing bilingual assistants, bilingual staff and the Bilingual Community Outreach Coordinator to provide interpretation and translation at parent meetings/events
- have an outreach table at school and community events.
- making personal phone calls to families for attendance at parent advisory committee meetings
- maintain the School Readiness parent center at Fairsite with resources and services
- · provide parent education classes in English
- increase attendance at parent advisory committee meetings
- offer virtual meeting options to families

### School Climate (LCFF Priority 6)

#### Introduction

The initial design of the Local Control Funding Formula recognized the critical role that positive school conditions and climate play in advancing student performance and equity. This recognition is grounded in a research base demonstrating that a positive school climate directly impacts indicators of success such as increased teacher retention, lower dropout rates, decreased incidences of violence, and higher student achievement.

In order to support comprehensive planning, LEAs need access to current data. The measurement of school climate provides LEAs with critical data that can be used to track progress in school climate for purposes of continuous improvement, and the ability to identify needs and implement changes to address local needs.

#### Introduction

LEAs are required, at a minimum, to annually administer a local climate survey. The survey must:

- Capture a valid measure of student perceptions of school safety and connectedness in at least one grade within each grade span the LEA serves (e.g. TK-5, 6-8, 9-12); and
- At a minimum, report disaggregated data by student groups identified in California Education Code 52052, when such data is available as part of the local school climate survey.

Based on the analysis of local data, including the local climate survey data, LEAs are to respond to the following three prompts. Each prompt response is limited to 3,000 characters. An LEA may provide hyperlink(s) to other documents as necessary within each prompt:

**Prompt 1 (DATA):** Describe the local climate survey data, including available data disaggregated by student groups. LEAs using surveys that provide an overall score, such as the California Healthy Kids Survey, are encouraged to report the overall score for all students as well as available student group scores. Responses may also include an analysis of a subset of specific items on a local survey and additional data collection tools that are particularly relevant to school conditions and climate.

The California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS) was administered annually over the last three years to 5th-8th grade students. The survey results are providing us with great insight into areas of strength and areas that we need to strengthen.

2024 CalSCHLS Data: Percentage of students that participated in the survey:

Grades 5- 6 = 541 (70%), Grades 7- 8 = 799 (96%)

Percentage responding "YES, MOST OR ALL OF THE TIME" Goal=80%

- Students feel connected to school: Grade 5 = 70%, Grade 6 = 69%, Grade 7 = 43 %, Grade 8 = 43 %
- Students are academically motivated: Grade 5 = 82%, Grade 6 = 83%, Grade 7 = 55%, Grade 8 = 58 %
- Students have a caring adult in school: Grade 5 = 69%, Grade 6 = 68%, Grade 7 = 56 %, Grade 8 = 56 %
- Students have social and emotional learning supports: Grade 5 = 75%, Grade 6 = 73%, Grade 7 = 46 %, Grade 8 = 45 %
- My school has an anti bullying climate: Grade 6 = 74%, Grade 6 = 69%, Grade 7 = 35%, Grade 8 = 32%
- I feel safe at school: Grade 5 = 74%, Grade 6 = 76%, Grade 7 = 48 %, Grade 8 = 51 %

Cyberbullying is a problem: Grade 5 = 21%, Grade 6 = 22%, Grade 7 = 30%, Grade 8 = 33 %

**Prompt 2 (MEANING):** Describe key learnings, including identified needs and areas of strength determined through the analysis of data described in Prompt 1, including the available data disaggregated by student group.

District Strengths Based on the Student Survey Data 5th-6th Grades:

- 1. Academic Motivation
- 2. High Expectations in School
- 3. Facility upkeep
- 4. Parental Involvement In School
- 5. Feel Safe on way to and from school
- 6. Social and emotional learning supports
- 7. Students treated with respect
- 8. Rule Clarity

#### 7th-8th Grades:

- 1. High Expectations
- 2. Caring adult relationships
- 3. Students are academically motivated.
- 4.School perceived as safe
- 5. Clarity of rules

Some areas of concern that are being addressed through LCAP actions and services:

- 29% of 7th and 29% of 8th grade students reported "Experienced chronic sadness/hopelessness" in the past 12 months.
- 52% of 7th and 53% of 8th grade of middle school students reported "School is really boring"

**Prompt 3 (USE):** Describe any changes to existing plans, policies, or procedures that the LEA determines necessary in order to address areas of need identified through the analysis of local data and the identification of key learnings. Include any revisions, decisions, or actions the LEA has, or will, implement for continuous improvement purposes.

### Informing LCAP Development:

CalSCHLS Survey results, feedback from multiple stakeholder groups and the recent district assessment data have contributed greatly in the development of the 24-25 LCAP.

This ongoing analysis and reflection of successes and challenges shaped the two broad goals proposed in the new LCAP:

- Engaging all learners with a focus on academic rigor using inclusive practices in a variety of learning environments
- Promoting PreK-8 whole learner development through social and emotional learning opportunities in a variety of safe learning environments.

All Metrics on the District LCAP were developed to measure the growth towards meeting the two broad goals. All proposed actions and services were developed to address the understanding that "Learning is social, emotional and academic".

## Access to a Broad Course of Study (LCFF Priority 7)

LEAs provide a narrative summary of the extent to which all students have access to and are enrolled in a broad course of study by addressing, at a minimum, the following four prompts:

1. Briefly identify the locally selected measures or tools that the LEA is using to track the extent to which all students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study, based on grade spans, unduplicated student groups, and individuals with exceptional needs served. (response limited to 1,500 characters)

Galt Joint Union Elementary School District (GJUESD) tracks progress in meeting Priority 7 standards by undertaking a review of course offerings and class schedules to assess the extent to which all students have access to and are enrolled in a broad course of studies. The district uses enrollment reports to identify areas of disproportionality in course access in the area of mathematics. GJUESD also utilizes the Williams review as a process to ensure that all students have access to and are enrolled in a broad course of study.

2. Using the locally selected measures or tools, summarize the extent to which all students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study. The summary should identify any differences across school sites and student groups in access to, and enrollment in, a broad course of study, and may describe progress over time in the extent to which all students have access to, and are enrolled in, a broad course of study. (response limited to 1,500 characters)

For the 2023 - 2024 year, 100% of GJUESD students had full access to a broad course of studies. Elementary students had access to additional courses, such as visual and performing arts as well as all secondary students (Grades 7 -8) had access to a broad course of studies within their school offerings which included art, AVID, choir, band, piano lab, technology and after school plays. In reviewing data reports of enrollment in exploratories, the district has found that English learners in Grades 7-8 do not have access to exploratories since they are enrolled in English Language Development course. Additional research is needed to ensure that all English learners have access to exploratory classes during the school day.

3. Given the results of the tool or locally selected measures, identify the barriers preventing the LEA from providing access to a broad course of study for all students. (response limited to 1,500 characters)

No barriers have been identified at this time to providing access to a broad course of study for all students.

4. In response to the results of the tool or locally selected measures, what revisions, decisions, or new actions will the LEA implement, or has the LEA implemented, to ensure access to a broad course of study for all students? (response limited to 1,500 characters)

GJUESD has implemented a broad course of study through the implementation of the Common Core State Standards in multiple subject areas including world language. For the first time, middle school students in Grades 7-8 have access to general art. Continued efforts to increase access to CTE courses in middle school are reflected with the addition of an introduction to agriculture as another option on list of exploratories at the middle school for the coming year. AVID program will continue to be available to students in Grades 4-6 at one school as the pilot program continues to evolve. The goal is to increase access to AVID at all schools. GJUESD has provided learning opportunities that result in increased academic achievement; ensures quality classroom instruction for all students including support systems that meets the needs of targeted populations; and supports closing the achievement gap for certain groups of students

## Coordination of Services for Expelled Students – COE Only (LCFF Priority 9)

Assess the degree of implementation of the progress in coordinating instruction for expelled students in your county.

Rating Scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

Ä,	Coordinating Instruction	1	2	3	4	5
1.	Assessing status of triennial plan for providing educational services to all expelled students in the county, including:	[No response required]	[No response required]	[No response required]	[No response required]	[No response required]
	<ul> <li>Review of required outcome data.</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>b. Identifying existing educational alternatives for expelled pupils, gaps in educational services to expelled pupils, and strategies for filling those service gaps.</li> </ul>					
	c. Identifying alternative placements for pupils who are expelled and placed in district community day school programs, but who fail to meet the terms and conditions of their rehabilitation plan or who pose a danger to other district pupils.					
2.	Coordinating on development and implementation of triennial plan with all LEAs within the county.					
3.	Establishing ongoing collaboration and policy development for transparent referral process for LEAs within the county to the county office of education or other program options, including dissemination to all LEAs within the county a menu of available continuum of services for expelled students.					
4.	Developing memorandum of understanding regarding the coordination of partial credit policies between district of residence and county office of education.					

## Coordination of Services for Foster Youth – COE Only (LCFF Priority 10)

Assess the degree of implementation of coordinated service program components for foster youth in your county.

Rating Scale (lowest to highest):

- 1 Exploration and Research Phase
- 2 Beginning Development
- 3 Initial Implementation
- 4 Full Implementation
- 5 Full Implementation and Sustainability

Coordinating Services	1	2	3	4	5
1. Establishing ongoing collaboration and supporting policy development, including establishing formalized information sharing agreements with child welfare, probation, Local Education Agency (LEAs), the courts, and other organizations to support determining the proper educational placement of foster youth (e.g., school of origin versus current residence, comprehensive versus alternative school, and regular versus special education).					
2. Building capacity with LEA, probation, child welfare, and other organizations for purposes of implementing school-based support infrastructure for foster youth intended to improve educational outcomes (e.g., provide regular professional development with the Foster Youth Liaisons to facilitate adequate transportation services for foster youth).					
3. Providing information and assistance to LEAs regarding the educational needs of foster youth in order to improve educational outcomes.					
4. Providing direct educational services for foster youth in LEA or county-operated programs provided the school district has certified that specified services cannot be provided or funded using other sources, including, but not limited to, Local Control Funding Formula, federal, state or local funding.					

	Coordinating Services	1	2	3	4	5
5.	Establishing ongoing collaboration and supporting development of policies and procedures that facilitate expeditious transfer of records, transcripts, and other relevant educational information.					
6.	Facilitating the coordination of post- secondary opportunities for youth by engaging with systems partners, including, but not limited to, child welfare transition planning and independent living services, community colleges or universities, career technical education, and workforce development providers.					
7.	Developing strategies to prioritize the needs of foster youth in the community, using community-wide assessments that consider age group, geographical area, and identification of highest needs students based on academic needs and placement type.		240			
8.	Engaging in the process of reviewing plan deliverables and of collecting and analyzing LEA and COE level outcome data for purposes of evaluating effectiveness of support services for foster youth and whether the investment in services contributes to improved educational outcomes for foster youth.					



#### **LCAP GOAL 2**

Student Smartphone Use

#### LCAP GOAL 2

Promoting PreK-8 whole learner development through social and emotional learning opportunities in a variety of safe and supportive environments.

#### 1. Student Smartphone Use On School Campus

Lois Yount, Superintendent



#### OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

August 13, 2024

Dear School Leaders,

As we strive to create the best learning environment for all students this new academic year, I write today to raise an urgent issue that affects their well-being: the pervasive use of smartphones in schools.

Excessive smartphone use among youth is linked to increased anxiety, depression, and other mental health issues. A recent Pew Research Center survey found that 72% of high school and 33% of middle school teachers report cell phone distractions as a major problem. Common Sense Media found that 97% of students use their phones during the school day for a median of 43 minutes. Combined with the U.S. Surgeon General's warning about the risks of social media, it is urgent to provide reasonable guardrails for smartphone use in schools.

As I work with the Legislature to further limit student smartphone use on campus, there is no reason for schools to wait. In 2019, I signed AB 272 (Muratsuchi) into law, which grants school districts the authority to regulate the use of smartphones during school hours. This legislation was a crucial step in our efforts to minimize distractions and foster a more conducive environment for our students to learn. It is imperative that school districts take full advantage of this law to address the growing concerns surrounding student well-being and academic performance.

Leveraging the tools of this law, I urge every school district to act <u>now</u> to restrict smartphone use on campus as we begin the new academic year. The evidence is clear: reducing phone use in class leads to improved concentration, better academic outcomes, and enhanced social interactions. Schools and districts, including Santa Barbara Unified and Bullard High in Fresno, have seen positive impacts of limiting smartphones on campus, with some reporting higher test scores, grades, and student engagement, and less bullying and damage to school facilities. I applaud these districts, and others like LA Unified, for their leadership.

Every classroom should be a place of focus, learning, and growth. Working together, educators, administrators, and parents can create an environment where students are fully engaged in their education, free from the distractions on the phones and pressures of social media. Thank you for your continued dedication to our students and support in making our schools the best they can be.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom

Policy 5131: Conduct Status: ADOPTED

Original Adopted Date: 06/27/2012 | Last Reviewed Date: 06/27/2012

The Governing Board believes that all students have the right to be educated in a positive learning environment free from disruptions. Students shall be expected to exhibit appropriate conduct that does not infringe upon the rights of others or interfere with the school program while on school grounds, going to or coming from school, at school activities, or using district transportation.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that each school develops standards of conduct and discipline consistent with Board policies and administrative regulations. Students and parents/guardians shall be notified of district and school rules related to conduct.

Prohibited student conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Conduct that endangers students, staff, or others, including, but not limited to, physical violence, possession of a firearm or other weapon, and terrorist threats
- 2. Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying of students or staff, including sexual harassment, hatemotivated behavior, cyberbullying, hazing or initiation activity, extortion, or any other verbal, written, or physical conduct that causes or threatens to cause violence, bodily harm, or substantial disruption
- 3. Conduct that disrupts the orderly classroom or school environment
- 4. Willful defiance of staff's authority
- 5. Damage to or theft of property belonging to students, staff, or the district

The district shall not be responsible for students' personal belongings which are brought on campus or to a school activity and are lost, stolen, or damaged.

- 6. Obscene acts or use of profane, vulgar, or abusive language
- 7. Possession, use, or being under the influence of tobacco, alcohol, or other prohibited drugs
- 8. Possession or use of a laser pointer, unless for a valid instructional or other school-related purpose (Penal Code 417.27)

Prior to bringing a laser pointer on school premises for a valid instructional or school-related purpose, a student shall obtain permission from the principal or designee.

9. Use of a cellular/digital telephone, pager, or other mobile communications device during instructional time

Such devices shall be turned off in class, except when being used for a valid instructional or other school-related purpose as determined by the teacher or other district employee, and at any other time directed by a district employee. Any device with camera, video, or voice recording function shall not be used in any manner which infringes on the privacy rights of any other person.

No student shall be prohibited from possessing or using an electronic signaling device that is determined by a licensed physician or surgeon to be essential for the student's health and the use of which is limited to purposes related to the student's health. (Education Code 48901.5)

- 10. Plagiarism or dishonesty on school work or tests
- 11. Inappropriate attire
- 12. Tardiness or unexcused absence from school
- 13. Failure to remain on school premises in accordance with school rules

Employees are expected to provide appropriate supervision to enforce standards of conduct and, if they observe or

receive a report of a violation of these standards, to immediately intervene or call for assistance. If an employee believes a matter has not been resolved, he/she shall refer the matter to his/her supervisor or an administrator for further investigation.

When a school official suspects that a search of a student or his/her belongings will turn up evidence of the student's violation of the law or school rules, such a search shall be conducted in accordance with BP/AR 5145.12 - Search and Seizure.

When a student uses any prohibited device, or uses a permitted device in any unethical or illegal activity, a district employee may confiscate the device. The employee shall store the item in a secure manner until an appropriate time.

Students who violate district or school rules and regulations may be subject to discipline including, but not limited to, suspension, expulsion, transfer to alternative programs, referral to a student success team or counseling services, or denial of participation in extracurricular or cocurricular activities or other privileges in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation. The Superintendent or designee shall notify local law enforcement as appropriate.

Students also may be subject to discipline, in accordance with law, Board policy, or administrative regulation, for any off-campus conduct during nonschool hours which poses a threat or danger to the safety of students, staff, or district property, or substantially disrupts school activities.



#### **OTHER REPORTS**

#### 1. Williams Uniform Complaint Process (UCP) Quarter 4 Report

Lois Yount, Superintendent

#### 2. City And Schools Together (CAST)

Lois Yount, Superintendent

#### 3. School Calendars

School Administration

#### **Back-to-School Events**

August 6 – Lake Canyon Meet and Greet @ 4:00

August 6 – McCaffrey Night at the Dog House @ 6:30

August 13 - Fairsite Back to School Night @ 5:30

August 14 – Marengo Ranch Back to School Night @ 5:30

August 15 – Valley Oaks Back to School Night @ 5:30

August 19 – Greer Back to School Night @ 5:30

August 20 – Lake Canyon Back to School Night @ 5:00

August 20 – River Oaks Back to School Night @ 5:30

August 22 - McCaffrey Back to School Night @ 6:00

#### **Quarterly District Report: Williams Uniform Complaint Process (UCP)**

Properly submitting this form to SCOE serves as your district's *Williams* UCP Quarterly Complaint Report per *Education Code* § 35186(d). **All fields are required.** 

SUBMITTER INFORMATION						
Name Person submitting form	Job Title	Phone Number Include area code				
E-mail Address						

**Year Covered by This Report** 

#### **COMPLAINTS**

**School District** 

**DISTRICT INFORMATION** 

#### **Sufficiency of Textbooks**

Total Number of Textbook Complaints Enter 0 if none.	
<b>Number of Textbook Complaints <u>Resolved</u></b> Enter 0 if none.	
Number of Textbook Complaints <u>Unresolved</u> Enter 0 if none.	

#### **Emergency School Facilities Issues**

Total Number of Emergency Facilities Complaints Enter 0 if none.	
Number of Emergency Facilities Complaints Resolved Enter 0 if none.	
Number of Emergency Facilities Complaints <u>Unresolved</u> Enter 0 if none.	

#### **Vacancy or Misassignment of Teachers**

Total Number of Vacancy/Misassignment Complaints Enter 0 if none.	
Number of Vacancy/Misassignment Complaints Resolved Enter 0 if none.	
Number of Vacancy/Misassignment Complaints <u>Unresolved</u> Enter 0 if none.	

**Quarter Covered by This Report** 

#### **RESOLUTION OF COMPLAINTS**

Briefly summarize the nature of complaints and how they were resolved.  Enter "N/A" if no complaints were received. If you need more space, enter "sent by e-mail" and send your summary to Shannon Hansen with your report.
REPORT INCLUDES ALL COMPLAINTS FOR THIS QUARTER
The number of UCP complaints (textbooks, facilities, and teachers categories) filed for the quarter being reported MUST be entered in this report. Please check the box below confirming this:
Includes All UCP Complaints  All UCP complaints for the indicated quarter are being reported—from my district office and all school sites in my district.
By submitting this form, you certify that the information is complete and accurate, and that you have verified the accuracy of the report information by contacting each school in your district. The report includes <i>ALL</i> UCP complaints in the above categories received at school sites in the district, plus the district office.

#### **RETURN INSTRUCTIONS**

After completing the form in its entirety, save the file and e-mail it to Erika Franzon at the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE): <a href="mailto:efranzon@scoe.net">efranzon@scoe.net</a>.

### CAST Meeting Agenda







Location: Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

1018 C Street, Suite 210, Galt, CA 95632

Date/Time: August 12, 2024 at 5:30 PM

Members: GJUESD City of Galt GJUHSD

Lois Yount, Superintendent Chris Erias, City Manager Anna Trunnell, Superintendent Casey Raboy, Board Member Shawn Farmer, Council Member Terry Parker, Board Clerk

Traci Skinner, Board President Kevin Papineau, Council Member Dennis Richardson, Board Member

### Welcome!

I. Review of CAST Purpose and Agenda Overview

- II. Standing Agenda Items
  - School and City Safety Updates
  - School Resource Officers (SRO)
- III. Galt Joint Union Elementary School District
  - New School Year and Enrollment Update
  - Measure H
- IV. Galt Joint Union High School District
  - New School Year
- V. City of Galt
  - Liberty Ranch/Simmerhorn Project Update
  - Winter Bird Festival
  - C Street Improvements
- VI. 2024-25 Quarterly Meetings
  - Tuesday, November 12, 2024 City Hall
  - Tuesday, February 11, 2025 Galt Joint Union High School District
  - Monday, May 12, 2025 City Hall
  - August 11, 2025 Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

<sup>\*</sup>City and Schools Together (CAST) is a collaborative effort among leaders of the City of Galt, Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, and the Galt Joint Union High School District, united to ensure a positive future for all Galt area youth and families through strategic planning, open communication, resource sharing and coordination of events and activities."

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	FAIRSITE
				1	2	3	ELEMENTARY AND EARLY LEARNING CENTER
4	5	6	7	8 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL	9	10	902 CAROLINE ST. GALT, CA 95632 (209) 745-2506
11	12	BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT 5:30-6:45	14	15 GEFA	16	17	
18	19	20	21 BOARD MEETING	22	23 PICNIC DAY 11:00-12:00	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30 SAFETY DRILL	31	LAURA MARQUEZ PRINCIPAL

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	FAIRSITE
1	2 LABOR DAY	3	4 STAFF MEETING	5	6	7	ELEMENTARY AND EARLY LEARNING CENTER
8	9	10	11	FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT 5:45-6:45	13	14	902 CAROLINE ST. GALT, CA 95632 (209) 745-2506
15	16	17	18 BOARD MEETING	19 GEFA	20	21	
22	23	24	25	26	27 SAFETY DRILL	28	
29	30						PRINCIPAL

# Vernon E. Greer Elementary August 2024



Earthquake Drill: Elementary sites should be done four times a year. Evacuation Drill: Elementary sites should practice an evacuation drill monthly.

Lockdown Drill: Ed Code requires once a year, but as a district we are recommending once a trimester.

Notes	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Admin Meeting 8:30-3:00		8:00 IA Meeting Room 3  Welcome Back Agenda I  10:00 Yard Supervisor Meeting Room 3  Welcome Back Agenda  YS Training 2:00  Office Meeting  Welcome Back Agenda	1 New Teacher Work Day 8:00 District Orientation Greer Library 11:00-12:00 Site Safety Team Catapult Training Greer Site Safety Team 3:00 GPE Meeting	2 New Teacher Work Day 8:00 PBIS Meeting Site Orientation 1:00-2:00 PBIS Training Room 3
	5 Teacher Work Day AGENDA Monday, August 5, 2024 12:00 Supply Orders DUE	6 Teacher Work Day AGENDA El Tuesday, August 6, 2024	7 Teacher Work Day AGENDA  ■ Wednesday, August 7, 2 2:30 SPED Meeting - Room 16 3:00 Class Posters DUE 4:00-6:00 Gates Open ■ Class List Information	8 PBIS Training  First day of ** school	9 <b>PBIS Training</b> Behavior Expectations Training
	12 PBIS Training IA/BIA Start Date Bucket Filling Begins Benchmark Review and SIPPS Whole Group Ins K-6 DRA Window Open	13 PBIS Training Read Live Training - Jessica Rogers	14 PBIS Training 1:00 Greer IA ELPAC Training Room 3	15 PBIS Training	16 PBIS Training
	19 PBIS Training ELPAC Initial Open Back to School Night 5:30-6:00 Admin Session 6:00-6:30 Session 1 6:30-7:00 Session 2	20 PBIS Training	21 PBIS Training 7:00 Board Meeting	22 PBIS Training	23 PBIS Training AR Book Level & Points Goals Due Setting Goals in AR Synergy Gradebooks DUE Emergency Substitute Binder Grade-Level Substitute Binders DUE Lightspeed DUE
	26 3:00-4:00 Learning Event ZOOM Lisa Stoddart 2025 Eval Process	27 8:30-2:00 SIPPS Training (2) Greer	28 PLC Data Reflection DUE	29	30 K-6 DRA Window Closed

## Vernon E. Greer Elementary

September 2024

Notes	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	2 No School Legal Holiday	3 1st-4th SIPPS Start  SIPPS Whole Group Ins  BM Small Groups Start  ELD Rotations Start  ELD Groups  3:00 Leadership Meeting	4 Kinder and 1st ATMs 8:00-11:00 First Grade 11:40-1:00 Kindergarten 2:30 SPED PLC Meeting - Room 3	5 Sac Readsl - SCOE 2nd & 3rd ATMs 8:00-11:00 Second Grade 11:40-2:40 Third Grade 3:00 English Language Advisory Committee 3:00 GPE Meeting	6 ELPAC Initial Closed Golden Horseshoe Cele
	9 MAP Window Open Goal Setting Begins My Personal Plan My Personal BEST!  Greer Goal Setting 202  Learner Portfolio	10 8:15 Evacuation Drill	11	MMS classroom observations Leah 1:00-5:00 Administrator Meeting - DO	13 Second Grade Ag Day
	16 3:00-4:00 Learning Event Catapult Learner Supports	17 2:00 Lockdown Drill LS Referrals DUE Picture Day	18 7:00 Board Meeting	19 GEFA - No Meetings	20
	23 Kindergarten SIPPS Start	24 8:00-2:30 LS Meetings	25 7:30 SEE UP AT THE POLE https://syatp.com/	26 RO classroom observations 3:00 School Site Council	27 50% AR Due MAP Window Closed  8:10-9:10 Roundup  B Assembly Seating Chart

## Lake Canyon Board Calendar August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
				New Teache	er Workdays	
4	5	6	7	8 1st Day of School	9	10
	All Staff Meeting 8:30 - Multi	Back to School Meet & Greet 4:00-5:00	Teacher Writing Training 9:00	Welcome Back		
		Teacher Workdays		Kinder Dismi	issal 12:30 pm	
11	IA Jumpstart Training 11:45 - Library	13	14	15		17
	11.43 - Libi ai y		Intervention	n Jumpstart		
		4	Kinder Dismissal 12:30 pm			
18	19	20 Back to School Night Grades 1-6	21 Back to School Night Grades 1-6 Session II 1:15	22 All School Assembly	23	24
			GJUESD Board Meeting 7PM Intervention Jumpstart		Picture Day	
			Kinder Dismissal 12:30 pm			
25	26	27	28	29	30	SCHO
	Staff Meeting 2:45 Wellness Center Rm 14	House Committee 2:40 Conference Rm			ක් ආ	

## Lake Canyon Board Calendar September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	Plappy Labor Day!! NO SCHOOL	3	4	5 House Meeting 1:55 PM	6 Kinder Dismissal 1:00	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
			P Testing Grades 1	1	l	
15	Staff Meeting 2:45	17 Academic Conferences Kinder	18 Leadership Committee 2:40 GJUESD Board Meeting 7:00 PM	House Meeting 1:55 PM	20 Kinder Dismissal 1:00	21
		MA	AP Testing Grades 1	6		
22	23	24 Academic Conferences 1st/2nd House Committee 2:40 Conf Rm	25 MTSS  AP Testing Grades 1	Academic Conferences 3rd/4th	27	28
29	30					

## August 2024



Testing at MMS Fall Map Testing; 9/9 - 9/27

"Home of the Buildogs"										
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday				
				1	2	3				
4	5	Night at the Dog House 6:30 - 8pm	PE Sales 1-3pm	8 1st Day of School 8:30am	9 Assembly	10				
11	12	13	14	15	16	17				
18	19 Cross Country Starts	20 Volleyball Tryouts	Volleyball Tryouts Board Meeting	Back to School Night 5:30 - 8pm	504 Meetings Fire Drill #1 -10:20am	24				
25	26	504 Meetings	28	29	30	31				
Cross Country:	Aug 19 - Oct 26									

Girls Volleyball: Aug 26 - Oct 9





















Testing at MMS Fall Map Testing; 9/9 - 9/27

_			"Home of the Bulldogs"			
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	No School	3	Bulldog Student Senate	5	School Dance Parent Lunch Day	7
8	iSmart Stud	10 ent Presentation in Social S	tudies Class	iSmart Parent Presentation 6-7pm	Picture Day Bulldog Scholars BBQ for 3rd Tri	14
15	Rocky Mountain Fundraiser Starts	MTSS Meetings	Board Meeting	19	504 Meetings	21
22	23	24	Fentanyl Assembly	26	27	28
29	30					
Cross Country	: Aug 19 - Oct 26					

Girls Volleyball: Aug 26 - Oct 9















## August 2024

Board Calendar- What's happening this month at Marengo Ranch?

<b>Important</b>
Reminders

## Welcome back Monarchs!

08/08 First Day of School

08/14 Back to School Night

5:30-5:55 Principal Welcome Message (cafeteria) 6:00-6:30 Session 1 All Grades 6:30-7:00 Session 2 All Grades

08/30 Morning Sing No Awards given

Sun	Mon	TUE	WED	Тни	FRI	SAT
		*WE	BACK	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 Welcome Back assemblies 4-6 grade	10
11	12 Welcome Back assemblies K-3 grade	13 Evacuation Drill Leadership Meeting	14 Safety Patrol Meeting BTSN	15 GEFA	16	17
18	19	20 MTSS	21 Board Meeting	22	23 Kinder 1pm dismissal SBAC Awards	24
25	26 Learning Event	27 SIPPS training at DO	28	29 KONA ICE	30 Morning Sing	31



## September 2024

Board Calendar- What's happening this month at Marengo Ranch?

Importai	nt
Reminde	rs

FALL
PICTURE
DAY IS
SEPT 10TH

SCHOOL HOURS:

Kinder A.M.

8:00-11:20 Full Day Kinder-6th 8:00-2:30 Wednesday's 8:00-

1:00

Students must not arrive on campus before 7:30 a.m.

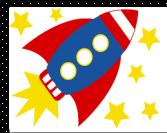
SIPPS coaching

Sun	Mon	TUE	WED	Тни	Fri	SAT
1	2 NO SCHOOL	6t	h Grade goe	es to Sly Pa	rk—	7
			Math Pilot	Sac Reads	Kinder 1pm Dismissal	
8	9	10 Negotiations Leadership Meeting	11 MAP testing begins	12 Admin Meeting	13	14
15	16 School Site Council Meeting 2:45	17 MTSS SARB	18 Board Meeting	19 GEFA	20 Kinder 1pm Dismissal	21
22	23 DRA window opens	24 Learning Event Math Pilot	25 Evacuation Drill COLLEGE DAY	26 KONA ICE ELD Meeting Lockdown Drill	27 Map testing ends Friday sing	28
29	30					



# River Oaks Elementary August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Lunch for Staff by PTA 12pm	6 1st Meet the Teacher 3pm	7 Meet the Teacher Day 3pm Class List Posted 4 pm Kinder Meet the Teacher 2:30	8 First Day of School  1st-3rd Behavior Assembly 8:30 AM	9 4th-6th Grade Behavior Assembly 8:30 AM	10
11	12	13	14	15  GEFA/CSEA	16	17
18	19	20  Back to School Night 5:30 pm	Board of Education 7:00 pm	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



# River Oaks Elementary September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2  Labor Day  School not in Session	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18  Board Meeting 7pm	19 Sly park Meeting 3:00 GEFA/CSEA	20 Otter Pop Sales Friday Sing 8:15 Sports Day	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 PTA's Color Run Otter Pop Sales Kinder Dismissal 1:00	28
29	30					







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Principal

Leah Wheeler

Assistant Principal

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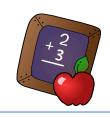
#### **District Office**

1018 C Street, Suite 210

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Phone: (209) 744-4545

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1.	2.
5. Pre - Service Staff Meeting @ 8:00 am	6. Pre - Service District Training at MMS @ 8:30	7. Kinder Meet & Greet @ 10:00am - 11:00am	8. BACK TO SCHOOL	9. Kinder Early Dismissal @11:30 Kinder Parent Orientation @ 6:00pm - 7:00pm
12.	13.	14.	15. Back to School Night @ 5:30pm - 7:00pm	16.
19.	20. Fall Pictures	21. Board Meeting @ 7:00pm	22. 4th - 6th grade Relational Aggression Presentation (Girls)	23.
26. Staff Meeting @ 2:45 pm	27.	28.	29. PTO Meeting @ 2:45pm	30.



# Valley Oaks Elementary September 2024

#### **David Nelson**

Principal

Leah Wheeler

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2. No School Labor Day!	3.	4.	5.	6.
9.	10.	11.  Book Blast  Kickoff -Library	12. Growth Mindset/ SEL Presentations @ 8:20 - 9:50am	13.
16. Leadership Meeting @ 2:45pm	17.	18. Board Meeting @ 7:00pm	19. GEFA @ 3:30pm	20.
23. Staff Meeting @ 2:45pm	24.	25.	26. PTO Meeting @ 2:45pm  VO Family Science Night @ 6:00 - 7:30pm	27. Friday Sing @ 8:15am
30.			MAP Testing (Fall) Sept. 9     DRA testing (1st Tri) Sept.	



#### Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

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#### **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date	: August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.501 Board Consideration of Approval of Consent Calendar
Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX Information Item:

- a. Approval of the Agenda
- b. Minutes
  - June 17, 2024 Special Board Meeting
  - June 18, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
- c. Payment of Warrants
  - Vendor Warrants: 25501171-25501228, 25499035-25499113, 25496720-25496801, 24491311-24491377, 24492219-24492276, 24493692-24493784, 24494533-24494583, 24495983
  - Payroll Warrants: 7/10/24; 7/31/24; 8/9/24
- d. Personnel
  - Resignations/Retirements
  - Leave of Absence Requests
  - New Hires/Reclassifications
- e. Donations
- f. 2024-25 After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between GJUESD and the City of Galt
- g. Agreement for Legal Services with Lozano Smith, Attorneys At Law
- h. Master Contracts for Nonpublic Schools and Agencies
  - 1. Assistive Tech 4 All, Inc.
  - 2. Assistive Technology and Beyond
  - 3. CCHAT Center
  - 4. Creative Behavior Systems
  - 5. Easter Seals Superior CA
  - 6. Hansine Fisher & Associates
  - 7. Lodi Children's Therapy
  - 8. Point Quest Education Central Valley
  - 9. Point Quest Education Depot Park
  - 10. Sara Hall
  - 11. Tilly Therapy

# Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Board of Education Minutes

Special Board Meeting June 17, 2024 6:00 p.m. Open Session Galt Joint Union Elementary School District 1018 C Street, Suite 210, Galt, CA 95632

**Zoom Webinar ID** 87060306079

**Board Members** 

Traci Skinner
Casey Raboy - Absent
Katherine Harper
Annette Kunze
Wesley Cagle

Administrators Lois Yount Alejandra Garibay Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano Kuljeet Nijjar

- A. 6:00 p.m. Open Session Location: Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Conference Room
- B. Call Meeting to Order and Flag Salute
- C. Board Meeting Protocol
- D. Routine Matters/New Business

232.508 Public Hearing and Board Review of GJUESD 2024-25 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)

LCAP PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public comments.

Lois Yount acknowledged the efforts of the Cabinet and Kuljeet Nijjar, Educational Services Director, specifically for her initiative to complete the LCAP.

Kuljeet Nijjar reported that the LCAP has been posted on the district website to get feedback from parents and the community. It was also sent electronically to parents for feedback and shared through the District's monthly newsletters.

Ms. Nijjar summarized key feedback by question:

- 1) What is key to supporting student engagement and academic growth?
  - Prioritizing relationships and well-being of students and staff
  - Good attendance
  - Communication with families
  - Engaging curriculum, less online learning, more hands-on learning outside of the classroom
- 2) What is key to supporting staff growth and motivation?

- Provide staff opportunities to develop their professional growth in their areas of need versus "cookie cutter" professional development
- Continue professional development around social-emotional learning
- 3) What is key to improving student attendance?
  - More opportunities for field trips, school events, activities, and those things that are exciting and fun
  - Schools that create a sense of belonging and trust
  - Communication with family
  - Engaging partners
- 4) What is key to improving safety at school?
  - Stronger consequences and disciplines
  - Positive behavior interventions and supports
  - School Resource Officer
  - Get parents more involved
- 5) Other ideas or feedback?
  - Professional Development on more inclusive practices working with students with disabilities
  - More hands-on and direct instruction is needed compared to the current online software programs

Alejandra Garibay, Chief Business Official, shared the LCFF Budget Overview for Parents. She indicated that school districts receive funding from different sources: state funds under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), other state funds, local funds, and federal funds. She shared projected revenue by fund source.

Kuljeet Nijjar reviewed the 2023-24 LCAP Annual Update. She indicated that this year, this section is a separate document. However, moving forward, it will be embedded into the LCAP. She stated the only addition to the measuring and reporting results is related to preschool dual language learners. She shared a summary of the results and goal analysis.

Ms. Nijjar reviewed the 2024-25 LCAP. She highlighted practices that supported increased positive outcomes.

- Plan-Do-Study-Act Cycles; staff identifying goals and strategies to test change ideas.
- MAP Accelerator
- Intervention sessions by the Teacher On Special Assignment
- Implementation of "Building-Thinking-Classroom" strategies
- Improved attendance
- After-school tutoring through Acceleration Blocks
- Additional tech integration tools such as Zearn, digital tests from Great Minds and SBAC to support reinforcement of skills
- Professional Learning Community Collaboration

Ms. Nijjar said districts must engage educational partners and outlined the GJUESD partners in developing the LCAP and the budget process. Through this process, Goal 1 was changed. It now focuses on engaging all learners with a focus on academic rigor using inclusive practices in a variety of learning environments.

Ms. Nijjar continued with a summary of the LCAP.

#### **232.509** Public Hearing and Board Review of GJUESD 2024-25 Adopted Budget

Budget Public Hearing

There were no public comments.

Alejandra Garibay provided an overview of the budget. She highlighted the following:

- Budget assumptions based on May Revise
- Cost Of Living Adjustment (COLA)
- Unrestricted Reserve Levels
- District Enrollment/Funded ADA
- GJUESD LCFF Funding
- Projected Revenues General Fund
- Projected Expenditures General Fund

#### Next steps for GJUESD include:

- July 18, 2024: School Finance Conference School Services of California
- July to August: Close financial books for 2023-24
- September: Board Approval of Unaudited Actuals
- September October: 2023-24 Year-End Fiscal Audit
- October November: Budget Revisions to begin preparing First Interim
- December: First Interim Report

Ms. Garibay summarized the 2024-25 School Services of California Pocket Budget and School Financial Projection Dartboard May Revision Proposals.

Ms. Garibay summarized the 2024-25 School Services of California Financial Projection Dartboard

- **E. Public Comments** for topics not on the agenda There were no public comments.
- F. Pending Agenda Items
- **G.** Adjournment 6:45 p.m.

Clerk, Katherine Harper

# Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Board of Education Minutes

Regular Meeting June 18, 2024

Galt Joint Union Elementary School District 1018 C Street, Suite 210, Galt, CA 95632

**Zoom Webinar ID** 88435362474

Laura Marquez

Board Members Administrators

Traci Skinner

Casey Raboy

Katherine Harper

Annette Kunze

Wesley Cagle

Lois Yount

Stephanie Simonich

Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano

Kuljeet Nijjar

Kuljeet Nijjar

Judi Hayes

Alejandra Garibay

Carlos Castillo

Jennifer Porter

Board Member Casey Raboy attended the meeting in person.

Board Member Katherine Harper participated remotely from 7:00 to 7:20 p.m. from: Rau Park 8795 Elk Grove Florin Road Elk Grove, CA 95624

A. 6:00 p.m. – Closed Session Location: District Office Conference Room

Present for closed session: Traci Skinner, Casey Raboy, Annette Kunze, Wesley Cagle, Lois Yount, Alejandra Garibay, Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano, Kuljeet Nijjar

- B. Traci Skinner called the Closed Session to order at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the following items:
  - 1. STUDENT MATTER, Education Code §35146, 48918(c)
    - Case No. 23/24-01
  - 2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, Government Code §54957.6
    Agency Negotiator: Lois Yount, Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano, Kuljeet Nijjar, Alejandra Garibay
    - Employee Agency: (GEFA) Galt Elementary Faculty Association
    - Employee Agency: (CSEA) California School Employee Association
    - Unrepresented Employees
- C. The Closed Session adjourned at 6:50 p.m. The Open Session began at 7:00 p.m., followed by the flag salute.
- D. Recognition
  - 1. Angel Velasquez, McCaffrey Middle School Student

Alejandra Garibay, Chief Business Official, recognized Angel Velasquez, a student who was involved in a bus accident, for his assistance during the accident. Angel quickly initiated action to guide students off the bus and ensure their safety. Ms. Garibay said his actions were heroic and the District is very thankful.

#### E. Board Meeting Protocol

Lois Yount, Superintendent, shared the board meeting protocol. She stated that Katherine Harper, Board Member, is participating remotely.

#### F. New Business

232.510 Lois Yount shared an informational mailer about a potential general obligation bond mailed to Galt residents. She indicated the information in the mailer was also posted on the District website and shared in the GJUESD monthly newsletter. Ms. Yount provided an overview of the community survey. She indicated 52 responses in total as of June 13<sup>th</sup>.

Resolution No. 17 GO Bond

Wesley Cagle made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17 of The Board Of Education of The Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Ordering An Election To Authorize The Issuance Of School Bonds, Establishing Specifications Of The Election Order, And Requesting Consolidation With Any Other Elections Occurring on November 5, 2024, seconded by Casey Raboy. The motion carried unanimously.

#### G. Public Comments for topics not on the agenda

There were no public comments.

7:20 p.m. Katherine Harper exited the meeting.

#### H. Reports

#### LCAP GOAL 1

Engaging learners in PreK-8 through a focus on equity, access, and academic rigor with inclusive practices in various learning environments.

#### 1. Earth Day Compost Project

Leesa Klotz, Education Coordinator, Cal-Waste Recovery Systems, presented information on SB 1383, Reducing California Short-Lived Climate Pollutants. The project is a partnership between the City of Galt, GJUESD, GJUHSD, Cal-Waste, and Galt Sunrise Rotary. The goal is to help students and the community see the full circle of SB 1383 (Organic Waste Recycling) by bringing compost back to the school garden.

#### 2. Spring District Assessments Data

- District Reading Assessments (DRA) End of the Year Results, June 2024
- Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)

Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano, Curriculum Director, reported that the DRA data reflects the percentage of students meeting all end-of-year targets. She indicated that some cohorts made growth, but none of the cohorts made the 10% growth target that was expected. She said each administrative team had analyzed the data by student, grade, and teacher and identified initial next steps.

Principals shared their data reflections and next steps after analyzing DRA data.

Ms. Del Toro-Anguiano reported that MAP is administered to first and second grade students in the spring. The data reflects the percentage of students who met the 60th percentile for reading and math. The LCAP goal is to increase the percentage of students reaching the target by 5%. Ms. Del Toro-Anguiano said most schools met the math target, and both Marengo Ranch and Lake Canyon met the reading and math targets. This data is used to guide professional learning events at the sites. It's also used to measure the Plan-Do-Study-Act (PDSA) effectiveness. MAP can guide discussions during academic conferences. She said more attention is needed in reading, but overall, growth was made in math.

### 3. <u>2023-24 CA School Dashboard Local Performance Indicators (Published 2024-25)</u> Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano reported the performance levels for each local indicator.

Priority 1:	Appropriately Assigned Teachers, Access to Curriculum-	Ranking: MET
	Aligned Instructional Materials, and Safe, Clean and	
	Functional School Facilities	
Priority 2:	Implementation of State Academic Standards	Ranking: MET
Priority 3:	Parent and Family Engagement	Ranking: MET
Priority 6	School Climate	Ranking: MET
Priority 7	Access to a Broad Course of Study	Ranking: MET

#### 4. 2023-24 Fairsite State Preschool Program Self-Evaluation

Laura Marquez, Principal, reported the required program self-evaluation required and covers a broad range of programmatic and operational components. She indicated that the goal at Fairsite is to prepare students for kindergarten academically and socially.

Ms. Marquez highlighted the following:

- Kindergarten Readiness
- Preschool Staff
- Preschool Enrollment
- Continuous Improvement
- Preschool Parent Survey
- Desired Results Developmental Profile (DRDP)
- District Assessments

#### 5. Summer Food & Nutrition Services

Alejandra Garibay, Chief Business Official, reported that the GJUESD participates in the Seamless Summer Feeding Option (SSFO) offered through the California Department of Education (CDE) Nutrition Services Division. She indicated that the District provides free summer meals for children in the community who are 18 years of age and younger. She shared the locations and times that breakfast and lunch are served.

#### LCAP GOAL 2

Promoting PreK-8 whole learner development through social and emotional learning opportunities in a variety of safe and supportive environments.

#### 1. Marengo Ranch Elementary Track Ribbon Cutting Event

Lois Yount reported on the ribbon-cutting event for the track at Marengo Ranch. Then, they thanked the Galt Herald for writing a great report highlighting the event. She said trustees Annette Kunze and Wesley Cagle attended the event. Ms. Yount said S+B

James Construction and their subcontractors donated their time, equipment and materials to complete the project.

#### 2. Outdoor and Environmental Education 2023-24

Bill Beckett and John Durand, Environmental Educational Coordinators, reported on student engagement activities.

- Acorn collecting on preserve trails
- McFarland Ranch Pumpkin Patch
- Wildlife observations in the wetlands
- Planting acorns for habitat restoration
- Pioneer Days at McFarland Ranch
- Canoemobile with Wilderness Inquiry
- Art in the outdoors
- Service Learning and volunteering
- Salmon and Steelhead in the classroom
- School site programs

Mr. Durand said opportunities offered by outdoor education are highly adaptable to teacher and student educational needs.

#### OTHER REPORTS

1. <u>Congresswoman Doris Matsui, Representing California's 7<sup>th</sup> District, Visit to Vernon E. Greer</u> Elementary School – May 30, 2024

Lois Yount recognized Greer Elementary's efforts to transition its school into a wellness center. Congresswoman Doris Matsui visited Greer with other county leaders to experience Greer's transition. Greer is the first school in the District to hire a mental health clinician from the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE). This is the second visit from leaders outside of the district.

Ms. Yount thanked trustees Casey Raboy and Katherine Harper for attending the visit and said that Dave Gordon, Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools, also attended.

2. California School Boards Association (CSBA) Annual Education Conference (AEC) & Trade Show – December 5-7, 2024 | Anaheim, CA

Lois Yount reported that registration for the CSBA Annual Conference is now open. She asked board members to consider attending and let her know if they were interested.

#### I. Routine Matters/New Business

**232.511** Lois Yount highlighted the donation.

Annette Kunze made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Traci Skinner. The motion carried by a vote of 4 ayes.

a. Approval of the Agenda

Consent Calendar

- b. Minutes
  - May 15, 2024 Regular Board of Education Meeting

#### c. Payment of Warrants

Vendor Warrants: 24484385-24484475; 24486113-24486183;
 24487437-24487529; 24488807-24488871; 24490345-24490396

Payroll Warrants: 05/31/24; 06/10/24

#### d. Personnel

Resignations/Retirees			
Name	Position	Effective Date	Site
Alcala, Monica	Teacher	6/7/24	Fairsite
Hubert, Breanne	Yard Supervisor	6/7/24	Marengo Ranch
Pedraza, Samantha	Bilingual Instructional Assistant, Expanded Learning	6/7/24	River Oaks
Perez, Michel	Science Teacher	6/7/24	McCaffrey Middle
Torres, Maria	Yard Supervisor	5/10/24	Valley Oaks
Young, Jacqueline	Yard Supervisor	6/7/24	Valley Oaks

Leave of Absence Requests			
Name	Position	Effective Date	Site
Gonzalez, Maria Isabel	Yard Supervisor	5/14/24	Valley Oaks
Herrera Vaca, Clarisa	Bilingual Office Assistant	5/28/24	Valley Oaks
Leary, Melissa	Science Teacher	8/5/24	McCaffrey Middle
Newman, Danielle	Accounts Receivable Technician	5/22/24	District Office
Rose, Virginia	Yard Supervisor	5/20/24	McCaffrey Middle
Suarez, Rosy	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	1/1/24	McCaffrey Middle

New Hires/Reclassifica		
Name	Position	Site
Amrine, Caitlyn	Short Term Instructional Assistant, Special Education	Vernon E. Greet
Azevedo, Victoria	Science Teacher (Temporary)	McCaffrey Middle
Baysinger, Deborah	Bus Driver	Transportation
Dawley, Benjamin	Classified Substitute	N/A
Declusin, Makena	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	Fairsite
Edwards, Hannah	Instructional Assistant Expanded Learning	Lake Canyon
Hayashi, Emily	Instructional Assistant, Expanded Learning	River Oaks
Jimenez Duran, Griselda	Yard Supervisor	Valley Oaks
Nelson, Olivia	Teacher (Temporary)	Lake Canyon

Rammer, Kristi	SDC Teacher (Temporary)	Marengo Ranch
Reyes, Eddie	Teacher (Temporary)	Lake Canyon
Villalpando, Victoria	Instructional Assistant, Expanded Learning	Valley Oaks

- e. Donations
- f. Agreement Between GJUESD and Dannis Woliver Kelley, Attorney's At Law, for Fiscal Year 2024-25 Professional Services
- g. Agreement Between GJUESD and Parker & Covert LLP, Attorney's At Law, for Fiscal Years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 Professional Services
- h. Disposal of GJUESD Class 3 Records

Quantity	Departments	Dates	Description
17	Business	2019/20	Accounts Payable
4	Business	2010-14	Student Council, Bank Statements, Requisitions
3	Business	2019/20	Attendance
3	Business	2019/20	Journals
6	Business	2016-20	Timesheets
4	Cafeteria	2020/21	Lunch Forms, Deposits, Audits
5	Educational Services	2006-09	Special Education records
5	Educational Services	2008-13	SARB/Expulsion/Discipline
2	Educational Services	1996-06	SPED Contracts
1	Purchasing	2018/20	Site Inventory Lists
3	Superintendent	2019/20	Race To The Top Grant

- Cosumnes River Preserve Cooperative Management Agreement 2024-2029
- 232.512 Consent Calendar (Continued) Items Removed for Later Consideration No items were removed from the consent calendar.

CC Items Removed

**232.513** Traci Skinner made a motion to approve Student Matter No. 23/24-01, seconded by Wesley Cagle. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.

Student Matter

232.514 Casey Raboy made a motion to approve the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District (GJUESD) 2024-25 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), seconded by Annette Kunze. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.

LCAP

232.515 Wesley Cagle made a motion to approve the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District (GJUESD) 2024-25 Budget, seconded by Traci Skinner. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.

Budget

232.516 Traci Skinner made a motion to approve the 2024-25 Education Protection Act Use of Funds, seconded by Casey Raboy. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.

Ed Protection Act

232.517	Annette Kunze made a motion to approve the 2024-25 Consolidated Application, seconded by Casey Raboy. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.	Con App
232.518	Wesley Cagle made a motion to approve the 2024-25 LCAP Federal Addendum, seconded by Casey Raboy. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.	LCAP Fed Addendum
232.519	Annette Kunze made a motion to approve the 2024-25 Single Plan for Student Achievement for Fairsite Elementary, Vernon E. Greer Elementary, Lake Canyon Elementary, Marengo Ranch Elementary, Robert L. McCaffrey Middle, River Oaks Elementary and Valley Oaks Elementary, seconded by Traci Skinner. The motion carried by a vote of 4 ayes.	Single Plan
232.520	Wesley Cagle made a motion to approve the 2024-25 Expulsion Panel, seconded by Casey Raboy. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.	Exp Panel
232.521	Traci Skinner made a motion to approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for 2024-25, seconded by Casey Raboy. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.	Dec of Need
232.522	Casey Raboy made a motion to approve the Provisional Internship Permits for Newly Hired Educators, seconded by Annette Kunze. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.	PIP
232.523	Traci Skinner made a motion to approve the Agreement Between the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District and Tiber Corporation dba T&B Construction for District Office Restoration Services and Painting Project, seconded by Casey Raboy. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.	T&B Constr
232.524	Annette Kunze made a motion to approve the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Sunshine Proposal for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 with the California School Employees Association (CSEA), seconded by Casey Raboy. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.  1. Article X: Transfers 2. Article XI: Promotional Opportunities	GJUESD Sunshine to CSEA
232.525	Wesley Cagle made a motion to approve the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Sunshine Proposal for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 with Galt Elementary Faculty Association (GEFA), seconded by Traci Skinner. The motion was carried by a vote of 4 ayes.  1. Article VII: Evaluation Procedures 2. Article XXIV: Term	GJUESD Sunshine Proposal to GEFA
232.526	Casey Raboy made a motion to approve the following Board Policies, seconded by Annette Kunze. The motion carried by a vote of 4 ayes.  1. BP 3516 Emergency and Disaster Preparedness Plan 2. BP 4118 Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action 3. BP 4140/4240/4340 Bargaining Units	Board Policies

4. BP 4157/4257/4357 Employee Safety

- 5. BP 4218 Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action
- 6. BB 9320 Meetings and Notices
- 7. BB 9323.2 Actions by the Board
- 8. BP 5144 Discipline
- 9. BP 6141.2 Recognition of Religious Beliefs and Customs
- 10. BP 6175 Migrant Education
- 11. BP 3550 Food Service/Child Nutrition Program
- 12. BP 3551 Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund
- 13. BP 3553 Free and Reduced Price Meals
- 14. BP 3555 Nutrition Program Compliance
- 15. BP 5126 Awards for Achievement
- 16. BP 4111/4211/4311 Recruitment and Selection
- J. Public Comments for topics not on the agenda

There were no public comments.

#### K. Pending Agenda Items

- 1. Annette Kunze asked for a future report on what the Board can do to support improved student attendance.
- L. Adjournment 8:50 p.m.

 Katherine Harper, Clerk



#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **Human Resources**

#### Recommend approval of the following:

Resignations/Retirees			
Name	Position	Effective Date	Site
Blake, Lauren (Retirement, 15 years)	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	9/6/24	Valley Oaks
Bradley, McKenzie	Instructional Assistant, Expanded Learning	7/30/24	Marengo Ranch
Bridge, Devin	Yard Supervisor	6/7/24	Valley Oaks
Cathey, Holly	Registered Behavior Technician	8/9/24	Vernon E. Greer
Godinez Murillo, Mariana	Instructional Assistant, Expanded Learning	7/19/24	Fairsite
Gonzalez, Casandra	Bilingual Instructional Assistant	6/4/24	Vernon E. Greer
Heidrich, Paige	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	7/30/24	River Oaks
Keane, Char (Retirement, 26 years)	Bright Future Learning Center Technician	7/18/24	Vernon E. Greer
Lopez, Ramona	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	8/22/24	Vernon E. Greer
Mooney, Kathleen (Retirement, 22 years)	Teacher	6/26/24	Lake Canyon
Nelson, Catherine (Retirement, 14 years)	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	7/30/24	Vernon E. Greer
Pino, Lisa	School Social Worker	07/30/24	Vernon E. Greer
Sanchez, Lucero	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	8/22/24	Vernon E. Greer
Valencia, Eileen	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	7/30/24	Marengo Ranch
Wright, Curtiss	Music Teacher	6/7/24	River Oaks

Leave of Absence Requests			
Name	Position	Effective Date	Site
Barocio, Mireya	Secretary II	7/31/24	Fairsite
Garcia, Teri	Instructional Assistant	8/16/24	River Oaks
Hernandez, Rachel	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	8/19/24	River Oaks
Jumper, Geoffrey	Teacher	8/8/24	Marengo Ranch
Martinez-Ferguson, Adriana	Bilingual Instructional Assistant	8/7/24	Fairsite
Puentes, Janeya	Teacher	8/12/24	Fairsite
Rodriguez, Vanesa	Instructional Assistant, Expanded Learning	8/27/24	McCaffrey Middle
Stefan Pereira, Jane	Instructional Assistant	5/23/24	Roving
Trull, Elaine	Assistant Principal	11/8/24	McCaffrey Middle

New Hires/Reclassifications/State	us Changes	
Name	Position	Site
Anaya, Jonathan (Status Change)	Bilingual Instructional Assistant, Expanded Learning	River Oaks
Barajas-Orejel, Kevin (Status Change)	Instructional Assistant	Fairsite
Codog, Darian	Agriculture Teacher	McCaffrey Middle
Corwin, Laura	Teacher	Vernon E. Greer
Declusin, Makena	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	Fairsite
Denier, Catherine	Instructional Assistant	Fairsite
Duncan, John	Bus Driver	Transportation
Freitas, Delia	Bus Driver	Transportation
Gribnau, Linda (Status Change)	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	Lake Canyon
Guttridge, Katelyn (Status Change	Instructional Assistant	River Oaks
Harmon, Kassidy	Yard Supervisor	River Oaks
Harrison, Haylee (Status Change)	Instructional Assistant, Expanded Learning	Lake Canyon
Irving, Nicole	Classified Substitute	N/A
Jefferson, Serena	Teacher	Fairsite
Lopez, Mariana	Instructional Assistant, Bilingual	Vernon E. Greer
Makemson, Kayla	Speech Therapist	Marengo Ranch
Marchuk, Katie	Teacher	Marengo
Martinez-Ferguson, Adriana (Status Change)	Bilingual Instructional Assistant	Fairsite
Narez, Erica	Teacher	Lake Canyon
Nelson, Elizabeth	Teacher, Special Education	Vernon E. Greer
Origel, Aylene	Instructional Assistant, Expanded Learning	Lake Canyon
Parson, Shayna	Teacher	Lake Canyon
Quinones, Heather	Classified Substitute	N/A
Rickenbach, Alexa	Teacher, Special Education	River Oaks
Rojas de Ramirez, Maria (Status Change)	Food & Nutrition Assistant 1	McCaffrey Middle
Serrano, Adela	Teacher	Marengo Ranch
Sharp, Glenna (Status Change)	Instructional Assistant	Fairsite
Shillam, April	Speech Therapist	McCaffrey Middle
Stefan Pereira, Jane (Status Change)	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	Vernon E. Greer
Suarez, Rosy (Status Change)	Bilingual Office Assistant	River Oaks
Szeto, Amie	Teacher	Lake Canyon
Tackett, Andrea	Teacher	Fairsite
Tarifa, Diana (Status Change)	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	River Oaks



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Torres, Liliana	Teacher	Valley Oaks
Worden, Karen (Status Change)	Food & Nutrition Assistant 1	Valley Oaks
Worden, Shandi (Status Change)	Instructional Assistant, Special Education	Vernon E. Greer
Yang Moua, Angelica	School Psychologist	Valley Oaks



**Donations** 

#### e. Donations

#### **Galt Elementary Schools**

• PBK Architects donated 70 backpacks full of school supplies. The estimated value is \$1,750.



**ASES MOU** 

f. 2024-25 After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between GJUESD and the City of Galt

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### Between

## Galt Joint Union Elementary School District and the City of Galt

#### for the 2024-25 School Year

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is made and entered into by and between the Galt Joint Union School District ("DISTRICT") and the City of Galt, a California municipal corporation ("CITY") for the purpose of developing and operating an after-school program funded in part by the State After School Education and Safety ("ASES") Grant at the following locations:

Greer Elementary School - 248 West A Street, Galt, CA Valley Oaks Elementary School - 21 C Street, Galt, CA Robert L. McCaffrey Middle School - 997 Park Terrace Drive, Galt, CA

- 1) This MOU shall only take effect upon the DISTRICT's receipt of the ASES Grant and manifests the DISTRICT's and CITY's intent to enter into a partnership to provide an after-school recreation and enrichment program pursuant to the guidelines of the ASES Grant ("PROGRAM").
  - a. The DISTRICT and the CITY believe there is a need for high quality, affordable after school programs and agree to work in partnership to operate such a PROGRAM for the 2024-25 school year, beginning August 8, 2024 and ending June 4, 2025.
  - b. The DISTRICT will serve as the fiscal agent for the State awarded ASES grant funding pursuant to Education Code section 8482.3.
  - c. The DISTRICT will operate and maintain the PROGRAM.

The CITY will be responsible for managing CITY employees performing work for the PROGRAM in accordance with the budget attached hereto and incorporated herein as <u>Exhibit A</u> for a total amount of \$140,885.30 for the 2024-2025 school year, beginning August 8, 2024 and ending June 4, 2025.

- 2) This MOU represents the responsibilities of the DISTRICT and CITY with regard to the PROGRAM. All requirements of the ASES grant will be met in accordance with and pursuant to Education Code Sections 8482-8484.6 including but not limited to the following:
  - a. The DISTRICT will provide space for the PROGRAM to operate every day that school is in session beginning immediately following the end of the school day until at approximately 6:00 p.m. AND for at approximately 19 hours per week. The hours are as follows:

2:30-6:00 M, T, TH, F and 1:00-5:30 W = 18.5 hours per week

- b. The DISTRICT will provide a multi-purpose room, classroom or meeting space at each school site, along with custodial services for the PROGRAM space.
- c. The DISTRICT will provide an Expanded Learning Site Coordinator at each PROGRAM site to help implement and monitor the educational and literacy elements of the ASES grant. The Expanded Learning District Coordinator coordinates, manages, and supervises the after- school program, ensuring site-based and school district alignment with afterschool academic and enrichment activities.
- d. The DISTRICT will be responsible to prepare the statewide evaluation of program quality report, which is a requirement of the ASES grant, with assistance from CITY employees as needed, pursuant to Education Code section 8484.
- e. The DISTRICT will organize the integration of the PROGRAM with the regular school day program including community service learning and other youth development strategies.
- f. The DISTRICT will insure that the PROGRAM contains a balance of components including the ASES PROGRAM elements of educational literacy and educational enrichment.
- g. The DISTRICT will maintain at least a 75% daily PROGRAM attendance rate of the following numbers:

Greer Elementary School - 99 Students Valley Oaks Elementary School - 77 Students Robert L. McCaffrey Middle School - 100 Students

- h. The DISTRICT and the CITY will work together to provide pertinent information to parents about the PROGRAM including registration materials, creation of a parent handbook and other PROGRAM related communications.
- 1 The CITY will handle payroll for CITY employees, provide liability insurance and maintain workers compensation certifications for its employees working in the PROGRAM as required by law for the period of August 8, 2024 and ending June 4, 2025.
- j. The CITY will maintain a PROGRAM expenditure report of CITY expenses for each quarter, which includes any information available to CITY that will assist DISTRICT in completing its required Quarterly Expenditure Report, that the MOU is in effect and shall forward a copy of the expenditure report to the DISTRICT by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following the end of each quarter (September, December, March and June).
- k. The DISTRICT shall reimburse the CITY for the CITY'S expenses incurred in administering the PROGRAM in quarterly payments of which shall be made on or before October 15, 2024, December 15, 2024 and March 15, 2025. The final payment shall be made upon receiving the 4th quarter report from the City. Should the 4th quarter

- report indicate either an over or under expenditure by the CITY, the CITY shall request a meeting with the DISTRICT to determine the necessary final payment amount.
- I. The CITY will be responsible for the hiring, supervising and evaluating of all its Recreation Workers and Sports Coordinators for the PROGRAM. All PROGRAM staff directly supervising students shall meet the DISTRICT'S minimum qualifications for an Instructional Assistant, which include demonstrating proficiency in reading, writing and mathematical skills through a DISTRICT COMPETENCY EXAM. An Instructional Assistant is responsible to assist a teacher in the instruction, supervision, and training of individual or groups of students by performing a variety of instructional support activities related to an effective learning environment. All CITY employees and volunteers will be subject to the health screening and fingerprint clearance requirements as set forth in Education Code Section 8483.4, and any other safety and security policies as required by the DISTRICT.
- m. The CITY will maintain two Recreation Workers per school site, using both CITY employees and substitutes.
- n. The DISTRICT shall be responsible for monitoring staff PROGRAM attendance. A copy of all information regarding staff PROGRAM attendance maintained by the CITY shall be forwarded to the DISTRICT on a monthly basis.
- o. The CITY will provide thirty-three percent (33%) in matching in-kind funding to the DISTRICT for each dollar received in ASES grant funding for the operation and maintenance of the PROGRAM for the 2024-25 school year, beginning August 8, 2024 and ending June 4, 2025.
- p. The CITY will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Age Discrimination Act.
- 3) If either the DISTRICT or the CITY fails to perform any of its obligations pursuant this MOU, within the time and in the manner provided herein or otherwise violates any of the terms of this MOU, either party may terminate this MOU by giving thirty (30) days written notice of such termination to the other party, which shall state the reason for the termination.
- 4) It is expressly agreed that the CITY shall have no authority to make any contract or binding promise of any nature on behalf of the DISTRICT, whether oral or written, without the express written consent of the DISTRICT. No waiver of any provision of this MOU shall be deemed a waiver of any other or provision hereof, and no waiver shall be valid unless in writing and executed by the waiving party. This MOU may only be amended by the written consent of both parties.
- 5) To the furthest extent allowed by law, CITY shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend

DISTRICT from any and all loss, liability, costs and damages, including but not limited to personal injury and property damage, and from any and all claims, demands and action in law or equity that arise out of, pertain to or relate to the negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct of CITY, its employees or volunteers in the operation of the PROGRAM as provided herein.

- 6) To the furthest extent allowed by law, DISTRICT shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend CITY from any and all loss, liability, costs and damages, including but not limited to personal injury and property damage, and from any and all claims, demands and action in law or equity that arise out of, pertain to or relate to the negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct of DISTRICT, its employees or volunteer in the operation of the PROGRAM as provided herein.
- 7) This MOU, together with <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the DISTRICT and the CITY with regard to the PROGRAM and supersedes all prior agreements, representations, warranties, statements, promises and understandings, whether oral or written, with respect to the subject matter hereof and no party shall be bound by any representations, statements, promises or understandings not specifically set forth in this MOU.
- 8) In the event that any of the provisions, or portions thereof, of this MOU are held to be unenforceable or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions, or portions thereof, shall not be affected thereby.
- 9) All notices provided regarding this MOU shall be in writing and delivered in person or deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid and addressed as follows:

DISTRICT: Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

1018 C Street, Suite 210

Galt, CA 95632

Attn: Superintendent

CITY: City of Galt

380 Civic Drive Galt, CA 95632

Attn: City Manager

- 10) This MOU shall be in effect from August 8, 2024 to June 4, 2025 and may be extended upon a written agreement between DISTRICT and CITY.
- 11) This Agreement and any exhibits, amendments or renewals hereto may be executed in a number of counterparts, and each counterpart signature, when taken with the other counterpart signatures, is treated as if executed upon one original of this Agreement or any amendment or renewal. A signature by any party to this Agreement provided by facsimile or electronic mail (including scanned signatures) is binding upon that party as if it were the original.

#### <<SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS>>

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement to be effective on date executed by City.

GALT JOINT UNION SCHOOL DISTR	ICT
Date: 71124	
Just nut	
(Signature)	
Lois Yount	
(Print Name)	
District Superintendent	
(Title)	
CITY OF GALT, a municipal corporation:  Date: JULY 25, 2024	Chris Erias, Interim City Manager
ATTEST:	ORIGINAL APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Jina Mubert	1
Tina Hubert, City Clerk	Frank Splendorio, Interim City Attorney
	ORIGINAL APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
	1500

Armando Solis., Parks & Recreation Director

#### **EXHIBIT A**

City of Galt Budget:	
August 8, 2024 - June 4, 202	5

20:1 Recreation Worker II	\$88,969.83
Statutory Benefits (Social Security, Medicare, etc.)  Total Salary/Benefits	\$25,091.37 \$114,061.20

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City Costs	
Central Services (23%)	\$26,234.10
Fingerprinting	\$320.00
CPR/FA Training \$49 x 11 (staff & subs)	\$270.00
Total City Costs	\$26,824.10

Total ASES Costs \$140,885.30

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Agreement for Legal Services

g. Agreement for Legal Services with Lozano Smith, Attorneys At Law



#### AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is effective December 29, 2023 ("Effective Date"), between the GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT ("Client") and the law firm of LOZANO SMITH, LLP ("Attorney") (each a "Party" and collectively the "Parties"). Attorney shall provide legal services as requested by Client on the following terms and conditions:

- 1. ENGAGEMENT. Client hires Attorney on an as-requested basis as its legal counsel with respect to matters the Client refers to Attorney. When Client refers a matter to Attorney, Attorney shall confirm availability and ability to perform legal services regarding the matter. After Attorney has completed services for the specific matter referred by Client, then no continuing attorney-client relationship exists unless Client requests further services and Attorney accepts a new engagement. If Attorney undertakes to provide legal services to represent Client in such matters, Attorney shall keep Client informed of significant developments and respond to Client's inquiries regarding those matters. Client understands that Attorney cannot guarantee any particular results, including the costs and expenses of representation. Client agrees to be forthcoming with Attorney, to cooperate with Attorney in protecting Client's interests, to keep Attorney fully informed of developments material to Attorney's representation of client, and to abide by this Agreement. Client is hereby advised of the right to seek independent legal advice regarding this Agreement.
- 2. RATES TO BE CHARGED. Client agrees to pay Attorney for services rendered based on the attached rate schedule. Agreements for legal fees on other-than-an-hourly basis may be made by mutual agreement for special projects (including as set forth in future addenda to this Agreement).
- 3. REIMBURSEMENT. Client agrees to reimburse Attorney for actual and necessary expenses and costs incurred in the course of providing legal services to Client, including but not limited to expert, consultant, mediation, arbitration fees and e-discovery service fees. Attorney shall not be required to advance costs on behalf of Client over the amount of \$1,000 unless otherwise agreed to in writing by Attorney. Typical expenses advanced for Client, without prior authorization, include messenger fees, witness fees, expedited delivery charges, travel expenses, court reporter fees and transcript fees. Client authorizes Attorney to retain experts or consultants to perform services after consultation with Client.
- 4. MONTHLY INVOICES. Attorney shall send Client a statement for fees and costs incurred every calendar month (the "Statement"). Statements shall set forth the amount, rate and description of services provided. Client shall pay Attorney's Statements within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt. An interest charge of one percent (1%) per month shall be assessed on balances that are more than thirty (30) calendar days past due, not to exceed 10% per annum.

- 5. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN ATTORNEY AND CLIENT. The Parties recognize that all legal advice provided by Attorney is protected by the Attorney-Client and Work Product Privileges. In addition to regular telephone, mail and other common business communication methods, Client hereby authorizes Attorney to use facsimile transmissions, cellular telephone calls and text, unencrypted email, and other electronic transmissions in communicating with Client. Unless otherwise instructed by Client, any such communications may include confidential information.
- 6. POTENTIAL AND ACTUAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. If Attorney becomes aware of any potential or actual conflict of interest between Client and one or more other clients represented by Attorney, Attorney will comply with applicable laws and rules of professional conduct.
- 7. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR. Attorney is an independent contractor and not an employee of Client.

#### 8. TERMINATION.

- a. <u>Termination by Client</u>. Client may discharge Attorney at any time, with or without cause, by written notice to Attorney.
- b. Termination by Mutual Consent or by Attorney. Attorney may terminate its services at any time with Client's consent or for good cause. Good cause exists if (a) Client fails to pay Attorney's Statement within sixty (60) calendar days of its date; (b) Client fails to comply with other terms and conditions of this Agreement, including Client's duty to cooperate with Attorney in protecting Client's interests; (c) Client has failed to disclose material facts to Attorney; or (d) any other circumstance exists that requires termination of this engagement under the ethical rules applicable to Attorney. Additionally, to the extent allowed by law, Attorney may decline to provide services on new matters or may terminate the Agreement without cause upon written notice to Client if Attorney is not then providing any legal services to Client. Even if this Agreement is not terminated, under paragraph 1, an attorney-client relationship exists only when Attorney is providing legal services to Client.
- c. <u>Following Termination</u>. Upon termination by either Party: (i) Client shall promptly pay all unpaid fees and costs for services provided or costs incurred pursuant to this Agreement up to the date of termination; (ii) unless otherwise required by law or agreed to by the Parties, Attorney will provide no legal services following notice of termination; (iii) Client will cooperate with Attorney in facilitating the orderly transfer of any outstanding matters to new counsel, including promptly signing a substitution of counsel form at Attorney's request; and (iv) Client shall, upon request, be provided the Client's file documents maintained for the Client by Attorney and shall sign acknowledgment of receipt upon delivery of that file. For all Statements received by Client from Attorney prior to the date of termination, Client's failure to notify Attorney in writing of any disagreement with either the services performed or the charges for those services as shown in the Statement within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of

termination shall be deemed Client's acceptance of and agreement with the Statement. For any billing appearing for the first time on a Statement received by Client from Attorney after the date of termination, failure to notify Attorney in writing of any disagreement with either the services performed or the charges for those services within thirty (30) calendar days from receipt of the Statement shall be deemed to signify Client's acceptance of and agreement with the Statement.

- 9. MAINTENANCE OF INSURANCE. Attorney agrees that, during the term of this Agreement, Attorney shall maintain commercial liability and professional errors and omissions insurance.
- 10. CONSULTANT SERVICES. Attorney works with professional consultants that provide services, including but not limited to, investigations, public relations, educational consulting, leadership mentoring and development, financial, budgeting, management auditing, board/superintendent/chancellor relations, administrator evaluation and best practices, and intergovernmental relations. Attorney does not share its legal fees with such consultants. Attorney may offer these services to Client upon request.

#### 11. DISPUTE RESOLUTION.

- Mediation. Except as otherwise set forth in this section, Client and Attorney agree to make a good faith effort to settle any dispute or claim that arises under this Agreement through discussions and negotiations and in compliance with applicable law. In the event of a claim or dispute, either Party may request, in writing to the other Party, to refer the dispute to mediation. This request shall be made within thirty (30) calendar days of the action giving rise to the dispute. Upon receipt of a request for mediation, both Parties shall make a good faith effort to select a mediator and complete the mediation process within sixty (60) calendar days. The mediator's fee shall be shared equally between Client and Attorney. Each Party shall bear its own attorney fees and costs. Whenever possible, any mediator selected shall have expertise in the area of the dispute and any selected mediator must be knowledgeable regarding the mediation process. No person shall serve as mediator in any dispute in which that person has any financial or personal interest in the outcome of the mediation. The mediator's recommendation for settlement, if any, is non-binding on the Parties. Mediation pursuant to this provision shall be private and confidential. Only the Parties and their representatives may attend any mediation session. Other persons may attend only with the written permission of both Parties. All persons who attend any mediation session shall be bound by the confidentiality requirements of California Evidence Code section 1115, et seq., and shall sign an agreement to that effect. Completion of mediation shall be a condition precedent to arbitration, unless the other Party refuses to cooperate in the setting of mediation.
- b. <u>Dispute Regarding Fees</u>. Any dispute as to attorney fees and/or costs charged under this Agreement shall to the extent required by law be resolved under the California Mandatory Fee Arbitration Act (Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 6200, et seq.).

- Binding Arbitration. Except as otherwise set forth in section (b) above, Client c. and Attorney agree to submit all disputes to final and binding arbitration, either following mediation which fails to resolve all disputes or in lieu of mediation as may be agreed by the Parties in writing. Either Party may make a written request to the other for arbitration. If made in lieu of mediation, the request must be made within sixty (60) calendar days of the action giving rise to the dispute. If the request for arbitration is made following an unsuccessful attempt to mediate the Parties' disputes, the request must be made within ten (10) calendar days of termination of the mediation. The Parties shall make a good faith attempt to select an arbitrator and complete the arbitration within ninety (90) calendar days. If there is no agreement on an arbitrator, the Parties shall use the Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Service (JAMS). The arbitrator's qualifications must meet the criteria set forth above for a mediator, except, in addition, the arbitrator shall be an attorney or a retired judge, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties. The arbitrator's fee shall be shared equally by both Parties. Each Party shall bear its own attorney fees and other costs. The arbitrator shall render a written decision and provide it to both Parties. The arbitrator may award any remedy or relief otherwise available in court and the decision shall set forth the reasons for the award. The arbitrator shall not have any authority to amend or modify this agreement. Any arbitration conducted pursuant to this paragraph shall be governed by California Code of Civil Procedure sections 1281, et seq. By signing this Agreement, Client acknowledges that this agreement to arbitrate results in a waiver of Client's right to a court or jury trial for any fee dispute or malpractice claim. This also means that Client is giving up Client's right to discovery and appeal. If Client later refuses to submit to arbitration after agreeing to do so, Client may be ordered to arbitrate pursuant to the provisions of California law. Client acknowledges that before signing this Agreement and agreeing to binding arbitration, Client is entitled, and has been given a reasonable opportunity, to seek the advice of independent counsel.
- d. <u>Effect of Termination</u>. The terms and conditions of this section shall survive the termination of the Agreement.
- 12. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement with its Professional Rate Schedule attached supersedes any and all other prior or contemporaneous oral or written agreements between the Parties. Each Party acknowledges that no representations, inducements, promises or agreements have been made by any person which are not incorporated herein, and that any other agreements shall be void. Furthermore, any modification of this Agreement shall only be effective if in writing signed by the Parties.
- 13. SEVERABILITY. Should any provision of this Agreement be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, but the remainder of the Agreement can be enforced without failure of material consideration to any Party, then this Agreement shall not be affected and it shall remain in full force and effect, unless amended or modified by mutual consent of the Parties; provided, however, that if the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement results in a material failure of consideration, then, to the extent

allowed by law, the Party adversely affected thereby shall have the right in its sole discretion to terminate this Agreement upon providing written notice of such termination to the other Party.

- 14. NON-WAIVER. None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be considered waived by either Party unless such waiver is specified in writing.
- 15. NO THIRD PARTY RIGHTS. This Agreement shall not create any rights in, or inure to the benefit of, any third party.
- 16. ASSIGNMENT. The terms and conditions of this Agreement may not be assigned to any third party. Neither Party may assign any right of recovery under or related to the Agreement to any third party.
- 17. EXECUTION IN COUNTERPARTS; SIGNATURES. The Agreement may be signed in counterparts on separate signature pages. Copies of signatures shall have the same force and effect as original signatures.

WHEREFORE, the Parties hereto, by their signatures below, enter into this Agreement pursuant to the above terms and conditions as of the Effective Date.

CLIENT SIGNATURE	ATTORNEY SIGNATURE
Galt Joint Union Elementary School District	Lozano Smith, LLP
BY (Authorized Signature)	BY (Authorized Signature)
Lewynt	Karen M Degenales
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING	PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING
Lois Joint, Superintendent	Karen M. Rezendes, Managing Partner
DATE EXECUTED	DATE EXECUTED
4130/24	12/29/2023



## PROFESSIONAL RATE SCHEDULE FOR GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### 1. HOURLY PROFESSIONAL RATES

Client agrees to pay Attorney by the following standard hourly rate\*:

Partner** / Senior Counsel / Of Counsel	\$ 295 - \$ 395 per hour
Associate	\$ 250 - \$ 295 per hour
Paralegal / Law Clerk	\$ 185 - \$ 225 per hour
Consultant	\$ 350 - \$ 395 per hour

<sup>\*</sup> Rates for individual attorneys within each category above vary based upon years of experience. Specific rates for each attorney are available upon request.

#### 2. BILLING PRACTICE

Lozano Smith will provide a monthly, itemized Statement for services rendered. Time billed is broken into 1/10 (.10) hour increments, allowing for maximum efficiency in the use of attorney time. Invoices will clearly indicate the department or individuals for whom services were rendered.

Written responses to audit letter inquiries will be charged to Client on an hourly basis, with the minimum charge for such responses equaling .5 hours. Travel time shall be prorated if the assigned attorney travels for two or more clients on the same trip.

#### 3. COSTS AND EXPENSES

In-office copying/electronic communication printing \$ 0.25 per page
Facsimile \$ 0.25 per page
Postage Actual Usage
Mileage IRS Standard Rate

Other costs, such as messenger, meals, and lodging shall be charged on an actual and necessary basis.

Partner / Senior Counsel / Of Counsel \$ 450 per hour
Associate \$ 375 per hour
Paralegal / Law Clerk \$ 225 per hour

<sup>\*\*</sup> Rates for work performed by Senior Partners with 20 years of experience or more may range from \$395 - \$450 per hour. \(^1\)

Sale or Lease of Real Property Work:



#### Non Public Schools/Agencies Contracts

- **h.** Master Contracts for Non-Public Schools and Agencies providing services to students whose needs cannot be met in the district's programs.
  - 1. Assistive Tech 4 All, Inc.
  - 2. Assistive Technology and Beyond
  - 3. CCHAT Center
  - 4. Creative Behavior Systems
  - 5. Easter Seals Superior CA
  - 6. Hansine Fisher & Associates
  - 7. Lodi Children's Therapy
  - 8. Point Quest Education Central Valley
  - 9. Point Quest Education Depot Park
  - 10. Sara Hall
  - 11. Tilly Therapy



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# Nonpublic, Non-Sectarian School/Agency Services

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Assistive Tech 4 All, Inc.

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## GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025

#### Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

## INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR, CONSULTANT AND SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT

This INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR SERVICES AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into effective July 1, 2024 (the "Effective Date"), by and between the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, ("District") and Assistive Tech 4 All, Inc. ("Contractor").

1. <u>Contractor Services:</u> Contractor agrees to provide the following services to District (collectively, the "Services"):

Attend IEP's, 120 Minutes/monthly of direct services, and 270 minutes of consultation and programming services per month.

- 2. <u>Contractor Qualifications</u>: Contractor represents and warrants to District that Contractor and all of Contractor's employees, <u>agents</u> or volunteers (the "Contractor Parties") have in effect and shall maintain in full force throughout the Term of this Agreement all licenses, credentials, permits and any other legal qualifications required by law to perform the Services and to fully and faithfully satisfy all of the terms set forth in this Agreement. If any of the Services are performed by any of Contractor's Parties, such work shall only be performed by competent personnel under the supervision of and in the employment of Contractor.
- 3. <u>Term; This</u> Agreement shall begin on July 1, 2024, and shall terminate upon completion of the Services, but no later than June 30, 2025 ("Term"), except as otherwise stated in Paragraph 4 below. There shall be no extension of the Term of this Agreement without the express written consent from all parties. Written notice by the District Superintendent or designee shall be sufficient to stop further performance of the Services by Contractor or the Contractor Parties. In the event of early termination, Contractor shall be paid for satisfactory work performed to the date of termination. Upon payment by District, District shall be under no further obligation to Contractor, monetarily or otherwise, and District may proceed with the work in any manner District deems proper.
- 4. <u>Termination</u>: Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party; however the parties may agree in

writing to a shorter time period for the effectiveness of such termination.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, District may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving written notice to Contractor if Contractor materially violates any of the terms of this Agreement, any act or omission by Contractor or the Contractor Parties exposes District to potential liability or may cause an increase in District's insurance premiums, Contractor is adjudged as bankrupt, Contractor makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or a receiver is appointed on account of Contractor's insolvency. Such termination shall be effective immediately upon Contractor's receipt of said notice.

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- 8. Equipment and Materials: Contractor at its sole cost and expense shall provide and

furnish all tools, labor, materials, equipment, transportation services and any other items (collectively, "Equipment") which are required or necessary to perform the Services in a manner which is consistent with generally accepted standards of the profession for similar services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, District shall not be responsible for any damages to persons or property as a result of the use, misuse or failure of any Equipment used by Contractor of the Contractor Parties, even if such Equipment is furnished, rented or loaned to Contractor or the Contractor Parties by District. Furthermore, any Equipment or workmanship that does not conform to the regulations of this Agreement may be rejected by District and in such case must be promptly remedied or replaced by Contractor at no additional cost to District and subject to District's reasonable satisfaction,

- 9. <u>Insurance</u>: Without in any way limiting Contractor's liability or indemnification obligations set forth in Paragraph 6 above, Contractor shall secure and maintain throughout the term of this Agreement the following insurance:
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- 3. workers' compensation insurance as required by Labor Code section 3200, et seq., if applicable; and
- 4. Neither Contractor nor any of the Contractor Parties shall commence performing any portion of the Services until all required insurance has been obtained and certificates indicating the required coverages have been delivered to and approved by District.

All insurance policies shall include an endorsement stating that District and District Parties are named additional insureds. All of the policies shall be amended to provide that the insurance shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to District. If any of the required insurance is not reinstated, District may, at its sole option, terminate this Agreement. All of the policies shall also include an endorsement stating that it is primary to any insurance or self-insurance maintained by District and shall waive all rights of subrogation against District and/or the District Parties.

10. Independent Contractor Status: Contractor, in the performance of this Agreement,

shall be and act as an independent contractor. Contractor understands and agrees that s/he and the Contractor Parties shall not be considered officers, employees, agents, partners, or joint ventures of District, and are not entitled to benefits of any kind or nature normally provided to employees of District and/or to which District's employees are normally entitled.

#### 11. PERRS and STRS Compliance:

The following must be completed by individual consultants (consultant firms should disregard it). A. Are you now, or have you ever been, a member of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) or the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)?

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No 🗌 Yes 📗
If yes: PERS or STRS
B. Are you now, or have you ever been, an employee of DISTRICT or any other state or local government agency?
No  Yes
If yes:  Last Date Paid:  I certify that all services shall be rendered at a time other than any regular assigned workday at that agency

- 12. <u>Taxes.</u> All payments made by District to Contractor pursuant to this Agreement shall be reported to the applicable federal and state taxing authorities as required. District will not withhold any money from compensation payable to Contractor, including FICA (social security), state or federal unemployment insurance contributions, or state or federal income tax or disability insurance. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for payment of all federal, state and local taxes or contributions, including unemployment insurance, social security and income taxes with respect to Contractor and the
- 13. <u>Fingerprinting/Criminal Background Investigation Certification:</u> Contractor and the Contractor Parties shall at all times comply with the fingerprinting and criminal background investigation requirements of the California Education Code ("Education Code") section 45125.1. Accordingly, by checking the applicable boxes below,

Contractor Parties and otherwise in connection with this agreement.

Contractor hereby represents and warrants to District the following: a. 

Contractor and the Contractor Parties shall only have limited or no contact (as determined by District) with District students at all times during the Term of the Agreement. In determining whether a contract employee has limited contact with pupils, the school district shall consider the totality of the circumstances, including factors such as the length of time the contractors will be on school grounds, whether pupils will be in proximity with the site where the contractors will be working, and whether the contractors will be working by themselves or with others. If a school district has made this determination, the school district shall take appropriate steps to protect the safety of any pupils that may come in contact with these employees b. DY Contractor and the Contractor Parties have more than limited contact (as determined by District) with District students during the Term of this Agreement: C. (Required only if Box 13.b. is checked.) All of the Contractor Parties noted above, at no cost to District, have completed background checks and have been fingerprinted under procedures established by the California Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the results of those background checks and fingerprints reveal that none of these Contractor Parties have been arrested or convicted of a serious or violent felony, as defined by the California Penal Code. Contractor learns or becomes aware of additional information, including additional personnel, which differs in any way from the representations set forth above, Contractor shall immediately notify District and prohibit any new personnel from having any contact with District students until the fingerprinting and background check requirements have been satisfied and District determines whether any such contact is permissible. 14. Tuberculosis Certification: Contractor and the Contractor Parties shall at all times comply with the tuberculosis ("TB") certification requirements of Education Code section 49406. Accordingly, by checking the applicable boxes below, Contractor hereby represents and warrants to the District the following: 1. 

Contractor and Contractor Parties shall only have limited or no contact (as determined by District) with District students at all times during the Term of this Agreement,

2. Contractor and Contractor Parties shall have more than limited contact (as determined by District) with District students during the Term of this Agreement and, at no cost to District, have received a TB test in full compliance with the requirements of Education Code section 49406.

Contractor shall maintain on file the certificates showing that the Contractor Parties was examined and found free from active TB. These forms shall be regularly maintained and updated by Contractor and shall be available to District upon request or audit.

Contractor further agrees and acknowledges that all new personnel hired after the Effective Date of this Agreement are subject to the TB certification requirements and shall be prohibited from having any contact with District students until the TB certification requirements have been satisfied and District determines whether any such contact is permissible.

- 15. <u>Confidential Information:</u> Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of and protect from unauthorized disclosure any and all individual student information received from the District, including but not limited to student names and other identifying information. Contractor shall not use such student information for any purpose other than carrying out the obligations under this agreement. Upon termination of this Agreement, Contractor shall turn over to District all educational records related to the services provided to any District student pursuant to this Agreement.
- 16. <u>Assignment/Successors and Assigns</u>: Contractor shall not assign or transfer by operation of law or otherwise any or all of its rights, burdens, duties or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of District. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding on the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns of the respective parties.
- 17. <u>Severability</u>: If any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision of this Agreement.
- 18. <u>Amendments</u>: The terms of this Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented or amended in any manner whatsoever except by written agreement signed by both parties.
- 19. <u>Governing Law:</u> This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, excluding its choice of law rules. Any action or proceeding seeking any relief under or with respect to this Agreement shall be brought solely in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Contra Costa,

subject to transfer of venue under applicable State law, provided that nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of immunity to suit by the District.

- 20. <u>Written Notice</u>: Written notice shall be deemed to have been duly served if delivered in person to Contractor at the address located next to the party signatures below, or if delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail to the last business address known to the person who sends the notice.
- 21. <u>Compliance with Law</u>: Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted into this Agreement shall be deemed to be inserted herein and this Agreement shall be read and enforced as though it were included therein. Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, including but not limited to fingerprinting under Education Code section 45125.1, confidentiality of records, Education Code section 49406 and others. Contractor agrees that it shall comply with all legal requirements for the performance of duties under this agreement and that failure to do so shall constitute material breach.
- 22. <u>Non-Discrimination:</u> There shall be no discrimination in the contracting of persons under this Agreement because of race, color, national origin, age, ancestry, religion, sex, or sexual orientation of such persons.
- 23. <u>Attorney Fees</u>: If any legal action is taken to enforce the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and other reasonable costs and expenses incurred in connection with that legal action.
- 24. <u>Liability of District</u>: Notwithstanding anything stated herein to the contrary, District shall not be liable for any special, consequential, indirect or incident damages, including but not limited to lost profits in connection with this Agreement.
- 25. Time: Time is of the essence to this Agreement.
- 26. <u>Waiver</u>: No delay or omission by District in exercising any right under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver of that or any other right and no single or partial exercise of any right shall preclude the District from any or further exercise of any right or remedy.
- 27. Entire Agreement: This Agreement is intended by the parties as the final expression of their agreement with respect to such terms as are included herein and as the complete and exclusive statement of its terms and may not be contradicted by evidence of any prior agreement or of a contemporaneous oral agreement, nor explained or supplemented by evidence of consistent additional terms.
- 28. Ambiguity: The parties to this Agreement, and each of them, hereby represent that

the language contained herein is to be construed as jointly proposed and jointly accepted, and in the event of any subsequent determination of ambiguity, all parties shall be treated as equally responsible for such ambiguity.

- 29. Execution of Other Documents: The parties to this Agreement shall cooperate fully in the execution of any and all other documents and in the completion of any additional actions that may be necessary or appropriate to give full force and effect to the terms and intent of this Agreement.
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- 31. Warranty of Authority. The persons indicated below are legally authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of the respective parties, and to bind the respective parties to this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the

District :	Contractor:
Kuffeltving	Judy Lariviere
Kuljeet Nijar Director of Educational Services	Sudy Lariviere
(0.28.24)	7/2/2024
Date	Date

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the

District	Contractor
KWHEETXIM	Soleysperi
Kuljeet Nijjar, Director of Educational Services	Ashley Davis
8.6.24	8/6/2024
Date	Date

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## Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services

MASTER CONTRACT

## GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025

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GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONSECTARIAN, NONPUBLIC SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES

	LEA GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
	Contract Year <u>2024-2025</u>
	Nonpublic School ("NPS")  Nonpublic Agency ("NPA")
Type of C	
X	Master Contract for fiscal year with Individual Service Agreements (ISA) to be approved throughout the term of this Contract.
	Individual Master Contract for a specific student incorporating the Individual Service Agreement (ISA) into the terms of this Individual Master Contract specific to a single student.
	Interim Extension of the Master Contract: an extension of the previous fiscal years approved contracts and rates. The sole purpose of this Interim Contract is to provide for ongoing funding at the prior year's rates for 90 days at the sole discretion of the LEA in accordance with Section 4 of this Master Contract. Expiration Date:
	When this section is included as part of any Master Contract, the changes specified above

shall amend Section 4 – Term of Master Contract

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LEA: GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGANCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER: CCHAT Center

#### NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

#### **AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract (or "Contract") is entered into on July 1, 2024, between GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT hereinafter referred to as the local educational agency ("LEA") or "District" and CCHAT Center (nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency), hereinafter referred to as "NPS/A" or "CONTRACTOR," for the purpose of providing special education and/or related services to LEA students with exceptional needs under the authorization of California Education Code sections 56157, 56361 and 56365 et seq. and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq., AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003) and AB1858 (Chapter 914, Statutes of 2004). It is understood that this Contract does not commit LEA to pay for special education and/or related services provided to any LEA student, or CONTRACTOR to provide such special education and/or related services, unless and until an authorized LEA representative approves the provision of special education and/or related services by CONTRACTOR.

Upon acceptance of a LEA student, LEA shall submit to CONTRACTOR an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA"), and a Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form. CONTRACTOR shall work with LEA to complete and return these forms to LEA prior to initiating any services for any student, unless otherwise agreed by LEA and CONTRACTOR. These forms shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR's obligation to provide all services specified in the LEA student's Individualized Education Program (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, the LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and/or electronic database for ISA developing including invoicing.

Unless placement and/or services is ordered pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "OAH") order, a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and parent, or authorized by LEA for a transfer LEA student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement or NPS/A services until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement and/or NPS/A services is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the Parent. 2.CERTIFICATION AND LICENSES CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a NPS/A. All NPS/A placements and services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification and licensure specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code, section 56366 et seq and within the professional scope of practice of each provider's license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR's NPS/A certification or a waiver of such certification issued by the CDE pursuant to Education Code section 56366.2 must be provided to LEA on or before the date this Contract is executed by CONTRACTOR. This Contract shall be null and void if such certification such certification or waiver is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective 1 period of this Contract

Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated on CDE certification and in Section 24 of the Contract.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of the State of California shall be certified and all staff persons providing services to pupils shall be certified and/or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall be licensed by the State of California, or other public agency having delegated authority by contract with the State of California to license, to provide nonmedical care room and board to children, including, but not limited to, individuals with exceptional needs. The LCI must also comply with all licensing requirements relevant to the protection of the child, and have a special permit, if necessary, to meet the needs of each child so placed. If the CONTRACTOR operates a program outside of the State of California, CONTRACTOR must obtain all required licenses from the appropriate licensing agency in both California and in the state where the LCI is located.

With respect to CONTRACTOR's certification, failure to notify LEA and CDE in writing of any changes in: (1) credentialed/licensed staff; (2) ownership; (3) management and/or control of the agency; (4) major modification or relocation of facilities; or (5) significant modification of the program may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by the LEA. Any suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's CDE certification shall also be good cause for the immediate suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA, at LEA's discretion.

#### 3. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

During the term of this Contract, unless otherwise agreed, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State of California, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, policies and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all applicable LEA and SELPA policies, regulations, and procedures (collectively referred to as "LEA Procedures") unless, taking into consideration all of the surrounding facts and circumstances, a policy or policies or a portion of a policy does not reasonably apply to CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that it accepts all risks and responsibilities for its failure to comply with LEA Procedures and shall indemnify LEA under the provisions of Section 16 of this Contract for all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with applicable LEA Procedures (e.g., those policies relating to; the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, student enrollment and transfer, student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions).

CONTRACTOR acknowledges and understands that LEA may report to CDE any violations of the provisions of this Contract; and that this may result in the suspension and/or revocation of CDE NPA/S certification pursuant to California Education Code section 56366.4(a).

#### 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Contract shall be from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the LEA is required to renew this Contract in subsequent contract years. The parties acknowledge that any subsequent Master Contract is to be re-negotiated prior to June 30, 2025. In the event the contract negotiations are not agreed to by June 30<sup>th</sup>, the most recently executed Master Contract will remain in effect for 90 days. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d)) No Master Contract will be offered unless and until all of the contracting requirements have been satisfied. The offer of a Master Contract to a CONTRACTOR is at the sole discretion of the LEA.

The provisions of this Contract apply to CONTRACTOR and any of its employees or independent contractors. Notice of any change in CONTRACTOR's ownership or authorized representative shall be provided in writing to LEA within thirty (30) calendar days of change of ownership or change of authorized representative.

## 5. INTEGRATION/CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

This Contract incorporates LEA Procedures herein by this reference. Each ISA is also incorporated herein by this reference. This Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LEA may modify LEA Procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA with information as requested in writing to secure a Contract or a renewal.

At a minimum, such information shall include copies of current teacher credentials and clearance, insurance documentation, and CDE certification. LEA may require additional information as applicable. If the application packet is not completed and returned to LEA, no Contract will be issued. If CONTRACTOR does not return the Contract to LEA duly signed by an authorized representative within ninety (90) calendar days of issuance by LEA, the new contract rates will not take effect until the newly executed Contract is received by LEA and will not be retroactive to the first day of the new Contract's effective date. If CONTRACTOR fails to execute the new Contract within such ninety-day period, all payments shall cease until such time as the new Contract for the current school year is signed and returned to LEA by CONTRACTOR. (California Education Code §56366(c)(1) and (2)). In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed Contract between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized LEA students at the discretion of LEA.

#### 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICE AGREEMENT ("ISA")

This Contract shall include an ISA developed for each LEA student to whom CONTRACTOR is to provide special education and/or related services. An ISA shall only be issued for LEA students enrolled with the approval of LEA pursuant to Education Code section 56366(a)(2)(A). An ISA may be effective for more than one contract year provided that there is a concurrent Contract in effect. In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed ISAs between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized students.

Any and all changes to a student's educational placement/program/services provided under this Contract and/or an ISA shall be made solely on the basis of a revision to the student's IEP or by written agreement between the Parent and LEA. At any time during the term of this Contract, a Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of a student's IEP subject to all procedural safeguards required by law.

Unless otherwise provided in this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code §56366(a)(5) and California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3062(e).) In the event CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the term of the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided. CONTRACTOR shall provide any and all subsequent compensatory service hours awarded to an LEA student as a result of lack of provision of services while the student was served by CONTRACTOR.

If a Parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the OAH, CONTRACTOR shall abide by the "stay-put" requirement of the State of California and federal law unless the Parent and LEA voluntarily agree otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting ("IAES") is

deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Title 20 of the United States Codes Sections 1415(k)(1)(G), 1415(k)(2), and 1415(k)(3)(B)(ii)(II). CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the formulation of an ISA, or the Contract may be appealed to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or the California State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code section 56366(c)(2).

Exhibit B includes the ISA form.

#### 7. **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

- a. The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency ("NPS/A") certified by the California Department of Education ("CDE"), and its officers, agents and employees.
- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for NPS/A. It is understood, a representative of the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) of which LEA is a member is an authorized LEA representative in collaboration with LEA. LEA maintains sole responsibility for this Contract, unless otherwise specified in this Contract.
- c. The term "credential" means a valid credential, life diploma, permit, or document in special education or pupil personnel services issued by, or under the jurisdiction of, the California State Board of Education if issued prior to 1970 or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, which entitles the holder thereof to perform services for which certification qualifications are required as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(g).
- d. The term "qualified" means that a person holds a certificate, permit or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to provide special education and related services and has met federal and state certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements which apply to the area in which the individual is providing special education or related services, including those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 3064 and 3065, and adheres to the standards of professional practice established in federal and state law or regulation, including the standards contained in the California Business and Professions Code.

Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities in services of a graduate needing direct hours leading to licensure, or of a student teacher or intern leading to a graduate degree at an accredited or approved college or university, as authorized by State laws or regulations. (California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3001(r).)

e. The term "license" means a valid non-expired document issued by a licensing agency within the California Department of Consumer Affairs or other State of California licensing office authorized to grant licenses and authorizing the bearer of the document to provide certain professional services or refer to themselves using a specified professional title. This includes, but is not limited to, mental health and board and care services at a residential placement. If a license is not available through an appropriate State of California licensing agency, a certificate of registration with the appropriate professional organization at the national or State of California level which has standards established for the certificate that are equivalent to a license shall be deemed to be a license as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(1).

#### f. "Parent" means:

- i. a biological or adoptive parent; unless the biological or adoptive parent does not have legal authority to make educational decisions for the child,
- ii. a foster parent if the authority of the biological or adoptive parents to make educational decisions on the child's behalf has been specifically limited by court order in accordance with Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 300.30(b)(1) or (b)(2),
- iii. a guardian generally authorized to act as the child's parent or authorized to make educational decisions for the child,
- iv. an individual acting in the place of a biological or adoptive parent, including a grandparent, stepparent, or other relative with whom the child lives, or an individual who is legally responsible for the child's welfare,
- v. a surrogate parent.

Parent does not include the state or any political subdivision of government or a NPS/A under contract with the LEA for the provision of special education or designated instruction and services for a child. (California Education Code §56028.)

- g. The term "days" means calendar days unless otherwise specified.
- h. The phrase "billable day" means a school day in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs.
- i. The phrase "billable day of attendance" means a school day as defined in California Education Code Section 46307, in which an LEA student is in attendance and in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs unless otherwise stipulated in an IEP or ISA.
- j. It is understood that the term "Master Contract" also means "Contract" and is referred to as such in this document.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

#### 8. NOTICES

All notices provided for by this Contract shall be in writing. Notices shall be mailed, emailed or delivered by hand and shall be effective as of the date of receipt by addressee.

All notices mailed or emailed to LEA shall be addressed to the person and address as indicated on the signature page of this Contract. Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on the signature page of this Contract.

#### 9. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

All records shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR as required by State and federal laws and regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, CONTRACTOR shall maintain all records for at least five (5) years after the termination of this Contract. For purposes of this Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to pupil records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; registers and roll books of teachers and/or daily service providers; chart notes, Medi-Cal logs, daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record the provision of related services including supervision; daily service logs and notes used to record the provision of services provided through additional instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, and bus aides; behavior emergency reports (BER); incident reports; notification of injuries; absence verification records (Parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents) if CONTRACTOR is funded for excused absences, however, such records are not required if positive attendance is required; transcripts; grade and progress reports; behavioral data; IEP/IFSPs; assessment reports; bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held and documents evidencing other staff qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; records of employee training and certification including verification of behavior

training consistent with 56366.1; staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets; transportation and other related services subcontracts; school calendars; bell/class schedules when applicable; liability and worker's compensation insurance policies; state NPS/A certifications; business licenses held; by-laws, if applicable; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; all budgetary information, including operating budgets; statements of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books; general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/State payroll quarterly reports (Form 941/DE3DP); and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA student records in a secure location to ensure confidentiality and prevent unauthorized access. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a current list of the names and positions of CONTRACTOR's employees who have access to confidential records. CONTRACTOR shall maintain an access log for each LEA student's record which lists all persons, agencies, or organizations requesting or receiving information from the record. Such log shall be maintained as required by California Education Code section 49064 and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the student's record, and a description of the record(s) provided. Such log needs to record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's Parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record. CONTRACTOR/LEA shall maintain copies of any written parental concerns granting access to LEA student records. For purposes of this Section, "employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR" do not include subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall grant the following access to student records, (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record and comply with Parent requests for copies of LEA student records, as required by State of California and federal laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of NPS/A closure, to forward all LEA student records held by CONTRACTOR within ten (10) business days to LEA. LEA and/or SELPA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all records upon request within five (5) business days.

#### 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision of this Contract is held, in whole or in part, to be unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of that provision and of the entire Contract shall be severable and remain in effect.

#### 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This Contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any change of ownership or corporate control within ten (10) business days of such change.

#### 12. VENUE AND GOVERNING LAW

The laws of the State of California shall govern the terms and conditions of this contract with venue in the County where LEA is located.

## 13. MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

This Contract may be modified or amended by LEA to conform to administrative and statutory guidelines issued by any state, federal or local governmental agency. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR thirty (30) days' notice of any such changes or modifications made to conform to administrative or statutory guidelines and a copy of the statute, guideline, or regulation upon which the modifications or changes are based.

#### 14. TERMINATION

This Contract or ISA may be terminated for cause. Cause shall include but not be limited to non-maintenance of current NPS/A certification, failure of either LEA or CONTRACTOR to maintain the

standards required under the Contract and/or ISA, or other material breach of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. For purposes of NPS placement, the cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the Contract unless the Parent agrees to the transfer of the LEA student to the public-school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the Contract or ISA, either party shall give no less than twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other party. (California Education Code §56366(a)(4).) If this Contract is terminated with twenty (20) days' notice, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract on the date of termination.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Contract or ISA may be terminated immediately, without twenty (20) days prior notice and at LEA's discretion, if LEA determines that there are significant health or safety concerns or there has been a suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's NPS/A certification. If this Contract is terminated immediately, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract within five (5) business days of termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing regarding termination of an ISA, CONTRACTOR is bound by the "stay put" provisions described in Section 6 of this Contract.

#### 15. INSURANCE

CONTRACTOR shall, at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense, maintain in full force and effect, during the term of this Contract, the following insurance coverage from a California licensed and/or admitted insurer with an A minus (A-), VII, or better rating from A.M. Best, sufficient to cover any claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including counsel fees) arising out of or in connection with CONTRACTOR's fulfillment of any of its obligations under this Contract or either party's use of the work or any component or part thereof:

#### PART I - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AND AGENCIES

A. Commercial General Liability Insurance, including both bodily injury and property damage, with limits as follows:

\$2,000,000 per occurrence

\$ 500,000 fire damage

\$ 5,000 medical expenses

\$1,000,000 personal & adv. Injury

\$3,000,000 general aggregate

\$2,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

CONTRACTOR's general liability policy shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from LEA's coverage, and be endorsed using Insurance Services Office form CG 20 10 or CG 20 26 (or equivalent) to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and agents shall be additional insureds under such policies. The policy may not contain an exclusion for coverage of claims arising from claims for sexual molestation or abuse. In the event that CONTRACTOR's policy should have an exclusion for sexual molestation or abuse claims, then CONTRACTOR shall be required to procure a supplemental policy providing such coverage.

#### B. Commercial Auto Liability Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage for owned, non-owned, and hired autos using ISO Business Auto Coverage form CA 00 01 (or equivalent) with a limit of no less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per accident. If no owned automobiles, then only hired and non-owned is required. If CONTRACTOR uses a vehicle to travel to/from school sites, between schools, and/or to/from students' homes or other locations as approved service locations by the LEA, CONTRACTOR must comply with the State of California auto insurance requirements.

C. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance with Statutory Limits and Employers' Liability Insurance with a

limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with the certificate of insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of LEA

#### D. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per claim and in the aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### F. For all Insurance Coverage in Part I:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days' prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) All self-insured retentions over \$100,000 must be declared and approved by LEA.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) CONTRACTOR shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein. However, insurance requirements may be determined on a "per subcontractor" basis, considering the particular work to be done by the subcontractor.
- 6) All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

## PART II - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AFFILIATED WITH A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY ("RTC")

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS affiliated with a residential treatment center ("NPS/RTC"), the following insurance policies are required:

#### A. Commercial General Liability

CONTRACTOR shall maintain commercial general liability insurance with coverage at least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) form CG 00 01, in an amount not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage, including without limitation, blanket contractual liability. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location, or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. CONTRACTOR'S general liability policies shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from the LEA'S coverage and be endorsed with a form at least as broad as ISO form 20 10 or CG 20 26 to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers shall be additional insureds under such policies.

The policy shall be endorsed to name LEA and LEA's Board of Trustees as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by LEA which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and NPS/RTC's insurance primary despite any conflicting provisions in the NPS/RTC's policy. Coverage shall be maintained with no Self-Insured Retention above \$100,000 without the prior written approval of LEA.

Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies by CONTRACTOR shall not affect coverage provided to the LEA.

Coverage shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the LEA.

- **B.** Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with provisions of the California Labor Code adequate to protect the NPS/RTC from claims that may arise from its operations pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act (Statutory Coverage). The Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage must also include Employers' Liability coverage with limit of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with Certificate of Insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of the LEA.
- C. Business Auto Liability Coverage CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if the NPS/RTC does not operate a student bus service. If the NPS/RTC provides student bus services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.
- **D.** Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage CONTRACTOR shall maintain Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage to cover all employees who process or otherwise have responsibility for NPS/RTC funds, supplies, equipment, or other assets. Minimum amount of coverage shall be \$250,000 per occurrence, with no self-insured retention.
- Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per claim and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### F. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance with limits not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### G. For all Insurance Coverage in Part II:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000 must be declared to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions with respect to the LEA, its officials, and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigation.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to the commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) For any claims related to the services performed in connection with this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be the primary insurance with respect to the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees shall be in excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute to it.

All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

If LEA or CONTRACTOR determines that a change in insurance coverage obligations under this section is necessary, either party may reopen negotiations to modify the insurance obligations.

#### 16. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

A. When the law establishes a professional standard of care for CONTRACTOR'S Services, to the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its officials, employees and volunteers from and against any and all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, and expenses, including legal counsel's fees and costs but only to the extent the CONTRACTOR is responsible for such damages, liabilities and costs on a comparative basis of fault between the CONTRACTOR and the LEA in the performance of professional services under this Contract.

#### B. INDEMNITY FOR OTHER THAN PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

Other than in the performance of professional services and to the full extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its employees, officials, and volunteers from and against any liability (including liability for claims, suits, actions, arbitration proceedings, administrative proceedings, regulatory proceedings, losses, expenses or costs of any kind, whether actual, alleged or threatened, including legal counsel's fees and costs, court costs, defense costs, and expert witness fees), where the same arise out of, are a consequence of, or are in any way attributable to, in whole or in part, the performance of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or by any individual or LEA for which CONTRACTOR is legally liable, including, but not limited to officers, agents, employees, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR, except when caused by the active negligence or willful misconduct of the LEA.

#### 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing herein contained will be construed to imply a joint venture, partnership or principal-agent relationship between LEA and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide all services under this Contract as an independent contractor, and neither party shall have the authority to bind or make any commitment on behalf of the other. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employer and employee between the Parties or any affiliates of the Parties, or between LEA and any individual assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform any services for LEA.

If LEA is determined to be a partner, joint venture, co-principal, employer or co-employer of CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless LEA from and against any and all claims for loss, liability, or damages arising from that determination, as well as any expenses, costs, taxes, penalties and interest charges incurred by LEA as a result of that determination.

#### 18. SUBCONTRACTING

CONTRACTOR shall not enter into any subcontracting relationship without first obtaining final written approval of LEA. Should CONTRACTOR wish to subcontract for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Contract, it must provide written notification to LEA before any subcontracting arrangement is made. In the event LEA determines that it can provide the subcontracted service(s) at a lower rate, LEA may elect to provide such service(s). If LEA elects to provide such service(s), LEA shall provide written notification to CONTRACTOR within five (5) days of receipt of CONTRACTOR's original notice and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said service(s).

Should LEA approve in concept of CONTRACTOR subcontracting for services, CONTRACTOR shall submit the proposed subcontract to LEA for approval. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR is developing subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including, but not limited to, transportation) for any LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall cause each subcontractor to procure and maintain indemnification and insurance requirements which comply with the provisions of Sections 15 and 16 of this Contract during the term of each subcontract. If a proposed subcontract is approved by LEA, each subcontractor shall furnish LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 15 of this Contract. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. Unless otherwise agreed to by LEA, the endorsements are to be on forms provided by LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall name the LEA/SELPA and the LEA Board of Education as additional insureds.

As an alternative to LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide, with prior LEA approval, complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage required by

this Contract. All Certificates of Insurance must reference the LEA contract number, name of the NPS/A submitting the certificate, designation of NPS or NPA, and the location of the NPS/A submitting the certificate. In addition, all subcontractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 45 (Clearance Requirements) and Section 46 (Staff Qualifications) of this Contract. No subcontract shall be considered final without LEA approval.

#### 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA upon request a copy of its current bylaws and a current list of its Board of Directors (or Trustees), if it is incorporated. CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code section 56042 and Government Code Section 1090 including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provision of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at IEP team meetings acting as a student's advocate. Pursuant to California Education Code section 56042, an attorney or advocate for a Parent of an individual with exceptional needs shall not recommend placement at CONTRACTOR's facility if the attorney or advocate is employed or contracted by the CONTRACTOR, or will receive a benefit from the CONTRACTOR, or otherwise has a conflict of interest.

LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for an LEA student when a recommendation for special education and/or related services is based in whole or in part on assessment(s) or reports provided by CONTRACTOR to the LEA student without prior written authorization by LEA. This section shall apply to CONTRACTOR regardless of when an assessment is performed or a report is prepared (i.e., before or after the LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR's NPS/A) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid conflict of interest, and in order to ensure the appropriateness of an Independent Educational Evaluation (hereinafter referred to as "IEE") and its recommendations, LEA may not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the LEA student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, LEA may not fund services through the evaluator whose IEE LEA agrees to fund. When no other appropriate assessor is available, LEA may request and if CONTRACTOR agrees, CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that its authorized representative has read and understands California Education Code section 56366.3 which provides, in relevant part, that no special education and/or related services provided by CONTRACTOR shall be paid for by LEA if provided by an individual who is or was an employee of LEA within the three hundred sixty-five (365) days prior to executing this Contract. This provision does not apply to any person who is able to provide designated instruction and services during the extended school year because he or she is otherwise employed for up to ten months of the school year by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall not admit a student living within the jurisdictional boundaries of the LEA on a private pay or tuition free "scholarship" basis and concurrently or subsequently advise/request Parent(s) to pursue funding for the admitted school year from LEA through due process proceedings. Such action shall constitute good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

#### 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not, in employment or operation of its programs, unlawfully discriminate on the basis of gender, nationality, national origin, ancestry, race, color, ethnicity, ethnic group affiliation, religion, age, marital status, pregnancy or parental status, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, physical or mental disability, genetic information, medical condition, military or veteran status, or any other classification protected by federal or State law or the perception of one or more of such characteristics or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

#### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

#### 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services (including transition services) to each LEA student within the NPS/A consistent with the student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall not accept an LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If an LEA student's services are provided by a third party (i.e. Related Services Provider), CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, if provision of services cease.

Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, and/or facilities, as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall make no charge of any kind to parents for special education and/or related services as specified in the student's IEP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of an LEA student's enrollment under the terms of this Contract). LEA shall provide low incidence equipment for eligible students with low incidence disabilities when specified in an LEA student's IEP and ISA. Such equipment remains the property of the LEA and shall be returned to the LEA when the IEP team determines the equipment is no longer needed or when the student is no longer enrolled in the NPS. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

CONTRACTOR may charge an LEA student's Parent(s) for services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE after: (a) written notification to the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities; and (b) receipt by LEA of the written notification and a written acknowledgment signed by the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning Parent acknowledgment of financial responsibility.

Voluntary services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE shall not interfere with the LEA student's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA unless the LEA, CONTRACTOR, and Parent agree otherwise in writing.

#### 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All NPS/A services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code section 56366 *et seq*.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. LEA students shall have access to: (a) State Board of Education (SBE) - adopted Common Core State Standards ("CCSS") for curriculum and the same instructional materials for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive; and provide standards – aligned core curriculum and instructional materials for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, used by LEA; (b) college preparation courses; (c) extracurricular activities, such as art, sports, music and academic clubs; (d) career preparation and vocational training, consistent with transition plans pursuant to State and federal law and; (e) supplemental assistance, including individual academic tutoring, psychological counseling, and career and college counseling. When appropriate, CONTRACTOR shall utilize the designated curriculum guidelines for students with moderate to severe disabilities who participate in the State's alternative assessment. These students shall have access to the core content, activities, and instructional materials delineated within these curriculum guidelines. CONTRACTOR'S general program

of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA prior to the effective date of this Contract.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades 9 through 12 inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not award a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of LEA's graduation requirements.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction and/or services shall utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines and certifications, and shall be provided as specified in the student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the services and location provided prior to the effective date of this Contract. School-based services may not be unilaterally converted by CONTRACTOR to a substitute program or provided at a location not specifically authorized by the IEP team. Except for services provided by a CONTRACTOR that is a Licensed Children's Institution (LCI), all services not provided in the school setting require the presence of a Parent or adult caregiver during the delivery of services, provided such guardian or caregiver have a signed authorization by the Parent to authorize emergency services as requested. LCI CONTRACTORS shall ensure that appropriate and qualified residential or clinical staff is present during the provision of services under this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no Parent, guardian or adult caregiver is present.

CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services shall develop a written plan that specifies the nature of their NPA service for each student within thirty (30) days of enrollment and shall be provided in writing to the LEA. CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services must have a trained behaviorist or trained equivalent on staff who is qualified and responsible for the design, planning, and implementation of behavioral interventions as the law requires. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3051.23; Ed. Code § 56366.10(e).) It is understood that Behavior Intervention Services are limited to CDE Certification and do not constitute an instructional program.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR shall not provide transportation nor subcontract for transportation services for students unless LEA and CONTRACTOR agree otherwise in writing.

#### 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, the total number of instructional minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be at least equivalent to the number of instructional minutes per school day provided to LEA students at like grade level attending LEA schools and shall be specified in the student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

For students in grades kindergarten through 12 inclusive, unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP and ISA, the number of instructional minutes, excluding breakfast, recess, lunch and passing time shall be at the same level that California Education Code prescribes for LEA.

The total number of annual instructional minutes shall be at least equivalent to the total number of annual instructional minutes provided to LEA students attending LEA schools in like grade level unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, the total number of minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be specified in the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

#### 24. CLASS SIZE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that class size shall not exceed a ratio of one teacher per twelve (12) students, unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing. Upon prior written approval by an authorized LEA representative, class size may be temporarily increased by a ratio of 1 teacher to fourteen (14) students when necessary, during the regular or extended school year to provide services to students with disabilities.

In the event a NPS CONTRACTOR is unable to fill a vacant teaching position responsible for direct instruction to LEA students, and the vacancy has a direct impact on the CDE Certification of that school, CONTRACTOR shall develop a plan to ensure appropriate coverage of students by first utilizing existing certificated staff. CONTRACTOR and LEA may agree to one 30 school day period per contract year where class size may be increased to ensure coverage by an appropriately credentialed teacher. Such an agreement shall be in writing and signed by both parties. This provision does not apply to an NPA CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR providing special education instruction for individuals with exceptional needs between the ages of three and five years, inclusive, shall also comply with the appropriate instructional adult to child ratios pursuant to California Education Code sections 56440 *et seq*.

#### 25. CALENDARS

#### When CONTRACTOR is a NPS:

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed 180 days, plus extended school year billable days equivalent to the number of days determined by LEA's extended school year calendar. Billable days shall include only those days that are included on the submitted and approved school calendar, and/or required by the IEP (developed by LEA) for each LEA student. CONTRACTOR shall not be allowed to change its school calendar and/or amend the number of billable days without the prior written approval of LEA. Nothing in this Contract shall be interpreted to require LEA to accept any requests for calendar changes. In the event LEA adjusts the number of school days for its regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for CONTRACTOR. In such a case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the LEA student's IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services as determined by the student's IEP team and the provision of such is specifically included in the ISA. Extended school year shall consist of twenty (20) instructional days, unless otherwise agreed upon by the student's IEP team convened by the LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to by LEA and CONTRACTOR, in writing, prior to the start of the extended school year.

Student must have actually been in attendance during the regular school year and/or during extended school year and received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPS service. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall observe the same legal holidays as LEA. As of the execution of this Contract, those holidays are: Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth and Independence Day. With the prior written approval of LEA, CONTRACTOR may revise the date upon which CONTRACTOR closes in observance of any of the holidays observed by LEA.

#### When CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

CONTRACTOR shall be provided with a LEA-developed/approved calendar prior to the initiation of services. CONTRACTOR herein agrees to observe holidays as specified in LEA-developed/approved calendar. CONTRACTOR shall provide services pursuant to LEA-developed/approved calendar; or as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA students on only those days that the LEA student's school of attendance is in session and the LEA student attends school. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for services provided on billable days of attendance as indicated on LEA calendar unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing before delivery of any NPA services. Student must have actually been in attendance and/or received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPA service provided by CONTRACTOR. Any services provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. In the event of school closures due to emergency, payment will follow the procedures in accordance with Section 62 of this Contract.

#### 26. DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide to LEA all data related to LEA student information and billing information. CONTRACTOR shall provide data related to all sections of this Contract, including student discipline as noted below, when requested by LEA and in the format required by LEA. It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize LEA-approved electronic IEP system for all IEP development, service tracking documentation, and progress reporting, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by LEA. Additional progress reporting may be required by the LEA. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access so that this information may be compiled.

Using forms developed by the CDE or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, on a monthly basis, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all statutory offenses as described in Education Codes sections 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with approved forms and/or format for such data including, but not limited to, invoicing, attendance reports and progress reports. LEA may approve use of CONTRACTOR-provided forms at its discretion.

#### 27. LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT/DUAL ENROLLMENT

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA Procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") options and/or dual enrollment options if available and appropriate, for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall ensure that LRE placement options are addressed at all IEP team meetings regarding students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. This shall include IEP team consideration of supplementary aids and services, goals and objectives necessary for placement in the LRE and necessary to enable students to transition to less restrictive settings.

When an IEP team has determined that a student should be transitioned into the public-school setting, CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA in implementing the IEP team's recommended activities to support the transition.

#### 28. STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, per implementation of Senate Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASPP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), California Alternative Assessment ("CAA"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("ELPAC"), and Alternative English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("Alternative ELPAC"), and as appropriate to the LEA student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA, State of California, and federal guidelines.

CONTRACTOR is subject to the alternative accountability system developed pursuant to Education Code section 52052, in the same manner as public schools. Each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR by the LEA shall be tested by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. LEA shall provide test administration training to CONTRACTOR'S qualified staff. CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA test training and comply with completion of all coding requirements as required by LEA.

#### 29. MANDATED ATTENDANCE AT LEA MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA-mandated meetings when legal mandates and/or LEA Procedures are reviewed, including but not limited to the areas of: curriculum, high school graduation, standards-based instruction, behavior intervention, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, data collection, standardized testing, and IEPs. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute billable service hour(s).

#### 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49005, *et seq.*, 56521.1 and 56521.2. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that CONTRACTOR utilizes a multi-tier system of support ("MTSS") to address student needs. CONTRACTOR shall also ensure that all staff are trained on the use of positive behavior interventions and supports consistent with this Contract.

LEA students who exhibit behaviors that interfere with their learning, or the learning of others must receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal law and its implementing regulations. If the IEP team determines that a student's behavior impedes his or her learning or the learning of others, the IEP team is required to consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. This could mean that instead of developing a Behavior Intervention Plan ("BIP"), the IEP team may conclude it is sufficient to address the student's behavioral problems through the development of behavioral goals and behavioral interventions to support those goals.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and behavioral emergency reports ("BERs"). CONTRACTOR shall inform each of its employees about the policy, provide each employee with a copy thereof, and provide training to all employees regarding the policy. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all of its staff members are trained in crisis intervention, emergency procedures, and evidenced-based practices and interventions specific to the unique behavioral needs of the CONTRACTOR's pupil population. Training shall include certification by an approved LEA crisis intervention program. Training shall be provided within 30 days of employment to new staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day, and annually to all staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day. (Ed. Code 56366.10(f).) The CONTRACTOR shall select and conduct the training in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1. CONTRACTOR shall maintain accurate written records documenting all training completed by all of CONTRACTOR's employees. Evidence of all training shall be submitted to

LEA at least annually at the beginning of the school year, and within five (5) business days of completion of training or any new hire upon LEA request.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1, emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a BIP and shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. Emergency interventions may only be used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to a LEA student or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency. Consistent with Section 44 of this Contract, LEA may observe and/or audit CONTRACTOR's implementation of BIPs, staff use of behavior interventions, including emergency interventions, at any time, and without prior notice.

CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER when an emergency occurs that is defined as serious, dangerous behavior that staff has determined to present a clear and present danger to others. It requires a non-violent physical intervention to protect the safety of student, self, or others and a physical intervention has been used; or a physical intervention has not been used, but an injury or serious property damage has occurred. The use of Personal Safety Techniques (which may or may not have been used) does not determine whether a BER is required. Emergencies *require* a BER form be completed and submitted to the LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone. If the student's IEP does not contain a BIP, an IEP team shall schedule a meeting to review the BER, determine if there is a necessity for a functional behavioral assessment ("FBA"), and to determine an interim plan, or both. If the student already has a BIP, the IEP team shall review and modify the BIP if a new serious behavior has been exhibited or existing behavioral interventions have proven to be ineffective. CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.2, CONTRACTOR shall not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for the following interventions, or any other interventions like the following:

- 1. Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain, including, but not limited to, electric shock.
- 2. An intervention that involves the release of noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mist, or substances in proximity to the face of the individual.
- 3. An intervention that denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities.
- 4. An intervention that is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject, the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or that can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma.
- 5. Restrictive interventions that employ a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities, including the procedure known as prone containment, except that prone containment or similar techniques may be used by trained personnel as a limited emergency intervention.
- 6. Locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 7. An intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual.
- 8. An intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with Education Code section 49005.8. Specifically, Contractor shall not do any of the following:

- 1. Use seclusion or behavioral restraint for the purpose of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.
- 2. Use locked seclusion unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 3. Use a physical restraint technique that obstructs a pupil's respiratory airway or impairs the pupil's breathing or respiratory capacity, including techniques in which a staff member places pressure on a pupil's back or places his or her body weight against the pupil's torso or back.

- 4. Use a behavioral restraint technique that restricts breathing, including, but not limited to, using a pillow, blanket, carpet, mat, or other item to cover a pupil's face.
- 5. Place a pupil in a facedown position with the pupil's hands held or restrained behind the pupil's back.
- 6. Use a behavioral restraint for longer than is necessary to contain the behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the pupil or others.

CONTRACTOR shall keep constant, direct observation of a pupil who is in seclusion, which may be through observation of the pupil through a window, or another barrier, through which the educational provider is able to make direct eye contact with the pupil. This observation shall not be through indirect means, including through a security camera or a closed-circuit television.

CONTRACTOR shall afford pupils who are restrained the least restrictive alternative and the maximum freedom of movement, and shall use the least number of restraint points, while ensuring the physical safety of the pupil and others.

If prone restraint techniques are used by CONTRACTOR, a staff member shall observe the pupil for any signs of physical distress throughout the use of prone restraint. Whenever possible, the staff member monitoring the pupil shall not be involved in restraining the pupil.

In the case of a child whose behavior impedes the child's learning or that of others, the IEP team shall consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA via telephone of any severe or increasingly frequent behavior problem, any emergency intervention in response to a previously unseen serious behavior problem, or where a previously designed behavior intervention is ineffective, that may require an IEP team meeting.

All restraint practices must be reviewed and revised when they have an adverse effect on a student and are used repeatedly for an individual child, either on multiple occasions within the same classroom or multiple uses by the same individual. CONTRACTOR shall notify the Parent when any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusion has been used. Upon the use of any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusions of an LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER per the reporting and notification requirements listed above.

BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION REPORTING: Twice annually, CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that (a) CONTRACTOR has reviewed the BERs for each LEA student in conjunction with that student's IEP and BIP; (b) Staff are trained to implement each LEA student's BIP, including approved or prohibited restraint techniques for each student; (c) emergency interventions have only been used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to LEA students or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior; and (d) BERs have been properly completed and timely forwarded to LEA as required by this Contract.

CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with any of the requirements of Section 30: Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports shall constitute sufficient good cause for immediate termination of this Contract by LEA.

#### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with State of California and federal law and regulations. Using forms developed by the California Department of Education or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, monthly, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all

statutory offenses as described in Education Codes 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code Sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from the student's current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) submit a written discipline report to LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the student's name, grade, race, ethnicity, and gender; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACTOR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of the LEA student's behavior plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP meeting no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day after the decision is made to suspend the student for more than ten (10) school days or recommend expulsion of the student. LEA shall notify and invite CONTRACTOR representatives to the IEP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

#### 32. IEP TEAM MEETINGS

An IEP team meeting shall be convened at least annually to evaluate: (1) the educational progress of each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR, including all state assessment results pursuant to the requirements of Education Code section 52052; (2) whether or not the needs of the LEA student continue to be best met at the NPS; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the LEA student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) and California Education Code section 56345(b)(4).)

If an LEA student is to be transferred from a NPS setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, a description of activities provided to integrate the student into the regular education program, including the nature of each activity as well as the time spent on the activity each day or week and a description of the activities provided to support the transition of the student from the special education program into the regular education program. Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of the student's IEP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. At any time during the term of this Contract, the Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of the LEA student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, at no cost and prior to an annual or triennial IEP team meeting, documentation regarding the student's progress on goals and all assessments and written assessment reports (including testing protocols) created by CONTRACTOR and any of its agents or subcontractors, upon request and/or pursuant to LEA Procedures. It is understood that attendance at an IEP meeting is part of CONTRACTOR'S professional responsibility and is not a billable service under this Contract.

It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize the LEA approved electronic IEP system for all IEP planning and progress reporting at LEA's discretion. LEA may provide training for any CONTRACTOR to ensure access to the approved system. CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on the approved system and shall protect the password requirements of the system. When a LEA student disenrolls from the NPS/A, the CONTRACTOR shall discontinue use of the approved system for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting provided under this Contract, may only be made based on revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that CONTRACTOR believes a LEA student requires a change of placement, CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the purposes of consideration of a change in the student's placement. A LEA student is entitled to remain in the last agreed upon and implemented placement unless Parent agrees otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Section 1415(k)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code.

#### 33. SURROGATE PARENTS AND FOSTER YOUTH

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments. Surrogate parents shall serve as the child's Parent and have all the rights relative to the student's education that a parent has under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act pursuant to 20 U.S.C. sections 1414-1482 and 34 C.F.R. sections 300.1-300.756. A pupil in foster care shall be defined pursuant to California Education Code section 42238.01(b). LEA shall annually notify CONTRACTOR who LEA has designated as the educational liaison for foster children. When a pupil in foster care is enrolled in a NPS by LEA any time after the completion of the student's second year of high school, CONTRACTOR shall schedule the pupil in courses leading towards graduation based on the diploma requirements of LEA unless provided notice otherwise in writing pursuant to Section 51225.1.

#### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. Participation includes CONTRACTOR's staff being made available for witness preparation and testimony as is necessary to facilitate a due process hearing. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office of Civil Rights, or any other State and/or federal governmental body or agency. Full participation shall include, but in no way be limited to, cooperating with LEA representatives to provide complete answers raised by any investigator and/or the immediate provision of any and all documentation that pertains to the operation of CONTRACTOR's program and/or the implementation of a particular student's IEP/ISA.

#### 35. COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and adhere to its own written procedures for responding to Parent complaints. These procedures shall include annually notifying and providing Parents of LEA students with appropriate information (including complaint forms) for the following: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 *et seq.*; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8(a), (d) and 106.9(a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"). CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) notify LEA of any complaints filed against it related to LEA students and provide LEA with all documentation related to the complaints and/or its investigation of complaints, including any and all reports generated as a result of an investigation.

#### 36. LEA STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS/REPORT CARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided monthly, CONTRACTOR shall provide Parents, with a concurrent copy sent to LEA, at least four (4) written progress reports/report cards. At a minimum, progress reports shall include progress over time towards IEP goals and objectives. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at CONTRACTOR's place of business and shall be submitted to the LEA and LEA student's Parent quarterly.

CONTRACTOR shall also provide LEA representatives access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, transition plans, and behavior intervention plans, including but not limited to log sheets, chart notes, observation notes, data sheets, pre-/post-tests, rubrics and other similar data collection used to determine progress or lack of progress on approved goals, objectives, transition plans or behavior intervention plans. LEA may request such data at any time within five (5) years of the date of service. CONTRACTOR shall maintain such information for at least five (5) years and shall provide this data supporting progress to LEA within five (5) business days of request. Additional time may be granted as needed by the LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other evaluations of the LEA student at least ten (10) days prior to the student's IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP team meeting as required by State and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA Procedures, and/or LEA practices. CONTRACTOR shall provide sufficient copies of its reports, documents, and projected goals to share with members of the IEP team at least five (5) business days prior to the IEP meeting. CONTRACTOR shall maintain supporting documentation, such as test protocols and data collection, which shall be made available to LEA within five (5) business days of request.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for all evaluation costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting, and development of present levels of performance. All assessments resulting from an assessment plan shall be provided by LEA unless LEA specifies in writing a request that CONTRACTOR perform such assessment. Any assessment and/or evaluation costs may be added to the ISA and/or approved separately by LEA at LEA's sole discretion.

It is understood that all billable hours must be in direct services to LEA students as specified in the ISA. For NPA services, supervision provided by a qualified individual as specified in Title 5 Regulation, subsection 3065, shall be determined as appropriate and included in the ISA. Supervision means the direct observation of services, data review, case conferencing and program design consistent with professional standards for each professional's license, certification, or credential.

CONTRACTOR shall not charge a LEA student's Parent(s) or LEA for the provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any evaluations conducted in order to obtain present levels of performance, interviews, and/or attendance at any meetings. It is understood that all billable hours are limited to those specified on the ISA consistent with the IEP. It is understood that copies of data collection notes, forms, charts and other such data are part of the student's record and shall be made available to LEA upon written request.

#### 37. GRADES, HIGH SCHOOL COURSE CREDITS & TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR is responsible for assigning grades for any course of instruction taught at the NPS. The grades determined by the pupil's teacher, in the absence of clerical or mechanical mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetency, shall be final and consistent with the provisions specified in <u>EC Section 49066</u>. The grades each pupil receives in all courses of instruction taught by the NPS shall be reported to the parents and the LEA on a quarterly basis. Consistent with the LEA, should it become evident to the NPS the pupil is in danger of failing a course, the CONTRACTOR must initiate a parent conference, and the LEA representative must be in attendance.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by the CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not recommend awarding a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of the LEA's graduation requirements.

Pupils enrolled in high school during the 2020-2021 academic year may request a Pass or No Pass grade as permitted in <u>EC Section 49066.5</u>, which may be reflected on the student's transcript and shall not negatively affect the pupil's grade point average.

CONTRACTOR shall prepare transcripts at the close of each semester, or upon LEA student transfer, for LEA students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive and submit such transcripts on LEA-approved forms to the LEA student's school of residence for evaluation of progress toward completion of diploma requirements as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, the names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by LEA. All transcripts shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR and furnished to LEA upon request, consistent with the parameters of Sections 9 and 26 of this Contract.

#### 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify Parents in writing of their obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of an LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to Parents. Within five (5) school days from the date CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures.

If CONTRACTOR had knowledge or should reasonably have had knowledge of an LEA student's change of residence and CONTRACTOR fails to follow the procedures specified in this section, LEA shall not be responsible for the costs of services delivered following the LEA student's change of residence.

#### 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM NPS/A

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to LEA via telephone and electronically (within 24 hours) and in writing to LEA within five (5) business days when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services without prior notice. This includes but is not limited to a LEA student's change of residence to a residence outside of LEA boundaries, and LEA student's discharge against professional advice from a NPS and/or residential treatment center ("RTC"). CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify potential dropouts three (3) times per year.

#### 40. PARENT ACCESS

CONTRACTOR shall provide for reasonable parental access to LEA students and all facilities including, but not limited to, the instructional setting, recreational activity areas, meeting rooms and student living quarters when applicable. CONTRACTOR shall comply with any known court orders regarding parental visits and access to LEA students.

CONTRACTOR operating programs associated with an NPS/RTC shall cooperate with a Parent's reasonable request for LEA student therapeutic visits in their home or at the NPS/RTC. CONTRACTOR shall require that Parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from CONTRACTOR and LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance. When requested, CONTRACTOR shall facilitate all Parent travel and accommodations and provide travel information to the parents as appropriate. Payment by LEA for approved travel-related expenses shall be made directly through LEA consistent with LEA Procedures.

CONTRACTOR providing services in a LEA student's home as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child, or an adult caregiver with the Parent's written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency, is present. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to the LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the Parent informs the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergencies. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing immediately (within 24 hours) of all problems and/or concerns reported to Parents, both verbal and written.

## 41. LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION ("LCI") CONTRACTORS AND RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER ("RTC") CONTRACTORS

If CONTRACTOR is a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9 (c) (1), Health and Safety Code section 1501.1 and any other applicable laws and/or regulations, including LEA guidelines and LEA Procedures. An LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its NPS as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS/RTC, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1400 et seq. including the federal regulations 34 C.F.R section 300 et seq. and Education Code section 56000 et seq. including Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all monitoring requirements set forth in Section 43 below.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS that is owned, operated by, or associated with a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, on a quarterly basis, a list of all LEA students, including those identified as eligible for special education. For those identified as special education students, the list shall include: 1) special education eligibility at the time of enrollment and 2) the educational placement and services specified in each student's IEP at the time of enrollment. A copy of the current IEP shall be provided to the LEA.

Unless placement is made pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings order or a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and Parent, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the LEA student's Parent or another adult with educational decision-making rights.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.).

#### 42. STATE MEAL MANDATE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49005 et seq.; 49501.5, the universal meal mandate enacted by AB 130 (2021-2022); 49530 et seq; and 49550 et seq.

#### 43. MONITORING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct at least one onsite monitoring visit during each school year to the NPS at which LEA has a student attending and with which it maintains a master contract. The monitoring visit shall include, but is not limited to, a review of services provided to the student through the ISA between LEA and the NPS, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's IEP, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's BIP, if applicable, an observation of the pupil during instruction, and a walkthrough of the facility. LEA (or SELPA) shall report the findings resulting from the monitoring visit to the California Department of Education within 60 calendar days of the onsite visit.

LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct an onsite visit to the NPS before placement of a student if LEA does not have any students enrolled at the NPS at the time of placement. (Ed. Code § 56366.1.)

CONTRACTOR shall allow LEA representatives access to its facilities for additional periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program. LEA shall have access to observe each LEA student at work, observe the instructional setting, interview CONTRACTOR, and review each LEA student's records and progress held by CONTRACTOR. LEA's access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR's site administrative office. CONTRACTOR and LEA shall be invited to participate in the review of each LEA student's progress.

If CONTRACTOR is also an LCI and/or NPS/RTC, the CDE shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR follows Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b). LEA may also conduct its own onsite review of a NPS using LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction ("Superintendent") shall monitor CONTRACTOR'S facilities, the educational environment, and the quality of the educational program, including the teaching

staff, the credentials authorizing service, the standards-based core curriculum being employed, and the standard focused instructional materials used on a three-year cycle, as follows: (1) CONTRACTOR shall complete a self-review in year one; (2) Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall participate in any LEA or CDE compliance review, if applicable, to be conducted as aligned with the CDE Onsite Review and monitoring cycle in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(j). This review will address programmatic aspects of the NPS, compliance with relevant State and federal regulations, and Contract compliance. If requested by LEA, CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School/Agency Self-Review Assessment to LEA and CDE. CONTRACTOR shall conduct any follow-up or corrective action procedures related to review findings.

CONTRACTOR understands that LEA reserves the right to institute a program audit with or without cause. The program audit may include, but is not limited to, a review of core compliance areas of health and safety; curriculum/instruction; related services; and contractual, legal, and procedural compliance.

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS, CONTRACTOR shall collect all applicable data and prepare the applicable portion of a School Accountability Report Card as appropriate in accordance with California Education Code Section 33126.

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#### 44. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

#### If CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPA, all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who will or are likely to interact with LEA students shall obtain clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI"). Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information and notwithstanding the express provisions of California Education Code sections 44237, 45125.1, and 56366.1, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors to submit fingerprints through LEA's Live Scan system, regardless of whether CONTRACTOR requires its employees and volunteers to submit fingerprints for background checks in accordance with its own procedures. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who will interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee to enroll in LEA's subsequent arrest notification service as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

No employees, volunteers, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who have been convicted of a violent or serious felony, as those terms are defined in California Education Code Section 44237 subdivision (h) shall interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee, unless despite the employee's, volunteer's, or subcontractor's conviction of a violent or serious felony, they have met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237 subdivisions (i) or (j). CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not interact with LEA students unless and until CDOJ and DBI clearances are ascertained through LEA's Live Scan system.

#### If CONTRACTOR is a NPS or RTC:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS or RTC, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 44237, 35021.1, 35021.2, and 56366.1 including, but not limited to: obtaining clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI") for CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers who will have or likely may have any direct contact with LEA students. In addition, if CONTRACTOR is located outside of California, then the CONTRACTOR shall also obtain

clearance from its state's department of justice. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not come in contact with LEA students until CDOJ, it's state's DOJ, and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with students, or subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students have been convicted of a violent or serious felony as those terms are defined in California Education Code section 44237(h), unless despite the employee's conviction of a violent or serious felony, he or she has met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237(i) or (j). Upon request, clearance certification shall be submitted to the LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2. CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that CONTRACTOR'S employees, volunteers, and subcontractors have successful background checks and CONTRACTOR enrolled in subsequent arrest notification service for all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students.

Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notification service, as provided, for each owner, operator, employee, volunteer, and subcontractor of the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR is required to retain the evidence on-site, as specified, for all staff, including those licensed or credentialed by another state agency. Background clearances and proof of subsequent arrest notification service, as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2, for all staff shall be provided to the LEA upon request.

#### 45. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services hold a license, certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold in the service rendered consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1) and are qualified pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3001(r), 3064 and 3065. Such qualified staff may only provide related services within the scope of their professional license, certification or credential and ethical standards set by each profession, and not assume responsibility or authority for another related services provider or special education teacher's scope of practice.

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all staff are appropriately credentialed to provide instruction and services to students with the disabling conditions placed in their program/school through documentation provided to the CDE. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3064(a).)

In accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(a)(5), when CONTRACTOR is a NPS, an appropriately qualified person shall serve as curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development. The administrator of the NPS holds or is in the process of obtaining one of the following: (A) An administrative credential granted by an accredited postsecondary educational institution and two years of experience with pupils with disabilities. (B) A pupil personnel services credential that authorizes school counseling or psychology. (C) A license as a clinical social worker issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (D) A license in psychology regulated by the Board of Psychology. (E) A master's degree issued by an accredited postsecondary institution in education, special education, psychology, counseling, behavioral analysis, social work, behavioral science, or rehabilitation. (F) A credential authorizing special education instruction and at least two years of experience teaching in special education before becoming an administrator. (G) A license as a marriage and family therapist certified by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (H) A license as an educational psychologist issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (I) A license as a professional clinical counselor issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (California Education Code §56366.1(a)(5)) CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to the LEA upon request, documentation of its administrator's qualifications in accordance with the above.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with personnel standards and qualifications regarding instructional aides and teacher assistants respectively pursuant to federal requirements and California Education Code sections 45340 et seq. and 45350 et seq. Specifically, all paraprofessionals, including but not limited to, instructional aides and teacher assistants, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or subcontracted by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services, shall possess a high school diploma (or its recognized equivalent) and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least two (2) years of study at an institution of higher education; or (b) obtained an associate's (or higher) degree; or (c) met a rigorous standard of quality and can demonstrate, through a formal state or local assessment (i) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing, and mathematics; or (ii) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading readiness, writing readiness, and mathematics readiness, as appropriate. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State and serving a LEA student shall be certified or licensed by that state where it is located to provide special education and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

#### 46. VERIFICATION OF LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents which entitle the holder to provide special education and/or related services by individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or sub-contracted by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all licenses, credentials, permits or other documents are on file at the office of the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Section 44 (Clearance Requirements) and provide LEA with verified dates of Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and CDE in writing within thirty (30) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA within thirty (30) days if any such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, challenged pursuant to an administrative or legal complaint or lawsuit, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Contract. LEA shall not be obligated to pay for any services provided by a person whose such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the period which such person is providing services under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR'S failure to notify LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or and shall be good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall identify to LEA any employee (or CONTRACTOR, if CONTRACTOR is an individual) expected to perform services under this Agreement who is then-receiving California State Teachers' Retirement System ("CalSTRS") benefits, and who may perform creditable service for the LEA as defined in Education Code 22119.5. Identification to LEA shall include the individual's full legal name and STRS and social security identification numbers. Before any services by the individual are provided, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a signed written confirmation from the individual that he/she is aware of the separation-from-service requirement and earnings limitations imposed by Education Code sections 22714, 24114, 24116, 24214, 24214.5, and 24215. CONTRACTOR shall thereafter provide on a monthly basis to the employee and LEA the actual amounts paid to the individual for services rendered under this Contract, with LEA responsible for reporting the individual's earnings to CalSTRS as required by law or regulation, including but not limited to Education Code section 22461.

#### 47. STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS and CONTRACTOR's classroom teacher is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA documentation of substitute coverage. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time.

The LEA shall not be responsible for any payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided in accordance with California Education Code section 56061.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this agreement and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. It is understood that the parent of a LEA student shall not be deemed to be a qualified substitute for their student. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and authorized LEA representative.

## 48. STAFF PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR WHEN PROVIDING SERVICES AT SCHOOL OR SCHOOL RELATED EVENTS OR AT SCHOOL FACILITY AND/OR IN THE HOME

It is understood that all employees, subcontractors, and volunteers of any certified NPS/A shall adhere to the customary professional and ethical standards when providing services. All practices shall only be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession as well as any LEA professional standards as specified in Board policies and/or regulations when made available to the CONTRACTOR.

For services provided on a public-school campus, CONTRACTOR shall comply with California Penal Code section 627.1 *et seq.*, as well as all other LEA Procedures and school campus-specific policies and procedures regarding visitors to/on school campuses. Such LEA Procedures shall be made available to the CONTRACTOR upon request. It is understood that the LEA public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the instructional program, and all NPA service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher, who shall remain in charge of the instructional program. Failure to comply with this and all LEA requirements in this regard shall be sufficient cause for LEA to terminate this Contract.

CONTRACTOR providing services outside of the student's school as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authority to make decisions in an emergency is present during provision of services. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider. All problems and/or concerns reported by CONTRACTOR to Parents, in either verbal or written form, shall also be immediately (within 24 hours) reported to the LEA.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES**

#### 49. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State, and local, and laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures, and LEA Procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 et. seq., 49406, and Health and Safety Code section 121545(a) regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA

documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with a LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 1910.1030 *et seq.* and Cal/OSHA's Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations section 5193, when providing medical treatment or assistance to a student. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training regarding universal health care precautions and to post required notices in areas designated in the California Health and Safety Code.

See also the Health and Safety Addendum to Master Contract 2023-2024 in Exhibit C.

#### 50. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to students in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 550. During the duration of this Contract, if CONTRACTOR is subject to fines, penalties and findings of non-compliance, CONTRACTOR shall assume any and all responsibilities for payment of such financial obligations. CONTRACTOR shall also be responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR's facilities as required complying with applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Failure to notify the LEA and CDE of any changes in, major modification or relocation of facilities may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA.

In signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that its facilities either comply with federal and State of California and local laws regarding disability access, or possesses and has available upon demand, a self-evaluation and/or transition plan in accordance with said laws.

#### 51. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49422 et seq. when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student who is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the student with the administration of such medication after the student's Parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR: (a) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and (b) a written statement from the student's Parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to LEA upon request, copies of such written statements. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written log for each student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify the student's name; the type of medication; the date, time, and amount of each administration; and the name of CONTRACTOR's employee who administered the medication. CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for storing medications in a secure location and ensuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and Parent.

#### 52. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall submit within 24 hours, electronically, any accident or incident report to LEA. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports pursuant to and as specified in LEA Procedures.

### 53. CHILD ABUSE REPORTING

CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, including volunteers, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 *et seq.* and Education Code 44691. In addition, CONTRACTOR is to read and become familiar with the LEA's Mandated Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policies (BP 5141.4 and AR 5141.4.). To protect the privacy rights of all parties involved (i.e., reporter, child and alleged abuser), reports will remain confidential as required by law and professional ethical mandates. A written statement from CONTRACTOR acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA before execution of this Contract and upon subsequent request from LEA.

In the event there is a suspicion of abuse conducted by anyone (students, staff, CONTRACTOR or others) on or off campus, CONTRACTOR is to file the appropriate report to the Sacramento County Sheriff. CONTRACTOR is also to confidentially notify LEA's Legal Compliance Department ("Legal Compliance") of the report. CONTRACTOR is to cooperate with any investigation conducted by LEA in connection with such report.

# 54. SEXUAL HARASSMENT

CONTRACTOR shall have a Sexual and Gender Identity Harassment Policy that clearly describes the kinds of conduct that constitutes sexual harassment and that is prohibited by the CONTRACTOR's policy, as well as federal and State law. The policy should include procedures to make complaints without fear of retaliation, and for prompt and objective investigations of all sexual harassment complaints. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training to all employees regarding the laws concerning sexual harassment and related procedures pursuant to Government Code 12950.1.

# 55. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all of its staff members, including volunteers, independent contractors and subcontractors, are familiar with and agree to adhere to requirements for reporting missing children as specified in California Education Code section 49370 *et seq*. A written statement acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be properly submitted to the LEA by CONTRACTOR before execution of this Contract and in response to subsequent requests by LEA. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by LEA.

# **FINANCIAL**

# 56. ENROLLMENT, CONTRACTING, SERVICE TRACKING, ATTENDANCE REPORTING, AND BILLING PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall assure that the NPS/A has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the students enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP and ISA for each student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA Procedures concerning enrollment, contracting, attendance reporting, service tracking and billing including requirements of electronic billing as specified by LEA Procedures, as well as provide all such records requested by LEA concerning the same. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA which are provided on billable days of attendance. All payments to CONTRACTOR by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract and in compliance with LEA Procedures and governed by all applicable federal and State of California laws.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the NPS's enrollment procedures include verification of required immunizations (including but not limited to the adolescent pertussis booster vaccination (Tdap) for all students entering the seventh grade).

CONTRACTOR shall maintain separate registers for the basic education program, each related service, and services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides and bus aides. Original attendance forms (i.e., roll books for the basic education program, service tracking documents and notes for instructional assistants, behavioral intervention aides, bus aides, and each related service) shall be completed by the actual service provider whose signature shall appear on such forms and shall be available for review, inspection, or audit by LEA during the effective period of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter. CONTRACTOR shall verify the accuracy of minutes of reported attendance that is the basis of services being billed for payment.

CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided. Invoices and related documents shall be properly submitted electronically and in addition, on a LEA form with signatures in the manner prescribed by LEA. At a minimum, each invoice must contain the following information: type of service provided; month of service; specific days and times of services coordinated by the LEA approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by the LEA; name of staff who provided the service and the individual's licensing and credentials; approved cost of each invoice; total for each service and total for the monthly invoice; date invoice was mailed; signature of NPS/A administrator authorizing that the information is accurate and consistent with the ISA, CDE certificates and staff notification; verification that attendance report is attached as appropriate; indication of any made-up sessions consistent with this Contract; verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with the ISA (monthly or quarterly unless specified otherwise on the ISA); and name of each LEA student for whom the service was provided.

In the event services were not provided, each invoice shall include the rationale for why the services were not provided.

Such an invoice is subject to all conditions of this Contract. At the discretion of LEA, an electronic invoice may be required provided such notice has been made in writing and training provided to CONTRACTOR at no additional charge for such training.

Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the attendance accounting period in which the services were rendered. LEA shall make payment to CONTRACTOR based on the number of billable days of attendance and hours of service at rates specified in this contract within forty-five (45) days of LEA's receipt of properly submitted hard copy of invoices prepared and submitted as specified in California Education Code Section 56366.5. CONTRACTOR shall correct deficiencies and submit rebilling invoices no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the invoice is returned by LEA. LEA shall pay properly submitted re-billing invoices no later than forty-five (45) days after the date a completely corrected re-billing invoice is received by LEA.

In no case shall initial payment claim submission for any Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond December 31<sup>st</sup> after the close of the fiscal year. In no case shall any rebilling for the Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond six (6) months after the close of the fiscal year unless approved by LEA to resolve billing issues including re-billing issues directly related to a delay in obtaining information from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding teacher qualification, but no later than twelve (12) months from the close of the fiscal year. If the billing or re-billing error is the responsibility of LEA, then no limit is set if LEA and CONTRACTOR have communicated such concerns in writing during the 12-month period following the close of the fiscal year. LEA will not pay mileage for NPA employees.

# 57. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this Contract; (b) CONTRACTOR has billed for services rendered on days other than billable days of attendance or for days when student was not in attendance and/or did not receive services; (c) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (d) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by EC 56366.5(a); (e) education and/or related services are provided to students

by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (f) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program; (g) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change of residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA within five (5) days of such confirmation; (h) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student; or (i) CONTRACTOR fails to provide the required liability/insurance documentation as outlined in Section 15 of this Contract. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that are not received by six (6) months following the close of the prior fiscal year, for services provided in that year.

Final payment to CONTRACTOR in connection with the cessation of operations and/or termination of a Contract will be subject to the same documentation standards described for all payment claims for regular ongoing operations. In addition, final payment may be withheld by LEA until completion of a review or audit, if deemed necessary by LEA. Such review or audit will be completed within ninety (90) days. The final payment may be adjusted to offset any previous payments to CONTRACTOR determined to have been paid in error or in anticipation of correction of documentation deficiencies by the CONTRACTOR that remain uncorrected.

The amount which may be withheld by LEA with respect to each of the subparagraphs of the preceding paragraph are as follows: (a) the value of the service CONTRACTOR failed to perform; (b) the amount of overpayment; (c) the entire amount of the invoice for which satisfactory documentation has not been provided by CONTRACTOR; (d) the amount invoiced for services provided by the individual not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (e) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable LEA student for the time period from the date the violation occurred and until the violation is cured; or (f) the amount paid to CONTRACTOR by Medi-Cal or another agency or funding source for the service provided to the LEA student.

If LEA determines that cause exists to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR, LEA shall, within ten (10) business days of this determination, provide to CONTRACTOR written notice that LEA is withholding payment. Such notice shall specify the basis or bases for LEA's withholding payment and the amount to be withheld. Within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of such notice, CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary and appropriate action to correct the deficiencies that form the basis for LEA's withholding payment or submit a written request for extension of time to correct the deficiencies or submit to LEA written documentation demonstrating that the basis or bases cited by LEA for withholding payment is unfounded. Upon receipt of CONTRACTOR's written request showing good cause, LEA shall extend CONTRACTOR's time to correct deficiencies (usually an additional thirty (30) days), otherwise payment will be denied.

If after subsequent request for payment has been denied and CONTRACTOR believes that payment should not be withheld, CONTRACTOR shall send written notice to LEA specifying the reason it believes payment should not be withheld. LEA shall respond to CONTRACTOR's notice within thirty (30) business days by indicating that a warrant for the amount of payment will be made or stating the reason LEA believes payment should not be made. If LEA fails to respond within thirty (30) business days or a dispute regarding the withholding of payment continues after the LEA's response to CONTRACTOR's notice, CONTRACTOR may invoke the following escalation policy.

After forty-five (45) business days: The CONTRACTOR may notify the LEA's Authorized Representative of the dispute in writing. The LEA Authorized Representative shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within fifteen (15) business days.

After sixty (60) business days: Pursuant to the provisions of Education Code section 56366(c)(2), the LEA or CONTRACTOR may appeal to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools so long as the County Superintendent of Schools is not participating in the Local Plan involved in the NPS/A contract to negotiate the contract. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this appeal, the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or a designee, shall mediate the formulation of a contract, which shall be binding on both parties. Alternatively, the parties may agree to retain the services of a mutually agreed upon mediator to negotiate

the contract. Both parties agree to pay for their own costs and expenses arising out of any such mediation. Each party agrees to act in good faith in participating in any mediation process agreed to by the parties.

# 58. PAYMENT FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA when Medi-Cal or any other agency is billed for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. Upon request, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documentation regarding reports, billing, and/or payment by Medi-Cal or any other agency for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall provide prior written notice of the rights and protections required by Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 300.154(d) whenever it seeks to use the LEA students' public benefits to pay for special education and related services. Such notice shall be provided before seeking payment from Medi-Cal for the first time and annually.

# 59. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

# NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STAFF ABSENCE

Whenever a classroom teacher employed by CONTRACTOR is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation of substitute coverage pursuant to the LEA Procedures. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time. LEA will not pay for instruction and/or services unless said instruction or service is provided by an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher.

Whenever a related service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided unless otherwise agreed in a LEA student's IEP.

# NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) cumulative day of a LEA student's unexcused absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of such absence.

Criteria for a billable day for payment purposes is one (1) day of attendance as defined in California Education Code, sections 46010, 46010.3 and 46307. LEA shall not pay for services provided on days that a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance (ADA) reimbursement under state law. *Per Diem* rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted on a pro rata basis in accordance with the actual proportion of the school day the student was served. LEA shall not be responsible for payment of related services for days on which a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance ("ADA") reimbursement under state law, nor shall student be eligible for make-up services.

# NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. LEA shall not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and LEA. In the event services were not provided, reasons for why the services were not provided shall be included.

# NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPA, it shall notify LEA of the absence of a LEA student no later than the fifth  $(5^{th})$  consecutive service day of the student's absence. LEA shall not be responsible for the payment of services when a student is absent.

# 60. LEA and/or NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO EMERGENCY

The following shall apply in the event of a LEA or NPS school closure due to an emergency in accordance with Education Code sections 41422 and 46392:

- a. If CONTRACTOR remains open, if allowed, during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422 and serves LEA students appropriately as delineated in the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment, regardless of whether LEA is open or closed.
- b. If CONTRACTOR is closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, if LEA is able to obtain alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR's NPS closure. If LEA is unable to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the signed ISA, as though the student were continuing in regular attendance, until an alternative placement can be found, so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below.
- c. If both LEA and CONTRACTOR are closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, on days LEA is funded, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the LEA student's ISA, until an alternative placement for the LEA student can be found so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below. If LEA is able to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR'S NPS closure.
- d. CONTRACTOR shall, in the case of school closures during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, implement the LEA student's IEP in accordance with Education Code 56345(a)(9) pertaining to emergency conditions and continue implementing ISAs for enrolled students CONTRACTOR shall ensure its students have reliable internet accessibility as well as the physical technology (i.e. Chromebooks, i-Pad, hot-spots etc.) as required to access and participate.
- e. In the event of CONTRACTOR'S closure during an emergency, LEA reserves the right to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR for instruction and services not rendered pursuant to an LEA student's ISA, consistent with Section 59.

When the emergency school closure is lifted, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any lost instructional minutes for any LEA student. CONTRACTOR and LEAs shall work collaboratively to determine the need for make-up days or service changes and shall work together to amend IEP and ISA paperwork as appropriate.

# 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and LEA shall have the right to examine and audit all of the books, records, documents, accounting procedures and practices and other evidence that reflect all costs claimed to have been incurred or fees claimed to have been earned under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to those documents identified in Section 9 of this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall also make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.

CONTRACTOR shall make all records available at the office of LEA or CONTRACTOR (to be specified by LEA) at all reasonable times and without charge. CONTRACTOR shall provide all records to LEA within five (5) working days of a written request. CONTRACTOR shall, at no cost to LEA, help with such examination or audit. LEA's rights under this section shall also include access to CONTRACTOR's offices for purposes of interviewing CONTRACTOR's employees. If any document or evidence is stored in an electronic form, a hard copy shall be made available to LEA, unless LEA agrees to the use of the electronic format. Such access shall also include unannounced inspections by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain from its subcontractors and suppliers written agreements relating to the requirements of this section and shall provide a copy of such agreements to LEA upon request by LEA.

If an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm determines that CONTRACTOR owes LEA monies as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR written notice demanding payment from CONTRACTOR and specifying the basis or bases for such demand. Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, CONTRACTOR shall pay to LEA the full amount owed as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing and/or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, as determined by an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm. CONTRACTOR shall make such payment to LEA within thirty (30) days of receipt of LEA's written notice demanding payment.

# 62. RATE SCHEDULE

The attached Rate Schedule (Exhibit A) limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the Contract. It may also limit the maximum number of LEA students that can be provided specific services. Per Diem rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted proportionally. In such cases only, the adjustments in basic education rate shall be based on the required minimum number of minutes per grade level as set forth in paragraph 23, above, and noted in California Education Code Section 46200-46208.

Special education and/or related services offered by CONTRACTOR shall be provided by qualified personnel as per State and federal law, and the codes and charges for such educational and/or related services during the term of this Contract, shall be as stated in Exhibit A.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS associated with a RTC ("NPS/RTC"), Educationally Related Mental Health Services ("ERMHS") are provided in an integrated, intensive, educationally related therapeutic residential setting which includes social emotional/behavior support through individual counseling, group counseling, family consultation and support, as appropriate. It is a collaborative model which includes educational professionals and related service providers, where all supports and services are integrated in the NPS/RTC program. Costs for ERMHS are all inclusive and combined with the daily rate as ERMHS+RB ("ERMHS + Room and Board"). ERMHS plus Room and Board payments are based on positive attendance (payable for up to a maximum of 365 days) only, with up to a maximum of 10 days payment per LEA student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature. Any NPS or RTC requesting a change in rate for any services provided during a subsequent contract year must make a request in writing to the Sacramento County SELPA Directors, with a copy sent to LEA Director or designee, by January 15th of each calendar year. Increases will only be considered for approval for entities that have received a positive review on the LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

# 63. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that:

- (a) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers are <u>not</u> presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any federal agency, and
- (b) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers have not, within a three-year period preceding this Contract, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, any state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of federal or any state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.

The Parties hereto have executed this Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This Contract is effective on the  $1^{st}$  day of July, 2024 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR	LEA
CCHAT Center	Galt Joint Union Elementary School District
Nonpublic School/Agency	-
By: Lane Coullo 5/13/2024	By:
Signature Date	Signature Date
Laura Covello	By:
Name and Title of Authorized	Kuljeet Nijjar, Director of Educational Services  Name and Title of Authorized
Representative	Representative
Representative	representative
Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:	Notices to LEA shall be addressed to:
Laura Covello, Executive Director	Kuljeet Nijjar, Director of Educational Services
Name and Title	Name and Title
CCHAT Center	
	Galt Joint Union Elementary School District
Nonpublic School/Agency/Related Service Provider	LEA
11100 Coloma Road	1018 C Street, Suite 210
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# **Additional LEA Notification**

(Required if Completed)

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Social Work Services (525)

Psychological Services (530)

Interpreter Services (715)

Behavior Intervention Services (535)

Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)

Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing (710)

EXHIBIT A: 2024-2025 RATES			
4.1 RATE SCHEDULE FOR CONTRACT	YEAR		
The CONTRACTOR: CCHAT The CONTRACTOR CDS NUMBER: 990006	Center S2		
PER ED CODE 56366 – TEACHER-TO-PUPIL F	RATIO:		
Maximum Contract Amount:			
Education service(s) offered by the CONTRACT	OR and the charges for such service(s)	during the term of this contract shall be as fol	lows:
1) <u>Daily Basic Edu</u> cation Rate	<b>3</b> :		
2) <u>Inclusive Education Program</u>			
3) Related Services			
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Adapted Physical Education (425)		V	
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health	1 Care (435)		
Health and Nursing: Other Services (436)		-	
Assistive Technology Services (445)	-		
Occupational Therapy (450)			
Physical Therapy (460)		-	
Individual Counseling (510)		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Counseling and Guidance (515)	<u> </u>		
Parent Counseling (520)			

\$680.00

Day

Audiological Services (720)	\$180	Hour
Specialized Vision Services (725)	/ <del>.</del>	
Orientation and Mobility (730)	<u> </u>	· ·
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Other (900) Deaf Mentor	\$45.00	Session

# **EXHIBIT B: 2024-2025 ISA**

# INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (ISA) FOR NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL SERVICES (Education Code Sections 56365 et seq.)

This agreement is effective on July 1, 2024 or the date student begins attending a nonpublic school or receiving services from a nonpublic agency,

if after the date identified, and terminates	at 5:00 P.M. on	June 30, 2	2025, unless soon	er terminated as provide	ed in the Master (	Contract and by a	pplicable law.
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Pupil Name(Last)			(=: .)		Sex:	∥ □ F	Grade:
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Parent/Guardian			Phone (	(Residence)	(	) (Busine	
Address(If different from si	udent)		City	/		State/Zip	
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Intensive Individual Services (340)							

		Provid	er					
SERVICE	LEA	NPS	OTHER Specify	# of Times per wk/mo/yr., Duration; or per IEP; or as needed	Cost per session	Maximum Number of Sessions	Estimated Maximum Total Cost for Contracted Period	
Intensive Individual Services (340)								
Language/Speech Therapy (415) a. Individual b. Group								
Adapted Physical Ed. (425)								
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)								
Health and Nursing Services: Other (436)								
Assistive Technology Services (445)								
Occupational Therapy (450)								
Physical Therapy (460)								
Individual Counseling (510)								
Counseling and guidance (515).								
Parent Counseling (520)								

		Provid	er				
SERVICE	LEA	NPS	OTHER Specify	# of Times per wk/mo/yr., Duration; or per IEP; or as needed	Cost per session	Maximum Number of Sessions	Estimated Maximum Total Cost for Contracted Period
Social Work Services (525)							
Psychological Services (530)							
Behavior Intervention Services (535)							
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)							
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (710)							
Interpreter Services (715)							
Audiological Services (720)							
Specialized Vision Services (725)							
Orientation and Mobility (730)							
Braille Transcription (735)							
Specialized Orthopedic Service (740)							
Reader Services (745)							
Note Taking Services (750)							
Transcription Services (755)							
Recreation Services (760)							
College Awareness Preparation (820)							
Vocational Assessment, Counseling, Guidance and Career Assessment (830)							
Career Awareness (840)							
Work Experience Education (850)							
Mentoring (860)							
Agency Linkages (865)							
Travel Training (870)							
Other Transition Services (890)							
Other (900)J							
Other (900)							
Transportation-Emergency b. Transportation-Parent							
Bus Passes							
Other							

# TOTAL ESTIMATED MAXIMUM BASIC EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES COSTS\$ Other Provisions/Attachments: 5. MASTER CONTRACT APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD ON Other 6. Progress Reporting Quarterly Monthly Requirements: (Specify) The parties hereto have executed this Individual Services Agreement by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives as set forth below. -CONTRACTOR--LEA/SELPA-(Name of Nonpublic School/Agency) (Name of LEA/SELPA) (Date) (Signature) (Date) (Signature) (Name of Superintendent or Authorized Designee) (Name and Title)



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# Nonpublic, Non-Sectarian School/Agency Services

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# GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025



# MOU

California's new Surgeon General, Nadine Burke Harris, quotes Dr. Robert Block, former President of the American Academy of Pediatrics: "Adverse childhood experiences are the single greatest unaddressed public health threat facing our nation." "Research indicates that 36 percent of children in California have been exposed to one or more ACEs." Learn what the Adverse Childhood Experiences Study (ACEs) tells us as individuals who seek to improve our own personal health, relationships and environments where we live and work and how to address.

Galt Union Elementary School District has identified a need for building knowledge of trauma-informed practices to meet the needs of students, staff, families and community. The following is an agreement for addressing an integrated approach from early intervention to continuous practices of increasing resiliency addressing focused community, systems, grief and racial traumas. The goal of this approach is to develop a sustainable, collaborative staff directed program. This program looks at all the functioning systems of support within current school-based programs, increases capacity by aligning current supports and services by integrating a trauma-informed practice throughout, increases comprehension of theory and practice through communication, systems change and awareness building including pre and post assessment.

The impact of ACEs on children can manifest in difficulties focusing, self-regulating, trusting others, and can lead to negative cognitive effects. One study found that a child with 4 or more ACEs was 32 times more likely to be labeled with a behavioral or cognitive problem than a child with no ACEs.1. Center Joint Unified School District is looking for ways to educate staff about ACEs and help them to meet these children with more effective and supportive practices. This important work like previous efforts of school reform can be improved by supportive coaching for successful implementation of new ideas and practices. 2. One effective response to trauma is to help build resilience. 3 "In childhood, resiliency can come from having a caring adult in a child's life. Resiliency can also come from having meaningful moments such as an academic achievement, receiving praise or feeling connected with a safe, stable and nurturing relationship."

Founder of Creative Behavior Systems, Susan Jones brings 20+ years of attachment-focused behavioral science, trauma-informed, and resilience-building expertise to organizations seeking support in improving environments by increasing awareness. Susan is a longtime ACEs trainer, Consultant and former educator who has worked with leaders and teams in criminal justice, nonprofits, families, community organizations, counties, state, schools and school districts. A public education veteran, Susan's work improves our ability to build relationships by addressing a trauma aware understanding of behavior to create more relational and resilient environments.



Client Name: Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

Project Name: CYBMHI Round 2

Job Number: 03012024 Contact: Kuljeet Nijjar

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Date: 03/26/2024

# **Project Summary**

Program wide trauma informed practices with focused support on impacts of ACEs in current systems connected to behavioral health in all areas by training and supporting staff, students and families in the improvement of resilience including access to care, attendance, behavior, engagement and wellness by an institutionalized Trauma Informed approach throughout the district. Implement and institutionalize trauma informed restorative justice practices.

Consolidate trauma informed approaches and grants under one umbrella.

Build in-house capacity for ongoing training and mentoring of trauma-informed approaches. Develop and implement a system for early identification and intervention for referral and treatment of children and families for behavioral health.

Implement in-classroom calming centers in all elementary classrooms, improve staff wellness/mitigate secondary trauma through staff wellness programs and approaches.

# **Core Components**

Institutionalize Trauma Informed approaches in the district with in-house capacity for ongoing training and mentoring of trauma-informed approaches

# Creative Behavior Systems Workshops and Consulting by Susan Jones

Foundational workshop *ACES*, *Behavior and Us!* leading to a total of 8 workshops, trainings and 5 hours per month of continuous mentoring of restorative, mindful based practices enhancing student, staff and family wellness with 2 book studies, (1 per school year or TBD). Certificated and Classified (All staff), coordinated family workshops, scheduling based on availability.

-Monthly consulting of contract implementation with chosen 'core team' members, an ongoing trainer of trainer's implementation of trauma informed mindful practices, restorative healing, social and emotional learning support, focused trauma informed practices throughout **Galt Joint Union Elementary School District**, scheduling based on availability.

-One facilitated Book Study per school site. Some book choices are: <u>What Happened To You</u> by Dr. Bruce Perry and Oprah Winfrey, <u>Educated</u> by Tara Westover, <u>The Body Keeps The Score</u> by Dr. Bessell Van Der Kolk, plus additional books based on availability.



## **Parties**

Creative Behavior Systems LLC ("Creative Behavior Systems") and Galt Joint Union Elementary School District ("client").

# Activities and Deliverables by Creative Behavior Systems:

- -Plan for workshops, Trainer of Trainers trainings, coaching, mentoring and consultation
- -Facilitation of and prep/planning of coordination of contracted services
- -Debrief work to include creation of and/or management of ongoing staff assessment and surveys

### Fees and Invoice Schedule

This project has an hourly rate of Core Components delivered by **Creative Behavior Systems** of \$450.00. Invoiced in accordance with grant funding, not to exceed \$137,000.00.

# Fees and Invoice Schedule

This project has an hourly rate paid through grant funding, invoiced in accordance of grant funding.

# Terms and Conditions

This MOU is provided for Galt Joint Union Elementary School District's

("client") budgeting convenience. We reserve the right to revisit the bid if a change in scope occurs. It shall be **Creative Behavior Systems** responsibility to appraise Client of any changes in scope or timeline that will result in increased costs.

# Outside the Proposal Scope

The following are outside the scope of this proposal and can be provided for an additional fee: Time, consultation and materials exceeding agreed upon contract.

# Changes in Scope

Changes in the project, scope/objectives or changes to items that were previously approved by Client will constitute a change order. Change orders will be scoped and bid as additional projects. Turnaround time for change orders will be subject to **Creative Behavior Systems** resource availability. In the event that work stoppage is unavoidable-due to delay by Client in providing instruction, input, documentation or feedback needed to carry out work outlined in this Proposal-Creative Behavior Systems reserves the right to revisit this projects schedule as a change order.

# Intellectual Property/Assignment of Rights

Creative Behavior Systems represents and warrants that, as known to, on the date the deliverables are presented to the client, the deliverables do not infringe, misappropriate, or violate the rights of any third party under any copyright, patent, trademark, trade secret, or equivalent intellectual property law. This representation and warranty does not apply, however, to an infringement, misappropriation, or violation caused solely by content, materials, or specifications provided to Creative Behavior Systems; or known to Client (or if a claim to the infringement or



misappropriation is known to Client) before Client's first commercial use of the deliverables. Client bears the sole risk as to any third-party property, rights, or claims that would have been initially revealed to Creative Behavior Systems through a trademark, patent, or other form of intellectual-property search respecting the deliverables, and Creative Behavior Systems is not obligated to perform any such search. If applicable, Creative Behavior Systems agrees that all intellectual-property rights in any single design direction by Client for refinement shall belong to and vest in Client. Creative Behavior Systems hereby assigns, transfers, and conveys to Client all copyright rights in the one chosen design direction, including but not limited to works qualifying as "works made for hire" as defined in the U.S. Copyright Laws (U.S.C. Title 17-Copyrights).

# Use of Client's Name

When deliverables are no longer confidential, **Creative Behavior Systems** may use Client's name or logo, disclose the general nature of **Creative Behavior Systems** services to Client, and/or display examples of work provided to Client under this agreement, in conjunction with **Creative Behavior Systems** promotional or marketing activities.

# Payment Terms and Invoicing

Payments of invoices are due upon receipt for this project.

# Cancellation

In the event of cancellation, all work to date of cancellation will be billed and payable. The non-refundable commencement fee will be retained by **Creative Behavior Systems**.

## Expenses

Client will be responsible for any project-related airfare, travel, hotel, meal, meeting, material and/or other related expenses and fees.

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Approvals and Signatures, Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

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	Name (Please Print) Kylet Wijar
	Title Director of Ed. Serve
	Date
Approvals and Signatures, Creative E	Behavior Systems
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# GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025

# MASTER CONTRACT

GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONSECTARIAN, NONPUBLIC SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES

LEA GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Contract Year
Nonpublic School ("NPS")
X Nonpublic Agency ("NPA")  Type of Contract:
Master Contract for fiscal year with Individual Service Agreements (ISA) to be approved throughout the term of this Contract.
Individual Master Contract for a specific student incorporating the Individual Service Agreement (ISA) into the terms of this Individual Master Contract specific to a single student.
Interim Extension of the Master Contract: an extension of the previous fiscal years approved contracts and rates. The sole purpose of this Interim Contract is to provide for ongoing funding at the prior year's rates for 90 days at the sole discretion of the LEA in accordance with Section 4 of this Master Contract.

When this section is included as part of any Master Contract, the changes specified above shall amend Section 4 – Term of Master Contract

Expiration Date:

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2024-2025 CONTRACT NUMBER: 5

**LEA:** GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGANCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER: Easter Seals Superior CA

NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

### **AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract (or "Contract") is entered into on July 1, 2024, between GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT hereinafter referred to as the local educational agency ("LEA") or "District" and Easter Seals Superior CA (nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency), hereinafter referred to as "NPS/A" or "CONTRACTOR," for the purpose of providing special education and/or related services to LEA students with exceptional needs under the authorization of California Education Code sections 56157, 56361 and 56365 et seq. and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq., AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003) and AB1858 (Chapter 914, Statutes of 2004). It is understood that this Contract does not commit LEA to pay for special education and/or related services provided to any LEA student, or CONTRACTOR to provide such special education and/or related services, unless and until an authorized LEA representative approves the provision of special education and/or related services by CONTRACTOR.

Upon acceptance of a LEA student, LEA shall submit to CONTRACTOR an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA"), and a Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form. CONTRACTOR shall work with LEA to complete and return these forms to LEA prior to initiating any services for any student, unless otherwise agreed by LEA and CONTRACTOR. These forms shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR's obligation to provide all services specified in the LEA student's Individualized Education Program (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, the LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and/or electronic database for ISA developing including invoicing.

Unless placement and/or services is ordered pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "OAH") order, a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and parent, or authorized by LEA for a transfer LEA student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement or NPS/A services until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement and/or NPS/A services is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the Parent. 2.CERTIFICATION AND LICENSES CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a NPS/A. All NPS/A placements and services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification and licensure specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code, section 56366 et seq and within the professional scope of practice of each provider's license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR's NPS/A certification or a waiver of such certification issued by the CDE pursuant to Education Code section 56366.2 must be provided to LEA on or before the date this Contract is executed by CONTRACTOR. This Contract shall be null and void if such certification such certification or waiver is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Contract

Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated on CDE certification and in Section 24 of the Contract.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of the State of California shall be certified and all staff persons providing services to pupils shall be certified and/or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall be licensed by the State of California, or other public agency having delegated authority by contract with the State of California to license, to provide nonmedical care room and board to children, including, but not limited to, individuals with exceptional needs. The LCI must also comply with all licensing requirements relevant to the protection of the child, and have a special permit, if necessary, to meet the needs of each child so placed. If the CONTRACTOR operates a program outside of the State of California, CONTRACTOR must obtain all required licenses from the appropriate licensing agency in both California and in the state where the LCI is located.

With respect to CONTRACTOR's certification, failure to notify LEA and CDE in writing of any changes in: (1) credentialed/licensed staff; (2) ownership; (3) management and/or control of the agency; (4) major modification or relocation of facilities; or (5) significant modification of the program may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by the LEA. Any suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's CDE certification shall also be good cause for the immediate suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA, at LEA's discretion.

# 3. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

During the term of this Contract, unless otherwise agreed, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State of California, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, policies and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all applicable LEA and SELPA policies, regulations, and procedures (collectively referred to as "LEA Procedures") unless, taking into consideration all of the surrounding facts and circumstances, a policy or policies or a portion of a policy does not reasonably apply to CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that it accepts all risks and responsibilities for its failure to comply with LEA Procedures and shall indemnify LEA under the provisions of Section 16 of this Contract for all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with applicable LEA Procedures (e.g., those policies relating to; the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, student enrollment and transfer, student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions).

CONTRACTOR acknowledges and understands that LEA may report to CDE any violations of the provisions of this Contract; and that this may result in the suspension and/or revocation of CDE NPA/S certification pursuant to California Education Code section 56366.4(a).

# 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Contract shall be from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the LEA is required to renew this Contract in subsequent contract years. The parties acknowledge that any subsequent Master Contract is to be re-negotiated prior to June 30, 2025. In the event the contract negotiations are not agreed to by June 30<sup>th</sup>, the most recently executed Master Contract will remain in effect for 90 days. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d)) No Master Contract will be offered unless and until all of the contracting requirements have been satisfied. The offer of a Master Contract to a CONTRACTOR is at the sole discretion of the LEA.

The provisions of this Contract apply to CONTRACTOR and any of its employees or independent contractors. Notice of any change in CONTRACTOR's ownership or authorized representative shall be provided in writing to LEA within thirty (30) calendar days of change of ownership or change of authorized representative.

# 5. INTEGRATION/CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

This Contract incorporates LEA Procedures herein by this reference. Each ISA is also incorporated herein by this reference. This Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LEA may modify LEA Procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA with information as requested in writing to secure a Contract or a renewal.

At a minimum, such information shall include copies of current teacher credentials and clearance, insurance documentation, and CDE certification. LEA may require additional information as applicable. If the application packet is not completed and returned to LEA, no Contract will be issued. If CONTRACTOR does not return the Contract to LEA duly signed by an authorized representative within ninety (90) calendar days of issuance by LEA, the new contract rates will not take effect until the newly executed Contract is received by LEA and will not be retroactive to the first day of the new Contract's effective date. If CONTRACTOR fails to execute the new Contract within such ninety-day period, all payments shall cease until such time as the new Contract for the current school year is signed and returned to LEA by CONTRACTOR. (California Education Code §56366(c)(1) and (2)). In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed Contract between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized LEA students at the discretion of LEA.

# 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICE AGREEMENT ("ISA")

This Contract shall include an ISA developed for each LEA student to whom CONTRACTOR is to provide special education and/or related services. An ISA shall only be issued for LEA students enrolled with the approval of LEA pursuant to Education Code section 56366(a)(2)(A). An ISA may be effective for more than one contract year provided that there is a concurrent Contract in effect. In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed ISAs between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized students.

Any and all changes to a student's educational placement/program/services provided under this Contract and/or an ISA shall be made solely on the basis of a revision to the student's IEP or by written agreement between the Parent and LEA. At any time during the term of this Contract, a Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of a student's IEP subject to all procedural safeguards required by law.

Unless otherwise provided in this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code §56366(a)(5) and California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3062(e).) In the event CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the term of the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided. CONTRACTOR shall provide any and all subsequent compensatory service hours awarded to an LEA student as a result of lack of provision of services while the student was served by CONTRACTOR.

If a Parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the OAH, CONTRACTOR shall abide by the "stay-put" requirement of the State of California and federal law unless the Parent and LEA voluntarily agree otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting ("IAES") is

deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Title 20 of the United States Codes Sections 1415(k)(1)(G), 1415(k)(2), and 1415(k)(3)(B)(ii)(II). CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the formulation of an ISA, or the Contract may be appealed to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or the California State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code section 56366(c)(2).

Exhibit B includes the ISA form.

# 7. **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

- a. The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency ("NPS/A") certified by the California Department of Education ("CDE"), and its officers, agents and employees.
- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for NPS/A. It is understood, a representative of the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) of which LEA is a member is an authorized LEA representative in collaboration with LEA. LEA maintains sole responsibility for this Contract, unless otherwise specified in this Contract.
- c. The term "credential" means a valid credential, life diploma, permit, or document in special education or pupil personnel services issued by, or under the jurisdiction of, the California State Board of Education if issued prior to 1970 or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, which entitles the holder thereof to perform services for which certification qualifications are required as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(g).
- d. The term "qualified" means that a person holds a certificate, permit or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to provide special education and related services and has met federal and state certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements which apply to the area in which the individual is providing special education or related services, including those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 3064 and 3065, and adheres to the standards of professional practice established in federal and state law or regulation, including the standards contained in the California Business and Professions Code.

Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities in services of a graduate needing direct hours leading to licensure, or of a student teacher or intern leading to a graduate degree at an accredited or approved college or university, as authorized by State laws or regulations. (California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3001(r).)

e. The term "license" means a valid non-expired document issued by a licensing agency within the California Department of Consumer Affairs or other State of California licensing office authorized to grant licenses and authorizing the bearer of the document to provide certain professional services or refer to themselves using a specified professional title. This includes, but is not limited to, mental health and board and care services at a residential placement. If a license is not available through an appropriate State of California licensing agency, a certificate of registration with the appropriate professional organization at the national or State of California level which has standards established for the certificate that are equivalent to a license shall be deemed to be a license as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(1).

# f. "Parent" means:

- i. a biological or adoptive parent; unless the biological or adoptive parent does not have legal authority to make educational decisions for the child,
- ii. a foster parent if the authority of the biological or adoptive parents to make educational decisions on the child's behalf has been specifically limited by court order in accordance with Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 300.30(b)(1) or (b)(2),
- iii. a guardian generally authorized to act as the child's parent or authorized to make educational decisions for the child,
- iv. an individual acting in the place of a biological or adoptive parent, including a grandparent, stepparent, or other relative with whom the child lives, or an individual who is legally responsible for the child's welfare,
- v. a surrogate parent.

Parent does not include the state or any political subdivision of government or a NPS/A under contract with the LEA for the provision of special education or designated instruction and services for a child. (California Education Code §56028.)

- g. The term "days" means calendar days unless otherwise specified.
- h. The phrase "billable day" means a school day in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs.
- i. The phrase "billable day of attendance" means a school day as defined in California Education Code Section 46307, in which an LEA student is in attendance and in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs unless otherwise stipulated in an IEP or ISA.
- j. It is understood that the term "Master Contract" also means "Contract" and is referred to as such in this document.

# ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

## 8. NOTICES

All notices provided for by this Contract shall be in writing. Notices shall be mailed, emailed or delivered by hand and shall be effective as of the date of receipt by addressee.

All notices mailed or emailed to LEA shall be addressed to the person and address as indicated on the signature page of this Contract. Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on the signature page of this Contract.

# 9. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

All records shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR as required by State and federal laws and regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, CONTRACTOR shall maintain all records for at least five (5) years after the termination of this Contract. For purposes of this Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to pupil records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; registers and roll books of teachers and/or daily service providers; chart notes, Medi-Cal logs, daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record the provision of related services including supervision; daily service logs and notes used to record the provision of services provided through additional instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, and bus aides; behavior emergency reports (BER); incident reports; notification of injuries; absence verification records (Parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents) if CONTRACTOR is funded for excused absences, however, such records are not required if positive attendance is required; transcripts; grade and progress reports; behavioral data; IEP/IFSPs; assessment reports; bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held and documents evidencing other staff qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; records of employee training and certification including verification of behavior

training consistent with 56366.1; staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets; transportation and other related services subcontracts; school calendars; bell/class schedules when applicable; liability and worker's compensation insurance policies; state NPS/A certifications; business licenses held; by-laws, if applicable; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; all budgetary information, including operating budgets; statements of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books; general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/State payroll quarterly reports (Form 941/DE3DP); and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA student records in a secure location to ensure confidentiality and prevent unauthorized access. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a current list of the names and positions of CONTRACTOR's employees who have access to confidential records. CONTRACTOR shall maintain an access log for each LEA student's record which lists all persons, agencies, or organizations requesting or receiving information from the record. Such log shall be maintained as required by California Education Code section 49064 and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the student's record, and a description of the record(s) provided. Such log needs to record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's Parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record. CONTRACTOR/LEA shall maintain copies of any written parental concerns granting access to LEA student records. For purposes of this Section, "employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR" do not include subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall grant the following access to student records, (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record and comply with Parent requests for copies of LEA student records, as required by State of California and federal laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of NPS/A closure, to forward all LEA student records held by CONTRACTOR within ten (10) business days to LEA. LEA and/or SELPA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all records upon request within five (5) business days.

# 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision of this Contract is held, in whole or in part, to be unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of that provision and of the entire Contract shall be severable and remain in effect.

# 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This Contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any change of ownership or corporate control within ten (10) business days of such change.

### 12. VENUE AND GOVERNING LAW

The laws of the State of California shall govern the terms and conditions of this contract with venue in the County where LEA is located.

# 13. MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

This Contract may be modified or amended by LEA to conform to administrative and statutory guidelines issued by any state, federal or local governmental agency. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR thirty (30) days' notice of any such changes or modifications made to conform to administrative or statutory guidelines and a copy of the statute, guideline, or regulation upon which the modifications or changes are based.

# 14. TERMINATION

This Contract or ISA may be terminated for cause. Cause shall include but not be limited to non-maintenance of current NPS/A certification, failure of either LEA or CONTRACTOR to maintain the

standards required under the Contract and/or ISA, or other material breach of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. For purposes of NPS placement, the cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the Contract unless the Parent agrees to the transfer of the LEA student to the public-school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the Contract or ISA, either party shall give no less than twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other party. (California Education Code §56366(a)(4).) If this Contract is terminated with twenty (20) days' notice, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract on the date of termination.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Contract or ISA may be terminated immediately, without twenty (20) days prior notice and at LEA's discretion, if LEA determines that there are significant health or safety concerns or there has been a suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's NPS/A certification. If this Contract is terminated immediately, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract within five (5) business days of termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing regarding termination of an ISA, CONTRACTOR is bound by the "stay put" provisions described in Section 6 of this Contract.

### 15. INSURANCE

CONTRACTOR shall, at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense, maintain in full force and effect, during the term of this Contract, the following insurance coverage from a California licensed and/or admitted insurer with an A minus (A-), VII, or better rating from A.M. Best, sufficient to cover any claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including counsel fees) arising out of or in connection with CONTRACTOR's fulfillment of any of its obligations under this Contract or either party's use of the work or any component or part thereof:

# PART I - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AND AGENCIES

A. Commercial General Liability Insurance, including both bodily injury and property damage, with limits as follows:

\$2,000,000 per occurrence

\$ 500,000 fire damage

\$ 5,000 medical expenses

\$1,000,000 personal & adv. Injury

\$3,000,000 general aggregate

\$2,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

CONTRACTOR's general liability policy shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from LEA's coverage, and be endorsed using Insurance Services Office form CG 20 10 or CG 20 26 (or equivalent) to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and agents shall be additional insureds under such policies. The policy may not contain an exclusion for coverage of claims arising from claims for sexual molestation or abuse. In the event that CONTRACTOR's policy should have an exclusion for sexual molestation or abuse claims, then CONTRACTOR shall be required to procure a supplemental policy providing such coverage.

# B. Commercial Auto Liability Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage for owned, non-owned, and hired autos using ISO Business Auto Coverage form CA 00 01 (or equivalent) with a limit of no less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per accident. If no owned automobiles, then only hired and non-owned is required. If CONTRACTOR uses a vehicle to travel to/from school sites, between schools, and/or to/from students' homes or other locations as approved service locations by the LEA, CONTRACTOR must comply with the State of California auto insurance requirements.

C. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance with Statutory Limits and Employers' Liability Insurance with a

limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with the certificate of insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of LEA

### D. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

# E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per claim and in the aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

# F. For all Insurance Coverage in Part I:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days' prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) All self-insured retentions over \$100,000 must be declared and approved by LEA.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) CONTRACTOR shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein. However, insurance requirements may be determined on a "per subcontractor" basis, considering the particular work to be done by the subcontractor.
- 6) All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

# PART II - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AFFILIATED WITH A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY ("RTC")

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS affiliated with a residential treatment center ("NPS/RTC"), the following insurance policies are required:

# A. Commercial General Liability

CONTRACTOR shall maintain commercial general liability insurance with coverage at least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) form CG 00 01, in an amount not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage, including without limitation, blanket contractual liability. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location, or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. CONTRACTOR'S general liability policies shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from the LEA'S coverage and be endorsed with a form at least as broad as ISO form 20 10 or CG 20 26 to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers shall be additional insureds under such policies.

The policy shall be endorsed to name LEA and LEA's Board of Trustees as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by LEA which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and NPS/RTC's insurance primary despite any conflicting provisions in the NPS/RTC's policy. Coverage shall be maintained with no Self-Insured Retention above \$100,000 without the prior written approval of LEA.

Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies by CONTRACTOR shall not affect coverage provided to the LEA.

Coverage shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the LEA.

- B. Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with provisions of the California Labor Code adequate to protect the NPS/RTC from claims that may arise from its operations pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act (Statutory Coverage). The Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage must also include Employers' Liability coverage with limit of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with Certificate of Insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of the LEA.
- C. Business Auto Liability Coverage CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if the NPS/RTC does not operate a student bus service. If the NPS/RTC provides student bus services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.
- **D.** Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage CONTRACTOR shall maintain Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage to cover all employees who process or otherwise have responsibility for NPS/RTC funds, supplies, equipment, or other assets. Minimum amount of coverage shall be \$250,000 per occurrence, with no self-insured retention.
- Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per claim and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

# F. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance with limits not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

# G. For all Insurance Coverage in Part II:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000 must be declared to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions with respect to the LEA, its officials, and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigation.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to the commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) For any claims related to the services performed in connection with this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be the primary insurance with respect to the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees shall be in excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute to it.

All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

If LEA or CONTRACTOR determines that a change in insurance coverage obligations under this section is necessary, either party may reopen negotiations to modify the insurance obligations.

# 16. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

A. When the law establishes a professional standard of care for CONTRACTOR'S Services, to the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its officials, employees and volunteers from and against any and all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, and expenses, including legal counsel's fees and costs but only to the extent the CONTRACTOR is responsible for such damages, liabilities and costs on a comparative basis of fault between the CONTRACTOR and the LEA in the performance of professional services under this Contract.

#### B. INDEMNITY FOR OTHER THAN PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

Other than in the performance of professional services and to the full extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its employees, officials, and volunteers from and against any liability (including liability for claims, suits, actions, arbitration proceedings, administrative proceedings, regulatory proceedings, losses, expenses or costs of any kind, whether actual, alleged or threatened, including legal counsel's fees and costs, court costs, defense costs, and expert witness fees), where the same arise out of, are a consequence of, or are in any way attributable to, in whole or in part, the performance of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or by any individual or LEA for which CONTRACTOR is legally liable, including, but not limited to officers, agents, employees, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR, except when caused by the active negligence or willful misconduct of the LEA.

#### 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing herein contained will be construed to imply a joint venture, partnership or principal-agent relationship between LEA and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide all services under this Contract as an independent contractor, and neither party shall have the authority to bind or make any commitment on behalf of the other. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employer and employee between the Parties or any affiliates of the Parties, or between LEA and any individual assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform any services for LEA.

If LEA is determined to be a partner, joint venture, co-principal, employer or co-employer of CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless LEA from and against any and all claims for loss, liability, or damages arising from that determination, as well as any expenses, costs, taxes, penalties and interest charges incurred by LEA as a result of that determination.

# 18. SUBCONTRACTING

CONTRACTOR shall not enter into any subcontracting relationship without first obtaining final written approval of LEA. Should CONTRACTOR wish to subcontract for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Contract, it must provide written notification to LEA before any subcontracting arrangement is made. In the event LEA determines that it can provide the subcontracted service(s) at a lower rate, LEA may elect to provide such service(s). If LEA elects to provide such service(s), LEA shall provide written notification to CONTRACTOR within five (5) days of receipt of CONTRACTOR's original notice and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said service(s).

Should LEA approve in concept of CONTRACTOR subcontracting for services, CONTRACTOR shall submit the proposed subcontract to LEA for approval. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR is developing subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including, but not limited to, transportation) for any LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall cause each subcontractor to procure and maintain indemnification and insurance requirements which comply with the provisions of Sections 15 and 16 of this Contract during the term of each subcontract. If a proposed subcontract is approved by LEA, each subcontractor shall furnish LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 15 of this Contract. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. Unless otherwise agreed to by LEA, the endorsements are to be on forms provided by LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall name the LEA/SELPA and the LEA Board of Education as additional insureds.

As an alternative to LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide, with prior LEA approval, complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage required by

this Contract. All Certificates of Insurance must reference the LEA contract number, name of the NPS/A submitting the certificate, designation of NPS or NPA, and the location of the NPS/A submitting the certificate. In addition, all subcontractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 45 (Clearance Requirements) and Section 46 (Staff Qualifications) of this Contract. No subcontract shall be considered final without LEA approval.

#### 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA upon request a copy of its current bylaws and a current list of its Board of Directors (or Trustees), if it is incorporated. CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code section 56042 and Government Code Section 1090 including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provision of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at IEP team meetings acting as a student's advocate. Pursuant to California Education Code section 56042, an attorney or advocate for a Parent of an individual with exceptional needs shall not recommend placement at CONTRACTOR's facility if the attorney or advocate is employed or contracted by the CONTRACTOR, or will receive a benefit from the CONTRACTOR, or otherwise has a conflict of interest.

LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for an LEA student when a recommendation for special education and/or related services is based in whole or in part on assessment(s) or reports provided by CONTRACTOR to the LEA student without prior written authorization by LEA. This section shall apply to CONTRACTOR regardless of when an assessment is performed or a report is prepared (i.e., before or after the LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR's NPS/A) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid conflict of interest, and in order to ensure the appropriateness of an Independent Educational Evaluation (hereinafter referred to as "IEE") and its recommendations, LEA may not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the LEA student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, LEA may not fund services through the evaluator whose IEE LEA agrees to fund. When no other appropriate assessor is available, LEA may request and if CONTRACTOR agrees, CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that its authorized representative has read and understands California Education Code section 56366.3 which provides, in relevant part, that no special education and/or related services provided by CONTRACTOR shall be paid for by LEA if provided by an individual who is or was an employee of LEA within the three hundred sixty-five (365) days prior to executing this Contract. This provision does not apply to any person who is able to provide designated instruction and services during the extended school year because he or she is otherwise employed for up to ten months of the school year by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall not admit a student living within the jurisdictional boundaries of the LEA on a private pay or tuition free "scholarship" basis and concurrently or subsequently advise/request Parent(s) to pursue funding for the admitted school year from LEA through due process proceedings. Such action shall constitute good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

#### 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not, in employment or operation of its programs, unlawfully discriminate on the basis of gender, nationality, national origin, ancestry, race, color, ethnicity, ethnic group affiliation, religion, age, marital status, pregnancy or parental status, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, physical or mental disability, genetic information, medical condition, military or veteran status, or any other classification protected by federal or State law or the perception of one or more of such characteristics or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

# 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services (including transition services) to each LEA student within the NPS/A consistent with the student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall not accept an LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If an LEA student's services are provided by a third party (i.e. Related Services Provider), CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, if provision of services cease.

Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, and/or facilities, as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall make no charge of any kind to parents for special education and/or related services as specified in the student's IEP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of an LEA student's enrollment under the terms of this Contract). LEA shall provide low incidence equipment for eligible students with low incidence disabilities when specified in an LEA student's IEP and ISA. Such equipment remains the property of the LEA and shall be returned to the LEA when the IEP team determines the equipment is no longer needed or when the student is no longer enrolled in the NPS. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

CONTRACTOR may charge an LEA student's Parent(s) for services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE after: (a) written notification to the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities; and (b) receipt by LEA of the written notification and a written acknowledgment signed by the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning Parent acknowledgment of financial responsibility.

Voluntary services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE shall not interfere with the LEA student's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA unless the LEA, CONTRACTOR, and Parent agree otherwise in writing.

# 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All NPS/A services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code section 56366 *et seq*.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. LEA students shall have access to: (a) State Board of Education (SBE) - adopted Common Core State Standards ("CCSS") for curriculum and the same instructional materials for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive; and provide standards – aligned core curriculum and instructional materials for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, used by LEA; (b) college preparation courses; (c) extracurricular activities, such as art, sports, music and academic clubs; (d) career preparation and vocational training, consistent with transition plans pursuant to State and federal law and; (e) supplemental assistance, including individual academic tutoring, psychological counseling, and career and college counseling. When appropriate, CONTRACTOR shall utilize the designated curriculum guidelines for students with moderate to severe disabilities who participate in the State's alternative assessment. These students shall have access to the core content, activities, and instructional materials delineated within these curriculum guidelines. CONTRACTOR'S general program

of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA prior to the effective date of this Contract.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades 9 through 12 inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not award a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of LEA's graduation requirements.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction and/or services shall utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines and certifications, and shall be provided as specified in the student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the services and location provided prior to the effective date of this Contract. School-based services may not be unilaterally converted by CONTRACTOR to a substitute program or provided at a location not specifically authorized by the IEP team. Except for services provided by a CONTRACTOR that is a Licensed Children's Institution (LCI), all services not provided in the school setting require the presence of a Parent or adult caregiver during the delivery of services, provided such guardian or caregiver have a signed authorization by the Parent to authorize emergency services as requested. LCI CONTRACTORS shall ensure that appropriate and qualified residential or clinical staff is present during the provision of services under this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no Parent, guardian or adult caregiver is present.

CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services shall develop a written plan that specifies the nature of their NPA service for each student within thirty (30) days of enrollment and shall be provided in writing to the LEA. CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services must have a trained behaviorist or trained equivalent on staff who is qualified and responsible for the design, planning, and implementation of behavioral interventions as the law requires. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3051.23; Ed. Code § 56366.10(e).) It is understood that Behavior Intervention Services are limited to CDE Certification and do not constitute an instructional program.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR shall not provide transportation nor subcontract for transportation services for students unless LEA and CONTRACTOR agree otherwise in writing.

# 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, the total number of instructional minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be at least equivalent to the number of instructional minutes per school day provided to LEA students at like grade level attending LEA schools and shall be specified in the student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

For students in grades kindergarten through 12 inclusive, unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP and ISA, the number of instructional minutes, excluding breakfast, recess, lunch and passing time shall be at the same level that California Education Code prescribes for LEA.

The total number of annual instructional minutes shall be at least equivalent to the total number of annual instructional minutes provided to LEA students attending LEA schools in like grade level unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, the total number of minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be specified in the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

#### 24. CLASS SIZE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that class size shall not exceed a ratio of one teacher per twelve (12) students, unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing. Upon prior written approval by an authorized LEA representative, class size may be temporarily increased by a ratio of 1 teacher to fourteen (14) students when necessary, during the regular or extended school year to provide services to students with disabilities.

In the event a NPS CONTRACTOR is unable to fill a vacant teaching position responsible for direct instruction to LEA students, and the vacancy has a direct impact on the CDE Certification of that school, CONTRACTOR shall develop a plan to ensure appropriate coverage of students by first utilizing existing certificated staff. CONTRACTOR and LEA may agree to one 30 school day period per contract year where class size may be increased to ensure coverage by an appropriately credentialed teacher. Such an agreement shall be in writing and signed by both parties. This provision does not apply to an NPA CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR providing special education instruction for individuals with exceptional needs between the ages of three and five years, inclusive, shall also comply with the appropriate instructional adult to child ratios pursuant to California Education Code sections 56440 *et seq*.

#### 25. CALENDARS

#### When CONTRACTOR is a NPS:

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed 180 days, plus extended school year billable days equivalent to the number of days determined by LEA's extended school year calendar. Billable days shall include only those days that are included on the submitted and approved school calendar, and/or required by the IEP (developed by LEA) for each LEA student. CONTRACTOR shall not be allowed to change its school calendar and/or amend the number of billable days without the prior written approval of LEA. Nothing in this Contract shall be interpreted to require LEA to accept any requests for calendar changes. In the event LEA adjusts the number of school days for its regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for CONTRACTOR. In such a case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the LEA student's IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services as determined by the student's IEP team and the provision of such is specifically included in the ISA. Extended school year shall consist of twenty (20) instructional days, unless otherwise agreed upon by the student's IEP team convened by the LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to by LEA and CONTRACTOR, in writing, prior to the start of the extended school year.

Student must have actually been in attendance during the regular school year and/or during extended school year and received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPS service. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall observe the same legal holidays as LEA. As of the execution of this Contract, those holidays are: Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth and Independence Day. With the prior written approval of LEA, CONTRACTOR may revise the date upon which CONTRACTOR closes in observance of any of the holidays observed by LEA.

# When CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

CONTRACTOR shall be provided with a LEA-developed/approved calendar prior to the initiation of services. CONTRACTOR herein agrees to observe holidays as specified in LEA-developed/approved calendar. CONTRACTOR shall provide services pursuant to LEA-developed/approved calendar; or as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA students on only those days that the LEA student's school of attendance is in session and the LEA student attends school. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for services provided on billable days of attendance as indicated on LEA calendar unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing before delivery of any NPA services. Student must have actually been in attendance and/or received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPA service provided by CONTRACTOR. Any services provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. In the event of school closures due to emergency, payment will follow the procedures in accordance with Section 62 of this Contract.

#### 26. DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide to LEA all data related to LEA student information and billing information. CONTRACTOR shall provide data related to all sections of this Contract, including student discipline as noted below, when requested by LEA and in the format required by LEA. It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize LEA-approved electronic IEP system for all IEP development, service tracking documentation, and progress reporting, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by LEA. Additional progress reporting may be required by the LEA. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access so that this information may be compiled.

Using forms developed by the CDE or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, on a monthly basis, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all statutory offenses as described in Education Codes sections 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with approved forms and/or format for such data including, but not limited to, invoicing, attendance reports and progress reports. LEA may approve use of CONTRACTOR-provided forms at its discretion.

# 27. LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT/DUAL ENROLLMENT

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA Procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") options and/or dual enrollment options if available and appropriate, for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall ensure that LRE placement options are addressed at all IEP team meetings regarding students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. This shall include IEP team consideration of supplementary aids and services, goals and objectives necessary for placement in the LRE and necessary to enable students to transition to less restrictive settings.

When an IEP team has determined that a student should be transitioned into the public-school setting, CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA in implementing the IEP team's recommended activities to support the transition.

# 28. STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, per implementation of Senate Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASPP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), California Alternative Assessment ("CAA"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("ELPAC"), and Alternative English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("Alternative ELPAC"), and as appropriate to the LEA student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA, State of California, and federal guidelines.

CONTRACTOR is subject to the alternative accountability system developed pursuant to Education Code section 52052, in the same manner as public schools. Each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR by the LEA shall be tested by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. LEA shall provide test administration training to CONTRACTOR'S qualified staff. CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA test training and comply with completion of all coding requirements as required by LEA.

#### 29. MANDATED ATTENDANCE AT LEA MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA-mandated meetings when legal mandates and/or LEA Procedures are reviewed, including but not limited to the areas of: curriculum, high school graduation, standards-based instruction, behavior intervention, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, data collection, standardized testing, and IEPs. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute billable service hour(s).

# 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49005, et seq., 56521.1 and 56521.2. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that CONTRACTOR utilizes a multi-tier system of support ("MTSS") to address student needs. CONTRACTOR shall also ensure that all staff are trained on the use of positive behavior interventions and supports consistent with this Contract.

LEA students who exhibit behaviors that interfere with their learning, or the learning of others must receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal law and its implementing regulations. If the IEP team determines that a student's behavior impedes his or her learning or the learning of others, the IEP team is required to consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. This could mean that instead of developing a Behavior Intervention Plan ("BIP"), the IEP team may conclude it is sufficient to address the student's behavioral problems through the development of behavioral goals and behavioral interventions to support those goals.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and behavioral emergency reports ("BERs"). CONTRACTOR shall inform each of its employees about the policy, provide each employee with a copy thereof, and provide training to all employees regarding the policy. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all of its staff members are trained in crisis intervention, emergency procedures, and evidenced-based practices and interventions specific to the unique behavioral needs of the CONTRACTOR's pupil population. Training shall include certification by an approved LEA crisis intervention program. Training shall be provided within 30 days of employment to new staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day, and annually to all staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day. (Ed. Code 56366.10(f).) The CONTRACTOR shall select and conduct the training in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1. CONTRACTOR shall maintain accurate written records documenting all training completed by all of CONTRACTOR's employees. Evidence of all training shall be submitted to

LEA at least annually at the beginning of the school year, and within five (5) business days of completion of training or any new hire upon LEA request.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1, emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a BIP and shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. Emergency interventions may only be used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to a LEA student or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency. Consistent with Section 44 of this Contract, LEA may observe and/or audit CONTRACTOR's implementation of BIPs, staff use of behavior interventions, including emergency interventions, at any time, and without prior notice.

CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER when an emergency occurs that is defined as serious, dangerous behavior that staff has determined to present a clear and present danger to others. It requires a non-violent physical intervention to protect the safety of student, self, or others and a physical intervention has been used; or a physical intervention has not been used, but an injury or serious property damage has occurred. The use of Personal Safety Techniques (which may or may not have been used) does not determine whether a BER is required. Emergencies *require* a BER form be completed and submitted to the LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone. If the student's IEP does not contain a BIP, an IEP team shall schedule a meeting to review the BER, determine if there is a necessity for a functional behavioral assessment ("FBA"), and to determine an interim plan, or both. If the student already has a BIP, the IEP team shall review and modify the BIP if a new serious behavior has been exhibited or existing behavioral interventions have proven to be ineffective. CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.2, CONTRACTOR shall not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for the following interventions, or any other interventions like the following:

- 1. Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain, including, but not limited to, electric shock.
- 2. An intervention that involves the release of noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mist, or substances in proximity to the face of the individual.
- 3. An intervention that denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities.
- 4. An intervention that is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject, the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or that can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma.
- 5. Restrictive interventions that employ a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities, including the procedure known as prone containment, except that prone containment or similar techniques may be used by trained personnel as a limited emergency intervention.
- 6. Locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 7. An intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual.
- 8. An intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with Education Code section 49005.8. Specifically, Contractor shall not do any of the following:

- 1. Use seclusion or behavioral restraint for the purpose of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.
- 2. Use locked seclusion unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 3. Use a physical restraint technique that obstructs a pupil's respiratory airway or impairs the pupil's breathing or respiratory capacity, including techniques in which a staff member places pressure on a pupil's back or places his or her body weight against the pupil's torso or back.

- 4. Use a behavioral restraint technique that restricts breathing, including, but not limited to, using a pillow, blanket, carpet, mat, or other item to cover a pupil's face.
- 5. Place a pupil in a facedown position with the pupil's hands held or restrained behind the pupil's back.
- 6. Use a behavioral restraint for longer than is necessary to contain the behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the pupil or others.

CONTRACTOR shall keep constant, direct observation of a pupil who is in seclusion, which may be through observation of the pupil through a window, or another barrier, through which the educational provider is able to make direct eye contact with the pupil. This observation shall not be through indirect means, including through a security camera or a closed-circuit television.

CONTRACTOR shall afford pupils who are restrained the least restrictive alternative and the maximum freedom of movement, and shall use the least number of restraint points, while ensuring the physical safety of the pupil and others.

If prone restraint techniques are used by CONTRACTOR, a staff member shall observe the pupil for any signs of physical distress throughout the use of prone restraint. Whenever possible, the staff member monitoring the pupil shall not be involved in restraining the pupil.

In the case of a child whose behavior impedes the child's learning or that of others, the IEP team shall consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA via telephone of any severe or increasingly frequent behavior problem, any emergency intervention in response to a previously unseen serious behavior problem, or where a previously designed behavior intervention is ineffective, that may require an IEP team meeting.

All restraint practices must be reviewed and revised when they have an adverse effect on a student and are used repeatedly for an individual child, either on multiple occasions within the same classroom or multiple uses by the same individual. CONTRACTOR shall notify the Parent when any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusion has been used. Upon the use of any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusions of an LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER per the reporting and notification requirements listed above.

BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION REPORTING: Twice annually, CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that (a) CONTRACTOR has reviewed the BERs for each LEA student in conjunction with that student's IEP and BIP; (b) Staff are trained to implement each LEA student's BIP, including approved or prohibited restraint techniques for each student; (c) emergency interventions have only been used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to LEA students or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior; and (d) BERs have been properly completed and timely forwarded to LEA as required by this Contract.

CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with any of the requirements of Section 30: Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports shall constitute sufficient good cause for immediate termination of this Contract by LEA.

#### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with State of California and federal law and regulations. Using forms developed by the California Department of Education or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, monthly, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all

statutory offenses as described in Education Codes 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code Sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from the student's current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) submit a written discipline report to LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the student's name, grade, race, ethnicity, and gender; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACTOR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of the LEA student's behavior plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP meeting no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day after the decision is made to suspend the student for more than ten (10) school days or recommend expulsion of the student. LEA shall notify and invite CONTRACTOR representatives to the IEP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

# 32. IEP TEAM MEETINGS

An IEP team meeting shall be convened at least annually to evaluate: (1) the educational progress of each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR, including all state assessment results pursuant to the requirements of Education Code section 52052; (2) whether or not the needs of the LEA student continue to be best met at the NPS; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the LEA student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) and California Education Code section 56345(b)(4).)

If an LEA student is to be transferred from a NPS setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, a description of activities provided to integrate the student into the regular education program, including the nature of each activity as well as the time spent on the activity each day or week and a description of the activities provided to support the transition of the student from the special education program into the regular education program. Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of the student's IEP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. At any time during the term of this Contract, the Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of the LEA student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, at no cost and prior to an annual or triennial IEP team meeting, documentation regarding the student's progress on goals and all assessments and written assessment reports (including testing protocols) created by CONTRACTOR and any of its agents or subcontractors, upon request and/or pursuant to LEA Procedures. It is understood that attendance at an IEP meeting is part of CONTRACTOR'S professional responsibility and is not a billable service under this Contract.

It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize the LEA approved electronic IEP system for all IEP planning and progress reporting at LEA's discretion. LEA may provide training for any CONTRACTOR to ensure access to the approved system. CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on the approved system and shall protect the password requirements of the system. When a LEA student disenrolls from the NPS/A, the CONTRACTOR shall discontinue use of the approved system for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting provided under this Contract, may only be made based on revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that CONTRACTOR believes a LEA student requires a change of placement, CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the purposes of consideration of a change in the student's placement. A LEA student is entitled to remain in the last agreed upon and implemented placement unless Parent agrees otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Section 1415(k)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code.

#### 33. SURROGATE PARENTS AND FOSTER YOUTH

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments. Surrogate parents shall serve as the child's Parent and have all the rights relative to the student's education that a parent has under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act pursuant to 20 U.S.C. sections 1414-1482 and 34 C.F.R. sections 300.1-300.756. A pupil in foster care shall be defined pursuant to California Education Code section 42238.01(b). LEA shall annually notify CONTRACTOR who LEA has designated as the educational liaison for foster children. When a pupil in foster care is enrolled in a NPS by LEA any time after the completion of the student's second year of high school, CONTRACTOR shall schedule the pupil in courses leading towards graduation based on the diploma requirements of LEA unless provided notice otherwise in writing pursuant to Section 51225.1.

#### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. Participation includes CONTRACTOR's staff being made available for witness preparation and testimony as is necessary to facilitate a due process hearing. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office of Civil Rights, or any other State and/or federal governmental body or agency. Full participation shall include, but in no way be limited to, cooperating with LEA representatives to provide complete answers raised by any investigator and/or the immediate provision of any and all documentation that pertains to the operation of CONTRACTOR's program and/or the implementation of a particular student's IEP/ISA.

# 35. COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and adhere to its own written procedures for responding to Parent complaints. These procedures shall include annually notifying and providing Parents of LEA students with appropriate information (including complaint forms) for the following: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 *et seq.*; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8(a), (d) and 106.9(a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"). CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) notify LEA of any complaints filed against it related to LEA students and provide LEA with all documentation related to the complaints and/or its investigation of complaints, including any and all reports generated as a result of an investigation.

# 36. LEA STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS/REPORT CARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided monthly, CONTRACTOR shall provide Parents, with a concurrent copy sent to LEA, at least four (4) written progress reports/report cards. At a minimum, progress reports shall include progress over time towards IEP goals and objectives. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at CONTRACTOR's place of business and shall be submitted to the LEA and LEA student's Parent quarterly.

CONTRACTOR shall also provide LEA representatives access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, transition plans, and behavior intervention plans, including but not limited to log sheets, chart notes, observation notes, data sheets, pre-/post-tests, rubrics and other similar data collection used to determine progress or lack of progress on approved goals, objectives, transition plans or behavior intervention plans. LEA may request such data at any time within five (5) years of the date of service. CONTRACTOR shall maintain such information for at least five (5) years and shall provide this data supporting progress to LEA within five (5) business days of request. Additional time may be granted as needed by the LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other evaluations of the LEA student at least ten (10) days prior to the student's IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP team meeting as required by State and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA Procedures, and/or LEA practices. CONTRACTOR shall provide sufficient copies of its reports, documents, and projected goals to share with members of the IEP team at least five (5) business days prior to the IEP meeting. CONTRACTOR shall maintain supporting documentation, such as test protocols and data collection, which shall be made available to LEA within five (5) business days of request.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for all evaluation costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting, and development of present levels of performance. All assessments resulting from an assessment plan shall be provided by LEA unless LEA specifies in writing a request that CONTRACTOR perform such assessment. Any assessment and/or evaluation costs may be added to the ISA and/or approved separately by LEA at LEA's sole discretion.

It is understood that all billable hours must be in direct services to LEA students as specified in the ISA. For NPA services, supervision provided by a qualified individual as specified in Title 5 Regulation, subsection 3065, shall be determined as appropriate and included in the ISA. Supervision means the direct observation of services, data review, case conferencing and program design consistent with professional standards for each professional's license, certification, or credential.

CONTRACTOR shall not charge a LEA student's Parent(s) or LEA for the provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any evaluations conducted in order to obtain present levels of performance, interviews, and/or attendance at any meetings. It is understood that all billable hours are limited to those specified on the ISA consistent with the IEP. It is understood that copies of data collection notes, forms, charts and other such data are part of the student's record and shall be made available to LEA upon written request.

# 37. GRADES, HIGH SCHOOL COURSE CREDITS & TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR is responsible for assigning grades for any course of instruction taught at the NPS. The grades determined by the pupil's teacher, in the absence of clerical or mechanical mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetency, shall be final and consistent with the provisions specified in <u>EC Section 49066</u>. The grades each pupil receives in all courses of instruction taught by the NPS shall be reported to the parents and the LEA on a quarterly basis. Consistent with the LEA, should it become evident to the NPS the pupil is in danger of failing a course, the CONTRACTOR must initiate a parent conference, and the LEA representative must be in attendance.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by the CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not recommend awarding a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of the LEA's graduation requirements.

Pupils enrolled in high school during the 2020-2021 academic year may request a Pass or No Pass grade as permitted in <u>EC Section 49066.5</u>, which may be reflected on the student's transcript and shall not negatively affect the pupil's grade point average.

CONTRACTOR shall prepare transcripts at the close of each semester, or upon LEA student transfer, for LEA students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive and submit such transcripts on LEA-approved forms to the LEA student's school of residence for evaluation of progress toward completion of diploma requirements as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, the names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by LEA. All transcripts shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR and furnished to LEA upon request, consistent with the parameters of Sections 9 and 26 of this Contract.

#### 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify Parents in writing of their obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of an LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to Parents. Within five (5) school days from the date CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures.

If CONTRACTOR had knowledge or should reasonably have had knowledge of an LEA student's change of residence and CONTRACTOR fails to follow the procedures specified in this section, LEA shall not be responsible for the costs of services delivered following the LEA student's change of residence.

#### 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM NPS/A

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to LEA via telephone and electronically (within 24 hours) and in writing to LEA within five (5) business days when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services without prior notice. This includes but is not limited to a LEA student's change of residence to a residence outside of LEA boundaries, and LEA student's discharge against professional advice from a NPS and/or residential treatment center ("RTC"). CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify potential dropouts three (3) times per year.

#### 40. PARENT ACCESS

CONTRACTOR shall provide for reasonable parental access to LEA students and all facilities including, but not limited to, the instructional setting, recreational activity areas, meeting rooms and student living quarters when applicable. CONTRACTOR shall comply with any known court orders regarding parental visits and access to LEA students.

CONTRACTOR operating programs associated with an NPS/RTC shall cooperate with a Parent's reasonable request for LEA student therapeutic visits in their home or at the NPS/RTC. CONTRACTOR shall require that Parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from CONTRACTOR and LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance. When requested, CONTRACTOR shall facilitate all Parent travel and accommodations and provide travel information to the parents as appropriate. Payment by LEA for approved travel-related expenses shall be made directly through LEA consistent with LEA Procedures.

CONTRACTOR providing services in a LEA student's home as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child, or an adult caregiver with the Parent's written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency, is present. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to the LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the Parent informs the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergencies. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing immediately (within 24 hours) of all problems and/or concerns reported to Parents, both verbal and written.

# 41. LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION ("LCI") CONTRACTORS AND RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER ("RTC") CONTRACTORS

If CONTRACTOR is a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9 (c) (1), Health and Safety Code section 1501.1 and any other applicable laws and/or regulations, including LEA guidelines and LEA Procedures. An LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its NPS as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS/RTC, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1400 et seq. including the federal regulations 34 C.F.R section 300 et seq. and Education Code section 56000 et seq. including Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all monitoring requirements set forth in Section 43 below.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS that is owned, operated by, or associated with a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, on a quarterly basis, a list of all LEA students, including those identified as eligible for special education. For those identified as special education students, the list shall include: 1) special education eligibility at the time of enrollment and 2) the educational placement and services specified in each student's IEP at the time of enrollment. A copy of the current IEP shall be provided to the LEA.

Unless placement is made pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings order or a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and Parent, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the LEA student's Parent or another adult with educational decision-making rights.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.).

#### 42. STATE MEAL MANDATE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49005 et seq.; 49501.5, the universal meal mandate enacted by AB 130 (2021-2022); 49530 et seq; and 49550 et seq.

## 43. MONITORING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct at least one onsite monitoring visit during each school year to the NPS at which LEA has a student attending and with which it maintains a master contract. The monitoring visit shall include, but is not limited to, a review of services provided to the student through the ISA between LEA and the NPS, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's IEP, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's BIP, if applicable, an observation of the pupil during instruction, and a walkthrough of the facility. LEA (or SELPA) shall report the findings resulting from the monitoring visit to the California Department of Education within 60 calendar days of the onsite visit.

LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct an onsite visit to the NPS before placement of a student if LEA does not have any students enrolled at the NPS at the time of placement. (Ed. Code § 56366.1.)

CONTRACTOR shall allow LEA representatives access to its facilities for additional periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program. LEA shall have access to observe each LEA student at work, observe the instructional setting, interview CONTRACTOR, and review each LEA student's records and progress held by CONTRACTOR. LEA's access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR's site administrative office. CONTRACTOR and LEA shall be invited to participate in the review of each LEA student's progress.

If CONTRACTOR is also an LCI and/or NPS/RTC, the CDE shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR follows Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b). LEA may also conduct its own onsite review of a NPS using LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction ("Superintendent") shall monitor CONTRACTOR'S facilities, the educational environment, and the quality of the educational program, including the teaching

staff, the credentials authorizing service, the standards-based core curriculum being employed, and the standard focused instructional materials used on a three-year cycle, as follows: (1) CONTRACTOR shall complete a self-review in year one; (2) Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall participate in any LEA or CDE compliance review, if applicable, to be conducted as aligned with the CDE Onsite Review and monitoring cycle in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(j). This review will address programmatic aspects of the NPS, compliance with relevant State and federal regulations, and Contract compliance. If requested by LEA, CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School/Agency Self-Review Assessment to LEA and CDE. CONTRACTOR shall conduct any follow-up or corrective action procedures related to review findings.

CONTRACTOR understands that LEA reserves the right to institute a program audit with or without cause. The program audit may include, but is not limited to, a review of core compliance areas of health and safety; curriculum/instruction; related services; and contractual, legal, and procedural compliance.

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS, CONTRACTOR shall collect all applicable data and prepare the applicable portion of a School Accountability Report Card as appropriate in accordance with California Education Code Section 33126.

# **PERSONNEL**

# 44. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

# If CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPA, all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who will or are likely to interact with LEA students shall obtain clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI"). Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information and notwithstanding the express provisions of California Education Code sections 44237, 45125.1, and 56366.1, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors to submit fingerprints through LEA's Live Scan system, regardless of whether CONTRACTOR requires its employees and volunteers to submit fingerprints for background checks in accordance with its own procedures. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who will interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee to enroll in LEA's subsequent arrest notification service as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

No employees, volunteers, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who have been convicted of a violent or serious felony, as those terms are defined in California Education Code Section 44237 subdivision (h) shall interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee, unless despite the employee's, volunteer's, or subcontractor's conviction of a violent or serious felony, they have met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237 subdivisions (i) or (j). CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not interact with LEA students unless and until CDOJ and DBI clearances are ascertained through LEA's Live Scan system.

#### If CONTRACTOR is a NPS or RTC:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS or RTC, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 44237, 35021.1, 35021.2, and 56366.1 including, but not limited to: obtaining clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI") for CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers who will have or likely may have any direct contact with LEA students. In addition, if CONTRACTOR is located outside of California, then the CONTRACTOR shall also obtain

clearance from its state's department of justice. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not come in contact with LEA students until CDOJ, it's state's DOJ, and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with students, or subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students have been convicted of a violent or serious felony as those terms are defined in California Education Code section 44237(h), unless despite the employee's conviction of a violent or serious felony, he or she has met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237(i) or (j). Upon request, clearance certification shall be submitted to the LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2. CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that CONTRACTOR'S employees, volunteers, and subcontractors have successful background checks and CONTRACTOR enrolled in subsequent arrest notification service for all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students.

Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notification service, as provided, for each owner, operator, employee, volunteer, and subcontractor of the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR is required to retain the evidence on-site, as specified, for all staff, including those licensed or credentialed by another state agency. Background clearances and proof of subsequent arrest notification service, as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2, for all staff shall be provided to the LEA upon request.

#### 45. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services hold a license, certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold in the service rendered consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1) and are qualified pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3001(r), 3064 and 3065. Such qualified staff may only provide related services within the scope of their professional license, certification or credential and ethical standards set by each profession, and not assume responsibility or authority for another related services provider or special education teacher's scope of practice.

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all staff are appropriately credentialed to provide instruction and services to students with the disabling conditions placed in their program/school through documentation provided to the CDE. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3064(a).)

In accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(a)(5), when CONTRACTOR is a NPS, an appropriately qualified person shall serve as curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development. The administrator of the NPS holds or is in the process of obtaining one of the following: (A) An administrative credential granted by an accredited postsecondary educational institution and two years of experience with pupils with disabilities. (B) A pupil personnel services credential that authorizes school counseling or psychology. (C) A license as a clinical social worker issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (D) A license in psychology regulated by the Board of Psychology. (E) A master's degree issued by an accredited postsecondary institution in education, special education, psychology, counseling, behavioral analysis, social work, behavioral science, or rehabilitation. (F) A credential authorizing special education instruction and at least two years of experience teaching in special education before becoming an administrator. (G) A license as a marriage and family therapist certified by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (H) A license as an educational psychologist issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (I) A license as a professional clinical counselor issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (California Education Code §56366.1(a)(5)) CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to the LEA upon request, documentation of its administrator's qualifications in accordance with the above.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with personnel standards and qualifications regarding instructional aides and teacher assistants respectively pursuant to federal requirements and California Education Code sections 45340 *et seq.* and 45350 *et seq.* Specifically, all paraprofessionals, including but not limited to, instructional aides and teacher assistants, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or subcontracted by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services, shall possess a high school diploma (or its recognized equivalent) and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least two (2) years of study at an institution of higher education; or (b) obtained an associate's (or higher) degree; or (c) met a rigorous standard of quality and can demonstrate, through a formal state or local assessment (i) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing, and mathematics; or (ii) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading readiness, writing readiness, and mathematics readiness, as appropriate. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State and serving a LEA student shall be certified or licensed by that state where it is located to provide special education and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

## 46. VERIFICATION OF LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents which entitle the holder to provide special education and/or related services by individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or sub-contracted by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all licenses, credentials, permits or other documents are on file at the office of the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Section 44 (Clearance Requirements) and provide LEA with verified dates of Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and CDE in writing within thirty (30) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA within thirty (30) days if any such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, challenged pursuant to an administrative or legal complaint or lawsuit, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Contract. LEA shall not be obligated to pay for any services provided by a person whose such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the period which such person is providing services under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR'S failure to notify LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or and shall be good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall identify to LEA any employee (or CONTRACTOR, if CONTRACTOR is an individual) expected to perform services under this Agreement who is then-receiving California State Teachers' Retirement System ("CalSTRS") benefits, and who may perform creditable service for the LEA as defined in Education Code 22119.5. Identification to LEA shall include the individual's full legal name and STRS and social security identification numbers. Before any services by the individual are provided, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a signed written confirmation from the individual that he/she is aware of the separation-from-service requirement and earnings limitations imposed by Education Code sections 22714, 24114, 24116, 24214, 24214.5, and 24215. CONTRACTOR shall thereafter provide on a monthly basis to the employee and LEA the actual amounts paid to the individual for services rendered under this Contract, with LEA responsible for reporting the individual's earnings to CalSTRS as required by law or regulation, including but not limited to Education Code section 22461.

#### 47. STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS and CONTRACTOR's classroom teacher is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA documentation of substitute coverage. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time.

The LEA shall not be responsible for any payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided in accordance with California Education Code section 56061.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this agreement and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. It is understood that the parent of a LEA student shall not be deemed to be a qualified substitute for their student. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and authorized LEA representative.

# 48. STAFF PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR WHEN PROVIDING SERVICES AT SCHOOL OR SCHOOL RELATED EVENTS OR AT SCHOOL FACILITY AND/OR IN THE HOME

It is understood that all employees, subcontractors, and volunteers of any certified NPS/A shall adhere to the customary professional and ethical standards when providing services. All practices shall only be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession as well as any LEA professional standards as specified in Board policies and/or regulations when made available to the CONTRACTOR.

For services provided on a public-school campus, CONTRACTOR shall comply with California Penal Code section 627.1 *et seq.*, as well as all other LEA Procedures and school campus-specific policies and procedures regarding visitors to/on school campuses. Such LEA Procedures shall be made available to the CONTRACTOR upon request. It is understood that the LEA public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the instructional program, and all NPA service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher, who shall remain in charge of the instructional program. Failure to comply with this and all LEA requirements in this regard shall be sufficient cause for LEA to terminate this Contract.

CONTRACTOR providing services outside of the student's school as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authority to make decisions in an emergency is present during provision of services. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider. All problems and/or concerns reported by CONTRACTOR to Parents, in either verbal or written form, shall also be immediately (within 24 hours) reported to the LEA.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES

# 49. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State, and local, and laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures, and LEA Procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 et. seq., 49406, and Health and Safety Code section 121545(a) regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA

documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with a LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 1910.1030 *et seq.* and Cal/OSHA's Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations section 5193, when providing medical treatment or assistance to a student. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training regarding universal health care precautions and to post required notices in areas designated in the California Health and Safety Code.

See also the Health and Safety Addendum to Master Contract 2023-2024 in Exhibit C.

#### 50. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to students in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 550. During the duration of this Contract, if CONTRACTOR is subject to fines, penalties and findings of non-compliance, CONTRACTOR shall assume any and all responsibilities for payment of such financial obligations. CONTRACTOR shall also be responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR's facilities as required complying with applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Failure to notify the LEA and CDE of any changes in, major modification or relocation of facilities may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA.

In signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that its facilities either comply with federal and State of California and local laws regarding disability access, or possesses and has available upon demand, a self-evaluation and/or transition plan in accordance with said laws.

#### 51. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49422 et seq. when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student who is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the student with the administration of such medication after the student's Parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR: (a) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and (b) a written statement from the student's Parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to LEA upon request, copies of such written statements. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written log for each student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify the student's name; the type of medication; the date, time, and amount of each administration; and the name of CONTRACTOR's employee who administered the medication. CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for storing medications in a secure location and ensuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and Parent.

# 52. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall submit within 24 hours, electronically, any accident or incident report to LEA. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports pursuant to and as specified in LEA Procedures.

#### 53. CHILD ABUSE REPORTING

CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, including volunteers, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 *et seq.* and Education Code 44691. In addition, CONTRACTOR is to read and become familiar with the LEA's Mandated Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policies (BP 5141.4 and AR 5141.4.). To protect the privacy rights of all parties involved (i.e., reporter, child and alleged abuser), reports will remain confidential as required by law and professional ethical mandates. A written statement from CONTRACTOR acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA before execution of this Contract and upon subsequent request from LEA.

In the event there is a suspicion of abuse conducted by anyone (students, staff, CONTRACTOR or others) on or off campus, CONTRACTOR is to file the appropriate report to the Sacramento County Sheriff. CONTRACTOR is also to confidentially notify LEA's Legal Compliance Department ("Legal Compliance") of the report. CONTRACTOR is to cooperate with any investigation conducted by LEA in connection with such report.

#### 54. SEXUAL HARASSMENT

CONTRACTOR shall have a Sexual and Gender Identity Harassment Policy that clearly describes the kinds of conduct that constitutes sexual harassment and that is prohibited by the CONTRACTOR's policy, as well as federal and State law. The policy should include procedures to make complaints without fear of retaliation, and for prompt and objective investigations of all sexual harassment complaints. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training to all employees regarding the laws concerning sexual harassment and related procedures pursuant to Government Code 12950.1.

# 55. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all of its staff members, including volunteers, independent contractors and subcontractors, are familiar with and agree to adhere to requirements for reporting missing children as specified in California Education Code section 49370 *et seq.* A written statement acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be properly submitted to the LEA by CONTRACTOR before execution of this Contract and in response to subsequent requests by LEA. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by LEA.

#### FINANCIAL

# 56. ENROLLMENT, CONTRACTING, SERVICE TRACKING, ATTENDANCE REPORTING, AND BILLING PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall assure that the NPS/A has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the students enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP and ISA for each student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA Procedures concerning enrollment, contracting, attendance reporting, service tracking and billing including requirements of electronic billing as specified by LEA Procedures, as well as provide all such records requested by LEA concerning the same. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA which are provided on billable days of attendance. All payments to CONTRACTOR by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract and in compliance with LEA Procedures and governed by all applicable federal and State of California laws.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the NPS's enrollment procedures include verification of required immunizations (including but not limited to the adolescent pertussis booster vaccination (Tdap) for all students entering the seventh grade).

CONTRACTOR shall maintain separate registers for the basic education program, each related service, and services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides and bus aides. Original attendance forms (i.e., roll books for the basic education program, service tracking documents and notes for instructional assistants, behavioral intervention aides, bus aides, and each related service) shall be completed by the actual service provider whose signature shall appear on such forms and shall be available for review, inspection, or audit by LEA during the effective period of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter. CONTRACTOR shall verify the accuracy of minutes of reported attendance that is the basis of services being billed for payment.

CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided. Invoices and related documents shall be properly submitted electronically and in addition, on a LEA form with signatures in the manner prescribed by LEA. At a minimum, each invoice must contain the following information: type of service provided; month of service; specific days and times of services coordinated by the LEA approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by the LEA; name of staff who provided the service and the individual's licensing and credentials; approved cost of each invoice; total for each service and total for the monthly invoice; date invoice was mailed; signature of NPS/A administrator authorizing that the information is accurate and consistent with the ISA, CDE certificates and staff notification; verification that attendance report is attached as appropriate; indication of any made-up sessions consistent with this Contract; verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with the ISA (monthly or quarterly unless specified otherwise on the ISA); and name of each LEA student for whom the service was provided.

In the event services were not provided, each invoice shall include the rationale for why the services were not provided.

Such an invoice is subject to all conditions of this Contract. At the discretion of LEA, an electronic invoice may be required provided such notice has been made in writing and training provided to CONTRACTOR at no additional charge for such training.

Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the attendance accounting period in which the services were rendered. LEA shall make payment to CONTRACTOR based on the number of billable days of attendance and hours of service at rates specified in this contract within forty-five (45) days of LEA's receipt of properly submitted hard copy of invoices prepared and submitted as specified in California Education Code Section 56366.5. CONTRACTOR shall correct deficiencies and submit rebilling invoices no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the invoice is returned by LEA. LEA shall pay properly submitted re-billing invoices no later than forty-five (45) days after the date a completely corrected re-billing invoice is received by LEA.

In no case shall initial payment claim submission for any Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond December 31<sup>st</sup> after the close of the fiscal year. In no case shall any rebilling for the Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond six (6) months after the close of the fiscal year unless approved by LEA to resolve billing issues including re-billing issues directly related to a delay in obtaining information from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding teacher qualification, but no later than twelve (12) months from the close of the fiscal year. If the billing or re-billing error is the responsibility of LEA, then no limit is set if LEA and CONTRACTOR have communicated such concerns in writing during the 12-month period following the close of the fiscal year. LEA will not pay mileage for NPA employees.

# 57. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this Contract; (b) CONTRACTOR has billed for services rendered on days other than billable days of attendance or for days when student was not in attendance and/or did not receive services; (c) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (d) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by EC 56366.5(a); (e) education and/or related services are provided to students

by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (f) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program; (g) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change of residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA within five (5) days of such confirmation; (h) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student; or (i) CONTRACTOR fails to provide the required liability/insurance documentation as outlined in Section 15 of this Contract. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that are not received by six (6) months following the close of the prior fiscal year, for services provided in that year.

Final payment to CONTRACTOR in connection with the cessation of operations and/or termination of a Contract will be subject to the same documentation standards described for all payment claims for regular ongoing operations. In addition, final payment may be withheld by LEA until completion of a review or audit, if deemed necessary by LEA. Such review or audit will be completed within ninety (90) days. The final payment may be adjusted to offset any previous payments to CONTRACTOR determined to have been paid in error or in anticipation of correction of documentation deficiencies by the CONTRACTOR that remain uncorrected.

The amount which may be withheld by LEA with respect to each of the subparagraphs of the preceding paragraph are as follows: (a) the value of the service CONTRACTOR failed to perform; (b) the amount of overpayment; (c) the entire amount of the invoice for which satisfactory documentation has not been provided by CONTRACTOR; (d) the amount invoiced for services provided by the individual not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (e) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable LEA student for the time period from the date the violation occurred and until the violation is cured; or (f) the amount paid to CONTRACTOR by Medi-Cal or another agency or funding source for the service provided to the LEA student.

If LEA determines that cause exists to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR, LEA shall, within ten (10) business days of this determination, provide to CONTRACTOR written notice that LEA is withholding payment. Such notice shall specify the basis or bases for LEA's withholding payment and the amount to be withheld. Within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of such notice, CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary and appropriate action to correct the deficiencies that form the basis for LEA's withholding payment or submit a written request for extension of time to correct the deficiencies or submit to LEA written documentation demonstrating that the basis or bases cited by LEA for withholding payment is unfounded. Upon receipt of CONTRACTOR's written request showing good cause, LEA shall extend CONTRACTOR's time to correct deficiencies (usually an additional thirty (30) days), otherwise payment will be denied.

If after subsequent request for payment has been denied and CONTRACTOR believes that payment should not be withheld, CONTRACTOR shall send written notice to LEA specifying the reason it believes payment should not be withheld. LEA shall respond to CONTRACTOR's notice within thirty (30) business days by indicating that a warrant for the amount of payment will be made or stating the reason LEA believes payment should not be made. If LEA fails to respond within thirty (30) business days or a dispute regarding the withholding of payment continues after the LEA's response to CONTRACTOR's notice, CONTRACTOR may invoke the following escalation policy.

After forty-five (45) business days: The CONTRACTOR may notify the LEA's Authorized Representative of the dispute in writing. The LEA Authorized Representative shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within fifteen (15) business days.

After sixty (60) business days: Pursuant to the provisions of Education Code section 56366(c)(2), the LEA or CONTRACTOR may appeal to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools so long as the County Superintendent of Schools is not participating in the Local Plan involved in the NPS/A contract to negotiate the contract. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this appeal, the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or a designee, shall mediate the formulation of a contract, which shall be binding on both parties. Alternatively, the parties may agree to retain the services of a mutually agreed upon mediator to negotiate

the contract.. Both parties agree to pay for their own costs and expenses arising out of any such mediation. Each party agrees to act in good faith in participating in any mediation process agreed to by the parties.

#### 58. PAYMENT FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA when Medi-Cal or any other agency is billed for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. Upon request, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documentation regarding reports, billing, and/or payment by Medi-Cal or any other agency for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall provide prior written notice of the rights and protections required by Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 300.154(d) whenever it seeks to use the LEA students' public benefits to pay for special education and related services. Such notice shall be provided before seeking payment from Medi-Cal for the first time and annually.

#### 59. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STAFF ABSENCE

Whenever a classroom teacher employed by CONTRACTOR is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation of substitute coverage pursuant to the LEA Procedures. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time. LEA will not pay for instruction and/or services unless said instruction or service is provided by an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher.

Whenever a related service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided unless otherwise agreed in a LEA student's IEP.

# NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) cumulative day of a LEA student's unexcused absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of such absence.

Criteria for a billable day for payment purposes is one (1) day of attendance as defined in California Education Code, sections 46010, 46010.3 and 46307. LEA shall not pay for services provided on days that a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance (ADA) reimbursement under state law. *Per Diem* rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted on a pro rata basis in accordance with the actual proportion of the school day the student was served. LEA shall not be responsible for payment of related services for days on which a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance ("ADA") reimbursement under state law, nor shall student be eligible for make-up services.

# NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. LEA shall not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and LEA. In the event services were not provided, reasons for why the services were not provided shall be included.

# NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPA, it shall notify LEA of the absence of a LEA student no later than the fifth  $(5^{th})$  consecutive service day of the student's absence. LEA shall not be responsible for the payment of services when a student is absent.

#### 60. LEA and/or NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO EMERGENCY

The following shall apply in the event of a LEA or NPS school closure due to an emergency in accordance with Education Code sections 41422 and 46392:

- a. If CONTRACTOR remains open, if allowed, during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422 and serves LEA students appropriately as delineated in the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment, regardless of whether LEA is open or closed.
- b. If CONTRACTOR is closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, if LEA is able to obtain alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR's NPS closure. If LEA is unable to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the signed ISA, as though the student were continuing in regular attendance, until an alternative placement can be found, so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below.
- c. If both LEA and CONTRACTOR are closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, on days LEA is funded, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the LEA student's ISA, until an alternative placement for the LEA student can be found so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below. If LEA is able to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR'S NPS closure.
- d. CONTRACTOR shall, in the case of school closures during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, implement the LEA student's IEP in accordance with Education Code 56345(a)(9) pertaining to emergency conditions and continue implementing ISAs for enrolled students CONTRACTOR shall ensure its students have reliable internet accessibility as well as the physical technology (i.e. Chromebooks, i-Pad, hot-spots etc.) as required to access and participate.
- e. In the event of CONTRACTOR'S closure during an emergency, LEA reserves the right to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR for instruction and services not rendered pursuant to an LEA student's ISA, consistent with Section 59.

When the emergency school closure is lifted, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any lost instructional minutes for any LEA student. CONTRACTOR and LEAs shall work collaboratively to determine the need for make-up days or service changes and shall work together to amend IEP and ISA paperwork as appropriate.

## 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and LEA shall have the right to examine and audit all of the books, records, documents, accounting procedures and practices and other evidence that reflect all costs claimed to have been incurred or fees claimed to have been earned under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to those documents identified in Section 9 of this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall also make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.

CONTRACTOR shall make all records available at the office of LEA or CONTRACTOR (to be specified by LEA) at all reasonable times and without charge. CONTRACTOR shall provide all records to LEA within five (5) working days of a written request. CONTRACTOR shall, at no cost to LEA, help with such examination or audit. LEA's rights under this section shall also include access to CONTRACTOR's offices for purposes of interviewing CONTRACTOR's employees. If any document or evidence is stored in an electronic form, a hard copy shall be made available to LEA, unless LEA agrees to the use of the electronic format. Such access shall also include unannounced inspections by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain from its subcontractors and suppliers written agreements relating to the requirements of this section and shall provide a copy of such agreements to LEA upon request by LEA.

If an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm determines that CONTRACTOR owes LEA monies as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR written notice demanding payment from CONTRACTOR and specifying the basis or bases for such demand. Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, CONTRACTOR shall pay to LEA the full amount owed as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing and/or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, as determined by an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm. CONTRACTOR shall make such payment to LEA within thirty (30) days of receipt of LEA's written notice demanding payment.

# 62. RATE SCHEDULE

The attached Rate Schedule (Exhibit A) limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the Contract. It may also limit the maximum number of LEA students that can be provided specific services. Per Diem rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted proportionally. In such cases only, the adjustments in basic education rate shall be based on the required minimum number of minutes per grade level as set forth in paragraph 23, above, and noted in California Education Code Section 46200-46208.

Special education and/or related services offered by CONTRACTOR shall be provided by qualified personnel as per State and federal law, and the codes and charges for such educational and/or related services during the term of this Contract, shall be as stated in Exhibit A.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS associated with a RTC ("NPS/RTC"), Educationally Related Mental Health Services ("ERMHS") are provided in an integrated, intensive, educationally related therapeutic residential setting which includes social emotional/behavior support through individual counseling, group counseling, family consultation and support, as appropriate. It is a collaborative model which includes educational professionals and related service providers, where all supports and services are integrated in the NPS/RTC program. Costs for ERMHS are all inclusive and combined with the daily rate as ERMHS+RB ("ERMHS + Room and Board"). ERMHS plus Room and Board payments are based on positive attendance (payable for up to a maximum of 365 days) only, with up to a maximum of 10 days payment per LEA student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature. Any NPS or RTC requesting a change in rate for any services provided during a subsequent contract year must make a request in writing to the Sacramento County SELPA Directors, with a copy sent to LEA Director or designee, by January 15th of each calendar year. Increases will only be considered for approval for entities that have received a positive review on the LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

# 63. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that:

- (a) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers are <u>not</u> presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any federal agency, and
- (b) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers have not, within a three-year period preceding this Contract, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, any state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of federal or any state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.

The Parties hereto have executed this Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This Contract is effective on the \_\_\_\_1st\_ day of July, 2024 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR	LEA
Easter Seals Superior CA	Galt Joint Union Elementary School District
Nonpublic School/Agency	
By: Claina Blankenship June 11, 2024 Signature Date  Elaina Blankenship, Director of PT  Name and Title of Authorized Representative	By: Signature Date  By: Kuljeet Nijjar, Director of Educational Services Name and Title of Authorized Representative
Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:	Notices to LEA shall be addressed to:
Rennnie Saltzman, VP of Pediatrics	Kuljeet Nijjar, Director of Educational Services
Name and Title	Name and Title
	Oak Isiat Union Flamouton Cohool District
Nonpublic School/Agency/Related Service Provider	Galt Joint Union Elementary School District  LEA
Nonpublic School/Agency/Actated Scivice Provider	
9812 Old Winery Place, Suite 21	1018 C Street, Suite 210
Address	Address
Sacramento Ca 95819	Galt California 95632
City State Zip	City State Zip
	209-744-4545 x.303 209-744-4554
Phone Fax	Phone Fax
rennies@myeasterseals.org	knijjar@galt.k12,ca.us
Email*(*Required)	Email
Additional LEA Notification (Required if Completed) Stephanie Gutierrez, Program Specialist	
Name and Title Galt Joint Union Elementary School District	
LEA	
1018 C Street, Suite 210	
Address Call Callifornia 05632	
Galt California 95632  City State	
209-744-4545 x.303 Zip 209-744-4554	
Phone Fax	
sgutierrez@galt.k12.ca.us	
Email	

# **EXHIBIT A: 2024-2025 RATES**

Behavior Intervention Services (535)

Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)

Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing (710)

Interpreter Services (715)

EXHIB	IT A: 2024-2025 RATES		
4.1	RATE SCHEDULE FOR CONTRACT YEAR		
The CONT	TRACTOR:TRACTOR CDS NUMBER:		
PER ED (	CODE 56366 – TEACHER-TO-PUPIL RATIO:		
Maximum	Contract Amount:		
Education	service(s) offered by the CONTRACTOR and the charge	es for such service(s) during th	ne term of this contract shall be as follows:
1)	Daily Basic Education Rate:		
,	Inclusive Education Program (Includes Educational Counseling (not ed related mental Planning, and Occupational Therapy as specified on the	al health) services, Speech & student's IEP.) DAILY RATE:	Language services, Behavior Intervention
3)	Related Services		
<u>SERVICE</u>		RATE	PERIOD
Intensive	Individual Services (340)		
Language	and Speech (415)	-	
Adapted F	Physical Education (425)		
Health an	d Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)		
Health an	d Nursing: Other Services (436)		· · · · · ·
Assistive '	Technology Services (445)		
Occupation	onal Therapy (450)	<del></del>	
Physical 1	Therapy (460)	<del></del>	
<u>Individual</u>	Counseling (510)		9 <u></u>
Counselin	ng and Guidance (515)		
Parent Co	ounseling (520)	·	<u>;                                    </u>
Social Wo	ork Services (525)		·
Psycholog	nical Services (530)		

Audiological Services (720)		
Specialized Vision Services (725)		
Orientation and Mobility (730)		
Specialized Orthopedic Services (740)	<del></del>	
Reader Services (745)	<del>_</del>	
Transcription Services (755)	_	
Recreation Services, Including Therapeutic (760)		-
College Awareness (820)	<b>—</b>	
Work Experience Education (850)		-
Job Coaching (855)		
Mentoring (860)		
Travel Training (870)		<u> </u>
Other Transition Services (890)	_	
Transportation		
Other (900)		

# **EXHIBIT B: 2024-2025 ISA**

Parent Counseling (520)

# INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (ISA) FOR NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL SERVICES (Education Code Sections 56365 et seq.)

This agreement is effective on <u>July 1, 2024</u> or the date student begins attending a nonpublic school or receiving services from a nonpublic agency, if after the date identified, and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided in the Master Contract and by applicable law.

Local Education Agency			= =====================================	Nonpublic School			
LEA Case Manager: Name				Phone Nu	ımber		
Pupil Name			<del></del>			M□F	Grade:
Address			(First)	ity	(M.l.)	State/Zip	
DOB Residential Setting:	☐ Home	☐ Foster I	□ LCI #	OTHER			
Parent/Guardian			Phone (		(	)	
Address			C	(Residence)		(Busine State/Zip	ess)
(If different from stude	ent)						
AGREEMENT TERMS:  1. Nonpublic School: The average numbe	r of minutes	in the instri	uctional day will	be:		during the rea	ular school year
The rectage names	or minates	iii alo iiloa	actional day will				ended school year
Nonpublic School: The number of school	ol days in th	e calendar	of the school ye	ar are:		during the regu	ılar school year
'	•						ended school year
Educational services as specified in the	IEP shall b	e provided	by the CONTRA	NCTOR and paid at the ra	tes specified bel	ow.	
A. INCLUSIVE AND/OR BASIC ED	UCATION P	ROGRAM	RATE: (Applies	to nonpublic schools onl	y): Daily R	ate:	
Estimated Number of Days	_ x Daily	Rate	= PR	OJECTED BASIC EDUC	ATION COSTS		
B. RELATED SERVICES:							
SERVICE	LEA	Provide	er OTHER	# of Times per	Cost per	Maximum	Estimated Maximum
SERVICE		0	Specify	wk/mo/yr., Duration; or per IEP; or as needed	session	Number of Sessions	Total Cost for Contracted Period
Intensive Individual Services (340)							
Language/Speech Therapy (415) a. Individual b. Group							
Adapted Physical Ed. (425)							
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)							
Health and Nursing Services: Other (436)							
Assistive Technology Services (445)							
Occupational Therapy (450)							
Physical Therapy (460)						8	
Individual Counseling (510)							
Counseling and guidance (515).							

	Provider						
SERVICE	LEA	NPS	OTHER Specify	# of Times per wk/mo/yr., Duration; or per IEP; or as needed	Cost per session	Maximum Number of Sessions	Estimated Maximum Total Cost for Contracted Period
Social Work Services (525)							
Psychological Services (530)							
Behavior Intervention Services (535)							
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)							
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (710)							
Interpreter Services (715)							
Audiological Services (720)							
Specialized Vision Services (725)							
Orientation and Mobility (730)							
Braille Transcription (735)							
Specialized Orthopedic Service (740)							
Reader Services (745)							
Note Taking Services (750)							
Transcription Services (755)							
Recreation Services (760)							
College Awareness Preparation (820)							
Vocational Assessment, Counseling, Guidance and Career Assessment (830)							
Career Awareness (840)							
Work Experience Education (850)							
Mentoring (860)							
Agency Linkages (865)							
Travel Training (870)							
Other Transition Services (890)							
Other (900)J							
Other (900)							
Transportation-Emergency b. Transportation-Parent							
Bus Passes							
Other							

TOTAL ESTIMATED MAXIMUM BASIC EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVING.  4. Other Provisions/Attachments:	CES COSTS\$
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5. MASTER CONTRACT APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD ON	
6. Progress Reporting Quarterly Monthly Requirements:	Other (Specify)
e parties hereto have executed this Individual Services Agreement by and low.  -CONTRACTOR-	d through their duly authorized agents or representatives as set forth -LEA/SELPA-
	-EENSEL A-
Easter Seals Superior CA  Vame of Nonpublic School/Agency)	(Name of LEA/SELPA)
Claina Blankenship June 11, 2024	
Signature) (Date)	(Signature) (Date)
Elaina Blankenship, Director of PT	
Name and Title)	(Name of Superintendent or Authorized Designee)



# Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

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# Nonpublic, Non-Sectarian School/Agency Services

**MASTER CONTRACT** 

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Hansine Fisher & Associates

# Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services

MASTER CONTRACT

# GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025



HFA will work in coordination and/or "assist: the with Galt Joint Unified School District in the implementation, monitoring, and technical evaluation of the CYBHI Round 2 Trauma Informed Grant as described in the grant proposal and budget as the Project Evaluator. This Independent Contractor Agreement ("Agreement") is made effective as of March 15, 2024 between June 30, 2026 between Galt Joint Unified School District ("District") and Hansine Fisher & Associates ("Contractor").

# 1. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES.

Beginning, March 15, 2024, the Contractor will provide the services described in Attachment A.

## 2. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES.

The District will compensate the Contractor (Hansine Fisher & Associates) for services described in Attachment A for a maximum amount not to exceed \$80,000, for the duration of the Agreement.

The Contractor will submit invoices on a monthly basis, as described in Attachment A. Payment is due to Contractor within 60 days of District's receipt of invoice.

No other fees and/or expenses will be paid to the Contractor unless such fees and/or expenses have been approved in advance and in writing by the appropriate executive on behalf of the District. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for any and all taxes, Social Security contributions, payments, disability insurance, unemployment taxes, and other payroll type taxes applicable to such compensation.

#### 3. TERMS/TERMINATION

A regular, ongoing relationship of indefinite term is not contemplated the District. The parties may mutually agree that the Contractor shall perform other services for the District, pursuant to terms of this agreement.

#### 4. RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES

It is understood by both parties that the Contractor is an independent contractor, and not an employee of the District. The District will not provide fringe benefits, including health insurance benefits, paid vacation, or any other employee benefits for the benefit of the Contractor.

## 5. DISTRICT'S CONTROL

The Contractor shall perform the Services outlined in the Deliverables section of this A agreement without direct supervision by the District.

#### 6. PROFESSIONAL CAPACITY

The Contractor is a professional .using their own professional and business methods to perform services. The Contractor has not and will not receive any training from the District on how to perform services.



#### 7. PERSONAL SERVICES NOT REQUIRED.

The Contractor is not required to render the Services personally and may employ others to perform the Services on behalf of the District without the District's knowledge or consent. If the Contractor has assistants, it is the Contractor's responsibility to hire them and provide materials.

## 8. NO LOCATION ON PREMISES.

The Contractor has no desk or other equipment located at or furnished by the District.

#### 9. NO SET WORK HOURS

The Contractor has no set hours of work. There is no requirement that the Contractor work full time or otherwise account for work hours. Contractor will report actual hours worked in .25 hour increments, by employee, with every invoice.

#### 10. EXPENSE PAID BY CONTRACTOR

The Contractor's business and travel expenses will be paid by the Contractor ...

# 11. CONFIDENTIALITY

The Contractor may have access to proprietary, private and/or otherwise confidential information ("Confidential Information") of the District. Confidential Information shall mean all non-public information that constitutes, relates or refers to the operation of the business of the District. The nature of the information and the manner of disclosure are such that a reasonable person would understand to be confidential. The Contractor will not at any time or in any manner, either directly or indirectly, use for the personal benefit of the Contractor, or divulge, disclose, or communicate in any manner any Confidential Information. The Contractor will protect such information and treat the Confidential Information as strictly confidential. This provision shall continue to be effective after the termination of this Agreement.

## 12. INJURIES

The Contractor acknowledged the Contractor's obligation to obtain appropriate insurance coverage for the benefit of the Contractor (and the contractor's employees). The Contractor waives any rights to recovery from the District for any injuries that the Contractor (and/or the Contractor's employees) may sustain while performing the Services under this Agreement and that are a result of negligibility of the Contractor or the Contractor's employees.

#### 13. INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the District from all claims, losses, expenses, fees including attorney fees, costs and judgments that may be asserted against the District that result from the acts or omissions of the contractor, the Contractor's employees, and the contractor's agents.

#### 14. NO RIGHT TO ACT AS AGENT.



The Contractor has no right to act as an agent for the district and has an obligation to notify any involved parties that it is not an agent of the District.

### 15. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. All terms and conditions contain in any other writings previously executed by the parties regarding the matters contemplated herein shall be deemed to be merged herein and superseded herby. No modification of this Agreement shall be deemed effective unless in writing and signed by both parties.

### 16. WAIVER OF BREACH.

The waiver by the District of a breach of any provision to his Agreement by the Contractor shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by the Contractor.

### 17. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and enforceable. If a court finds that any provision of this Agreement is invalid or unenforceable, but that by limiting such provision it would become valid and enforceable, then such provision shall be deemed to be written, construed, and enforced as so limited.

### 18. APPLICABLE LAW.

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California

### ATTACHMENT A

### STATEMENT OF WORK

Date Year 1	Deliverable  Assist with implementation plan and updating project milestones as needed prior and during contracting.  Coordinate initial meetings with and district, as	<b>Estimate</b> \$40,000
	needed. Assist with updating implementation plan or milestones based on progress of project. Complete required reports and/or metrics required and submit to TPA. Work with District and trainer on collecting data needed to complete these items. Attend TPA office hours or other calls, as needed. Provide technical support to the district as	



Year 2

requested.

Assist with updating implementation plan or milestones based on progress of project. Complete required reports and/or metrics required and submit to TPA. Work with District and trainer on collecting data needed to complete these items.

Attend TPA office hours or other calls, as

needed.

Provide technical support to the district as

requested.

### 1. STAFFING

Two HFA staff will be available to perform work, but tasks will primarily be assigned to Ms. Riemann (Senior Program Manager). HFA led the efforts of the district in the development and writing of the grant proposal and is knowledgeable about the project and its goals. A summary of HFA's experience and individual resumes is available on request.

\$40,000

#### 2. PRICING & PAYMENT

HFA's pricing structure is based on an all-inclusive nourly rate. Invoices include back-up documentation describing the hours invoiced. All project time is reported in 15-minute increments with detail on the work performed. Invoices will include only work performed. Invoices will be submitted monthly to the District.

Hourly rates are as follows:

Hansine Fisher, Director

\$150/hr.

Carrie Riemann, Senior Program Manager

\$145/hr.

Jill Reynolds, Support

\$45/hr.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Agreement. This Agreement is affective as of the date first written abo e.

Signed By:

Hansine Fisher, President, HFA

XXXXX Galt Joint Unified School District



### ATTACHMENT B HIPAA Business Associate Agreement

Between the Galt Joint Unified\ and Hansine Fisher & Associates

This HIPAA Business Associate Agreement (the "Addendum") supplements, and is made part of the Underlying Agreement (Proposal and Purchase order dated November 28, 2023) between the Galt Joint Unified School District (District) and Hansine Fisher & Associates ("Contractor") and shall be effective as of the date the Underlying Agreement approved by both Parties (the "Effective Date").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS. District and Contractor entered into the Underlying Agreement pursuant to which the Contractor provides services to District, and in conjunction with the provision of such services certain protected health information ("PHI") and/or certain electronic protected health information ("PHI") may be created by or made available to Contractor for the purposes of carrying out its obligations under the Underlying Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), Public Law 104-191 enacted August 21, 1996, and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act ("HITECH") of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law 111-5 enacted February 17, 2009, and the laws and regulations promulgated subsequent thereto, as may be amended from time to time, are applicable to the protection of any use or disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI pursuant to the Underlying Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, District is a covered entity, as defined in the Privacy Rule; and,

WHEREAS, to the extent District discloses PHI and/or ePHI to Contractor or Contractor creates, receives, maintains, transmits, or has access to PHI and/or ePHI of District, Contractor is a business associate, as defined in the Privacy Rule; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to 42 USC §17931 and §17934, certain provisions of the Security Rule and Privacy Rule apply to a business associate of a covered entity in the same manner that they apply to the covered entity, the additional security and privacy requirements of HITECH are applicable to business associates and must be incorporated into the business associate agreement, and a business associate is liable for civil and criminal penalties for failure to comply with these security and/or privacy provisions; and,



WHEREAS, the parties mutually agree that any use or disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI must be in compliance with the Privacy Rule, Security Rule, HIPAA, HITECH and any other applicable law; and,

WHEREAS, the parties intend to enter into this Addendum to address the requirements and obligations set forth in the Privacy Rule, Security Rule, HITECH and HIPAA as they apply to Contractor as a business associate of District, including the establishment of permitted and required uses and disclosures of PHI and/or ePHI created or received by Contractor during the course of performing functions, services and activities on behalf of District, and appropriate limitations and conditions on such uses and disclosures:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Definitions. Terms used, but not otherwise defined, in this Addendum shall have the same meaning as those terms in HITECH, HIPAA, Security Rule and/or Privacy Rule, as may be amended from the total mean. A. "Breach" when used in connection with PHI means the acquisition, access, use or disclosure of PHI in a manner not permitted under subpart E of the Privacy Rule which compromises the security or privacy of the PHI, and shall have the meaning given such term in 45 CFR §164.402.4
- (1) Except as provided below in Paragraph (2) of this definition, acquisitor, access, use, or disclosure of PHI in a manner not permitted by subpart E of the Privacy Rule is presumed to be a breach unless Contractor demonstrates that there is a low probability that the PHI has been compromised based or a risk assessment of at least the following four factors:
- (a) The nature and extent of the PHI involved, including the types of identifiers and the likelihood of re-identification;
- (b) The unauthorized person who used the PHI or to whom the disclosure was made;
- (c) Whether the PHI was actually acquired or viewed; and
- (d) The extent to which the risk to the PHI has been mitigated.
- (2) Breach excludes:
- (a) Any unintentional acquisition, access or use of PHI by a workforce member or person acting under the authority of a covered entity or business associate, if such acquisition, access or use was made in good faith and within the scope of authority and does not result in further use or disclosure in a manner not permitted under subpart E of the Privacy Rule.
- (b) Any inadvertent disclosure by a person who is authorized to access PHI at a covered entity or business associate to another person authorized to access PHI at the same covered entity, business associate, or organized health care arrangement in which District participates, and the information received as a result of such disclosure is not further used or disclosed in a manner not permitted by subpart E of the Privacy Rule.
- (c) A disclosure of PHI where a covered entity or business associate has a good faith belief that an unauthorized person to whom the disclosure was made would not reasonably have been able to retain such information
- B. "Business associate" has the meaning given such term in 45 CFR §164.501, including but not limited to a subcontractor that creates, receives, maintains, transmits or accesses PHI on behalf of the business associate.
- C. "Data aggregation" has the meaning given such term in 45 CFR §164.501.
- D. "Designated record set" as defined in 45 CFR §164.501 means a group of records maintained by or for a covered entity that may include: the medical records and billing records about individuals maintained by or for a covered health care provider; the enrollment, payment, claims adjudication and case or medical management record systems maintained by or for a health plan; or, used, in whole or in part, by or for the covered entity to make decisions about individuals.
- E. "Electronic protected health information" ("ePHt") as defined in 45 CFR §160.103 means protected health information transmitted by or maintained in electronic media.
- F. "Electronic health record" means an electronic record of health-related information on an individual that is created, gathered, managed, and consulted by authorized health care clinicians and staff, and shall have the meaning given such term in 42 USC §17921(5).
- G. "Health care operations" has the meaning given such term in 45 CFR §164.501.
- H. "Individual" as defined in 45 CFR  $\S160.103$  means the person who is the subject of protected health information.
- I, "Person" as defined in 45 CFR §160.103 means a natural person, trust or estate, partnership, corporation, professional association or corporation or other entity, public or private.
- J. "Privacy Rule" means the HIPAA regulations codified at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and E.



- K. "Protected health information " ("PHI") has the meaning given such term in 45 CFR §160.103, which includes ePHI.
- Ly "Required by law" has the meaning given such term in 45 CFR §164.103.
- M. "Secretary" means the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS"),
- N. "Security incident" as defined in 45 CFR §164.304 means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of information or interference with system operations in an information system.
- O, "Security Rule" means the HIPAA Regulations codified at 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and C. P. "Subcontractor" as defined in 45 CFR §160.103 means a person to whom a business associate delegates a function, activity or service, other than in the capacity of a member of the workforce of such business associate.
- Q. "Unsecured protected health information" and "unsecured PHI" as defined in 45 CFR §164,402 means PHI not rendered unusable, unreadable, or indecipherable to unauthorized persons through use of a technology or methodology specified by the Secretary in the guidance issued under 42 USC §17932(h)(2),

### SCOPE OF USE AND DISCLOSURE BY CONTRACTOR OF DISTRICT'S PHI AND/OR EPHI.

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this Addendum, Contractor may use, disclose, or access PHI and/or ePHI as necessary to perform any and all obligations of Contractor under the Underlying Agreement or to perform functions, activities or services for, or on behalf of, District as specified in this Addendum, if such use or disclosure does not violate HIPAA, HITECH, the Privacy Rule and/or Security Rule.
- B. Unless otherwise limited herein, in addition to any other uses and/or disclosures permitted or authorized by this Addendum or required by law, in accordance with 45 CFR §164.504(e)(2), Contractor may:
- 1) Use PHI and/or ePHI if necessary for Contractor's proper management and administration and to carry out its legal responsibilities; and,
- 2) Disclose PHI and/or ePHI for the purpose of Contractor's proper management and administration or to carry out its legal responsibilities, only if:
- a) The disclosure is required by law; or,
- b) Contractor obtains reasonable assurances, in writing, from the person to whom Centractor will disclose such PHI and/or ePHI that the person will:
- i. Hold such PHI and/or ePHI in confidence and use or further disclose it only for purpose for which Contractor disclosed it to the person, or as required by law; and,
- ii. Notify District of any instances of which it becomes aware in which the confidentiality of the information has been breached; and,
- 3) Use PHI to provide data aggregation services relating to the health care operations of District pursuant to the Underlying Agreement or as requested by District; and,
- 4) Deidentify all PHI and/or ePHI of District received by Contractor under this Addendum provided that the de-identifications conform to the requirements of the Privacy Rule and/or Security Rule and does not preclude timely payment and/or claims processing and receipt.
- C. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in any instance where applicable state and/or federal laws and/or regulations are more stringent in their requirements than the provisions of HIPAA, including, but not limited to, prohibiting disclosure of mental health and/or substance abuse records, the applicable state and/or federal laws and/or regulations shall control the disclosure of records.

### PROHIBITED USES AND DISCLOSURES.

- A. Contractor may neither use, disclose, nor access PHI and/or ePHI in a manner not authorized by the Underlying Agreement or this Addendum without patient authorization or de-identification of the PHI and/or ePHI and as authorized in writing from District.
- B. Contractor may neither use, disclose, nor access PHI and/or ePHI it receives from District or from another business associate of District, except as permitted or required by this Addendum, or as required by law.
- C. Contractor agrees not to make any disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI that District would be prohibited from making.
- D. Contractor shall not use or disclose PHI for any purpose prohibited by the Privacy Rule, Security Rule.



HIPAA and/or HITECH, including, but not limited to 42 USC §17935 and §17936. Contractor agrees: 1) Not to use or disclose PHI for fundraising, unless pursuant to the Underlying Agreement and only if permitted by and in compliance with the requirements of 45 CFR §164,514(f) or 45 CFR

§164.508;

2) Not to use or disclose PHI for marketing, as defined in 45 CFR §164,501, unless pursuant to the Underlying Agreement and only if permitted by and in compliance with the requirements of 45 CFR

§164.508(a)(3);

- 3) Not to disclose PHI, except as otherwise required by law, to a health plan for purposes of carrying out payment or health care operations, if the individual has requested this restriction pursuant to 42 USC §17935(a) and 45 CFR §164.522, and has paid out of pocket in full for the health care item or service to which the PHI solely relates; and,
- 4) Not to receive, directly or indirectly, renumeration in exchange for PHI, or engage in any act that would constitute a sale of PHI, as defined in 45 CFR §164,502(a)(5)(ii), unless permitted by the Underlying Agreement and in compliance with the requirements of a valid authorization under 45 CFR §164.508(a)(4). This prohibition shall not apply to payment by District to Contractor services provided pursuant to the Underlying Agreement.

### OBLIGATIONS OF District.

A. District agrees to make its best efforts to notify Contractor promptly in writing of any restrictions on the use or disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI agreed to by District that may affect Contractor's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Addendum.

- B. District agrees to make its best efforts to promptly notify Contractor in writing of any changes in, or revocation of, permission by any individual to use or disclose PHI and/or ePHI, if such changes or revocation may affect Contractor's ability to perform its obligations under the Underlying Agreement, or this Addendum.
- C. District agrees to make its best efforts to promptly notify Contractor in writing of any known limitations) in its notice of privacy practices to the extent that such limitation may affect Contractor's use or disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI.
- D. District agrees not to request Contractor to use or disclose PHI and/or ePHI in any manner that would not be permissible under HITECH, HIPAA, the Privacy Rule, and/or Security Rule.
- E. District agrees to obtain any authorizations necessary for the use or disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI, so that Contractor can perform its obligations under this Addendum and/or Underlying Agreement.
- 5. Obligations of Contractor, In connection with the use or disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI, Contractor agrees to:
- A. Use or disclose PHI only if such use or disclosure complies with each applicable requirement of 45 CFR §164,504(e). Contractor shall also comply with the additional privacy requirements that are applicable to covered entities in HITECH, as may be amended from time to time.
- B. Not use or further disclose PHI and/or ePHI other than as permitted or required by this Addendum or as required by law. Contractor shall promptly notify District if Contractor is required by law to disclose PHI and/or ePHI.
- C. Use appropriate safeguards and comply, where applicable, with the Security Rule with respect to ePHI, to prevent use or disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI other than as provided for by this Addendum.
- D. Mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Contractor of a use or disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI by Contractor in violation of this Addendum.
- E. Report to District any use or disclosure of PHI and/or ePHI not provided for by this Addendum or otherwise in violation of HITECH, HIPAA, the Privacy Rule, and/or Security Rule of which Contractor becomes aware, including breaches of unsecured PHI as required by 45 CFR §164.410.
- F. In accordance with 45 CFR §164,502(e)(1)(ii), require that any subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, transmit or access PHI on behalf of the Contractor agree through contract to the same conditions apply to Contractor with respect to such PHI and/or ePHI, including the restrictions and conditions pursuant to this Addendum.
- G. Make available to District or the Secretary, in the me and manner designated by District or Secretary, Contractor's internal practices, books and records relating to the use, disciosure and

privacy protection of PHI received from District, or created or received by Contractor on behalf District, for purposes of determining, investigating or auditing Contractor's and/or District's compliance with the Privacy Rule.

H. Request, use or disclose only the minimum amount of PHI necessary to accomplish the intended purpose of the request, use or disclosure in accordance with 42 USC §17935(b) and 45 CFR §164.502(b)(1).

Loomply with requirements of satisfactory assurances under 45 CFR §164.512 relating to notice or qualified protective order in response to a third party's subpoena, discovery request, or other lawful process for the disclosure of PHI, which Contractor shall promptly notify District upon Contractor's receipt of such request from a third party.

J. Not require an individual to provide patient authorization for use or disclosure of PHI as a condition for treatment, payment, enrollment in any health plan (including the health plan administered by District), or eligibility of benefits, unless otherwise excepted under 45 CFR §164.508(b)(4) and authorized in writing by District.

K. Use appropriate administrative, technical and physical safe guards to prevent inappropriate use, disclosure, or access of PHI and/or ePHI.

L. Obtain and maintain knowledge of applicable laws and regulations related to HIPAA and HITECH, as may be amended from time to time.

M. Comply with the requirements of the Privacy Rule that apply to the District to the extent Contractor is to carry out District's obligations under the Privacy Rule.

N. Take reasonable steps to cure or end any pattern of activity or practice of its subcontractor of which Contractor becomes aware that constitute a material breach or violation of the subcontractor's Obligations under the business associate contract with Contractor, and if such steps are unsuccessful, Contractor agrees to terminate its contract with the subcontractor if feasible.

6. Access to PHI, Amendment and Disclosure Accounting. Contractor agrees to:

A. Access to PHI, including ePHI Provide access to PHI, including ePHI if maintained electronically, in a designated record set to District or an individual as directed by District, within five (5) days of request from District, to satisfy the requirements of 45 CFR §164.524.

B. Amendment of PHI. Make PHI available for amendment and incorporate amendments to PHI in a designated record set District directs or agrees to at the request of an individual, within fifteen (15) days of receiving a written request from District, in accordance with 45 CFR §164-526.

C. Accounting of disclosures of PHI and electronic health record. Assist District to fulfill its obligations to provide Accounting of disclosures of PHI under 45 CFR §164.528 and, where applicable, electronic health records under 42 USC §17935(c) if Contractor uses or maintains electronic health records. Contractor shall:

Document such disclosures of PHI and/or electronic health records, and information related to such disclosures, as would be required for District to respond to a request by an individual for an Accounting of disclosures of PHI and/or electronic health record in accordance with 45 CFR§164.528.5

2) Within fifteen (15) days of receiving a written request from District, provide to District or any individual as directed by District information collected in accordance with this section to permit District to respond to a request by an individual for an Accounting of disclosures of PHI and/or electronic health record.

3) Make available for District information required by this Section 6.C for six (6) years preceding the individual's request for Accounting of disclosures of PHI, and for three (3) years preceding the individual's request for Accounting of disclosures of electronic health record.

7. Security of ePHI. In the event District discloses ePHI to Contractor or Contractor needs to create, receive, maintain, transmit or have access to District ePHI, in accordance with 42 USC §17931 and 45 CFR

§164.314(a)(2)(i), and §164.306, Contractor shall:

A. Comply with the applicable requirements of the Security Rule, and implement administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality integrity, and availability of ePHI that Contractor creates, receives, maintains, or transmits on behalf of District in accordance with 45 CFR §164.308, §164.310, and §164.312;

B. Comply with each of the requirements of 45 CFR §164.316 relating to the implementation of policies, procedures and documentation requirements with respect to ePHI;

C. Protect against any reasonably anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of ePHI,

D. Protect against any reasonably anticipated uses or disclosures of ePHI that are not permitted or

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required under the Privacy Rule;

E. Ensure compliance with the Security Rule by Contractor's workforce;

F. In accordance with 45 CFR §164.308(b)(2), require that any subcontractors that create, receive, maintain, transmit, or access ePHI on behalf of Contractor agree through contract to the same restrictions and requirements contained in this Addendum and comply with the applicable requirements of the Security Rule;

G. Report to District any security incident of which Contractor becomes aware, including breaches of

unsecured PHI as required by 45 CFR §164.410; and,

H. Comply with any additional security requirements that are applicable to covered entities in Title 42 (Public Health and Welfare) of the United States Code, as may be amended from me to me, including but not limited to HITECH.

8. Breach of Unsecured PHI. In the case of breach of unsecured PHI, Contractor shall comply with the applicable provisions of 42 USC §17932 and 45 CFR Part 164, Subpart D, including but not limited to 45

CFR §164,410.

- A. Discovery and notification. Following the discovery of a breach of unsecured PHI, Contractor shall notify District in writing of such breach without unreasonable delay and in no case later than 60 calendar days after discovery of a breach, except as provided in 45 CFR §164.412.
- 1) Breaches treated as discovered. A breach is treated as discovered by Contractor as of the first day on which such breach is known to Contractor or, by exercising reasonable diligence, would have been known to Contractor, which includes any person, other than the committing the breach, who is an employee, officer, or other agent of Contractor (determined in accordance with the federal common law of agency).

2) Content of notification. The written notification to District relating to breach of unsecured PHI shall include, to the extent possible, the following information if known (or can be reasonably obtained) by Contractor:

a) The identification of each individual whose unsecured PHI has been, or is reasonably believed by Contractor to have been accessed, acquired, used or disclosed during the

b) A brief description of what happened, including the date of the breach and the date of the discovery of the breach, if known;

c) A description of the types of unsecured PHI involved in the breach, such as whether full name, social security number, date of birth, home address, account number, diagnosis, disability code, or other types of information were involved;

d) Any steps individuals should take to protect themselves from potential harm resulting from the breach;

e) A brief description of what Contractor is doing to investigate the breach, to mitigate harm to individuals, and to protect against any further breaches; and,

f) Contact procedures for individuals to ask questions or learn additional information, which shall include a toll-free telephone number, an e-mail address, web site, or postal address. B. Cooperation. With respect to any breach of unsecured PHI reported by Contractor, Contractor shall cooperate with District and shall provide District with any information requested by District to enable District to fulfill in a timely manner its own reporting and notification obligations, including but not limited to providing notice to individuals, prominent media outlets and the Secretary in accordance with 42 USC §17932 and 45 CFR §164.404, §164.406 and §164.408. C. Breach log. To the extent breach of unsecured PHI involves less than 500 individuals, Contractor shall maintain a log or other documentation of such breaches and provide such log or other documentation on an annual basis to District not later than fifteen (15) days after the end of each calendar year for submission to the Secretary.

D. Delay of notification authorized by law enforcement. If Contractor delays notification of breach of unsecured PHI pursuant to a law enforcement official's statement that required notification, notice or posting would impede a criminal investigation or cause damage to national security, Contractor shall maintain documentation sufficient to demonstrate its compliance with the requirements of 45 CFR §164.412

E. Payment of costs. With respect to any breach of unsecured PHI caused solely by the Contractor's failure to comply with one or more of its obligations under this Addendum and/or the provisions of HITECH, HIPAA, the Privacy Rule or the Security Rule, Contractor agrees to pay any and all costs associated with providing all legally required notifications to individuals, media



outlets, and the Secretary. This provision shall not be construed to limit or diminish Contractor's obligations to indemnify, defend and hold harmless District under Section 9 of this Addendum. F. Documentation. Pursuant to 45 CFR §164,414(b), in the event Contractor's use or disclosure PHI and/or ePHI violates the Privacy Rule, Contractor shall maintain documentation sufficient to demonstrate that all notifications were made by Contractor as required by 45 CFR Part 164, Subpart D, or that such use or disclosure did not constitute breach, including Contractor's completed risk assessment and investigation documentation.

G. Additional State Reporting Requirements. The parties agree that this Section 8.G applies only if and/or when District, in its capacity as a licensed clinic, health facility, home health agency, or hospice, is required to report unlawful or unauthorized access, use, or disclosure of medical information under the more stringent requirements of California Health & Safety Code §1280.15. For purposes of this Section 8.G., "unauthorized" has the meaning given such term in California Health & Safety Code §1280.15(j)(2).

1) Contractor agrees to report to District any unlawful or unauthorized access, use, or disclosure of patients medical information without unreasonable delay and no later than two (2) business days after Contractor detects such incident. Contractor further agrees such report shall be made in writing and shall include substantially the same types of information listed above in Section

8.A.2 (Content of Notification) as applicable to the unlawful or unauthorized access, use, or disclosure as defined above in this section, understanding and acknowledging that the term "breach" as used in Section 8.A.2 does not apply to California Health & Safety Code \$1280.15.

### HOLD HARMLESS/INDEMNIFICATION:

A. Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless District, all Agencies, Districts, Special Districts and Departments of District, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and representatives from any liability whatsoever, based or asserted upon any services of Contractor, its officers, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives arising out of or in any way relating to this Addendum, including but not limited to property damage, bodily injury, death, or any other element of any kind or nature whatsoever arising from the performance of Contractor, its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors, agents or representatives from this Addendum. Contractor shall defend, at its sole expense, all costs and fees, including but not limited to attorney fees, cost of investigation, defense and settlements or awards, of District, all Agencies. Districts, Special Districts and Departments of District, their respective directors, officers, Board of Supervisors, elected and appointed officials, employees, agents or representatives in any claim or action based upon such alleged acts or omissions.

B. With respect to any action or claim subject to indemnification herein by Contractor, Contractor shall, at their sole cost, have the right to use counsel of their choice, subject to the approval of District, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, and shall have the right to adjust, settle, or compromise any such action or claim without the prior consent of District; provided, however, that any such adjustment, settlement or compromise in no manner whatsoever limits or circumscribes Contractor's indemnification to District as set forth herein. Contractor's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold narmless District shall be subject to District having given Contractor written notice within a reasonable period of time of the claim or of the commencement of the related action, as the case may be, and information and reasonable assistance, at Contractor's expense, for the defense settlement thereof. Contractor's obligation hereunder shall be satisfied when Contractor has provided to District the appropriate form of dismissal relieving District from any liability for the action or claim involved.

C. The specified insurance limits required in the Underlying Agreement of this Addendum shall in no way limit or circumscribe Contractor's obligations to indemnify and hold harmless District herein from third party claims arising from issues of this Addendum.

D. In the event there is conflict between this clause and California Civil Code §2782, this clause shall be interpreted to comply with Civil Code §2782. Such interpretation shall not relieve the Contractor from indemnifying District to the fullest extent allowed by law.

E In the event there is a conflict between this indemnification clause and an indemnification clause contained in the Underlying Agreement of this Addendum, this indemnification snall only apply to



the subject issues included within this Addendum.

10. Term, This Addendum shall commence upon the Effective Date and shall terminate when all PHI and/or ePHI provided by District to Contractor, or created or received by Contractor on behalf of District, is destroyed or returned to District, or, if it is infeasible to return or destroy PHI and/ePHI, protections are extended to such information, in accordance with section 11.8 of this Addendum.

### TERMINATION.

A. Termination for Breach of Contract. A breach of any provision of this Addendum by either party shall constitute material breach of the Underlying Agreement and will provide grounds for terminating this Addendum and the Underlying Agreement with or without an opportunity to cure the breach, notwithstanding any provision in the Underlying Agreement to the contrary. Either party, upon wriften notice to the other party describing the breach, may take any of the following actions:

1) Terminate the Underlying Agreement and this Addendum, effective immediately, if the other party breaches a material provision of this Addendum.

2) Provide the other party with an opportunity to cure the alleged material breach and in the event the other party fails to cure the breach to the satisfaction of the non-breaching party in a timely manner, the non-breaching party has the right to immediately terminate the Underlying Agreement and this Addendum.

3) If Termination of the Underlying Agreement is not feasible, the breaching party, upon the request of the non-breaching party, shall implement, at its own expense, a plan to cure the breach and report regularly on its compliance with such plan to the non-breaching party.

### EFFECT OF TERMINATION:

1) Upon Termination of this Addendum, for any reason, Contractor shall return or, if agreed to in writing by District, destroy all PHI and/or ePHI received from District, or created or received by the Contractor on behalf of District, and, in the event of destruction Contractor shall certify such destruction in writing, to District, This provision shall apply to all PHI and/or ePHI which are in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Contractor, Contractor shall retain no copies of PHI and/or ePHI, except as provided below in paragraph (2) of this section

2) In the event that Contractor determines that returning or destroying the PHI and/or ePHI is not feasible, Contractor shall provide written notification to District of the conditions that make such return or destruction not feasible. If, upon determination by Contractor that return or destructions, of PHI and/or ePHI is not feasible, Contractor shall extend the protections of this Addendum to such PHI and/or ePHI and limit further uses and disclosures of such PHI and/or ePHI to those purposes which make the return or destruction not feasible, for so long as Contractor maintains such PHI and/or ePHI.

### 12. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

A. Retention Period. Whenever Contractor is required to document or maintain documentation pursuant to the terms of this Addendum, Contractor shall retain such documentation for 6 years from the date of its creation or as otherwise prescribed by law, whichever is later.

B. Amendment. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Addendum from me to me as is necessary for District to comply with HITECH, the Privacy Rule, Security Rule, and HIPAA generally.

C. Survival. The obligations of Contractor Sections 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11.B and 12.A of this Addendum shall survive the Termination or expiration of this Addendum.

D. Regulatory and Statutory References. A reference in this Addendum to a section in HITECH, HIPAA, the Privacy Rule and/or Security Rule means the section(s) as in effect or as amended.

E. Conflicts. The provisions of this Addendum shall prevail over any provisions in the Underlying Agreement that conflict or appear inconsistent with any provision in this Addendum.

District HIPAA Privacy Officer: District HIPAA Privacy Officer Address: District HIPAA Privacy Officer Phone Number:



HFA HIPPA Privacy Officer: Carrie Riemann, Senior Program Manager HFA HIPAA Privacy Officer Address: 3635 SW Dosch Rd, Portland, OR 97239 HFA HIPAA Privacy Officer Phone Number: 503.706.8386

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused their duly authorized representatives to execute this Agreement. This Agreement is affective as of the date first written abo e.

Signed By:

Hansine Fisher, President, HFA

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# GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025

### MASTER CONTRACT

GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONSECTARIAN, NONPUBLIC SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES

### LEA GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Contract Year 2024-2025

Nonpublic School ("NPS")

Nonpublic Agency ("NPA")

### **Type of Contract:**

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X	Master Contract for fiscal year with Individual Service Agreements (ISA) to be approved throughout the term of this Contract.
	Individual Master Contract for a specific student incorporating the Individual Service Agreement (ISA) into the terms of this Individual Master Contract specific to a single student.
	Interim Extension of the Master Contract: an extension of the previous fiscal years approved contracts and rates. The sole purpose of this Interim Contract is to provide for ongoing funding at the prior year's rates for 90 days at the sole discretion of the LEA in accordance with Section 4 of this Master Contract. Expiration Date:

When this section is included as part of any Master Contract, the changes specified above shall amend Section 4 – Term of Master Contract

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LEA: GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGANCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER: Lodi Children's Therapy

### NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

### **AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract (or "Contract") is entered into on July 1, 2024, between GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT hereinafter referred to as the local educational agency ("LEA") or "District" and Lodi Children's Therapy (nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency), hereinafter referred to as "NPS/A" or "CONTRACTOR," for the purpose of providing special education and/or related services to LEA students with exceptional needs under the authorization of California Education Code sections 56157, 56361 and 56365 et seq. and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq., AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003) and AB1858 (Chapter 914, Statutes of 2004). It is understood that this Contract does not commit LEA to pay for special education and/or related services provided to any LEA student, or CONTRACTOR to provide such special education and/or related services, unless and until an authorized LEA representative approves the provision of special education and/or related services by CONTRACTOR. Upon acceptance of a LEA student, LEA shall submit to CONTRACTOR an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA"), and a Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form. CONTRACTOR shall work with LEA to complete and return these forms to LEA prior to initiating any services for any student, unless otherwise agreed by LEA and CONTRACTOR. These forms shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR's obligation to provide all services specified in the LEA student's Individualized Education Program (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, the LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and/or electronic database for ISA developing including invoicing.

Unless placement and/or services is ordered pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "OAH") order, a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and parent, or authorized by LEA for a transfer LEA student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement or NPS/A services until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement and/or NPS/A services is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the Parent. 2.CERTIFICATION AND LICENSES CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a NPS/A. All NPS/A placements and services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification and licensure specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code, section 56366 et seq and within the professional scope of practice of each provider's license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR'S NPS/A certification or a waiver of such certification issued by the CDE pursuant to Education Code section 56366.2 must be provided to LEA on or before the date this Contract is executed by CONTRACTOR. This Contract shall be null and void if such certification such certification or waiver is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Contract. 1

Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated on CDE certification and in Section 24 of the Contract.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of the State of California shall be certified and all staff persons providing services to pupils shall be certified and/or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall be licensed by the State of California, or other public agency having delegated authority by contract with the State of California to license, to provide nonmedical care room and board to children, including, but not limited to, individuals with exceptional needs. The LCI must also comply with all licensing requirements relevant to the protection of the child, and have a special permit, if necessary, to meet the needs of each child so placed. If the CONTRACTOR operates a program outside of the State of California, CONTRACTOR must obtain all required licenses from the appropriate licensing agency in both California and in the state where the LCI is located.

With respect to CONTRACTOR's certification, failure to notify LEA and CDE in writing of any changes in: (1) credentialed/licensed staff; (2) ownership; (3) management and/or control of the agency; (4) major modification or relocation of facilities; or (5) significant modification of the program may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by the LEA. Any suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's CDE certification shall also be good cause for the immediate suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA, at LEA's discretion.

### 3. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

During the term of this Contract, unless otherwise agreed, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State of California, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, policies and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all applicable LEA and SELPA policies, regulations, and procedures (collectively referred to as "LEA Procedures") unless, taking into consideration all of the surrounding facts and circumstances, a policy or policies or a portion of a policy does not reasonably apply to CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that it accepts all risks and responsibilities for its failure to comply with LEA Procedures and shall indemnify LEA under the provisions of Section 16 of this Contract for all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with applicable LEA Procedures (e.g., those policies relating to; the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, student enrollment and transfer, student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions).

CONTRACTOR acknowledges and understands that LEA may report to CDE any violations of the provisions of this Contract; and that this may result in the suspension and/or revocation of CDE NPA/S certification pursuant to California Education Code section 56366.4(a).

### 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Contract shall be from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the LEA is required to renew this Contract in subsequent contract years. The parties acknowledge that any subsequent Master Contract is to be re-negotiated prior to June 30, 2025. In the event the contract negotiations are not agreed to by June 30<sup>th</sup>, the most recently executed Master Contract will remain in effect for 90 days. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d)) No Master Contract will be offered unless and until all of the contracting requirements have been satisfied. The offer of a Master Contract to a CONTRACTOR is at the sole discretion of the LEA.

The provisions of this Contract apply to CONTRACTOR and any of its employees or independent contractors. Notice of any change in CONTRACTOR's ownership or authorized representative shall be provided in writing to LEA within thirty (30) calendar days of change of ownership or change of authorized representative.

### 5. INTEGRATION/CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

This Contract incorporates LEA Procedures herein by this reference. Each ISA is also incorporated herein by this reference. This Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LEA may modify LEA Procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA with information as requested in writing to secure a Contract or a renewal.

At a minimum, such information shall include copies of current teacher credentials and clearance, insurance documentation, and CDE certification. LEA may require additional information as applicable. If the application packet is not completed and returned to LEA, no Contract will be issued. If CONTRACTOR does not return the Contract to LEA duly signed by an authorized representative within ninety (90) calendar days of issuance by LEA, the new contract rates will not take effect until the newly executed Contract is received by LEA and will not be retroactive to the first day of the new Contract's effective date. If CONTRACTOR fails to execute the new Contract within such ninety-day period, all payments shall cease until such time as the new Contract for the current school year is signed and returned to LEA by CONTRACTOR. (California Education Code §56366(c)(1) and (2)). In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed Contract between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized LEA students at the discretion of LEA.

### 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICE AGREEMENT ("ISA")

This Contract shall include an ISA developed for each LEA student to whom CONTRACTOR is to provide special education and/or related services. An ISA shall only be issued for LEA students enrolled with the approval of LEA pursuant to Education Code section 56366(a)(2)(A). An ISA may be effective for more than one contract year provided that there is a concurrent Contract in effect. In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed ISAs between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized students.

Any and all changes to a student's educational placement/program/services provided under this Contract and/or an ISA shall be made solely on the basis of a revision to the student's IEP or by written agreement between the Parent and LEA. At any time during the term of this Contract, a Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of a student's IEP subject to all procedural safeguards required by law.

Unless otherwise provided in this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code §56366(a)(5) and California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3062(e).) In the event CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the term of the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided. CONTRACTOR shall provide any and all subsequent compensatory service hours awarded to an LEA student as a result of lack of provision of services while the student was served by CONTRACTOR.

If a Parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the OAH, CONTRACTOR shall abide by the "stay-put" requirement of the State of California and federal law unless the Parent and LEA voluntarily agree otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting ("IAES") is

deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Title 20 of the United States Codes Sections 1415(k)(1)(G), 1415(k)(2), and 1415(k)(3)(B)(ii)(II). CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the formulation of an ISA, or the Contract may be appealed to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or the California State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code section 56366(c)(2).

Exhibit B includes the ISA form.

### 7. **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

- a. The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency ("NPS/A") certified by the California Department of Education ("CDE"), and its officers, agents and employees.
- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for NPS/A. It is understood, a representative of the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) of which LEA is a member is an authorized LEA representative in collaboration with LEA. LEA maintains sole responsibility for this Contract, unless otherwise specified in this Contract.
- c. The term "credential" means a valid credential, life diploma, permit, or document in special education or pupil personnel services issued by, or under the jurisdiction of, the California State Board of Education if issued prior to 1970 or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, which entitles the holder thereof to perform services for which certification qualifications are required as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(g).
- d. The term "qualified" means that a person holds a certificate, permit or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to provide special education and related services and has met federal and state certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements which apply to the area in which the individual is providing special education or related services, including those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 3064 and 3065, and adheres to the standards of professional practice established in federal and state law or regulation, including the standards contained in the California Business and Professions Code.

Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities in services of a graduate needing direct hours leading to licensure, or of a student teacher or intern leading to a graduate degree at an accredited or approved college or university, as authorized by State laws or regulations. (California Code of Regulations, tit. 5,  $\S 3001(r)$ .)

e. The term "license" means a valid non-expired document issued by a licensing agency within the California Department of Consumer Affairs or other State of California licensing office authorized to grant licenses and authorizing the bearer of the document to provide certain professional services or refer to themselves using a specified professional title. This includes, but is not limited to, mental health and board and care services at a residential placement. If a license is not available through an appropriate State of California licensing agency, a certificate of registration with the appropriate professional organization at the national or State of California level which has standards established for the certificate that are equivalent to a license shall be deemed to be a license as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(1).

### f. "Parent" means:

- i. a biological or adoptive parent; unless the biological or adoptive parent does not have legal authority to make educational decisions for the child,
- ii. a foster parent if the authority of the biological or adoptive parents to make educational decisions on the child's behalf has been specifically limited by court order in accordance with Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 300.30(b)(1) or (b)(2),
- iii. a guardian generally authorized to act as the child's parent or authorized to make educational decisions for the child,
- iv. an individual acting in the place of a biological or adoptive parent, including a grandparent, stepparent, or other relative with whom the child lives, or an individual who is legally responsible for the child's welfare,
- v. a surrogate parent.

Parent does not include the state or any political subdivision of government or a NPS/A under contract with the LEA for the provision of special education or designated instruction and services for a child. (California Education Code §56028.)

- g. The term "days" means calendar days unless otherwise specified.
- h. The phrase "billable day" means a school day in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs.
- i. The phrase "billable day of attendance" means a school day as defined in California Education Code Section 46307, in which an LEA student is in attendance and in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs unless otherwise stipulated in an IEP or ISA.
- j. It is understood that the term "Master Contract" also means "Contract" and is referred to as such in this document.

### ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

### 8. NOTICES

All notices provided for by this Contract shall be in writing. Notices shall be mailed, emailed or delivered by hand and shall be effective as of the date of receipt by addressee.

All notices mailed or emailed to LEA shall be addressed to the person and address as indicated on the signature page of this Contract. Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on the signature page of this Contract.

### 9. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

All records shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR as required by State and federal laws and regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, CONTRACTOR shall maintain all records for at least five (5) years after the termination of this Contract. For purposes of this Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to pupil records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; registers and roll books of teachers and/or daily service providers; chart notes, Medi-Cal logs, daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record the provision of related services including supervision; daily service logs and notes used to record the provision of services provided through additional instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, and bus aides; behavior emergency reports (BER); incident reports; notification of injuries; absence verification records (Parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents) if CONTRACTOR is funded for excused absences, however, such records are not required if positive attendance is required; transcripts; grade and progress reports; behavioral data; IEP/IFSPs; assessment reports; bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held and documents evidencing other staff qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; records of employee training and certification including verification of behavior

training consistent with 56366.1; staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets; transportation and other related services subcontracts; school calendars; bell/class schedules when applicable; liability and worker's compensation insurance policies; state NPS/A certifications; business licenses held; by-laws, if applicable; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; all budgetary information, including operating budgets; statements of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books; general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/State payroll quarterly reports (Form 941/DE3DP); and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA student records in a secure location to ensure confidentiality and prevent unauthorized access. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a current list of the names and positions of CONTRACTOR's employees who have access to confidential records. CONTRACTOR shall maintain an access log for each LEA student's record which lists all persons, agencies, or organizations requesting or receiving information from the record. Such log shall be maintained as required by California Education Code section 49064 and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the student's record, and a description of the record(s) provided. Such log needs to record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's Parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record. CONTRACTOR/LEA shall maintain copies of any written parental concerns granting access to LEA student records. For purposes of this Section, "employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR" do not include subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall grant the following access to student records, (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record and comply with Parent requests for copies of LEA student records, as required by State of California and federal laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of NPS/A closure, to forward all LEA student records held by CONTRACTOR within ten (10) business days to LEA. LEA and/or SELPA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all records upon request within five (5) business days.

### 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision of this Contract is held, in whole or in part, to be unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of that provision and of the entire Contract shall be severable and remain in effect.

### 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This Contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any change of ownership or corporate control within ten (10) business days of such change.

### 12. VENUE AND GOVERNING LAW

The laws of the State of California shall govern the terms and conditions of this contract with venue in the County where LEA is located.

### 13. MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

This Contract may be modified or amended by LEA to conform to administrative and statutory guidelines issued by any state, federal or local governmental agency. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR thirty (30) days' notice of any such changes or modifications made to conform to administrative or statutory guidelines and a copy of the statute, guideline, or regulation upon which the modifications or changes are based.

### 14. TERMINATION

This Contract or ISA may be terminated for cause. Cause shall include but not be limited to non-maintenance of current NPS/A certification, failure of either LEA or CONTRACTOR to maintain the

standards required under the Contract and/or ISA, or other material breach of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. For purposes of NPS placement, the cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the Contract unless the Parent agrees to the transfer of the LEA student to the public-school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the Contract or ISA, either party shall give no less than twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other party. (California Education Code §56366(a)(4).) If this Contract is terminated with twenty (20) days' notice, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract on the date of termination.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Contract or ISA may be terminated immediately, without twenty (20) days prior notice and at LEA's discretion, if LEA determines that there are significant health or safety concerns or there has been a suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's NPS/A certification. If this Contract is terminated immediately, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract within five (5) business days of termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing regarding termination of an ISA, CONTRACTOR is bound by the "stay put" provisions described in Section 6 of this Contract.

### 15. INSURANCE

CONTRACTOR shall, at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense, maintain in full force and effect, during the term of this Contract, the following insurance coverage from a California licensed and/or admitted insurer with an A minus (A-), VII, or better rating from A.M. Best, sufficient to cover any claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including counsel fees) arising out of or in connection with CONTRACTOR's fulfillment of any of its obligations under this Contract or either party's use of the work or any component or part thereof:

### PART I - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AND AGENCIES

A. Commercial General Liability Insurance, including both bodily injury and property damage, with limits as follows:

\$2,000,000 per occurrence

\$ 500,000 fire damage

\$ 5,000 medical expenses

\$1,000,000 personal & adv. Injury

\$3,000,000 general aggregate

\$2,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

CONTRACTOR's general liability policy shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from LEA's coverage, and be endorsed using Insurance Services Office form CG 20 10 or CG 20 26 (or equivalent) to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and agents shall be additional insureds under such policies. The policy may not contain an exclusion for coverage of claims arising from claims for sexual molestation or abuse. In the event that CONTRACTOR's policy should have an exclusion for sexual molestation or abuse claims, then CONTRACTOR shall be required to procure a supplemental policy providing such coverage.

### B. Commercial Auto Liability Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage for owned, non-owned, and hired autos using ISO Business Auto Coverage form CA 00 01 (or equivalent) with a limit of no less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per accident. If no owned automobiles, then only hired and non-owned is required. If CONTRACTOR uses a vehicle to travel to/from school sites, between schools, and/or to/from students' homes or other locations as approved service locations by the LEA, CONTRACTOR must comply with the State of California auto insurance requirements.

C. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance with Statutory Limits and Employers' Liability Insurance with a

limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with the certificate of insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of LEA

### D. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

### E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per claim and in the aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

### F. For all Insurance Coverage in Part I:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days' prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) All self-insured retentions over \$100,000 must be declared and approved by LEA.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) CONTRACTOR shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein. However, insurance requirements may be determined on a "per subcontractor" basis, considering the particular work to be done by the subcontractor.
- 6) All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

### PART II - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AFFILIATED WITH A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY ("RTC")

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS affiliated with a residential treatment center ("NPS/RTC"), the following insurance policies are required:

### A. Commercial General Liability

CONTRACTOR shall maintain commercial general liability insurance with coverage at least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) form CG 00 01, in an amount not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage, including without limitation, blanket contractual liability. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location, or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. CONTRACTOR'S general liability policies shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from the LEA'S coverage and be endorsed with a form at least as broad as ISO form 20 10 or CG 20 26 to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers shall be additional insureds under such policies.

The policy shall be endorsed to name LEA and LEA's Board of Trustees as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by LEA which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and NPS/RTC's insurance primary despite any conflicting provisions in the NPS/RTC's policy. Coverage shall be maintained with no Self-Insured Retention above \$100,000 without the prior written approval of LEA.

Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies by CONTRACTOR shall not affect coverage provided to the LEA.

Coverage shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the LEA.

- B. Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with provisions of the California Labor Code adequate to protect the NPS/RTC from claims that may arise from its operations pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act (Statutory Coverage). The Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage must also include Employers' Liability coverage with limit of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with Certificate of Insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of the LEA.
- C. Business Auto Liability Coverage CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if the NPS/RTC does not operate a student bus service. If the NPS/RTC provides student bus services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.
- **D. Fidelity Bond** or **Crime Coverage** CONTRACTOR shall maintain Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage to cover all employees who process or otherwise have responsibility for NPS/RTC funds, supplies, equipment, or other assets. Minimum amount of coverage shall be \$250,000 per occurrence, with no self-insured retention.
- E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per claim and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

### F. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance with limits not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

### G. For all Insurance Coverage in Part II:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000 must be declared to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions with respect to the LEA, its officials, and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigation.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to the commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) For any claims related to the services performed in connection with this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be the primary insurance with respect to the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees shall be in excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute to it.

All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

If LEA or CONTRACTOR determines that a change in insurance coverage obligations under this section is necessary, either party may reopen negotiations to modify the insurance obligations.

### 16. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

A. When the law establishes a professional standard of care for CONTRACTOR'S Services, to the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its officials, employees and volunteers from and against any and all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, and expenses, including legal counsel's fees and costs but only to the extent the CONTRACTOR is responsible for such damages, liabilities and costs on a comparative basis of fault between the CONTRACTOR and the LEA in the performance of professional services under this Contract.

### B. INDEMNITY FOR OTHER THAN PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

Other than in the performance of professional services and to the full extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its employees, officials, and volunteers from and against any liability (including liability for claims, suits, actions, arbitration proceedings, administrative proceedings, regulatory proceedings, losses, expenses or costs of any kind, whether actual, alleged or threatened, including legal counsel's fees and costs, court costs, defense costs, and expert witness fees), where the same arise out of, are a consequence of, or are in any way attributable to, in whole or in part, the performance of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or by any individual or LEA for which CONTRACTOR is legally liable, including, but not limited to officers, agents, employees, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR, except when caused by the active negligence or willful misconduct of the LEA.

### 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing herein contained will be construed to imply a joint venture, partnership or principal-agent relationship between LEA and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide all services under this Contract as an independent contractor, and neither party shall have the authority to bind or make any commitment on behalf of the other. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employer and employee between the Parties or any affiliates of the Parties, or between LEA and any individual assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform any services for LEA.

If LEA is determined to be a partner, joint venture, co-principal, employer or co-employer of CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless LEA from and against any and all claims for loss, liability, or damages arising from that determination, as well as any expenses, costs, taxes, penalties and interest charges incurred by LEA as a result of that determination.

### 18. SUBCONTRACTING

CONTRACTOR shall not enter into any subcontracting relationship without first obtaining final written approval of LEA. Should CONTRACTOR wish to subcontract for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Contract, it must provide written notification to LEA before any subcontracting arrangement is made. In the event LEA determines that it can provide the subcontracted service(s) at a lower rate, LEA may elect to provide such service(s). If LEA elects to provide such service(s), LEA shall provide written notification to CONTRACTOR within five (5) days of receipt of CONTRACTOR's original notice and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said service(s).

Should LEA approve in concept of CONTRACTOR subcontracting for services, CONTRACTOR shall submit the proposed subcontract to LEA for approval. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR is developing subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including, but not limited to, transportation) for any LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall cause each subcontractor to procure and maintain indemnification and insurance requirements which comply with the provisions of Sections 15 and 16 of this Contract during the term of each subcontract. If a proposed subcontract is approved by LEA, each subcontractor shall furnish LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 15 of this Contract. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. Unless otherwise agreed to by LEA, the endorsements are to be on forms provided by LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall name the LEA/SELPA and the LEA Board of Education as additional insureds.

As an alternative to LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide, with prior LEA approval, complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage required by

this Contract. All Certificates of Insurance must reference the LEA contract number, name of the NPS/A submitting the certificate, designation of NPS or NPA, and the location of the NPS/A submitting the certificate. In addition, all subcontractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 45 (Clearance Requirements) and Section 46 (Staff Qualifications) of this Contract. No subcontract shall be considered final without LEA approval.

### 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA upon request a copy of its current bylaws and a current list of its Board of Directors (or Trustees), if it is incorporated. CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code section 56042 and Government Code Section 1090 including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provision of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at IEP team meetings acting as a student's advocate. Pursuant to California Education Code section 56042, an attorney or advocate for a Parent of an individual with exceptional needs shall not recommend placement at CONTRACTOR's facility if the attorney or advocate is employed or contracted by the CONTRACTOR, or will receive a benefit from the CONTRACTOR, or otherwise has a conflict of interest.

LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for an LEA student when a recommendation for special education and/or related services is based in whole or in part on assessment(s) or reports provided by CONTRACTOR to the LEA student without prior written authorization by LEA. This section shall apply to CONTRACTOR regardless of when an assessment is performed or a report is prepared (i.e., before or after the LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR's NPS/A) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid conflict of interest, and in order to ensure the appropriateness of an Independent Educational Evaluation (hereinafter referred to as "IEE") and its recommendations, LEA may not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the LEA student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, LEA may not fund services through the evaluator whose IEE LEA agrees to fund. When no other appropriate assessor is available, LEA may request and if CONTRACTOR agrees, CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that its authorized representative has read and understands California Education Code section 56366.3 which provides, in relevant part, that no special education and/or related services provided by CONTRACTOR shall be paid for by LEA if provided by an individual who is or was an employee of LEA within the three hundred sixty-five (365) days prior to executing this Contract. This provision does not apply to any person who is able to provide designated instruction and services during the extended school year because he or she is otherwise employed for up to ten months of the school year by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall not admit a student living within the jurisdictional boundaries of the LEA on a private pay or tuition free "scholarship" basis and concurrently or subsequently advise/request Parent(s) to pursue funding for the admitted school year from LEA through due process proceedings. Such action shall constitute good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

### 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not, in employment or operation of its programs, unlawfully discriminate on the basis of gender, nationality, national origin, ancestry, race, color, ethnicity, ethnic group affiliation, religion, age, marital status, pregnancy or parental status, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, physical or mental disability, genetic information, medical condition, military or veteran status, or any other classification protected by federal or State law or the perception of one or more of such characteristics or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

### 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services (including transition services) to each LEA student within the NPS/A consistent with the student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall not accept an LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If an LEA student's services are provided by a third party (i.e. Related Services Provider), CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, if provision of services cease.

Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, and/or facilities, as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall make no charge of any kind to parents for special education and/or related services as specified in the student's IEP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of an LEA student's enrollment under the terms of this Contract). LEA shall provide low incidence equipment for eligible students with low incidence disabilities when specified in an LEA student's IEP and ISA. Such equipment remains the property of the LEA and shall be returned to the LEA when the IEP team determines the equipment is no longer needed or when the student is no longer enrolled in the NPS. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

CONTRACTOR may charge an LEA student's Parent(s) for services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE after: (a) written notification to the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities; and (b) receipt by LEA of the written notification and a written acknowledgment signed by the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning Parent acknowledgment of financial responsibility.

Voluntary services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE shall not interfere with the LEA student's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA unless the LEA, CONTRACTOR, and Parent agree otherwise in writing.

### 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All NPS/A services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code section 56366 *et seq*.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. LEA students shall have access to: (a) State Board of Education (SBE) - adopted Common Core State Standards ("CCSS") for curriculum and the same instructional materials for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive; and provide standards – aligned core curriculum and instructional materials for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, used by LEA; (b) college preparation courses; (c) extracurricular activities, such as art, sports, music and academic clubs; (d) career preparation and vocational training, consistent with transition plans pursuant to State and federal law and; (e) supplemental assistance, including individual academic tutoring, psychological counseling, and career and college counseling. When appropriate, CONTRACTOR shall utilize the designated curriculum guidelines for students with moderate to severe disabilities who participate in the State's alternative assessment. These students shall have access to the core content, activities, and instructional materials delineated within these curriculum guidelines. CONTRACTOR'S general program

of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA prior to the effective date of this Contract.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades 9 through 12 inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not award a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of LEA's graduation requirements.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction and/or services shall utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines and certifications, and shall be provided as specified in the student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the services and location provided prior to the effective date of this Contract. School-based services may not be unilaterally converted by CONTRACTOR to a substitute program or provided at a location not specifically authorized by the IEP team. Except for services provided by a CONTRACTOR that is a Licensed Children's Institution (LCI), all services not provided in the school setting require the presence of a Parent or adult caregiver during the delivery of services, provided such guardian or caregiver have a signed authorization by the Parent to authorize emergency services as requested. LCI CONTRACTORS shall ensure that appropriate and qualified residential or clinical staff is present during the provision of services under this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no Parent, guardian or adult caregiver is present.

CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services shall develop a written plan that specifies the nature of their NPA service for each student within thirty (30) days of enrollment and shall be provided in writing to the LEA. CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services must have a trained behaviorist or trained equivalent on staff who is qualified and responsible for the design, planning, and implementation of behavioral interventions as the law requires. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3051.23; Ed. Code § 56366.10(e).) It is understood that Behavior Intervention Services are limited to CDE Certification and do not constitute an instructional program.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR shall not provide transportation nor subcontract for transportation services for students unless LEA and CONTRACTOR agree otherwise in writing.

### 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, the total number of instructional minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be at least equivalent to the number of instructional minutes per school day provided to LEA students at like grade level attending LEA schools and shall be specified in the student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

For students in grades kindergarten through 12 inclusive, unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP and ISA, the number of instructional minutes, excluding breakfast, recess, lunch and passing time shall be at the same level that California Education Code prescribes for LEA.

The total number of annual instructional minutes shall be at least equivalent to the total number of annual instructional minutes provided to LEA students attending LEA schools in like grade level unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, the total number of minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be specified in the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

### 24. CLASS SIZE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that class size shall not exceed a ratio of one teacher per twelve (12) students, unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing. Upon prior written approval by an authorized LEA representative, class size may be temporarily increased by a ratio of 1 teacher to fourteen (14) students when necessary, during the regular or extended school year to provide services to students with disabilities.

In the event a NPS CONTRACTOR is unable to fill a vacant teaching position responsible for direct instruction to LEA students, and the vacancy has a direct impact on the CDE Certification of that school, CONTRACTOR shall develop a plan to ensure appropriate coverage of students by first utilizing existing certificated staff. CONTRACTOR and LEA may agree to one 30 school day period per contract year where class size may be increased to ensure coverage by an appropriately credentialed teacher. Such an agreement shall be in writing and signed by both parties. This provision does not apply to an NPA CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR providing special education instruction for individuals with exceptional needs between the ages of three and five years, inclusive, shall also comply with the appropriate instructional adult to child ratios pursuant to California Education Code sections 56440 *et seq*.

### 25. CALENDARS

### When CONTRACTOR is a NPS:

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed 180 days, plus extended school year billable days equivalent to the number of days determined by LEA's extended school year calendar. Billable days shall include only those days that are included on the submitted and approved school calendar, and/or required by the IEP (developed by LEA) for each LEA student. CONTRACTOR shall not be allowed to change its school calendar and/or amend the number of billable days without the prior written approval of LEA. Nothing in this Contract shall be interpreted to require LEA to accept any requests for calendar changes. In the event LEA adjusts the number of school days for its regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for CONTRACTOR. In such a case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the LEA student's IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services as determined by the student's IEP team and the provision of such is specifically included in the ISA. Extended school year shall consist of twenty (20) instructional days, unless otherwise agreed upon by the student's IEP team convened by the LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to by LEA and CONTRACTOR, in writing, prior to the start of the extended school year.

Student must have actually been in attendance during the regular school year and/or during extended school year and received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPS service. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall observe the same legal holidays as LEA. As of the execution of this Contract, those holidays are: Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth and Independence Day. With the prior written approval of LEA, CONTRACTOR may revise the date upon which CONTRACTOR closes in observance of any of the holidays observed by LEA.

### When CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

CONTRACTOR shall be provided with a LEA-developed/approved calendar prior to the initiation of services. CONTRACTOR herein agrees to observe holidays as specified in LEA-developed/approved calendar. CONTRACTOR shall provide services pursuant to LEA-developed/approved calendar; or as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA students on only those days that the LEA student's school of attendance is in session and the LEA student attends school. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for services provided on billable days of attendance as indicated on LEA calendar unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing before delivery of any NPA services. Student must have actually been in attendance and/or received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPA service provided by CONTRACTOR. Any services provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. In the event of school closures due to emergency, payment will follow the procedures in accordance with Section 62 of this Contract.

### 26. DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide to LEA all data related to LEA student information and billing information. CONTRACTOR shall provide data related to all sections of this Contract, including student discipline as noted below, when requested by LEA and in the format required by LEA. It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize LEA-approved electronic IEP system for all IEP development, service tracking documentation, and progress reporting, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by LEA. Additional progress reporting may be required by the LEA. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access so that this information may be compiled.

Using forms developed by the CDE or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, on a monthly basis, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all statutory offenses as described in Education Codes sections 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with approved forms and/or format for such data including, but not limited to, invoicing, attendance reports and progress reports. LEA may approve use of CONTRACTOR-provided forms at its discretion.

### 27. LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT/DUAL ENROLLMENT

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA Procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") options and/or dual enrollment options if available and appropriate, for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall ensure that LRE placement options are addressed at all IEP team meetings regarding students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. This shall include IEP team consideration of supplementary aids and services, goals and objectives necessary for placement in the LRE and necessary to enable students to transition to less restrictive settings.

When an IEP team has determined that a student should be transitioned into the public-school setting, CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA in implementing the IEP team's recommended activities to support the transition.

### 28. STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, per implementation of Senate Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASPP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), California Alternative Assessment ("CAA"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("ELPAC"), and Alternative English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("Alternative ELPAC"), and as appropriate to the LEA student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA, State of California, and federal guidelines.

CONTRACTOR is subject to the alternative accountability system developed pursuant to Education Code section 52052, in the same manner as public schools. Each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR by the LEA shall be tested by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. LEA shall provide test administration training to CONTRACTOR'S qualified staff. CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA test training and comply with completion of all coding requirements as required by LEA.

### 29. MANDATED ATTENDANCE AT LEA MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA-mandated meetings when legal mandates and/or LEA Procedures are reviewed, including but not limited to the areas of: curriculum, high school graduation, standards-based instruction, behavior intervention, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, data collection, standardized testing, and IEPs. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute billable service hour(s).

### 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49005, *et seq.*, 56521.1 and 56521.2. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that CONTRACTOR utilizes a multi-tier system of support ("MTSS") to address student needs. CONTRACTOR shall also ensure that all staff are trained on the use of positive behavior interventions and supports consistent with this Contract.

LEA students who exhibit behaviors that interfere with their learning, or the learning of others must receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal law and its implementing regulations. If the IEP team determines that a student's behavior impedes his or her learning or the learning of others, the IEP team is required to consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. This could mean that instead of developing a Behavior Intervention Plan ("BIP"), the IEP team may conclude it is sufficient to address the student's behavioral problems through the development of behavioral goals and behavioral interventions to support those goals.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and behavioral emergency reports ("BERs"). CONTRACTOR shall inform each of its employees about the policy, provide each employee with a copy thereof, and provide training to all employees regarding the policy. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all of its staff members are trained in crisis intervention, emergency procedures, and evidenced-based practices and interventions specific to the unique behavioral needs of the CONTRACTOR's pupil population. Training shall include certification by an approved LEA crisis intervention program. Training shall be provided within 30 days of employment to new staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day, and annually to all staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day. (Ed. Code 56366.10(f).) The CONTRACTOR shall select and conduct the training in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1. CONTRACTOR shall maintain accurate written records documenting all training completed by all of CONTRACTOR's employees. Evidence of all training shall be submitted to

LEA at least annually at the beginning of the school year, and within five (5) business days of completion of training or any new hire upon LEA request.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1, emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a BIP and shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. Emergency interventions may only be used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to a LEA student or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency. Consistent with Section 44 of this Contract, LEA may observe and/or audit CONTRACTOR's implementation of BIPs, staff use of behavior interventions, including emergency interventions, at any time, and without prior notice.

CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER when an emergency occurs that is defined as serious, dangerous behavior that staff has determined to present a clear and present danger to others. It requires a non-violent physical intervention to protect the safety of student, self, or others and a physical intervention has been used; or a physical intervention has not been used, but an injury or serious property damage has occurred. The use of Personal Safety Techniques (which may or may not have been used) does not determine whether a BER is required. Emergencies *require* a BER form be completed and submitted to the LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone. If the student's IEP does not contain a BIP, an IEP team shall schedule a meeting to review the BER, determine if there is a necessity for a functional behavioral assessment ("FBA"), and to determine an interim plan, or both. If the student already has a BIP, the IEP team shall review and modify the BIP if a new serious behavior has been exhibited or existing behavioral interventions have proven to be ineffective. CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.2, CONTRACTOR shall not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for the following interventions, or any other interventions like the following:

- 1. Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain, including, but not limited to, electric shock.
- 2. An intervention that involves the release of noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mist, or substances in proximity to the face of the individual.
- 3. An intervention that denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities.
- 4. An intervention that is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject, the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or that can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma.
- 5. Restrictive interventions that employ a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities, including the procedure known as prone containment, except that prone containment or similar techniques may be used by trained personnel as a limited emergency intervention.
- 6. Locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 7. An intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual.
- 8. An intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with Education Code section 49005.8. Specifically, Contractor shall not do any of the following:

- 1. Use seclusion or behavioral restraint for the purpose of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.
- 2. Use locked seclusion unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 3. Use a physical restraint technique that obstructs a pupil's respiratory airway or impairs the pupil's breathing or respiratory capacity, including techniques in which a staff member places pressure on a pupil's back or places his or her body weight against the pupil's torso or back.

- 4. Use a behavioral restraint technique that restricts breathing, including, but not limited to, using a pillow, blanket, carpet, mat, or other item to cover a pupil's face.
- 5. Place a pupil in a facedown position with the pupil's hands held or restrained behind the pupil's back.
- 6. Use a behavioral restraint for longer than is necessary to contain the behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the pupil or others.

CONTRACTOR shall keep constant, direct observation of a pupil who is in seclusion, which may be through observation of the pupil through a window, or another barrier, through which the educational provider is able to make direct eye contact with the pupil. This observation shall not be through indirect means, including through a security camera or a closed-circuit television.

CONTRACTOR shall afford pupils who are restrained the least restrictive alternative and the maximum freedom of movement, and shall use the least number of restraint points, while ensuring the physical safety of the pupil and others.

If prone restraint techniques are used by CONTRACTOR, a staff member shall observe the pupil for any signs of physical distress throughout the use of prone restraint. Whenever possible, the staff member monitoring the pupil shall not be involved in restraining the pupil.

In the case of a child whose behavior impedes the child's learning or that of others, the IEP team shall consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA via telephone of any severe or increasingly frequent behavior problem, any emergency intervention in response to a previously unseen serious behavior problem, or where a previously designed behavior intervention is ineffective, that may require an IEP team meeting.

All restraint practices must be reviewed and revised when they have an adverse effect on a student and are used repeatedly for an individual child, either on multiple occasions within the same classroom or multiple uses by the same individual. CONTRACTOR shall notify the Parent when any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusion has been used. Upon the use of any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusions of an LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER per the reporting and notification requirements listed above.

BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION REPORTING: Twice annually, CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that (a) CONTRACTOR has reviewed the BERs for each LEA student in conjunction with that student's IEP and BIP; (b) Staff are trained to implement each LEA student's BIP, including approved or prohibited restraint techniques for each student; (c) emergency interventions have only been used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to LEA students or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior; and (d) BERs have been properly completed and timely forwarded to LEA as required by this Contract.

CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with any of the requirements of Section 30: Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports shall constitute sufficient good cause for immediate termination of this Contract by LEA.

### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with State of California and federal law and regulations. Using forms developed by the California Department of Education or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, monthly, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all

statutory offenses as described in Education Codes 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code Sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from the student's current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) submit a written discipline report to LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the student's name, grade, race, ethnicity, and gender; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACTOR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of the LEA student's behavior plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP meeting no later than the tenth (10th) day after the decision is made to suspend the student for more than ten (10) school days or recommend expulsion of the student. LEA shall notify and invite CONTRACTOR representatives to the IEP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

### 32. IEP TEAM MEETINGS

An IEP team meeting shall be convened at least annually to evaluate: (1) the educational progress of each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR, including all state assessment results pursuant to the requirements of Education Code section 52052; (2) whether or not the needs of the LEA student continue to be best met at the NPS; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the LEA student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) and California Education Code section 56345(b)(4).)

If an LEA student is to be transferred from a NPS setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, a description of activities provided to integrate the student into the regular education program, including the nature of each activity as well as the time spent on the activity each day or week and a description of the activities provided to support the transition of the student from the special education program into the regular education program. Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of the student's IEP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. At any time during the term of this Contract, the Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of the LEA student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, at no cost and prior to an annual or triennial IEP team meeting, documentation regarding the student's progress on goals and all assessments and written assessment reports (including testing protocols) created by CONTRACTOR and any of its agents or subcontractors, upon request and/or pursuant to LEA Procedures. It is understood that attendance at an IEP meeting is part of CONTRACTOR'S professional responsibility and is not a billable service under this Contract.

It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize the LEA approved electronic IEP system for all IEP planning and progress reporting at LEA's discretion. LEA may provide training for any CONTRACTOR to ensure access to the approved system. CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on the approved system and shall protect the password requirements of the system. When a LEA student disenrolls from the NPS/A, the CONTRACTOR shall discontinue use of the approved system for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting provided under this Contract, may only be made based on revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that CONTRACTOR believes a LEA student requires a change of placement, CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the purposes of consideration of a change in the student's placement. A LEA student is entitled to remain in the last agreed upon and implemented placement unless Parent agrees otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Section 1415(k)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code.

#### 33. SURROGATE PARENTS AND FOSTER YOUTH

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments. Surrogate parents shall serve as the child's Parent and have all the rights relative to the student's education that a parent has under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act pursuant to 20 U.S.C. sections 1414-1482 and 34 C.F.R. sections 300.1-300.756. A pupil in foster care shall be defined pursuant to California Education Code section 42238.01(b). LEA shall annually notify CONTRACTOR who LEA has designated as the educational liaison for foster children. When a pupil in foster care is enrolled in a NPS by LEA any time after the completion of the student's second year of high school, CONTRACTOR shall schedule the pupil in courses leading towards graduation based on the diploma requirements of LEA unless provided notice otherwise in writing pursuant to Section 51225.1.

#### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. Participation includes CONTRACTOR's staff being made available for witness preparation and testimony as is necessary to facilitate a due process hearing. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office of Civil Rights, or any other State and/or federal governmental body or agency. Full participation shall include, but in no way be limited to, cooperating with LEA representatives to provide complete answers raised by any investigator and/or the immediate provision of any and all documentation that pertains to the operation of CONTRACTOR's program and/or the implementation of a particular student's IEP/ISA.

#### 35. COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and adhere to its own written procedures for responding to Parent complaints. These procedures shall include annually notifying and providing Parents of LEA students with appropriate information (including complaint forms) for the following: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 *et seq.*; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8(a), (d) and 106.9(a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"). CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) notify LEA of any complaints filed against it related to LEA students and provide LEA with all documentation related to the complaints and/or its investigation of complaints, including any and all reports generated as a result of an investigation.

#### 36. LEA STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS/REPORT CARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided monthly, CONTRACTOR shall provide Parents, with a concurrent copy sent to LEA, at least four (4) written progress reports/report cards. At a minimum, progress reports shall include progress over time towards IEP goals and objectives. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at CONTRACTOR's place of business and shall be submitted to the LEA and LEA student's Parent quarterly.

CONTRACTOR shall also provide LEA representatives access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, transition plans, and behavior intervention plans, including but not limited to log sheets, chart notes, observation notes, data sheets, pre-/post-tests, rubrics and other similar data collection used to determine progress or lack of progress on approved goals, objectives, transition plans or behavior intervention plans. LEA may request such data at any time within five (5) years of the date of service. CONTRACTOR shall maintain such information for at least five (5) years and shall provide this data supporting progress to LEA within five (5) business days of request. Additional time may be granted as needed by the LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other evaluations of the LEA student at least ten (10) days prior to the student's IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP team meeting as required by State and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA Procedures, and/or LEA practices. CONTRACTOR shall provide sufficient copies of its reports, documents, and projected goals to share with members of the IEP team at least five (5) business days prior to the IEP meeting. CONTRACTOR shall maintain supporting documentation, such as test protocols and data collection, which shall be made available to LEA within five (5) business days of request.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for all evaluation costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting, and development of present levels of performance. All assessments resulting from an assessment plan shall be provided by LEA unless LEA specifies in writing a request that CONTRACTOR perform such assessment. Any assessment and/or evaluation costs may be added to the ISA and/or approved separately by LEA at LEA's sole discretion.

It is understood that all billable hours must be in direct services to LEA students as specified in the ISA. For NPA services, supervision provided by a qualified individual as specified in Title 5 Regulation, subsection 3065, shall be determined as appropriate and included in the ISA. Supervision means the direct observation of services, data review, case conferencing and program design consistent with professional standards for each professional's license, certification, or credential.

CONTRACTOR shall not charge a LEA student's Parent(s) or LEA for the provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any evaluations conducted in order to obtain present levels of performance, interviews, and/or attendance at any meetings. It is understood that all billable hours are limited to those specified on the ISA consistent with the IEP. It is understood that copies of data collection notes, forms, charts and other such data are part of the student's record and shall be made available to LEA upon written request.

#### 37. GRADES, HIGH SCHOOL COURSE CREDITS & TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR is responsible for assigning grades for any course of instruction taught at the NPS. The grades determined by the pupil's teacher, in the absence of clerical or mechanical mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetency, shall be final and consistent with the provisions specified in <u>EC Section 49066</u>. The grades each pupil receives in all courses of instruction taught by the NPS shall be reported to the parents and the LEA on a quarterly basis. Consistent with the LEA, should it become evident to the NPS the pupil is in danger of failing a course, the CONTRACTOR must initiate a parent conference, and the LEA representative must be in attendance.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by the CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not recommend awarding a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of the LEA's graduation requirements.

Pupils enrolled in high school during the 2020-2021 academic year may request a Pass or No Pass grade as permitted in <u>EC Section 49066.5</u>, which may be reflected on the student's transcript and shall not negatively affect the pupil's grade point average.

CONTRACTOR shall prepare transcripts at the close of each semester, or upon LEA student transfer, for LEA students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive and submit such transcripts on LEA-approved forms to the LEA student's school of residence for evaluation of progress toward completion of diploma requirements as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, the names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by LEA. All transcripts shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR and furnished to LEA upon request, consistent with the parameters of Sections 9 and 26 of this Contract.

#### 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify Parents in writing of their obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of an LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to Parents. Within five (5) school days from the date CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures.

If CONTRACTOR had knowledge or should reasonably have had knowledge of an LEA student's change of residence and CONTRACTOR fails to follow the procedures specified in this section, LEA shall not be responsible for the costs of services delivered following the LEA student's change of residence.

#### 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM NPS/A

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to LEA via telephone and electronically (within 24 hours) and in writing to LEA within five (5) business days when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services without prior notice. This includes but is not limited to a LEA student's change of residence to a residence outside of LEA boundaries, and LEA student's discharge against professional advice from a NPS and/or residential treatment center ("RTC"). CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify potential dropouts three (3) times per year.

#### 40. PARENT ACCESS

CONTRACTOR shall provide for reasonable parental access to LEA students and all facilities including, but not limited to, the instructional setting, recreational activity areas, meeting rooms and student living quarters when applicable. CONTRACTOR shall comply with any known court orders regarding parental visits and access to LEA students.

CONTRACTOR operating programs associated with an NPS/RTC shall cooperate with a Parent's reasonable request for LEA student therapeutic visits in their home or at the NPS/RTC. CONTRACTOR shall require that Parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from CONTRACTOR and LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance. When requested, CONTRACTOR shall facilitate all Parent travel and accommodations and provide travel information to the parents as appropriate. Payment by LEA for approved travel-related expenses shall be made directly through LEA consistent with LEA Procedures.

CONTRACTOR providing services in a LEA student's home as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child, or an adult caregiver with the Parent's written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency, is present. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to the LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the Parent informs the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergencies. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing immediately (within 24 hours) of all problems and/or concerns reported to Parents, both verbal and written.

## 41. LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION ("LCI") CONTRACTORS AND RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER ("RTC") CONTRACTORS

If CONTRACTOR is a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9 (c) (1), Health and Safety Code section 1501.1 and any other applicable laws and/or regulations, including LEA guidelines and LEA Procedures. An LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its NPS as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS/RTC, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1400 et seq. including the federal regulations 34 C.F.R section 300 et seq. and Education Code section 56000 et seq. including Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all monitoring requirements set forth in Section 43 below.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS that is owned, operated by, or associated with a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, on a quarterly basis, a list of all LEA students, including those identified as eligible for special education. For those identified as special education students, the list shall include: 1) special education eligibility at the time of enrollment and 2) the educational placement and services specified in each student's IEP at the time of enrollment. A copy of the current IEP shall be provided to the LEA.

Unless placement is made pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings order or a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and Parent, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the LEA student's Parent or another adult with educational decision-making rights.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.).

#### 42. STATE MEAL MANDATE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49005 et seq.; 49501.5, the universal meal mandate enacted by AB 130 (2021-2022); 49530 et seq; and 49550 et seq.

#### 43. MONITORING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct at least one onsite monitoring visit during each school year to the NPS at which LEA has a student attending and with which it maintains a master contract. The monitoring visit shall include, but is not limited to, a review of services provided to the student through the ISA between LEA and the NPS, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's IEP, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's BIP, if applicable, an observation of the pupil during instruction, and a walkthrough of the facility. LEA (or SELPA) shall report the findings resulting from the monitoring visit to the California Department of Education within 60 calendar days of the onsite visit.

LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct an onsite visit to the NPS before placement of a student if LEA does not have any students enrolled at the NPS at the time of placement. (Ed. Code § 56366.1.)

CONTRACTOR shall allow LEA representatives access to its facilities for additional periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program. LEA shall have access to observe each LEA student at work, observe the instructional setting, interview CONTRACTOR, and review each LEA student's records and progress held by CONTRACTOR. LEA's access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR's site administrative office. CONTRACTOR and LEA shall be invited to participate in the review of each LEA student's progress.

If CONTRACTOR is also an LCI and/or NPS/RTC, the CDE shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR follows Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b). LEA may also conduct its own onsite review of a NPS using LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction ("Superintendent") shall monitor CONTRACTOR'S facilities, the educational environment, and the quality of the educational program, including the teaching

staff, the credentials authorizing service, the standards-based core curriculum being employed, and the standard focused instructional materials used on a three-year cycle, as follows: (1) CONTRACTOR shall complete a self-review in year one; (2) Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall participate in any LEA or CDE compliance review, if applicable, to be conducted as aligned with the CDE Onsite Review and monitoring cycle in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(j). This review will address programmatic aspects of the NPS, compliance with relevant State and federal regulations, and Contract compliance. If requested by LEA, CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School/Agency Self-Review Assessment to LEA and CDE. CONTRACTOR shall conduct any follow-up or corrective action procedures related to review findings.

CONTRACTOR understands that LEA reserves the right to institute a program audit with or without cause. The program audit may include, but is not limited to, a review of core compliance areas of health and safety; curriculum/instruction; related services; and contractual, legal, and procedural compliance.

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS, CONTRACTOR shall collect all applicable data and prepare the applicable portion of a School Accountability Report Card as appropriate in accordance with California Education Code Section 33126.

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#### 44. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

#### If CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPA, all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who will or are likely to interact with LEA students shall obtain clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI"). Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information and notwithstanding the express provisions of California Education Code sections 44237, 45125.1, and 56366.1, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors to submit fingerprints through LEA's Live Scan system, regardless of whether CONTRACTOR requires its employees and volunteers to submit fingerprints for background checks in accordance with its own procedures. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who will interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee to enroll in LEA's subsequent arrest notification service as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

No employees, volunteers, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who have been convicted of a violent or serious felony, as those terms are defined in California Education Code Section 44237 subdivision (h) shall interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee, unless despite the employee's, volunteer's, or subcontractor's conviction of a violent or serious felony, they have met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237 subdivisions (i) or (j). CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not interact with LEA students unless and until CDOJ and DBI clearances are ascertained through LEA's Live Scan system.

#### If CONTRACTOR is a NPS or RTC:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS or RTC, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 44237, 35021.1, 35021.2, and 56366.1 including, but not limited to: obtaining clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI") for CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers who will have or likely may have any direct contact with LEA students. In addition, if CONTRACTOR is located outside of California, then the CONTRACTOR shall also obtain

clearance from its state's department of justice. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not come in contact with LEA students until CDOJ, it's state's DOJ, and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with students, or subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students have been convicted of a violent or serious felony as those terms are defined in California Education Code section 44237(h), unless despite the employee's conviction of a violent or serious felony, he or she has met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237(i) or (j). Upon request, clearance certification shall be submitted to the LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2. CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that CONTRACTOR'S employees, volunteers, and subcontractors have successful background checks and CONTRACTOR enrolled in subsequent arrest notification service for all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students.

Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notification service, as provided, for each owner, operator, employee, volunteer, and subcontractor of the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR is required to retain the evidence on-site, as specified, for all staff, including those licensed or credentialed by another state agency. Background clearances and proof of subsequent arrest notification service, as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2, for all staff shall be provided to the LEA upon request.

#### 45. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services hold a license, certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold in the service rendered consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1) and are qualified pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3001(r), 3064 and 3065. Such qualified staff may only provide related services within the scope of their professional license, certification or credential and ethical standards set by each profession, and not assume responsibility or authority for another related services provider or special education teacher's scope of practice.

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all staff are appropriately credentialed to provide instruction and services to students with the disabling conditions placed in their program/school through documentation provided to the CDE. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3064(a).)

In accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(a)(5), when CONTRACTOR is a NPS, an appropriately qualified person shall serve as curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development. The administrator of the NPS holds or is in the process of obtaining one of the following: (A) An administrative credential granted by an accredited postsecondary educational institution and two years of experience with pupils with disabilities. (B) A pupil personnel services credential that authorizes school counseling or psychology. (C) A license as a clinical social worker issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (D) A license in psychology regulated by the Board of Psychology. (E) A master's degree issued by an accredited postsecondary institution in education, special education, psychology, counseling, behavioral analysis, social work, behavioral science, or rehabilitation. (F) A credential authorizing special education instruction and at least two years of experience teaching in special education before becoming an administrator. (G) A license as a marriage and family therapist certified by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (H) A license as an educational psychologist issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (I) A license as a professional clinical counselor issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (California Education Code §56366.1(a)(5)) CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to the LEA upon request, documentation of its administrator's qualifications in accordance with the above.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with personnel standards and qualifications regarding instructional aides and teacher assistants respectively pursuant to federal requirements and California Education Code sections 45340 et seq. and 45350 et seq. Specifically, all paraprofessionals, including but not limited to, instructional aides and teacher assistants, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or subcontracted by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services, shall possess a high school diploma (or its recognized equivalent) and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least two (2) years of study at an institution of higher education; or (b) obtained an associate's (or higher) degree; or (c) met a rigorous standard of quality and can demonstrate, through a formal state or local assessment (i) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing, and mathematics; or (ii) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading readiness, writing readiness, and mathematics readiness, as appropriate. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State and serving a LEA student shall be certified or licensed by that state where it is located to provide special education and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

#### 46. VERIFICATION OF LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents which entitle the holder to provide special education and/or related services by individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or sub-contracted by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all licenses, credentials, permits or other documents are on file at the office of the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Section 44 (Clearance Requirements) and provide LEA with verified dates of Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and CDE in writing within thirty (30) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA within thirty (30) days if any such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, challenged pursuant to an administrative or legal complaint or lawsuit, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Contract. LEA shall not be obligated to pay for any services provided by a person whose such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the period which such person is providing services under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR'S failure to notify LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or and shall be good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall identify to LEA any employee (or CONTRACTOR, if CONTRACTOR is an individual) expected to perform services under this Agreement who is then-receiving California State Teachers' Retirement System ("CalSTRS") benefits, and who may perform creditable service for the LEA as defined in Education Code 22119.5. Identification to LEA shall include the individual's full legal name and STRS and social security identification numbers. Before any services by the individual are provided, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a signed written confirmation from the individual that he/she is aware of the separation-from-service requirement and earnings limitations imposed by Education Code sections 22714, 24114, 24116, 24214, 24214.5, and 24215. CONTRACTOR shall thereafter provide on a monthly basis to the employee and LEA the actual amounts paid to the individual for services rendered under this Contract, with LEA responsible for reporting the individual's earnings to CalSTRS as required by law or regulation, including but not limited to Education Code section 22461.

#### 47. STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS and CONTRACTOR's classroom teacher is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA documentation of substitute coverage. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time.

The LEA shall not be responsible for any payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided in accordance with California Education Code section 56061.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this agreement and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. It is understood that the parent of a LEA student shall not be deemed to be a qualified substitute for their student. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and authorized LEA representative.

## 48. STAFF PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR WHEN PROVIDING SERVICES AT SCHOOL OR SCHOOL RELATED EVENTS OR AT SCHOOL FACILITY AND/OR IN THE HOME

It is understood that all employees, subcontractors, and volunteers of any certified NPS/A shall adhere to the customary professional and ethical standards when providing services. All practices shall only be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession as well as any LEA professional standards as specified in Board policies and/or regulations when made available to the CONTRACTOR.

For services provided on a public-school campus, CONTRACTOR shall comply with California Penal Code section 627.1 *et seq.*, as well as all other LEA Procedures and school campus-specific policies and procedures regarding visitors to/on school campuses. Such LEA Procedures shall be made available to the CONTRACTOR upon request. It is understood that the LEA public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the instructional program, and all NPA service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher, who shall remain in charge of the instructional program. Failure to comply with this and all LEA requirements in this regard shall be sufficient cause for LEA to terminate this Contract.

CONTRACTOR providing services outside of the student's school as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authority to make decisions in an emergency is present during provision of services. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider. All problems and/or concerns reported by CONTRACTOR to Parents, in either verbal or written form, shall also be immediately (within 24 hours) reported to the LEA.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES**

#### 49. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State, and local, and laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures, and LEA Procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 et. seq., 49406, and Health and Safety Code section 121545(a) regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA

documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with a LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 1910.1030 *et seq.* and Cal/OSHA's Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations section 5193, when providing medical treatment or assistance to a student. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training regarding universal health care precautions and to post required notices in areas designated in the California Health and Safety Code.

See also the Health and Safety Addendum to Master Contract 2023-2024 in Exhibit C.

#### 50. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to students in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 550. During the duration of this Contract, if CONTRACTOR is subject to fines, penalties and findings of non-compliance, CONTRACTOR shall assume any and all responsibilities for payment of such financial obligations. CONTRACTOR shall also be responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR's facilities as required complying with applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Failure to notify the LEA and CDE of any changes in, major modification or relocation of facilities may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA.

In signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that its facilities either comply with federal and State of California and local laws regarding disability access, or possesses and has available upon demand, a self-evaluation and/or transition plan in accordance with said laws.

#### 51. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49422 et seq. when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student who is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the student with the administration of such medication after the student's Parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR: (a) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and (b) a written statement from the student's Parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to LEA upon request, copies of such written statements. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written log for each student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify the student's name; the type of medication; the date, time, and amount of each administration; and the name of CONTRACTOR's employee who administered the medication. CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for storing medications in a secure location and ensuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and Parent.

#### 52. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall submit within 24 hours, electronically, any accident or incident report to LEA. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports pursuant to and as specified in LEA Procedures.

#### 53. CHILD ABUSE REPORTING

CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, including volunteers, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 *et seq.* and Education Code 44691. In addition, CONTRACTOR is to read and become familiar with the LEA's Mandated Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policies (BP 5141.4 and AR 5141.4.). To protect the privacy rights of all parties involved (i.e., reporter, child and alleged abuser), reports will remain confidential as required by law and professional ethical mandates. A written statement from CONTRACTOR acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA before execution of this Contract and upon subsequent request from LEA.

In the event there is a suspicion of abuse conducted by anyone (students, staff, CONTRACTOR or others) on or off campus, CONTRACTOR is to file the appropriate report to the Sacramento County Sheriff. CONTRACTOR is also to confidentially notify LEA's Legal Compliance Department ("Legal Compliance") of the report. CONTRACTOR is to cooperate with any investigation conducted by LEA in connection with such report.

#### 54. SEXUAL HARASSMENT

CONTRACTOR shall have a Sexual and Gender Identity Harassment Policy that clearly describes the kinds of conduct that constitutes sexual harassment and that is prohibited by the CONTRACTOR's policy, as well as federal and State law. The policy should include procedures to make complaints without fear of retaliation, and for prompt and objective investigations of all sexual harassment complaints. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training to all employees regarding the laws concerning sexual harassment and related procedures pursuant to Government Code 12950.1.

#### 55. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all of its staff members, including volunteers, independent contractors and subcontractors, are familiar with and agree to adhere to requirements for reporting missing children as specified in California Education Code section 49370 *et seq*. A written statement acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be properly submitted to the LEA by CONTRACTOR before execution of this Contract and in response to subsequent requests by LEA. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by LEA.

#### **FINANCIAL**

## 56. ENROLLMENT, CONTRACTING, SERVICE TRACKING, ATTENDANCE REPORTING, AND BILLING PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall assure that the NPS/A has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the students enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP and ISA for each student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA Procedures concerning enrollment, contracting, attendance reporting, service tracking and billing including requirements of electronic billing as specified by LEA Procedures, as well as provide all such records requested by LEA concerning the same. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA which are provided on billable days of attendance. All payments to CONTRACTOR by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract and in compliance with LEA Procedures and governed by all applicable federal and State of California laws.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the NPS's enrollment procedures include verification of required immunizations (including but not limited to the adolescent pertussis booster vaccination (Tdap) for all students entering the seventh grade).

CONTRACTOR shall maintain separate registers for the basic education program, each related service, and services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides and bus aides. Original attendance forms (i.e., roll books for the basic education program, service tracking documents and notes for instructional assistants, behavioral intervention aides, bus aides, and each related service) shall be completed by the actual service provider whose signature shall appear on such forms and shall be available for review, inspection, or audit by LEA during the effective period of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter. CONTRACTOR shall verify the accuracy of minutes of reported attendance that is the basis of services being billed for payment.

CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided. Invoices and related documents shall be properly submitted electronically and in addition, on a LEA form with signatures in the manner prescribed by LEA. At a minimum, each invoice must contain the following information: type of service provided; month of service; specific days and times of services coordinated by the LEA approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by the LEA; name of staff who provided the service and the individual's licensing and credentials; approved cost of each invoice; total for each service and total for the monthly invoice; date invoice was mailed; signature of NPS/A administrator authorizing that the information is accurate and consistent with the ISA, CDE certificates and staff notification; verification that attendance report is attached as appropriate; indication of any made-up sessions consistent with this Contract; verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with the ISA (monthly or quarterly unless specified otherwise on the ISA); and name of each LEA student for whom the service was provided.

In the event services were not provided, each invoice shall include the rationale for why the services were not provided.

Such an invoice is subject to all conditions of this Contract. At the discretion of LEA, an electronic invoice may be required provided such notice has been made in writing and training provided to CONTRACTOR at no additional charge for such training.

Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the attendance accounting period in which the services were rendered. LEA shall make payment to CONTRACTOR based on the number of billable days of attendance and hours of service at rates specified in this contract within forty-five (45) days of LEA's receipt of properly submitted hard copy of invoices prepared and submitted as specified in California Education Code Section 56366.5. CONTRACTOR shall correct deficiencies and submit rebilling invoices no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the invoice is returned by LEA. LEA shall pay properly submitted re-billing invoices no later than forty-five (45) days after the date a completely corrected re-billing invoice is received by LEA.

In no case shall initial payment claim submission for any Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond December 31<sup>st</sup> after the close of the fiscal year. In no case shall any rebilling for the Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond six (6) months after the close of the fiscal year unless approved by LEA to resolve billing issues including re-billing issues directly related to a delay in obtaining information from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding teacher qualification, but no later than twelve (12) months from the close of the fiscal year. If the billing or re-billing error is the responsibility of LEA, then no limit is set if LEA and CONTRACTOR have communicated such concerns in writing during the 12-month period following the close of the fiscal year. LEA will not pay mileage for NPA employees.

#### 57. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this Contract; (b) CONTRACTOR has billed for services rendered on days other than billable days of attendance or for days when student was not in attendance and/or did not receive services; (c) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (d) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by EC 56366.5(a); (e) education and/or related services are provided to students

by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (f) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program; (g) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change of residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA within five (5) days of such confirmation; (h) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student; or (i) CONTRACTOR fails to provide the required liability/insurance documentation as outlined in Section 15 of this Contract. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that are not received by six (6) months following the close of the prior fiscal year, for services provided in that year.

Final payment to CONTRACTOR in connection with the cessation of operations and/or termination of a Contract will be subject to the same documentation standards described for all payment claims for regular ongoing operations. In addition, final payment may be withheld by LEA until completion of a review or audit, if deemed necessary by LEA. Such review or audit will be completed within ninety (90) days. The final payment may be adjusted to offset any previous payments to CONTRACTOR determined to have been paid in error or in anticipation of correction of documentation deficiencies by the CONTRACTOR that remain uncorrected.

The amount which may be withheld by LEA with respect to each of the subparagraphs of the preceding paragraph are as follows: (a) the value of the service CONTRACTOR failed to perform; (b) the amount of overpayment; (c) the entire amount of the invoice for which satisfactory documentation has not been provided by CONTRACTOR; (d) the amount invoiced for services provided by the individual not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (e) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable LEA student for the time period from the date the violation occurred and until the violation is cured; or (f) the amount paid to CONTRACTOR by Medi-Cal or another agency or funding source for the service provided to the LEA student.

If LEA determines that cause exists to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR, LEA shall, within ten (10) business days of this determination, provide to CONTRACTOR written notice that LEA is withholding payment. Such notice shall specify the basis or bases for LEA's withholding payment and the amount to be withheld. Within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of such notice, CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary and appropriate action to correct the deficiencies that form the basis for LEA's withholding payment or submit a written request for extension of time to correct the deficiencies or submit to LEA written documentation demonstrating that the basis or bases cited by LEA for withholding payment is unfounded. Upon receipt of CONTRACTOR's written request showing good cause, LEA shall extend CONTRACTOR's time to correct deficiencies (usually an additional thirty (30) days), otherwise payment will be denied.

If after subsequent request for payment has been denied and CONTRACTOR believes that payment should not be withheld, CONTRACTOR shall send written notice to LEA specifying the reason it believes payment should not be withheld. LEA shall respond to CONTRACTOR's notice within thirty (30) business days by indicating that a warrant for the amount of payment will be made or stating the reason LEA believes payment should not be made. If LEA fails to respond within thirty (30) business days or a dispute regarding the withholding of payment continues after the LEA's response to CONTRACTOR's notice, CONTRACTOR may invoke the following escalation policy.

After forty-five (45) business days: The CONTRACTOR may notify the LEA's Authorized Representative of the dispute in writing. The LEA Authorized Representative shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within fifteen (15) business days.

After sixty (60) business days: Pursuant to the provisions of Education Code section 56366(c)(2), the LEA or CONTRACTOR may appeal to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools so long as the County Superintendent of Schools is not participating in the Local Plan involved in the NPS/A contract to negotiate the contract. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this appeal, the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or a designee, shall mediate the formulation of a contract, which shall be binding on both parties. Alternatively, the parties may agree to retain the services of a mutually agreed upon mediator to negotiate

the contract. Both parties agree to pay for their own costs and expenses arising out of any such mediation. Each party agrees to act in good faith in participating in any mediation process agreed to by the parties.

#### 58. PAYMENT FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA when Medi-Cal or any other agency is billed for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. Upon request, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documentation regarding reports, billing, and/or payment by Medi-Cal or any other agency for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall provide prior written notice of the rights and protections required by Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 300.154(d) whenever it seeks to use the LEA students' public benefits to pay for special education and related services. Such notice shall be provided before seeking payment from Medi-Cal for the first time and annually.

#### 59. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STAFF ABSENCE

Whenever a classroom teacher employed by CONTRACTOR is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation of substitute coverage pursuant to the LEA Procedures. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time. LEA will not pay for instruction and/or services unless said instruction or service is provided by an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher.

Whenever a related service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided unless otherwise agreed in a LEA student's IEP.

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) cumulative day of a LEA student's unexcused absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of such absence.

Criteria for a billable day for payment purposes is one (1) day of attendance as defined in California Education Code, sections 46010, 46010.3 and 46307. LEA shall not pay for services provided on days that a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance (ADA) reimbursement under state law. *Per Diem* rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted on a pro rata basis in accordance with the actual proportion of the school day the student was served. LEA shall not be responsible for payment of related services for days on which a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance ("ADA") reimbursement under state law, nor shall student be eligible for make-up services.

#### NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. LEA shall not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and LEA. In the event services were not provided, reasons for why the services were not provided shall be included.

#### NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPA, it shall notify LEA of the absence of a LEA student no later than the fifth  $(5^{th})$  consecutive service day of the student's absence. LEA shall not be responsible for the payment of services when a student is absent.

#### 60. LEA and/or NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO EMERGENCY

The following shall apply in the event of a LEA or NPS school closure due to an emergency in accordance with Education Code sections 41422 and 46392:

- a. If CONTRACTOR remains open, if allowed, during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422 and serves LEA students appropriately as delineated in the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment, regardless of whether LEA is open or closed.
- b. If CONTRACTOR is closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, if LEA is able to obtain alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR's NPS closure. If LEA is unable to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the signed ISA, as though the student were continuing in regular attendance, until an alternative placement can be found, so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below.
- c. If both LEA and CONTRACTOR are closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, on days LEA is funded, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the LEA student's ISA, until an alternative placement for the LEA student can be found so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below. If LEA is able to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR'S NPS closure.
- d. CONTRACTOR shall, in the case of school closures during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, implement the LEA student's IEP in accordance with Education Code 56345(a)(9) pertaining to emergency conditions and continue implementing ISAs for enrolled students CONTRACTOR shall ensure its students have reliable internet accessibility as well as the physical technology (i.e. Chromebooks, i-Pad, hot-spots etc.) as required to access and participate.
- e. In the event of CONTRACTOR'S closure during an emergency, LEA reserves the right to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR for instruction and services not rendered pursuant to an LEA student's ISA, consistent with Section 59.

When the emergency school closure is lifted, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any lost instructional minutes for any LEA student. CONTRACTOR and LEAs shall work collaboratively to determine the need for make-up days or service changes and shall work together to amend IEP and ISA paperwork as appropriate.

#### 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and LEA shall have the right to examine and audit all of the books, records, documents, accounting procedures and practices and other evidence that reflect all costs claimed to have been incurred or fees claimed to have been earned under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to those documents identified in Section 9 of this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall also make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.

CONTRACTOR shall make all records available at the office of LEA or CONTRACTOR (to be specified by LEA) at all reasonable times and without charge. CONTRACTOR shall provide all records to LEA within five (5) working days of a written request. CONTRACTOR shall, at no cost to LEA, help with such examination or audit. LEA's rights under this section shall also include access to CONTRACTOR's offices for purposes of interviewing CONTRACTOR's employees. If any document or evidence is stored in an electronic form, a hard copy shall be made available to LEA, unless LEA agrees to the use of the electronic format. Such access shall also include unannounced inspections by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain from its subcontractors and suppliers written agreements relating to the requirements of this section and shall provide a copy of such agreements to LEA upon request by LEA.

If an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm determines that CONTRACTOR owes LEA monies as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR written notice demanding payment from CONTRACTOR and specifying the basis or bases for such demand. Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, CONTRACTOR shall pay to LEA the full amount owed as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing and/or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, as determined by an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm. CONTRACTOR shall make such payment to LEA within thirty (30) days of receipt of LEA's written notice demanding payment.

#### 62. RATE SCHEDULE

The attached Rate Schedule (Exhibit A) limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the Contract. It may also limit the maximum number of LEA students that can be provided specific services. Per Diem rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted proportionally. In such cases only, the adjustments in basic education rate shall be based on the required minimum number of minutes per grade level as set forth in paragraph 23, above, and noted in California Education Code Section 46200-46208.

Special education and/or related services offered by CONTRACTOR shall be provided by qualified personnel as per State and federal law, and the codes and charges for such educational and/or related services during the term of this Contract, shall be as stated in Exhibit A.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS associated with a RTC ("NPS/RTC"), Educationally Related Mental Health Services ("ERMHS") are provided in an integrated, intensive, educationally related therapeutic residential setting which includes social emotional/behavior support through individual counseling, group counseling, family consultation and support, as appropriate. It is a collaborative model which includes educational professionals and related service providers, where all supports and services are integrated in the NPS/RTC program. Costs for ERMHS are all inclusive and combined with the daily rate as ERMHS+RB ("ERMHS + Room and Board"). ERMHS plus Room and Board payments are based on positive attendance (payable for up to a maximum of 365 days) only, with up to a maximum of 10 days payment per LEA student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature. Any NPS or RTC requesting a change in rate for any services provided during a subsequent contract year must make a request in writing to the Sacramento County SELPA Directors, with a copy sent to LEA Director or designee, by January 15th of each calendar year. Increases will only be considered for approval for entities that have received a positive review on the LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

#### 63. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that:

- (a) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers are <u>not</u> presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any federal agency, and
- (b) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers have not, within a three-year period preceding this Contract, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, any state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of federal or any state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.

The Parties hereto have executed this Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This Contract is effective on the  $1^{st}$  day of July, 2024 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR		LEA		
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#### **Additional LEA Notification**

(Required if Completed)

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#### **EXHIBIT A: 2024-2025 RATES**

Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)

Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing (710)

Interpreter Services (715)

4.1 RATE SCHEDULE FOR CONTRACT YEAR								
The CONTRACTOR: _LODI CHILDREN'S THERAPY The CONTRACTOR CDS NUMBER:								
PER ED CODE 56366 – TEACHER-TO-PUPIL RATIO:								
Maximum Co	ntract Amount:							
Education se	rvice(s) offered by the CONTRACTOR and the charge	es for such service(s) during the	ne term of this contract shall be as follows:					
1) <u>Dai</u>	ly Basic Education Rate:							
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Transcription Services (755)	-	
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Work Experience Education (850)		
Job Coaching (855)	-	
Mentoring (860)		
Travel Training (870)	s	
Other Transition Services (890)		
Transportation		
Other (900)		

#### **EXHIBIT B: 2024-2025 ISA**

Local Education Agency \_\_\_

Parent Counseling (520)

## INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (ISA) FOR NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL SERVICES (Education Code Sections 56365 et seq.)

This agreement is effective on July 1, 2024 or the date student begins attending a nonpublic school or receiving services from a nonpublic agency, if after the date identified, and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided in the Master Contract and by applicable law.

Nonpublic School \_\_\_\_\_

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AGREEMENT TERMS:  1. Nonpublic School: The average numbe	r of minutes	in the instr	uctional day will	be:			ular school year ended school year
2. Nonpublic School: The number of scho	ol days in the	e calendar	of the school ye				ular school year ended school year
3. Educational services as specified in the	e IEP shall b	e provided	by the CONTRA	ACTOR and paid at the ra	tes specified bel	ow.	
A. INCLUSIVE AND/OR BASIC ED	UCATION F	ROGRAM	RATE: (Applies	to nonpublic schools onl	y): Daily R	ate:	
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Intensive Individual Services (340)							
Language/Speech Therapy (415) a. Individual b. Group							
Adapted Physical Ed. (425)							
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)							
Health and Nursing Services: Other (436)							
Assistive Technology Services (445)							
Occupational Therapy (450)							
Physical Therapy (460)							
Individual Counseling (510)							
Counceling and guidance (E15)				1		l/	

	Provider						
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Social Work Services (525)							
Psychological Services (530)							
Behavior Intervention Services (535)							
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)							
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (710)							
Interpreter Services (715)							
Audiological Services (720)							
Specialized Vision Services (725)							
Orientation and Mobility (730)							
Braille Transcription (735)							
Specialized Orthopedic Service (740)							
Reader Services (745)							
Note Taking Services (750)							
Transcription Services (755)							
Recreation Services (760)							
College Awareness Preparation (820)							
Vocational Assessment, Counseling, Guidance and Career Assessment (830)							
Career Awareness (840)							
Work Experience Education (850)							
Mentoring (860)							
Agency Linkages (865)							
Travel Training (870)							
Other Transition Services (890)							
Other (900)J							
Other (900)							
Transportation-Emergency b. Transportation-Parent							
Bus Passes							
Other							

#### TOTAL ESTIMATED MAXIMUM BASIC EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES COSTS\$ Other Provisions/Attachments: 5. MASTER CONTRACT APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD ON 6. Progress Reporting Quarterly Monthly Other Requirements: (Specify) The parties hereto have executed this Individual Services Agreement by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives as set forth below. -CONTRACTOR--LEA/SELPA-(Name of Nonpublic School/Agency) (Name of LEA/SELPA) (Signature) (Date) (Signature) (Date) (Name of Superintendent or Authorized Designee) (Name and Title)



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## GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025

### MASTER CONTRACT

GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONSECTARIAN, NONPUBLIC SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES

LEA GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Expiration Date: \_

Contrac	et Year <u>2024-2025</u>
	School ("NPS") Agency ("NPA")
Type of Contract:	
Master Contract for fiscal year with Ir term of this Contract.	ndividual Service Agreements (ISA) to be approved throughout the
	ific student incorporating the Individual Service Agreement (ISA) er Contract specific to a single student.

When this section is included as part of any Master Contract, the changes specified above shall amend Section 4 – Term of Master Contract

Interim Extension of the Master Contract: an extension of the previous fiscal years approved contracts and rates. The sole purpose of this Interim Contract is to provide for ongoing funding at the prior year's rates for 90 days at the sole discretion of the LEA in accordance with Section 4 of this Master Contract.

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2024-2025 CONTRACT NUMBER: 8

LEA: GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGANCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER: Point Quest Education CV

NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

#### **AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract (or "Contract") is entered into on July 1, 2024, between GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT hereinafter referred to as the local educational agency ("LEA") or "District" and Point Quest Education CV (nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency), hereinafter referred to as "NPS/A" or "CONTRACTOR," for the purpose of providing special education and/or related services to LEA students with exceptional needs under the authorization of California Education Code sections 56157, 56361 and 56365 et seq. and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq., AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003) and AB1858 (Chapter 914, Statutes of 2004). It is understood that this Contract does not commit LEA to pay for special education and/or related services provided to any LEA student, or CONTRACTOR to provide such special education and/or related services, unless and until an authorized LEA representative approves the provision of special education and/or related services by CONTRACTOR.

Upon acceptance of a LEA student, LEA shall submit to CONTRACTOR an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA"), and a Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form. CONTRACTOR shall work with LEA to complete and return these forms to LEA prior to initiating any services for any student, unless otherwise agreed by LEA and CONTRACTOR. These forms shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR's obligation to provide all services specified in the LEA student's Individualized Education Program (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, the LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and/or electronic database for ISA developing including invoicing.

Unless placement and/or services is ordered pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "OAH") order, a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and parent, or authorized by LEA for a transfer LEA student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement or NPS/A services until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement and/or NPS/A services is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the Parent. 2.CERTIFICATION AND LICENSES CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a NPS/A. All NPS/A placements and services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification and licensure specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code, section 56366 et seq and within the professional scope of practice of each provider's license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR'S NPS/A certification or a waiver of such certification issued by the CDE pursuant to Education Code section 56366.2 must be provided to LEA on or before the date this Contract is executed by CONTRACTOR. This Contract shall be null and void if such certification such certification or waiver is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective 1 period of this Contract.

Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated on CDE certification and in Section 24 of the Contract.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of the State of California shall be certified and all staff persons providing services to pupils shall be certified and/or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall be licensed by the State of California, or other public agency having delegated authority by contract with the State of California to license, to provide nonmedical care room and board to children, including, but not limited to, individuals with exceptional needs. The LCI must also comply with all licensing requirements relevant to the protection of the child, and have a special permit, if necessary, to meet the needs of each child so placed. If the CONTRACTOR operates a program outside of the State of California, CONTRACTOR must obtain all required licenses from the appropriate licensing agency in both California and in the state where the LCI is located.

With respect to CONTRACTOR's certification, failure to notify LEA and CDE in writing of any changes in: (1) credentialed/licensed staff; (2) ownership; (3) management and/or control of the agency; (4) major modification or relocation of facilities; or (5) significant modification of the program may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by the LEA. Any suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's CDE certification shall also be good cause for the immediate suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA, at LEA's discretion.

#### 3. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

During the term of this Contract, unless otherwise agreed, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State of California, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, policies and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all applicable LEA and SELPA policies, regulations, and procedures (collectively referred to as "LEA Procedures") unless, taking into consideration all of the surrounding facts and circumstances, a policy or policies or a portion of a policy does not reasonably apply to CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that it accepts all risks and responsibilities for its failure to comply with LEA Procedures and shall indemnify LEA under the provisions of Section 16 of this Contract for all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with applicable LEA Procedures (e.g., those policies relating to; the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, student enrollment and transfer, student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions).

CONTRACTOR acknowledges and understands that LEA may report to CDE any violations of the provisions of this Contract; and that this may result in the suspension and/or revocation of CDE NPA/S certification pursuant to California Education Code section 56366.4(a).

#### 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Contract shall be from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the LEA is required to renew this Contract in subsequent contract years. The parties acknowledge that any subsequent Master Contract is to be re-negotiated prior to June 30, 2025. In the event the contract negotiations are not agreed to by June 30<sup>th</sup>, the most recently executed Master Contract will remain in effect for 90 days. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d)) No Master Contract will be offered unless and until all of the contracting requirements have been satisfied. The offer of a Master Contract to a CONTRACTOR is at the sole discretion of the LEA.

The provisions of this Contract apply to CONTRACTOR and any of its employees or independent contractors. Notice of any change in CONTRACTOR's ownership or authorized representative shall be provided in writing to LEA within thirty (30) calendar days of change of ownership or change of authorized representative.

## 5. INTEGRATION/CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

This Contract incorporates LEA Procedures herein by this reference. Each ISA is also incorporated herein by this reference. This Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LEA may modify LEA Procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA with information as requested in writing to secure a Contract or a renewal.

At a minimum, such information shall include copies of current teacher credentials and clearance, insurance documentation, and CDE certification. LEA may require additional information as applicable. If the application packet is not completed and returned to LEA, no Contract will be issued. If CONTRACTOR does not return the Contract to LEA duly signed by an authorized representative within ninety (90) calendar days of issuance by LEA, the new contract rates will not take effect until the newly executed Contract is received by LEA and will not be retroactive to the first day of the new Contract's effective date. If CONTRACTOR fails to execute the new Contract within such ninety-day period, all payments shall cease until such time as the new Contract for the current school year is signed and returned to LEA by CONTRACTOR. (California Education Code §56366(c)(1) and (2)). In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed Contract between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized LEA students at the discretion of LEA.

#### 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICE AGREEMENT ("ISA")

This Contract shall include an ISA developed for each LEA student to whom CONTRACTOR is to provide special education and/or related services. An ISA shall only be issued for LEA students enrolled with the approval of LEA pursuant to Education Code section 56366(a)(2)(A). An ISA may be effective for more than one contract year provided that there is a concurrent Contract in effect. In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed ISAs between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized students.

Any and all changes to a student's educational placement/program/services provided under this Contract and/or an ISA shall be made solely on the basis of a revision to the student's IEP or by written agreement between the Parent and LEA. At any time during the term of this Contract, a Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of a student's IEP subject to all procedural safeguards required by law.

Unless otherwise provided in this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code §56366(a)(5) and California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3062(e).) In the event CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the term of the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided. CONTRACTOR shall provide any and all subsequent compensatory service hours awarded to an LEA student as a result of lack of provision of services while the student was served by CONTRACTOR.

If a Parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the OAH, CONTRACTOR shall abide by the "stay-put" requirement of the State of California and federal law unless the Parent and LEA voluntarily agree otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting ("IAES") is

deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Title 20 of the United States Codes Sections 1415(k)(1)(G), 1415(k)(2), and 1415(k)(3)(B)(ii)(II). CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the formulation of an ISA, or the Contract may be appealed to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or the California State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code section 56366(c)(2).

Exhibit B includes the ISA form.

#### 7. **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

- a. The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency ("NPS/A") certified by the California Department of Education ("CDE"), and its officers, agents and employees.
- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for NPS/A. It is understood, a representative of the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) of which LEA is a member is an authorized LEA representative in collaboration with LEA. LEA maintains sole responsibility for this Contract, unless otherwise specified in this Contract.
- c. The term "credential" means a valid credential, life diploma, permit, or document in special education or pupil personnel services issued by, or under the jurisdiction of, the California State Board of Education if issued prior to 1970 or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, which entitles the holder thereof to perform services for which certification qualifications are required as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(g).
- d. The term "qualified" means that a person holds a certificate, permit or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to provide special education and related services and has met federal and state certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements which apply to the area in which the individual is providing special education or related services, including those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 3064 and 3065, and adheres to the standards of professional practice established in federal and state law or regulation, including the standards contained in the California Business and Professions Code.

Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities in services of a graduate needing direct hours leading to licensure, or of a student teacher or intern leading to a graduate degree at an accredited or approved college or university, as authorized by State laws or regulations. (California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3001(r).)

e. The term "license" means a valid non-expired document issued by a licensing agency within the California Department of Consumer Affairs or other State of California licensing office authorized to grant licenses and authorizing the bearer of the document to provide certain professional services or refer to themselves using a specified professional title. This includes, but is not limited to, mental health and board and care services at a residential placement. If a license is not available through an appropriate State of California licensing agency, a certificate of registration with the appropriate professional organization at the national or State of California level which has standards established for the certificate that are equivalent to a license shall be deemed to be a license as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(1).

#### f. "Parent" means:

- i. a biological or adoptive parent; unless the biological or adoptive parent does not have legal authority to make educational decisions for the child,
- ii. a foster parent if the authority of the biological or adoptive parents to make educational decisions on the child's behalf has been specifically limited by court order in accordance with Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 300.30(b)(1) or (b)(2),
- iii. a guardian generally authorized to act as the child's parent or authorized to make educational decisions for the child.
- iv. an individual acting in the place of a biological or adoptive parent, including a grandparent, stepparent, or other relative with whom the child lives, or an individual who is legally responsible for the child's welfare,
- v. a surrogate parent.

Parent does not include the state or any political subdivision of government or a NPS/A under contract with the LEA for the provision of special education or designated instruction and services for a child. (California Education Code §56028.)

- g. The term "days" means calendar days unless otherwise specified.
- h. The phrase "billable day" means a school day in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs.
- i. The phrase "billable day of attendance" means a school day as defined in California Education Code Section 46307, in which an LEA student is in attendance and in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs unless otherwise stipulated in an IEP or ISA.
- j. It is understood that the term "Master Contract" also means "Contract" and is referred to as such in this document.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

#### 8. NOTICES

All notices provided for by this Contract shall be in writing. Notices shall be mailed, emailed or delivered by hand and shall be effective as of the date of receipt by addressee.

All notices mailed or emailed to LEA shall be addressed to the person and address as indicated on the signature page of this Contract. Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on the signature page of this Contract.

#### 9. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

All records shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR as required by State and federal laws and regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, CONTRACTOR shall maintain all records for at least five (5) years after the termination of this Contract. For purposes of this Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to pupil records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; registers and roll books of teachers and/or daily service providers; chart notes, Medi-Cal logs, daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record the provision of related services including supervision; daily service logs and notes used to record the provision of services provided through additional instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, and bus aides; behavior emergency reports (BER); incident reports; notification of injuries; absence verification records (Parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents) if CONTRACTOR is funded for excused absences, however, such records are not required if positive attendance is required; transcripts; grade and progress reports; behavioral data; IEP/IFSPs; assessment reports; bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held and documents evidencing other staff qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; records of employee training and certification including verification of behavior

training consistent with 56366.1; staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets; transportation and other related services subcontracts; school calendars; bell/class schedules when applicable; liability and worker's compensation insurance policies; state NPS/A certifications; business licenses held; by-laws, if applicable; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; all budgetary information, including operating budgets; statements of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books; general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/State payroll quarterly reports (Form 941/DE3DP); and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA student records in a secure location to ensure confidentiality and prevent unauthorized access. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a current list of the names and positions of CONTRACTOR's employees who have access to confidential records. CONTRACTOR shall maintain an access log for each LEA student's record which lists all persons, agencies, or organizations requesting or receiving information from the record. Such log shall be maintained as required by California Education Code section 49064 and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the student's record, and a description of the record(s) provided. Such log needs to record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's Parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record. CONTRACTOR/LEA shall maintain copies of any written parental concerns granting access to LEA student records. For purposes of this Section, "employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR" do not include subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall grant the following access to student records, (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record and comply with Parent requests for copies of LEA student records, as required by State of California and federal laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of NPS/A closure, to forward all LEA student records held by CONTRACTOR within ten (10) business days to LEA. LEA and/or SELPA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all records upon request within five (5) business days.

#### 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision of this Contract is held, in whole or in part, to be unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of that provision and of the entire Contract shall be severable and remain in effect.

#### 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This Contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any change of ownership or corporate control within ten (10) business days of such change.

#### 12. VENUE AND GOVERNING LAW

The laws of the State of California shall govern the terms and conditions of this contract with venue in the County where LEA is located.

## 13. MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

This Contract may be modified or amended by LEA to conform to administrative and statutory guidelines issued by any state, federal or local governmental agency. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR thirty (30) days' notice of any such changes or modifications made to conform to administrative or statutory guidelines and a copy of the statute, guideline, or regulation upon which the modifications or changes are based.

#### 14. TERMINATION

This Contract or ISA may be terminated for cause. Cause shall include but not be limited to non-maintenance of current NPS/A certification, failure of either LEA or CONTRACTOR to maintain the

standards required under the Contract and/or ISA, or other material breach of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. For purposes of NPS placement, the cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the Contract unless the Parent agrees to the transfer of the LEA student to the public-school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the Contract or ISA, either party shall give no less than twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other party. (California Education Code §56366(a)(4).) If this Contract is terminated with twenty (20) days' notice, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract on the date of termination.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Contract or ISA may be terminated immediately, without twenty (20) days prior notice and at LEA's discretion, if LEA determines that there are significant health or safety concerns or there has been a suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's NPS/A certification. If this Contract is terminated immediately, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract within five (5) business days of termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing regarding termination of an ISA, CONTRACTOR is bound by the "stay put" provisions described in Section 6 of this Contract.

#### 15. INSURANCE

CONTRACTOR shall, at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense, maintain in full force and effect, during the term of this Contract, the following insurance coverage from a California licensed and/or admitted insurer with an A minus (A-), VII, or better rating from A.M. Best, sufficient to cover any claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including counsel fees) arising out of or in connection with CONTRACTOR's fulfillment of any of its obligations under this Contract or either party's use of the work or any component or part thereof:

#### PART I - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AND AGENCIES

A. Commercial General Liability Insurance, including both bodily injury and property damage, with limits as follows:

\$2,000,000 per occurrence

\$ 500,000 fire damage

\$ 5,000 medical expenses

\$1,000,000 personal & adv. Injury

\$3,000,000 general aggregate

\$2,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

CONTRACTOR's general liability policy shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from LEA's coverage, and be endorsed using Insurance Services Office form CG 20 10 or CG 20 26 (or equivalent) to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and agents shall be additional insureds under such policies. The policy may not contain an exclusion for coverage of claims arising from claims for sexual molestation or abuse. In the event that CONTRACTOR's policy should have an exclusion for sexual molestation or abuse claims, then CONTRACTOR shall be required to procure a supplemental policy providing such coverage.

#### B. Commercial Auto Liability Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage for owned, non-owned, and hired autos using ISO Business Auto Coverage form CA 00 01 (or equivalent) with a limit of no less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per accident. If no owned automobiles, then only hired and non-owned is required. If CONTRACTOR uses a vehicle to travel to/from school sites, between schools, and/or to/from students' homes or other locations as approved service locations by the LEA, CONTRACTOR must comply with the State of California auto insurance requirements.

C. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance with Statutory Limits and Employers' Liability Insurance with a

limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with the certificate of insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of LEA

#### D. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per claim and in the aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### F. For all Insurance Coverage in Part I:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days' prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) All self-insured retentions over \$100,000 must be declared and approved by LEA.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) CONTRACTOR shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein. However, insurance requirements may be determined on a "per subcontractor" basis, considering the particular work to be done by the subcontractor.
- 6) All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

## PART II - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AFFILIATED WITH A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY ("RTC")

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS affiliated with a residential treatment center ("NPS/RTC"), the following insurance policies are required:

#### A. Commercial General Liability

CONTRACTOR shall maintain commercial general liability insurance with coverage at least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) form CG 00 01, in an amount not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage, including without limitation, blanket contractual liability. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location, or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. CONTRACTOR'S general liability policies shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from the LEA'S coverage and be endorsed with a form at least as broad as ISO form 20 10 or CG 20 26 to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers shall be additional insureds under such policies.

The policy shall be endorsed to name LEA and LEA's Board of Trustees as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by LEA which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and NPS/RTC's insurance primary despite any conflicting provisions in the NPS/RTC's policy. Coverage shall be maintained with no Self-Insured Retention above \$100,000 without the prior written approval of LEA.

Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies by CONTRACTOR shall not affect coverage provided to the LEA.

Coverage shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the LEA.

- **B.** Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with provisions of the California Labor Code adequate to protect the NPS/RTC from claims that may arise from its operations pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act (Statutory Coverage). The Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage must also include Employers' Liability coverage with limit of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with Certificate of Insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of the LEA.
- C. Business Auto Liability Coverage CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if the NPS/RTC does not operate a student bus service. If the NPS/RTC provides student bus services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.
- **D. Fidelity Bond** or **Crime Coverage** CONTRACTOR shall maintain Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage to cover all employees who process or otherwise have responsibility for NPS/RTC funds, supplies, equipment, or other assets. Minimum amount of coverage shall be \$250,000 per occurrence, with no self-insured retention.
- E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per claim and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

### F. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance with limits not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

### G. For all Insurance Coverage in Part II:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000 must be declared to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions with respect to the LEA, its officials, and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigation.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to the commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) For any claims related to the services performed in connection with this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be the primary insurance with respect to the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees shall be in excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute to it.

All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

If LEA or CONTRACTOR determines that a change in insurance coverage obligations under this section is necessary, either party may reopen negotiations to modify the insurance obligations.

### 16. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

A. When the law establishes a professional standard of care for CONTRACTOR'S Services, to the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its officials, employees and volunteers from and against any and all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, and expenses, including legal counsel's fees and costs but only to the extent the CONTRACTOR is responsible for such damages, liabilities and costs on a comparative basis of fault between the CONTRACTOR and the LEA in the performance of professional services under this Contract.

#### B. INDEMNITY FOR OTHER THAN PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

Other than in the performance of professional services and to the full extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its employees, officials, and volunteers from and against any liability (including liability for claims, suits, actions, arbitration proceedings, administrative proceedings, regulatory proceedings, losses, expenses or costs of any kind, whether actual, alleged or threatened, including legal counsel's fees and costs, court costs, defense costs, and expert witness fees), where the same arise out of, are a consequence of, or are in any way attributable to, in whole or in part, the performance of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or by any individual or LEA for which CONTRACTOR is legally liable, including, but not limited to officers, agents, employees, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR, except when caused by the active negligence or willful misconduct of the LEA.

### 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing herein contained will be construed to imply a joint venture, partnership or principal-agent relationship between LEA and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide all services under this Contract as an independent contractor, and neither party shall have the authority to bind or make any commitment on behalf of the other. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employer and employee between the Parties or any affiliates of the Parties, or between LEA and any individual assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform any services for LEA.

If LEA is determined to be a partner, joint venture, co-principal, employer or co-employer of CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless LEA from and against any and all claims for loss, liability, or damages arising from that determination, as well as any expenses, costs, taxes, penalties and interest charges incurred by LEA as a result of that determination.

### 18. SUBCONTRACTING

CONTRACTOR shall not enter into any subcontracting relationship without first obtaining final written approval of LEA. Should CONTRACTOR wish to subcontract for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Contract, it must provide written notification to LEA before any subcontracting arrangement is made. In the event LEA determines that it can provide the subcontracted service(s) at a lower rate, LEA may elect to provide such service(s). If LEA elects to provide such service(s), LEA shall provide written notification to CONTRACTOR within five (5) days of receipt of CONTRACTOR's original notice and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said service(s).

Should LEA approve in concept of CONTRACTOR subcontracting for services, CONTRACTOR shall submit the proposed subcontract to LEA for approval. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR is developing subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including, but not limited to, transportation) for any LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall cause each subcontractor to procure and maintain indemnification and insurance requirements which comply with the provisions of Sections 15 and 16 of this Contract during the term of each subcontract. If a proposed subcontract is approved by LEA, each subcontractor shall furnish LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 15 of this Contract. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. Unless otherwise agreed to by LEA, the endorsements are to be on forms provided by LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall name the LEA/SELPA and the LEA Board of Education as additional insureds.

As an alternative to LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide, with prior LEA approval, complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage required by

this Contract. All Certificates of Insurance must reference the LEA contract number, name of the NPS/A submitting the certificate, designation of NPS or NPA, and the location of the NPS/A submitting the certificate. In addition, all subcontractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 45 (Clearance Requirements) and Section 46 (Staff Qualifications) of this Contract. No subcontract shall be considered final without LEA approval.

### 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA upon request a copy of its current bylaws and a current list of its Board of Directors (or Trustees), if it is incorporated. CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code section 56042 and Government Code Section 1090 including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provision of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at IEP team meetings acting as a student's advocate. Pursuant to California Education Code section 56042, an attorney or advocate for a Parent of an individual with exceptional needs shall not recommend placement at CONTRACTOR's facility if the attorney or advocate is employed or contracted by the CONTRACTOR, or will receive a benefit from the CONTRACTOR, or otherwise has a conflict of interest.

LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for an LEA student when a recommendation for special education and/or related services is based in whole or in part on assessment(s) or reports provided by CONTRACTOR to the LEA student without prior written authorization by LEA. This section shall apply to CONTRACTOR regardless of when an assessment is performed or a report is prepared (i.e., before or after the LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR's NPS/A) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid conflict of interest, and in order to ensure the appropriateness of an Independent Educational Evaluation (hereinafter referred to as "IEE") and its recommendations, LEA may not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the LEA student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, LEA may not fund services through the evaluator whose IEE LEA agrees to fund. When no other appropriate assessor is available, LEA may request and if CONTRACTOR agrees, CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that its authorized representative has read and understands California Education Code section 56366.3 which provides, in relevant part, that no special education and/or related services provided by CONTRACTOR shall be paid for by LEA if provided by an individual who is or was an employee of LEA within the three hundred sixty-five (365) days prior to executing this Contract. This provision does not apply to any person who is able to provide designated instruction and services during the extended school year because he or she is otherwise employed for up to ten months of the school year by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall not admit a student living within the jurisdictional boundaries of the LEA on a private pay or tuition free "scholarship" basis and concurrently or subsequently advise/request Parent(s) to pursue funding for the admitted school year from LEA through due process proceedings. Such action shall constitute good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

### 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not, in employment or operation of its programs, unlawfully discriminate on the basis of gender, nationality, national origin, ancestry, race, color, ethnicity, ethnic group affiliation, religion, age, marital status, pregnancy or parental status, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, physical or mental disability, genetic information, medical condition, military or veteran status, or any other classification protected by federal or State law or the perception of one or more of such characteristics or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

### 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services (including transition services) to each LEA student within the NPS/A consistent with the student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall not accept an LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If an LEA student's services are provided by a third party (i.e. Related Services Provider), CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, if provision of services cease.

Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, and/or facilities, as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall make no charge of any kind to parents for special education and/or related services as specified in the student's IEP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of an LEA student's enrollment under the terms of this Contract). LEA shall provide low incidence equipment for eligible students with low incidence disabilities when specified in an LEA student's IEP and ISA. Such equipment remains the property of the LEA and shall be returned to the LEA when the IEP team determines the equipment is no longer needed or when the student is no longer enrolled in the NPS. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

CONTRACTOR may charge an LEA student's Parent(s) for services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE after: (a) written notification to the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities; and (b) receipt by LEA of the written notification and a written acknowledgment signed by the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning Parent acknowledgment of financial responsibility.

Voluntary services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE shall not interfere with the LEA student's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA unless the LEA, CONTRACTOR, and Parent agree otherwise in writing.

### 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All NPS/A services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code section 56366 *et seq*.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. LEA students shall have access to: (a) State Board of Education (SBE) - adopted Common Core State Standards ("CCSS") for curriculum and the same instructional materials for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive; and provide standards – aligned core curriculum and instructional materials for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, used by LEA; (b) college preparation courses; (c) extracurricular activities, such as art, sports, music and academic clubs; (d) career preparation and vocational training, consistent with transition plans pursuant to State and federal law and; (e) supplemental assistance, including individual academic tutoring, psychological counseling, and career and college counseling. When appropriate, CONTRACTOR shall utilize the designated curriculum guidelines for students with moderate to severe disabilities who participate in the State's alternative assessment. These students shall have access to the core content, activities, and instructional materials delineated within these curriculum guidelines. CONTRACTOR'S general program

of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA prior to the effective date of this Contract.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades 9 through 12 inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not award a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of LEA's graduation requirements.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction and/or services shall utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines and certifications, and shall be provided as specified in the student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the services and location provided prior to the effective date of this Contract. School-based services may not be unilaterally converted by CONTRACTOR to a substitute program or provided at a location not specifically authorized by the IEP team. Except for services provided by a CONTRACTOR that is a Licensed Children's Institution (LCI), all services not provided in the school setting require the presence of a Parent or adult caregiver during the delivery of services, provided such guardian or caregiver have a signed authorization by the Parent to authorize emergency services as requested. LCI CONTRACTORS shall ensure that appropriate and qualified residential or clinical staff is present during the provision of services under this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no Parent, guardian or adult caregiver is present.

CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services shall develop a written plan that specifies the nature of their NPA service for each student within thirty (30) days of enrollment and shall be provided in writing to the LEA. CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services must have a trained behaviorist or trained equivalent on staff who is qualified and responsible for the design, planning, and implementation of behavioral interventions as the law requires. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3051.23; Ed. Code § 56366.10(e).) It is understood that Behavior Intervention Services are limited to CDE Certification and do not constitute an instructional program.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR shall not provide transportation nor subcontract for transportation services for students unless LEA and CONTRACTOR agree otherwise in writing.

### 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, the total number of instructional minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be at least equivalent to the number of instructional minutes per school day provided to LEA students at like grade level attending LEA schools and shall be specified in the student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

For students in grades kindergarten through 12 inclusive, unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP and ISA, the number of instructional minutes, excluding breakfast, recess, lunch and passing time shall be at the same level that California Education Code prescribes for LEA.

The total number of annual instructional minutes shall be at least equivalent to the total number of annual instructional minutes provided to LEA students attending LEA schools in like grade level unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, the total number of minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be specified in the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

#### 24. CLASS SIZE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that class size shall not exceed a ratio of one teacher per twelve (12) students, unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing. Upon prior written approval by an authorized LEA representative, class size may be temporarily increased by a ratio of 1 teacher to fourteen (14) students when necessary, during the regular or extended school year to provide services to students with disabilities.

In the event a NPS CONTRACTOR is unable to fill a vacant teaching position responsible for direct instruction to LEA students, and the vacancy has a direct impact on the CDE Certification of that school, CONTRACTOR shall develop a plan to ensure appropriate coverage of students by first utilizing existing certificated staff. CONTRACTOR and LEA may agree to one 30 school day period per contract year where class size may be increased to ensure coverage by an appropriately credentialed teacher. Such an agreement shall be in writing and signed by both parties. This provision does not apply to an NPA CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR providing special education instruction for individuals with exceptional needs between the ages of three and five years, inclusive, shall also comply with the appropriate instructional adult to child ratios pursuant to California Education Code sections 56440 *et seq*.

### 25. CALENDARS

### When CONTRACTOR is a NPS:

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed 180 days, plus extended school year billable days equivalent to the number of days determined by LEA's extended school year calendar. Billable days shall include only those days that are included on the submitted and approved school calendar, and/or required by the IEP (developed by LEA) for each LEA student. CONTRACTOR shall not be allowed to change its school calendar and/or amend the number of billable days without the prior written approval of LEA. Nothing in this Contract shall be interpreted to require LEA to accept any requests for calendar changes. In the event LEA adjusts the number of school days for its regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for CONTRACTOR. In such a case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the LEA student's IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services as determined by the student's IEP team and the provision of such is specifically included in the ISA. Extended school year shall consist of twenty (20) instructional days, unless otherwise agreed upon by the student's IEP team convened by the LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to by LEA and CONTRACTOR, in writing, prior to the start of the extended school year.

Student must have actually been in attendance during the regular school year and/or during extended school year and received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPS service. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall observe the same legal holidays as LEA. As of the execution of this Contract, those holidays are: Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth and Independence Day. With the prior written approval of LEA, CONTRACTOR may revise the date upon which CONTRACTOR closes in observance of any of the holidays observed by LEA.

### When CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

CONTRACTOR shall be provided with a LEA-developed/approved calendar prior to the initiation of services. CONTRACTOR herein agrees to observe holidays as specified in LEA-developed/approved calendar. CONTRACTOR shall provide services pursuant to LEA-developed/approved calendar; or as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA students on only those days that the LEA student's school of attendance is in session and the LEA student attends school. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for services provided on billable days of attendance as indicated on LEA calendar unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing before delivery of any NPA services. Student must have actually been in attendance and/or received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPA service provided by CONTRACTOR. Any services provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. In the event of school closures due to emergency, payment will follow the procedures in accordance with Section 62 of this Contract.

### 26. DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide to LEA all data related to LEA student information and billing information. CONTRACTOR shall provide data related to all sections of this Contract, including student discipline as noted below, when requested by LEA and in the format required by LEA. It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize LEA-approved electronic IEP system for all IEP development, service tracking documentation, and progress reporting, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by LEA. Additional progress reporting may be required by the LEA. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access so that this information may be compiled.

Using forms developed by the CDE or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, on a monthly basis, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all statutory offenses as described in Education Codes sections 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with approved forms and/or format for such data including, but not limited to, invoicing, attendance reports and progress reports. LEA may approve use of CONTRACTOR-provided forms at its discretion.

### 27. LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT/DUAL ENROLLMENT

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA Procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") options and/or dual enrollment options if available and appropriate, for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall ensure that LRE placement options are addressed at all IEP team meetings regarding students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. This shall include IEP team consideration of supplementary aids and services, goals and objectives necessary for placement in the LRE and necessary to enable students to transition to less restrictive settings.

When an IEP team has determined that a student should be transitioned into the public-school setting, CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA in implementing the IEP team's recommended activities to support the transition.

### 28. STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, per implementation of Senate Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASPP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), California Alternative Assessment ("CAA"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("ELPAC"), and Alternative English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("Alternative ELPAC"), and as appropriate to the LEA student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA, State of California, and federal guidelines.

CONTRACTOR is subject to the alternative accountability system developed pursuant to Education Code section 52052, in the same manner as public schools. Each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR by the LEA shall be tested by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. LEA shall provide test administration training to CONTRACTOR'S qualified staff. CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA test training and comply with completion of all coding requirements as required by LEA.

### 29. MANDATED ATTENDANCE AT LEA MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA-mandated meetings when legal mandates and/or LEA Procedures are reviewed, including but not limited to the areas of: curriculum, high school graduation, standards-based instruction, behavior intervention, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, data collection, standardized testing, and IEPs. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute billable service hour(s).

### 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49005, *et seq.*, 56521.1 and 56521.2. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that CONTRACTOR utilizes a multi-tier system of support ("MTSS") to address student needs. CONTRACTOR shall also ensure that all staff are trained on the use of positive behavior interventions and supports consistent with this Contract.

LEA students who exhibit behaviors that interfere with their learning, or the learning of others must receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal law and its implementing regulations. If the IEP team determines that a student's behavior impedes his or her learning or the learning of others, the IEP team is required to consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. This could mean that instead of developing a Behavior Intervention Plan ("BIP"), the IEP team may conclude it is sufficient to address the student's behavioral problems through the development of behavioral goals and behavioral interventions to support those goals.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and behavioral emergency reports ("BERs"). CONTRACTOR shall inform each of its employees about the policy, provide each employee with a copy thereof, and provide training to all employees regarding the policy. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all of its staff members are trained in crisis intervention, emergency procedures, and evidenced-based practices and interventions specific to the unique behavioral needs of the CONTRACTOR's pupil population. Training shall include certification by an approved LEA crisis intervention program. Training shall be provided within 30 days of employment to new staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day, and annually to all staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day. (Ed. Code 56366.10(f).) The CONTRACTOR shall select and conduct the training in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1. CONTRACTOR shall maintain accurate written records documenting all training completed by all of CONTRACTOR's employees. Evidence of all training shall be submitted to

LEA at least annually at the beginning of the school year, and within five (5) business days of completion of training or any new hire upon LEA request.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1, emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a BIP and shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. Emergency interventions may only be used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to a LEA student or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency. Consistent with Section 44 of this Contract, LEA may observe and/or audit CONTRACTOR's implementation of BIPs, staff use of behavior interventions, including emergency interventions, at any time, and without prior notice.

CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER when an emergency occurs that is defined as serious, dangerous behavior that staff has determined to present a clear and present danger to others. It requires a non-violent physical intervention to protect the safety of student, self, or others and a physical intervention has been used; or a physical intervention has not been used, but an injury or serious property damage has occurred. The use of Personal Safety Techniques (which may or may not have been used) does not determine whether a BER is required. Emergencies *require* a BER form be completed and submitted to the LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone. If the student's IEP does not contain a BIP, an IEP team shall schedule a meeting to review the BER, determine if there is a necessity for a functional behavioral assessment ("FBA"), and to determine an interim plan, or both. If the student already has a BIP, the IEP team shall review and modify the BIP if a new serious behavior has been exhibited or existing behavioral interventions have proven to be ineffective. CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.2, CONTRACTOR shall not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for the following interventions, or any other interventions like the following:

- 1. Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain, including, but not limited to, electric shock.
- 2. An intervention that involves the release of noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mist, or substances in proximity to the face of the individual.
- 3. An intervention that denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities.
- 4. An intervention that is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject, the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or that can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma.
- 5. Restrictive interventions that employ a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities, including the procedure known as prone containment, except that prone containment or similar techniques may be used by trained personnel as a limited emergency intervention.
- 6. Locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 7. An intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual.
- 8. An intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with Education Code section 49005.8. Specifically, Contractor shall not do any of the following:

- 1. Use seclusion or behavioral restraint for the purpose of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.
- 2. Use locked seclusion unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 3. Use a physical restraint technique that obstructs a pupil's respiratory airway or impairs the pupil's breathing or respiratory capacity, including techniques in which a staff member places pressure on a pupil's back or places his or her body weight against the pupil's torso or back.

- 4. Use a behavioral restraint technique that restricts breathing, including, but not limited to, using a pillow, blanket, carpet, mat, or other item to cover a pupil's face.
- 5. Place a pupil in a facedown position with the pupil's hands held or restrained behind the pupil's back.
- 6. Use a behavioral restraint for longer than is necessary to contain the behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the pupil or others.

CONTRACTOR shall keep constant, direct observation of a pupil who is in seclusion, which may be through observation of the pupil through a window, or another barrier, through which the educational provider is able to make direct eye contact with the pupil. This observation shall not be through indirect means, including through a security camera or a closed-circuit television.

CONTRACTOR shall afford pupils who are restrained the least restrictive alternative and the maximum freedom of movement, and shall use the least number of restraint points, while ensuring the physical safety of the pupil and others.

If prone restraint techniques are used by CONTRACTOR, a staff member shall observe the pupil for any signs of physical distress throughout the use of prone restraint. Whenever possible, the staff member monitoring the pupil shall not be involved in restraining the pupil.

In the case of a child whose behavior impedes the child's learning or that of others, the IEP team shall consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA via telephone of any severe or increasingly frequent behavior problem, any emergency intervention in response to a previously unseen serious behavior problem, or where a previously designed behavior intervention is ineffective, that may require an IEP team meeting.

All restraint practices must be reviewed and revised when they have an adverse effect on a student and are used repeatedly for an individual child, either on multiple occasions within the same classroom or multiple uses by the same individual. CONTRACTOR shall notify the Parent when any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusion has been used. Upon the use of any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusions of an LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER per the reporting and notification requirements listed above.

BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION REPORTING: Twice annually, CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that (a) CONTRACTOR has reviewed the BERs for each LEA student in conjunction with that student's IEP and BIP; (b) Staff are trained to implement each LEA student's BIP, including approved or prohibited restraint techniques for each student; (c) emergency interventions have only been used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to LEA students or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior; and (d) BERs have been properly completed and timely forwarded to LEA as required by this Contract.

CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with any of the requirements of Section 30: Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports shall constitute sufficient good cause for immediate termination of this Contract by LEA.

### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with State of California and federal law and regulations. Using forms developed by the California Department of Education or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, monthly, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all

statutory offenses as described in Education Codes 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code Sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from the student's current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) submit a written discipline report to LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the student's name, grade, race, ethnicity, and gender; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACTOR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of the LEA student's behavior plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP meeting no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day after the decision is made to suspend the student for more than ten (10) school days or recommend expulsion of the student. LEA shall notify and invite CONTRACTOR representatives to the IEP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

### 32. IEP TEAM MEETINGS

An IEP team meeting shall be convened at least annually to evaluate: (1) the educational progress of each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR, including all state assessment results pursuant to the requirements of Education Code section 52052; (2) whether or not the needs of the LEA student continue to be best met at the NPS; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the LEA student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) and California Education Code section 56345(b)(4).)

If an LEA student is to be transferred from a NPS setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, a description of activities provided to integrate the student into the regular education program, including the nature of each activity as well as the time spent on the activity each day or week and a description of the activities provided to support the transition of the student from the special education program into the regular education program. Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of the student's IEP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. At any time during the term of this Contract, the Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of the LEA student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, at no cost and prior to an annual or triennial IEP team meeting, documentation regarding the student's progress on goals and all assessments and written assessment reports (including testing protocols) created by CONTRACTOR and any of its agents or subcontractors, upon request and/or pursuant to LEA Procedures. It is understood that attendance at an IEP meeting is part of CONTRACTOR'S professional responsibility and is not a billable service under this Contract.

It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize the LEA approved electronic IEP system for all IEP planning and progress reporting at LEA's discretion. LEA may provide training for any CONTRACTOR to ensure access to the approved system. CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on the approved system and shall protect the password requirements of the system. When a LEA student disenrolls from the NPS/A, the CONTRACTOR shall discontinue use of the approved system for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting provided under this Contract, may only be made based on revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that CONTRACTOR believes a LEA student requires a change of placement, CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the purposes of consideration of a change in the student's placement. A LEA student is entitled to remain in the last agreed upon and implemented placement unless Parent agrees otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Section 1415(k)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code.

### 33. SURROGATE PARENTS AND FOSTER YOUTH

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments. Surrogate parents shall serve as the child's Parent and have all the rights relative to the student's education that a parent has under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act pursuant to 20 U.S.C. sections 1414-1482 and 34 C.F.R. sections 300.1-300.756. A pupil in foster care shall be defined pursuant to California Education Code section 42238.01(b). LEA shall annually notify CONTRACTOR who LEA has designated as the educational liaison for foster children. When a pupil in foster care is enrolled in a NPS by LEA any time after the completion of the student's second year of high school, CONTRACTOR shall schedule the pupil in courses leading towards graduation based on the diploma requirements of LEA unless provided notice otherwise in writing pursuant to Section 51225.1.

### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. Participation includes CONTRACTOR's staff being made available for witness preparation and testimony as is necessary to facilitate a due process hearing. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office of Civil Rights, or any other State and/or federal governmental body or agency. Full participation shall include, but in no way be limited to, cooperating with LEA representatives to provide complete answers raised by any investigator and/or the immediate provision of any and all documentation that pertains to the operation of CONTRACTOR's program and/or the implementation of a particular student's IEP/ISA.

### 35. COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and adhere to its own written procedures for responding to Parent complaints. These procedures shall include annually notifying and providing Parents of LEA students with appropriate information (including complaint forms) for the following: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 *et seq.*; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8(a), (d) and 106.9(a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"). CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) notify LEA of any complaints filed against it related to LEA students and provide LEA with all documentation related to the complaints and/or its investigation of complaints, including any and all reports generated as a result of an investigation.

### 36. LEA STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS/REPORT CARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided monthly, CONTRACTOR shall provide Parents, with a concurrent copy sent to LEA, at least four (4) written progress reports/report cards. At a minimum, progress reports shall include progress over time towards IEP goals and objectives. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at CONTRACTOR's place of business and shall be submitted to the LEA and LEA student's Parent quarterly.

CONTRACTOR shall also provide LEA representatives access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, transition plans, and behavior intervention plans, including but not limited to log sheets, chart notes, observation notes, data sheets, pre-/post-tests, rubrics and other similar data collection used to determine progress or lack of progress on approved goals, objectives, transition plans or behavior intervention plans. LEA may request such data at any time within five (5) years of the date of service. CONTRACTOR shall maintain such information for at least five (5) years and shall provide this data supporting progress to LEA within five (5) business days of request. Additional time may be granted as needed by the LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other evaluations of the LEA student at least ten (10) days prior to the student's IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP team meeting as required by State and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA Procedures, and/or LEA practices. CONTRACTOR shall provide sufficient copies of its reports, documents, and projected goals to share with members of the IEP team at least five (5) business days prior to the IEP meeting. CONTRACTOR shall maintain supporting documentation, such as test protocols and data collection, which shall be made available to LEA within five (5) business days of request.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for all evaluation costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting, and development of present levels of performance. All assessments resulting from an assessment plan shall be provided by LEA unless LEA specifies in writing a request that CONTRACTOR perform such assessment. Any assessment and/or evaluation costs may be added to the ISA and/or approved separately by LEA at LEA's sole discretion.

It is understood that all billable hours must be in direct services to LEA students as specified in the ISA. For NPA services, supervision provided by a qualified individual as specified in Title 5 Regulation, subsection 3065, shall be determined as appropriate and included in the ISA. Supervision means the direct observation of services, data review, case conferencing and program design consistent with professional standards for each professional's license, certification, or credential.

CONTRACTOR shall not charge a LEA student's Parent(s) or LEA for the provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any evaluations conducted in order to obtain present levels of performance, interviews, and/or attendance at any meetings. It is understood that all billable hours are limited to those specified on the ISA consistent with the IEP. It is understood that copies of data collection notes, forms, charts and other such data are part of the student's record and shall be made available to LEA upon written request.

### 37. GRADES, HIGH SCHOOL COURSE CREDITS & TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR is responsible for assigning grades for any course of instruction taught at the NPS. The grades determined by the pupil's teacher, in the absence of clerical or mechanical mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetency, shall be final and consistent with the provisions specified in <u>EC Section 49066</u>. The grades each pupil receives in all courses of instruction taught by the NPS shall be reported to the parents and the LEA on a quarterly basis. Consistent with the LEA, should it become evident to the NPS the pupil is in danger of failing a course, the CONTRACTOR must initiate a parent conference, and the LEA representative must be in attendance.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by the CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not recommend awarding a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of the LEA's graduation requirements.

Pupils enrolled in high school during the 2020-2021 academic year may request a Pass or No Pass grade as permitted in <u>EC Section 49066.5</u>, which may be reflected on the student's transcript and shall not negatively affect the pupil's grade point average.

CONTRACTOR shall prepare transcripts at the close of each semester, or upon LEA student transfer, for LEA students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive and submit such transcripts on LEA-approved forms to the LEA student's school of residence for evaluation of progress toward completion of diploma requirements as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, the names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by LEA. All transcripts shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR and furnished to LEA upon request, consistent with the parameters of Sections 9 and 26 of this Contract.

### 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify Parents in writing of their obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of an LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to Parents. Within five (5) school days from the date CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures.

If CONTRACTOR had knowledge or should reasonably have had knowledge of an LEA student's change of residence and CONTRACTOR fails to follow the procedures specified in this section, LEA shall not be responsible for the costs of services delivered following the LEA student's change of residence.

#### 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM NPS/A

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to LEA via telephone and electronically (within 24 hours) and in writing to LEA within five (5) business days when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services without prior notice. This includes but is not limited to a LEA student's change of residence to a residence outside of LEA boundaries, and LEA student's discharge against professional advice from a NPS and/or residential treatment center ("RTC"). CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify potential dropouts three (3) times per year.

### 40. PARENT ACCESS

CONTRACTOR shall provide for reasonable parental access to LEA students and all facilities including, but not limited to, the instructional setting, recreational activity areas, meeting rooms and student living quarters when applicable. CONTRACTOR shall comply with any known court orders regarding parental visits and access to LEA students.

CONTRACTOR operating programs associated with an NPS/RTC shall cooperate with a Parent's reasonable request for LEA student therapeutic visits in their home or at the NPS/RTC. CONTRACTOR shall require that Parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from CONTRACTOR and LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance. When requested, CONTRACTOR shall facilitate all Parent travel and accommodations and provide travel information to the parents as appropriate. Payment by LEA for approved travel-related expenses shall be made directly through LEA consistent with LEA Procedures.

CONTRACTOR providing services in a LEA student's home as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child, or an adult caregiver with the Parent's written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency, is present. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to the LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the Parent informs the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergencies. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing immediately (within 24 hours) of all problems and/or concerns reported to Parents, both verbal and written.

### 41. LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION ("LCI") CONTRACTORS AND RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER ("RTC") CONTRACTORS

If CONTRACTOR is a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9 (c) (1), Health and Safety Code section 1501.1 and any other applicable laws and/or regulations, including LEA guidelines and LEA Procedures. An LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its NPS as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS/RTC, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1400 et seq. including the federal regulations 34 C.F.R section 300 et seq. and Education Code section 56000 et seq. including Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all monitoring requirements set forth in Section 43 below.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS that is owned, operated by, or associated with a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, on a quarterly basis, a list of all LEA students, including those identified as eligible for special education. For those identified as special education students, the list shall include: 1) special education eligibility at the time of enrollment and 2) the educational placement and services specified in each student's IEP at the time of enrollment. A copy of the current IEP shall be provided to the LEA.

Unless placement is made pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings order or a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and Parent, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the LEA student's Parent or another adult with educational decision-making rights.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.).

#### 42. STATE MEAL MANDATE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49005 et seq.; 49501.5, the universal meal mandate enacted by AB 130 (2021-2022); 49530 et seq; and 49550 et seq.

### 43. MONITORING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct at least one onsite monitoring visit during each school year to the NPS at which LEA has a student attending and with which it maintains a master contract. The monitoring visit shall include, but is not limited to, a review of services provided to the student through the ISA between LEA and the NPS, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's IEP, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's BIP, if applicable, an observation of the pupil during instruction, and a walkthrough of the facility. LEA (or SELPA) shall report the findings resulting from the monitoring visit to the California Department of Education within 60 calendar days of the onsite visit.

LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct an onsite visit to the NPS before placement of a student if LEA does not have any students enrolled at the NPS at the time of placement. (Ed. Code § 56366.1.)

CONTRACTOR shall allow LEA representatives access to its facilities for additional periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program. LEA shall have access to observe each LEA student at work, observe the instructional setting, interview CONTRACTOR, and review each LEA student's records and progress held by CONTRACTOR. LEA's access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR's site administrative office. CONTRACTOR and LEA shall be invited to participate in the review of each LEA student's progress.

If CONTRACTOR is also an LCI and/or NPS/RTC, the CDE shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR follows Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b). LEA may also conduct its own onsite review of a NPS using LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction ("Superintendent") shall monitor CONTRACTOR'S facilities, the educational environment, and the quality of the educational program, including the teaching

staff, the credentials authorizing service, the standards-based core curriculum being employed, and the standard focused instructional materials used on a three-year cycle, as follows: (1) CONTRACTOR shall complete a self-review in year one; (2) Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall participate in any LEA or CDE compliance review, if applicable, to be conducted as aligned with the CDE Onsite Review and monitoring cycle in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(j). This review will address programmatic aspects of the NPS, compliance with relevant State and federal regulations, and Contract compliance. If requested by LEA, CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School/Agency Self-Review Assessment to LEA and CDE. CONTRACTOR shall conduct any follow-up or corrective action procedures related to review findings.

CONTRACTOR understands that LEA reserves the right to institute a program audit with or without cause. The program audit may include, but is not limited to, a review of core compliance areas of health and safety; curriculum/instruction; related services; and contractual, legal, and procedural compliance.

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS, CONTRACTOR shall collect all applicable data and prepare the applicable portion of a School Accountability Report Card as appropriate in accordance with California Education Code Section 33126.

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### 44. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

### If CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPA, all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who will or are likely to interact with LEA students shall obtain clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI"). Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information and notwithstanding the express provisions of California Education Code sections 44237, 45125.1, and 56366.1, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors to submit fingerprints through LEA's Live Scan system, regardless of whether CONTRACTOR requires its employees and volunteers to submit fingerprints for background checks in accordance with its own procedures. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who will interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee to enroll in LEA's subsequent arrest notification service as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

No employees, volunteers, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who have been convicted of a violent or serious felony, as those terms are defined in California Education Code Section 44237 subdivision (h) shall interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee, unless despite the employee's, volunteer's, or subcontractor's conviction of a violent or serious felony, they have met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237 subdivisions (i) or (j). CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not interact with LEA students unless and until CDOJ and DBI clearances are ascertained through LEA's Live Scan system.

### If CONTRACTOR is a NPS or RTC:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS or RTC, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 44237, 35021.1, 35021.2, and 56366.1 including, but not limited to: obtaining clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI") for CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers who will have or likely may have any direct contact with LEA students. In addition, if CONTRACTOR is located outside of California, then the CONTRACTOR shall also obtain

clearance from its state's department of justice. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not come in contact with LEA students until CDOJ, it's state's DOJ, and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with students, or subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students have been convicted of a violent or serious felony as those terms are defined in California Education Code section 44237(h), unless despite the employee's conviction of a violent or serious felony, he or she has met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237(i) or (j). Upon request, clearance certification shall be submitted to the LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2. CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that CONTRACTOR'S employees, volunteers, and subcontractors have successful background checks and CONTRACTOR enrolled in subsequent arrest notification service for all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students.

Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notification service, as provided, for each owner, operator, employee, volunteer, and subcontractor of the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR is required to retain the evidence on-site, as specified, for all staff, including those licensed or credentialed by another state agency. Background clearances and proof of subsequent arrest notification service, as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2, for all staff shall be provided to the LEA upon request.

### 45. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services hold a license, certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold in the service rendered consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1) and are qualified pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3001(r), 3064 and 3065. Such qualified staff may only provide related services within the scope of their professional license, certification or credential and ethical standards set by each profession, and not assume responsibility or authority for another related services provider or special education teacher's scope of practice.

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all staff are appropriately credentialed to provide instruction and services to students with the disabling conditions placed in their program/school through documentation provided to the CDE. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3064(a).)

In accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(a)(5), when CONTRACTOR is a NPS, an appropriately qualified person shall serve as curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development. The administrator of the NPS holds or is in the process of obtaining one of the following: (A) An administrative credential granted by an accredited postsecondary educational institution and two years of experience with pupils with disabilities. (B) A pupil personnel services credential that authorizes school counseling or psychology. (C) A license as a clinical social worker issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (D) A license in psychology regulated by the Board of Psychology. (E) A master's degree issued by an accredited postsecondary institution in education, special education, psychology, counseling, behavioral analysis, social work, behavioral science, or rehabilitation. (F) A credential authorizing special education instruction and at least two years of experience teaching in special education before becoming an administrator. (G) A license as a marriage and family therapist certified by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (H) A license as an educational psychologist issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (I) A license as a professional clinical counselor issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (California Education Code §56366.1(a)(5)) CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to the LEA upon request, documentation of its administrator's qualifications in accordance with the above.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with personnel standards and qualifications regarding instructional aides and teacher assistants respectively pursuant to federal requirements and California Education Code sections 45340 et seq. and 45350 et seq. Specifically, all paraprofessionals, including but not limited to, instructional aides and teacher assistants, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or subcontracted by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services, shall possess a high school diploma (or its recognized equivalent) and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least two (2) years of study at an institution of higher education; or (b) obtained an associate's (or higher) degree; or (c) met a rigorous standard of quality and can demonstrate, through a formal state or local assessment (i) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing, and mathematics; or (ii) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading readiness, writing readiness, and mathematics readiness, as appropriate. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State and serving a LEA student shall be certified or licensed by that state where it is located to provide special education and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

### 46. VERIFICATION OF LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents which entitle the holder to provide special education and/or related services by individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or sub-contracted by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all licenses, credentials, permits or other documents are on file at the office of the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Section 44 (Clearance Requirements) and provide LEA with verified dates of Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and CDE in writing within thirty (30) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA within thirty (30) days if any such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, challenged pursuant to an administrative or legal complaint or lawsuit, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Contract. LEA shall not be obligated to pay for any services provided by a person whose such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the period which such person is providing services under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR'S failure to notify LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or and shall be good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall identify to LEA any employee (or CONTRACTOR, if CONTRACTOR is an individual) expected to perform services under this Agreement who is then-receiving California State Teachers' Retirement System ("CalSTRS") benefits, and who may perform creditable service for the LEA as defined in Education Code 22119.5. Identification to LEA shall include the individual's full legal name and STRS and social security identification numbers. Before any services by the individual are provided, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a signed written confirmation from the individual that he/she is aware of the separation-from-service requirement and earnings limitations imposed by Education Code sections 22714, 24114, 24116, 24214, 24214.5, and 24215. CONTRACTOR shall thereafter provide on a monthly basis to the employee and LEA the actual amounts paid to the individual for services rendered under this Contract, with LEA responsible for reporting the individual's earnings to CalSTRS as required by law or regulation, including but not limited to Education Code section 22461.

#### 47. STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS and CONTRACTOR's classroom teacher is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA documentation of substitute coverage. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time.

The LEA shall not be responsible for any payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided in accordance with California Education Code section 56061.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this agreement and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. It is understood that the parent of a LEA student shall not be deemed to be a qualified substitute for their student. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and authorized LEA representative.

### 48. STAFF PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR WHEN PROVIDING SERVICES AT SCHOOL OR SCHOOL RELATED EVENTS OR AT SCHOOL FACILITY AND/OR IN THE HOME

It is understood that all employees, subcontractors, and volunteers of any certified NPS/A shall adhere to the customary professional and ethical standards when providing services. All practices shall only be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession as well as any LEA professional standards as specified in Board policies and/or regulations when made available to the CONTRACTOR.

For services provided on a public-school campus, CONTRACTOR shall comply with California Penal Code section 627.1 *et seq.*, as well as all other LEA Procedures and school campus-specific policies and procedures regarding visitors to/on school campuses. Such LEA Procedures shall be made available to the CONTRACTOR upon request. It is understood that the LEA public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the instructional program, and all NPA service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher, who shall remain in charge of the instructional program. Failure to comply with this and all LEA requirements in this regard shall be sufficient cause for LEA to terminate this Contract.

CONTRACTOR providing services outside of the student's school as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authority to make decisions in an emergency is present during provision of services. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider. All problems and/or concerns reported by CONTRACTOR to Parents, in either verbal or written form, shall also be immediately (within 24 hours) reported to the LEA.

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES**

### 49. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State, and local, and laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures, and LEA Procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 *et. seq.*, 49406, and Health and Safety Code section 121545(a) regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA

documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with a LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 1910.1030 *et seq.* and Cal/OSHA's Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations section 5193, when providing medical treatment or assistance to a student. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training regarding universal health care precautions and to post required notices in areas designated in the California Health and Safety Code.

See also the Health and Safety Addendum to Master Contract 2023-2024 in Exhibit C.

### 50. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to students in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 550. During the duration of this Contract, if CONTRACTOR is subject to fines, penalties and findings of non-compliance, CONTRACTOR shall assume any and all responsibilities for payment of such financial obligations. CONTRACTOR shall also be responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR's facilities as required complying with applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Failure to notify the LEA and CDE of any changes in, major modification or relocation of facilities may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA.

In signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that its facilities either comply with federal and State of California and local laws regarding disability access, or possesses and has available upon demand, a self-evaluation and/or transition plan in accordance with said laws.

### 51. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49422 et seq. when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student who is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the student with the administration of such medication after the student's Parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR: (a) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and (b) a written statement from the student's Parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to LEA upon request, copies of such written statements. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written log for each student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify the student's name; the type of medication; the date, time, and amount of each administration; and the name of CONTRACTOR's employee who administered the medication. CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for storing medications in a secure location and ensuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and Parent.

### 52. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall submit within 24 hours, electronically, any accident or incident report to LEA. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports pursuant to and as specified in LEA Procedures.

### 53. CHILD ABUSE REPORTING

CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, including volunteers, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 *et seq.* and Education Code 44691. In addition, CONTRACTOR is to read and become familiar with the LEA's Mandated Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policies (BP 5141.4 and AR 5141.4.). To protect the privacy rights of all parties involved (i.e., reporter, child and alleged abuser), reports will remain confidential as required by law and professional ethical mandates. A written statement from CONTRACTOR acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA before execution of this Contract and upon subsequent request from LEA.

In the event there is a suspicion of abuse conducted by anyone (students, staff, CONTRACTOR or others) on or off campus, CONTRACTOR is to file the appropriate report to the Sacramento County Sheriff. CONTRACTOR is also to confidentially notify LEA's Legal Compliance Department ("Legal Compliance") of the report. CONTRACTOR is to cooperate with any investigation conducted by LEA in connection with such report.

### 54. SEXUAL HARASSMENT

CONTRACTOR shall have a Sexual and Gender Identity Harassment Policy that clearly describes the kinds of conduct that constitutes sexual harassment and that is prohibited by the CONTRACTOR's policy, as well as federal and State law. The policy should include procedures to make complaints without fear of retaliation, and for prompt and objective investigations of all sexual harassment complaints. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training to all employees regarding the laws concerning sexual harassment and related procedures pursuant to Government Code 12950.1.

### 55. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all of its staff members, including volunteers, independent contractors and subcontractors, are familiar with and agree to adhere to requirements for reporting missing children as specified in California Education Code section 49370 *et seq.* A written statement acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be properly submitted to the LEA by CONTRACTOR before execution of this Contract and in response to subsequent requests by LEA. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by LEA.

### **FINANCIAL**

### 56. ENROLLMENT, CONTRACTING, SERVICE TRACKING, ATTENDANCE REPORTING, AND BILLING PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall assure that the NPS/A has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the students enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP and ISA for each student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA Procedures concerning enrollment, contracting, attendance reporting, service tracking and billing including requirements of electronic billing as specified by LEA Procedures, as well as provide all such records requested by LEA concerning the same. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA which are provided on billable days of attendance. All payments to CONTRACTOR by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract and in compliance with LEA Procedures and governed by all applicable federal and State of California laws.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the NPS's enrollment procedures include verification of required immunizations (including but not limited to the adolescent pertussis booster vaccination (Tdap) for all students entering the seventh grade).

CONTRACTOR shall maintain separate registers for the basic education program, each related service, and services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides and bus aides. Original attendance forms (i.e., roll books for the basic education program, service tracking documents and notes for instructional assistants, behavioral intervention aides, bus aides, and each related service) shall be completed by the actual service provider whose signature shall appear on such forms and shall be available for review, inspection, or audit by LEA during the effective period of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter. CONTRACTOR shall verify the accuracy of minutes of reported attendance that is the basis of services being billed for payment.

CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided. Invoices and related documents shall be properly submitted electronically and in addition, on a LEA form with signatures in the manner prescribed by LEA. At a minimum, each invoice must contain the following information: type of service provided; month of service; specific days and times of services coordinated by the LEA approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by the LEA; name of staff who provided the service and the individual's licensing and credentials; approved cost of each invoice; total for each service and total for the monthly invoice; date invoice was mailed; signature of NPS/A administrator authorizing that the information is accurate and consistent with the ISA, CDE certificates and staff notification; verification that attendance report is attached as appropriate; indication of any made-up sessions consistent with this Contract; verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with the ISA (monthly or quarterly unless specified otherwise on the ISA); and name of each LEA student for whom the service was provided.

In the event services were not provided, each invoice shall include the rationale for why the services were not provided.

Such an invoice is subject to all conditions of this Contract. At the discretion of LEA, an electronic invoice may be required provided such notice has been made in writing and training provided to CONTRACTOR at no additional charge for such training.

Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the attendance accounting period in which the services were rendered. LEA shall make payment to CONTRACTOR based on the number of billable days of attendance and hours of service at rates specified in this contract within forty-five (45) days of LEA's receipt of properly submitted hard copy of invoices prepared and submitted as specified in California Education Code Section 56366.5. CONTRACTOR shall correct deficiencies and submit rebilling invoices no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the invoice is returned by LEA. LEA shall pay properly submitted re-billing invoices no later than forty-five (45) days after the date a completely corrected re-billing invoice is received by LEA.

In no case shall initial payment claim submission for any Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond December 31<sup>st</sup> after the close of the fiscal year. In no case shall any rebilling for the Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond six (6) months after the close of the fiscal year unless approved by LEA to resolve billing issues including re-billing issues directly related to a delay in obtaining information from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding teacher qualification, but no later than twelve (12) months from the close of the fiscal year. If the billing or re-billing error is the responsibility of LEA, then no limit is set if LEA and CONTRACTOR have communicated such concerns in writing during the 12-month period following the close of the fiscal year. LEA will not pay mileage for NPA employees.

### 57. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this Contract; (b) CONTRACTOR has billed for services rendered on days other than billable days of attendance or for days when student was not in attendance and/or did not receive services; (c) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (d) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by EC 56366.5(a); (e) education and/or related services are provided to students

by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (f) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program; (g) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change of residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA within five (5) days of such confirmation; (h) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student; or (i) CONTRACTOR fails to provide the required liability/insurance documentation as outlined in Section 15 of this Contract. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that are not received by six (6) months following the close of the prior fiscal year, for services provided in that year.

Final payment to CONTRACTOR in connection with the cessation of operations and/or termination of a Contract will be subject to the same documentation standards described for all payment claims for regular ongoing operations. In addition, final payment may be withheld by LEA until completion of a review or audit, if deemed necessary by LEA. Such review or audit will be completed within ninety (90) days. The final payment may be adjusted to offset any previous payments to CONTRACTOR determined to have been paid in error or in anticipation of correction of documentation deficiencies by the CONTRACTOR that remain uncorrected.

The amount which may be withheld by LEA with respect to each of the subparagraphs of the preceding paragraph are as follows: (a) the value of the service CONTRACTOR failed to perform; (b) the amount of overpayment; (c) the entire amount of the invoice for which satisfactory documentation has not been provided by CONTRACTOR; (d) the amount invoiced for services provided by the individual not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (e) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable LEA student for the time period from the date the violation occurred and until the violation is cured; or (f) the amount paid to CONTRACTOR by Medi-Cal or another agency or funding source for the service provided to the LEA student.

If LEA determines that cause exists to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR, LEA shall, within ten (10) business days of this determination, provide to CONTRACTOR written notice that LEA is withholding payment. Such notice shall specify the basis or bases for LEA's withholding payment and the amount to be withheld. Within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of such notice, CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary and appropriate action to correct the deficiencies that form the basis for LEA's withholding payment or submit a written request for extension of time to correct the deficiencies or submit to LEA written documentation demonstrating that the basis or bases cited by LEA for withholding payment is unfounded. Upon receipt of CONTRACTOR's written request showing good cause, LEA shall extend CONTRACTOR's time to correct deficiencies (usually an additional thirty (30) days), otherwise payment will be denied.

If after subsequent request for payment has been denied and CONTRACTOR believes that payment should not be withheld, CONTRACTOR shall send written notice to LEA specifying the reason it believes payment should not be withheld. LEA shall respond to CONTRACTOR's notice within thirty (30) business days by indicating that a warrant for the amount of payment will be made or stating the reason LEA believes payment should not be made. If LEA fails to respond within thirty (30) business days or a dispute regarding the withholding of payment continues after the LEA's response to CONTRACTOR's notice, CONTRACTOR may invoke the following escalation policy.

After forty-five (45) business days: The CONTRACTOR may notify the LEA's Authorized Representative of the dispute in writing. The LEA Authorized Representative shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within fifteen (15) business days.

After sixty (60) business days: Pursuant to the provisions of Education Code section 56366(c)(2), the LEA or CONTRACTOR may appeal to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools so long as the County Superintendent of Schools is not participating in the Local Plan involved in the NPS/A contract to negotiate the contract. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this appeal, the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or a designee, shall mediate the formulation of a contract, which shall be binding on both parties. Alternatively, the parties may agree to retain the services of a mutually agreed upon mediator to negotiate

the contract.. Both parties agree to pay for their own costs and expenses arising out of any such mediation. Each party agrees to act in good faith in participating in any mediation process agreed to by the parties.

#### 58. PAYMENT FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA when Medi-Cal or any other agency is billed for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. Upon request, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documentation regarding reports, billing, and/or payment by Medi-Cal or any other agency for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall provide prior written notice of the rights and protections required by Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 300.154(d) whenever it seeks to use the LEA students' public benefits to pay for special education and related services. Such notice shall be provided before seeking payment from Medi-Cal for the first time and annually.

### 59. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STAFF ABSENCE

Whenever a classroom teacher employed by CONTRACTOR is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation of substitute coverage pursuant to the LEA Procedures. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time. LEA will not pay for instruction and/or services unless said instruction or service is provided by an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher.

Whenever a related service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided unless otherwise agreed in a LEA student's IEP.

### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) cumulative day of a LEA student's unexcused absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of such absence.

Criteria for a billable day for payment purposes is one (1) day of attendance as defined in California Education Code, sections 46010, 46010.3 and 46307. LEA shall not pay for services provided on days that a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance (ADA) reimbursement under state law. *Per Diem* rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted on a pro rata basis in accordance with the actual proportion of the school day the student was served. LEA shall not be responsible for payment of related services for days on which a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance ("ADA") reimbursement under state law, nor shall student be eligible for make-up services.

### NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. LEA shall not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and LEA. In the event services were not provided, reasons for why the services were not provided shall be included.

### NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPA, it shall notify LEA of the absence of a LEA student no later than the fifth  $(5^{th})$  consecutive service day of the student's absence. LEA shall not be responsible for the payment of services when a student is absent.

### 60. LEA and/or NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO EMERGENCY

The following shall apply in the event of a LEA or NPS school closure due to an emergency in accordance with Education Code sections 41422 and 46392:

- a. If CONTRACTOR remains open, if allowed, during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422 and serves LEA students appropriately as delineated in the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment, regardless of whether LEA is open or closed.
- b. If CONTRACTOR is closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, if LEA is able to obtain alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR's NPS closure. If LEA is unable to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the signed ISA, as though the student were continuing in regular attendance, until an alternative placement can be found, so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below.
- c. If both LEA and CONTRACTOR are closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, on days LEA is funded, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the LEA student's ISA, until an alternative placement for the LEA student can be found so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below. If LEA is able to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR'S NPS closure.
- d. CONTRACTOR shall, in the case of school closures during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, implement the LEA student's IEP in accordance with Education Code 56345(a)(9) pertaining to emergency conditions and continue implementing ISAs for enrolled students CONTRACTOR shall ensure its students have reliable internet accessibility as well as the physical technology (i.e. Chromebooks, i-Pad, hot-spots etc.) as required to access and participate.
- e. In the event of CONTRACTOR'S closure during an emergency, LEA reserves the right to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR for instruction and services not rendered pursuant to an LEA student's ISA, consistent with Section 59.

When the emergency school closure is lifted, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any lost instructional minutes for any LEA student. CONTRACTOR and LEAs shall work collaboratively to determine the need for make-up days or service changes and shall work together to amend IEP and ISA paperwork as appropriate.

### 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and LEA shall have the right to examine and audit all of the books, records, documents, accounting procedures and practices and other evidence that reflect all costs claimed to have been incurred or fees claimed to have been earned under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to those documents identified in Section 9 of this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall also make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.

CONTRACTOR shall make all records available at the office of LEA or CONTRACTOR (to be specified by LEA) at all reasonable times and without charge. CONTRACTOR shall provide all records to LEA within five (5) working days of a written request. CONTRACTOR shall, at no cost to LEA, help with such examination or audit. LEA's rights under this section shall also include access to CONTRACTOR's offices for purposes of interviewing CONTRACTOR's employees. If any document or evidence is stored in an electronic form, a hard copy shall be made available to LEA, unless LEA agrees to the use of the electronic format. Such access shall also include unannounced inspections by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain from its subcontractors and suppliers written agreements relating to the requirements of this section and shall provide a copy of such agreements to LEA upon request by LEA.

If an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm determines that CONTRACTOR owes LEA monies as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR written notice demanding payment from CONTRACTOR and specifying the basis or bases for such demand. Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, CONTRACTOR shall pay to LEA the full amount owed as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing and/or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, as determined by an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm. CONTRACTOR shall make such payment to LEA within thirty (30) days of receipt of LEA's written notice demanding payment.

### 62. RATE SCHEDULE

The attached Rate Schedule (Exhibit A) limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the Contract. It may also limit the maximum number of LEA students that can be provided specific services. Per Diem rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted proportionally. In such cases only, the adjustments in basic education rate shall be based on the required minimum number of minutes per grade level as set forth in paragraph 23, above, and noted in California Education Code Section 46200-46208.

Special education and/or related services offered by CONTRACTOR shall be provided by qualified personnel as per State and federal law, and the codes and charges for such educational and/or related services during the term of this Contract, shall be as stated in Exhibit A.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS associated with a RTC ("NPS/RTC"), Educationally Related Mental Health Services ("ERMHS") are provided in an integrated, intensive, educationally related therapeutic residential setting which includes social emotional/behavior support through individual counseling, group counseling, family consultation and support, as appropriate. It is a collaborative model which includes educational professionals and related service providers, where all supports and services are integrated in the NPS/RTC program. Costs for ERMHS are all inclusive and combined with the daily rate as ERMHS+RB ("ERMHS + Room and Board"). ERMHS plus Room and Board payments are based on positive attendance (payable for up to a maximum of 365 days) only, with up to a maximum of 10 days payment per LEA student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature. Any NPS or RTC requesting a change in rate for any services provided during a subsequent contract year must make a request in writing to the Sacramento County SELPA Directors, with a copy sent to LEA Director or designee, by January 15th of each calendar year. Increases will only be considered for approval for entities that have received a positive review on the LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

### 63. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that:

- (a) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers are <u>not</u> presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any federal agency, and
- (b) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers have not, within a three-year period preceding this Contract, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, any state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of federal or any state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.

The Parties hereto have executed this Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This Contract is effective on the  $1^{st}$  day of July, 2024 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR	LEA		
Point Quest Education CV	Galt Joint Union Elemer	ntary School District	
Nonpublic School/Agency			
By: 06/27/2024 Signature Date  Sara Cervantes, VP, Program Quality  Name and Title of Authorized  Representative	By:  Signature  By:  Kuljeet Nijjar, Di  Name and T  Representati	rector of Educational Ser itle of Authorized ive	Date
Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:	Notices to LEA sha	ll be addressed to:	
Shee Thao, Director of Contracts	Kuljeet Nijjar, Director o	f Educational Services	
Name and Title	Name and Title		
Point Quest Group	Galt Joint Union Elemer	ntary School District	
Nonpublic School/Agency/Related Service Provider	LEA		
9355 E Stockton Blvd, Suite 225	1018 C Street, Suite 21	0	
Address	Address		
Elk Grove, CA 95624	Galt	California	95632
City State Zip	City	State	Zip
(916) 422-0571 Ext.401	209-744-4545 x.303	209-744	-4554
Phone Fax	Phone	Fax	
sthao@pointquestgroup.com	knijjar@galt.k12.ca.us		
Email*(*Required)	Email		

### Additional LEA Notification

(Required if Completed)

Stephanie Gutierrez, Progra	am Specialist		
Name and Title			
Galt Joint Union Elementary	School Distr	ict	
LEA			
1018 C Street, Suite 210			
Address			
Galt	California	95632	
City		State	
209-744-4545 x <sub>-</sub> 303	Zip	209-744-4554	
Phone	Fax		
sgutierrez@galt.k12.ca.us			
Email		·	

### **EXHIBIT A: 2024-2025 RATES**

### 4.1 RATE SCHEDULE FOR CONTRACT YEAR

The CONTRACTOR: Point Ques	st Education CV
The CONTRACTOR CDS NUMBER:	
PER ED CODE 56366 – TEACHER-T	D-PUPIL RATIO: 1:14

### **Maximum Contract Amount:**

Education service(s) offered by the CONTRACTOR and the charges for such service(s) during the term of this contract shall be as follows:

- 1) Daily Basic Education Rate: \$250.00
- 2) Inclusive Education Program

(Includes Educational Counseling (not ed related mental health) services, Speech & Language services, Behavior Intervention Planning, and Occupational Therapy as specified on the student's IEP.) DAILY RATE: N/A

### 3) Related Services

SERVICE	RATE	PERIOD
Intensive Individual Services (340)	\$44.00	Hour
Language and Speech (415)	\$125.00 Consultation \$110	Hour
Adapted Physical Education (425)		
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)		<del></del>
Health and Nursing: Other Services (436)	=	<del></del>
Assistive Technology Services (445)		<del>x</del> x
Occupational Therapy (450)	\$125.00 Consultation \$110	Hour
Physical Therapy (460)		<u> </u>
Individual Counseling (510)	Included	
Counseling and Guidance (515)	Included	
Parent Counseling (520)		×
Social Work Services (525)	: <del></del>	¥
Psychological Services (530)	-	
Behavior Intervention Services (535)	<del></del> 2	-
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)	·	
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing (710)	*	<del></del>
Interpreter Services (715)	7	=

Audiological Services (720)	<del>-</del> : <del>;</del>	3 / <del></del> 0
Specialized Vision Services (725)	<del>-</del> .	e) ( <del></del>
Orientation and Mobility (730)	_	<b>3</b>
Specialized Orthopedic Services (740)		• O
Reader Services (745)	<del>-</del> :	<b>4</b> / <del></del> .
Transcription Services (755)	= =====================================	<u> </u>
Recreation Services, Including Therapeutic (760)	_	+: (
College Awareness (820)	S.	
Work Experience Education (850)	<del>-</del>	§ ( <del>=====</del> )
Job Coaching (855)	_	= -
Mentoring (860)	<del>-</del> +	
Travel Training (870)	÷ ;	
Other Transition Services (890)	_	
Transportation	\$90.00	Daily
Other (900)		

### **EXHIBIT B: 2024-2025 ISA**

### INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (ISA) FOR NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL SERVICES (Education Code Sections 56365 et seq.)

This agreement is effective on <u>July 1, 2024</u> or the date student begins attending a nonpublic school or receiving services from a nonpublic agency, if after the date identified, and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided in the Master Contract and by applicable law.

Local Education Ager	icy				Nonpublic School			
LEA Case Manager: Name					Phone N	lumber		
Pupil Name						Sex:	M□F	Grade:
Address	(Last)			(First)	ty	(M.I.)	State/Zip _	
DOB	Residential Setting:	☐ Home	☐ Foster [	□ LCI #	OTHER			
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Address				Ci	(Residence)		(Busin State/Zip	ess)
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<ol><li>Nonpublic Scho</li></ol>	ol: The number of school	oi days in the	e calendar (	of the school ye	ar are:			ular school year ended school year
	VE AND/OR BASIC EDI nber of Days ERVICES:				·			
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SERVICE		LEA	NPS	OTHER Specify	# of Times per wk/mo/yr., Duration; or per IEP; or as needed	Cost per session	Maximum Number of Sessions	Estimated Maximum Total Cost for Contracted Period
Intensive Individua	l Services (340)							
Language/Speech a. In b. G	dividual							
Adapted Physical	Ed. (425)							
Health and Nursing Health Care (435)	g: Specialized Physical							
Health and Nursing	g Services: Other (436)							
Assistive Technolo	ogy Services (445)							
Occupational Ther	ару (450)	1						
Physical Therapy (	(460)							
Individual Counsel	ing (510)							
Counseling and gu	uidance (515)							
Parent Counseling	g (520)							

	Provider						
SERVICE	LEA	NPS	OTHER Specify	# of Times per wk/mo/yr., Duration; or per IEP; or as needed	Cost per session	Maximum Number of Sessions	Estimated Maximum Total Cost for Contracted Period
Social Work Services (525)							
Psychological Services (530)							
Behavior Intervention Services (535)							
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)							
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (710)							
Interpreter Services (715)							
Audiological Services (720)							
Specialized Vision Services (725)							
Orientation and Mobility (730)							
Braille Transcription (735)							
Specialized Orthopedic Service (740)							
Reader Services (745)							
Note Taking Services (750)							
Transcription Services (755)							
Recreation Services (760)							
College Awareness Preparation (820)							
Vocational Assessment, Counseling, Guidance and Career Assessment (830)							
Career Awareness (840)							
Work Experience Education (850)							
Mentoring (860)							
Agency Linkages (865)							
Travel Training (870)							
Other Transition Services (890)					DC .		
Other (900)J							
Other (900)							
Transportation-Emergency b. Transportation-Parent							
Bus Passes							
Other							

TOTAL ESTIMATED MAXIMUM BASIC EDUCATION AND RELATED SERV  4. Other Provisions/Attachments:	ICES COSTS\$
5. MASTER CONTRACT APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD ON _	
6. Progress Reporting Quarterly Monthly Requirements:	Other (Specify)
The parties hereto have executed this Individual Services Agreement by an pelow.  -CONTRACTOR-	and through their duly authorized agents or representatives as set forth -LEA/SELPA-
(Name of Nonpublic School/Agency)	(Name of LEA/SELPA)
(Signature) (Date)	(Signature) (Date)
(Name and Title)	(Name of Superintendent or Authorized Designee)



### Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

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# Nonpublic, Non-Sectarian School/Agency Services

**MASTER CONTRACT** 

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Point Quest – Depot Park

## Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services

MASTER CONTRACT

## GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025

### MASTER CONTRACT

GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONSECTARIAN, NONPUBLIC SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES

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		Contract Year2024-2025	
	X	Nonpublic School ("NPS")  Type text here	
		Nonpublic Agency ("NPA")	

Type of Contract:	
Master Contract for fiscal year with Individual Service Agreements (ISA) to be approved throughout term of this Contract.	out the
Individual Master Contract for a specific student incorporating the Individual Service Agreement (into the terms of this Individual Master Contract specific to a single student.	ISA)
Interim Extension of the Master Contract: an extension of the previous fiscal years approved contract.  The sole purpose of this Interim Contract is to provide for ongoing funding at the prior year for 90 days at the sole discretion of the LEA in accordance with Section 4 of this Master Contract.  Expiration Date:	's rates

When this section is included as part of any Master Contract, the changes specified above shall amend Section 4 – Term of Master Contract

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**2024-2025 CONTRACT NUMBER:** 9

**LEA:** GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGANCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER: Point Quest Education – Depot Park

NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

# **AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract (or "Contract") is entered into on July 1, 2024, between GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT hereinafter referred to as the local educational agency ("LEA") or "District" and Point Quest Education Depot Park (nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency), hereinafter referred to as "NPS/A" or "CONTRACTOR," for the purpose of providing special education and/or related services to LEA students with exceptional needs under the authorization of California Education Code sections 56157, 56361 and 56365 et seq. and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq., AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003) and AB1858 (Chapter 914, Statutes of 2004). It is understood that this Contract does not commit LEA to pay for special education and/or related services provided to any LEA student, or CONTRACTOR to provide such special education and/or related services, unless and until an authorized LEA representative approves the provision of special education and/or related services by CONTRACTOR.

Upon acceptance of a LEA student, LEA shall submit to CONTRACTOR an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA"), and a Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form. CONTRACTOR shall work with LEA to complete and return these forms to LEA prior to initiating any services for any student, unless otherwise agreed by LEA and CONTRACTOR. These forms shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR's obligation to provide all services specified in the LEA student's Individualized Education Program (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, the LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and/or electronic database for ISA developing including invoicing.

Unless placement and/or services is ordered pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "OAH") order, a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and parent, or authorized by LEA for a transfer LEA student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement or NPS/A services until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement and/or NPS/A services is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the Parent. 2.CERTIFICATION AND LICENSES CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a NPS/A. All NPS/A placements and services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification and licensure specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code, section 56366 et seg and within the professional scope of practice of each provider's license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR'S NPS/A certification or a waiver of such certification issued by the CDE pursuant to Education Code section 56366.2 must be provided to LEA on or before the date this Contract is executed by CONTRACTOR. This Contract shall be null and void if such certification such certification or waiver is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective 1 period of this Contract

Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated on CDE certification and in Section 24 of the Contract.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of the State of California shall be certified and all staff persons providing services to pupils shall be certified and/or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall be licensed by the State of California, or other public agency having delegated authority by contract with the State of California to license, to provide nonmedical care room and board to children, including, but not limited to, individuals with exceptional needs. The LCI must also comply with all licensing requirements relevant to the protection of the child, and have a special permit, if necessary, to meet the needs of each child so placed. If the CONTRACTOR operates a program outside of the State of California, CONTRACTOR must obtain all required licenses from the appropriate licensing agency in both California and in the state where the LCI is located.

With respect to CONTRACTOR's certification, failure to notify LEA and CDE in writing of any changes in: (1) credentialed/licensed staff; (2) ownership; (3) management and/or control of the agency; (4) major modification or relocation of facilities; or (5) significant modification of the program may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by the LEA. Any suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's CDE certification shall also be good cause for the immediate suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA, at LEA's discretion.

## 3. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

During the term of this Contract, unless otherwise agreed, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State of California, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, policies and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all applicable LEA and SELPA policies, regulations, and procedures (collectively referred to as "LEA Procedures") unless, taking into consideration all of the surrounding facts and circumstances, a policy or policies or a portion of a policy does not reasonably apply to CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that it accepts all risks and responsibilities for its failure to comply with LEA Procedures and shall indemnify LEA under the provisions of Section 16 of this Contract for all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with applicable LEA Procedures (e.g., those policies relating to; the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, student enrollment and transfer, student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions).

CONTRACTOR acknowledges and understands that LEA may report to CDE any violations of the provisions of this Contract; and that this may result in the suspension and/or revocation of CDE NPA/S certification pursuant to California Education Code section 56366.4(a).

# 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Contract shall be from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the LEA is required to renew this Contract in subsequent contract years. The parties acknowledge that any subsequent Master Contract is to be re-negotiated prior to June 30, 2025. In the event the contract negotiations are not agreed to by June 30<sup>th</sup>, the most recently executed Master Contract will remain in effect for 90 days. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d)) No Master Contract will be offered unless and until all of the contracting requirements have been satisfied. The offer of a Master Contract to a CONTRACTOR is at the sole discretion of the LEA.

The provisions of this Contract apply to CONTRACTOR and any of its employees or independent contractors. Notice of any change in CONTRACTOR's ownership or authorized representative shall be provided in writing to LEA within thirty (30) calendar days of change of ownership or change of authorized representative.

# 5. INTEGRATION/CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

This Contract incorporates LEA Procedures herein by this reference. Each ISA is also incorporated herein by this reference. This Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LEA may modify LEA Procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA with information as requested in writing to secure a Contract or a renewal.

At a minimum, such information shall include copies of current teacher credentials and clearance, insurance documentation, and CDE certification. LEA may require additional information as applicable. If the application packet is not completed and returned to LEA, no Contract will be issued. If CONTRACTOR does not return the Contract to LEA duly signed by an authorized representative within ninety (90) calendar days of issuance by LEA, the new contract rates will not take effect until the newly executed Contract is received by LEA and will not be retroactive to the first day of the new Contract's effective date. If CONTRACTOR fails to execute the new Contract within such ninety-day period, all payments shall cease until such time as the new Contract for the current school year is signed and returned to LEA by CONTRACTOR. (California Education Code §56366(c)(1) and (2)). In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed Contract between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized LEA students at the discretion of LEA.

## 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICE AGREEMENT ("ISA")

This Contract shall include an ISA developed for each LEA student to whom CONTRACTOR is to provide special education and/or related services. An ISA shall only be issued for LEA students enrolled with the approval of LEA pursuant to Education Code section 56366(a)(2)(A). An ISA may be effective for more than one contract year provided that there is a concurrent Contract in effect. In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed ISAs between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized students.

Any and all changes to a student's educational placement/program/services provided under this Contract and/or an ISA shall be made solely on the basis of a revision to the student's IEP or by written agreement between the Parent and LEA. At any time during the term of this Contract, a Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of a student's IEP subject to all procedural safeguards required by law.

Unless otherwise provided in this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code §56366(a)(5) and California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3062(e).) In the event CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the term of the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided. CONTRACTOR shall provide any and all subsequent compensatory service hours awarded to an LEA student as a result of lack of provision of services while the student was served by CONTRACTOR.

If a Parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the OAH, CONTRACTOR shall abide by the "stay-put" requirement of the State of California and federal law unless the Parent and LEA voluntarily agree otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting ("IAES") is

deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Title 20 of the United States Codes Sections 1415(k)(1)(G), 1415(k)(2), and 1415(k)(3)(B)(ii)(II). CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the formulation of an ISA, or the Contract may be appealed to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or the California State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code section 56366(c)(2).

Exhibit B includes the ISA form.

## 7. **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

- a. The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency ("NPS/A") certified by the California Department of Education ("CDE"), and its officers, agents and employees.
- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for NPS/A. It is understood, a representative of the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) of which LEA is a member is an authorized LEA representative in collaboration with LEA. LEA maintains sole responsibility for this Contract, unless otherwise specified in this Contract.
- c. The term "credential" means a valid credential, life diploma, permit, or document in special education or pupil personnel services issued by, or under the jurisdiction of, the California State Board of Education if issued prior to 1970 or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, which entitles the holder thereof to perform services for which certification qualifications are required as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(g).
- d. The term "qualified" means that a person holds a certificate, permit or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to provide special education and related services and has met federal and state certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements which apply to the area in which the individual is providing special education or related services, including those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 3064 and 3065, and adheres to the standards of professional practice established in federal and state law or regulation, including the standards contained in the California Business and Professions Code.

Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities in services of a graduate needing direct hours leading to licensure, or of a student teacher or intern leading to a graduate degree at an accredited or approved college or university, as authorized by State laws or regulations. (California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3001(r).)

e. The term "license" means a valid non-expired document issued by a licensing agency within the California Department of Consumer Affairs or other State of California licensing office authorized to grant licenses and authorizing the bearer of the document to provide certain professional services or refer to themselves using a specified professional title. This includes, but is not limited to, mental health and board and care services at a residential placement. If a license is not available through an appropriate State of California licensing agency, a certificate of registration with the appropriate professional organization at the national or State of California level which has standards established for the certificate that are equivalent to a license shall be deemed to be a license as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(l).

## f. "Parent" means:

- i. a biological or adoptive parent; unless the biological or adoptive parent does not have legal authority to make educational decisions for the child,
- ii. a foster parent if the authority of the biological or adoptive parents to make educational decisions on the child's behalf has been specifically limited by court order in accordance with Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 300.30(b)(1) or (b)(2),
- iii. a guardian generally authorized to act as the child's parent or authorized to make educational decisions for the child,
- iv. an individual acting in the place of a biological or adoptive parent, including a grandparent, stepparent, or other relative with whom the child lives, or an individual who is legally responsible for the child's welfare,
- v. a surrogate parent.

Parent does not include the state or any political subdivision of government or a NPS/A under contract with the LEA for the provision of special education or designated instruction and services for a child. (California Education Code §56028.)

- g. The term "days" means calendar days unless otherwise specified.
- h. The phrase "billable day" means a school day in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs.
- i. The phrase "billable day of attendance" means a school day as defined in California Education Code Section 46307, in which an LEA student is in attendance and in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs unless otherwise stipulated in an IEP or ISA.
- j. It is understood that the term "Master Contract" also means "Contract" and is referred to as such in this document.

## ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

#### 8. NOTICES

All notices provided for by this Contract shall be in writing. Notices shall be mailed, emailed or delivered by hand and shall be effective as of the date of receipt by addressee.

All notices mailed or emailed to LEA shall be addressed to the person and address as indicated on the signature page of this Contract. Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on the signature page of this Contract.

#### 9. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

All records shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR as required by State and federal laws and regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, CONTRACTOR shall maintain all records for at least five (5) years after the termination of this Contract. For purposes of this Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to pupil records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; registers and roll books of teachers and/or daily service providers; chart notes, Medi-Cal logs, daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record the provision of related services including supervision; daily service logs and notes used to record the provision of services provided through additional instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, and bus aides; behavior emergency reports (BER); incident reports; notification of injuries; absence verification records (Parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents) if CONTRACTOR is funded for excused absences, however, such records are not required if positive attendance is required; transcripts; grade and progress reports; behavioral data; IEP/IFSPs; assessment reports; bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held and documents evidencing other staff qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; records of employee training and certification including verification of behavior

training consistent with 56366.1; staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets; transportation and other related services subcontracts; school calendars; bell/class schedules when applicable; liability and worker's compensation insurance policies; state NPS/A certifications; business licenses held; by-laws, if applicable; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; all budgetary information, including operating budgets; statements of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books; general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/State payroll quarterly reports (Form 941/DE3DP); and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA student records in a secure location to ensure confidentiality and prevent unauthorized access. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a current list of the names and positions of CONTRACTOR's employees who have access to confidential records. CONTRACTOR shall maintain an access log for each LEA student's record which lists all persons, agencies, or organizations requesting or receiving information from the record. Such log shall be maintained as required by California Education Code section 49064 and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the student's record, and a description of the record(s) provided. Such log needs to record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's Parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record. CONTRACTOR/LEA shall maintain copies of any written parental concerns granting access to LEA student records. For purposes of this Section, "employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR" do not include subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall grant the following access to student records, (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record and comply with Parent requests for copies of LEA student records, as required by State of California and federal laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of NPS/A closure, to forward all LEA student records held by CONTRACTOR within ten (10) business days to LEA. LEA and/or SELPA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all records upon request within five (5) business days.

## 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision of this Contract is held, in whole or in part, to be unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of that provision and of the entire Contract shall be severable and remain in effect.

## 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This Contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any change of ownership or corporate control within ten (10) business days of such change.

## 12. VENUE AND GOVERNING LAW

The laws of the State of California shall govern the terms and conditions of this contract with venue in the County where LEA is located.

# 13. MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

This Contract may be modified or amended by LEA to conform to administrative and statutory guidelines issued by any state, federal or local governmental agency. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR thirty (30) days' notice of any such changes or modifications made to conform to administrative or statutory guidelines and a copy of the statute, guideline, or regulation upon which the modifications or changes are based.

## 14. TERMINATION

This Contract or ISA may be terminated for cause. Cause shall include but not be limited to non-maintenance of current NPS/A certification, failure of either LEA or CONTRACTOR to maintain the

standards required under the Contract and/or ISA, or other material breach of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. For purposes of NPS placement, the cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the Contract unless the Parent agrees to the transfer of the LEA student to the public-school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the Contract or ISA, either party shall give no less than twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other party. (California Education Code §56366(a)(4).) If this Contract is terminated with twenty (20) days' notice, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract on the date of termination.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Contract or ISA may be terminated immediately, without twenty (20) days prior notice and at LEA's discretion, if LEA determines that there are significant health or safety concerns or there has been a suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's NPS/A certification. If this Contract is terminated immediately, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract within five (5) business days of termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing regarding termination of an ISA, CONTRACTOR is bound by the "stay put" provisions described in Section 6 of this Contract.

#### 15. INSURANCE

CONTRACTOR shall, at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense, maintain in full force and effect, during the term of this Contract, the following insurance coverage from a California licensed and/or admitted insurer with an A minus (A-), VII, or better rating from A.M. Best, sufficient to cover any claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including counsel fees) arising out of or in connection with CONTRACTOR's fulfillment of any of its obligations under this Contract or either party's use of the work or any component or part thereof:

## PART I - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AND AGENCIES

A. Commercial General Liability Insurance, including both bodily injury and property damage, with limits as follows:

\$2,000,000 per occurrence

\$ 500,000 fire damage

\$ 5,000 medical expenses

\$1,000,000 personal & adv. Injury

\$3,000,000 general aggregate

\$2,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

CONTRACTOR's general liability policy shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from LEA's coverage, and be endorsed using Insurance Services Office form CG 20 10 or CG 20 26 (or equivalent) to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and agents shall be additional insureds under such policies. The policy may not contain an exclusion for coverage of claims arising from claims for sexual molestation or abuse. In the event that CONTRACTOR's policy should have an exclusion for sexual molestation or abuse claims, then CONTRACTOR shall be required to procure a supplemental policy providing such coverage.

## B. Commercial Auto Liability Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage for owned, non-owned, and hired autos using ISO Business Auto Coverage form CA 00 01 (or equivalent) with a limit of no less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per accident. If no owned automobiles, then only hired and non-owned is required. If CONTRACTOR uses a vehicle to travel to/from school sites, between schools, and/or to/from students' homes or other locations as approved service locations by the LEA, CONTRACTOR must comply with the State of California auto insurance requirements.

C. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance with Statutory Limits and Employers' Liability Insurance with a

limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with the certificate of insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of LEA

#### D. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

## E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per claim and in the aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

# F. For all Insurance Coverage in Part I:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days' prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) All self-insured retentions over \$100,000 must be declared and approved by LEA.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) CONTRACTOR shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein. However, insurance requirements may be determined on a "per subcontractor" basis, considering the particular work to be done by the subcontractor.
- 6) All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

# PART II - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AFFILIATED WITH A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY ("RTC")

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS affiliated with a residential treatment center ("NPS/RTC"), the following insurance policies are required:

## A. Commercial General Liability

CONTRACTOR shall maintain commercial general liability insurance with coverage at least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) form CG 00 01, in an amount not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage, including without limitation, blanket contractual liability. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location, or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. CONTRACTOR'S general liability policies shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from the LEA'S coverage and be endorsed with a form at least as broad as ISO form 20 10 or CG 20 26 to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers shall be additional insureds under such policies.

The policy shall be endorsed to name LEA and LEA's Board of Trustees as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by LEA which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and NPS/RTC's insurance primary despite any conflicting provisions in the NPS/RTC's policy. Coverage shall be maintained with no Self-Insured Retention above \$100,000 without the prior written approval of LEA.

Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies by CONTRACTOR shall not affect coverage provided to the LEA.

Coverage shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the LEA.

- **B.** Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with provisions of the California Labor Code adequate to protect the NPS/RTC from claims that may arise from its operations pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act (Statutory Coverage). The Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage must also include Employers' Liability coverage with limit of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with Certificate of Insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of the LEA.
- C. Business Auto Liability Coverage CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if the NPS/RTC does not operate a student bus service. If the NPS/RTC provides student bus services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.
- **D. Fidelity Bond** or **Crime Coverage** CONTRACTOR shall maintain Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage to cover all employees who process or otherwise have responsibility for NPS/RTC funds, supplies, equipment, or other assets. Minimum amount of coverage shall be \$250,000 per occurrence, with no self-insured retention.
- E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per claim and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

## F. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance with limits not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

## **G.** For all Insurance Coverage in Part II:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000 must be declared to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions with respect to the LEA, its officials, and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigation.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to the commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) For any claims related to the services performed in connection with this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be the primary insurance with respect to the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees shall be in excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute to it.

All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

If LEA or CONTRACTOR determines that a change in insurance coverage obligations under this section is necessary, either party may reopen negotiations to modify the insurance obligations.

# 16. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

A. When the law establishes a professional standard of care for CONTRACTOR'S Services, to the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its officials, employees and volunteers from and against any and all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, and expenses, including legal counsel's fees and costs but only to the extent the CONTRACTOR is responsible for such damages, liabilities and costs on a comparative basis of fault between the CONTRACTOR and the LEA in the performance of professional services under this Contract.

#### B. INDEMNITY FOR OTHER THAN PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

Other than in the performance of professional services and to the full extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its employees, officials, and volunteers from and against any liability (including liability for claims, suits, actions, arbitration proceedings, administrative proceedings, regulatory proceedings, losses, expenses or costs of any kind, whether actual, alleged or threatened, including legal counsel's fees and costs, court costs, defense costs, and expert witness fees), where the same arise out of, are a consequence of, or are in any way attributable to, in whole or in part, the performance of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or by any individual or LEA for which CONTRACTOR is legally liable, including, but not limited to officers, agents, employees, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR, except when caused by the active negligence or willful misconduct of the LEA.

## 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing herein contained will be construed to imply a joint venture, partnership or principal-agent relationship between LEA and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide all services under this Contract as an independent contractor, and neither party shall have the authority to bind or make any commitment on behalf of the other. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employer and employee between the Parties or any affiliates of the Parties, or between LEA and any individual assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform any services for LEA.

If LEA is determined to be a partner, joint venture, co-principal, employer or co-employer of CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless LEA from and against any and all claims for loss, liability, or damages arising from that determination, as well as any expenses, costs, taxes, penalties and interest charges incurred by LEA as a result of that determination.

#### 18. SUBCONTRACTING

CONTRACTOR shall not enter into any subcontracting relationship without first obtaining final written approval of LEA. Should CONTRACTOR wish to subcontract for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Contract, it must provide written notification to LEA before any subcontracting arrangement is made. In the event LEA determines that it can provide the subcontracted service(s) at a lower rate, LEA may elect to provide such service(s). If LEA elects to provide such service(s), LEA shall provide written notification to CONTRACTOR within five (5) days of receipt of CONTRACTOR's original notice and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said service(s).

Should LEA approve in concept of CONTRACTOR subcontracting for services, CONTRACTOR shall submit the proposed subcontract to LEA for approval. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR is developing subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including, but not limited to, transportation) for any LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall cause each subcontractor to procure and maintain indemnification and insurance requirements which comply with the provisions of Sections 15 and 16 of this Contract during the term of each subcontract. If a proposed subcontract is approved by LEA, each subcontractor shall furnish LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 15 of this Contract. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. Unless otherwise agreed to by LEA, the endorsements are to be on forms provided by LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall name the LEA/SELPA and the LEA Board of Education as additional insureds.

As an alternative to LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide, with prior LEA approval, complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage required by

this Contract. All Certificates of Insurance must reference the LEA contract number, name of the NPS/A submitting the certificate, designation of NPS or NPA, and the location of the NPS/A submitting the certificate. In addition, all subcontractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 45 (Clearance Requirements) and Section 46 (Staff Qualifications) of this Contract. No subcontract shall be considered final without LEA approval.

## 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA upon request a copy of its current bylaws and a current list of its Board of Directors (or Trustees), if it is incorporated. CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code section 56042 and Government Code Section 1090 including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provision of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at IEP team meetings acting as a student's advocate. Pursuant to California Education Code section 56042, an attorney or advocate for a Parent of an individual with exceptional needs shall not recommend placement at CONTRACTOR's facility if the attorney or advocate is employed or contracted by the CONTRACTOR, or will receive a benefit from the CONTRACTOR, or otherwise has a conflict of interest.

LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for an LEA student when a recommendation for special education and/or related services is based in whole or in part on assessment(s) or reports provided by CONTRACTOR to the LEA student without prior written authorization by LEA. This section shall apply to CONTRACTOR regardless of when an assessment is performed or a report is prepared (i.e., before or after the LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR's NPS/A) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid conflict of interest, and in order to ensure the appropriateness of an Independent Educational Evaluation (hereinafter referred to as "IEE") and its recommendations, LEA may not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the LEA student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, LEA may not fund services through the evaluator whose IEE LEA agrees to fund. When no other appropriate assessor is available, LEA may request and if CONTRACTOR agrees, CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that its authorized representative has read and understands California Education Code section 56366.3 which provides, in relevant part, that no special education and/or related services provided by CONTRACTOR shall be paid for by LEA if provided by an individual who is or was an employee of LEA within the three hundred sixty-five (365) days prior to executing this Contract. This provision does not apply to any person who is able to provide designated instruction and services during the extended school year because he or she is otherwise employed for up to ten months of the school year by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall not admit a student living within the jurisdictional boundaries of the LEA on a private pay or tuition free "scholarship" basis and concurrently or subsequently advise/request Parent(s) to pursue funding for the admitted school year from LEA through due process proceedings. Such action shall constitute good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

# 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not, in employment or operation of its programs, unlawfully discriminate on the basis of gender, nationality, national origin, ancestry, race, color, ethnicity, ethnic group affiliation, religion, age, marital status, pregnancy or parental status, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, physical or mental disability, genetic information, medical condition, military or veteran status, or any other classification protected by federal or State law or the perception of one or more of such characteristics or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

#### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

# 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services (including transition services) to each LEA student within the NPS/A consistent with the student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall not accept an LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If an LEA student's services are provided by a third party (i.e. Related Services Provider), CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, if provision of services cease.

Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, and/or facilities, as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall make no charge of any kind to parents for special education and/or related services as specified in the student's IEP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of an LEA student's enrollment under the terms of this Contract). LEA shall provide low incidence equipment for eligible students with low incidence disabilities when specified in an LEA student's IEP and ISA. Such equipment remains the property of the LEA and shall be returned to the LEA when the IEP team determines the equipment is no longer needed or when the student is no longer enrolled in the NPS. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

CONTRACTOR may charge an LEA student's Parent(s) for services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE after: (a) written notification to the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities; and (b) receipt by LEA of the written notification and a written acknowledgment signed by the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning Parent acknowledgment of financial responsibility.

Voluntary services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE shall not interfere with the LEA student's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA unless the LEA, CONTRACTOR, and Parent agree otherwise in writing.

## 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All NPS/A services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code section 56366 *et seq*.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. LEA students shall have access to: (a) State Board of Education (SBE) - adopted Common Core State Standards ("CCSS") for curriculum and the same instructional materials for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive; and provide standards – aligned core curriculum and instructional materials for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, used by LEA; (b) college preparation courses; (c) extracurricular activities, such as art, sports, music and academic clubs; (d) career preparation and vocational training, consistent with transition plans pursuant to State and federal law and; (e) supplemental assistance, including individual academic tutoring, psychological counseling, and career and college counseling. When appropriate, CONTRACTOR shall utilize the designated curriculum guidelines for students with moderate to severe disabilities who participate in the State's alternative assessment. These students shall have access to the core content, activities, and instructional materials delineated within these curriculum guidelines. CONTRACTOR'S general program

of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA prior to the effective date of this Contract.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades 9 through 12 inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not award a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of LEA's graduation requirements.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction and/or services shall utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines and certifications, and shall be provided as specified in the student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the services and location provided prior to the effective date of this Contract. School-based services may not be unilaterally converted by CONTRACTOR to a substitute program or provided at a location not specifically authorized by the IEP team. Except for services provided by a CONTRACTOR that is a Licensed Children's Institution (LCI), all services not provided in the school setting require the presence of a Parent or adult caregiver during the delivery of services, provided such guardian or caregiver have a signed authorization by the Parent to authorize emergency services as requested. LCI CONTRACTORS shall ensure that appropriate and qualified residential or clinical staff is present during the provision of services under this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no Parent, guardian or adult caregiver is present.

CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services shall develop a written plan that specifies the nature of their NPA service for each student within thirty (30) days of enrollment and shall be provided in writing to the LEA. CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services must have a trained behaviorist or trained equivalent on staff who is qualified and responsible for the design, planning, and implementation of behavioral interventions as the law requires. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3051.23; Ed. Code § 56366.10(e).) It is understood that Behavior Intervention Services are limited to CDE Certification and do not constitute an instructional program.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR shall not provide transportation nor subcontract for transportation services for students unless LEA and CONTRACTOR agree otherwise in writing.

## 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, the total number of instructional minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be at least equivalent to the number of instructional minutes per school day provided to LEA students at like grade level attending LEA schools and shall be specified in the student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

For students in grades kindergarten through 12 inclusive, unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP and ISA, the number of instructional minutes, excluding breakfast, recess, lunch and passing time shall be at the same level that California Education Code prescribes for LEA.

The total number of annual instructional minutes shall be at least equivalent to the total number of annual instructional minutes provided to LEA students attending LEA schools in like grade level unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, the total number of minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be specified in the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

## 24. CLASS SIZE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that class size shall not exceed a ratio of one teacher per twelve (12) students, unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing. Upon prior written approval by an authorized LEA representative, class size may be temporarily increased by a ratio of 1 teacher to fourteen (14) students when necessary, during the regular or extended school year to provide services to students with disabilities.

In the event a NPS CONTRACTOR is unable to fill a vacant teaching position responsible for direct instruction to LEA students, and the vacancy has a direct impact on the CDE Certification of that school, CONTRACTOR shall develop a plan to ensure appropriate coverage of students by first utilizing existing certificated staff. CONTRACTOR and LEA may agree to one 30 school day period per contract year where class size may be increased to ensure coverage by an appropriately credentialed teacher. Such an agreement shall be in writing and signed by both parties. This provision does not apply to an NPA CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR providing special education instruction for individuals with exceptional needs between the ages of three and five years, inclusive, shall also comply with the appropriate instructional adult to child ratios pursuant to California Education Code sections 56440 *et seq*.

## 25. CALENDARS

## When CONTRACTOR is a NPS:

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed 180 days, plus extended school year billable days equivalent to the number of days determined by LEA's extended school year calendar. Billable days shall include only those days that are included on the submitted and approved school calendar, and/or required by the IEP (developed by LEA) for each LEA student. CONTRACTOR shall not be allowed to change its school calendar and/or amend the number of billable days without the prior written approval of LEA. Nothing in this Contract shall be interpreted to require LEA to accept any requests for calendar changes. In the event LEA adjusts the number of school days for its regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for CONTRACTOR. In such a case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the LEA student's IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services as determined by the student's IEP team and the provision of such is specifically included in the ISA. Extended school year shall consist of twenty (20) instructional days, unless otherwise agreed upon by the student's IEP team convened by the LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to by LEA and CONTRACTOR, in writing, prior to the start of the extended school year.

Student must have actually been in attendance during the regular school year and/or during extended school year and received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPS service. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall observe the same legal holidays as LEA. As of the execution of this Contract, those holidays are: Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth and Independence Day. With the prior written approval of LEA, CONTRACTOR may revise the date upon which CONTRACTOR closes in observance of any of the holidays observed by LEA.

## When CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

CONTRACTOR shall be provided with a LEA-developed/approved calendar prior to the initiation of services. CONTRACTOR herein agrees to observe holidays as specified in LEA-developed/approved calendar. CONTRACTOR shall provide services pursuant to LEA-developed/approved calendar; or as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA students on only those days that the LEA student's school of attendance is in session and the LEA student attends school. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for services provided on billable days of attendance as indicated on LEA calendar unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing before delivery of any NPA services. Student must have actually been in attendance and/or received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPA service provided by CONTRACTOR. Any services provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. In the event of school closures due to emergency, payment will follow the procedures in accordance with Section 62 of this Contract.

#### 26. DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide to LEA all data related to LEA student information and billing information. CONTRACTOR shall provide data related to all sections of this Contract, including student discipline as noted below, when requested by LEA and in the format required by LEA. It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize LEA-approved electronic IEP system for all IEP development, service tracking documentation, and progress reporting, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by LEA. Additional progress reporting may be required by the LEA. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access so that this information may be compiled.

Using forms developed by the CDE or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, on a monthly basis, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all statutory offenses as described in Education Codes sections 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with approved forms and/or format for such data including, but not limited to, invoicing, attendance reports and progress reports. LEA may approve use of CONTRACTOR-provided forms at its discretion.

## 27. LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT/DUAL ENROLLMENT

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA Procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") options and/or dual enrollment options if available and appropriate, for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall ensure that LRE placement options are addressed at all IEP team meetings regarding students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. This shall include IEP team consideration of supplementary aids and services, goals and objectives necessary for placement in the LRE and necessary to enable students to transition to less restrictive settings.

When an IEP team has determined that a student should be transitioned into the public-school setting, CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA in implementing the IEP team's recommended activities to support the transition.

## 28. STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, per implementation of Senate Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASPP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), California Alternative Assessment ("CAA"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("ELPAC"), and Alternative English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("Alternative ELPAC"), and as appropriate to the LEA student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA, State of California, and federal guidelines.

CONTRACTOR is subject to the alternative accountability system developed pursuant to Education Code section 52052, in the same manner as public schools. Each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR by the LEA shall be tested by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. LEA shall provide test administration training to CONTRACTOR'S qualified staff. CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA test training and comply with completion of all coding requirements as required by LEA.

#### 29. MANDATED ATTENDANCE AT LEA MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA-mandated meetings when legal mandates and/or LEA Procedures are reviewed, including but not limited to the areas of: curriculum, high school graduation, standards-based instruction, behavior intervention, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, data collection, standardized testing, and IEPs. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute billable service hour(s).

## 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49005, *et seq.*, 56521.1 and 56521.2. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that CONTRACTOR utilizes a multi-tier system of support ("MTSS") to address student needs. CONTRACTOR shall also ensure that all staff are trained on the use of positive behavior interventions and supports consistent with this Contract.

LEA students who exhibit behaviors that interfere with their learning, or the learning of others must receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal law and its implementing regulations. If the IEP team determines that a student's behavior impedes his or her learning or the learning of others, the IEP team is required to consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. This could mean that instead of developing a Behavior Intervention Plan ("BIP"), the IEP team may conclude it is sufficient to address the student's behavioral problems through the development of behavioral goals and behavioral interventions to support those goals.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and behavioral emergency reports ("BERs"). CONTRACTOR shall inform each of its employees about the policy, provide each employee with a copy thereof, and provide training to all employees regarding the policy. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all of its staff members are trained in crisis intervention, emergency procedures, and evidenced-based practices and interventions specific to the unique behavioral needs of the CONTRACTOR's pupil population. Training shall include certification by an approved LEA crisis intervention program. Training shall be provided within 30 days of employment to new staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day, and annually to all staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day. (Ed. Code 56366.10(f).) The CONTRACTOR shall select and conduct the training in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1. CONTRACTOR shall maintain accurate written records documenting all training completed by all of CONTRACTOR's employees. Evidence of all training shall be submitted to

LEA at least annually at the beginning of the school year, and within five (5) business days of completion of training or any new hire upon LEA request.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1, emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a BIP and shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. Emergency interventions may only be used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to a LEA student or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency. Consistent with Section 44 of this Contract, LEA may observe and/or audit CONTRACTOR's implementation of BIPs, staff use of behavior interventions, including emergency interventions, at any time, and without prior notice.

CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER when an emergency occurs that is defined as serious, dangerous behavior that staff has determined to present a clear and present danger to others. It requires a non-violent physical intervention to protect the safety of student, self, or others and a physical intervention has been used; or a physical intervention has not been used, but an injury or serious property damage has occurred. The use of Personal Safety Techniques (which may or may not have been used) does not determine whether a BER is required. Emergencies *require* a BER form be completed and submitted to the LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone. If the student's IEP does not contain a BIP, an IEP team shall schedule a meeting to review the BER, determine if there is a necessity for a functional behavioral assessment ("FBA"), and to determine an interim plan, or both. If the student already has a BIP, the IEP team shall review and modify the BIP if a new serious behavior has been exhibited or existing behavioral interventions have proven to be ineffective. CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.2, CONTRACTOR shall not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for the following interventions, or any other interventions like the following:

- 1. Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain, including, but not limited to, electric shock.
- 2. An intervention that involves the release of noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mist, or substances in proximity to the face of the individual.
- 3. An intervention that denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities.
- 4. An intervention that is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject, the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or that can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma.
- 5. Restrictive interventions that employ a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities, including the procedure known as prone containment, except that prone containment or similar techniques may be used by trained personnel as a limited emergency intervention.
- 6. Locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 7. An intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual.
- 8. An intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with Education Code section 49005.8. Specifically, Contractor shall not do any of the following:

- 1. Use seclusion or behavioral restraint for the purpose of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.
- 2. Use locked seclusion unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 3. Use a physical restraint technique that obstructs a pupil's respiratory airway or impairs the pupil's breathing or respiratory capacity, including techniques in which a staff member places pressure on a pupil's back or places his or her body weight against the pupil's torso or back.

- 4. Use a behavioral restraint technique that restricts breathing, including, but not limited to, using a pillow, blanket, carpet, mat, or other item to cover a pupil's face.
- 5. Place a pupil in a facedown position with the pupil's hands held or restrained behind the pupil's back.
- 6. Use a behavioral restraint for longer than is necessary to contain the behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the pupil or others.

CONTRACTOR shall keep constant, direct observation of a pupil who is in seclusion, which may be through observation of the pupil through a window, or another barrier, through which the educational provider is able to make direct eye contact with the pupil. This observation shall not be through indirect means, including through a security camera or a closed-circuit television.

CONTRACTOR shall afford pupils who are restrained the least restrictive alternative and the maximum freedom of movement, and shall use the least number of restraint points, while ensuring the physical safety of the pupil and others.

If prone restraint techniques are used by CONTRACTOR, a staff member shall observe the pupil for any signs of physical distress throughout the use of prone restraint. Whenever possible, the staff member monitoring the pupil shall not be involved in restraining the pupil.

In the case of a child whose behavior impedes the child's learning or that of others, the IEP team shall consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA via telephone of any severe or increasingly frequent behavior problem, any emergency intervention in response to a previously unseen serious behavior problem, or where a previously designed behavior intervention is ineffective, that may require an IEP team meeting.

All restraint practices must be reviewed and revised when they have an adverse effect on a student and are used repeatedly for an individual child, either on multiple occasions within the same classroom or multiple uses by the same individual. CONTRACTOR shall notify the Parent when any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusion has been used. Upon the use of any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusions of an LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER per the reporting and notification requirements listed above.

BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION REPORTING: Twice annually, CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that (a) CONTRACTOR has reviewed the BERs for each LEA student in conjunction with that student's IEP and BIP; (b) Staff are trained to implement each LEA student's BIP, including approved or prohibited restraint techniques for each student; (c) emergency interventions have only been used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to LEA students or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior; and (d) BERs have been properly completed and timely forwarded to LEA as required by this Contract.

CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with any of the requirements of Section 30: Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports shall constitute sufficient good cause for immediate termination of this Contract by LEA.

#### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with State of California and federal law and regulations. Using forms developed by the California Department of Education or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, monthly, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all

statutory offenses as described in Education Codes 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code Sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from the student's current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) submit a written discipline report to LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the student's name, grade, race, ethnicity, and gender; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACTOR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of the LEA student's behavior plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP meeting no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day after the decision is made to suspend the student for more than ten (10) school days or recommend expulsion of the student. LEA shall notify and invite CONTRACTOR representatives to the IEP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

## 32. IEP TEAM MEETINGS

An IEP team meeting shall be convened at least annually to evaluate: (1) the educational progress of each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR, including all state assessment results pursuant to the requirements of Education Code section 52052; (2) whether or not the needs of the LEA student continue to be best met at the NPS; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the LEA student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) and California Education Code section 56345(b)(4).)

If an LEA student is to be transferred from a NPS setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, a description of activities provided to integrate the student into the regular education program, including the nature of each activity as well as the time spent on the activity each day or week and a description of the activities provided to support the transition of the student from the special education program into the regular education program. Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of the student's IEP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. At any time during the term of this Contract, the Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of the LEA student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, at no cost and prior to an annual or triennial IEP team meeting, documentation regarding the student's progress on goals and all assessments and written assessment reports (including testing protocols) created by CONTRACTOR and any of its agents or subcontractors, upon request and/or pursuant to LEA Procedures. It is understood that attendance at an IEP meeting is part of CONTRACTOR'S professional responsibility and is not a billable service under this Contract.

It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize the LEA approved electronic IEP system for all IEP planning and progress reporting at LEA's discretion. LEA may provide training for any CONTRACTOR to ensure access to the approved system. CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on the approved system and shall protect the password requirements of the system. When a LEA student disenrolls from the NPS/A, the CONTRACTOR shall discontinue use of the approved system for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting provided under this Contract, may only be made based on revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that CONTRACTOR believes a LEA student requires a change of placement, CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the purposes of consideration of a change in the student's placement. A LEA student is entitled to remain in the last agreed upon and implemented placement unless Parent agrees otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Section 1415(k)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code.

## 33. SURROGATE PARENTS AND FOSTER YOUTH

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments. Surrogate parents shall serve as the child's Parent and have all the rights relative to the student's education that a parent has under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act pursuant to 20 U.S.C. sections 1414-1482 and 34 C.F.R. sections 300.1-300.756. A pupil in foster care shall be defined pursuant to California Education Code section 42238.01(b). LEA shall annually notify CONTRACTOR who LEA has designated as the educational liaison for foster children. When a pupil in foster care is enrolled in a NPS by LEA any time after the completion of the student's second year of high school, CONTRACTOR shall schedule the pupil in courses leading towards graduation based on the diploma requirements of LEA unless provided notice otherwise in writing pursuant to Section 51225.1.

#### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. Participation includes CONTRACTOR's staff being made available for witness preparation and testimony as is necessary to facilitate a due process hearing. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office of Civil Rights, or any other State and/or federal governmental body or agency. Full participation shall include, but in no way be limited to, cooperating with LEA representatives to provide complete answers raised by any investigator and/or the immediate provision of any and all documentation that pertains to the operation of CONTRACTOR's program and/or the implementation of a particular student's IEP/ISA.

## 35. COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and adhere to its own written procedures for responding to Parent complaints. These procedures shall include annually notifying and providing Parents of LEA students with appropriate information (including complaint forms) for the following: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 *et seq.*; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8(a), (d) and 106.9(a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"). CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) notify LEA of any complaints filed against it related to LEA students and provide LEA with all documentation related to the complaints and/or its investigation of complaints, including any and all reports generated as a result of an investigation.

# 36. LEA STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS/REPORT CARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided monthly, CONTRACTOR shall provide Parents, with a concurrent copy sent to LEA, at least four (4) written progress reports/report cards. At a minimum, progress reports shall include progress over time towards IEP goals and objectives. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at CONTRACTOR's place of business and shall be submitted to the LEA and LEA student's Parent quarterly.

CONTRACTOR shall also provide LEA representatives access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, transition plans, and behavior intervention plans, including but not limited to log sheets, chart notes, observation notes, data sheets, pre-/post-tests, rubrics and other similar data collection used to determine progress or lack of progress on approved goals, objectives, transition plans or behavior intervention plans. LEA may request such data at any time within five (5) years of the date of service. CONTRACTOR shall maintain such information for at least five (5) years and shall provide this data supporting progress to LEA within five (5) business days of request. Additional time may be granted as needed by the LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other evaluations of the LEA student at least ten (10) days prior to the student's IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP team meeting as required by State and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA Procedures, and/or LEA practices. CONTRACTOR shall provide sufficient copies of its reports, documents, and projected goals to share with members of the IEP team at least five (5) business days prior to the IEP meeting. CONTRACTOR shall maintain supporting documentation, such as test protocols and data collection, which shall be made available to LEA within five (5) business days of request.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for all evaluation costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting, and development of present levels of performance. All assessments resulting from an assessment plan shall be provided by LEA unless LEA specifies in writing a request that CONTRACTOR perform such assessment. Any assessment and/or evaluation costs may be added to the ISA and/or approved separately by LEA at LEA's sole discretion.

It is understood that all billable hours must be in direct services to LEA students as specified in the ISA. For NPA services, supervision provided by a qualified individual as specified in Title 5 Regulation, subsection 3065, shall be determined as appropriate and included in the ISA. Supervision means the direct observation of services, data review, case conferencing and program design consistent with professional standards for each professional's license, certification, or credential.

CONTRACTOR shall not charge a LEA student's Parent(s) or LEA for the provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any evaluations conducted in order to obtain present levels of performance, interviews, and/or attendance at any meetings. It is understood that all billable hours are limited to those specified on the ISA consistent with the IEP. It is understood that copies of data collection notes, forms, charts and other such data are part of the student's record and shall be made available to LEA upon written request.

# 37. GRADES, HIGH SCHOOL COURSE CREDITS & TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR is responsible for assigning grades for any course of instruction taught at the NPS. The grades determined by the pupil's teacher, in the absence of clerical or mechanical mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetency, shall be final and consistent with the provisions specified in *EC* Section 49066. The grades each pupil receives in all courses of instruction taught by the NPS shall be reported to the parents and the LEA on a quarterly basis. Consistent with the LEA, should it become evident to the NPS the pupil is in danger of failing a course, the CONTRACTOR must initiate a parent conference, and the LEA representative must be in attendance.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by the CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not recommend awarding a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of the LEA's graduation requirements.

Pupils enrolled in high school during the 2020-2021 academic year may request a Pass or No Pass grade as permitted in <u>EC Section 49066.5</u>, which may be reflected on the student's transcript and shall not negatively affect the pupil's grade point average.

CONTRACTOR shall prepare transcripts at the close of each semester, or upon LEA student transfer, for LEA students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive and submit such transcripts on LEA-approved forms to the LEA student's school of residence for evaluation of progress toward completion of diploma requirements as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, the names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by LEA. All transcripts shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR and furnished to LEA upon request, consistent with the parameters of Sections 9 and 26 of this Contract.

#### 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify Parents in writing of their obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of an LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to Parents. Within five (5) school days from the date CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures.

If CONTRACTOR had knowledge or should reasonably have had knowledge of an LEA student's change of residence and CONTRACTOR fails to follow the procedures specified in this section, LEA shall not be responsible for the costs of services delivered following the LEA student's change of residence.

## 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM NPS/A

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to LEA via telephone and electronically (within 24 hours) and in writing to LEA within five (5) business days when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services without prior notice. This includes but is not limited to a LEA student's change of residence to a residence outside of LEA boundaries, and LEA student's discharge against professional advice from a NPS and/or residential treatment center ("RTC"). CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify potential dropouts three (3) times per year.

#### 40. PARENT ACCESS

CONTRACTOR shall provide for reasonable parental access to LEA students and all facilities including, but not limited to, the instructional setting, recreational activity areas, meeting rooms and student living quarters when applicable. CONTRACTOR shall comply with any known court orders regarding parental visits and access to LEA students.

CONTRACTOR operating programs associated with an NPS/RTC shall cooperate with a Parent's reasonable request for LEA student therapeutic visits in their home or at the NPS/RTC. CONTRACTOR shall require that Parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from CONTRACTOR and LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance. When requested, CONTRACTOR shall facilitate all Parent travel and accommodations and provide travel information to the parents as appropriate. Payment by LEA for approved travel-related expenses shall be made directly through LEA consistent with LEA Procedures.

CONTRACTOR providing services in a LEA student's home as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child, or an adult caregiver with the Parent's written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency, is present. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to the LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the Parent informs the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergencies. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing immediately (within 24 hours) of all problems and/or concerns reported to Parents, both verbal and written.

# 41. LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION ("LCI") CONTRACTORS AND RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER ("RTC") CONTRACTORS

If CONTRACTOR is a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9 (c) (1), Health and Safety Code section 1501.1 and any other applicable laws and/or regulations, including LEA guidelines and LEA Procedures. An LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its NPS as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS/RTC, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1400 et seq. including the federal regulations 34 C.F.R section 300 et seq. and Education Code section 56000 et seq. including Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all monitoring requirements set forth in Section 43 below.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS that is owned, operated by, or associated with a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, on a quarterly basis, a list of all LEA students, including those identified as eligible for special education. For those identified as special education students, the list shall include: 1) special education eligibility at the time of enrollment and 2) the educational placement and services specified in each student's IEP at the time of enrollment. A copy of the current IEP shall be provided to the LEA.

Unless placement is made pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings order or a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and Parent, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the LEA student's Parent or another adult with educational decision-making rights.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.).

## 42. STATE MEAL MANDATE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49005 et seq.; 49501.5, the universal meal mandate enacted by AB 130 (2021-2022); 49530 et seq; and 49550 et seq.

## 43. MONITORING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct at least one onsite monitoring visit during each school year to the NPS at which LEA has a student attending and with which it maintains a master contract. The monitoring visit shall include, but is not limited to, a review of services provided to the student through the ISA between LEA and the NPS, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's IEP, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's BIP, if applicable, an observation of the pupil during instruction, and a walkthrough of the facility. LEA (or SELPA) shall report the findings resulting from the monitoring visit to the California Department of Education within 60 calendar days of the onsite visit.

LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct an onsite visit to the NPS before placement of a student if LEA does not have any students enrolled at the NPS at the time of placement. (Ed. Code § 56366.1.)

CONTRACTOR shall allow LEA representatives access to its facilities for additional periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program. LEA shall have access to observe each LEA student at work, observe the instructional setting, interview CONTRACTOR, and review each LEA student's records and progress held by CONTRACTOR. LEA's access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR's site administrative office. CONTRACTOR and LEA shall be invited to participate in the review of each LEA student's progress.

If CONTRACTOR is also an LCI and/or NPS/RTC, the CDE shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR follows Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b). LEA may also conduct its own onsite review of a NPS using LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction ("Superintendent") shall monitor CONTRACTOR'S facilities, the educational environment, and the quality of the educational program, including the teaching

staff, the credentials authorizing service, the standards-based core curriculum being employed, and the standard focused instructional materials used on a three-year cycle, as follows: (1) CONTRACTOR shall complete a self-review in year one; (2) Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall participate in any LEA or CDE compliance review, if applicable, to be conducted as aligned with the CDE Onsite Review and monitoring cycle in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(j). This review will address programmatic aspects of the NPS, compliance with relevant State and federal regulations, and Contract compliance. If requested by LEA, CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School/Agency Self-Review Assessment to LEA and CDE. CONTRACTOR shall conduct any follow-up or corrective action procedures related to review findings.

CONTRACTOR understands that LEA reserves the right to institute a program audit with or without cause. The program audit may include, but is not limited to, a review of core compliance areas of health and safety; curriculum/instruction; related services; and contractual, legal, and procedural compliance.

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS, CONTRACTOR shall collect all applicable data and prepare the applicable portion of a School Accountability Report Card as appropriate in accordance with California Education Code Section 33126.

## **PERSONNEL**

## 44. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

## If CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPA, all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who will or are likely to interact with LEA students shall obtain clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI"). Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information and notwithstanding the express provisions of California Education Code sections 44237, 45125.1, and 56366.1, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors to submit fingerprints through LEA's Live Scan system, regardless of whether CONTRACTOR requires its employees and volunteers to submit fingerprints for background checks in accordance with its own procedures. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who will interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee to enroll in LEA's subsequent arrest notification service as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

No employees, volunteers, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who have been convicted of a violent or serious felony, as those terms are defined in California Education Code Section 44237 subdivision (h) shall interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee, unless despite the employee's, volunteer's, or subcontractor's conviction of a violent or serious felony, they have met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237 subdivisions (i) or (j). CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not interact with LEA students unless and until CDOJ and DBI clearances are ascertained through LEA's Live Scan system.

## If CONTRACTOR is a NPS or RTC:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS or RTC, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 44237, 35021.1, 35021.2, and 56366.1 including, but not limited to: obtaining clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI") for CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers who will have or likely may have any direct contact with LEA students. In addition, if CONTRACTOR is located outside of California, then the CONTRACTOR shall also obtain

clearance from its state's department of justice. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not come in contact with LEA students until CDOJ, it's state's DOJ, and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with students, or subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students have been convicted of a violent or serious felony as those terms are defined in California Education Code section 44237(h), unless despite the employee's conviction of a violent or serious felony, he or she has met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237(i) or (j). Upon request, clearance certification shall be submitted to the LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2. CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that CONTRACTOR'S employees, volunteers, and subcontractors have successful background checks and CONTRACTOR enrolled in subsequent arrest notification service for all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students.

Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notification service, as provided, for each owner, operator, employee, volunteer, and subcontractor of the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR is required to retain the evidence on-site, as specified, for all staff, including those licensed or credentialed by another state agency. Background clearances and proof of subsequent arrest notification service, as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2, for all staff shall be provided to the LEA upon request.

# 45. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services hold a license, certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold in the service rendered consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1) and are qualified pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3001(r), 3064 and 3065. Such qualified staff may only provide related services within the scope of their professional license, certification or credential and ethical standards set by each profession, and not assume responsibility or authority for another related services provider or special education teacher's scope of practice.

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all staff are appropriately credentialed to provide instruction and services to students with the disabling conditions placed in their program/school through documentation provided to the CDE. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3064(a).)

In accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(a)(5), when CONTRACTOR is a NPS, an appropriately qualified person shall serve as curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development. The administrator of the NPS holds or is in the process of obtaining one of the following: (A) An administrative credential granted by an accredited postsecondary educational institution and two years of experience with pupils with disabilities. (B) A pupil personnel services credential that authorizes school counseling or psychology. (C) A license as a clinical social worker issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (D) A license in psychology regulated by the Board of Psychology. (E) A master's degree issued by an accredited postsecondary institution in education, special education, psychology, counseling, behavioral analysis, social work, behavioral science, or rehabilitation. (F) A credential authorizing special education instruction and at least two years of experience teaching in special education before becoming an administrator. (G) A license as a marriage and family therapist certified by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (H) A license as an educational psychologist issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (I) A license as a professional clinical counselor issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (California Education Code §56366.1(a)(5)) CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to the LEA upon request, documentation of its administrator's qualifications in accordance with the above.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with personnel standards and qualifications regarding instructional aides and teacher assistants respectively pursuant to federal requirements and California Education Code sections 45340 et seq. and 45350 et seq. Specifically, all paraprofessionals, including but not limited to, instructional aides and teacher assistants, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or subcontracted by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services, shall possess a high school diploma (or its recognized equivalent) and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least two (2) years of study at an institution of higher education; or (b) obtained an associate's (or higher) degree; or (c) met a rigorous standard of quality and can demonstrate, through a formal state or local assessment (i) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing, and mathematics; or (ii) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading readiness, writing readiness, and mathematics readiness, as appropriate. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State and serving a LEA student shall be certified or licensed by that state where it is located to provide special education and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

## 46. VERIFICATION OF LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents which entitle the holder to provide special education and/or related services by individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or sub-contracted by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all licenses, credentials, permits or other documents are on file at the office of the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Section 44 (Clearance Requirements) and provide LEA with verified dates of Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and CDE in writing within thirty (30) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA within thirty (30) days if any such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, challenged pursuant to an administrative or legal complaint or lawsuit, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Contract. LEA shall not be obligated to pay for any services provided by a person whose such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the period which such person is providing services under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR'S failure to notify LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or and shall be good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall identify to LEA any employee (or CONTRACTOR, if CONTRACTOR is an individual) expected to perform services under this Agreement who is then-receiving California State Teachers' Retirement System ("CalSTRS") benefits, and who may perform creditable service for the LEA as defined in Education Code 22119.5. Identification to LEA shall include the individual's full legal name and STRS and social security identification numbers. Before any services by the individual are provided, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a signed written confirmation from the individual that he/she is aware of the separation-from-service requirement and earnings limitations imposed by Education Code sections 22714, 24114, 24116, 24214, 24214.5, and 24215. CONTRACTOR shall thereafter provide on a monthly basis to the employee and LEA the actual amounts paid to the individual for services rendered under this Contract, with LEA responsible for reporting the individual's earnings to CalSTRS as required by law or regulation, including but not limited to Education Code section 22461.

#### 47. STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS and CONTRACTOR's classroom teacher is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA documentation of substitute coverage. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time.

The LEA shall not be responsible for any payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided in accordance with California Education Code section 56061.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this agreement and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. It is understood that the parent of a LEA student shall not be deemed to be a qualified substitute for their student. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and authorized LEA representative.

# 48. STAFF PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR WHEN PROVIDING SERVICES AT SCHOOL OR SCHOOL RELATED EVENTS OR AT SCHOOL FACILITY AND/OR IN THE HOME

It is understood that all employees, subcontractors, and volunteers of any certified NPS/A shall adhere to the customary professional and ethical standards when providing services. All practices shall only be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession as well as any LEA professional standards as specified in Board policies and/or regulations when made available to the CONTRACTOR.

For services provided on a public-school campus, CONTRACTOR shall comply with California Penal Code section 627.1 *et seq.*, as well as all other LEA Procedures and school campus-specific policies and procedures regarding visitors to/on school campuses. Such LEA Procedures shall be made available to the CONTRACTOR upon request. It is understood that the LEA public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the instructional program, and all NPA service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher, who shall remain in charge of the instructional program. Failure to comply with this and all LEA requirements in this regard shall be sufficient cause for LEA to terminate this Contract.

CONTRACTOR providing services outside of the student's school as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authority to make decisions in an emergency is present during provision of services. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider. All problems and/or concerns reported by CONTRACTOR to Parents, in either verbal or written form, shall also be immediately (within 24 hours) reported to the LEA.

# **HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES**

#### 49. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State, and local, and laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures, and LEA Procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 et. seq., 49406, and Health and Safety Code section 121545(a) regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA

documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with a LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 1910.1030 *et seq.* and Cal/OSHA's Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations section 5193, when providing medical treatment or assistance to a student. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training regarding universal health care precautions and to post required notices in areas designated in the California Health and Safety Code.

See also the Health and Safety Addendum to Master Contract 2023-2024 in Exhibit C.

## 50. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to students in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 550. During the duration of this Contract, if CONTRACTOR is subject to fines, penalties and findings of non-compliance, CONTRACTOR shall assume any and all responsibilities for payment of such financial obligations. CONTRACTOR shall also be responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR's facilities as required complying with applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Failure to notify the LEA and CDE of any changes in, major modification or relocation of facilities may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA.

In signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that its facilities either comply with federal and State of California and local laws regarding disability access, or possesses and has available upon demand, a self-evaluation and/or transition plan in accordance with said laws.

## 51. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49422 et seq. when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student who is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the student with the administration of such medication after the student's Parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR: (a) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and (b) a written statement from the student's Parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to LEA upon request, copies of such written statements. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written log for each student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify the student's name; the type of medication; the date, time, and amount of each administration; and the name of CONTRACTOR's employee who administered the medication. CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for storing medications in a secure location and ensuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and Parent.

## 52. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall submit within 24 hours, electronically, any accident or incident report to LEA. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports pursuant to and as specified in LEA Procedures.

#### 53. CHILD ABUSE REPORTING

CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, including volunteers, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 *et seq.* and Education Code 44691. In addition, CONTRACTOR is to read and become familiar with the LEA's Mandated Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policies (BP 5141.4 and AR 5141.4.). To protect the privacy rights of all parties involved (i.e., reporter, child and alleged abuser), reports will remain confidential as required by law and professional ethical mandates. A written statement from CONTRACTOR acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA before execution of this Contract and upon subsequent request from LEA.

In the event there is a suspicion of abuse conducted by anyone (students, staff, CONTRACTOR or others) on or off campus, CONTRACTOR is to file the appropriate report to the Sacramento County Sheriff. CONTRACTOR is also to confidentially notify LEA's Legal Compliance Department ("Legal Compliance") of the report. CONTRACTOR is to cooperate with any investigation conducted by LEA in connection with such report.

#### 54. SEXUAL HARASSMENT

CONTRACTOR shall have a Sexual and Gender Identity Harassment Policy that clearly describes the kinds of conduct that constitutes sexual harassment and that is prohibited by the CONTRACTOR's policy, as well as federal and State law. The policy should include procedures to make complaints without fear of retaliation, and for prompt and objective investigations of all sexual harassment complaints. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training to all employees regarding the laws concerning sexual harassment and related procedures pursuant to Government Code 12950.1.

## 55. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all of its staff members, including volunteers, independent contractors and subcontractors, are familiar with and agree to adhere to requirements for reporting missing children as specified in California Education Code section 49370 *et seq.* A written statement acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be properly submitted to the LEA by CONTRACTOR before execution of this Contract and in response to subsequent requests by LEA. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by LEA.

## **FINANCIAL**

# 56. ENROLLMENT, CONTRACTING, SERVICE TRACKING, ATTENDANCE REPORTING, AND BILLING PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall assure that the NPS/A has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the students enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP and ISA for each student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA Procedures concerning enrollment, contracting, attendance reporting, service tracking and billing including requirements of electronic billing as specified by LEA Procedures, as well as provide all such records requested by LEA concerning the same. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA which are provided on billable days of attendance. All payments to CONTRACTOR by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract and in compliance with LEA Procedures and governed by all applicable federal and State of California laws.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the NPS's enrollment procedures include verification of required immunizations (including but not limited to the adolescent pertussis booster vaccination (Tdap) for all students entering the seventh grade).

CONTRACTOR shall maintain separate registers for the basic education program, each related service, and services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides and bus aides. Original attendance forms (i.e., roll books for the basic education program, service tracking documents and notes for instructional assistants, behavioral intervention aides, bus aides, and each related service) shall be completed by the actual service provider whose signature shall appear on such forms and shall be available for review, inspection, or audit by LEA during the effective period of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter. CONTRACTOR shall verify the accuracy of minutes of reported attendance that is the basis of services being billed for payment.

CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided. Invoices and related documents shall be properly submitted electronically and in addition, on a LEA form with signatures in the manner prescribed by LEA. At a minimum, each invoice must contain the following information: type of service provided; month of service; specific days and times of services coordinated by the LEA approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by the LEA; name of staff who provided the service and the individual's licensing and credentials; approved cost of each invoice; total for each service and total for the monthly invoice; date invoice was mailed; signature of NPS/A administrator authorizing that the information is accurate and consistent with the ISA, CDE certificates and staff notification; verification that attendance report is attached as appropriate; indication of any made-up sessions consistent with this Contract; verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with the ISA (monthly or quarterly unless specified otherwise on the ISA); and name of each LEA student for whom the service was provided.

In the event services were not provided, each invoice shall include the rationale for why the services were not provided.

Such an invoice is subject to all conditions of this Contract. At the discretion of LEA, an electronic invoice may be required provided such notice has been made in writing and training provided to CONTRACTOR at no additional charge for such training.

Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the attendance accounting period in which the services were rendered. LEA shall make payment to CONTRACTOR based on the number of billable days of attendance and hours of service at rates specified in this contract within forty-five (45) days of LEA's receipt of properly submitted hard copy of invoices prepared and submitted as specified in California Education Code Section 56366.5. CONTRACTOR shall correct deficiencies and submit rebilling invoices no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the invoice is returned by LEA. LEA shall pay properly submitted re-billing invoices no later than forty-five (45) days after the date a completely corrected re-billing invoice is received by LEA.

In no case shall initial payment claim submission for any Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond December 31<sup>st</sup> after the close of the fiscal year. In no case shall any rebilling for the Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond six (6) months after the close of the fiscal year unless approved by LEA to resolve billing issues including re-billing issues directly related to a delay in obtaining information from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding teacher qualification, but no later than twelve (12) months from the close of the fiscal year. If the billing or re-billing error is the responsibility of LEA, then no limit is set if LEA and CONTRACTOR have communicated such concerns in writing during the 12-month period following the close of the fiscal year. LEA will not pay mileage for NPA employees.

## 57. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this Contract; (b) CONTRACTOR has billed for services rendered on days other than billable days of attendance or for days when student was not in attendance and/or did not receive services; (c) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (d) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by EC 56366.5(a); (e) education and/or related services are provided to students

by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (f) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program; (g) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change of residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA within five (5) days of such confirmation; (h) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student; or (i) CONTRACTOR fails to provide the required liability/insurance documentation as outlined in Section 15 of this Contract. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that are not received by six (6) months following the close of the prior fiscal year, for services provided in that year.

Final payment to CONTRACTOR in connection with the cessation of operations and/or termination of a Contract will be subject to the same documentation standards described for all payment claims for regular ongoing operations. In addition, final payment may be withheld by LEA until completion of a review or audit, if deemed necessary by LEA. Such review or audit will be completed within ninety (90) days. The final payment may be adjusted to offset any previous payments to CONTRACTOR determined to have been paid in error or in anticipation of correction of documentation deficiencies by the CONTRACTOR that remain uncorrected.

The amount which may be withheld by LEA with respect to each of the subparagraphs of the preceding paragraph are as follows: (a) the value of the service CONTRACTOR failed to perform; (b) the amount of overpayment; (c) the entire amount of the invoice for which satisfactory documentation has not been provided by CONTRACTOR; (d) the amount invoiced for services provided by the individual not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (e) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable LEA student for the time period from the date the violation occurred and until the violation is cured; or (f) the amount paid to CONTRACTOR by Medi-Cal or another agency or funding source for the service provided to the LEA student.

If LEA determines that cause exists to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR, LEA shall, within ten (10) business days of this determination, provide to CONTRACTOR written notice that LEA is withholding payment. Such notice shall specify the basis or bases for LEA's withholding payment and the amount to be withheld. Within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of such notice, CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary and appropriate action to correct the deficiencies that form the basis for LEA's withholding payment or submit a written request for extension of time to correct the deficiencies or submit to LEA written documentation demonstrating that the basis or bases cited by LEA for withholding payment is unfounded. Upon receipt of CONTRACTOR's written request showing good cause, LEA shall extend CONTRACTOR's time to correct deficiencies (usually an additional thirty (30) days), otherwise payment will be denied.

If after subsequent request for payment has been denied and CONTRACTOR believes that payment should not be withheld, CONTRACTOR shall send written notice to LEA specifying the reason it believes payment should not be withheld. LEA shall respond to CONTRACTOR's notice within thirty (30) business days by indicating that a warrant for the amount of payment will be made or stating the reason LEA believes payment should not be made. If LEA fails to respond within thirty (30) business days or a dispute regarding the withholding of payment continues after the LEA's response to CONTRACTOR's notice, CONTRACTOR may invoke the following escalation policy.

After forty-five (45) business days: The CONTRACTOR may notify the LEA's Authorized Representative of the dispute in writing. The LEA Authorized Representative shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within fifteen (15) business days.

After sixty (60) business days: Pursuant to the provisions of Education Code section 56366(c)(2), the LEA or CONTRACTOR may appeal to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools so long as the County Superintendent of Schools is not participating in the Local Plan involved in the NPS/A contract to negotiate the contract. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this appeal, the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or a designee, shall mediate the formulation of a contract, which shall be binding on both parties. Alternatively, the parties may agree to retain the services of a mutually agreed upon mediator to negotiate

the contract.. Both parties agree to pay for their own costs and expenses arising out of any such mediation. Each party agrees to act in good faith in participating in any mediation process agreed to by the parties.

## 58. PAYMENT FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA when Medi-Cal or any other agency is billed for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. Upon request, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documentation regarding reports, billing, and/or payment by Medi-Cal or any other agency for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall provide prior written notice of the rights and protections required by Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 300.154(d) whenever it seeks to use the LEA students' public benefits to pay for special education and related services. Such notice shall be provided before seeking payment from Medi-Cal for the first time and annually.

## 59. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

## NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STAFF ABSENCE

Whenever a classroom teacher employed by CONTRACTOR is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation of substitute coverage pursuant to the LEA Procedures. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time. LEA will not pay for instruction and/or services unless said instruction or service is provided by an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher.

Whenever a related service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided unless otherwise agreed in a LEA student's IEP.

# NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) cumulative day of a LEA student's unexcused absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of such absence.

Criteria for a billable day for payment purposes is one (1) day of attendance as defined in California Education Code, sections 46010, 46010.3 and 46307. LEA shall not pay for services provided on days that a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance (ADA) reimbursement under state law. *Per Diem* rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted on a pro rata basis in accordance with the actual proportion of the school day the student was served. LEA shall not be responsible for payment of related services for days on which a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance ("ADA") reimbursement under state law, nor shall student be eligible for make-up services.

## NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. LEA shall not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and LEA. In the event services were not provided, reasons for why the services were not provided shall be included.

## NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPA, it shall notify LEA of the absence of a LEA student no later than the fifth  $(5^{th})$  consecutive service day of the student's absence. LEA shall not be responsible for the payment of services when a student is absent.

## 60. LEA and/or NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO EMERGENCY

The following shall apply in the event of a LEA or NPS school closure due to an emergency in accordance with Education Code sections 41422 and 46392:

- a. If CONTRACTOR remains open, if allowed, during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422 and serves LEA students appropriately as delineated in the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment, regardless of whether LEA is open or closed.
- b. If CONTRACTOR is closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, if LEA is able to obtain alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR'S NPS closure. If LEA is unable to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the signed ISA, as though the student were continuing in regular attendance, until an alternative placement can be found, so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below.
- c. If both LEA and CONTRACTOR are closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, on days LEA is funded, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the LEA student's ISA, until an alternative placement for the LEA student can be found so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below. If LEA is able to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR'S NPS closure.
- d. CONTRACTOR shall, in the case of school closures during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, implement the LEA student's IEP in accordance with Education Code 56345(a)(9) pertaining to emergency conditions and continue implementing ISAs for enrolled students CONTRACTOR shall ensure its students have reliable internet accessibility as well as the physical technology (i.e. Chromebooks, i-Pad, hot-spots etc.) as required to access and participate.
- e. In the event of CONTRACTOR'S closure during an emergency, LEA reserves the right to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR for instruction and services not rendered pursuant to an LEA student's ISA, consistent with Section 59.

When the emergency school closure is lifted, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any lost instructional minutes for any LEA student. CONTRACTOR and LEAs shall work collaboratively to determine the need for make-up days or service changes and shall work together to amend IEP and ISA paperwork as appropriate.

## 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and LEA shall have the right to examine and audit all of the books, records, documents, accounting procedures and practices and other evidence that reflect all costs claimed to have been incurred or fees claimed to have been earned under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to those documents identified in Section 9 of this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall also make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.

CONTRACTOR shall make all records available at the office of LEA or CONTRACTOR (to be specified by LEA) at all reasonable times and without charge. CONTRACTOR shall provide all records to LEA within five (5) working days of a written request. CONTRACTOR shall, at no cost to LEA, help with such examination or audit. LEA's rights under this section shall also include access to CONTRACTOR's offices for purposes of interviewing CONTRACTOR's employees. If any document or evidence is stored in an electronic form, a hard copy shall be made available to LEA, unless LEA agrees to the use of the electronic format. Such access shall also include unannounced inspections by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain from its subcontractors and suppliers written agreements relating to the requirements of this section and shall provide a copy of such agreements to LEA upon request by LEA.

If an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm determines that CONTRACTOR owes LEA monies as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR written notice demanding payment from CONTRACTOR and specifying the basis or bases for such demand. Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, CONTRACTOR shall pay to LEA the full amount owed as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing and/or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, as determined by an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm. CONTRACTOR shall make such payment to LEA within thirty (30) days of receipt of LEA's written notice demanding payment.

#### 62. RATE SCHEDULE

The attached Rate Schedule (Exhibit A) limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the Contract. It may also limit the maximum number of LEA students that can be provided specific services. Per Diem rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted proportionally. In such cases only, the adjustments in basic education rate shall be based on the required minimum number of minutes per grade level as set forth in paragraph 23, above, and noted in California Education Code Section 46200-46208.

Special education and/or related services offered by CONTRACTOR shall be provided by qualified personnel as per State and federal law, and the codes and charges for such educational and/or related services during the term of this Contract, shall be as stated in Exhibit A.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS associated with a RTC ("NPS/RTC"), Educationally Related Mental Health Services ("ERMHS") are provided in an integrated, intensive, educationally related therapeutic residential setting which includes social emotional/behavior support through individual counseling, group counseling, family consultation and support, as appropriate. It is a collaborative model which includes educational professionals and related service providers, where all supports and services are integrated in the NPS/RTC program. Costs for ERMHS are all inclusive and combined with the daily rate as ERMHS+RB ("ERMHS + Room and Board"). ERMHS plus Room and Board payments are based on positive attendance (payable for up to a maximum of 365 days) only, with up to a maximum of 10 days payment per LEA student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature. Any NPS or RTC requesting a change in rate for any services provided during a subsequent contract year must make a request in writing to the Sacramento County SELPA Directors, with a copy sent to LEA Director or designee, by January 15th of each calendar year. Increases will only be considered for approval for entities that have received a positive review on the LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

#### 63. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that:

- (a) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers are <u>not</u> presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any federal agency, and
- (b) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers have not, within a three-year period preceding this Contract, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, any state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of federal or any state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.

The Parties hereto have executed this Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This Contract is effective on the  $1^{st}$  day of July, 2024 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR	LEA
Point Quest Education Depot Park	Galt Joint Union Elementary School District
Nonpublic School/Agency	
By:  O5/15/2024  Signature  Date  Sara Cervantes, VP, Program Quality  Name and Title of Authorized  Representative	By:  Signature  Date  By:  Kuljeet Nijjar, Director of Educational Services  Name and Title of Authorized  Representative
Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to: Shee Thao, Director of Contracts	Notices to LEA shall be addressed to: Kuljeet Nijjar, Director of Educational Services
Name and Title	Name and Title
Point Quest	Galt Joint Union Elementary School District
Nonpublic School/Agency/Related Service Provider	LEA
9355 E Stockton Blvd, Suite 225	1018 C Street, Suite 210
Address	Address
Elk Grove, CA 95624	Galt California 95632
City State Zip	City State Zip
(916) 422-0571 (916) 306-8190	209-744-4545 x.303 209-744-4554
Phone Fax	Phone Fax
sthao@pointquestgroup.com	knijjar@galt.k12.ca.us
Email*(*Required)	Email

**Additional LEA Notification** 

(Required if Completed)

Stephanie Gutierrez, Progra	am Specialist	
Name and Title		
Galt Joint Union Elementary	y School Dist	rict
LEA		
1018 C Street, Suite 210		
Address		
Galt	California	95632
City		State
209-744-4545 x.339	Zip	209-744-4554
Phone	Fax	
sgutierrez@galt.k12.ca.us		
Email		<u> </u>

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#### **EXHIBIT A: 2024-2025 RATES**

#### 4.1 RATE SCHEDULE FOR CONTRACT YEAR

The CONTRACTOR: Point Ques	t Education Depot Park
The CONTRACTOR CDS NUMBER:	34-67439-7051394
PER ED CODE 56366 – TEACHER-T	O-PUPIL RATIO: 1:14

#### Maximum Contract Amount:

Education service(s) offered by the CONTRACTOR and the charges for such service(s) during the term of this contract shall be as follows:

- 1) <u>Daily Basic Education Rate:</u> \$250.00
- 2) Inclusive Education Program
  (Includes Educational Counseling (not ed related mental health) services, Speech & Language services, Behavior Intervention Planning, and Occupational Therapy as specified on the student's IEP.) DAILY RATE: N/A

#### Related Services

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>RATE</u>	PERIOD
Intensive Individual Services (340)	\$44.00	Hour
Language and Speech (415)	\$125.00 Consultation \$110	Hour
Adapted Physical Education (425)		[ <del>44</del>
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)	-	
Health and Nursing: Other Services (436)	· <u></u>	
Assistive Technology Services (445)		
Occupational Therapy (450)	\$125.00 Consultation \$110	Hour
Physical Therapy (460)	:=	Signature and the same of the
Individual Counseling (510)	Included	-
Counseling and Guidance (515)	Included	
Parent Counseling (520)	-	
Social Work Services (525)		-
Psychological Services (530)		
Behavior Intervention Services (535)		
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)		
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing (710)		-
Interpreter Services (715)		

Audiological Services (720)	÷ :	( <del>)</del>
Specialized Vision Services (725)		
Orientation and Mobility (730)	_	
Specialized Orthopedic Services (740)		*
Reader Services (745)	-	<del></del>
Transcription Services (755)	-	ā ————————————————————————————————————
Recreation Services, Including Therapeutic (760)		<del></del>
College Awareness (820)	-	<del></del>
Work Experience Education (850)	-	-
Job Coaching (855)		-
Mentoring (860)	-	<del></del>
Travel Training (870)		-
Other Transition Services (890)	3	3
Transportation	\$90.00	Daily/Round trip
Other (900)		

#### **EXHIBIT B: 2024-2025 ISA**

Parent Counseling (520)

## INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (ISA) FOR NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL SERVICES (Education Code Sections 56365 et seq.)

This agreement is effective on July 1, 2024 or the date student begins attending a nonpublic school or receiving services from a nonpublic agency, if after the date identified, and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided in the Master Contract and by applicable law.

Local Education Agency				Nonpublic School					
LEA Case Manager: Name				Phone No	ımber				
Pupil Name					Sex: M	□ F	Grade:		
(Last)			(First)	ity	(M.Ī.)	_ State/Zip			
DOB Residential Setting:									
Parent/Guardian			Phone (	)	(	)			
Parent/GuardianAddress			City		(Residence)		(Business) State/Zip		
(If different from stude	ent)			,					
AGREEMENT TERMS:  1. Nonpublic School: The average number	of minutes	in the instr	uctional day will				ular school year ended school year		
2. Nonpublic School: The number of school	ol days in the	e calendar	of the school ye	ear are:		during the regu	lar school year		
				ā <del></del>		during the exte	nded school year		
3. Educational services as specified in the	IEP shall be	e provided	by the CONTRA	ACTOR and paid at the ra	ites specified belov	v.			
A. INCLUSIVE AND/OR BASIC EDU	JCATION P	ROGRAM	RATE: (Applies	s to nonpublic schools on	ly): Daily Rat	e:			
Estimated Number of Days	_ x Daily	Rate	= PR	OJECTED BASIC EDUC	CATION COSTS				
B. RELATED SERVICES:									
SERVICE	LEA	Provid NPS	er OTHER	# of Times per	Cost per	Maximum	Estimated Maximum		
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Intensive Individual Services (340)									
Language/Speech Therapy (415) a, Individual b, Group									
Adapted Physical Ed. (425)									
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)									
Health and Nursing Services: Other (436)									
Assistive Technology Services (445)									
Occupational Therapy (450)									
Physical Therapy (460)									
Individual Counseling (510)									
Counseling and guidance (515),									

		Provid					
SERVICE	LEA	NPS	OTHER Specify	# of Times per wk/mo/yr., Duration; or per IEP; or as needed	Cost per session	Maximum Number of Sessions	Estimated Maximum Total Cost for Contracted Period
Social Work Services (525)							
Psychological Services (530)							
Behavior Intervention Services (535)							
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)							
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (710)							
Interpreter Services (715)							
Audiological Services (720)							
Specialized Vision Services (725)							
Orientation and Mobility (730)							
Braille Transcription (735)							
Specialized Orthopedic Service (740)							
Reader Services (745)							
Note Taking Services (750)							
Transcription Services (755)							
Recreation Services (760)							
College Awareness Preparation (820)							
Vocational Assessment, Counseling, Guidance and Career Assessment (830)							
Career Awareness (840)							
Work Experience Education (850)							
Mentoring (860)							
Agency Linkages (865)							
Travel Training (870)							
Other Transition Services (890)							
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5. MASTER CONTRACT APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD ON _	
6. Progress Reporting Quarterly Monthly Requirements:	Other (Specify)
The parties hereto have executed this Individual Services Agreement by a below.	nd through their duly authorized agents or representatives as set forth
-CONTRACTOR-	-LEA/SELPA-
(Name of Nonpublic School/Agency)	(Name of LEA/SELPA)
(Signature) (Date)	(Signature) (Date)
(Name and Title)	(Name of Superintendent or Authorized Designee)



### Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

1018 C Street, Suite 210, Galt, CA 95632 209-744 4545 / 209-744-4553 fax / www.galt.k12.ca.us

# Nonpublic, Non-Sectarian School/Agency Services

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Sara Hall

## Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services

MASTER CONTRACT

## GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025

#### Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

## INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR, CONSULTANT AND SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT

This INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR SERVICES AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into effective July 1, 2024 (the "Effective Date"), by and between the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, ("District") and Sara Hall ("Contractor").

1. <u>Contractor Services</u>: Contractor agrees to provide the following services to District (collectively, the "Services"):

Functional Behavior Assessment/Analysis and development of Behavior Intervention Plan for individual students. Student behavior consultation and development of Positive Behavior Support strategies. Assessment of school-wide and classroom behavior management. Trainings for teachers, psychologists, support staff, etc.

- 2. Contractor Qualifications: Contractor represents and warrants to District that Contractor and all of Contractor's employees, agents or volunteers (the "Contractor Parties") have in effect and shall maintain in full force throughout the Term of this Agreement all licenses, credentials, permits and any other legal qualifications required by law to perform the Services and to fully and faithfully satisfy all of the terms set forth in this Agreement. If any of the Services are performed by any of Contractor's Parties, such work shall only be performed by competent personnel under the supervision of and in the employment of Contractor.
- 3. <u>Term:</u> This Agreement shall begin on July 1, 2024, and shall terminate upon completion of the Services, but no later than June 30, 2025 ("Term"), except as otherwise stated in Paragraph 4 below. There shall be no extension of the Term of this Agreement without the express written consent from all parties. Written notice by the District Superintendent or designee shall be sufficient to stop further performance of the Services by Contractor or the Contractor Parties. In the event of early termination, Contractor shall be paid for satisfactory work performed to the date of termination. Upon payment by District, District shall be under no further obligation to Contractor, monetarily or otherwise, and District may proceed with the work in any manner District deems proper.
- 4. <u>Termination:</u> Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party; however the parties may agree in

writing to a shorter time period for the effectiveness of such termination.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, District may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving written notice to Contractor if Contractor materially violates any of the terms of this Agreement, any act or omission by Contractor or the Contractor Parties exposes District to potential liability or may cause an increase in District's insurance premiums, Contractor is adjudged as bankrupt, Contractor makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or a receiver is appointed on account of Contractor's insolvency.

Such termination shall be effective immediately upon Contractor's receipt of said notice.

- 5. <u>Payment:</u> District agrees to pay Contractor at the rate of \$125.00 per hour with a maximum of 1000 hours not to exceed \$125,000.00. The rate shall not be increased by Contractor over the course of this Agreement. Total payment by District to Contractor shall not exceed enter not to exceed value of complete contract. District agrees to pay Contractor within sixty (60) days of receipt of a detailed invoice from Contractor, including any additional supporting documentation reasonably requested by District. Any work performed by Contractor in excess of said amount shall not be compensated.
- 6. <u>California Residency/Non Residency</u>. If Contractor and the Contractor Parties are not residents of the State of California, payment made may be subject to nonresident withholding as defined by the Franchise Tax Board Revenue and Taxation Code, Section 18662.
- 7. Indemnity: Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless District and its agents, representatives, officers, consultants, employees, Board of Education, members of the Board of Education (collectively, the "District Parties"), from and against any and all claims, demands, liabilities, damages, losses, suits and actions, and expenses (including, but not limited to attorney fees and costs including fees of consultants) of any kind, nature and description (collectively, the "Claims") directly or indirectly arising out of, connected with, or resulting from any act, error, omission, negligence, or willful misconduct of Contractor, the Contractor Parties or their respective agents, subcontractors, employees, material or equipment suppliers, invitees, or licensees in the performance of or failure to perform Contractor's obligations under this Agreement, including, but not limited to Contractor's or the Contractor Parties' use of the site, Contractor's or the Contractor Parties' performance of the Services, Contractor's or the Contractor Parties' breach of any of the representations or warranties contained in this Agreement, or for injury to or death of persons or damage to property or delay or damage to the District or the District Parties. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or reduce other rights or obligations of indemnity, which would otherwise exist as to a party, person, or entity described in this paragraph.
- 8. Equipment and Materials: Contractor at its sole cost and expense shall provide and

furnish all tools, labor, materials, equipment, transportation services and any other items (collectively, "Equipment") which are required or necessary to perform the Services in a manner which is consistent with generally accepted standards of the profession for similar services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, District shall not be responsible for any damages to persons or property as a result of the use, misuse or failure of any Equipment used by Contractor of the Contractor Parties, even if such Equipment is furnished, rented or loaned to Contractor or the Contractor Parties by District. Furthermore, any Equipment or workmanship that does not conform to the regulations of this Agreement may be rejected by District and in such case must be promptly remedied or replaced by Contractor at no additional cost to District and subject to District's reasonable satisfaction,

- 9. <u>Insurance</u>: Without in any way limiting Contractor's liability or indemnification obligations set forth in Paragraph 6 above, Contractor shall secure and maintain throughout the term of this Agreement the following insurance:
- 1. comprehensive general liability insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the <u>aggregate</u>;
- 2. commercial automobile liability insurance with limits not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate, if applicable; and
- workers' compensation insurance as required by Labor Code section 3200, et seq., if applicable;
   and
- 4. Neither Contractor nor any of the Contractor Parties shall commence performing any portion of the Services until all required insurance has been obtained and certificates indicating the required coverages have been delivered to and approved by District.

All insurance policies shall include an endorsement stating that District and District Parties are named additional insureds. All of the policies shall be amended to provide that the insurance shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to District. If any of the required insurance is not reinstated, District may, at its sole option, terminate this Agreement. All of the policies shall also include an endorsement stating that it is primary to any insurance or self-insurance maintained by District and shall waive all rights of subrogation against District and/or the District Parties.

10. Independent Contractor Status: Contractor, in the performance of this Agreement,

shall be and act as an independent contractor. Contractor understands and agrees that s/he and the Contractor Parties shall not be considered officers, employees, agents, partners, or joint ventures of District, and are not entitled to benefits of any kind or nature normally provided to employees of District and/or to which District's employees are normally entitled.

#### 11. PERRS and STRS Compliance:

The following must be completed by individual consultants (consultant firms should disregard it). A. Are you now, or have you ever been, a member of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) or the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)?

No Yes	
lf yes:	PERS or STRS
	you now, or have you ever been, an employee of DISTRICT or any other state or povernment agency?
No Yes	
	Date Paid: fy that all services shall be rendered at a time other than any regular assigned

- I certify that all services shall be rendered at a time other than any regular assigned workday at that agency
- 12. Taxes. All payments made by District to Contractor pursuant to this Agreement shall be reported to the applicable federal and state taxing authorities as required. District will not withhold any money from compensation payable to Contractor, including FICA (social security), state or federal unemployment insurance contributions, or state or federal income tax or disability insurance. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for payment of all federal, state and local taxes or contributions, including unemployment insurance, social security and income taxes with respect to Contractor and the Contractor Parties and otherwise in connection with this agreement.
- 13. <u>Fingerorinting/Criminal Background Investigation Certification:</u> Contractor and the Contractor Parties shall at all times comply with the fingerprinting and criminal background investigation requirements of the California Education Code ("Education Code") section 45125.1. Accordingly, by checking the applicable boxes below,

Contractor hereby represents and warrants to District the following:

a. 

Contractor and the Contractor Parties shall only have limited or no contact (as determined by District) with District students at all times during the Term of the Agreement. In determining whether a contract employee has limited contact with pupils, the school district shall consider the totality of the circumstances, including factors such as the length of time the contractors will be on school grounds, whether pupils will be in proximity with the site where the contractors will be working, and whether the contractors will be working by themselves or with others. If a school district has made this determination, the school district shall take appropriate steps to protect the safety of any pupils that may come in contact with these employees

b. M Contractor and the Contractor Parties have more than limited contact (as determined by District) with District students during the Term of this Agreement:

C. (Required only if Box 13.b. is checked.) All of the Contractor Parties noted above, at no cost to District, have completed background checks and have been fingerprinted under procedures established by the California Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the results of those background checks and fingerprints reveal that none of these Contractor Parties have been arrested or convicted of a serious or violent felony, as defined by the California Penal Code.

Contractor learns or becomes aware of additional information, including additional personnel, which differs in any way from the representations set forth above, Contractor shall immediately notify District and prohibit any new personnel from having any contact with District students until the fingerprinting and background check requirements have been satisfied and District determines whether any such contact is permissible.

- 14. <u>Tuberculosis Certification:</u> Contractor and the Contractor Parties shall at all times comply with the tuberculosis (<u>"TB"</u>) certification requirements of Education Code section 49406. Accordingly, by checking the applicable boxes below, Contractor hereby represents and warrants to the District the following:
- 1. 
  ☐ Contractor and Contractor Parties shall only have limited or no contact (as determined by District) with District students at all times during the Term of this Agreement,

2. Contractor and Contractor Parties shall have more than limited contact (as determined by District) with District students during the Term of this Agreement and, at no cost to District, have received a TB test in full compliance with the requirements of Education Code section 49406.

Contractor shall maintain on file the certificates showing that the Contractor Parties was examined and found free from active TB. These forms shall be regularly maintained and updated by Contractor and shall be available to District upon request or audit.

Contractor further agrees and acknowledges that all new personnel hired after the Effective Date of this Agreement are subject to the TB certification requirements and shall be prohibited from having any contact with District students until the TB certification requirements have been satisfied and District determines whether any such contact is permissible.

- 15. <u>Confidential Information</u>: Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of and protect from unauthorized disclosure any and all individual student information received from the District, including but not limited to student names and other identifying information. Contractor shall not use such student information for any purpose other than carrying out the obligations under this agreement. Upon termination of this Agreement, Contractor shall turn over to District all educational records related to the services provided to any District student pursuant to this Agreement.
- 16. <u>Assignment/Successors and Assigns</u>: Contractor shall not assign or transfer by operation of law or otherwise any or all of its rights, burdens, duties or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of District. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding on the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns of the respective parties.
- 17. <u>Severability</u>: If any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision of this Agreement.
- 18. <u>Amendments</u>: The terms of this Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented or amended in any manner whatsoever except by written agreement signed by both parties.
- 19. Governing Law: This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, excluding its choice of law rules. Any action or proceeding seeking any relief under or with respect to this Agreement shall be brought solely in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Contra Costa,

subject to transfer of venue under applicable State law, provided that nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of immunity to suit by the District.

- 20. Written Notice: Written notice shall be deemed to have been duly served if delivered in person to Contractor at the address located next to the party signatures below, or if delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail to the last business address known to the person who sends the notice.
- 21. Compliance with Law: Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted into this Agreement shall be deemed to be inserted herein and this Agreement shall be read and enforced as though it were included therein. Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, including but not limited to fingerprinting under Education Code section 45125.1, confidentiality of records, Education Code section 49406 and others. Contractor agrees that it shall comply with all legal requirements for the performance of duties under this agreement and that failure to do so shall constitute material breach.
- 22. <u>Non-Discrimination:</u> There shall be no discrimination in the contracting of persons under this Agreement because of race, color, national origin, age, ancestry, religion, sex, or sexual orientation of such persons.
- 23. <u>Attorney Fees</u>: If any legal action is taken to enforce the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and other reasonable costs and expenses incurred in connection with that legal action.
- 24. <u>Liab</u>ility of District: Notwithstanding anything stated herein to the contrary, District shall not be liable for any special, consequential, indirect or incident damages, including but not limited to lost profits in connection with this Agreement.
- 25. Time: Time is of the essence to this Agreement.
- 26. <u>Waiver</u>: No delay or omission by District in exercising any right under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver of that or any other right and no single or partial exercise of any right shall preclude the District from any or further exercise of any right or remedy.
- 27. Entire Agreement: This Agreement is intended by the parties as the final expression of their agreement with respect to such terms as are included herein and as the complete and exclusive statement of its terms and may not be contradicted by evidence of any prior agreement or of a contemporaneous oral agreement, nor explained or supplemented by evidence of consistent additional terms.
- 28. Ambiguity: The parties to this Agreement, and each of them, hereby represent that

the language contained herein is to be construed as jointly proposed and jointly accepted, and in the event of any subsequent determination of ambiguity, all parties shall be treated as equally responsible for such ambiguity.

- 29. Execution of Other Documents: The parties to this Agreement shall cooperate fully in the execution of any and all other documents and in the completion of any additional actions that may be necessary or appropriate to give full force and effect to the terms and intent of this Agreement.
- 30. Execution in Counterparts/Authority: This Agreement may be executed in counterparts such that the signatures may appear on separate signature pages. A copy, facsimile, or an original, with all signatures appended together, shall be deemed a fully executed agreement.
- 31. Warranty of Authority. The persons indicated below are legally authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of the respective parties, and to bind the respective parties to this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the

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MASTER CONTRACT

## GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-2025

#### MASTER CONTRACT

GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONSECTARIAN, NONPUBLIC SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES

#### LEA GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Contract Year 2024-2025 Nonpublic School ("NPS") Nonpublic Agency ("NPA") Type of Contract: Master Contract for fiscal year with Individual Service Agreements (ISA) to be approved throughout the term of this Contract. Individual Master Contract for a specific student incorporating the Individual Service Agreement (ISA) into the terms of this Individual Master Contract specific to a single student. Interim Extension of the Master Contract: an extension of the previous fiscal years approved contracts and rates. The sole purpose of this Interim Contract is to provide for ongoing funding at the prior year's rates for 90 days at the sole discretion of the LEA in accordance with Section 4 of this Master Contract. Expiration Date: \_\_\_ When this section is included as part of any Master Contract, the changes specified above

shall amend Section 4 - Term of Master Contract

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LEA: GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGANCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER: Tilly Therapy

#### NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

#### **AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract (or "Contract") is entered into on July 1, 2024, between GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT hereinafter referred to as the local educational agency ("LEA") or "District" and Tilly Therapy (nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency), hereinafter referred to as "NPS/A" or "CONTRACTOR," for the purpose of providing special education and/or related services to LEA students with exceptional needs under the authorization of California Education Code sections 56157, 56361 and 56365 et seq. and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq., AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003) and AB1858 (Chapter 914, Statutes of 2004). It is understood that this Contract does not commit LEA to pay for special education and/or related services provided to any LEA student, or CONTRACTOR to provide such special education and/or related services, unless and until an authorized LEA representative approves the provision of special education and/or related services by CONTRACTOR.

Upon acceptance of a LEA student, LEA shall submit to CONTRACTOR an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA"), and a Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form. CONTRACTOR shall work with LEA to complete and return these forms to LEA prior to initiating any services for any student, unless otherwise agreed by LEA and CONTRACTOR. These forms shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR's obligation to provide all services specified in the LEA student's Individualized Education Program (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, the LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and/or electronic database for ISA developing including invoicing.

Unless placement and/or services is ordered pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "OAH") order, a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and parent, or authorized by LEA for a transfer LEA student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement or NPS/A services until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement and/or NPS/A services is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the Parent. 2.CERTIFICATION AND LICENSES CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a NPS/A. All NPS/A placements and services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification and licensure specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code, section 56366 et seg and within the professional scope of practice of each provider's license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR'S NPS/A certification or a waiver of such certification issued by the CDE pursuant to Education Code section 56366.2 must be provided to LEA on or before the date this Contract is executed by CONTRACTOR. This Contract shall be null and void if such certification such certification or waiver is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Contract.

Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated on CDE certification and in Section 24 of the Contract.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of the State of California shall be certified and all staff persons providing services to pupils shall be certified and/or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seg.).

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall be licensed by the State of California, or other public agency having delegated authority by contract with the State of California to license, to provide nonmedical care room and board to children, including, but not limited to, individuals with exceptional needs. The LCI must also comply with all licensing requirements relevant to the protection of the child, and have a special permit, if necessary, to meet the needs of each child so placed. If the CONTRACTOR operates a program outside of the State of California, CONTRACTOR must obtain all required licenses from the appropriate licensing agency in both California and in the state where the LCI is located.

With respect to CONTRACTOR's certification, failure to notify LEA and CDE in writing of any changes in: (1) credentialed/licensed staff; (2) ownership; (3) management and/or control of the agency; (4) major modification or relocation of facilities; or (5) significant modification of the program may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by the LEA. Any suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's CDE certification shall also be good cause for the immediate suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA, at LEA's discretion.

#### 3. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

During the term of this Contract, unless otherwise agreed, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State of California, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, policies and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all applicable LEA and SELPA policies, regulations, and procedures (collectively referred to as "LEA Procedures") unless, taking into consideration all of the surrounding facts and circumstances, a policy or policies or a portion of a policy does not reasonably apply to CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that it accepts all risks and responsibilities for its failure to comply with LEA Procedures and shall indemnify LEA under the provisions of Section 16 of this Contract for all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with applicable LEA Procedures (e.g., those policies relating to; the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, student enrollment and transfer, student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions).

CONTRACTOR acknowledges and understands that LEA may report to CDE any violations of the provisions of this Contract; and that this may result in the suspension and/or revocation of CDE NPA/S certification pursuant to California Education Code section 56366.4(a).

#### 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Contract shall be from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the LEA is required to renew this Contract in subsequent contract years. The parties acknowledge that any subsequent Master Contract is to be re-negotiated prior to June 30, 2025. In the event the contract negotiations are not agreed to by June 30<sup>th</sup>, the most recently executed Master Contract will remain in effect for 90 days. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d)) No Master Contract will be offered unless and until all of the contracting requirements have been satisfied. The offer of a Master Contract to a CONTRACTOR is at the sole discretion of the LEA.

The provisions of this Contract apply to CONTRACTOR and any of its employees or independent contractors. Notice of any change in CONTRACTOR's ownership or authorized representative shall be provided in writing to LEA within thirty (30) calendar days of change of ownership or change of authorized representative.

## 5. INTEGRATION/CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

This Contract incorporates LEA Procedures herein by this reference. Each ISA is also incorporated herein by this reference. This Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, LEA may modify LEA Procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA with information as requested in writing to secure a Contract or a renewal.

At a minimum, such information shall include copies of current teacher credentials and clearance, insurance documentation, and CDE certification. LEA may require additional information as applicable. If the application packet is not completed and returned to LEA, no Contract will be issued. If CONTRACTOR does not return the Contract to LEA duly signed by an authorized representative within ninety (90) calendar days of issuance by LEA, the new contract rates will not take effect until the newly executed Contract is received by LEA and will not be retroactive to the first day of the new Contract's effective date. If CONTRACTOR fails to execute the new Contract within such ninety-day period, all payments shall cease until such time as the new Contract for the current school year is signed and returned to LEA by CONTRACTOR. (California Education Code §56366(c)(1) and (2)). In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed Contract between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized LEA students at the discretion of LEA.

#### 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICE AGREEMENT ("ISA")

This Contract shall include an ISA developed for each LEA student to whom CONTRACTOR is to provide special education and/or related services. An ISA shall only be issued for LEA students enrolled with the approval of LEA pursuant to Education Code section 56366(a)(2)(A). An ISA may be effective for more than one contract year provided that there is a concurrent Contract in effect. In the event that this Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed ISAs between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized students.

Any and all changes to a student's educational placement/program/services provided under this Contract and/or an ISA shall be made solely on the basis of a revision to the student's IEP or by written agreement between the Parent and LEA. At any time during the term of this Contract, a Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of a student's IEP subject to all procedural safeguards required by law.

Unless otherwise provided in this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code §56366(a)(5) and California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3062(e).) In the event CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the term of the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided. CONTRACTOR shall provide any and all subsequent compensatory service hours awarded to an LEA student as a result of lack of provision of services while the student was served by CONTRACTOR.

If a Parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the OAH, CONTRACTOR shall abide by the "stay-put" requirement of the State of California and federal law unless the Parent and LEA voluntarily agree otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting ("IAES") is

deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Title 20 of the United States Codes Sections 1415(k)(1)(G), 1415(k)(2), and 1415(k)(3)(B)(ii)(II). CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the formulation of an ISA, or the Contract may be appealed to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or the California State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code section 56366(c)(2).

Exhibit B includes the ISA form.

#### 7. **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

- a. The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency ("NPS/A") certified by the California Department of Education ("CDE"), and its officers, agents and employees.
- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for NPS/A. It is understood, a representative of the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) of which LEA is a member is an authorized LEA representative in collaboration with LEA. LEA maintains sole responsibility for this Contract, unless otherwise specified in this Contract.
- c. The term "credential" means a valid credential, life diploma, permit, or document in special education or pupil personnel services issued by, or under the jurisdiction of, the California State Board of Education if issued prior to 1970 or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, which entitles the holder thereof to perform services for which certification qualifications are required as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(g).
- d. The term "qualified" means that a person holds a certificate, permit or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to provide special education and related services and has met federal and state certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements which apply to the area in which the individual is providing special education or related services, including those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 3064 and 3065, and adheres to the standards of professional practice established in federal and state law or regulation, including the standards contained in the California Business and Professions Code.

Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities in services of a graduate needing direct hours leading to licensure, or of a student teacher or intern leading to a graduate degree at an accredited or approved college or university, as authorized by State laws or regulations. (California Code of Regulations, tit. 5, § 3001(r).)

e. The term "license" means a valid non-expired document issued by a licensing agency within the California Department of Consumer Affairs or other State of California licensing office authorized to grant licenses and authorizing the bearer of the document to provide certain professional services or refer to themselves using a specified professional title. This includes, but is not limited to, mental health and board and care services at a residential placement. If a license is not available through an appropriate State of California licensing agency, a certificate of registration with the appropriate professional organization at the national or State of California level which has standards established for the certificate that are equivalent to a license shall be deemed to be a license as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(1).

#### f. "Parent" means:

- i. a biological or adoptive parent; unless the biological or adoptive parent does not have legal authority to make educational decisions for the child,
- ii. a foster parent if the authority of the biological or adoptive parents to make educational decisions on the child's behalf has been specifically limited by court order in accordance with Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 300.30(b)(1) or (b)(2),
- iii. a guardian generally authorized to act as the child's parent or authorized to make educational decisions for the child,
- iv. an individual acting in the place of a biological or adoptive parent, including a grandparent, stepparent, or other relative with whom the child lives, or an individual who is legally responsible for the child's welfare,
- v. a surrogate parent.

Parent does not include the state or any political subdivision of government or a NPS/A under contract with the LEA for the provision of special education or designated instruction and services for a child. (California Education Code §56028.)

- g. The term "days" means calendar days unless otherwise specified.
- h. The phrase "billable day" means a school day in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs.
- i. The phrase "billable day of attendance" means a school day as defined in California Education Code Section 46307, in which an LEA student is in attendance and in which instructional minutes meet or exceed those in comparable LEA programs unless otherwise stipulated in an IEP or ISA.
- j. It is understood that the term "Master Contract" also means "Contract" and is referred to as such in this document.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

#### 8. NOTICES

All notices provided for by this Contract shall be in writing. Notices shall be mailed, emailed or delivered by hand and shall be effective as of the date of receipt by addressee.

All notices mailed or emailed to LEA shall be addressed to the person and address as indicated on the signature page of this Contract. Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on the signature page of this Contract.

#### 9. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

All records shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR as required by State and federal laws and regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, CONTRACTOR shall maintain all records for at least five (5) years after the termination of this Contract. For purposes of this Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to pupil records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; registers and roll books of teachers and/or daily service providers; chart notes, Medi-Cal logs, daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record the provision of related services including supervision; daily service logs and notes used to record the provision of services provided through additional instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, and bus aides; behavior emergency reports (BER); incident reports; notification of injuries; absence verification records (Parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents) if CONTRACTOR is funded for excused absences, however, such records are not required if positive attendance is required; transcripts; grade and progress reports; behavioral data; IEP/IFSPs; assessment reports; bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held and documents evidencing other staff qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; records of employee training and certification including verification of behavior

training consistent with 56366.1; staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets; transportation and other related services subcontracts; school calendars; bell/class schedules when applicable; liability and worker's compensation insurance policies; state NPS/A certifications; business licenses held; by-laws, if applicable; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; all budgetary information, including operating budgets; statements of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books; general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/State payroll quarterly reports (Form 941/DE3DP); and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA student records in a secure location to ensure confidentiality and prevent unauthorized access. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a current list of the names and positions of CONTRACTOR's employees who have access to confidential records. CONTRACTOR shall maintain an access log for each LEA student's record which lists all persons, agencies, or organizations requesting or receiving information from the record. Such log shall be maintained as required by California Education Code section 49064 and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the student's record, and a description of the record(s) provided. Such log needs to record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's Parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record. CONTRACTOR/LEA shall maintain copies of any written parental concerns granting access to LEA student records. For purposes of this Section, "employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR" do not include subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall grant the following access to student records, (a) the LEA student's Parent; (b) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record and comply with Parent requests for copies of LEA student records, as required by State of California and federal laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of NPS/A closure, to forward all LEA student records held by CONTRACTOR within ten (10) business days to LEA. LEA and/or SELPA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all records upon request within five (5) business days.

#### 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision of this Contract is held, in whole or in part, to be unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of that provision and of the entire Contract shall be severable and remain in effect.

#### 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This Contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any change of ownership or corporate control within ten (10) business days of such change.

#### 12. VENUE AND GOVERNING LAW

The laws of the State of California shall govern the terms and conditions of this contract with venue in the County where LEA is located.

## 13. MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

This Contract may be modified or amended by LEA to conform to administrative and statutory guidelines issued by any state, federal or local governmental agency. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR thirty (30) days' notice of any such changes or modifications made to conform to administrative or statutory guidelines and a copy of the statute, guideline, or regulation upon which the modifications or changes are based.

#### 14. TERMINATION

This Contract or ISA may be terminated for cause. Cause shall include but not be limited to non-maintenance of current NPS/A certification, failure of either LEA or CONTRACTOR to maintain the

standards required under the Contract and/or ISA, or other material breach of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. For purposes of NPS placement, the cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the Contract unless the Parent agrees to the transfer of the LEA student to the public-school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the Contract or ISA, either party shall give no less than twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other party. (California Education Code §56366(a)(4).) If this Contract is terminated with twenty (20) days' notice, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract on the date of termination.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Contract or ISA may be terminated immediately, without twenty (20) days prior notice and at LEA's discretion, if LEA determines that there are significant health or safety concerns or there has been a suspension or revocation of CONTRACTOR's NPS/A certification. If this Contract is terminated immediately, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Contract within five (5) business days of termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing regarding termination of an ISA, CONTRACTOR is bound by the "stay put" provisions described in Section 6 of this Contract.

#### 15. INSURANCE

CONTRACTOR shall, at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense, maintain in full force and effect, during the term of this Contract, the following insurance coverage from a California licensed and/or admitted insurer with an A minus (A-), VII, or better rating from A.M. Best, sufficient to cover any claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including counsel fees) arising out of or in connection with CONTRACTOR's fulfillment of any of its obligations under this Contract or either party's use of the work or any component or part thereof:

#### PART I - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AND AGENCIES

A. **Commercial General Liability Insurance**, including both bodily injury and property damage, with limits as follows:

\$2,000,000 per occurrence

\$ 500,000 fire damage

\$ 5,000 medical expenses

\$1,000,000 personal & adv. Injury

\$3,000,000 general aggregate

\$2,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

CONTRACTOR's general liability policy shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from LEA's coverage, and be endorsed using Insurance Services Office form CG 20 10 or CG 20 26 (or equivalent) to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and agents shall be additional insureds under such policies. The policy may not contain an exclusion for coverage of claims arising from claims for sexual molestation or abuse. In the event that CONTRACTOR's policy should have an exclusion for sexual molestation or abuse claims, then CONTRACTOR shall be required to procure a supplemental policy providing such coverage.

#### B. Commercial Auto Liability Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage for owned, non-owned, and hired autos using ISO Business Auto Coverage form CA 00 01 (or equivalent) with a limit of no less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per accident. If no owned automobiles, then only hired and non-owned is required. If CONTRACTOR uses a vehicle to travel to/from school sites, between schools, and/or to/from students' homes or other locations as approved service locations by the LEA, CONTRACTOR must comply with the State of California auto insurance requirements.

C. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance with Statutory Limits and Employers' Liability Insurance with a

limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with the certificate of insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of LEA

#### D. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per claim and in the aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### F. For all Insurance Coverage in Part I:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days' prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) All self-insured retentions over \$100,000 must be declared and approved by LEA.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) CONTRACTOR shall require and verify that all subcontractors maintain insurance meeting all the requirements stated herein. However, insurance requirements may be determined on a "per subcontractor" basis, considering the particular work to be done by the subcontractor.
- 6) All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

## PART II - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS AFFILIATED WITH A RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY ("RTC")

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS affiliated with a residential treatment center ("NPS/RTC"), the following insurance policies are required:

#### A. Commercial General Liability

CONTRACTOR shall maintain commercial general liability insurance with coverage at least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) form CG 00 01, in an amount not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage, including without limitation, blanket contractual liability. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location, or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit. CONTRACTOR'S general liability policies shall be primary and shall not seek contribution from the LEA'S coverage and be endorsed with a form at least as broad as ISO form 20 10 or CG 20 26 to provide that LEA and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers shall be additional insureds under such policies.

The policy shall be endorsed to name LEA and LEA's Board of Trustees as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by LEA which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and NPS/RTC's insurance primary despite any conflicting provisions in the NPS/RTC's policy. Coverage shall be maintained with no Self-Insured Retention above \$100,000 without the prior written approval of LEA.

Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies by CONTRACTOR shall not affect coverage provided to the LEA.

Coverage shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of the LEA.

- **B.** Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with provisions of the California Labor Code adequate to protect the NPS/RTC from claims that may arise from its operations pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act (Statutory Coverage). The Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage must also include Employers' Liability coverage with limit of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident for bodily injury or disease. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, along with Certificate of Insurance, a waiver of subrogation endorsement in favor of the LEA.
- C. Business Auto Liability Coverage CONTRACTOR shall provide auto liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if the NPS/RTC does not operate a student bus service. If the NPS/RTC provides student bus services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.
- **D.** Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage CONTRACTOR shall maintain Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage to cover all employees who process or otherwise have responsibility for NPS/RTC funds, supplies, equipment, or other assets. Minimum amount of coverage shall be \$250,000 per occurrence, with no self-insured retention.
- E. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) Insurance CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional liability insurance that insures against professional errors and omissions that may be made in performing the Services to be rendered in connection with this Contract, in the minimum amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per claim and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### F. Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall provide Sexual Abuse and Molestation Insurance with limits not less than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence and six million dollars (\$6,000,000) aggregate. This insurance shall cover potential claims of sexual abuse or molestation.

Sexual Abuse and Molestation coverage must either be included under a General Liability policy or obtained in a separate policy. Any policy inception date, continuity date, or retroactive date must be before the effective date of this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain continuous coverage through a period no less than three years after completion of the services required by this Contract.

#### G. For all Insurance Coverage in Part II:

- 1) Each insurance policy required by the Contract shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, or reduced in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to LEA, except that ten (10) days prior written notice shall apply in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.
- 2) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000 must be declared to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions with respect to the LEA, its officials, and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigation.
- 3) Evidence of Insurance Prior to the commencement of serving LEA students pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall furnish LEA with certificates, additional insured endorsements, and waivers of subrogation evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements above. CONTRACTOR must agree to provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies if requested by LEA.
- 4) Acceptability of Insurers Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted in the State of California and with an AM Best rating of A-, VII, or higher.
- 5) For any claims related to the services performed in connection with this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be the primary insurance with respect to the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees shall be in excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute to it.

All Certificates of Insurance must reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

If LEA or CONTRACTOR determines that a change in insurance coverage obligations under this section is necessary, either party may reopen negotiations to modify the insurance obligations.

#### 16. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

A. When the law establishes a professional standard of care for CONTRACTOR'S Services, to the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its officials, employees and volunteers from and against any and all losses, liabilities, damages, costs, and expenses, including legal counsel's fees and costs but only to the extent the CONTRACTOR is responsible for such damages, liabilities and costs on a comparative basis of fault between the CONTRACTOR and the LEA in the performance of professional services under this Contract.

#### B. INDEMNITY FOR OTHER THAN PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

Other than in the performance of professional services and to the full extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless LEA and any and all of its employees, officials, and volunteers from and against any liability (including liability for claims, suits, actions, arbitration proceedings, administrative proceedings, regulatory proceedings, losses, expenses or costs of any kind, whether actual, alleged or threatened, including legal counsel's fees and costs, court costs, defense costs, and expert witness fees), where the same arise out of, are a consequence of, or are in any way attributable to, in whole or in part, the performance of this Contract by CONTRACTOR or by any individual or LEA for which CONTRACTOR is legally liable, including, but not limited to officers, agents, employees, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR, except when caused by the active negligence or willful misconduct of the LEA.

#### 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing herein contained will be construed to imply a joint venture, partnership or principal-agent relationship between LEA and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide all services under this Contract as an independent contractor, and neither party shall have the authority to bind or make any commitment on behalf of the other. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employer and employee between the Parties or any affiliates of the Parties, or between LEA and any individual assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform any services for LEA.

If LEA is determined to be a partner, joint venture, co-principal, employer or co-employer of CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless LEA from and against any and all claims for loss, liability, or damages arising from that determination, as well as any expenses, costs, taxes, penalties and interest charges incurred by LEA as a result of that determination.

#### 18. SUBCONTRACTING

CONTRACTOR shall not enter into any subcontracting relationship without first obtaining final written approval of LEA. Should CONTRACTOR wish to subcontract for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Contract, it must provide written notification to LEA before any subcontracting arrangement is made. In the event LEA determines that it can provide the subcontracted service(s) at a lower rate, LEA may elect to provide such service(s). If LEA elects to provide such service(s), LEA shall provide written notification to CONTRACTOR within five (5) days of receipt of CONTRACTOR's original notice and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said service(s).

Should LEA approve in concept of CONTRACTOR subcontracting for services, CONTRACTOR shall submit the proposed subcontract to LEA for approval. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR is developing subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including, but not limited to, transportation) for any LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall cause each subcontractor to procure and maintain indemnification and insurance requirements which comply with the provisions of Sections 15 and 16 of this Contract during the term of each subcontract. If a proposed subcontract is approved by LEA, each subcontractor shall furnish LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 15 of this Contract. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. Unless otherwise agreed to by LEA, the endorsements are to be on forms provided by LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall name the LEA/SELPA and the LEA Board of Education as additional insureds.

As an alternative to LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide, with prior LEA approval, complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage required by

this Contract. All Certificates of Insurance must reference the LEA contract number, name of the NPS/A submitting the certificate, designation of NPS or NPA, and the location of the NPS/A submitting the certificate. In addition, all subcontractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 45 (Clearance Requirements) and Section 46 (Staff Qualifications) of this Contract. No subcontract shall be considered final without LEA approval.

#### 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA upon request a copy of its current bylaws and a current list of its Board of Directors (or Trustees), if it is incorporated. CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code section 56042 and Government Code Section 1090 including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provision of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at IEP team meetings acting as a student's advocate. Pursuant to California Education Code section 56042, an attorney or advocate for a Parent of an individual with exceptional needs shall not recommend placement at CONTRACTOR's facility if the attorney or advocate is employed or contracted by the CONTRACTOR, or will receive a benefit from the CONTRACTOR, or otherwise has a conflict of interest.

LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for an LEA student when a recommendation for special education and/or related services is based in whole or in part on assessment(s) or reports provided by CONTRACTOR to the LEA student without prior written authorization by LEA. This section shall apply to CONTRACTOR regardless of when an assessment is performed or a report is prepared (i.e., before or after the LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR's NPS/A) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid conflict of interest, and in order to ensure the appropriateness of an Independent Educational Evaluation (hereinafter referred to as "IEE") and its recommendations, LEA may not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the LEA student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, LEA may not fund services through the evaluator whose IEE LEA agrees to fund. When no other appropriate assessor is available, LEA may request and if CONTRACTOR agrees, CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that its authorized representative has read and understands California Education Code section 56366.3 which provides, in relevant part, that no special education and/or related services provided by CONTRACTOR shall be paid for by LEA if provided by an individual who is or was an employee of LEA within the three hundred sixty-five (365) days prior to executing this Contract. This provision does not apply to any person who is able to provide designated instruction and services during the extended school year because he or she is otherwise employed for up to ten months of the school year by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall not admit a student living within the jurisdictional boundaries of the LEA on a private pay or tuition free "scholarship" basis and concurrently or subsequently advise/request Parent(s) to pursue funding for the admitted school year from LEA through due process proceedings. Such action shall constitute good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

#### 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not, in employment or operation of its programs, unlawfully discriminate on the basis of gender, nationality, national origin, ancestry, race, color, ethnicity, ethnic group affiliation, religion, age, marital status, pregnancy or parental status, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, physical or mental disability, genetic information, medical condition, military or veteran status, or any other classification protected by federal or State law or the perception of one or more of such characteristics or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

#### 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services (including transition services) to each LEA student within the NPS/A consistent with the student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall not accept an LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If an LEA student's services are provided by a third party (i.e. Related Services Provider), CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, if provision of services cease.

Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, and/or facilities, as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall make no charge of any kind to parents for special education and/or related services as specified in the student's IEP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of an LEA student's enrollment under the terms of this Contract). LEA shall provide low incidence equipment for eligible students with low incidence disabilities when specified in an LEA student's IEP and ISA. Such equipment remains the property of the LEA and shall be returned to the LEA when the IEP team determines the equipment is no longer needed or when the student is no longer enrolled in the NPS. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

CONTRACTOR may charge an LEA student's Parent(s) for services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE after: (a) written notification to the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities; and (b) receipt by LEA of the written notification and a written acknowledgment signed by the LEA student's Parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning Parent acknowledgment of financial responsibility.

Voluntary services and/or activities not necessary for the student to receive a FAPE shall not interfere with the LEA student's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA unless the LEA, CONTRACTOR, and Parent agree otherwise in writing.

#### 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All NPS/A services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code section 56366 *et seq*.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. LEA students shall have access to: (a) State Board of Education (SBE) - adopted Common Core State Standards ("CCSS") for curriculum and the same instructional materials for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive; and provide standards – aligned core curriculum and instructional materials for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, used by LEA; (b) college preparation courses; (c) extracurricular activities, such as art, sports, music and academic clubs; (d) career preparation and vocational training, consistent with transition plans pursuant to State and federal law and; (e) supplemental assistance, including individual academic tutoring, psychological counseling, and career and college counseling. When appropriate, CONTRACTOR shall utilize the designated curriculum guidelines for students with moderate to severe disabilities who participate in the State's alternative assessment. These students shall have access to the core content, activities, and instructional materials delineated within these curriculum guidelines. CONTRACTOR'S general program

of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA prior to the effective date of this

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades 9 through 12 inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not award a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of LEA's graduation requirements.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction and/or services shall utilize evidence-based practices and be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines and certifications, and shall be provided as specified in the student's IEP and ISA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the services and location provided prior to the effective date of this Contract. School-based services may not be unilaterally converted by CONTRACTOR to a substitute program or provided at a location not specifically authorized by the IEP team. Except for services provided by a CONTRACTOR that is a Licensed Children's Institution (LCI), all services not provided in the school setting require the presence of a Parent or adult caregiver during the delivery of services, provided such guardian or caregiver have a signed authorization by the Parent to authorize emergency services as requested. LCI CONTRACTORS shall ensure that appropriate and qualified residential or clinical staff is present during the provision of services under this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no Parent, guardian or adult caregiver is present.

CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services shall develop a written plan that specifies the nature of their NPA service for each student within thirty (30) days of enrollment and shall be provided in writing to the LEA. CONTRACTORs providing Behavior Intervention Services must have a trained behaviorist or trained equivalent on staff who is qualified and responsible for the design, planning, and implementation of behavioral interventions as the law requires. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3051.23; Ed. Code § 56366.10(e).) It is understood that Behavior Intervention Services are limited to CDE Certification and do not constitute an instructional program.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA, CONTRACTOR shall not provide transportation nor subcontract for transportation services for students unless LEA and CONTRACTOR agree otherwise in writing.

#### 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, the total number of instructional minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be at least equivalent to the number of instructional minutes per school day provided to LEA students at like grade level attending LEA schools and shall be specified in the student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

For students in grades kindergarten through 12 inclusive, unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP and ISA, the number of instructional minutes, excluding breakfast, recess, lunch and passing time shall be at the same level that California Education Code prescribes for LEA.

The total number of annual instructional minutes shall be at least equivalent to the total number of annual instructional minutes provided to LEA students attending LEA schools in like grade level unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, the total number of minutes per school day provided by CONTRACTOR shall be specified in the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the student's IEP.

#### 24. CLASS SIZE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that class size shall not exceed a ratio of one teacher per twelve (12) students, unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing. Upon prior written approval by an authorized LEA representative, class size may be temporarily increased by a ratio of 1 teacher to fourteen (14) students when necessary, during the regular or extended school year to provide services to students with disabilities.

In the event a NPS CONTRACTOR is unable to fill a vacant teaching position responsible for direct instruction to LEA students, and the vacancy has a direct impact on the CDE Certification of that school, CONTRACTOR shall develop a plan to ensure appropriate coverage of students by first utilizing existing certificated staff. CONTRACTOR and LEA may agree to one 30 school day period per contract year where class size may be increased to ensure coverage by an appropriately credentialed teacher. Such an agreement shall be in writing and signed by both parties. This provision does not apply to an NPA CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR providing special education instruction for individuals with exceptional needs between the ages of three and five years, inclusive, shall also comply with the appropriate instructional adult to child ratios pursuant to California Education Code sections 56440 *et seq*.

#### 25. CALENDARS

#### When CONTRACTOR is a NPS:

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed 180 days, plus extended school year billable days equivalent to the number of days determined by LEA's extended school year calendar. Billable days shall include only those days that are included on the submitted and approved school calendar, and/or required by the IEP (developed by LEA) for each LEA student. CONTRACTOR shall not be allowed to change its school calendar and/or amend the number of billable days without the prior written approval of LEA. Nothing in this Contract shall be interpreted to require LEA to accept any requests for calendar changes. In the event LEA adjusts the number of school days for its regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for CONTRACTOR. In such a case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the LEA student's IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services as determined by the student's IEP team and the provision of such is specifically included in the ISA. Extended school year shall consist of twenty (20) instructional days, unless otherwise agreed upon by the student's IEP team convened by the LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to by LEA and CONTRACTOR, in writing, prior to the start of the extended school year.

Student must have actually been in attendance during the regular school year and/or during extended school year and received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPS service. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall observe the same legal holidays as LEA. As of the execution of this Contract, those holidays are: Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth and Independence Day. With the prior written approval of LEA, CONTRACTOR may revise the date upon which CONTRACTOR closes in observance of any of the holidays observed by LEA.

#### When CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

CONTRACTOR shall be provided with a LEA-developed/approved calendar prior to the initiation of services. CONTRACTOR herein agrees to observe holidays as specified in LEA-developed/approved calendar. CONTRACTOR shall provide services pursuant to LEA-developed/approved calendar; or as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA students on only those days that the LEA student's school of attendance is in session and the LEA student attends school. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for services provided on billable days of attendance as indicated on LEA calendar unless CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in writing before delivery of any NPA services. Student must have actually been in attendance and/or received services on a billable day of attendance in order for CONTRACTOR to be eligible for payment. It is specifically understood that services may not be provided on weekends/holidays and other times when school is not in session, unless agreed to by LEA, in writing, in advance of the delivery of any NPA service provided by CONTRACTOR. Any services provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. In the event of school closures due to emergency, payment will follow the procedures in accordance with Section 62 of this Contract.

#### 26. DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide to LEA all data related to LEA student information and billing information. CONTRACTOR shall provide data related to all sections of this Contract, including student discipline as noted below, when requested by LEA and in the format required by LEA. It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize LEA-approved electronic IEP system for all IEP development, service tracking documentation, and progress reporting, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by LEA. Additional progress reporting may be required by the LEA. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access so that this information may be compiled.

Using forms developed by the CDE or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, on a monthly basis, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all statutory offenses as described in Education Codes sections 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with approved forms and/or format for such data including, but not limited to, invoicing, attendance reports and progress reports. LEA may approve use of CONTRACTOR-provided forms at its discretion.

#### 27. LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT/DUAL ENROLLMENT

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA Procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") options and/or dual enrollment options if available and appropriate, for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall ensure that LRE placement options are addressed at all IEP team meetings regarding students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. This shall include IEP team consideration of supplementary aids and services, goals and objectives necessary for placement in the LRE and necessary to enable students to transition to less restrictive settings.

When an IEP team has determined that a student should be transitioned into the public-school setting, CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA in implementing the IEP team's recommended activities to support the transition.

#### 28. STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, per implementation of Senate Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASPP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), California Alternative Assessment ("CAA"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("ELPAC"), and Alternative English Language Proficiency Assessments for California ("Alternative ELPAC"), and as appropriate to the LEA student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA, State of California, and federal guidelines.

CONTRACTOR is subject to the alternative accountability system developed pursuant to Education Code section 52052, in the same manner as public schools. Each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR by the LEA shall be tested by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. LEA shall provide test administration training to CONTRACTOR'S qualified staff. CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA test training and comply with completion of all coding requirements as required by LEA.

#### 29. MANDATED ATTENDANCE AT LEA MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA-mandated meetings when legal mandates and/or LEA Procedures are reviewed, including but not limited to the areas of: curriculum, high school graduation, standards-based instruction, behavior intervention, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, data collection, standardized testing, and IEPs. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute billable service hour(s).

#### 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49005, et seq., 56521.1 and 56521.2. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that CONTRACTOR utilizes a multi-tier system of support ("MTSS") to address student needs. CONTRACTOR shall also ensure that all staff are trained on the use of positive behavior interventions and supports consistent with this Contract.

LEA students who exhibit behaviors that interfere with their learning, or the learning of others must receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal law and its implementing regulations. If the IEP team determines that a student's behavior impedes his or her learning or the learning of others, the IEP team is required to consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. This could mean that instead of developing a Behavior Intervention Plan ("BIP"), the IEP team may conclude it is sufficient to address the student's behavioral problems through the development of behavioral goals and behavioral interventions to support those goals.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and behavioral emergency reports ("BERs"). CONTRACTOR shall inform each of its employees about the policy, provide each employee with a copy thereof, and provide training to all employees regarding the policy. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all of its staff members are trained in crisis intervention, emergency procedures, and evidenced-based practices and interventions specific to the unique behavioral needs of the CONTRACTOR's pupil population. Training shall include certification by an approved LEA crisis intervention program. Training shall be provided within 30 days of employment to new staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day, and annually to all staff who have any contact or interaction with pupils during the school day. (Ed. Code 56366.10(f).) The CONTRACTOR shall select and conduct the training in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1. CONTRACTOR shall maintain accurate written records documenting all training completed by all of CONTRACTOR's employees. Evidence of all training shall be submitted to

LEA at least annually at the beginning of the school year, and within five (5) business days of completion of training or any new hire upon LEA request.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1, emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a BIP and shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. Emergency interventions may only be used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to a LEA student or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency. Consistent with Section 44 of this Contract, LEA may observe and/or audit CONTRACTOR's implementation of BIPs, staff use of behavior interventions, including emergency interventions, at any time, and without prior notice.

CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER when an emergency occurs that is defined as serious, dangerous behavior that staff has determined to present a clear and present danger to others. It requires a non-violent physical intervention to protect the safety of student, self, or others and a physical intervention has been used; or a physical intervention has not been used, but an injury or serious property damage has occurred. The use of Personal Safety Techniques (which may or may not have been used) does not determine whether a BER is required. Emergencies *require* a BER form be completed and submitted to the LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone. If the student's IEP does not contain a BIP, an IEP team shall schedule a meeting to review the BER, determine if there is a necessity for a functional behavioral assessment ("FBA"), and to determine an interim plan, or both. If the student already has a BIP, the IEP team shall review and modify the BIP if a new serious behavior has been exhibited or existing behavioral interventions have proven to be ineffective. CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.2, CONTRACTOR shall not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for the following interventions, or any other interventions like the following:

- 1. Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain, including, but not limited to, electric shock.
- 2. An intervention that involves the release of noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mist, or substances in proximity to the face of the individual.
- 3. An intervention that denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities.
- 4. An intervention that is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject, the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or that can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma.
- 5. Restrictive interventions that employ a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities, including the procedure known as prone containment, except that prone containment or similar techniques may be used by trained personnel as a limited emergency intervention.
- 6. Locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 7. An intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual.
- 8. An intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with Education Code section 49005.8. Specifically, Contractor shall not do any of the following:

- 1. Use seclusion or behavioral restraint for the purpose of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.
- 2. Use locked seclusion unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
- 3. Use a physical restraint technique that obstructs a pupil's respiratory airway or impairs the pupil's breathing or respiratory capacity, including techniques in which a staff member places pressure on a pupil's back or places his or her body weight against the pupil's torso or back.

- 4. Use a behavioral restraint technique that restricts breathing, including, but not limited to, using a pillow, blanket, carpet, mat, or other item to cover a pupil's face.
- 5. Place a pupil in a facedown position with the pupil's hands held or restrained behind the pupil's back
- 6. Use a behavioral restraint for longer than is necessary to contain the behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the pupil or others.

CONTRACTOR shall keep constant, direct observation of a pupil who is in seclusion, which may be through observation of the pupil through a window, or another barrier, through which the educational provider is able to make direct eye contact with the pupil. This observation shall not be through indirect means, including through a security camera or a closed-circuit television.

CONTRACTOR shall afford pupils who are restrained the least restrictive alternative and the maximum freedom of movement, and shall use the least number of restraint points, while ensuring the physical safety of the pupil and others.

If prone restraint techniques are used by CONTRACTOR, a staff member shall observe the pupil for any signs of physical distress throughout the use of prone restraint. Whenever possible, the staff member monitoring the pupil shall not be involved in restraining the pupil.

In the case of a child whose behavior impedes the child's learning or that of others, the IEP team shall consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA via telephone of any severe or increasingly frequent behavior problem, any emergency intervention in response to a previously unseen serious behavior problem, or where a previously designed behavior intervention is ineffective, that may require an IEP team meeting.

All restraint practices must be reviewed and revised when they have an adverse effect on a student and are used repeatedly for an individual child, either on multiple occasions within the same classroom or multiple uses by the same individual. CONTRACTOR shall notify the Parent when any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusion has been used. Upon the use of any type of physical or mechanical restraint or seclusions of an LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER per the reporting and notification requirements listed above.

BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION REPORTING: Twice annually, CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that (a) CONTRACTOR has reviewed the BERs for each LEA student in conjunction with that student's IEP and BIP; (b) Staff are trained to implement each LEA student's BIP, including approved or prohibited restraint techniques for each student; (c) emergency interventions have only been used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to LEA students or others and that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior; and (d) BERs have been properly completed and timely forwarded to LEA as required by this Contract.

CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with any of the requirements of Section 30: Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports shall constitute sufficient good cause for immediate termination of this Contract by LEA.

#### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with State of California and federal law and regulations. Using forms developed by the California Department of Education or as otherwise mutually agreed upon by CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA, monthly, a written report of all incidents in which a statutory offense is committed by any LEA student, regardless of if it results in a disciplinary action of suspension or expulsion. This includes all

statutory offenses as described in Education Codes 48900 and 48915. CONTRACTOR shall also include incidents resulting in the use of behavioral restraint and/or seclusion even if they were not a result of a violation of Education Code Sections 48900 and 48915. (Ed. Code § 49006.)

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from the student's current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) submit a written discipline report to LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the student's name, grade, race, ethnicity, and gender; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACTOR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of the LEA student's behavior plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP meeting no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day after the decision is made to suspend the student for more than ten (10) school days or recommend expulsion of the student. LEA shall notify and invite CONTRACTOR representatives to the IEP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

#### 32. IEP TEAM MEETINGS

An IEP team meeting shall be convened at least annually to evaluate: (1) the educational progress of each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR, including all state assessment results pursuant to the requirements of Education Code section 52052; (2) whether or not the needs of the LEA student continue to be best met at the NPS; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the LEA student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) and California Education Code section 56345(b)(4).)

If an LEA student is to be transferred from a NPS setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, a description of activities provided to integrate the student into the regular education program, including the nature of each activity as well as the time spent on the activity each day or week and a description of the activities provided to support the transition of the student from the special education program into the regular education program. Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of the student's IEP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. At any time during the term of this Contract, the Parent, CONTRACTOR, or LEA may request a review of the LEA student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to CONTRACTOR, LEA, and Parent. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, at no cost and prior to an annual or triennial IEP team meeting, documentation regarding the student's progress on goals and all assessments and written assessment reports (including testing protocols) created by CONTRACTOR and any of its agents or subcontractors, upon request and/or pursuant to LEA Procedures. It is understood that attendance at an IEP meeting is part of CONTRACTOR'S professional responsibility and is not a billable service under this Contract.

It is understood that CONTRACTOR shall utilize the LEA approved electronic IEP system for all IEP planning and progress reporting at LEA's discretion. LEA may provide training for any CONTRACTOR to ensure access to the approved system. CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on the approved system and shall protect the password requirements of the system. When a LEA student disenrolls from the NPS/A, the CONTRACTOR shall discontinue use of the approved system for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting provided under this Contract, may only be made based on revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that CONTRACTOR believes a LEA student requires a change of placement, CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the purposes of consideration of a change in the student's placement. A LEA student is entitled to remain in the last agreed upon and implemented placement unless Parent agrees otherwise, or an Interim Alternative Educational Setting is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH consistent with Section 1415(k)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code.

#### 33. SURROGATE PARENTS AND FOSTER YOUTH

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments. Surrogate parents shall serve as the child's Parent and have all the rights relative to the student's education that a parent has under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act pursuant to 20 U.S.C. sections 1414-1482 and 34 C.F.R. sections 300.1-300.756. A pupil in foster care shall be defined pursuant to California Education Code section 42238.01(b). LEA shall annually notify CONTRACTOR who LEA has designated as the educational liaison for foster children. When a pupil in foster care is enrolled in a NPS by LEA any time after the completion of the student's second year of high school, CONTRACTOR shall schedule the pupil in courses leading towards graduation based on the diploma requirements of LEA unless provided notice otherwise in writing pursuant to Section 51225.1.

#### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. Participation includes CONTRACTOR's staff being made available for witness preparation and testimony as is necessary to facilitate a due process hearing. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office of Civil Rights, or any other State and/or federal governmental body or agency. Full participation shall include, but in no way be limited to, cooperating with LEA representatives to provide complete answers raised by any investigator and/or the immediate provision of any and all documentation that pertains to the operation of CONTRACTOR's program and/or the implementation of a particular student's IEP/ISA.

#### 35. COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and adhere to its own written procedures for responding to Parent complaints. These procedures shall include annually notifying and providing Parents of LEA students with appropriate information (including complaint forms) for the following: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 *et seq.*; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8(a), (d) and 106.9(a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"). CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall immediately (within 24 hours) notify LEA of any complaints filed against it related to LEA students and provide LEA with all documentation related to the complaints and/or its investigation of complaints, including any and all reports generated as a result of an investigation.

#### 36. LEA STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS/REPORT CARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided monthly, CONTRACTOR shall provide Parents, with a concurrent copy sent to LEA, at least four (4) written progress reports/report cards. At a minimum, progress reports shall include progress over time towards IEP goals and objectives. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at CONTRACTOR's place of business and shall be submitted to the LEA and LEA student's Parent quarterly.

CONTRACTOR shall also provide LEA representatives access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, transition plans, and behavior intervention plans, including but not limited to log sheets, chart notes, observation notes, data sheets, pre-/post-tests, rubrics and other similar data collection used to determine progress or lack of progress on approved goals, objectives, transition plans or behavior intervention plans. LEA may request such data at any time within five (5) years of the date of service. CONTRACTOR shall maintain such information for at least five (5) years and shall provide this data supporting progress to LEA within five (5) business days of request. Additional time may be granted as needed by the LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other evaluations of the LEA student at least ten (10) days prior to the student's IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP team meeting as required by State and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA Procedures, and/or LEA practices. CONTRACTOR shall provide sufficient copies of its reports, documents, and projected goals to share with members of the IEP team at least five (5) business days prior to the IEP meeting. CONTRACTOR shall maintain supporting documentation, such as test protocols and data collection, which shall be made available to LEA within five (5) business days of request.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for all evaluation costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting, and development of present levels of performance. All assessments resulting from an assessment plan shall be provided by LEA unless LEA specifies in writing a request that CONTRACTOR perform such assessment. Any assessment and/or evaluation costs may be added to the ISA and/or approved separately by LEA at LEA's sole discretion.

It is understood that all billable hours must be in direct services to LEA students as specified in the ISA. For NPA services, supervision provided by a qualified individual as specified in Title 5 Regulation, subsection 3065, shall be determined as appropriate and included in the ISA. Supervision means the direct observation of services, data review, case conferencing and program design consistent with professional standards for each professional's license, certification, or credential.

CONTRACTOR shall not charge a LEA student's Parent(s) or LEA for the provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any evaluations conducted in order to obtain present levels of performance, interviews, and/or attendance at any meetings. It is understood that all billable hours are limited to those specified on the ISA consistent with the IEP. It is understood that copies of data collection notes, forms, charts and other such data are part of the student's record and shall be made available to LEA upon written request.

#### 37. GRADES, HIGH SCHOOL COURSE CREDITS & TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR is responsible for assigning grades for any course of instruction taught at the NPS. The grades determined by the pupil's teacher, in the absence of clerical or mechanical mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetency, shall be final and consistent with the provisions specified in <u>EC Section 49066</u>. The grades each pupil receives in all courses of instruction taught by the NPS shall be reported to the parents and the LEA on a quarterly basis. Consistent with the LEA, should it become evident to the NPS the pupil is in danger of failing a course, the CONTRACTOR must initiate a parent conference, and the LEA representative must be in attendance.

When CONTRACTOR serves students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by the CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not recommend awarding a high school diploma to students who have not successfully completed all of the LEA's graduation requirements.

Pupils enrolled in high school during the 2020-2021 academic year may request a Pass or No Pass grade as permitted in <u>EC Section 49066.5</u>, which may be reflected on the student's transcript and shall not negatively affect the pupil's grade point average.

CONTRACTOR shall prepare transcripts at the close of each semester, or upon LEA student transfer, for LEA students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) inclusive and submit such transcripts on LEA-approved forms to the LEA student's school of residence for evaluation of progress toward completion of diploma requirements as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA, the names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by LEA. All transcripts shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR and furnished to LEA upon request, consistent with the parameters of Sections 9 and 26 of this Contract.

#### 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify Parents in writing of their obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of an LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to Parents. Within five (5) school days from the date CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures.

If CONTRACTOR had knowledge or should reasonably have had knowledge of an LEA student's change of residence and CONTRACTOR fails to follow the procedures specified in this section, LEA shall not be responsible for the costs of services delivered following the LEA student's change of residence.

#### 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM NPS/A

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report to LEA via telephone and electronically (within 24 hours) and in writing to LEA within five (5) business days when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services without prior notice. This includes but is not limited to a LEA student's change of residence to a residence outside of LEA boundaries, and LEA student's discharge against professional advice from a NPS and/or residential treatment center ("RTC"). CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify potential dropouts three (3) times per year.

#### 40. PARENT ACCESS

CONTRACTOR shall provide for reasonable parental access to LEA students and all facilities including, but not limited to, the instructional setting, recreational activity areas, meeting rooms and student living quarters when applicable. CONTRACTOR shall comply with any known court orders regarding parental visits and access to LEA students.

CONTRACTOR operating programs associated with an NPS/RTC shall cooperate with a Parent's reasonable request for LEA student therapeutic visits in their home or at the NPS/RTC. CONTRACTOR shall require that Parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from CONTRACTOR and LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance. When requested, CONTRACTOR shall facilitate all Parent travel and accommodations and provide travel information to the parents as appropriate. Payment by LEA for approved travel-related expenses shall be made directly through LEA consistent with LEA Procedures.

CONTRACTOR providing services in a LEA student's home as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child, or an adult caregiver with the Parent's written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency, is present. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to the LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the Parent informs the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergencies. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing immediately (within 24 hours) of all problems and/or concerns reported to Parents, both verbal and written.

## 41. LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION ("LCI") CONTRACTORS AND RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER ("RTC") CONTRACTORS

If CONTRACTOR is a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9 (c) (1), Health and Safety Code section 1501.1 and any other applicable laws and/or regulations, including LEA guidelines and LEA Procedures. An LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its NPS as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS/RTC, CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1400 et seq. including the federal regulations 34 C.F.R section 300 et seq. and Education Code section 56000 et seq. including Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3000 et seq. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all monitoring requirements set forth in Section 43 below.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS that is owned, operated by, or associated with a LCI, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, on a quarterly basis, a list of all LEA students, including those identified as eligible for special education. For those identified as special education students, the list shall include: 1) special education eligibility at the time of enrollment and 2) the educational placement and services specified in each student's IEP at the time of enrollment. A copy of the current IEP shall be provided to the LEA.

Unless placement is made pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings order or a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and Parent, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with NPS placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a NPS placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the LEA student's Parent or another adult with educational decision-making rights.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide, respectively, special education and related services and designated instruction and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.).

#### 42. STATE MEAL MANDATE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49005 et seq.; 49501.5, the universal meal mandate enacted by AB 130 (2021-2022); 49530 et seq; and 49550 et seq.

#### 43. MONITORING

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct at least one onsite monitoring visit during each school year to the NPS at which LEA has a student attending and with which it maintains a master contract. The monitoring visit shall include, but is not limited to, a review of services provided to the student through the ISA between LEA and the NPS, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's IEP, a review of progress the student is making toward the goals set forth in the student's BIP, if applicable, an observation of the pupil during instruction, and a walkthrough of the facility. LEA (or SELPA) shall report the findings resulting from the monitoring visit to the California Department of Education within 60 calendar days of the onsite visit.

LEA (or SELPA) shall conduct an onsite visit to the NPS before placement of a student if LEA does not have any students enrolled at the NPS at the time of placement. (Ed. Code § 56366.1.)

CONTRACTOR shall allow LEA representatives access to its facilities for additional periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program. LEA shall have access to observe each LEA student at work, observe the instructional setting, interview CONTRACTOR, and review each LEA student's records and progress held by CONTRACTOR. LEA's access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR's site administrative office. CONTRACTOR and LEA shall be invited to participate in the review of each LEA student's progress.

If CONTRACTOR is also an LCI and/or NPS/RTC, the CDE shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR follows Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b). LEA may also conduct its own onsite review of a NPS using LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction ("Superintendent") shall monitor CONTRACTOR'S facilities, the educational environment, and the quality of the educational program, including the teaching

staff, the credentials authorizing service, the standards-based core curriculum being employed, and the standard focused instructional materials used on a three-year cycle, as follows: (1) CONTRACTOR shall complete a self-review in year one; (2) Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall participate in any LEA or CDE compliance review, if applicable, to be conducted as aligned with the CDE Onsite Review and monitoring cycle in accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(j). This review will address programmatic aspects of the NPS, compliance with relevant State and federal regulations, and Contract compliance. If requested by LEA, CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School/Agency Self-Review Assessment to LEA and CDE. CONTRACTOR shall conduct any follow-up or corrective action procedures related to review findings.

CONTRACTOR understands that LEA reserves the right to institute a program audit with or without cause. The program audit may include, but is not limited to, a review of core compliance areas of health and safety; curriculum/instruction; related services; and contractual, legal, and procedural compliance.

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS, CONTRACTOR shall collect all applicable data and prepare the applicable portion of a School Accountability Report Card as appropriate in accordance with California Education Code Section 33126.

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#### 44. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

#### If CONTRACTOR is a NPA:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPA, all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who will or are likely to interact with LEA students shall obtain clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI"). Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information and notwithstanding the express provisions of California Education Code sections 44237, 45125.1, and 56366.1, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors to submit fingerprints through LEA's Live Scan system, regardless of whether CONTRACTOR requires its employees and volunteers to submit fingerprints for background checks in accordance with its own procedures. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall require all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who will interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee to enroll in LEA's subsequent arrest notification service as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

No employees, volunteers, or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR who have been convicted of a violent or serious felony, as those terms are defined in California Education Code Section 44237 subdivision (h) shall interact with LEA students outside the immediate supervision and control of the student's Parent or an LEA employee, unless despite the employee's, volunteer's, or subcontractor's conviction of a violent or serious felony, they have met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237 subdivisions (i) or (j). CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not interact with LEA students unless and until CDOJ and DBI clearances are ascertained through LEA's Live Scan system.

#### If CONTRACTOR is a NPS or RTC:

When CONTRACTOR is an NPS or RTC, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 44237, 35021.1, 35021.2, and 56366.1 including, but not limited to: obtaining clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereinafter referred to as "FBI") for CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers who will have or likely may have any direct contact with LEA students. In addition, if CONTRACTOR is located outside of California, then the CONTRACTOR shall also obtain

clearance from its state's department of justice. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers shall not come in contact with LEA students until CDOJ, it's state's DOJ, and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with students, or subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students have been convicted of a violent or serious felony as those terms are defined in California Education Code section 44237(h), unless despite the employee's conviction of a violent or serious felony, he or she has met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237(i) or (j). Upon request, clearance certification shall be submitted to the LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2. CONTRACTOR shall certify to LEA that CONTRACTOR'S employees, volunteers, and subcontractors have successful background checks and CONTRACTOR enrolled in subsequent arrest notification service for all employees, volunteers, and subcontractors who may come into contact with LEA students.

Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notification service, as provided, for each owner, operator, employee, volunteer, and subcontractor of the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR is required to retain the evidence on-site, as specified, for all staff, including those licensed or credentialed by another state agency. Background clearances and proof of subsequent arrest notification service, as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2, for all staff shall be provided to the LEA upon request.

#### 45. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services hold a license, certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold in the service rendered consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1) and are qualified pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3001(r), 3064 and 3065. Such qualified staff may only provide related services within the scope of their professional license, certification or credential and ethical standards set by each profession, and not assume responsibility or authority for another related services provider or special education teacher's scope of practice.

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all staff are appropriately credentialed to provide instruction and services to students with the disabling conditions placed in their program/school through documentation provided to the CDE. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, § 3064(a).)

In accordance with California Education Code section 56366.1(a)(5), when CONTRACTOR is a NPS, an appropriately qualified person shall serve as curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development. The administrator of the NPS holds or is in the process of obtaining one of the following: (A) An administrative credential granted by an accredited postsecondary educational institution and two years of experience with pupils with disabilities. (B) A pupil personnel services credential that authorizes school counseling or psychology. (C) A license as a clinical social worker issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (D) A license in psychology regulated by the Board of Psychology. (E) A master's degree issued by an accredited postsecondary institution in education, special education, psychology, counseling, behavioral analysis, social work, behavioral science, or rehabilitation. (F) A credential authorizing special education instruction and at least two years of experience teaching in special education before becoming an administrator. (G) A license as a marriage and family therapist certified by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (H) A license as an educational psychologist issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (I) A license as a professional clinical counselor issued by the Board of Behavioral Sciences. (California Education Code §56366.1(a)(5)) CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to the LEA upon request, documentation of its administrator's qualifications in accordance with the above.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with personnel standards and qualifications regarding instructional aides and teacher assistants respectively pursuant to federal requirements and California Education Code sections 45340 et seq. and 45350 et seq. Specifically, all paraprofessionals, including but not limited to, instructional aides and teacher assistants, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or subcontracted by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services, shall possess a high school diploma (or its recognized equivalent) and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least two (2) years of study at an institution of higher education; or (b) obtained an associate's (or higher) degree; or (c) met a rigorous standard of quality and can demonstrate, through a formal state or local assessment (i) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing, and mathematics; or (ii) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading readiness, writing readiness, and mathematics readiness, as appropriate. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State and serving a LEA student shall be certified or licensed by that state where it is located to provide special education and related services to pupils under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq.).

#### 46. VERIFICATION OF LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents which entitle the holder to provide special education and/or related services by individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or sub-contracted by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all licenses, credentials, permits or other documents are on file at the office of the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Section 44 (Clearance Requirements) and provide LEA with verified dates of Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, certifications, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and CDE in writing within thirty (30) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA within thirty (30) days if any such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, challenged pursuant to an administrative or legal complaint or lawsuit, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Contract. LEA shall not be obligated to pay for any services provided by a person whose such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the period which such person is providing services under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR'S failure to notify LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or and shall be good cause for termination of this Contract by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall identify to LEA any employee (or CONTRACTOR, if CONTRACTOR is an individual) expected to perform services under this Agreement who is then-receiving California State Teachers' Retirement System ("CalSTRS") benefits, and who may perform creditable service for the LEA as defined in Education Code 22119.5. Identification to LEA shall include the individual's full legal name and STRS and social security identification numbers. Before any services by the individual are provided, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a signed written confirmation from the individual that he/she is aware of the separation-from-service requirement and earnings limitations imposed by Education Code sections 22714, 24114, 24116, 24214, 24214.5, and 24215. CONTRACTOR shall thereafter provide on a monthly basis to the employee and LEA the actual amounts paid to the individual for services rendered under this Contract, with LEA responsible for reporting the individual's earnings to CalSTRS as required by law or regulation, including but not limited to Education Code section 22461.

#### 47. STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS and CONTRACTOR's classroom teacher is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA documentation of substitute coverage. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time.

The LEA shall not be responsible for any payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided in accordance with California Education Code section 56061.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and/or related services provider, and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this agreement and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. It is understood that the parent of a LEA student shall not be deemed to be a qualified substitute for their student. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and authorized LEA representative.

## 48. STAFF PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR WHEN PROVIDING SERVICES AT SCHOOL OR SCHOOL RELATED EVENTS OR AT SCHOOL FACILITY AND/OR IN THE HOME

It is understood that all employees, subcontractors, and volunteers of any certified NPS/A shall adhere to the customary professional and ethical standards when providing services. All practices shall only be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession as well as any LEA professional standards as specified in Board policies and/or regulations when made available to the CONTRACTOR.

For services provided on a public-school campus, CONTRACTOR shall comply with California Penal Code section 627.1 *et seq.*, as well as all other LEA Procedures and school campus-specific policies and procedures regarding visitors to/on school campuses. Such LEA Procedures shall be made available to the CONTRACTOR upon request. It is understood that the LEA public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the instructional program, and all NPA service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher, who shall remain in charge of the instructional program. Failure to comply with this and all LEA requirements in this regard shall be sufficient cause for LEA to terminate this Contract.

CONTRACTOR providing services outside of the student's school as specified in the IEP shall ensure that at least one Parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authority to make decisions in an emergency is present during provision of services. The names of any adult caregiver other than the Parent shall be provided to LEA prior to the start of any home-based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider. All problems and/or concerns reported by CONTRACTOR to Parents, in either verbal or written form, shall also be immediately (within 24 hours) reported to the LEA.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES

#### 49. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, State, and local, and laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures, and LEA Procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 et. seq., 49406, and Health and Safety Code section 121545(a) regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA

documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with a LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 1910.1030 *et seq.* and Cal/OSHA's Blood-Borne Pathogens Standards, Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations section 5193, when providing medical treatment or assistance to a student. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training regarding universal health care precautions and to post required notices in areas designated in the California Health and Safety Code.

See also the Health and Safety Addendum to Master Contract 2023-2024 in Exhibit C.

#### 50. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to students in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. When CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 550. During the duration of this Contract, if CONTRACTOR is subject to fines, penalties and findings of non-compliance, CONTRACTOR shall assume any and all responsibilities for payment of such financial obligations. CONTRACTOR shall also be responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR's facilities as required complying with applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Failure to notify the LEA and CDE of any changes in, major modification or relocation of facilities may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Contract by LEA.

In signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that its facilities either comply with federal and State of California and local laws regarding disability access, or possesses and has available upon demand, a self-evaluation and/or transition plan in accordance with said laws.

#### 51. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49422 et seq. when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student who is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the student with the administration of such medication after the student's Parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR: (a) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and (b) a written statement from the student's Parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to LEA upon request, copies of such written statements. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written log for each student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify the student's name; the type of medication; the date, time, and amount of each administration; and the name of CONTRACTOR's employee who administered the medication. CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for storing medications in a secure location and ensuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and Parent.

#### 52. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall submit within 24 hours, electronically, any accident or incident report to LEA. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports pursuant to and as specified in LEA Procedures.

#### 53. CHILD ABUSE REPORTING

CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, including volunteers, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 *et seq.* and Education Code 44691. In addition, CONTRACTOR is to read and become familiar with the LEA's Mandated Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policies (BP 5141.4 and AR 5141.4.). To protect the privacy rights of all parties involved (i.e., reporter, child and alleged abuser), reports will remain confidential as required by law and professional ethical mandates. A written statement from CONTRACTOR acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA before execution of this Contract and upon subsequent request from LEA.

In the event there is a suspicion of abuse conducted by anyone (students, staff, CONTRACTOR or others) on or off campus, CONTRACTOR is to file the appropriate report to the Sacramento County Sheriff. CONTRACTOR is also to confidentially notify LEA's Legal Compliance Department ("Legal Compliance") of the report. CONTRACTOR is to cooperate with any investigation conducted by LEA in connection with such report.

#### 54. SEXUAL HARASSMENT

CONTRACTOR shall have a Sexual and Gender Identity Harassment Policy that clearly describes the kinds of conduct that constitutes sexual harassment and that is prohibited by the CONTRACTOR's policy, as well as federal and State law. The policy should include procedures to make complaints without fear of retaliation, and for prompt and objective investigations of all sexual harassment complaints. CONTRACTOR further agrees to provide annual training to all employees regarding the laws concerning sexual harassment and related procedures pursuant to Government Code 12950.1.

#### 55. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all of its staff members, including volunteers, independent contractors and subcontractors, are familiar with and agree to adhere to requirements for reporting missing children as specified in California Education Code section 49370 *et seq.* A written statement acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be properly submitted to the LEA by CONTRACTOR before execution of this Contract and in response to subsequent requests by LEA. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by LEA.

#### **FINANCIAL**

## 56. ENROLLMENT, CONTRACTING, SERVICE TRACKING, ATTENDANCE REPORTING, AND BILLING PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall assure that the NPS/A has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the students enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP and ISA for each student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA Procedures concerning enrollment, contracting, attendance reporting, service tracking and billing including requirements of electronic billing as specified by LEA Procedures, as well as provide all such records requested by LEA concerning the same. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA which are provided on billable days of attendance. All payments to CONTRACTOR by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract and in compliance with LEA Procedures and governed by all applicable federal and State of California laws.

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the NPS's enrollment procedures include verification of required immunizations (including but not limited to the adolescent pertussis booster vaccination (Tdap) for all students entering the seventh grade).

CONTRACTOR shall maintain separate registers for the basic education program, each related service, and services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides and bus aides. Original attendance forms (i.e., roll books for the basic education program, service tracking documents and notes for instructional assistants, behavioral intervention aides, bus aides, and each related service) shall be completed by the actual service provider whose signature shall appear on such forms and shall be available for review, inspection, or audit by LEA during the effective period of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter. CONTRACTOR shall verify the accuracy of minutes of reported attendance that is the basis of services being billed for payment.

CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided. Invoices and related documents shall be properly submitted electronically and in addition, on a LEA form with signatures in the manner prescribed by LEA. At a minimum, each invoice must contain the following information: type of service provided; month of service; specific days and times of services coordinated by the LEA approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by the LEA; name of staff who provided the service and the individual's licensing and credentials; approved cost of each invoice; total for each service and total for the monthly invoice; date invoice was mailed; signature of NPS/A administrator authorizing that the information is accurate and consistent with the ISA, CDE certificates and staff notification; verification that attendance report is attached as appropriate; indication of any made-up sessions consistent with this Contract; verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with the ISA (monthly or quarterly unless specified otherwise on the ISA); and name of each LEA student for whom the service was provided.

In the event services were not provided, each invoice shall include the rationale for why the services were not provided.

Such an invoice is subject to all conditions of this Contract. At the discretion of LEA, an electronic invoice may be required provided such notice has been made in writing and training provided to CONTRACTOR at no additional charge for such training.

Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the attendance accounting period in which the services were rendered. LEA shall make payment to CONTRACTOR based on the number of billable days of attendance and hours of service at rates specified in this contract within forty-five (45) days of LEA's receipt of properly submitted hard copy of invoices prepared and submitted as specified in California Education Code Section 56366.5. CONTRACTOR shall correct deficiencies and submit rebilling invoices no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the invoice is returned by LEA. LEA shall pay properly submitted re-billing invoices no later than forty-five (45) days after the date a completely corrected re-billing invoice is received by LEA.

In no case shall initial payment claim submission for any Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond December 31<sup>st</sup> after the close of the fiscal year. In no case shall any rebilling for the Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond six (6) months after the close of the fiscal year unless approved by LEA to resolve billing issues including re-billing issues directly related to a delay in obtaining information from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding teacher qualification, but no later than twelve (12) months from the close of the fiscal year. If the billing or re-billing error is the responsibility of LEA, then no limit is set if LEA and CONTRACTOR have communicated such concerns in writing during the 12-month period following the close of the fiscal year. LEA will not pay mileage for NPA employees.

#### 57. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this Contract; (b) CONTRACTOR has billed for services rendered on days other than billable days of attendance or for days when student was not in attendance and/or did not receive services; (c) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (d) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by EC 56366.5(a); (e) education and/or related services are provided to students

by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (f) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program; (g) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change of residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA within five (5) days of such confirmation; (h) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student; or (i) CONTRACTOR fails to provide the required liability/insurance documentation as outlined in Section 15 of this Contract. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that are not received by six (6) months following the close of the prior fiscal year, for services provided in that year.

Final payment to CONTRACTOR in connection with the cessation of operations and/or termination of a Contract will be subject to the same documentation standards described for all payment claims for regular ongoing operations. In addition, final payment may be withheld by LEA until completion of a review or audit, if deemed necessary by LEA. Such review or audit will be completed within ninety (90) days. The final payment may be adjusted to offset any previous payments to CONTRACTOR determined to have been paid in error or in anticipation of correction of documentation deficiencies by the CONTRACTOR that remain uncorrected.

The amount which may be withheld by LEA with respect to each of the subparagraphs of the preceding paragraph are as follows: (a) the value of the service CONTRACTOR failed to perform; (b) the amount of overpayment; (c) the entire amount of the invoice for which satisfactory documentation has not been provided by CONTRACTOR; (d) the amount invoiced for services provided by the individual not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (e) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable LEA student for the time period from the date the violation occurred and until the violation is cured; or (f) the amount paid to CONTRACTOR by Medi-Cal or another agency or funding source for the service provided to the LEA student.

If LEA determines that cause exists to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR, LEA shall, within ten (10) business days of this determination, provide to CONTRACTOR written notice that LEA is withholding payment. Such notice shall specify the basis or bases for LEA's withholding payment and the amount to be withheld. Within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of such notice, CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary and appropriate action to correct the deficiencies that form the basis for LEA's withholding payment or submit a written request for extension of time to correct the deficiencies or submit to LEA written documentation demonstrating that the basis or bases cited by LEA for withholding payment is unfounded. Upon receipt of CONTRACTOR's written request showing good cause, LEA shall extend CONTRACTOR's time to correct deficiencies (usually an additional thirty (30) days), otherwise payment will be denied.

If after subsequent request for payment has been denied and CONTRACTOR believes that payment should not be withheld, CONTRACTOR shall send written notice to LEA specifying the reason it believes payment should not be withheld. LEA shall respond to CONTRACTOR's notice within thirty (30) business days by indicating that a warrant for the amount of payment will be made or stating the reason LEA believes payment should not be made. If LEA fails to respond within thirty (30) business days or a dispute regarding the withholding of payment continues after the LEA's response to CONTRACTOR's notice, CONTRACTOR may invoke the following escalation policy.

After forty-five (45) business days: The CONTRACTOR may notify the LEA's Authorized Representative of the dispute in writing. The LEA Authorized Representative shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within fifteen (15) business days.

After sixty (60) business days: Pursuant to the provisions of Education Code section 56366(c)(2), the LEA or CONTRACTOR may appeal to the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools so long as the County Superintendent of Schools is not participating in the Local Plan involved in the NPS/A contract to negotiate the contract. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this appeal, the Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools or a designee, shall mediate the formulation of a contract, which shall be binding on both parties. Alternatively, the parties may agree to retain the services of a mutually agreed upon mediator to negotiate

the contract. Both parties agree to pay for their own costs and expenses arising out of any such mediation. Each party agrees to act in good faith in participating in any mediation process agreed to by the parties.

#### 58. PAYMENT FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA when Medi-Cal or any other agency is billed for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. Upon request, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documentation regarding reports, billing, and/or payment by Medi-Cal or any other agency for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall provide prior written notice of the rights and protections required by Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 300.154(d) whenever it seeks to use the LEA students' public benefits to pay for special education and related services. Such notice shall be provided before seeking payment from Medi-Cal for the first time and annually.

#### 59. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STAFF ABSENCE

Whenever a classroom teacher employed by CONTRACTOR is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher in the absent teacher's classroom in accordance with California Education Code section 56061. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation of substitute coverage pursuant to the LEA Procedures. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time. LEA will not pay for instruction and/or services unless said instruction or service is provided by an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher.

Whenever a related service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided unless otherwise agreed in a LEA student's IEP.

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL (NPS) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) cumulative day of a LEA student's unexcused absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of such absence.

Criteria for a billable day for payment purposes is one (1) day of attendance as defined in California Education Code, sections 46010, 46010.3 and 46307. LEA shall not pay for services provided on days that a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance (ADA) reimbursement under state law. *Per Diem* rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted on a pro rata basis in accordance with the actual proportion of the school day the student was served. LEA shall not be responsible for payment of related services for days on which a student's attendance does not qualify for Average Daily Attendance ("ADA") reimbursement under state law, nor shall student be eligible for make-up services.

#### NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a NPA and CONTRACTOR's service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section 7 of this Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. LEA shall not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides documentation evidencing the provision of "make-up" services by a qualified service provider within thirty (30) calendar days from the date on which the services should have been provided. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and LEA. In the event services were not provided, reasons for why the services were not provided shall be included.

#### NONPUBLIC AGENCY (NPA) STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a NPA, it shall notify LEA of the absence of a LEA student no later than the fifth  $(5^{th})$  consecutive service day of the student's absence. LEA shall not be responsible for the payment of services when a student is absent.

#### 60. LEA and/or NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSURE DUE TO EMERGENCY

The following shall apply in the event of a LEA or NPS school closure due to an emergency in accordance with Education Code sections 41422 and 46392:

- a. If CONTRACTOR remains open, if allowed, during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422 and serves LEA students appropriately as delineated in the ISA, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment, regardless of whether LEA is open or closed.
- b. If CONTRACTOR is closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, if LEA is able to obtain alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR's NPS closure. If LEA is unable to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the signed ISA, as though the student were continuing in regular attendance, until an alternative placement can be found, so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below.
- c. If both LEA and CONTRACTOR are closed during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, on days LEA is funded, CONTRACTOR shall receive payment consistent with the LEA student's ISA, until an alternative placement for the LEA student can be found so long as CONTRACTOR complies with Section 60(d), below. If LEA is able to obtain an alternative placement for the LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall not receive payment for days the student is not in attendance due to CONTRACTOR'S NPS closure.
- d. CONTRACTOR shall, in the case of school closures during an emergency for the reasons set forth in Education Code section 41422, implement the LEA student's IEP in accordance with Education Code 56345(a)(9) pertaining to emergency conditions and continue implementing ISAs for enrolled students CONTRACTOR shall ensure its students have reliable internet accessibility as well as the physical technology (i.e. Chromebooks, i-Pad, hot-spots etc.) as required to access and participate.
- e. In the event of CONTRACTOR'S closure during an emergency, LEA reserves the right to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR for instruction and services not rendered pursuant to an LEA student's ISA, consistent with Section 59.

When the emergency school closure is lifted, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of any lost instructional minutes for any LEA student. CONTRACTOR and LEAs shall work collaboratively to determine the need for make-up days or service changes and shall work together to amend IEP and ISA paperwork as appropriate.

#### 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and LEA shall have the right to examine and audit all of the books, records, documents, accounting procedures and practices and other evidence that reflect all costs claimed to have been incurred or fees claimed to have been earned under this Contract.

CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to those documents identified in Section 9 of this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall also make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.

CONTRACTOR shall make all records available at the office of LEA or CONTRACTOR (to be specified by LEA) at all reasonable times and without charge. CONTRACTOR shall provide all records to LEA within five (5) working days of a written request. CONTRACTOR shall, at no cost to LEA, help with such examination or audit. LEA's rights under this section shall also include access to CONTRACTOR's offices for purposes of interviewing CONTRACTOR's employees. If any document or evidence is stored in an electronic form, a hard copy shall be made available to LEA, unless LEA agrees to the use of the electronic format. Such access shall also include unannounced inspections by LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain from its subcontractors and suppliers written agreements relating to the requirements of this section and shall provide a copy of such agreements to LEA upon request by LEA.

If an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm determines that CONTRACTOR owes LEA monies as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR written notice demanding payment from CONTRACTOR and specifying the basis or bases for such demand. Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, CONTRACTOR shall pay to LEA the full amount owed as a result of CONTRACTOR's over billing and/or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Contract, as determined by an inspection, review, or audit by LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm. CONTRACTOR shall make such payment to LEA within thirty (30) days of receipt of LEA's written notice demanding payment.

#### 62. RATE SCHEDULE

The attached Rate Schedule (Exhibit A) limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the Contract. It may also limit the maximum number of LEA students that can be provided specific services. Per Diem rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted proportionally. In such cases only, the adjustments in basic education rate shall be based on the required minimum number of minutes per grade level as set forth in paragraph 23, above, and noted in California Education Code Section 46200-46208.

Special education and/or related services offered by CONTRACTOR shall be provided by qualified personnel as per State and federal law, and the codes and charges for such educational and/or related services during the term of this Contract, shall be as stated in Exhibit A.

When CONTRACTOR is a NPS associated with a RTC ("NPS/RTC"), Educationally Related Mental Health Services ("ERMHS") are provided in an integrated, intensive, educationally related therapeutic residential setting which includes social emotional/behavior support through individual counseling, group counseling, family consultation and support, as appropriate. It is a collaborative model which includes educational professionals and related service providers, where all supports and services are integrated in the NPS/RTC program. Costs for ERMHS are all inclusive and combined with the daily rate as ERMHS+RB ("ERMHS + Room and Board"). ERMHS plus Room and Board payments are based on positive attendance (payable for up to a maximum of 365 days) only, with up to a maximum of 10 days payment per LEA student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature. Any NPS or RTC requesting a change in rate for any services provided during a subsequent contract year must make a request in writing to the Sacramento County SELPA Directors, with a copy sent to LEA Director or designee, by January 15th of each calendar year. Increases will only be considered for approval for entities that have received a positive review on the LEA's Quality On-Site NPS Review Rubric.

#### **63.** DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR certifies that:

- (a) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers are <u>not</u> presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any federal agency, and
- (b) CONTRACTOR and any of its shareholders, partners, or executive officers have not, within a three-year period preceding this Contract, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a federal, any state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of federal or any state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.

The Parties hereto have executed this Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This Contract is effective on the  $1^{st}$  day of July, 2024 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR	LEA	
Tilly Therapy	Galt Joint Union Elementary School District	
Nonpublic School/Agency	*	
By: Tim Eby 7-26-2024 Signature Date Tim Eby, CEO Name and Title of Authorized	By: Signature Date By: Kuljeet Nijjar, Director of Educational S Name and Title of Authorized	Services
Representative  Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:	Representative  Notices to LEA shall be addressed to:	
Tim Eby, CEO	Kuljeet Nijjar, Director of Educational Service	ces
Name and Title	Name and Title	
Tilly Therapy Nonpublic School/Agency/Related Service Provider	Galt Joint Union Elementary School District LEA  1018 C Street, Suite 210	<u> </u>
11022 Santa Monica Blvd, # 120 Address	Address	
Los Angeles CA 90025	Galt California 9563	32
City State Zip		Zip
818-795-5206 310-694-3062	209-744-4545 x.303 209-744-4554	
Phone Fax	Phone Fax	
timothy.eby@tillytherapy.com	knijjar@galt.k12.ca.us	
Email*(*Required)	Email	
Additional LEA Notification (Required if Completed) Stephanie Gutierrez, Program Specialist  Name and Title Galt Joint Union Elementary School District  LEA 1018 C Street, Suite 210  Address		

California

Zip

Fax

City

Galt

Phone

**Email** 

209-744-4545 x 303

sgutierrez@galt.k12.ca.us

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State

209-744-4554

#### **EXHIBIT A: 2024-2025 RATES**

#### 4.1 RATE SCHEDULE FOR CONTRACT YEAR

The CONTRACTOR: Tilly Therapy,	LLC
The CONTRACTOR CDS NUMBER:	
PER ED CODE 56366 – TEACHER-T	O-PUPIL RATIO:

#### Maximum Contract Amount:

Education service(s) offered by the CONTRACTOR and the charges for such service(s) during the term of this contract shall be as follows:

- Daily Basic Education Rate:
- 2) Inclusive Education Program
  (Includes Educational Counseling (not ed related mental health) services, Speech & Language services, Behavior Intervention Planning, and Occupational Therapy as specified on the student's IEP.) DAILY RATE:

#### 3) Related Services

<u>SERVICE</u>	RATE	<u>PERIOD</u>
Intensive Individual Services (340)	\$45	Hourly
Language and Speech (415)	\$130	Hourly
Adapted Physical Education (425)	<del></del>	*
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)		<del></del>
Health and Nursing: Other Services (436)		
Assistive Technology Services (445)		
Occupational Therapy (450)	\$130	Hourly
Physical Therapy (460)	<del></del>	
Individual Counseling (510)	·	
Counseling and Guidance (515)		
Parent Counseling (520)		
Social Work Services (525)	-	
Psychological Services (530)	\$160 ————————————————————————————————————	Hourly
Behavior Intervention Services (535)	\$55 (BT), \$65 (RBT), <u>\$115 (BCBA)</u>	Hourly
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)		
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing (710)	:	
Interpreter Services (715)		

Audiological Services (720)		: :===================================
Specialized Vision Services (725)		S 03
Orientation and Mobility (730)		(
Specialized Orthopedic Services (740)	<del></del>	
Reader Services (745)	3 <del></del>	i 10
Transcription Services (755)	<del></del>	
Recreation Services, Including Therapeutic (760)	<del></del>	/
College Awareness (820)	à	
Work Experience Education (850)	*	
Job Coaching (855)		
Mentoring (860)		
Travel Training (870)		
Other Transition Services (890)		<del>,</del>
Transportation		
Other (900) Special Education Teaching Services, SLPA, COTA	\$95, \$85	Hourly

#### **EXHIBIT B: 2024-2025 ISA**

Local Education Agency \_\_\_\_

Parent Counseling (520)

# INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (ISA) FOR NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL SERVICES (Education Code Sections 56365 et seq.)

Nonpublic School \_\_\_\_

This agreement is effective on <u>July 1, 2024 or</u> the date student begins attending a nonpublic school or receiving services from a nonpublic agency, if after the date identified, and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated as provided in the Master Contract and by applicable law.

LEA (	Case Manager: Name				Phone Nu	ımber		
Pupil	Name(Last)			(First)		Sex: □ M	I□F	Grade:
Addre				(First) Cir	ty		_ State/Zip _	
DOB	Residential Setting:	☐ Home f	□ Foster □	□ LCI #	OTHER		-	
Parer	nt/Guardian			_ Phone (	)		) /Puning	201
	ess(If different from stude				(Residence)		(Busine State/Zip	
	EEMENT TERMS:  Nonpublic School: The average number	of minutes	in the instru	ictional day will				ular school year ended school year
2.	Nonpublic School: The number of school	ol days in the	e calendar o	of the school ye	ar are:			ılar school year ended school year
3	Educational services as specified in the	IEP shall be	e provided t	y the CONTRA	CTOR and paid at the ra	ntes specified belo	w.	
	A. INCLUSIVE AND/OR BASIC ED	JCATION P	ROGRAM I	RATE: (Applies	to nonpublic schools on	ly): Daily Ra	te:	-
	Estimated Number of Days	_ x Daily	Rate	= PR	OJECTED BASIC EDUC	CATION COSTS		
_	B. RELATED SERVICES:						,,	
	SERVICE	LEA	Provide NPS	OTHER Specify	# of Times per wk/mo/yr., Duration; or per IEP; or as needed	Cost per session	Maximum Number of Sessions	Estimated Maximum Total Cost for Contracted Period
Γ	Intensive Individual Services (340)							
	Language/Speech Therapy (415) a. Individual b. Group							
	Adapted Physical Ed. (425)							
	Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)							
	Health and Nursing Services: Other (436)							
	Assistive Technology Services (445)							
	Occupational Therapy (450)							
	Physical Therapy (460)							
	Individual Counseling (510)						1	
	Counseling and guidance (515).						-	
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SERVICE	LEA	NPS	OTHER Specify	# of Times per wk/mo/yr., Duration; or per IEP; or as needed	Cost per session	Maximum Number of Sessions	Estimated Maximum Total Cost for Contracted Period
Social Work Services (525)							
Psychological Services (530)							
Behavior Intervention Services (535)							
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)							
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (710)							
Interpreter Services (715)							
Audiological Services (720)							
Specialized Vision Services (725)							
Orientation and Mobility (730)							
Braille Transcription (735)			u)				
Specialized Orthopedic Service (740)							
Reader Services (745)							
Note Taking Services (750)							
Transcription Services (755)							
Recreation Services (760)							
College Awareness Preparation (820)							
Vocational Assessment, Counseling, Guidance and Career Assessment (830)							
Career Awareness (840)							
Work Experience Education (850)							
Mentoring (860)							
Agency Linkages (865)							
Travel Training (870)							
Other Transition Services (890)							
Other (900)J							
Other (900)							
Transportation-Emergency b. Transportation-Parent							
Bus Passes							
Other							

TOTAL ESTIMATED MAXIMUM BASIC EDUCATION AND RELAT  4. Other Provisions/Attachments:	ED SERVICES COSTS\$
5. MASTER CONTRACT APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BOAR	D ON
6. Progress Reporting Quarterly M Requirements:	Other (Specify)
The parties hereto have executed this Individual Services Agreeme below.	ent by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives as set forth
-CONTRACTOR-	-LEA/SELPA-
(Name of Nonpublic School/Agency)	(Name of LEA/SELPA)
(Signature)	(Date) (Signature) (Date)
(Name and Title)	(Name of Superintendent or Authorized Designee)



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## **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 232.502 Consent Calendar (continued)- Items Removed For Later Consideration
Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX Information Item:
The Board w	vill be able to address any items ren	noved from the consent calendar.



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## **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.503 Board Action Regarding Student Matter No. 24/25-01
Presenter:	Kuljeet Nijjar	Action Item: XX Information Item:

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### **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.504 Board Consideration of Approval of 2024-2025 SchoolWorks, Inc. Proposal for Demographics and Enrollment Projections
Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX Information Item:

Due to the potential growth and new homes being built in Galt; the District should update their demography study and enrollment projections which was last completed in November 2022.

The demographics and enrollment projections provide a comprehensive enrollment analysis. The district-wide and school-specific enrollment projections are meant to serve as a planning tool to help with both long and short-term planning. Demographic studies examine the factors that influence school enrollments, namely trends in demographics, birth rates and housing development.

Attached is a proposal and scope of work from SchoolWorks, Inc.

Fiscal impact: \$6,500 from Developer Fees

Board approval is recommended.

Mrs. Lois Yount, Superintendent

# **Proposal**

Demographics and Enrollment Projections 2024-2025

SchoolWorks, Inc.



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# **Letter of Intent**

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Letter of Intent **Galt Joint Union Elementary School District**1018 C St., Ste. 210

Galt, CA 95632-1771

Thank you for the opportunity to present this Proposal for the 2024/2025 Demographics and Enrollment Projection Service. SchoolWorks has worked with over 100 school districts on Demographics over the past three years. Many of these districts request an annual update each year.

Demographics and Enrollment Projections help establish guidelines designed to ensure the District's school facilities are able to accommodate and support its current and future enrollment. SchoolWorks provides a total comprehensive analysis. The district-wide and school-specific enrollment projections are meant to serve as a planning tool to help with both long-term and short-term planning. Our services help identify certain facility planning requirements such as capacity utilization of existing facilities, planning for modernization or new construction, and attendance boundary analysis or redistricting.

This report will include the anticipated growth in the Transitional Kindergarten (TK) Program to reflect the recent "TK for All" initiative which will allow a phased plan for all 4-year-olds to attend TK by next year. Planning ahead for the growth of the TK Program will help the District determine which sites will be the most impacted by the growth in TK and which sites are projected to have the largest TK population.

#### Proposal Includes:

- Collaborate with the District staff throughout the project
- Six-year district and individual school enrollment projections
- Attendance boundary demographics trend analysis
- Classroom utilization analysis
- New housing impacts & yield rate study
- Draft/Final documentation in electronic form
- Demographics and Enrollment Projection Service: \$6,500
- Set up and one year maintenance of the web-based School Explorer with optional Trustee Boundary information: \$6,000

SchoolWorks, Inc. is dedicated to developing trusting personal relationships with our clients. Our unique handson approach makes us more than just another facility planning consultant. Our goal is to become an extension of your staff. We value integrity and going that extra mile to make sure we provide the highest in quality service.

We would be honored to serve the **Galt Joint Union Elementary School District**. Thank you for your consideration and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Kindest Regards,

Ken Reynolds, President

916.771.4605

Ken@SchoolWorksGIS.com

Ryan Reynolds, DEP Project Manager

916.771.4614

Ryan@SchoolWorksGIS.com

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# **Company Profile**

## ABOUT SCHOOLWORKS, INC.

SchoolWorks, Inc., established in 2002 by founder and President Ken Reynolds, has a proud history of guiding California school districts through the complexities of school facility planning.

Our firm takes pride in focusing on the unique challenges facing California school districts today. We offer a wide range of services that provide the building blocks towards smart and successful facility planning.

SchoolWorks, Inc. provides services exclusively to California school districts, ranging in size from under 100 students to more than 600,000 students.

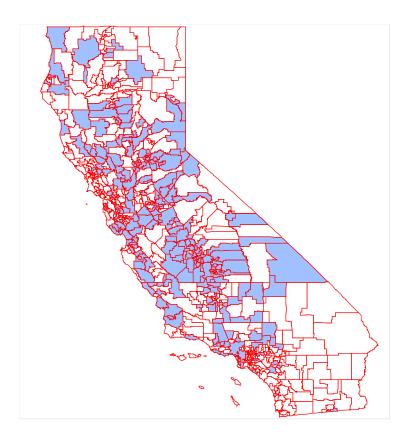
Our headquarters is located near Sacramento, providing easy access to CDE, SAB and OPSC.

At SchoolWorks, Inc. our mission is simple: Take pride in developing trusting personal relationships. Our unique hands-on approach makes us more than just another facility planning and demographics consultant. Our goal is to become an extension of your staff and community. We value integrity and going the extra mile to make sure we provide the highest in quality service.

## **OUR SERVICES**

- ✓ Demographics and Enrollment Projections
- ✓ State Building Program Assistance
  - Modernization
  - New Construction
  - Financial Hardship
  - CTE
- ✓ Developer Fee Studies
  - Level 1
  - Level 2
- ✓ Attendance Boundaries Studies
- ✓ Trustee Boundaries
- ✓ Web Based School Locator

## SchoolWorks, Inc. District Clients in Blue



# **PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM**



Ken Reynolds - President



Ryan Reynolds – Division Manager Demographics & Enrollment Projects

Administrative Support Staff – Demographics & Enrollment Projections



Jodi Grayem, Office Manager



Alice Turney, Accounting Manager

# Other SchoolWorks, Inc. staff:

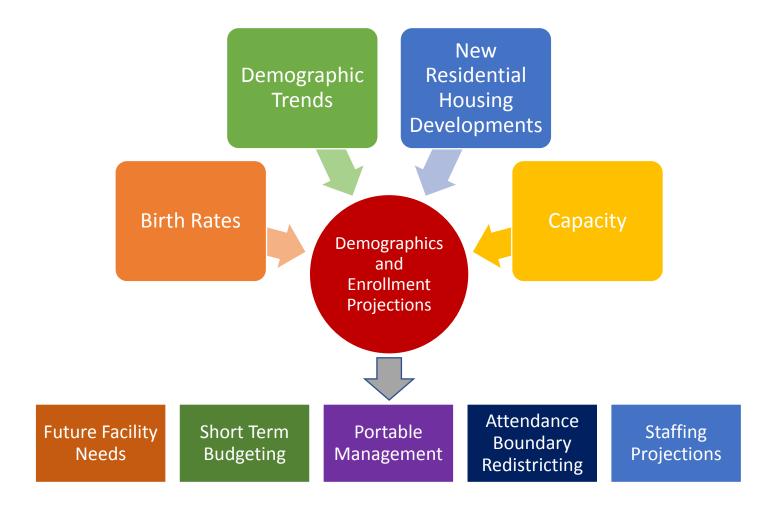
Kathy Reynolds – Associate Director/New Development Analyst Owen Alvarez – Vice President/Eligibility and Funding Rex Despain – Vice President/Marketing Alexander Rutherford – Project Manager/State Building Program Jacob Spivak – Director/Software Development & Technology

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# **Scope of Service**

## **ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS**

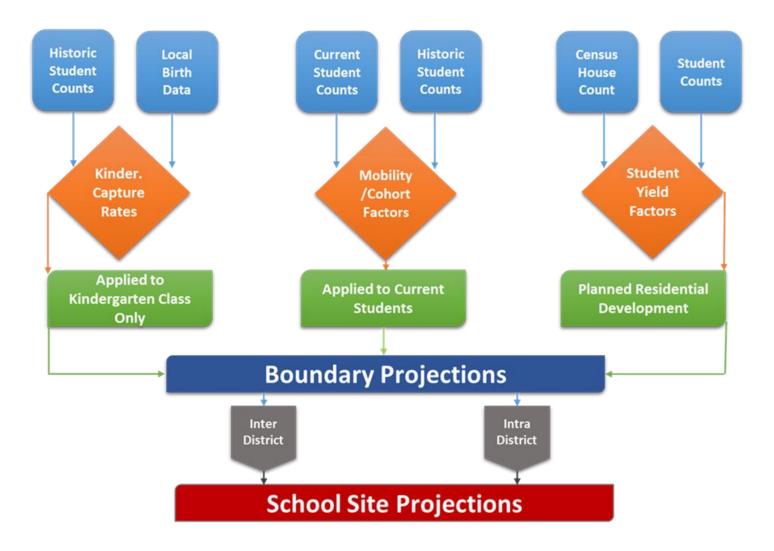
This Demographics and Enrollment Projections provides a comprehensive enrollment analysis. The district-wide and school-specific enrollment projections are meant to serve as a planning tool to help with both long and short-term planning. Demographic Studies examine the factors that influence school enrollments, namely trends in demographics, birth rates and housing development.



The study is also used as a tool to identify certain facility planning requirements such as capacity utilization of existing facilities, planning for modernization or new construction and attendance boundary redistricting.

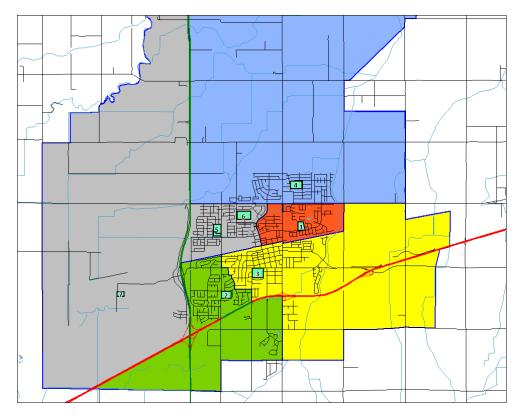
This study provides information based on the 2024/2025 District enrollments and programs, local planning policies and residential development. As these factors change and timelines are adjusted, the Demographic Study should be revised to reflect the most current information.

## **METHODOLOGY**



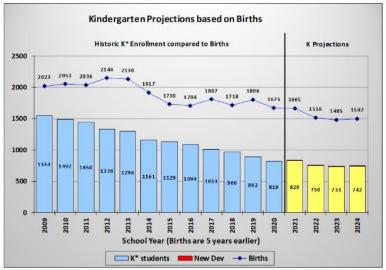
The enrollment projections for each school are generated using a State standard weighted cohort trend analysis. The basic projections are created by studying the individual geographic areas. The school attendance base projections are created using the following procedures:

■ Neighborhood School Attendance Area Analysis: Each school attendance boundary will be input into our GIS (Geographic Information Systems) Software. Students are counted in each of the attendance area boundaries based on their residential address and can be studied to view optimum and balanced utilizations. Attendance pattern maps for each individual boundary will analyze impacts of intra-district transfers from within the district boundary, as well as inter-district transfers from neighboring school districts.



- ☐ Inter-district student counts are not included in the base geographic trend analysis since these students reside outside of the District. Therefore, the current number of students-per-school and students-per-grade are added to the base projections.
- Intra-district students are those who transfer from one school to another. The number of students transferring into and out of each school are calculated and used to determine the difference between the projections for students living in each attendance area versus those that are projected to attend the school.
- □ Cohort Trend Analysis: The number of students living in the boundary are used to generate the cohort factors. The weighted average of the three years is determined with the current year weighted 50%, the prior year 33.3% and the third year 16.7%. This gives the current trends more value in determining the projections. Those cohorts are then used to determine the students who will be residing in each attendance area for the following years.

☐ Birth Rate Analysis: Birth rates are used to project future kindergarten enrollment. It is assumed if the births indicate there was an increase of 4% one year, then there will be a corresponding 4% increase in the kindergarten class five years later.



\*Kindergarten Totals may include some Transitional Kindergarten students for some of the past years to more accurately correlate a 12-month period of births to a 12-month period of enrollment.

- Housing Development and Yield Rate Study: New housing development can have a significant impact on future facility and demographic planning. A complete analysis of all current and future new housing developments will be researched by working with city, county and other local municipalities. A student yield rate analysis will also be conducted using the most current Census data. New housing development rates and yield factors are compared to the historical impact of development and if the future projections exceed the historical values, the projections are augmented accordingly.
- "TK for All" Initiative: The report will model the growth projected for Transitional Kindergarten in alignment with the recent "TK for All" initiative which follows a phased plan to allow all 4-year-olds to attend TK by 2025/26. This includes the assumption that TK will be offered at all sites that currently house K students. The expansion for TK enrollment is based on the following schedule:

2024/25 – 9 months (Eligible)

2025/26 – 12 months (Adds 3 months)

District Special Education and Alternative Programs: The projections for special education students and alternative programs are created by assuming those programs typically serve a percentage of the total District population. Therefore, as the District grows or declines, the enrollment in those programs would increase or decrease accordingly.

Site Capacity and Utilization Analysis: By reviewing current district loading standards and how many available classrooms are situated at each school site, we can determine which schools have room for growth, which schools are over-crowded or which school sites may need to be considered for boundary changes or grade level reconfiguration. The classroom counts may not represent the current classrooms being used, as there may be unused rooms on the school site. In some cases, there may be fewer classrooms counted than current teaching stations if some of the rooms being used were designed for other purposes but are currently being used as classrooms due to overcrowding. The purpose of the classroom count and capacity are to show what the school capacity should be if all teaching spaces are being used in accordance with the educational programs of the District.

School Facility Utiliz	ation		2021/22	2027/28	2021/22	2027/28
	Net	Net CR	Current	Projected	Current	Projected
Elementary Schools	<u>Classrooms</u>	<b>Capacity</b>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Utilization</u>	<u>Utilization</u>
Barrett Elem	22	575	364	385	63.3%	67.0%
El Toro Elem	22	568	441	529	77.6%	93.1%
Jackson Academy	24	655	616	672	94.0%	102.6%
Los Paseos Elem	23	599	456	478	76.1%	79.8%
Nordstrom Elem	27	706	577	629	81.7%	89.1%
Paradise Valley Elem	20	516	364	386	70.5%	74.8%
San Martin/Gwinn Elem	30	807	650	639	80.5%	79.2%
Walsh Elem	28	735	380	420	51.7%	57.1%
Sub-Totals	196	5,161	3,848	4,138	74.6%	80.2%
Middle Schools						
Britton Middle	39	1,131	657	586	58.1%	51.8%
Murphy Middle	29	841	645	538	76.7%	64.0%
Sub-Totals	68	1,972	1,302	1,124	66.0%	57.0%
<u>High Schools</u>						
Live Oak High	51	1,479	1,158	1,111	78.3%	75.1%
Sobrato High	57	1,653	1,544	1,337	93.4%	80.9%
Sub-Totals	108	3,132	2,702	2,448	86.3%	78.2%
Other Schools						
Central High	14	378	138	128		
Sub-Totals	14	378	138	128		
District Totals	386	10,643	7,990	7,838	75.1%	73.6%

□ School Explorer: Attendance areas are defined as geographic boundaries around a school which include specific residential addresses. School Explorer is a web-based application intended to provide general information and assign neighborhood elementary, middle, and high schools based on a specific valid residential street address.

School Explorer is intended to be used as a tool that provides school assignment information based upon a specific valid address. If you do not know the specific address, or if it cannot be found, just click anywhere on the map to find the schools for that neighborhood.

The information provided by School Explorer is intended to only be used as a guideline and is not a final determination of school assignments. The accuracy of address mapping may vary and is not a guarantee. While our team makes every effort to ensure all search databases are up-to-date, the user should not assume results provided by School Explorer are a guarantee of placement at a particular school. It is recommended that final school placement determination be verified by a School District representative.

SchoolWorks, Inc., will work with a district representative to ensure the correct attendance boundaries and school site information has been provided. If any School Board approved boundary change occurs, SchoolWorks, Inc., will promptly update the web-link to represent that change.

Addresses and street maps are provided through a third party who has made substantial efforts to ensure the accuracy of the information. However, anomalies in street representation can and do occur. Any inconsistencies that are observed while using School Explorer should be reported to SchoolWorks, Inc., by a district representative via phone or email.

## **ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

## **ON-CALL SERVICES**

SchoolWorks, Inc. provides on-call services to all our clients. If you have questions about the number of students in a boundary, in a specific neighborhood, or within a certain radius, our staff is available on-call Monday through Friday 7am to 4pm to help answer those questions. We will make every attempt to answer within the same day. Some inquires may require an addendum to the contract.

## **HOURLY RATES**

If you request a SchoolWorks representative on various projects or committee meetings beyond the Statement of Work in this proposal, the District will be billed an hourly rate of \$185 per hour.

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**Pricing** 

\$5.500

## STATEMENT OF WORK

SchoolWorks, Inc. is proposing a fixed fee for the basic services provided in this proposal. Optional services may be added. Changes in the scope of work can have impacts on the overall fee. If SchoolWorks, Inc. presence at meetings or additional services are requested beyond the scope of work, the District will be billed at \$185 per hour, plus travel time and expenses or issued a new contract for those specific services.

## **DEMOGRAPHICS & ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS**

- Geocode two years of student enrollment data: October 2023 October 2024
- Analyze student demographic trends
- Six-year district enrollment projections
- Enrollment projections for each individual school
- Classroom utilization analysis
- New housing impacts & yield rate study
- One Virtual Board presentation

Total Proposed Fee \$6,500

## SCHOOL EXPLORER SCOPE OF WORK SERVICES

Set up and one year maintenance of the web-based School Explorer

Total Proposed Fee	
OPTIONAL	Additional Fee
	1

Add Trustee Area Boundary Layer

\$500

Galt Joint Union Elementary School District may retain SchoolWorks, Inc., to continue providing School Explorer services by signing an annual service contract at the end of the terms outlined in this proposal.

ANNUAL SERVICE CONTRACT (Fiscal Year)	YEARLY FEE
Annual Service Contract for continued use of School Explorer with technical support	\$1,200

#### **PROJECT TIMELINE**

The proposed timeline for completion and delivery of the project is TWO (2) months from the time the SchoolWorks, Inc. team is able to collect the appropriate information. A project RFI will be submitted to the District upon signing of this agreement. A schedule is intended to be a flexible timeline and will be adjusted accordingly, depending on coordination of schedules and efficient data collection. It is our goal to complete this project under the TWO (2) month window. The schedule is generated through a team effort involving District Administration and SchoolWorks, Inc.

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# Agreement

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

#### **DEMOGRAPHICS & ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS**

Galt Joint Union Elementary School District 1018 C St., Ste. 210 Galt, CA 95632-1771

and

SchoolWorks, Inc. 8700 Auburn Folsom Road #200 Granite Bay, CA 95746 Telephone: (916)733-0402

THIS AGREEMENT, is made by and between SchoolWorks, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "SCHOOLWORKS") and Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, (hereinafter referred to as "the DISTRICT")

WHEREAS, the DISTRICT is authorized to retain consulting services to assist the DISTRICT in updating demographics and enrollment projections.

## SCOPE OF SERVICES

SCHOOLWORKS will provide the DISTRICT a Demographics and Enrollment Projections. The district-wide and school-specific enrollment projections are meant to serve as a planning tool to help with both long-and short-term planning. Demographic Studies examine the factors that influence school enrollments, namely trends in demographics, birth rates and housing development. It is also used as a tool to identify certain facility planning requirements such as capacity utilization of existing facilities, planning for modernization or new construction and attendance boundary redistricting. This study provides information based on the 2024/2025 District enrollments and programs, local planning policies and residential development

### AGREEMENT PERIOD

The agreement period: 2024-2025 fiscal year.

#### **OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT**

DISTRICT agrees that it's employees will cooperate with SCHOOLWORKS and be available for scheduled consultations and meetings at reasonable times.

DISTRICT shall provide data which is required or requested by SCHOOLWORKS. All data and records, including student information will remain confidential.

DISTRICT will assist SCHOOLWORKS in obtaining data from public municipalities or agencies or private citizen groups whenever such data is necessary for completion of the work outlined in this agreement.

## **CONFIDENTIALITY**

Student records obtained by SCHOOLWORKS and/or its third parties from the DISTRICT continue to be the property and under the control of the DISTRICT. The procedures by which students may retain possession and control of their own student generated content will be determined and controlled by the DISTRICT, not by SCHOOLWORKS. The options by which a Student may transfer student-generated content to a personal account will be determined by the DISTRICT, not by SCHOOLWORKS. Representatives of the DISTRICT, not SCHOOLWORKS or its third parties, will work directly with parents, legal guardians, or eligible students to review personally identifiable information in the student's records and correct erroneous information. SCHOOLWORKS staff members or its third parties shall act to ensure the security and confidentiality of student records, including, but not limited to, designating and training experienced staff members to ensure the security and confidentiality of student records, by use of the following measures: SCHOOLWORKS staff members will periodically review and test the security and confidentiality of records stored in its computer systems and its related data drives, and make adjustments to security protocols as required. In the event of an unauthorized disclosure of a student's records, staff of SCHOOLWORKS and its third parties will assist the DISTRICT by providing any information provided in the unauthorized disclosure to the DISTRICT so that the DISTRICT can report the disclosure to the affected parent or student and resolve the issue in a satisfactory manner. The DISTRICT, not SCHOOLWORKS will work with students who choose to retain possession of their student generated content or to transfer such content to a student's personal account. SCHOOLWORKS agrees to comply with all standards regarding the privacy of the student data provided by the DISTRICT, relating to "COPPA," "FERPA," and SOPIPA. In accordance with COPPA, FERPA and SOPIPA. SCHOOLWORKS will not use its site or services for other than its school district client's K-12 school purposes and will use security protocols to secure DISTRICT data that is used in conducting certain studies and reports for or on behalf of the DISTRICT. SCHOOLWORKS will not use any personally identifiable information in student records to engage in targeted advertising. SCHOOLWORKS. will not sell a student's information. SCHOOLWORKS will not use any personally identifiable information in student records to create a "student profile" for any purpose other than those required or specifically permitted by the Technology Services Agreement. SCHOOLWORKS and/or its third parties shall not disclose any personally identifiable information in student records, unless for legal, regulatory, judicial, safety, or operational improvement reasons, and must disclose student information: when required by law, for legitimate research purposes; or for school purposes to educational agencies authorized by the **DISTRICT** 

### **TERMINATION**

It is understood and agreed that the DISTRICT may terminate this agreement without cause by giving SCHOOLWORKS written notice at least thirty (30) days before effective date of such termination. Required payments include payment for hours completed.

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## **COMPENSATION**

PLEASE SELECT OPTION 1 AND/OR 2		
OPTION 1:		
2024-25 Demographics & Enrollmen	t Projections <b>\$6,500</b>	
OPTION 2:		
Set up and one year maintenance of	the web-based School Explorer <b>\$5,500</b>	
Option to add the Trustee Bo	undary information to the web-based School Explorer \$500	
The full amount will be billed upon completion of	f the Study and submittal to the District for review. The	
amount is due within thirty (30) days of the date	of the invoice. If SchoolWorks, Inc. presence is requested at	
	ttee meetings beyond the scope of work, the District will be	
billed at \$185 per hour, plus travel time and expe	enses.	
The parties hereto have caused this agreement t	o be executed by their authorized representatives.	
SchoolWorks, Inc.	Galt Joint Union Elementary School District	
Hen Reynelle		
, , ,	Signature	
Kenneth R. Reynolds		
Print Name Print Name		
President		
Title	Title	
July 1, 2024		
Date	Date	



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# **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.505 Board Consideration of Approval of Consultant Agreement for Outdoor Education
Presenter:	Claudia Del Toro Anguiano	Action Item: XX Information Item:

The Galt Joint Union Elementary School District will continue our partnership with Mr. John Durand one of our consultants who will strengthen and support our district's outdoor education initiatives. Mr. Durand will serve as a part-time Environmental Education Coordinator. The scope of work will include, but not limited to, the following:

- Co-plan and co-lead education programs with Outdoor Education Coordinator.
- Provide educational resources and co-lead workshops for teachers.
- Continue to co-represent the GJUESD district at various preserve partner meetings, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) meetings, CRP meetings, etc.
- Help promote a range of outdoor recreation opportunities for youth, their families, and community members on public lands.
- Provide guidance to the Outdoor Education Coordinator on field trip activities for youth visiting the Preserve during school and in after-school programs that link youth with career pathways in public lands, resources, and recreation.
- Provide support to the outdoor ed coordinator on the best ways to work with Preserve Partners to coordinate nature walks, hiking, paddling, photography, and other outdoor adventures for members of multiple underserved communities in the region.

Attachment: Consultant Agreement

Fiscal Impact: Self-funded using BLM and other local grants.

## **Consultant Agreement for Outdoor Education**

#### POST-RETIREMENT CONSULTANT AGREEMENT

This Agreement is hereby entered into between the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District ("District") and John Durand ("Consultant"), with respect to the following:

WHEREAS, Education Code section 35046 allows the District to hire retired certificated employees to serve as consultants when the employees meet the eligibility requirements of the code section; and

WHEREAS, Consultant is a retired District employee who possesses special skills and training and meets the eligibility requirements of Education Code section 35046; and

WHEREAS, the District wishes to employ Consultant to perform the services more specifically described below:

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

Consultant, serving as a part-time Environmental Education Coordinator will provide the following scope of services:

- Co-plan and co-lead education programs with Outdoor Education Coordinator
- Support Outdoor Education Coordinator with the management of various grants, provide guidance on grant reports, provide records of grant proposals, sample of award letters, timelines, etc.
- Ensure Outdoor Education Coordinator has contact information/ records related to various partners that have supported our district in the past
- Provide Outdoor Education Coordinator access to lesson plans, activities already created for specific community or district led events, grade levels, schools, etc.
- o Provide educational resources and co-lead workshops for teachers
- Continue to co-represent the GJUESD district at various preserve partner meetings, BLM meetings, CRP meetings, etc.
- Help promote a range of outdoor recreation opportunities for youth, their families, and community members on public lands
- Provide guidance to the Outdoor Education Coordinator on field trip activities for youth visiting the Preserve during school and in after school programs that link youth with career pathways in public lands, resources, and recreation
- o provide support to the outdoor ed coordinator on best ways to work with

## **Consultant Agreement for Outdoor Education**

Preserve Partners to coordinate nature walks, hiking, paddling, photography, and other outdoor adventures for members of multiple underserved communities in the region

- 2. <u>Term.</u> Consultant shall provide the services under this Agreement during August 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.
- 3. <u>Compensation.</u> District agrees to pay Consultant a flat monthly fee of \$3,636.00 less applicable taxes and deductions, as compensation for services under this Agreement and shall not exceed \$40,000 annually. Compensation to Consultant pursuant to this Agreement is not subject to CalSTRS deductions. It is Consultant's responsibility to comply with and notify the District as to earnings limitations applicable to Consultant. As a result of this employment, Consultant shall not be entitled to any District health and welfare benefits, retirement contributions, paid sick leave, paid vacation, disability insurance, or any other benefits unless required by law
- 4. <u>Materials.</u> The District shall furnish Consultant all materials, equipment and supplies and other items necessary to complete the services under this Agreement with the Bureau of Land Management grant.
- 5. <u>Assignment.</u> Neither party hereto may assign this Agreement in whole or in part except with the written permission of the other party.
- 6. <u>Entire Agreement.</u> This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between the parties and supersedes any prior or contemporaneous agreement with respect to the services contemplated, and may be amended only by a written amendment executed by both parties to the
- 7. <u>Governing Law.</u> The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.

  Agreement.
- 8. <u>Severability.</u> If any term, condition or provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will nevertheless.

# **Consultant Agreement for Outdoor Education**

- 9. <u>Cancelation of Agreement.</u> The District reserves the right to cancel this agreement. Cancellation by the District will require a 30-day written notice to the consultant.
- 10. <u>Successors and Assigns.</u> All terms, conditions and provision of this Agreement shall inure to and shall bind the parties hereto and each of their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.
- 11. <u>Governing Board Ratification.</u> The parties understand and agree that this Agreement is subject to ratification by the District's Governing Board.
- 12. <u>Hold Harmless</u>. Each party agrees that in the event of injury to, or death of, any person or damage to any property as a result of any negligent act or omission of that party, or its agents or employees, in the performance of any activity herein, that party shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other party, its officers, agents and employees from and against any claims, suits, costs, expenses or damages to which the other party, its officers, agents and employees become subjected by reason of said injury, death or property damages resulting from such negligent act or omission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the date set forth

below.

Date:	, 2024	Signature:
		Superintendent or Designee
Data	2024	Cignoturo
Date:	, 2024	Signature:Consultant

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# **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.506 Board Consideration of Approval of Variable Term Waiver for Newly Hired Educator
Presenter:	Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano	Action Item: XX Information Item:

## Background:

Beginning in March 2023, Language, Speech and Hearing Specialist vacancies for the 2023-24 school year were posted on various job vacancy platforms to fill all necessary certificated positions with fully credentialed and qualified staff. As of the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year, 2 vacancies continued to be unfilled.

Due to a lack of qualified, fully credentialed applicants, GJUESD is requesting approval to submit an application for a Variable Term Waiver to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The District has offered employment to the following applicant on the basis of a credential waiver:

Applicant Name	FTE	Assignment	Location	School Year
Kaitlyn Holman	1.0 FTE	Language, Speech and Hearing Specialist	District Office	2024-2025

Board approval is recommended.



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# **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.507 Board Consideration of Approval of Resolution No. 1 Accepting Final Completion of Contract for the Maintenance and Operations Shop
Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX Information Item:

On October 18, 2023, the Board approved a Lease-Leaseback Agreement between the District and S+B James Construction California, Inc. for the Maintenance and Operation Shop at 1019 Beaver Park Way. This project has been substantially completed and we are requesting Board approval of Resolution No. 1, Notice of Completion.

The scope of work consisted of the construction of a 60 ft. x 100 ft. (6,000 SF) pre-engineered metal building and site improvements to house the new school district Maintenance and Operations Shop. The scope included two maintenance bays, a shop area, an office, and a restroom. Site improvements included underground utilities, grading, and asphalt paving for vehicle circulation and parking. Domestic water, sanitary sewer, and storm drain were extended from existing services. A new water service from the main was provided to serve the building's automatic fire sprinkler system and the additional site fire hydrant.

With Board approval, the Notice will be sent to the Sacramento County Recorder's Office for recording.

Proposed Contract Amount: \$2,299,760

Final Contract Amount: \$2,376,691 using Board committed funds for facilities and State Facility

**Funds** 

The contract amount was increased due to changes in the permit drawings approved by the city related to ADA accessibility, which increased demolition concrete and added grading and asphalt.

#### Attachments:

- 1. Resolution No. 1
- 2. Notice of Final Completion

# GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NO. 1

# RESOLUTION ACCEPTING FINAL COMPLETION OF CONTRACT FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS SHOP S+B JAMES CONSTRUCTION CALIFORNIA, INC.

**WHEREAS**, on the 18th of October, 2023, a Lease-Leaseback Agreement was entered into by and between the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, State of California, as Owner, and S+B James Construction California, Inc., Sacramento, California, 95691 as Contractor, for the Maintenance and Operations Shop (the "Project") in accordance with the plans and specifications thereof;

**WHEREAS**, California Public Contract Code section 7107 authorizes a school district to accept a construction project after its completion;

**WHEREAS**, California Civil Code section 3093 requires a school district to record a notice of completion with the county recorder's office after a project is deemed complete; and

**WHEREAS**, after construction of a project is deemed complete, California Public Contract Code section 7107 requires a school district to release any retained funds deemed legally appropriate.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS**, that the work contracted for as herein mentioned is declared to have been completed and is hereby accepted by the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, as Owner, and that the balance due under the Project's agreement is to be paid to the Contractor according to its terms.

The District's Superintendent, Lois Yount is hereby authorized and directed to execute and cause to be recorded a Notice of Completion in the form attached hereto on behalf of the Owner.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 21st day of August, 2024, by the following vote of the Board of Education of the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
Galt Joint Union Elementary School Distric Traci Skinner, President ATTEST:

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#### RECORDING REQUESTED BY

Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

#### AND WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO

Galt Joint Union Elementary School District 1018 C Street, Suite 210 Galt, CA 95632

Attn: Alicia Valdovinos

SPACE ABOVE THIS LINE FOR RECORDER'S USE ONLY

## NOTICE OF FINAL COMPLETION

#### MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS SHOP

No fee document – for the benefit of the government per Government Code 6103

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District of the County of Sacramento, State of California, as Owner of the property hereinafter described entered into a Lease Lease-back Agreement between itself, as Owner, and S+B James Construction California, Inc. as Contractor, for the completion of the Maintenance and Operations Shop, in accordance with plans and specifications thereof.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the work under the terms of said agreement was completed to the satisfaction of the owner on July 1, 2024, and by Resolution of Acceptance of Completion passed and adopted by the Board of Education on August 21, 2024.

The name and address of lessee is Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, 1018 C Street, Suite 210, Galt, CA 95632, and the nature of the interest of such owner is a fee simple title.

The address where the work was performed is located at 1019 Beaver Park, California 95632.

The name of the contractor is, S+B James Construction California, Inc. Sacramento, California, 95691.

GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT BY:

Lois Yount Superintendent

	ublic or other officer complete is attached, and not the		individual who signed the doc	cument, to which
Subscribe	ed and sworn to (or affirm	ned) before me on		
this	day of	, 20,		
by		, proved to		
	e basis of satisfactory evi- ho appeared before me.	dence to be the		
Signature	of Notary Public	(Seal)		
	No			

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# **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.508 Board Consideration of Approval of General Contractor for Site Work for Portable Classrooms at Vernon E. Greer Elementary
Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX Information Item:

The District is in the process of removing two antiquated portables and replacing them with new portables at Greer Elementary School. Bid advertisements for site work were published on June 21 and 28, 2024.

## **Project Description:**

The project consists of demolishing and off-hauling two (2) existing portable classroom buildings and their associated ramps and wood foundations and installing two (2) new 30x32 portable classroom buildings and ramps at the same location with the associated utilities and site work.

The submittal of bids was due July 24, 2024. The District received five bids from prequalified general contractors ranging from \$315,000-\$431,270. The lowest bid was from RBH Construction, Inc.

Fiscal impact: \$315,000

Funding source: Expanded Learning Program

#### Attachments:

Bid Results
 Bid Form

Board approval is recommended.

# Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Vernon E Greer - Relocatable Classrooms

## **BID RESULTS**

BID OPENING – Wednesday, July 24th at 3:00 P.M.

						Required Do	cumentation:	
VENDOR	BID PACKAGE RECEIVED	PRESENT AT PRE-BID JOB WALK	AMOUNT OF BID(S)	BID FORM	BID BOND	DESIGNATION OF SUBCONTRACTORS	NON-COLLUSION DECLARATION	SIGNED DOC RE: WORKERS COMPENSATION
RBH Construction, Inc.	Х	Х	\$315,000.00	Х	Χ	X	Х	X
American River Construction, Inc.	Х	Х	\$340,000.00	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Blevins Construction	Χ	X	\$419,760.00	Χ	Х	X	X	X
Valley Construction Services, Inc.	Х	X	\$392,198.00	Х	X	X	X	X
JPB Designs, Inc.	Х	Х	\$431,270.00	Х	Х	X	Х	Х

## **BID FORM**

TO: <u>GALT JOINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT</u>, acting by and through its Governing Board, herein called the "DISTRICT":

1. Pursuant to your Notice to Contractors Calling for Bids and the other documents relating thereto, the undersigned bidder, having become familiarized with the terms of the complete contract, as defined in the Agreement, the local conditions affecting the performance of the contract and the cost of the work at the place where the work is to be done, hereby proposes and agrees to be bound by all the terms and conditions of the complete contract and agrees to perform, within the time stipulated, the contract, including all of its component parts, and everything required to be performed, and to provide and furnish any and all of the labor, materials, tools, expendable equipment, and all applicable taxes, utility and transportation services necessary to perform the contract and complete in a good workmanlike manner all of the work required, including sheeting, shoring and bracing, or equivalent method for protection of life and limb in trenches and open excavation in conformance with applicable safety orders, in connection with the following:

Project: Site Work for Portable Classrooms

Located at: 248 West A Street, Galt, CA 95632

all in strict conformity with the complete contract as defined in the Agreement, prepared therefore and now on file at the office of: <u>Galt Joint Union Elementary School District</u>, 1018 C Street, <u>Suite 210</u>, <u>Galt</u>, <u>CA. 95632</u> for the sum of:

Total Bid before Allowances:	s 315 000 m
Allowance:	\$
Total Base Bid (including Allowance(s)):	\$ 315 600 E

Total:

THERE HUNDRED & FIFTEEN THOUSAND - 14 DOLLARS

Base bid to include all work indicated in DSA drawings and at mandatory bid walk.

Provide price to add/deduct the following work.

Alternates:

None.

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of, and is familiar with the contents of, the following Addenda, and the undersigned warrants that all costs therefore are included in this proposal:

Addendum No.	1	dated	7/16	2024
Addendum No		dated _		<u> </u>
Addendum No.		dated		
Addendum No.		dated _		

- 1. Each individual bid term shall be determined from visiting the work site, reviewing the plans and specifications, and all other portions of the contract documents, and shall include all items necessary to complete the work, including the assumption of all obligations, duties, and responsibilities necessary for the successful completion of the contract and the furnishing of all materials and equipment required to be incorporated in and form a permanent part of the work: tools, equipment, supplies, transportation, facilities, labor, superintendence, and services required to perform and complete the work; and bonds, insurance as required by the Contract and submittals; all as per the requirements of the contract documents, whether or not expressly listed or designated.
- 2. It is understood that the DISTRICT reserves the right to reject this bid and that this bid shall remain open and not be withdrawn for the period specified in the Notice to Contractors Calling for Bids.
- 3. The required list(s) of proposed subcontractors is attached hereto, and the undersigned represents and warrants that such list(s) is complete and in compliance with the Subletting and Subcontracting Fair Practices Act.
  - 4. The required Non-Collusion Declaration is hereto attached.
  - 5. The required bid security is hereto attached.
  - 6. The required Contractors Certificate Regarding Workers' Compensation is hereto attached.
  - 7. The Information Required of Bidder is attached hereto.
- 8. It is understood and agreed that if written notice of the acceptance of this bid is mailed, telegraphed, or delivered to the undersigned after the opening of the bid, and within the time this bid is required to remain open, or at any time thereafter before this bid is withdrawn, the undersigned will execute and deliver to the DISTRICT a contract in the form attached hereto in accordance with the bid as accepted, and that the undersigned will also furnish and deliver to the DISTRICT the Performance Bond and Payment Bond as specified, all within the five (5) calendar days after receipt of notification of award, and that the work under the contract shall be commenced by the undersigned bidder, if awarded the contract on the date to be stated in the DISTRICT'S Notice to Proceed delivered to the Contractor, and shall be completed by the Contractor in the time specified in the contract documents.

	Communication							information	or	other
correspondence	should be addre	essed to the u	ndersigned at	the add	ress stated	l bel	ow.			
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10. The name of all persons interested in the foregoing proposal as principals are as follows:

(IMPORTANT NOTICE: If bidder or other interested person is a corporation, state legal name of corporation, also names of the president, secretary, treasurer, and manager thereof; if a partnership, state true name of firm, also names of all individual partners composing firm; if bidder or other interested person is an individual, state first and last name in full.)
In submitting this bid, the bidder offers and agrees that if the bid is accepted, it will assign to DISTRICT all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Section 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Business & Professions Code Section 16700 et seq.) arising from the purchase of goods, materials, or services by the bidder for sale to the DISTRICT pursuant to the bid. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the DISTRICT tenders final payment.
12. If the bidder is a corporation, the undersigned hereby represents and warrants that the corporation is duly incorporated and is in good standing in the State of <u>California</u> and that <u>Richard B. Hardow</u> whose title is <u>PRāsiozar</u> , is authorized to act for and bind the corporation.
13. It is understood and agreed that, should bidder fail or refuse to return executed copies of the Agreement, Contractor's Certificate, Certification of Insurance as required, and required bonds to the DISTRICT within five (5) days of actual notice of the award of the contract to bidder, the security may be forfeited to the DISTRICT as liquidated damages.
14. The undersigned hereby warrants that the bidder has an appropriate license, in accordance with the act providing for the licensing of contractors, License No. 951053  Class 17/8: that such license entitles the bidder to provide the work; that such license will be in full force and effect throughout the duration of performance under this contract; and that any and all subcontractors to be employed will have appropriate licenses. The undersigned hereby warrants that the bidder is registered with the DIR, Registration No, and proof of registration is submitted with this bid.
The bidder hereby certifies that it is, and at all times during the performance of work hereunder shall be, in full compliance with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 ("IRCA") in the hiring of its employees, and the bidder shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the DISTRICT against any and all actions, proceedings, penalties or claims arising out of the bidder's failure to comply strictly with the IRCA.
16. It is understood and agreed that the CONTRACTOR, as well as all subcontractors will adhere to and comply with all statutes and regulations pertaining to monitoring and enforcement of prevailing wage requirements by the Department of Industrial Relations.
17. It is understood and agreed that if, requested by the DISTRICT, the bidder shall furnish a notarized financial statement, references, and other information sufficiently comprehensive, to permit an appraisal of its current financial condition.
The undersigned hereby declares that all of the representations of this bid are made under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California.
Individual Name: Righton B HARTMAN Contractor Signed by: 17/1 B / B

Bid No. <u>62~122</u>533 137813v1/GAJUSD.45

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Corporation N	Name: RBH CONSTRUCTION INC  (a Corporation 1)  Business Address: 2795 F. B. DWE II ST 100-1	
	(a C Corporation 1)	
	Business Address: 2795 R. B. DWELL ST 100-1	90
	Fulsom, CA 95630	
	Signed by: By 3 4 President, Dated: 7/23/20	24
	Signed by: Plant Secretary, Dated: 7/23/2	· 24
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Agreement and	receiving the award shall furnish evidence of its corporate existence and evidence is duly authorized to do so.	
Joint Venture	Name:	
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	Date:	
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Other Parties to	to Joint Venture:	
	If an individual:	
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# **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.509  Board Consideration of Approval to Update the Supervisory Salary Schedule
Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX Information Item:

Based on a parity study for salaries and job descriptions using comparable Districts, an increase in salary is recommended for the following supervisory positions effective September 1, 2024:

- Food Service Supervisor: From Range K to Range M
- Visual and Performing Arts Coordinator: From Range B to Range G
- Human Resource Coordinator: From Range K to Range M

## Fiscal Impact:

- Approximately \$46,000
- Funding Sources: Food & Nutrition, Arts and Music Grant, General Fund

## Attachment:

Proposed Salary Schedule

	GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT					
		SUPERVISO	ORY SALARY	SCHEDULE		
			2023-2024			
POSITIONS						RANGE
<u> </u>	nded Learning	Coordinator				G
	arning Site Co					С
-	sistant to Supe					K
Fiscal Service						0
	urces Coordina	ator				M
Food Service						M
Transportation	•					M
· ·	munity Outrea	ch Coordinato	r (BCOC)			В
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	STEP	STEP	STEP	STEP	STEP	STEP
RANGE	1	2	3	4	5	6
Α	45,397	47,668	50,053	52,561	55,194	56,574
В	47,668	50,053	52,561	55,194	57,952	59,405
С	50,053	52,561	55,194	57,952	60,846	62,373
D	52,561	55,194	57,952	60,846	63,888	65,491
E	55,194	57,952	60,846	63,888	67,080	68,770
F	57,952	60,846	63,888	67,080	70,434	72,210
G	60,846	63,888	67,080	70,434	73,961	75,824
Н	63,888	67,080	70,434	73,961	77,662	79,612
I	67,080	70,434	73,961	77,662	81,550	83,599
J	70,434	73,961	77,662	81,550	85,623	87,785
K	73,961	77,662	81,550	85,623	89,908	92,169
L	77,662	81,550	85,623	89,908	94,404	96,777
M	81,550	85,623	89,908	94,404	99,124	101,620
N	85,623	89,908	94,404	99,124	104,080	106,700
0	89,908	94,404	99,124	104,080	109,284	112,041
P	94,404	99,124	104,080	109,284	114,748	117,642
Q	99,124	104,080	109,284	114,748	120,486	123,529

Associates Degree \$ 500.00 Bachelors Degree \$ 1,000.00 Masters Degree \$ 2,000.00

## **LONGEVITY**

3.5% at 5 years 4% at 10 years 4.5% at 15 years 5% at 20 years 5.5% at 25 years

Pending Board Approval

August 21, 2024



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# **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.510 Board Consideration of Approval of Administrator Daily Substitute Rate
Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX Information Item:
Substitute		ct is introducing a new salary schedule for re adequate district-wide coverage for

GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT						
CERTIFICATED	CERTIFICATED ADMINISTRATOR SUBSTITUTE-DAILY RATE					
	2024-25					
DAILY						
RATE						
Administrator Substitute		\$600.00				

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# **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.511 Board Consideration of Approval to Piggyback on Clovis Unified School District Contract with AZ Bus Sales to Purchase Three (3) Electric School Buses
Presenter:	Alejandra Garibay	Action Item: XX Information Item:

Public Contract Code (PCC) section 20118 permits school districts to purchase "personal property" from a vendor without competitive bidding if they "piggyback" on a contract that the vendor has with another public agency.

Pricing is guaranteed under a piggyback contract approved by Clovis Unified School District on February 7, 2024.

The Galt Joint Union School District received a 2023 Clean School Bus (CSB) rebate from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) totaling \$660,000. These funds cover the cost of three new electric buses, charging infrastructure, and other eligible expenses. Additionally, the GJUESD received an HVIP Standard grant of \$720,000 to purchase three new electric buses.

Total Combined Grant Award Per Bus: \$460,000

In total, the district secured **\$1,380,000** in grant funding. The cost for the three electric buses is \$1,486,860.33, leaving a balance of \$106,860.33. The district has restricted funds from previous electric vehicle purchases to cover this remaining amount, resulting in no fiscal impact on the general fund balance.

Karl J. Simon, Director
Transportation and Climate Division
Office of Transportation and Air Quality

May 29, 2024

Alejandra Garibay
GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
1018 C ST STE 210
GALT, CA 95632-1771

Re: 2023 EPA Clean School Bus Rebate Application – Selected for Funding, Rebate ID 019347

Dear Alejandra Garibay,

Congratulations! The application with Rebate ID 019347 submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) 2023Clean School Bus (CSB) Rebates for GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT has been selected for funding. **\$660,000** has been reserved for your use in this program to replace 3 bus(es)<sup>1</sup>.

These reserved funds include \$660,000 for 3 new electric bus(es), eligible charging infrastructure, and other eligible expenses.

The replacement bus(es) must serve Galt Joint Union Elementary at 1018 C St. Ste. 210, Galt, CA 95632 for at least 5 years from the time of delivery. As a selectee, you may now move on to the next step in the rebate process.

Please carefully review the 2023 CSB Rebates Program Guide for detailed information and requirements for each step of the rebate process, including Section 8 that covers the next form to be submitted, the Payment Request Form. It is also critical that you review the Terms and Conditions in Appendix A that govern the rebate program. When submitting the application, a representative of your organization certified that they had read and agreed to comply with the requirements and Terms and Conditions of the Program Guide. Additionally, please review the two additional Terms and Conditions in Appendix A.1 at the bottom of this letter, which are also included in the May 2024 version of the 2023 CSB Rebates Program Guide. Your Payment Request Form will require you to certify that you have read and agree to comply with all requirements and terms and conditions contained in the 2023 CSB Rebates Program Guide (dated May 2024).

As a selectee, you must complete the following summarized steps in the allotted time to receive your rebate payment. To complete the steps below, selectees must continue to be actively registered in the System for Award Management (SAM)throughout the project period. The status your rebate application is shown in the Applicant Dashboard, however all assistance related to SAM must be directed to the Federal Service Desk.

Failure to submit all the required forms and documentation or to complete the required work by the deadlines stated below will result in the forfeiting of funds. In addition, when completing all rebate forms, we remind you that knowingly making materially false statements or falsifying or concealing a material fact is a felony, which may result in fines or up to five years imprisonment, per 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

• Selectees must submit an online **Payment Request Form** (PRF) that includes an attached scan of the order documents (purchase order(s), sales order(s), or approved quote(s)) as applicable for the new school buses and, if applicable, eligible charging infrastructure and other eligible expenses by **November 29, 2024**. Documentation to attach to the PRF includes purchase orders on school district letterhead with purchaser/vendor signatures OR sales orders on vendor letterhead with purchaser/vendor signatures. Approved quotes in lieu purchase or sales orders for eligible infrastructure installation costs may be included in documentation submitted as well. The date of the order document cannot pre-date the selection notification date and must be dated within 45 days of the initial PRF submission<sup>2</sup>. The order document must clearly show a transaction agreed upon between the organization that will own the replacement bus and a school bus equipment dealer<sup>3</sup>. Please refer to Section 8 of the Program Guide for more details on what information must be included in each order document.

Be advised, the funding amount noted at the top of this letter are maximum funding amounts; however, EPA will only disburse funds based on actual bus and charging infrastructure costs supported by the order document(s), subject to the per bus funding limits detailed in Section 4 of the Program Guide. The EPA anticipates disbursing funds within approximately 60 days of the approval of a complete Payment Request Form. In many cases, this will result in a selectee receiving funds in advance of the delivery of the bus and charging infrastructure.

Selectees should work with their vendors to spend EPA funds on eligible project expenses, as described in Section3 of the Program Guide, as expeditiously as possible after receiving funds from EPA; however, if there is an extended period of time between receiving EPA funds and spending funds, then selectees must adhere to the requirements in Appendix A.1 of the Program Guide (included further below for reference).

Your organization must submit a Close Out Form by May 31, 2026, that demonstrates that new buses were delivered and eligible charging infrastructure was delivered and installed. The Close Out form also requires documentation that existing buses were scrapped or, for vehicle model year 2011 and newer, documentation that the existing 2011 and newer buses were scrapped, sold, or donated. Selectees are expected to comply with site visit requests, recordkeeping requirements, and document requests for five years from the date of replacement bus delivery, or risk cancellation of an active rebate application (if still open) or other enforcement action. Please review Sections 9 and 10, as well as the terms and conditions in Appendix A of the Program Guide for more information.

Ninety (90) days before the original deadline, your organization can request extensions to the Payment Request Form and Close Out Form deadlines through the CSB Rebate Forms Online Portal. The EPA will

review these requests on a case-by-case basis and may grant extensions if sufficient justification is provided.

Resources to assist your organization in successfully replacing existing school buses with new, cleaner buses are available on our website. These resources include:

- 2023 Rebates Next Steps Flyer
- Electric School Bus Transition Planning Resource
- Coordinating with Electric Utility Partners Resource
- Workforce Planning Recommendations and Resources
- Resources to Engage Your Community

You can also reach out to CleanSchoolBus@epa.gov if you have programmatic questions or CleanSchoolBusTA@nrel.gov if you have any technical assistance questions. The technical assistance helpline is staffed by the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (JOET), whom the EPA has partnered with to provide FREE technical assistance to its selectees, including information and tools needed to successfully plan and deploy clean school buses and infrastructure. JOET has expertise in a wide range of clean school bus deployment topics, such as electric bus basics, charging equipment, utility connections, and operational considerations like routing and maintenance. We encourage you to reach out to JOET for all of your technical questions.

Thank you for your participation in the 2023 CSB Rebates. We look forward to working with you in adding these clean school buses to your student transportation service.

Sincerely,
Karl J. Simon, Director
Transportation and Climate Division
Office of Transportation and Air Quality

1 NOTE – EPA used the number of buses listed on the rebate application as the number of requested buses rather than the number of buses listed in the Utility Partnership Template, in the event that the numbers differed. All selectees planning to purchase electric buses are encouraged to continue to work with their utility to ensure clarity on project plans, including number of buses.2 Selectees must adhere to state and local funding requirements regarding the solicitation and collection of bids necessary to submit a purchase order document. EPA will not be involved in this process.3 EPA is not responsible for the business or contractual agreements between school districts and bus providers; buses must serve the same district for 5 years (except as noted in Section 2 for a change in contract provider).

### Appendix A.1

Consistent with the eligible requirements for new replacement buses, school districts and supervisory administrative units (i.e., entities that are responsible for the purchase of buses or providing bus service for multiple smaller sub-units of schools or school districts) that are awarded funding based on qualifying for prioritization as high-need under the definition of "very large school district" (i.e., the school district or supervisory administrative unit does not have SAIPE data and meets the threshold for "very large school district" defined in the self-certification document), must ensure that buses

purchased with EPA funds continue to primarily serve the prioritized school district(s), as defined in the documentation submitted to verify self-certification, for at least five years.

As previously stated, selectees should work with their vendors to spend EPA funds on eligible project expenses, as described in Section 3 of the Program Guide, as expeditiously as possible after receiving funds from EPA; however, if there is an extended period of time between receiving EPA funds and spending those funds, then selectees must adhere to the following requirements. Specifically, selectees must follow proper financial management practices to ensure that these funds are only used for eligible expenses and should keep these EPA funds separate from other funds the selectee might have for general expenses. If any interest is earned on EPA funds, then that interest must be returned to the federal government, in accordance with instructions to be provided by the EPA. If a selectee chooses to withdraw from the program, then they must return all awarded funds and any interest earned on those funds. The process for reimbursing funds, including any interest earned, will be initiated through completing the Close Out Form for the project as part of the withdrawal process; the EPA will provide additional information on the reimbursement process prior to Close Out Form submission.



### CLOVIS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

1450 Hemdon Avenue · Clovis, California 93611-0599

#### **GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

### **MINUTES**

February 7, 2024

Professional Development Building, Boardroom 1680 David E. Cook Way, Clovis, California

> 5:00 P.M. – CLOSED SESSION 6:30 P.M. – PUBLIC SESSION

Members of the public who wish to provide public comments must do so in-person during the board meeting. Please complete and submit a Public Comment Form before the start of the Public Session on the day of the meeting. The Public Comment Form is available outside the board meeting room on the day of the meeting. During the meeting, speakers who have requested to address the Board will be called to do so. Comments on items that are on the agenda are to be made when the item is called by the Board President. Comments on matters that are not on the agenda are to be made during the Public Presentations. Pursuant to Board Bylaw No. 9323, each speaker generally has up to 2 minutes to speak. The Board President may adjust the time allotted for each speaker and limit the total time for public comment. No speaker may yield his or her time to another speaker. Each regular board meeting will be video recorded by the District, the recording of which will be made accessible to the public within 48 hours of the board meeting at:

https://www.cusd.com/BoardMeetingsAgendasArchives.aspx

## Regular Meeting AGENDA

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In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to access the Board meeting room or to otherwise participate at this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 327-9100. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the District to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to the Board meeting.

Public records relating to an open session agenda item of a regular meeting that are distributed within 72 hours prior to the meeting will be available for public inspection at the District Office, 1450 Hemdon Avenue, Clovis, California.

An invocation may be held prior to the start of the Board meeting. Attendance during and participation in the invocation are optional and voluntary. No students, parents, members of the public, Board members, student board member, or employees are required to attend or participate in the invocation.

### **INVOCATION**

Vice President Yolanda Moore led the invocation.

### A. CALL TO ORDER

President Hugh Awtrey called the Governing Board meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

8. STUDENT DISCIPLINE AND OTHER CONFIDENTIAL STUDENT MATTERS (Education Code §48900 et seq. and §35146)

### E. RECONVENE FOR PUBLIC SESSION

President Hugh Awtrey reconvened the public meeting at 6:39 p.m.

### F. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

President Hugh Awtrey welcomed meeting attendees present.

#### G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Student Representative Briana Logan from Clovis North High School led the Board members and meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### H. CLOSED SESSION MOTIONS

Approved the appointment of current Learning Director, Kastner Intermediate School, Ann Castro to the open position of Principal, Weldon Elementary School.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Steven Fogg, Seconded by Board Member Deena Combs-Flores. Passed. 6-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, Combs-Flores, DeFrank, Fogg, Moore, Stoker Madsen. Board Members voting Absent: Olivier.

Approved routine Personnel Matters, as submitted.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Steven Fogg, Seconded by Board Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen. Passed. 6-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, Combs-Flores, DeFrank, Fogg, Moore, Stoker Madsen. Board Members voting Absent: Olivier.

Approved Student Discipline Matters relating to Students 24-12, 24-13 and 24-14, as submitted. Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Steven Fogg, Seconded by Board Member Deena Combs-Flores. Passed. 6-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, Combs-Flores, DeFrank, Fogg, Moore, Stoker Madsen. Board Members voting Absent: Olivier.

#### I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Corrine Folmer, Ed.D., shared her report with the members of the Governing Board regarding recent news, events and achievements from across the District.

### J. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student Board Representative Briana Logan from Clovis North High School gave a report on the activities and achievements in Clovis Unified School District's comprehensive areas.

### K. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Proclamations of Excellence - 2023 CIF Fall Champions
 Eight athletic teams who earned Valley and State athletic titles were recognized for their Fall CIF Championship season.

Coach Tim Simons was presented with Resolution No. 3971, naming the football field in Lamonica Stadium on the Clovis High campus "Tim Simons Field." The vote for Resolution No. 3971 was held during the Consent Agenda.

#### L. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

This time is reserved for individuals who may wish to address the Board regarding a matter that is not included on the agenda. Please note that because the items brought up by the public during this time are not on the agenda, the

Clovis Unified School District and ACE Psychologists and Mental Health Support Providers to take place no earlier than 6:45 p.m., Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at 1680 David E Cook Way, Clovis, California.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Deena Combs-Flores, Seconded by Board Member Steven Fogg. Passed. 6-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, Combs-Flores, DeFrank, Fogg, Moore, Stoker Madsen. Board Members voting Absent: Olivier.

### P. INFORMATION

Unless otherwise noted, these items are on the agenda to provide time for Board members to review prior to taking action on the items at the next Board meeting. Agenda items titled "Annual" are recurring items submitted to the Board for approval yearly.

- Annual School Site Safety Plans Summary 2024
   Accept the Annual School Site Safety Plans Summary for 2024, as submitted.
- 2. Terry P. Bradley Educational Center Additional Infrastructure Project Initial Study Mitigated Negative Declaration

Consider and adopt the Initial Study – Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the Terry P. Bradley Educational Center Additional Infrastructure Project, and then approve the project to allow for construction of the project.

- Placement of Special Education Student in a Non-Public School
   Authorize Clovis Unified School District to enter into an agreement for a student to attend Creative Alternatives, a non-public school in Fresno, California.
- 4. Agreement with Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates

  Authorize the District Superintendent or designee to enter into an agreement with Fairbank,

  Maslin, Maullin, Metz (FM3) & Associates to conduct a research project.
- 5. Public Notification of Collective Bargaining Agreement Proposal of ACE Psychologists and Mental Health Support Providers to the Clovis Unified School District
  This item serves as notification of the initial proposal of ACE Psychologists and Mental Health Support Providers to the Clovis Unified School District to reopen negotiations over certain articles of their collective bargaining agreement.
- 6. Public Notification of Collective Bargaining Agreement Proposal of Clovis Unified School District to ACE Psychologists and Mental Health Support Providers

  This item serves as notification of the initial proposal of Clovis Unified School District to ACE Psychologists and Mental Health Support Providers to reopen negotiations over certain articles of their collective bargaining agreement.
- Resolution No. 3966 Non-Reelection of Temporary Certificated Employees
   Adopt Resolution No. 3966 Non-Reelection of Temporary Certificated Employees pursuant to California Education Code Section 44954, as submitted.
- 8. Resolution No. 3967 Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees
  Adopt Resolution No. 3967 Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees pursuant
  to California Education Code Section 44929.21, as submitted.
- Resolution No. 3968 Release and Reassignment of Administrative Certificated Employees
   Adopt Resolution No. 3968 Release and Reassignment of Administrative Certificated
   Employees pursuant to California Education Code Section 44951, as submitted.

- 10. Resolution No. 3969 Annual Music in Our Schools Month Adopt Resolution No. 3969 proclaiming the month of March as "Music in Our Schools Month" in support of the importance of music education in our schools.
- 11. Award of Bid Supplies

Recommendation for Bid No. 2975 - Paper for Warehouse Stock will be brought to the Governing Board for Action at a future meeting.

### Q. BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Instructional Services/School Leadership Subcommittee Meeting (DeFrank, Moore, Madsen)

Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen reported that Principal Sean Osterberg explained how students move through Clovis Community Day and Enterprise schools, working toward returning to their comprehensive school sites. She also shared that Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Steve France explained the fee structure for Sierra Outdoor School.

Member David DeFrank reported that a discussion was held about cell phone usage on secondary sites.

Vice President Yolanda Moore reported the proposed options for Career Technical Education (CTE) courses for the upcoming Clovis South High School were shared with the subcommittee.

### R. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

### S. ADJOURNMENT

President Hugh Awarey adjourned the Governing Board meeting at 9:37 p.m.

RESPECTFILLY SUBMINITED:

Clerk V Secretary

Coversheet

8/14/24, 5:00 PM

**Board Agenda Item** 

Title: Award of Bid - Construction and Equipment

**CONTACT PERSON:** 

Michael Johnston

FOR INFORMATION:

January 17, 2024

FOR ACTION:

February 7, 2024

Agenda Item: O. - 3.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Award of Bid No. 2963 - School Bus Vehicles to A-Z Bus Sales, Inc and Creative Bus Sales, Inc. for future purchases of school buses as needed by the District at bid prices submitted; Bid No. 2968 - Hirayama ES Fiber Optic Installation to EKC Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$1,554,800 and authorize the Superintendent or designee to enter into multi-prime agreements per attached tabulation, and construction management agreement with Bush Construction; Bid No. 2969 - Office Supplies/ Arts & Crafts for Warehouse Stock by line item to various suppliers in the amount of \$96,316.87; Bid No. 2973 - Gas Oven Replacement to Culinary Depot and Kamran and Company, LLC for future purchases as needed by the District; and RFP No. 2974 District Campus Phase II Design for Manufacturing Steel Buildings to and authorize the Superintendent or designee to enter into agreements per attached tabulation, and construction management agreement with Mark Wilson Construction.

#### DISCUSSION:

Bid No. 2963 - School Bus Vehicles - Three (3) bids were received and opened on January 11, 2024. Award per the attached tabulation.

Bid No. 2968 Hirayama ES Fiber Optic Installation - Two (2) bids were received and opened on January 19, 2024, as per attached

tabulation. The table below depicts the bid total.

Bid	\$1,554,800
Fees	\$46,644
General Conditions	\$93,288
Total	\$1,694,732

Funding: Developer Fees

Bid No. 2969 Office Supplies/Arts & Crafts for Warehouse Stock - Six (6) bids were received and opened on December 20, 2023.

VENDOR	AMOUNT OF AWARD
National Art Supply	\$8,354.00
Office Depot/ODP	\$10,269.90
Pyramid	\$23,447.30
School Specialties	\$3,653.07
Southwest School Supplies	\$49,230.80
Quill	\$1,361.80

Funding: General Funds - \$96,316.87 (based on average usage from the previous two years)

Bid No. 2973 Gas Oven Replacement - Five (5) bids were received and opened on January 16, 2024. Award per the attached tabulation.

Bid No. 2974 RFP District Campus Phase II Design for Manufacturing Steel Buildings - Four (4) bids were received and opened on January 19, 2024, as per attached tabulation. The table below depicts the aggregate bid total, construction management fees, and

all general conditions for the project.

Total	\$1,048,050.26
General Conditions	\$57,690.84
Fees	\$28,845.42
Bid	\$961,514.00

Funding: COP/Facility Funds

# CLOVIS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Purchase Order Contract

This Agreement is made this 14h day of 2024 by and between Clovis Unified School District "District" and A-Z Bus Sales, Inc. "Seller" with respect to the following recitals:

- 1. District is a public school district organized and existing under the laws of the State of California.
- 2. Seller has received notice of an award pursuant to <u>Bid 2963 School Bus Vehicles</u> for the delivery of certain equipment, services, or other articles "Service".

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. <u>Description of Service</u>. Seller agrees to deliver to school District's locations as specified in the bid specifications, the following:

### Bid 2963 - School Bus Vehicles

- 2. <u>Time of Commencement and Completion</u>. The Service shall be delivered in full per bid specifications.
- 3. <u>Contracts.</u> District agrees to pay Seller the sum specified in the bid price listing, following timely receipt of the Equipment/Supplies and submission of an invoice to District.
- 4. <u>Liquidated Damages</u>. Seller agrees to deliver the Service to District pursuant to the terms of this Contract by the Completion Date unless Seller receives a written extension of time for delivery from District. Seller's failure to deliver the Equipment on time shall subject Seller to liquidated damages. The actual occurrences of damages and the actual amount of damages which District will suffer if the Equipment is not delivered by the Completion Date is dependent upon many circumstances and conditions and, from the nature of the case, it is impracticable and extremely difficult to fix the actual damages occasioned by delay. Damages which District would suffer in the event of delay include loss of use of the Equipment, disruption of school activities, cost of administration and the loss suffered by the public by reason of delay. Accordingly, the parties agree that the amount herein set forth as liquidated damages shall be presumed to be the amount of damages actually sustained by Seller's failure to deliver the Equipment by the Completion Date.

The amount of liquidated damages to be paid by Seller to District for failure to deliver the Equipment on or before the Completion date will be Two Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$200.00) for each calendar day by which delivery is delayed beyond the Completion Date, such amount being the actual cash value agreed upon as the loss to the District resulting from the Seller's default.

If Seller becomes liable for liquidated damages, District, in addition to all other remedies provided by law, shall have the right to deduct the amount owed as liquidated damages from the contract sum due Seller. In all events, Seller and its sureties, if any, shall remain

- 11.4 Severability. In the event any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or under unenforceable any other provision hereof.
- 11.5 Amendments. The terms of this Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented or amended in any manner whatsoever except by written agreement signed by the parties.
- 11.6 Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. There are no understandings, agreements, representations or warranties, express or implied, not specified in this Agreement. Seller, by the execution of this Agreement, acknowledges that Seller has read this Agreement, understands it, and agrees to be bound by its terms and conditions.
- 12. <u>Termination</u>. The right to terminate this Agreement under this provision may be exercised without prejudice to any other right or remedy to which the terminating party may be entitled at law or under this Agreement. The parties may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving 90 days prior written notice of intention to terminate pursuant to this provision, specifying the date of termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this Agreement on the date first hereinabove written.

CLOVIS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tatum Toste, Director of Purchasing

A-Z BUS SALES, INC.

Brouden Bloke

Title: UP of S-les & Operations

Funding: COP/Facility Funds

### FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE:

As noted above.

### ATTACHMENTS:

Description Upload Date	е Туре
Bid No.2963 - Bid Tabulation 1/19/2024	Backup Material
Bid No.2968 - Bid Tabulation 1/23/2024	Backup Material
Bid No.2973 - Bid Tabulation 1/23/2024	Backup Material
Bid No.2974 - Bid Tabulation 1/29/2024	Backup Material

### **REVISIONS:**

From:

OpenGov Procurement Notifications

To:

Tracy Mountjoy

Subject: Date:

CLOVIS BID #2963 Question #12 Answered Wednesday, January 3, 2024 11:53:26 AM





Hi Tracy,

Clovis Unified School District has responded to Question #12 for <u>BID 2963</u>: <u>School Bus Vehicles.</u>

Question #12: Piggyback Co-op Bid option

Please confirm it is the Districts intent to use this bid as a piggyback co-op for other Public Agencies to use for purchases per the terms & requirements of Public Contract Codes #20652 and #20118 for procurement purchases?

Yes, please see section 3.32 under Instructions to Bidders.

View Response To #12

### Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

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### **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.512 Board Consideration of Approval of Revised GJUESD Facility Use Forms & Fees
Presenter:	Alejandra Garibay	Action Item: XX Information Item:

The district is consolidating the use of facilities from 6 pages to 3 pages. The original form had multiple pages of repetitive information. The new facilities use form is attached for review.

The revisions include the following:

- Food & Nutrition employee costs averaged to \$40/hour.
- Custodial employee costs averaged \$45/hour.
- Class II or Class III usage fees shall be invoiced before use and payable to GJUESD 48 business hours before the event date.
- Cancellations with less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice will be subject to a \$80.00 cancellation fee. The fee does not apply if the fee has not been incurred for use.

### GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT FOR USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

User Group(s)				
Person in charge				
Email	Phone			
Alternate person in charge		Phone		
School requested	Area/Ro	omKitchen		
Date(s) Requested				
Time Requested	(AM / PM) to	(AM / PM)		
Purpose of Use				
Equipment requested				
Admission charge	Total estimated attend	ance		
	DISTRICT USE O	NLY		
Principal's approval		Date		
Request approved	by	Chief Business Officer or Designee		
	Date			
Class I / Class II / Class III	Charge \$	District employee required: Yes / No		
Job classification	District employee assigned_	Hourly rate \$		
Total Cost: \$	Payment Due	Payment Received		

### Fee Schedule

Type of Use	Fairsite Multi- Purpose	Lake Canyon Multi-Purpose	Marengo Ranch Multi-Purpose	River Oaks Multi-Purpose	Robert L. McCaffrey Multi-Purpose or Gymnasium	Vernon E. Greer Multi- Purpose	Valley Oaks Multi- Purpose	Bright Future Learning Center (BFLC)	Kitchen only Cafeteria employee must be present
Class I (Free Use)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	\$40.00/hour
Class II (Expense Coverage Use)	\$125.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$40.00/hr.	\$50.00 + \$40.00/hour
Class III (Semi Commercial or Individual)	\$150.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$45.00/hr.	\$60.00 + \$40.00/hour

In cases where a cafeteria or custodial employee is required to be present, the employee pay shall be \$40.00/hour for Food & Nutrition and \$45.00/hour for Custodial, with a minimum of two (2) hours to be paid by the using organization or individual. District employees shall not be obligated to donate their time. The rental fee, as per the schedule above, is payable to the District forty-eight (48) hours prior to the event date. Checks should be made payable to Galt Joint Union Elementary School District.

### Criteria for determining Type of Use

- CLASS I District activities, youth organizations and outside sports groups normally granted free use, Monday through Friday. Examples include, but are not limited to: Scout Troops, Blue Birds, Brownies, Camp Fire Girls, 4-H Clubs, AAU and other competitive leagues, community sports leagues, community clubs, etc. All school district activities of groups which are directly and primarily school-related. (Examples: PTA, Parent Clubs, Booster Clubs, Student Body Associations, Galt Parks and Recreation by agreement only). Other organizations meeting for the benefit of youth, on approval of the Superintendent and/or the Board of Education. Weekend use will be charged at Class II rates including custodial costs.
- CLASS II Community-wide activities of a cultural or public interest nature where memberships are sold, admission fees are charged or donations solicited, and/or the purpose of which is to raise funds for charitable projects.

  Religious organizations for the conduction of religious services for temporary periods of time. Admission fees may, or may not, be charged. Weekend use will be charged a custodial cost in addition to rental fee.
- CLASS III Activities to which admission is charged and whose sole purpose is profit making, private or personal use by an individual or group. Weekend use and/or use when GJUESD employees are not scheduled to work will be charged a custodial cost in addition to rental fee.

# <u>In accordance with the California Education Code and the policies of the Board of Education, the following provisions are set for the use of the Galt Joint Union Elementary School Districts facilities:</u>

- 1. User group(s) wishing to use school facilities should make a request on the Application and Agreement for Use of School Facilities form at least three (3) weeks prior to the desired date(s). Exceptions shall be subject to approval of the Chief Business Official (CBO). Cancellations of requests for the use of facilities must be made no less than twenty-four (24) hours in advance. Cancellations with less than twenty-four (24) hours notice will be subject to a cancellation fee of \$80.00. Cancellation fee does not apply if fee has not been incurred for use. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)
- 2. The User group(s) shall provide valid Certificate of Liability Insurance naming the District, its Directors, Officers, employees, agents and volunteers, as additional insured under its liability insurance or coverage agreement(s), minimum \$1,000,000 Liability/\$2,000,000 Aggregate, including the 2nd page titled "Additional Insured Endorsement" prior to the desired date(s). User is required to provide proof of insurance and additional insured endorsement prior to
- 3. User group(s) agrees to hold the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, its Governing Board, the individual members thereof, and all District officers, agents, and employees free and harmless from any loss, damage liability, cost or expense that may arise during or be caused in any way by such use or occupancy of school property. The applicant agrees to furnish such liability or other insurance for the protection of the public and the District as may be

- required by the District. However, the applicant will not be held responsible for any loss or damage caused by any peril for which the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District is insured under their fire insurance contracts.
- 4. Neither the User group(s), nor its employees, agents, guests nor invitees are authorized to use any other real property, or physical improvements to real property, other than the Facilities covered by this Agreement. User group(s) shall be responsible for any loss or damage other than normal wear and tear to the district premises, furniture or equipment, because of occupancy of said premises and agrees to assume financial responsibility for all damages and any additional custodial services, if required. The use of facilities shall not be granted when, in the opinion of the school administration, there is a possibility of damage or injury to school property.
- **5.** Use of school facilities and grounds shall be in accordance with all applicable federal and state regulations and guidelines, and school board policy. District facilities or grounds will not be utilized by individuals, organizations, agencies or others that engage in discriminatory practices as prohibited by federal law, state law or school board policies.
- Use of school facilities for religious or sectarian purposes is permitted by law for temporary use at cost (Ed. Code Sec. 6.
- 7. Facilities must be under the supervision of a responsible adult over the age of twenty-one (21) at all times. Enforcement of the rules is the responsibility of the adult in charge, who must be present during the entire period of use. If the responsible party is changed (from the one listed on the request form) the District must be notified accordingly prior to the activity.
- Permission for the use of buildings and facilities may be revoked by the administration whenever the use may interfere 8. with school activities or whenever there has been a violation of regulations or abuse of buildings or facilities.
- 9. The User group(s) will return the facility to its original arrangement and condition before leaving.
- Use of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco are not permitted on school premises at any time. **10.**
- 11. Gym shoes are required when using the gym floor for active recreation, with the exception of dancing. School equipment will not be used unless authorized. Specialized equipment such as projectors, p.a. systems, etc., shall not be used unless a District employee is available to operate or teach the User group(s) how to operate prior to use. The District reserves the right to deny requested use of specialized equipment.
- **12.** Nothing shall be offered for sale at meetings without prior approval.
- **13.** Facilities will have limited availability from November to March.
- 14. All questions which are not covered by these regulations having to do with the use of the District's facilities by outside organizations shall be referred to the CBO.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have been duly authorized to request the use of Galt Joint Union Elementary School District facilities by the User group(s), and that the User group(s) will be responsible for any damage sustained to the school building, furniture or equipment accruing through the occupancy or use of said buildings; however, in the event said application is made in an individual capacity, then I will be personally responsible for any such damages. Use of school facilities and grounds shall be in accordance with all applicable federal and state regulations and guidelines, and school board policy. I will abide by the policy of the Board of Education of the Galt Joint Union Elementary School District, and that said User group(s) and I will conform to all applicable provisions of the constitution and laws of the State of California. User group(s) not following rules listed will be subject to loss of use. User group(s) that do not adhere to the twenty-four (24) hour cancellation policy will be subject to a cancellation fee of \$80.00. Cancellation fee does not apply if fee has not been incurred for use. This Agreement has been duly reviewed and approved by the authorized agents of the District and User group(s), who warrant and represent that they have the power and authority to find their respective principals to the terms of this Agreement.

Dated:	Dated:
Name:	Name:
Signature:	Signature:
Title:  As Authority Agent of the "User group(s)"	Title: As Authority Agent of the "District"

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# **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.513 Board Consideration of Approval to Change the April 16, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Date to
		April 23, 2025
Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX Information Item:
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### **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.514 Board Consideration to Nominate California School Boards Association (CSBA) Directors-at- Large Asian/Pacific Islander and Hispanic
Presenter:	Lois Yount	Action Item: XX Information Item:

Nominations for CSBA Directors-at-Large Asian/Pacific Islander and Hispanic are currently being accepted through October 4, 2024. Directors-at-Large play an important role at CSBA, helping shape policy and set organizational direction.

A CSBA member board must make nominations for Directors-at-Large, and the nominee must be a board member from a CSBA member district or county office of education.

The elections will occur at CSBA's Delegate Assembly meeting on December 4, 2024 at the Association's Annual Education Conference. All newly elected Directors should plan to attend a required orientation in Anaheim following the 3<sup>rd</sup> General Session at the Annual Education Conference on December 7, 2024.

Attachment: FAQ: Election to CSBA's Board of Directors for the 2024-2026 term as a Director-at-Large



# Frequently Asked Questions: Election to CSBA's Board of Directors for 2024-2026 term as a Director-at-Large

**How many Directors-at-Large are there?** There are 5 Directors-at-Large – African American, American Indian, Asian/Pacific Islander, Hispanic, and County. In addition, the Board includes 4 officers, 21 Regional Directors, and 1 statewide Director that represents the county offices of education.

Which Director-at-Large positions are up for election? In even-numbered years, the Directors-at-Large, Asian/Pacific Islander and Hispanic are elected. In odd-numbered years, Directors-at-Large, African American, American, and County.

Who can run for Directors-at-Large? A nominee must be a board member from a CSBA-member district or county board of education. The Director-at-Large, County must be from a CSBA-member county board of education. Please note that Standing Rule 108 prohibits simultaneous service on state-wide boards that represent the education community such as those that represent labor, parents, special interests, or other areas of the school governance community and Standing Rule 109 prohibits CSBA employees from serving on the Board of Directors.

Who can nominate the Directors-at-Large? Any district or county office of education whose board is a member of CSBA.

When are nominations due? Nomination forms are due from member boards on Friday, October 4, 2024 by 11:59 p.m. via online submission or emailed to <a href="mailto:nominations@csba.org">nominations@csba.org</a>. A valid nomination includes the following:

**Nomination form**: A completed, signed, and dated nomination form. Member boards must secure permission before placing a name into nomination.

When are candidate materials due? Candidate materials are due from Director-at-Large nominees on Friday, October 18, 2024 by 11:59 p.m. via online submission or emailed to <a href="mailto:nominations@csba.org">nominations@csba.org</a>. A completed candidate packet includes:

- > Candidate Form: A signed and dated candidate form completed by the nominee.
- ➤ **Two letters of recommendation:** A one page, single-sided letter addressed to CSBA President Albert Gonzalez emailed to <a href="mailto:nominations@csba.org">nominations@csba.org</a>. Recommendation letters must be from:
  - 1) A CSBA member district or county board of education <u>if letter is signed by the</u> Superintendent, it must state in the letter "on behalf of the board."
  - 2) An individual board member from a CSBA member district or county board of education: or
  - 3) Another association of school or county board of education member
- > An optional, one-page résumé from the nominee may be submitted to nominations@csba.org.

When and where are the elections? Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at CSBA's Delegate Assembly meeting at the Anaheim Marriott.

**How long does a Director-at-Large serve on the Board?** All Directors, including Directors-at-Large, serve two-year terms and take office immediately upon the close of the Association's Annual Education Conference and Trade Show. Directors-at-Large may run for re-election if they choose to, there are no term limits.

When and where are the required meetings for CSBA Directors? Directors-at-Large are required to attend the Board of Directors meetings and the Delegate Assembly meetings. There are five Board meetings each year held over a weekend, except for the meetings in May and late November/early December when the meetings are held on a single day. The meeting in late January/early February takes place at a determined offsite location while the meetings in late March/early April and late September/early October typically take place at the CSBA office in West Sacramento. The May meeting takes place in Sacramento the day before the Delegate Assembly meeting. In 2025, the December meeting will take place in Sacramento, the day before the Delegate Assembly meeting, followed by the Annual Education Conference. There are two Delegate Assembly meetings scheduled, as noted, in May and late November/early December in the host city of the Association's Annual Education Conference.

What do Directors do? Members of the Board of Directors establish the vision, mission, and goals for the Association, ensure that Association activities and programs remain focused on those goals and the issues identified in the Policy Platform. They provide advocacy on behalf of children, public education, local boards, and the Association; serve on committees, councils, and task forces; and receive reports and updates on major programs consistent with the Vision, Mission, and Strategic Goals of the Association. They also provide two-way communication with Delegate Assembly members and local board members and support and participate in the Association's activities and events.

In addition, the Board has corporate duties to adopt the Association's budget; adopt and amend the Association's Standing Rules; receive reports on corporate operations; approve the hiring and terms of employment of the CEO & Executive Director, upon recommendation of the Executive Committee; comment annually on the performance, and act on the contract of the CEO & Executive Director, upon recommendation of the Executive Committee; and abide by the Code of Ethics, Conflict of Interest Policy, and Whistleblower Policy, as adopted by the Board of Directors.

For questions or additional information, please contact CSBA's Executive Office at nominations@csba.org.07/2024



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### **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	August 21, 2024	Agenda Item: 242.515 First Reading of Board Policies
Presenter:	Lois Yount Kuljeet Nijjar	Action Item: XX

The following Board Policies are presented for a first reading.

### **GUIDE SHEET**

- 1. BP 1260 Educational Foundation
- 2. BP 2121 Superintendent's Contract
- 3. BP 4127/4227/4327 Temporary Athletic Team Coaches
- 4. AR 4127/4227/4327 Temporary Athletic Team Coaches
- 5. BP 5113 Absences and Excuses
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- 7. BP 5145.6 Parent/Guardian Notifications
- 8. BP 6164.2 Guidance/Counseling Services
- 9. BP 6177 Summer Learning Programs
- 10. BP 7214 General Obligation Bonds
- 11. AR 7214 General Obligation Bonds

# CSBA POLICY GUIDE SHEET June 2024

Note: Descriptions below identify revisions made to CSBA's sample board policies, administrative regulations, board bylaws, and/or exhibits. Editorial changes have also been made. Districts and county offices of education should review the sample materials and modify their own policies accordingly.

### 1. Board Policy 1260 - Educational Foundation (GJUESD does not have a current policy)

Policy updated to reflect Proposition 28 Arts and Music in Schools Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act and corresponding California Department of Education accounting guidance regarding how districts can demonstrate state funds are used to supplement not supplant existing program funds. Additionally, policy updated to reflect that the district may not release student records or other personally identifiable student information except with parental consent or as required by law or district policy, and that student directory information may be released when appropriate.

### 2. Board Policy 2121 - Superintendent's Contract

Policy updated to delete a portion of the language related to limitations for discussing superintendent salary or other compensation in closed session as this material exists in other policy materials. Additionally, policy updated to reflect **NEW LAW (SB 494, 2023)** prohibiting a governing board from taking action to terminate a superintendent under specified conditions.

### 3. Board Policy 4127/4227/4327 - Temporary Athletic Team Coaches (all are the same)

Policy updated to acknowledge that well-trained coaches are vital to the success of the experience of students in sports and interscholastic athletic activities, to include a definition of "interscholastic athletic activities," and to reference **NEW LAW (AB 245, 2023)** which requires training in the use of an automated external defibrillator.

### 4. Administrative Regulation 4127/4227/4327 - Temporary Athletic Team Coaches (all are the same)

Regulation updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 245, 2023)** which requires athletic team coaches to complete training in the use of an automated external defibrillator (AED), and the recognition of the signs of heat illness and cardiac arrest. Additionally, regulation updated to reference **NEW LAW (AB 1467, 2023)** which requires districts, beginning January 1, 2027, to provide student athletes with access to an AED during any official practice or match, which, when medical circumstances warrant its use, is administered by a medical professional, coach, or other designated person who holds AED certification. In addition, regulation updated to reference **NEW LAW (AB 1653, 2023)** which requires the California Interscholastic Federation and the California Department of Education to develop guidelines, procedures, and safety standards for the prevention and management of exertional heat illness.

### 5. Board Policy 5113 - Absences and Excuses

Policy updated to reference CSBA's new governance brief, "Seize the Data: Using Chronic Absence Data to Drive Student Engagement". Additionally, policy updated to clarify that absence from school is required to be excused when the absence is due to work in the entertainment or allied industry, as permitted by law. In addition, policy updated to add the requirement for teachers to provide identical or equivalent assignments and tests when a student has an excused absence.

### 6. Administrative Regulation 5113 - Absences and Excuses

Regulation updated to reflect **NEW LAW (SB 350, 2023)** which requires that (1) a student's absence be excused for up to five days when the absence is for the purpose of attending funeral services or grieving the death of a student's immediate family, or of a person who is determined by the student's parent/guardian to be in such close association with the student as to be considered the student's immediate family, and (2) a student's absence be excused for up to three days when the absence is for the purpose of accessing victim or grief support services or for participating in safety planning as it relates to the death of a student's immediate family member, or of a person who is determined by the student's parent/guardian to be in such close association with the student as to be considered the student's immediate family. Additionally, regulation updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 1503, 2023)** which provides that attendance at a religious retreat may be excused for no more than one school day each semester. In addition, regulation updated to generalize the means of communication from parents/guardians to verify a student absence to keep the language more timeless. Policy also updated for closer alignment with law, clarity, and gender neutrality.

### 7. Board Policy 5145.6 - Parent/Guardian Notifications

Policy updated to clarify the importance of effective communication from the district and/or school to families, and that a parent/guardian's signature acknowledging receipt of the annual notifications is not required. Additionally, policy updated to delete a portion of the material related to how notifications are presented, due to redundancy.

### 8. Board Policy 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services

Policy updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 278, 2023)** which establishes the Dream Resource Grant Program with the goal of creating Dream Resource Centers at schools that serve students in grades 9-12, and **NEW LAW (SB 223, 2023)** which provides flexibility for pupil personnel services holders to receive authorization to provide child welfare and attendance services by either completing a Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC)-approved program of supervised field experience, or a CTC-approved program of professional preparation offered by a local educational agency. Additionally, policy updated to clarify that

(1) guidance counseling regarding school programs and career, vocational, or higher education opportunities may not be differentiated based on any protected category specified in law or board policy, and that (2) the district may not use testing or other materials that permit or require impermissible or unlawful differential treatment of students, unless such different materials cover the same occupations and interest areas and the use of such materials is essential to the elimination of bias and discrimination. In addition, policy updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 1173, 2023) which requires a district that serves students in any of grades 9-12 that is planning to hold a college or career fair to notify each community college district that has overlapping jurisdiction of the date, time, and location of the fair, and provide an opportunity for the community college district to participate. Policy also updated to reflect NEW LAW (AB 665, 2023) which aligns a section of the Family Code with a related Health and Safety Code section which allows a minor age 12 or older to consent to outpatient mental health counseling or treatment services without parent/guardian consent if, in the opinion of a school psychologist or other professional person, the minor is mature enough to participate intelligently in the services, without having to establish that the minor would present a danger of serious physical or mental harm to themself or others without the mental counseling or treatment services or that the minor is an alleged victim of incest or child abuse; however the child's parent/guardian is required to be involved unless the professional person determines after consulting with the minor that it would be inappropriate. Policy also updated to delete the requirement for school counselors to assist in the development of the comprehensive safety plan since this is not required by

law, but maintained the requirement for school counselors to assist in the development of the disaster preparedness plan, which is part of the comprehensive safety plan.

### 9. Board Policy 6177 - Summer Learning Programs

Policy updated to incorporate concepts related to learning recovery, including that the district will provide students with supplemental instruction and support in a tiered framework that bases universal, targeted, and intensive supports on students' needs for academic, social-emotional, and other integrated student supports through a program of engaging learning experiences in a positive school climate. Policy also updated to reflect **NEW LAW (AB 723, 2023)** and **NEW LAW (AB 373, 2023)** which require a district to grant priority access for intersession programs to a foster youth and/or to a student experiencing homelessness, and that if during an intersession period the student will be moving, the student's educational rights holder will determine which school the student will attend for the intersession period. Additionally, policy updated to add that a district is required to provide any student who attends a school that is not operating an expanded learning opportunity (ELO) program transportation to attend at a location that is providing an ELO program and to return to the original location or another location that is established by the district.

### 10. Board Policy 7214 - General Obligation Bonds

Policy updated for clarity and organization, including that the Governing Board may direct the Superintendent to explore the possibility of a bond measure.

### 11. Administrative Regulation 7214 - General Obligation Bonds

Regulation updated to expand and more closely align with code language the information related to ballot materials, including that at least 88 days prior to the election the Superintendent must deliver applicable ballot materials to the officer conducting the election. Additionally, regulation updated to add new section "Ballot Materials" which includes (1) that the ballot question may not exceed 75 words, (2) that the ballot materials include a brief statement of the measure setting forth the amount of the bonds to be voted on, the maximum rate of interest, and the purposes for which the proceeds of the sale of the bonds are to be used, (3) for bond measures that require a 55 percent majority vote, a statement that the Board will appoint a citizens' oversight committee, (4) for projects that require state matching funds, a statement advising voters that the project is subject to the approval of state matching funds, and (4) that arguments in support of or in opposition to a bond measure are submitted in accordance with law, and to reflect NEW LAW (SB 798, 2023) which requires the inclusion of the tax rate per \$100,000 of assessed valuation on all property to be taxed to fund a bond measure. In addition, regulation updated to (1) reflect that the district will provide the citizens' oversight committee with responses to any and all findings, recommendations, and concerns addressed in the annual independent financial and performance audits within three months of receiving the audits, and (2) to include post-issuance reporting requirements.

**Status: DRAFT** 

### 1. Policy 1260: Educational Foundation

Original Adopted Date: 02/27/2008 | Last Revised Date: Pending

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of community support of district programs, including voluntary financial contributions, to assist the district in achieving its goals for student learning.

The Board desires to work cooperatively with the educational foundation in determining the purposes for which funds may be used to meet the changing needs of the district and its students. The Board recognizes that an educational foundation is a separate legal entity, independent of the district. However, the foundation is encouraged to provide regular reports to the Board on the status of its work and to communicate ways that the district can help support the foundation's activities.

With the consent of the Superintendent or designee, the educational foundation, as appropriate, may use the district's name, a school's name, a school team's name, or any logo attributable to a school or the district.

Student records or other personally identifiable student information shall not be released except with parental consent or as required by law or district policy. Student directory information may be released when appropriate.

The Board supports foundation allocations that serve all district schools equitably.

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### 2. Policy 2121: Superintendent's Contract

Original Adopted Date: 02/27/2008 | Last Revised Date: Pending

The Governing Board believes that the Superintendent's employment contract should outline the framework through which the Board and Superintendent will work together as a governance team to achieve district goals and objectives. When approving the Superintendent's employment contract, the Board shall consider the value of stability in district administration, the best use of district resources, and the Board's duty to ensure accountability to the public for the performance of the district's schools.

The contract shall be reviewed by district legal counsel and may include the following:

- 1. Term of the contract, which shall be for no more than four years pursuant to Education Code 35031
- 2. Length of the work year and hours of work
- 3. Salary, health and welfare benefits, and other compensation for the position, including a statement that any subsequent increase in the Superintendent's salary shall be at the sole discretion of the Board
- 4. Reimbursement of work-related expenses, including mileage reimbursement, consistent with Board policies, regulations, and guidelines applicable to other professional administrative staff
  - The contract may also address payment for professional dues and activities, the district's provision of cell phones or other technological devices, and the use of a personal vehicle.
- 5. Vacation, illness and injury leave, and personal leaves
- 6. Professional development
- 7. General duties and responsibilities of the position
- 8. Criteria, process, and procedure for annual evaluation of the Superintendent
- 9. A statement that there shall be no automatic renewal or extension of the contract, although the Board may enter into a new contract with the Superintendent prior to the expiration of the existing contract
- 10. Timeline for providing written notice to the Superintendent if the Board does not wish to enter into a new contract, which shall be at least 45 calendar days in advance of the expiration of the term of the contract pursuant to Education Code 35031, and the responsibility of the Superintendent to remind the Board in writing and in a timely manner

- 11. Conditions and process for termination of the contract, including the maximum cash settlement that the Superintendent may receive if the contract is terminated prior to its expiration date
- 12. Matters related to liability and indemnification against demands, claims, suits, actions, and legal proceedings brought against the Superintendent in the Superintendent's official capacity in the performance of employment-related duties

The Board may deliberate about terms of the contract in closed session at a regular meeting. However, discussions regarding the salary, salary schedule, or other compensation may occur in the closed session of a regular meeting only between the Board and its designated representative(s), as permitted under Government Code 54957.6. Such deliberations shall not be held during a special meeting. (Government Code 54956, 54957, 54957.6)

Terms of the contract shall remain confidential until the approval process commences.

The Board shall take final action on the Superintendent's contract during an open session of a regularly scheduled Board meeting, and that action shall be reflected in the Board's minutes. At that meeting, prior to taking action, the Board shall orally report a summary of the recommendation for the final action on the Superintendent's salary or compensation in the form of fringe benefits. (Government Code 3511.1, 53262, 54953)

Copies of the contract and other public records created or received in the process of developing the recommendation related to the Superintendent's salary, benefits, and other compensation shall be available to the public upon request. (Government Code 53262, 54953)

#### **Termination of Contract**

Prior to the expiration of the contract, the Board may terminate the Superintendent's employment contract in accordance with law and applicable contract provisions.

In such an event, the maximum cash settlement that the Superintendent may receive upon termination of the contract shall not exceed the Superintendent's monthly salary multiplied by the number of months left on the contract or the Superintendent's monthly salary multiplied by 12, whichever is less. (Government Code 53260)

The cash settlement shall not include any noncash items other than health benefits, which may be continued for the same duration of time as covered in the settlement or until the Superintendent finds other employment, whichever occurs first. (Government Code 53260, 53261)

However, when the termination of the Superintendent's contract is based upon the Board's belief and subsequent confirmation through an independent audit that the Superintendent has engaged in fraud, misappropriation of funds, or other illegal fiscal practices, no cash or noncash settlement of any amount shall be provided. (Government Code 53260)

In addition, if the Superintendent is convicted of a crime involving an abuse of office or position, the Superintendent shall reimburse the district for payments received as paid leave salary pending investigation or as cash settlement upon termination, and for any funds expended by the district in defending the Superintendent against a crime involving the Superintendent's office or position. (Government Code 53243-53243.4, 53260)

The Board shall not take action to terminate the Superintendent without cause at a special or emergency meeting of the Board. (Education Code 35150)

Additionally, the Board shall not take action to terminate the Superintendent without cause or within 30 days after the first convening of the Board after an election at which one or more Board members are elected or recalled. (Education Code 35150)

However, the Board may take action to terminate the Superintendent without cause at a regular meeting during any month in which a regular meeting of the Board is not scheduled. (Education Code 35150)

**Status: ADOPTED** 

### **Policy 2121: Superintendent's Contract**

Original Adopted Date: 02/27/2008 | Last Reviewed Date: 02/27/2008

In approving employment contracts with the Superintendent, the Governing Board wishes to encourage the Superintendent's long-term commitment to the district and community while carefully considering the financial and legal implications of the contract in order to protect the district from any potentially adverse obligations.

The Board shall designate a representative to negotiate with the Superintendent on its behalf and shall consult legal counsel to draft the contract document.

The Board shall deliberate in closed session about the terms of the contract. (Government Code 54957)

Terms of the contract shall remain confidential until the ratification process commences.

The Board shall ratify the Superintendent's contract in an open meeting, which shall be reflected in the Board's minutes. Copies of the contract shall be available to the public upon request. (Government Code 53262)

The contract shall include, but not be limited to, provisions for salary and benefits, annual evaluations, term of the contract, and conditions for termination of the contract. The contract should also include general responsibilities and duties of the Superintendent.

The term of the contract shall be for no more than four years. (Education Code 35031)

During the term of the contract, the Board may reemploy the Superintendent on those terms and conditions mutually agreed upon by the Board and Superintendent. (Education Code 35031)

The Superintendent's contract shall be extended only by Board action and subsequent to a satisfactory evaluation of the Superintendent's performance.

In the event that the Board determines not to reemploy the Superintendent, the Board shall provide written notice to the Superintendent at least 45 days in advance of the expiration of the term of the contract. (Education Code 35031)

The Superintendent's contract shall include a provision specifying the maximum cash settlement that the Superintendent may receive upon termination of the contract. However, if the unexpired term of the contract is greater than 18 months, the maximum cash settlement shall be no more than the Superintendent's monthly salary multiplied by 18. The cash settlement shall not include any noncash items other than health benefits, which may be continued for the unexpired term of the contract up to 18 months or until the Superintendent finds other employment, whichever occurs first. (Government Code 53260, 53261)

If the Board terminates the Superintendent's contract upon its belief and subsequent confirmation pursuant to an independent audit that the Superintendent has engaged in fraud, misappropriation of funds, or other illegal practices, the maximum settlement shall be within the limits prescribed by law, as determined by an administrative law judge. (Government Code 53260)

**Status: DRAFT** 

### 3. Policy 4127/4227/4327: Temporary Athletic Team Coaches

Original Adopted Date: 02/27/2008 | Last Revised Date: Pending

The Governing Board acknowledges that well-trained coaches are vital to the success of the experience of students in sports and interscholastic athletic activities, and therefore desires to employ highly qualified coaches for the district's interscholastic athletic activities in order to enhance the knowledge, skills, motivation, and safety of participating students.

The Superintendent or designee may hire a certificated or noncertificated employee, other than a substitute employee, to supervise or instruct interscholastic athletic activities as a temporary employee in a limited assignment capacity. Interscholastic athletic activities include any activities in which student teams participate in interscholastic competition. (5 CCR 5590)

When hiring a person to fill a position as a temporary athletic activity team coach, the position shall first be made available to qualified certificated teachers currently employed by the district. (Education Code 44919)

All coaches shall be subject to applicable law, Board policies, administrative regulations, and California Interscholastic Federation bylaws and codes of ethical conduct.

Noncertificated coaches shall have no authority to assign grades to students. (5 CCR 5591)

### **Qualifications and Training**

The Superintendent or designee shall establish qualification criteria for all athletic coaches in accordance with law and district standards. These criteria shall ensure that coaches possess an appropriate level of competence, knowledge, and skill.

Any noncertificated employee or volunteer who works with students in a district-sponsored interscholastic athletic activity shall, prior to beginning the individual's duties, submit to the Superintendent or designee either an Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate issued by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing or a Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal background clearance. (Education Code 49024)

Following the selection of a temporary athletic team coach, the Superintendent or designee shall certify to the Board, at the next regular Board meeting or within 30 days, whichever is sooner, that the coach meets the qualifications and competencies required by 5 CCR 5593. By April 1 of each year, the Board shall certify to the State Board of Education that the provisions of 5 CCR 5593 have been met. (5 CCR 5594)

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board regarding the extent to which the district's coaches have completed the trainings required by law, including those required pursuant to Education Code 33479.6, 35179.1, and 49032, and by district policy.

**Status: ADOPTED** 

### Policy 4127/4227/4327: Temporary Athletic Team Coaches

Original Adopted Date: 02/27/2008 | Last Reviewed Date: 02/27/2008

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of qualified temporary athletic team coaches to the district's sports program and to the success of students in sports and interscholastic athletic activities.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish qualification criteria for all athletic coaches in accordance with law and with district standards and priorities. These criteria shall ensure that all coaches possess an appropriate level of competence, knowledge, and skill.

Any certificated teacher employed by the district who applies for a position as a temporary athletic team coach and who satisfies the qualification criteria established for the position shall first be offered the position. (Education Code 44919)

By December 31, 2008, all district coaches, including volunteer coaches, shall have completed a coaching education program that meets the standards developed by the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF). Coaches shall bear the expense of the program. (Education Code 49032)

All coaches shall be subject to Board policy and administrative regulation, as well as CIF bylaws and codes of ethical conduct.

### **Volunteer Coaches**

Volunteer athletic team coaches shall meet all the qualification criteria required of temporary athletic team coaches employed by the district.

4. Regulation 4127/4227/4327: Temporary Athletic Team Coaches Status: DRAFT

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### Qualifications

Minimum qualifications for temporary athletic team coaches shall include, but are not necessarily limited to, competencies in the following areas: (5 CCR 5593)

- 1. Care and prevention of athletic injuries, basic sports injury first aid, and emergency procedures, as evidenced by one or more of the following:
  - a. Completion of a college-level course in the care and prevention of athletic injuries and possession of a valid cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card
  - b. A valid sports injury certificate or first aid card, and a valid CPR card
  - c. A valid Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) I or II card
  - d. A valid trainer's certification issued by the National or California Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA/CATA)
  - e. Possession of both valid CPR and first aid cards and practical experience under the supervision of an athletic coach or trainer or experience assisting in team athletic training and conditioning
- 2. Coaching theory and techniques in the sport or game being coached, as evidenced by one or more of the following:
  - a. Completion of a college course in coaching theory and techniques
  - b. Completion of in-service programs arranged by a school district or county office of education
  - c. Prior service as a student coach or assistant athletic coach in the sport or game being coached
  - d. Prior coaching in community youth athletic programs in the sport being coached
  - e. Prior participation in organized competitive athletics at the high school level or above in the sport being coached
- 3. Knowledge of the rules and regulations pertaining to the sport or game being coached, the league rules, and, at the high school level, regulations of the California Interscholastic

Federation (CIF)

- 4. Knowledge of child or adolescent psychology, as appropriate, as it relates to sport participation, as evidenced by one or more of the following:
  - a. Completion of a college-level course in child psychology for elementary school positions and adolescent or sports psychology for secondary school positions
  - b. Completion of a seminar or workshop on human growth and development of youth
  - c. Prior active involvement with youth in school or community sports program

The Superintendent or designee may waive competency requirements for persons enrolled in appropriate training courses leading to acquisition of the competency, provided such persons serve under the direct supervision of a fully qualified coach until the competencies are met. (5 CCR 5593)

Volunteers who supervise or direct an athletic program shall meet the qualification criteria specified in 5 CCR 5593 required for temporary athletic team coaches employed by the district. Any volunteer who does not meet such criteria shall serve only under the supervision of a fully qualified coach and shall not be given charge of an athletic program.

### **Additional Qualifications of Noncertificated Personnel and Volunteers**

In addition to the qualifications listed above, any noncertificated employee or volunteer assigned as a temporary athletic team coach shall: (5 CCR 5592)

- 1. Be free from tuberculosis and any other contagious disease that would prohibit certificated teachers from teaching, as verified by a written statement, renewable every four years, from a licensed physician or other person approved by the district
- 2. Not have been convicted of any offense referred to in Education Code 44010, 44011, or 44424, or any offense involving moral turpitude or evidencing unfitness to associate with children

Any noncertificated employee or volunteer assigned as a temporary athletic team coach shall obtain an Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate or a criminal background check in accordance with Board policy. (Education Code 49024)

### Training

Each employee or volunteer high school athletic team coach shall complete, at the individual's expense, a coaching education program that meets the standards developed by CIF and includes, but is not limited to, training in regard to sport psychology, sport pedagogy, sport physiology, sport management, statewide and school regulations, CPR, including certification, use of an automated external defibrillator (AED), and first aid that includes, but is not limited to, training in recognizing the signs, symptoms, and appropriate response to concussions, heat illness, and

cardiac arrest. A high school coach who has completed the education program in another California school district shall be deemed to have met the requirement for this district. An individual who has not completed the education program may be assigned as a coach for no longer than one season of interscholastic competition. (Education Code 35179.1, 49032)

In addition, prior to coaching an athletic activity and every two years thereafter, athletic coaches shall complete an approved training course on the nature and warning signs of sudden cardiac arrest. (Education Code 33479.2, 33479.6, 33479.7)

## **Code of Ethical Conduct**

Employees providing supervisory or instructional services in interscholastic athletic activities shall: (5 CCR 5596)

- 1. Show respect for players, officials, and other coaches
- 2. Respect the integrity and judgment of game officials
- 3. Establish and model fair play, sportsmanship, and proper conduct
- 4. Establish player safety and welfare as the highest priority
- 5. Provide proper supervision of students at all times
- 6. Use discretion when providing constructive criticism and when reprimanding players
- 7. Maintain consistency in requiring all players to adhere to the established rules and standards of the game
- 8. Properly instruct players in the safe use of equipment
- 9. Avoid exerting undue influence on a student's decision to enroll in an athletic program at any public or private postsecondary educational institution
- 10. Avoid exerting undue influence on students to take lighter academic course(s) in order to be eligible to participate in athletics
- 11. Avoid suggesting, providing, or encouraging any athlete to use nonprescription drugs, anabolic steroids, or any substance to increase physical development or performance that is not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, U.S. Surgeon General, or the American Medical Association
- 12. Avoid recruitment of athletes from other schools
- 13. Follow the rules of behavior and the procedures for crowd control as established by the district and the league in which the district participates

**Status: ADOPTED** 

## Regulation 4127/4227/4327: Temporary Athletic Team Coaches

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At the first regular Governing Board meeting or within 30 days after selection of a temporary athletic team coach, whichever is sooner, the Superintendent or designee shall certify to the Board that all temporary athletic team coaches meet the qualifications and competencies required by law. (5 CCR 5594)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent or designee, the Board shall certify to the State Board of Education, by April 1 of each year, that the district conforms with state requirements governing the employment of temporary athletic team coaches. (5 CCR 5594)

## Competencies

The Superintendent or designee shall determine whether a temporary athletic team coach is knowledgeable and competent in the areas of: (5 CCR 5593)

1. Care and prevention of athletic injuries, basic sports injury first aid, and emergency procedures

The Superintendent or designee shall establish qualifications in this competency area as evidenced by one or more of the following:

- a. Completion of a college-level course in the care and prevention of athletic injuries and possession of a valid cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card
- b. A valid sports injury certificate or first aid card, and a valid cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card
- c. A valid Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) I or II card
- d. A valid trainer's certification issued by the National or California Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA/CATA)
- e. Practical experience under the supervision of an athletic coach or trainer or experience assisting in team athletic training and conditioning and both valid CPR and first aid cards

## 2. Coaching techniques

The Superintendent or designee shall establish qualifications in coaching theory and techniques in the sport or game being coached as evidenced by one or more of the following:

- a. Completion of a college course in coaching theory and techniques
- b. Completion of inservice programs arranged by a school district or county office of education
- c. Prior service as a student coach or assistant athletic coach in the sport or game being coached
- d. Prior coaching in community youth athletic programs in the sport being coached
- e. Prior participation in organized competitive athletics at high school level or above in the sport being coached
- 3. Rules and regulations in the athletic activity being coached

The Superintendent or designee shall establish knowledge of the rules and regulations pertaining to the sport or game being coached, the league rules and, at the high school level, regulations of the California Interscholastic Federation.

4. Child or adolescent psychology, whichever is appropriate to the grade level of the involved activity

The Superintendent or designee shall establish competency in knowledge of child or adolescent psychology as it relates to sport participation as evidenced by one or more of the following:

- a. Completion of a college-level course in child psychology for elementary school positions and adolescent or sports psychology for secondary school positions
- b. Completion of a seminar or workshop on human growth and development of youth
- c. Prior active involvement with youth in school or community sports program

The Superintendent or designee may waive competency requirements for persons enrolled in appropriate training courses leading to acquisition of the competency, provided such persons serve under the direct supervision of a fully qualified coach until the competencies are met. (5 CCR 5593)

# **Additional Competencies for Noncertificated Personnel**

In addition to the competencies listed above, the Superintendent or designee shall determine that a noncertificated person employed as a temporary athletic team coach: (5 CCR 5592)

1. Has not been convicted of any offense referred to in Education Code 44010, 44011 or 44424, or any offense involving moral turpitude or evidencing unfitness to associate with children.

2. Is free from tuberculosis and any other contagious disease that would prohibit certificated teachers from teaching, as verified by a written statement, renewable every four years, from a licensed physician or other person approved by the district.

Noncertificated coaches have no authority to give grades to students. (5 CCR 5591)

#### **Code of Ethical Conduct**

Employees providing supervisory or instructional services in interscholastic athletic programs and activities shall: (5 CCR 5596)

- 1. Show respect for players, officials and other coaches
- 2. Respect the integrity and judgment of game officials
- 3. Establish and model fair play, sportsmanship and proper conduct
- 4. Establish player safety and welfare as the highest priority
- 5. Provide proper supervision of students at all times
- 6. Use discretion when providing constructive criticism and when reprimanding players
- 7. Maintain consistency in requiring all players to adhere to the established rules and standards of the game
- 8. Properly instruct players in the safe use of equipment
- 9. Avoid exerting undue influence on a student's decision to enroll in an athletic program at any public or private postsecondary educational institution
- 10. Avoid exerting undue influence on students to take lighter academic course(s) in order to be eligible to participate in athletics
- 11. Avoid suggesting, providing or encouraging any athlete to use nonprescriptive drugs, anabolic steroids or any substance to increase physical development or performance that is not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, U.S. Surgeon General or the American Medical Association
- 12. Avoid recruitment of athletes from other schools
- 13. Follow the rules of behavior and the procedures for crowd control as established by the Board and the league in which the district participates

**Status: DRAFT** 

# 5. Policy 5113: Absences And Excuses

Original Adopted Date: 02/27/2008 | Last Revised Date: Pending

The Governing Board believes that regular attendance plays an important role in student achievement. The Board shall work with parents/guardians and students to ensure their compliance with all state attendance laws and may use appropriate legal means to correct problems of chronic absence or truancy.

In accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation, absence from school shall be excused only for health reasons, family emergencies, and justifiable personal reasons as specified in Education Code 48205, and work in the entertainment or allied industry as permitted pursuant to Education Code 48225.5.

When a student's absence from school is excused, the student's teacher shall determine identical or reasonably equivalent assignments and tests to those missed during the absence which the student shall be permitted to complete for full credit within a reasonable amount of time as determined by the teacher. (Education Code 48205, 48225.5)

Student absence for religious instruction or participation in religious exercises away from school property may be considered excused subject to law and administrative regulation. (Education Code 46014)

Inasmuch as school attendance and class participation are integral to students' learning experiences, parents/guardians and students shall be encouraged to schedule medical and other appointments during non-school hours.

Students shall not be absent from school without their parents/guardians' knowledge or consent, except in cases of medical emergency or, as authorized pursuant to Education Code 46010.1, for a confidential medical appointment.

The Board shall, by resolution entered into its minutes, approve reasonable methods that may be used to verify student absences due to illness or quarantine. (5 CCR 421)

Status: ADOPTED

## **Policy 5113: Absences And Excuses**

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**Status: DRAFT** 

# 6. Regulation 5113: Absences And Excuses

Original Adopted Date: 02/27/2008 | Last Revised Date: Pending

#### **Excused Absences**

Subject to any applicable limitation, condition, or other requirement specified in law, a student's absence shall be excused for any of the following reasons:

- 1. Personal illness, including absence for the benefit of the student's mental or behavioral health (Education Code 48205)
- 2. Quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer (Education Code 48205)
- 3. Medical, dental, optometrical, or chiropractic service or appointment (Education Code 48205)
- 4. Attendance at funeral services for or grieving the death of a member of the student's immediate family or, as determined by the student's parent/guardian, a person so closely associated with the student as to be considered the student's immediate family (Education Code 48205)
  - A student may be excused for this reason for up to five days for each incident. (Education Code 48205)
- 5. Jury duty in the manner provided for by law (Education Code 48205)
- 6. Illness or medical appointment of a child to whom the student is the custodial parent (Education Code 48205)
- 7. Upon advance written request by the parent/guardian and the approval of the principal or designee, justifiable personal reasons including, but not limited to: (Education Code 48205)
  - a. Attendance or appearance in court
  - b. Attendance at a funeral service
  - c. Observance of a religious holiday or ceremony
  - d. Attendance at religious retreats for no more than one school day each semester
  - e. Attendance at an employment conference

- f. Attendance at an educational conference on the legislative or judicial process offered by a nonprofit organization
- 8. Service as a member of a precinct board for an election pursuant to Elections Code 12302 (Education Code 48205)
- 9. To spend time with an immediate family member who is an active duty member of the uniformed services, as defined in Education Code 49701, and has been called to duty for deployment to a combat zone or a combat support position or is on leave from or has immediately returned from such deployment (Education Code 48205)
  - Such absence shall be granted for a period of time to be determined at the discretion of the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 48205)
- 10. Attendance at the student's naturalization ceremony to become a United States citizen (Education Code 48205)
- 11. Participation in a cultural ceremony or event which relates to the habits, practices, beliefs, and traditions of a certain group of people (Education Code 48205)
- 12. For a middle school or high school student, engagement in a civic or political event, provided that the student notifies the school ahead of the absence (Education Code 48205)
  - Unless otherwise permitted by the Superintendent or designee, students shall be limited to one such school day-long absence each school year (Education Code 48205)
- 13. When a student's immediate family member or, as determined by the student's parent/guardian, a person so closely associated with the student as to be considered the student's immediate family has died: (Education Code 48205)
  - a. To access services from a victim services organization or agency
  - b. To access grief support services
  - c. To participate in safety planning or take other actions, including, but not limited to, temporary or permanent relocation, to increase the safety of the student, an immediate family member of the student, or a person determined by the student's parent/guardian to be in such close association with the student as to be considered immediate family.
    - Such absence shall be excused for not more than three days for each incident. (Education Code 48205)
- 14. Participation in religious exercises or to receive moral and religious instruction at the student's place of worship or other suitable place away from school property as designated by the religious group, church, or denomination (Education Code 46014)

Absence for student participation in religious exercises or instruction shall not be considered an absence for the purpose of computing average daily attendance if the student attends at least the minimum school day as specified in Administrative Regulation 6112 - School Day, and is not excused from school for this purpose on more than four days each school month. (Education Code 46014)

- 15. For a student who holds a work permit authorizing work in the entertainment or allied industries for a period of not more than five consecutive days, work in such industry (Education Code 48225.5)
  - For this purpose, student absence shall be excused for a maximum of up to five absences each school year. (Education Code 48225.5)"
- 16. Participation with a nonprofit performing arts organization in a performance for a public school audience (Education Code 48225.5)
  - A student may be excused for up to five such absences each school year provided that the student's parent/guardian provides a written explanation of such absence to the school. (Education Code 48225.5)
- 17. Other reasons authorized at the discretion of the principal or designee based on the student's specific circumstances (Education Code 48205, 48260)

For the purpose of the absences described above, immediate family means the student's parent/guardian, sibling, grandparent, or any other relative living in the student's household. (Education Code 48205)

#### **Method of Verification**

Student absence to care for a child for whom the student is the custodial parent shall not require a physician's note. (Education Code 48205)

For other absences, the student shall, upon returning to school following the absence, present a satisfactory explanation, either in person or by written note, verifying the reason for the absence. Absences shall be verified by the student's parent/guardian, other person having charge or control of the student, or the student if age 18 or older. (Education Code 46012; 5 CCR 306)

When an absence is planned, the principal or designee shall be notified prior to the date of the absence when possible.

The following methods may be used to verify student absences:

- 1. Written, digital, or audio message from parent/guardian or parent representative
- 2. Conversation, in person or by telephone, between the verifying employee and the student's parent/guardian or parent representative

The employee shall subsequently record the following:

- a. Name of student
- b. Name of parent/quardian or parent representative
- c. Name of verifying employee
- d. Date(s) of absence
- e. Reason for absence
- 3. Visit to the student's home by the verifying employee, or any other reasonable method which establishes the fact that the student was absent for the reasons stated

The employee shall document the verification and include the information specified in Item #2 above.

- 4. Physician's verification
  - a. When excusing students for confidential medical services or verifying such appointments, district staff shall not ask the purpose of such appointments but may request a note from the medical office to confirm the time of the appointment
  - b. If a student shows a pattern of chronic absenteeism due to illness, district staff may require physician verification of any further student absences

#### **Parental Notifications**

At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall:

- 1. Notify parents/guardians of the right to excuse a student from school in order to participate in religious exercises or to receive moral and religious instruction at their places of worship, or at other suitable places away from school property designated by a religious group, church, or denomination (Education Code 46014, 48980)
- 2. Notify students in grades 7-12 and the parents/guardians of all students enrolled in the district that school authorities may excuse any student from school to obtain confidential medical services without the consent of the student's parent/guardian (Education Code 46010.1)
- 3. Notify parents/guardians that a student shall not have a grade reduced or lose academic credit for any excused absence if missed assignments and tests that can reasonably be provided are satisfactorily completed within a reasonable period of time (Education Code

Such notice shall include the full text of Education Code 48205. (Education Code 48980)

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## **Regulation 5113: Absences And Excuses**

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#### **Excused Absences**

Subject to any applicable limitation, condition, or other requirement specified in law, a student's absence shall be excused for any of the following reasons:

- 1. Personal illness, including absence for the benefit of the student's mental or behavioral health. (Education Code 48205)
- 2. Quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer. (Education Code 48205)
- 3. Medical, dental, optometrical, or chiropractic service or appointment. (Education Code 48205)
- 4. Attendance at funeral services for a member of the student's immediate family. (Education Code 48205)
  - Such absence shall be limited to one day if the service is conducted in California or three days if the service is conducted out of state. (Education Code 48205)
- 5. Jury duty in the manner provided for by law. (Education Code 48205)
- 6. Illness or medical appointment of a child to whom the student is the custodial parent. (Education Code 48205)
- 7. Upon advance written request by the parent/guardian and the approval of the principal or designee, justifiable personal reasons including, but not limited to: (Education Code 48205)
  - a. Appearance in court
  - b. Attendance at a funeral service
  - c. Observance of a religious holiday or ceremony
  - d. Attendance at religious retreats for no more than four hours per semester
  - e. Attendance at an employment conference
  - f. Attendance at an educational conference on the legislative or judicial process offered by a nonprofit organization

- 8. Service as a member of a precinct board for an election pursuant to Elections Code 12302. (Education Code 48205)
- 9. To spend time with an immediate family member who is an active duty member of the uniformed services, as defined in Education Code 49701, and has been called to duty for deployment to a combat zone or a combat support position or is on leave from or has immediately returned from such deployment. (Education Code 48205)
  - Such absence shall be granted for a period of time to be determined at the discretion of the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 48205)
- 10. Attendance at the student's naturalization ceremony to become a United States citizen. (Education Code 48205)
- 11. Participation in a cultural ceremony or event which relates to the habits, practices, beliefs, and traditions of a certain group of people. (Education Code 48205)
- 12. For a middle school or high school student, engagement in a civic or political event, provided that the student notifies the school ahead of the absence. Unless otherwise permitted by the Superintendent or designee, students shall be limited to one such school day-long absence per school year. (Education Code 48205)
- 13. Participation in religious exercises or to receive moral and religious instruction at the student's place of worship or other suitable place away from school property as designated by the religious group, church, or denomination. (Education Code 46014)
  - Absence for student participation in religious exercises or instruction shall not be considered an absence for the purpose of computing average daily attendance if the student attends at least the minimum school day as specified in AR 6112 School Day, and is not excused from school for this purpose on more than four days per school month. (Education Code 46014)
- 14. Work in the entertainment or allied industry. (Education Code 48225.5)
  - Work for a student who holds a work permit authorizing work in the entertainment or allied industries for a period of not more than five consecutive days. For this purpose, student absence shall be excused for a maximum of up to five absences per school year. (Education Code 48225.5)
- 15. Participation with a nonprofit performing arts organization in a performance for a public school audience. (Education Code 48225.5)
  - A student may be excused for up to five such absences per school year provided that the student's parent/guardian provides a written explanation of such absence to the school. (Education Code 48225.5)
- 16. Other reasons authorized at the discretion of the principal or designee based on the student's specific circumstances. (Education Code 48205, 48260)

For the purpose of the absences described above, immediate family means the student's parent/guardian, brother or sister, grandparent, or any other relative living in the student's household. (Education Code 48205)

## **Method of Verification**

Student absence to care for a child for whom the student is the custodial parent shall not require a physician's note. (Education Code 48205)

For other absences, the student shall, upon returning to school following the absence, present a satisfactory explanation, either in person or by written note, verifying the reason for the absence. Absences shall be verified by the student's parent/guardian, other person having charge or control of the student, or the student if age 18 or older. (Education Code 46012; 5 CCR 306)

When an absence is planned, the principal or designee shall be notified prior to the date of the absence when possible.

The following methods may be used to verify student absences:

- 1. Written note, fax, email, or voice mail from parent/guardian or parent representative.
- 2. Conversation, in person or by telephone, between the verifying employee and the student's parent/guardian or parent representative. The employee shall subsequently record the following:
  - a. Name of student
  - b. Name of parent/quardian or parent representative
  - c. Name of verifying employee
  - d. Date(s) of absence
  - e. Reason for absence
- 3. Visit to the student's home by the verifying employee, or any other reasonable method which establishes the fact that the student was absent for the reasons stated. The employee shall document the verification and include the information specified in Item #2 above.
- 4. Physician's verification.
  - a. When excusing students for confidential medical services or verifying such appointments, district staff shall not ask the purpose of such appointments but may request a note from the medical office to confirm the time of the appointment.
  - b. If a student shows a pattern of chronic absenteeism due to illness, district staff may require physician verification of any further student absences.

## **Parental Notifications**

At the beginning of each school year, the Superintendent or designee shall:

- 1. Notify parents/guardians of the right to excuse a student from school in order to participate in religious exercises or to receive moral and religious instruction at their places of worship, or at other suitable places away from school property designated by a religious group, church, or denomination. (Education Code 46014, 48980)
- 2. Notify students in grades 7-12 and the parents/guardians of all students enrolled in the district that school authorities may excuse any student from school to obtain confidential medical services without the consent of the student's parent/guardian. (Education Code 46010.1)
- 3. Notify parents/guardians that a student shall not have a grade reduced or lose academic credit for any excused absence if missed assignments and tests that can reasonably be provided are satisfactorily completed within a reasonable period of time. Such notice shall include the full text of Education Code 48205. (Education Code 48980)

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# 7. Policy 5145.6: Parent/Guardian Notifications

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The Governing Board desires to promote effective communication from the district and/or school to families to keep families informed regarding educational programs, school operations, and the legal rights of students and parents/guardians. The Superintendent or designee shall send parents/guardians all notifications required by law and any other notifications the Superintendent or designee believes will promote familial understanding and involvement.

Notice of the rights and responsibilities of parents/guardians as specified in Education Code 48980 shall be sent at the beginning of each academic year and may be provided by regular mail, in electronic form when so requested by the parent/guardian, or by any other method normally used by the district for written communication with parents/guardians. (Education Code 48981)

No activity specified in Education Code 48980 shall be undertaken with respect to any particular student unless the student's parent/guardian has been informed of such action through the annual notification or other separate special notification. Such notice shall state the activity that will be undertaken and the approximate date on which the activity will occur. (Education Code 48983-48984)

The annual notification shall include a request that the parent/guardian sign the notice and return it to the school or, if the notice is provided in electronic format, that the parent/guardian submit a signed acknowledgment of receipt of the notice to the school. The parent/guardian's signature is not required. Any signature is an acknowledgment of receipt of the information but does not indicate that consent to participate in any particular program has been given or withheld. (Education Code 48982)

Whenever a student enrolls in a district school during the school year, the student's parents/guardians shall be given all required parental notifications at that time.

Notifications shall be presented in an understandable and uniform format.

When necessary, the district shall provide notifications to qualified individuals with disabilities in alternative formats, such as braille, large font, or audio recordings, to enable such individuals to effectively participate in any program, service, or activity, as required by law.

Whenever 15 percent or more of the students enrolled in a district school speak a single primary language other than English, as determined from the California Department of Education census data collected pursuant to Education Code 52164, all notices sent to the parent/guardian of any such student shall, in addition to being written in English, be written in the primary language, and may be responded to either in English or the primary language. (Education Code 48981, 48985)

Whenever an employee learns that a student's parent/quardian is unable to understand the

district's printed notifications for any reason, the employee shall inform the principal or designee, who shall work with the parent/guardian to establish other appropriate means of communication.

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## **Policy 5145.6: Parent/Guardian Notifications**

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The Governing Board recognizes that notifications are essential to effective communication between the school and the home. The Superintendent or designee shall send students and parents/guardians all notifications required by law, including notifications about their legal rights, and any other notifications he/she believes will promote parental understanding and involvement.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that notifications which must be sent at the beginning of each academic year include a request that the parent/guardian sign the notice and return it to the school. (Education Code 48981, 48982)

Notifications to parents/guardians shall be written both in English and in the family's primary language when so required by law. Whenever an employee learns that a student's parent/guardian is for any reason unable to understand the district's printed notifications, the principal or designee shall work with the parent/guardian to establish other appropriate means of communication.

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## 8. Policy 6164.2: Guidance/Counseling Services

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The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all persons employed to provide direct school counseling, school psychology, school social work services, child welfare and attendance services, and/or to implement equitable school programs and services that support students' academic and social and emotional development and college and career readiness possess the appropriate credential from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing authorizing their employment in such positions. Responsibilities of such positions shall be clearly defined in a job description.

Responsibilities of school counselors include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Engaging with, advocating for, and providing all students with direct services, such as individual counseling, group counseling, risk assessment, crisis response, and instructional services, including mental health and behavioral, academic, and postsecondary educational services, and indirect services, including but not limited to, positive school climate strategies, teacher and parent/guardian consultations, and referrals to public and private community services
- 2. Planning, implementing, and evaluating school counseling programs
- 3. Working within a MTSS that uses multiple data sources to monitor and improve student behavior, attendance, engagement, and achievement
- 4. Developing, coordinating, and supervising comprehensive student support systems in collaboration with teachers, administrators, other pupil personnel services professionals, families, community partners, and community agencies, including county mental health agencies
- 5. Promoting and maintaining a safe learning environment for all students by providing restorative practices, positive behavior interventions, and support services and by developing and responding with a variety of intervention strategies to meet individual, group, and school community needs before, during, and after a crisis
- 6. Intervening to ameliorate school-related problems, including problems related to chronic absences and retention
- 7. Using research-based strategies to promote mental wellness, reduce mental health stigma, and to identify characteristics, risk factors, and warning signs of students who develop, or are at risk of developing, mental health and behavioral disorders and who experience, or are at risk of experiencing, mistreatment, including mistreatment related to any form of conflict or bullying
- 8. Improving school climate and student well-being by addressing the mental and behavioral health needs of students during a period of transition, separation, heightened stress, and critical changes, accessing community programs and services to meet those needs, and providing other appropriate services
- 9. Enhancing students' social and emotional competence, character, health, civic engagement, cultural literacy, and commitment to lifelong learning and the pursuit of high-quality educational programs
- 10. Providing counseling services for unduplicated students who are classified as English learners, eligible for free and reduced-priced meals, foster youth, and/or experiencing homelessness, including interventions and support services that enhance equity and access to appropriate education systems and public and private services

11. Engaging in continued development as a professional school counselor

#### **Educational And Career Counseling**

Beginning in grade 7, parents/guardians shall receive a general notice at least once before career counseling and course selection so that they may participate in the counseling sessions and decisions. (Education Code 221.5)

The educational counseling program shall include academic counseling and postsecondary services, in the following areas (Education Code 49600):

- 1. Development and implementation, with parent/guardian involvement, of the student's immediate and longrange educational plans
- 2. Optimizing progress towards achievement of proficiency standards and competencies
- 3. Completion of the required curriculum in accordance with the student's needs, abilities, interests, and aptitudes
- 4. Academic planning for access and success in higher education programs, including advisement on courses needed for admission to colleges and universities, standardized admissions tests, and financial aid
- 5. High-quality career programs at all grade levels in which students are assisted in doing all of the following:
  - a. Planning for the future, including, but not limited to, identifying personal interests, skills, and abilities, career planning, course selection, and career transition
  - b. Becoming aware of personal preferences and interests that influence educational and occupational exploration, career choice, and career success
  - c. Developing work self-efficacy for the ever-changing work environment, the changing needs of the workforce, and the effects of work on quality of life
  - d. Understanding the relationship between academic achievement and career success, and the importance of maximizing career options
  - e. Understanding the value of participating in career technical education pathways, programs, and certifications, including, but not limited to, those related to regional occupational programs and centers, the federal program administered by the U. S. Department of Labor offering free education and vocational training to students, known as "Job Corps," the California Conservation Corps, work-based learning, industry certifications, college preparation and credit, and employment opportunities
  - f. Understanding the need to develop essential employable skills and work habits
  - g. Understanding entrance requirements to the U.S. Armed Forces, including the benefits of the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test

The district's educational counseling program also may include, but not be limited to, identification of students who are at risk of not graduating with their peers, development of a list of coursework and experience necessary to assist students to satisfy the curricular requirements for college admission and successfully transition to postsecondary education or employment, and counseling regarding available options for students who fail to meet graduation requirements to continue with their education.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish and maintain a program of guidance, placement, and follow-up for all high school students subject to compulsory continuation education. (Education Code 48431)

To enhance the educational counseling program and assist students in reaching their educational and professional goals, the district shall provide students in grades 9-12 with financial aid support; social services support; state-funded immigration legal services; academic opportunities; and parent/guardian and family workshops. (Education

As part of the district's educational counseling program, students may be offered mental and behavioral health services under which a student may receive prevention, intervention, short-term counseling services, and mental health related classroom instruction to reduce stigma and increase awareness of counseling support services.

No counselor shall unlawfully discriminate against any student. Guidance counseling regarding school programs and career, vocational, or higher education opportunities shall not be differentiated on the basis of any protected category specified in law or Board Policy 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities.

Additionally, counselors shall affirmatively explore with a student the possibility of careers, or courses leading to careers, that are nontraditional for that student's sex. (Education Code 221.5)

For assessing or counseling students, the district shall not use testing or other materials that permit or require impermissible or unlawful differential treatment of students, unless such different materials cover the same occupations and interest areas and the use of such materials is essential to the elimination of bias and discrimination. (5 CCR 4931)

#### OPTION 1: (Districts with policy that permits college, employment, and military recruiters access to students)

Colleges and prospective employers, including military recruiters, shall have the same access to students for recruiting purposes. (Education Code 49603; 10 USC 503; 20 USC 7908)

#### **OPTION 1 ENDS HERE**

OPTION 2: (Districts with policy that prohibits college, employment, and military recruiters access to students)

Colleges and prospective employers, including military recruiters, shall not have access to students for recruiting purposes. (Education Code 49603; 10 USC 503)

#### **OPTION 2 ENDS HERE**

The Superintendent or designee shall collaborate with businesses, government agencies, postsecondary institutions including universities and career technical schools, community organizations, and/or other employers to provide students with actual or simulated work-based learning opportunities through college and/or career fairs.

When planning to hold a college or career fair, the Superintendent or designee shall notify each apprenticeship program in the county. The notification shall include the planned date, time, and location of the college or career fair. (Labor Code 3074.2)

Additionally, the district shall provide the notification to any community college district that has overlapping jurisdiction with the district and an opportunity for the community college district to participate in the college or career fair. (Education Code 52770)

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Written parent/guardian consent shall be obtained before mental health counseling or treatment services are provided to a student, except when the student is authorized to consent to the service pursuant to Family Code 6924, Health and Safety Code 124260, or other applicable law.

Any information of a personal nature disclosed to a school counselor by a student age 12 years or older or by the student's parent/guardian is confidential and shall not become part of the student record without the written consent of the person who disclosed the confidential information. The information shall not be revealed, released, discussed, or referred to except under the limited circumstances specified in Education Code 49602. (Education Code 49602)

A counselor shall consult with the Superintendent or designee and, as appropriate, with the district's legal counsel whenever there is uncertainty regarding how to respond to a student's personal problem or when questions arise regarding the possible release of confidential information regarding a student.

#### **Crisis Counseling**

The Board recognizes the need for a prompt and effective response when students are confronted with a traumatic incident. School counselors shall assist in the development of the emergency and disaster preparedness plan and other prevention and intervention practices designed to assist students and parents/guardians before, during, and after a crisis.

Early identification and intervention plans shall be developed to help identify those students who may be at risk for violence so that support may be provided before they engage in violent or disruptive behavior.

Additionally, the Superintendent or designee shall identify crisis counseling resources to train district staff in effective threat assessment, appropriate response techniques, and/or methods to directly help students cope with a crisis if it occurs.

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## 9. Policy 6177: Summer Learning Programs

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The Governing Board recognizes that an extended break from the instructional program may result in significant learning loss, especially among disadvantaged and low-achieving students, and desires to provide opportunities during the summer for students to practice essential skills, make academic progress, and focus on developing social, emotional, and physical needs and interests through hands-on engaging learning experiences.

Summer programs offered by the district shall be aligned with the district's local control and accountability plan (LCAP), other applicable district and school plans, and the educational program provided during the school year. When feasible, summer programs shall blend high-quality academic instruction in core curricular and/or elective subjects with recreation, nutrition programs, social and emotional development, and support services that encourage attendance, student engagement in learning, and student wellness.

#### **Summer School**

#### OPTION 1 (District is not required to offer summer school)

The Superintendent or designee, with Board approval, may establish summer school day and/or evening classes.

#### **OPTION 1 ENDS HERE**

#### OPTION 2 (District is required to offer summer school pursuant to Education Code 46120)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish summer school classes pursuant to Education Code 46120.

## **OPTION 2 ENDS HERE**

The district's summer school program may be used to provide supplemental instruction to students needing remediation and/or enrichment in core academic subjects.

The district shall provide students with supplemental instruction and support in a tiered framework that bases universal, targeted, and intensive supports on students' needs for academic, social-emotional, and other integrated student supports through a program of engaging learning experiences in a positive school climate.

As appropriate, priority for enrollment in summer school programs shall be given to district students who:

- 1. Need course credits in order to graduate from high school before the beginning of the next school year
- 2. Have been retained or are at risk of being retained at their grade level
- 3. Demonstrate academic deficiencies in core curriculum areas
- 4. Are in student groups identified in the district's LCAP as needing increased or improved services to succeed in the educational program
- 5. Are foster youth and/or are students experiencing homelessness
  - If during an intersession period the student will be moving, the student's educational rights holder or, in the case of an American Indian child, Indian custodian, shall determine which school the student attends for the intersession period, if applicable. (Education Code 48850, 48853.5)
- 6. Are transitional kindergarten or kindergarten children, or in any of grades 1-6 and are required to be offered or provided access to Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO) Programs pursuant to Education Code 46120 and BP/AR 5184.2 Before/After School Programs

#### OPTION 1: (First-come first-served)

The remaining openings shall be offered to other district students on a first-come first-served basis.

#### **OPTION 1 ENDS HERE**

#### OPTION 2: (Lottery)

The remaining openings shall be offered to other district students on a lottery basis.

#### **OPTION 2 ENDS HERE**

Because summer courses cover extensive instructional content in a relatively short time period, students who have more than three excused absences or one unexcused absence may not receive credit for summer session class(es) unless they make-up missed work in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation.

Sites for summer school programs may be rotated in an effort to make summer school programs more accessible to all students, regardless of residence or regular attendance area, and to accommodate the maintenance needs of district schools.

The district shall provide any student who attends a school that is not operating an ELO program transportation to attend at a location that is providing an ELO program and to return to the original location or another location that is established by the district. (Education Code 46120)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually report to the Board on summer school enrollment in the current year and previous year for the program as a whole and disaggregated by grade level, school that the students attend during the regular school year, and student population. In addition, the Superintendent or designee may report on the extent to which students successfully achieved the outcomes established for the program.

#### **Additional Summer Learning Opportunities**

The Superintendent or designee may collaborate with parents/guardians, city and county agencies, community organizations, child care providers, and/or other interested persons to develop, implement, and build awareness of organized activities that support summer learning.

Strategies to support summer learning may include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Providing information to students and parents/guardians about summer reading programs scheduled to be conducted by public libraries or community organizations
- 2. Collaborating with the local parks and recreation agency and/or community organizations to provide day camps, sports programs, or other opportunities for physical education and activity
- 3. Collaborating with workforce development agencies, businesses, and community organizations to provide summer job training opportunities that include an academic component
- 4. Encouraging reading in the home, such as providing lists of recommended reading to students and parents/guardians, establishing a target number of books or pages, and providing prizes for achievement of reading goals
- 5. Assigning summer vacation homework in core curricular subject(s) for extra credit
- 6. Conducting occasional, interactive "fun days" during the summer to provide activities related to art, music, science, technology, mathematics, environmental science, multicultural education, debate, or other subject
- 7. Arranging opportunities for community service

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- 2. Have been retained or are at risk of being retained at their grade level
- 3. Demonstrate academic deficiencies in core curriculum areas
- 4. Are in targeted student groups identified in the district's LCAP as needing increased or improved services to succeed in the educational program
- 5. Are in grades transitional kindergarten (TK)-6 and are required to be offered or provided access to Expanded Learning Opportunities Programs pursuant to Education Code 46120 and BP/AR 5184.2 Before/After School Programs

The remaining openings shall be offered to other district students on a first-come first-served basis.

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- 6. Arranging opportunities for community service

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## 10. Policy 7214: General Obligation Bonds

Original Adopted Date: 02/27/2008 | Last Revised Date: Pending

The Governing Board recognizes that school facilities are an essential component of the educational program and that the Board has a responsibility to ensure that the district's facilities needs are met in the most cost-effective manner possible. The Board may direct the Superintendent to explore the possibility of a bond measure, which may include, but is not limited to, conducting community focus groups, surveys, and Board presentations. When the Board determines that it is in the best interest of district students, it may order an election on the question of whether bonds shall be issued to pay for school facilities.

The Board's decision to order a bond election, as well as its determinations regarding the appropriate amount, timing, and structure of the bond issuance, shall be consistent with law and the district's debt management policy.

Before ordering a bond election, the Board shall obtain reasonable and informed projections of assessed valuations that take into consideration projections of assessed property valuations made by the county assessor. (Education Code 15100)

When any project to be funded by bonds will require state matching funds for any phase of the project, the ballot materials for the bond measure shall include a statement as specified in Education Code 15122.5, advising voters that, because the project is subject to approval of state matching funds, passage of the bond measure is not a guarantee that the project will be completed. (Education Code 15122.5)

## **Bonds Requiring 55 Percent Approval by Local Voters**

The Board, by a two-thirds vote and subject to Education Code 15100, may adopt a resolution to incur bonded indebtedness and order an election. Pursuant to the California Constitution, Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3) and Article 16, Section 18(b), a bond election authorized pursuant to Education Code 15266 requires the approval of at least a 55 percent majority of the voters voting in the election. (Education Code 15266)

The bond election may only be ordered at a primary or general election, a statewide special election, or a regularly scheduled local election at which all of the electors of the district are entitled to vote. (Education Code 15266)

Bonded indebtedness incurred by the district pursuant to Education Code 15266 shall be used only for the following purposes: (California Constitution Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3) and 1(b)(3)(A))

1. The construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities

- 2. The acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities
- 3. The refunding of any outstanding debt issuance used for the purposes specified in Items #1-2 above

The proposition approved by the voters shall include the following accountability requirements: (California Constitution Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3))

- 1. Certification that proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used only for the purposes specified in Items #1-2 above, and not for any other purposes including teacher and administrative salaries and other school operating expenses
- 2. A list of specific school facilities projects to be funded and certification that the Board has evaluated safety, class size reduction, and information technology needs in developing that list
- 3. A requirement that the Board conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the specific projects listed
- 4. A requirement that the Board conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school facilities projects

If a district general obligation bond requiring a 55 percent majority is approved by the voters, the Board shall appoint an independent citizens' oversight committee to inform the public concerning the expenditure of bond revenues as specified in Education Code 15278 and the accompanying administrative regulation. This committee shall be appointed within 60 days of the date that the Board enters the election results in its minutes pursuant to Education Code 15274. (Education Code 15278)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the annual, independent performance and financial audits required pursuant to Items #3-4 above are issued in accordance with the U.S. Comptroller General's Government Auditing Standards and submitted to the citizens' oversight committee at the same time they are submitted to the Superintendent or designee and no later than March 31 of each year. (Education Code 15286)

The Board shall provide the citizens' oversight committee with responses to all findings, recommendations, and concerns addressed in the performance and financial audits within three months of receiving the audits. (Education Code 15280)

The Board may disband the citizens' oversight committee when the committee has completed its review of the final performance and financial audits.

#### **Bonds Requiring 66.67 Percent Approval by Local Voters**

The Board may decide to pursue the authorization and issuance of bonds by approval of 66.67

percent majority of the voters pursuant to Education Code 15100 and California Constitution, Article 13A, Section 1(b)(2). If a majority of the Board agrees to such an election, or upon a petition of the majority of the qualified electors residing in the district, the Board shall adopt a resolution ordering an election on the question of whether to incur bonded indebtedness if approved by a 66.67 percent majority of the voters. (Education Code 15100)

The bond election may be ordered to occur on any Tuesday, except a Tuesday that is a state holiday or the day before or after a state holiday, is within 45 days before or after a statewide election unless conducted at the same time as the statewide election, or is an established election date pursuant to Elections Code 1000 or 1500. (Education Code 15101)

Subject to limits specified in Article 13A, Section 1 of the California Constitution, bonds shall be sold to raise money for any of the following purposes: (Education Code 15100)

- 1. Purchasing school lots
- 2. Building or purchasing school buildings
- 3. Making alterations or additions to school building(s) other than as may be necessary for current maintenance, operation, or repairs
- 4. Repairing, restoring, or rebuilding any school building damaged, injured, or destroyed by fire or other public calamity
- 5. Supplying school buildings and grounds with furniture, equipment, or necessary apparatus of a permanent nature
- 6. Permanently improving school grounds
- 7. Refunding any outstanding valid indebtedness of the district, evidenced by bonds or state school building aid loans
- 8. Carrying out sewer or drain projects or purposes authorized in Education Code 17577
- 9. Purchasing school buses with a useful life of at least 20 years
- 10. Demolishing or razing any school building with the intent to replace it with another school building, whether in the same location or in any other location

Except for refunding any outstanding indebtedness, any of the purposes listed above may be united and voted upon as a single proposition by an order of the Board entered into the minutes. (Education Code 15100)

The Board may appoint a citizens' oversight committee to review and report to the Board and the public as to whether the expenditure of bond revenues complies with the intended purposes of the bond.

#### **Certificate of Results**

If the certificate of election results received by the Board shows that the appropriate majority of the voters is in favor of issuing the bonds, the Board shall record that fact in its minutes. The Board shall then certify to the County Board of Supervisors all proceedings it had in connection with the election results. (Education Code 15124, 15274)

## **Resolutions Regarding Sale of Bonds**

Following passage of the bond measure by the appropriate majority of voters, the Board shall pass a resolution directing the issuance and sale of bonds. In accordance with law, the resolution shall prescribe the total amount of bonds to be sold and may also prescribe the maximum acceptable interest rate, not to exceed eight percent, and the time(s) when the whole or any part of the principal of the bonds shall be payable. (Education Code 15140; Government Code 53508.6)

In passing the resolution, the Board shall consider each available funding instrument, including, but not limited to, the costs associated with each and their relative suitability for the project to be financed.

Prior to the sale of bonds, the Board shall place an agenda item at a public meeting and adopt as part of the bond issuance resolution, or in a separate resolution, disclosures of the available funding instruments, the costs and sustainability of each, and all of the following information: (Education Code 15146)

- 1. Express approval of the method of sale, such as competitive or negotiated sales
- 2. Statement of the reasons for the method of sale selected
- 3. Disclosure of the identity of the bond counsel, and the identities of the bond underwriter and the financial adviser if either or both are utilized for the sale, unless these individuals have not been selected at the time the resolution is adopted, in which case the Board shall disclose their identities at the public meeting occurring after they have been selected
- 4. Estimates of the costs associated with the bond issuance, including, but not limited to, bond counsel and financial advisor fees, printing costs, rating agency fees, underwriting fees, and other miscellaneous costs and expenses of issuing the bonds

When the sale involves bonds that allow for the compounding of interest, such as a capital appreciation bond (CAB), the resolution to be adopted by the Board shall include Items #1-4 above as well as the financing term and time of maturity, repayment ratio, and the estimated change in the assessed value of taxable property within the district over the term of the bonds. The resolution shall be publicly noticed on at least two consecutive meeting agendas, first as an information item and second as an action item. The agendas shall identify that bonds that allow for the compounding of interest are proposed. (Education Code 15146)

Prior to adopting a resolution for the sale of bonds that allow for the compounding of interest, the Board shall be presented with the following: (Education Code 15146)

- 1. An analysis containing the total overall cost of the bonds that allow for the compounding of interest
- 2. A comparison to the overall cost of current interest bonds
- 3. The reason bonds that allow for the compounding of interest are being recommended
- 4. A copy of the disclosure made by the underwriter in compliance with Rule G-17 adopted by the federal Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board

At least 30 days prior to the sale of any debt issue, the Superintendent or designee shall submit a report of the proposed issuance to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission (CDIAC). (Government Code 8855)

After the sale, the Board shall be presented with the actual issuance cost information and shall disclose that information at the Board's next scheduled meeting. The Board shall ensure that an itemized summary of the costs of the bond sale and all necessary information and reports regarding the sale are submitted to the CDAIC. (Education Code 15146; Government Code 53509.5)

# **Bond Anticipation Notes**

Whenever the Board determines that it is in the best interest of the district, it may, by resolution, issue a bond anticipation note, on a negotiated or competitive-bid basis, to raise funds that shall be used only for a purpose authorized by a bond that has been approved by the voters of the district in accordance with law. (Education Code 15150)

Payment of principal and interest on any bond anticipation note shall be made at note maturity, not to exceed five years, from the proceeds derived from the sale of the bond in anticipation of which that note was originally issued or from any other source lawfully available for that purpose, including state grants. Interest payments may also be made from such sources. However, interest payments may be made periodically and prior to note maturity from an increased property tax if the following conditions are met: (Education Code 15150)

- 1. A resolution of the Board authorizes the property tax for that purpose
- 2. The principal amount of the bond anticipation note does not exceed the remaining principal amount of the authorized but unissued bonds

A bond anticipation note may be issued only if the tax rate levied to pay interest on the note would not cause the district to exceed the tax rate limitation set forth in Education Code 15268 or 15270, as applicable.

## **Deposit of Bond Proceeds**

With regard to general obligation bonds, the district shall invest new money bond proceeds in the county treasury pool as required by law. (Education Code 15146)

**Status: ADOPTED** 

## **Policy 7214: General Obligation Bonds**

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The Governing Board desires to provide adequate facilities in order to enhance student learning and to help the district achieve its vision for educating district students. To that end, the Board may order an election on the question of whether bonds shall be issued for school facilities when, in the Board's judgment, it is advisable and in the best interest of district students.

The Board shall determine the appropriate size of the bond in accordance with law.

## **Bonds Requiring 55 Percent Approval by Local Voters**

The Board may decide to pursue the authorization and issuance of bonds by approval of 55 percent majority of the voters pursuant to Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3) and Article 16, Section 18(b) of the California Constitution. If two-thirds of the Board agree to such an election, the Board shall vote to adopt a resolution to incur bonded indebtedness if approved by a 55 percent majority of the voters. (Education Code 15266)

The bond election may only be ordered at a primary or general election, a statewide special election, or a regularly scheduled local election at which all of the electors of the school district are entitled to vote. (Education Code 15266)

Bonded indebtedness incurred by the district shall be used only for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities. (California Constitution Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3) and 1(b)(3)(A))

The proposition approved by the voters shall include the following accountability requirements: (California Constitution Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3))

- 1. A requirement that proceeds from the sale of the bonds be used only for the purposes specified above, as detailed in California Constitution Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3), and not for any other purposes including teacher and administrative salaries and other school operating expenses
- 2. A list of specific school facility projects to be funded and certification that the Board has evaluated safety, class size reduction, and information technology needs in developing that list
- 3. A requirement that the Board conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the specific projects listed
- 4. A requirement that the Board conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school facilities projects

# **Bonds Requiring 66.67 Percent Approval by Local Voters**

Bonds shall be sold to raise money for the following purposes: (Education Code 15100)

- 1. Purchasing school lots
- 2. Building or purchasing school buildings
- 3. Making alterations or additions to school building(s) other than as may be necessary for current maintenance, operation, or repairs
- 4. Repairing, restoring, or rebuilding any school building damaged, injured, or destroyed by fire or other public calamity
- 5. Supplying school buildings and grounds with furniture, equipment, or necessary apparatus of a permanent nature
- 6. Permanently improving school grounds
- 7. Refunding any outstanding valid indebtedness of the district, evidenced by bonds or state school building aid loans
- 8. Carrying out sewer or drain projects or purposes authorized in Education Code 17577
- 9. Purchasing school buses with a useful life of at least 20 years
- 10. Demolishing or razing any school building with the intent to replace it with another school building, whether in the same location or in any other location

Except for refunding any outstanding indebtedness, any of the purposes listed above may be united and voted upon as a single proposition by order of the Board and entered into the minutes. (Education Code 15100)

**Status: DRAFT** 

## 11. Regulation 7214: General Obligation Bonds

Original Adopted Date: 02/27/2008 | Last Revised Date: Pending

#### **Election Notice**

Whenever the Governing Board orders an election on the question of whether general obligation bonds shall be issued to pay for school facilities, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that election notice and ballot requirements comply with Education Code 15120-15126 and 15272, as applicable, and the section "Ballot Materials" below.

At least 88 days prior to the date of the election, the Superintendent or designee shall deliver to the officer conducting the election the resolution calling the election, including the date and purpose of the election, the authority for ordering the election and the specification of the election order, the signature of the officer or the clerk of the Board authorized to make such designations, and all other applicable ballot materials. (Education Code 5322)

#### **Ballot Materials**

The ballot question to appear on the ballot shall not exceed 75 words and shall appear in the form specified in Elections Code 13119. (Education Code 5322)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the ballot materials comply with applicable laws including a brief statement of the measure setting forth the amount of the bonds to be voted upon, the maximum rate of interest, and the purposes for which the proceeds of the sale of the bonds are to be used. (Education Code 15122)

In addition to the 75 word ballot question, a separate statement shall be included with the sample ballot, which includes the best estimate from official sources of all of the following: (Elections Code 9401)

- 1. The average annual tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue over the entire duration of the bond debt service, based on assessed valuations available at the time of the election or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or other demonstrable factors
  - The estimate shall also identify the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected.
- 2. The highest tax rate that would be required to be levied to fund the bond issue, and an estimate of the year in which that rate will apply, based on assessed valuations available at the time of the election or a projection based on experience within the same jurisdiction or

other demonstrable factors

3. The total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold

The estimate may include information about the assumptions used to determine the estimate.

For bond measures requiring 55 percent majority of the voters, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the text of the ballot measure includes a statement that the Board will appoint a citizens' oversight committee and that annual independent audits will be conducted to assure that funds are spent only on school and classroom improvements and for no other purposes. (Education Code 15272)

For bond funded projects that require state matching funds, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure the sample ballot contains a statement advising the voters that the project is subject to the approval of state matching funds and, therefore, passage of the bond measure is not a guarantee that the project will be completed. (Education Code 15122.5)

Arguments in support or in opposition of the bond measure shall be submitted in accordance with Elections Code 9160-9170.

## **Citizens' Oversight Committee**

If a bond is approved under the 55 percent majority threshold pursuant to Proposition 39 to the California Constitution, Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3) and Article 16, Section 18(b), then the district's citizens' oversight committee shall consist of at least seven members, including, but not limited to: (Education Code 15282)

- 1. One member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the district
- 2. One member active in a senior citizens' organization
- 3. One member active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization
- 4. One member who is a parent/guardian of a district student
- 5. One member who is a parent/guardian of a district student and is active in a parent-teacher organization, such as the Parent Teacher Association or school site council

Members of the citizens' oversight committee shall be subject to the conflict of interest prohibitions regarding incompatibility of office pursuant to Government Code 1125-1129 and financial interest in contracts pursuant to Government Code 1090-1099. (Education Code 15282)

No employee, Board member, vendor, contractor, or consultant of the district shall be appointed to the citizens' oversight committee. (Education Code 15282)

Members of the citizens' oversight committee may serve for no more than three consecutive terms of two years each. They shall serve without compensation. (Education Code 15282)

The purpose of the citizens' oversight committee shall be to inform the public concerning the expenditure of bond revenues. The committee shall actively review and report on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction and shall convene to provide oversight for, but not limited to, the following: (Education Code 15278)

- 1. Ensuring that bond revenues are expended only for the purposes described in California Constitution, Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3), including the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities
- 2. Ensuring that, as prohibited by California Constitution, Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3)(A), no funds are used for any teacher and administrative salaries or other school operating expenses

In furtherance of its purpose, the committee may engage in any of the following activities: (Education Code 15278)

- 1. Receiving and reviewing copies of the annual, independent performance and financial audits required by California Constitution, Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3)(C) and (D)
- 2. Inspecting school facilities and grounds to ensure that bond revenues are expended in compliance with the requirements of California Constitution, Article 13(A), Section 1(b)(3)
- 3. Receiving and reviewing copies of any deferred maintenance proposals or plans developed by the district
- 4. Reviewing efforts by the district to maximize bond revenues by implementing cost-saving measures, including, but not limited to, the following:
  - a. Mechanisms designed to reduce the costs of professional fees
  - b. Mechanisms designed to reduce the costs of site preparation
  - c. Recommendations regarding the joint use of core facilities
  - d. Mechanisms designed to reduce costs by incorporating efficiencies in school site design
  - e. Recommendations regarding the use of cost-effective and efficient reusable facility plans

The district shall, without expending bond funds, provide the citizens' oversight committee with any necessary technical assistance and shall provide administrative assistance in furtherance of the committee's purpose and sufficient resources to publicize the committee's conclusions. The district shall also provide the citizens' oversight committee with responses to any and all findings, recommendations, and concerns addressed in the annual independent financial and performance

audits within three months of receiving the audits. (Education Code 15280)

All citizens' oversight committee proceedings shall be open to the public and noticed in the same manner as proceedings of the Board. Committee meetings shall be subject to the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. (Education Code 15280; Government Code 54952)

The citizens' oversight committee shall issue regular reports, at least once a year, on the results of its activities. Minutes of the proceedings and all documents received and reports issued shall be a matter of public record and shall be made available on the district's website. (Education Code 15280)

## Reports

Within 30 days after the end of each fiscal year, the district shall submit to the County Superintendent of Schools a report concerning any bond election(s) containing the following information: (Education Code 15111)

- 1. The total amount of the bond issue, bonded indebtedness, or other indebtedness involved
- 2. The percentage of registered electors who voted at the election
- 3. The results of the election, with the percentage of votes cast for and against the proposition

By each January 31 following a bond issuance, the district shall submit an annual report to the California Debt Investment and Advisory Commission in accordance with Government Code 8855 and as specified in BP 3470 - Debt Issuance and Management.

**Status: ADOPTED** 

## **Regulation 7214: General Obligation Bonds**

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#### **Election Notice**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that election notice and ballot requirements are satisfied in accordance with Education Code 15120-15126 and 15272.

#### **Certificate of Results**

If it appears from the certificate of election results that the appropriate majority of the voters are in favor of issuing the bonds, the Governing Board shall cause an entry of that fact to be made in its minutes. The Board shall then certify to the board of supervisors of the county whose superintendent of schools has jurisdiction over the district all proceedings had in connection with the election results. (Education Code 15124, 15274)

#### **Resolution Regarding Sale of Bonds**

Following passage of the bond measure, the Board shall pass a resolution to issue the sale of bonds. The resolution shall prescribe the total amount of bonds to be sold and may also prescribe the maximum acceptable interest rate, not to exceed eight percent, and the time(s) when the whole or any part of the principal of the bonds shall be payable, which shall not be more than 25 years from the date of the bonds. (Education Code 15140)

Prior to the sale of bonds, the Board shall adopt, as an agenda item at a public meeting, another resolution, which includes all of the following items: (Education Code 15146)

- 1. Express approval of the method of sale
- 2. Statement of the reasons for the method of sale selected
- 3. Disclosure of the identity of the bond counsel, and the identities of the bond underwriter and the financial adviser if either or both are utilized for the sale, unless these individuals have not been selected at the time the resolution is adopted, in which case the Board shall disclose their identities at the public meeting occurring after they have been selected
- 4. Estimates of the costs associated with the bond issuance

After the sale, the Board shall be presented with the actual cost information and shall disclose that information at the Board's next scheduled meeting. The Board shall ensure that an itemized summary of the costs of the bond sale and all necessary information and reports regarding the sale are submitted to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission. (Education Code 15146)

## **Citizens' Oversight Committee**

If a district general obligation bond requiring a 55 percent majority is approved by the voters, the Board shall appoint an independent citizens' advisory oversight committee. This committee shall be appointed within 60 days of the date that the Board enters the election results in its minutes pursuant to Education Code 15274. (Education Code 15278)

The citizens' oversight committee shall consist of at least seven members including, but not limited to: (Education Code 15282)

- 1. One member active in a business organization representing the business community located within the district
- 2. One member active in a senior citizens organization
- 3. One member active in a bona fide taxpayers' organization
- 4. One member who is a parent/guardian of a child enrolled in the district
- 5. One member who is a parent/guardian of a child enrolled in the district and is active in a parent-teacher organization, such as the Parent Teacher Association or school site council

No employee, official, vendor, contractor, or consultant of the district shall be appointed to the citizens' oversight committee. (Education Code 15282)

Members of the citizens' oversight committee shall serve for a term of two years without compensation and for no more than two consecutive terms. (Education Code 15282)

The purpose of the citizens' oversight committee shall be to inform the public concerning the expenditure of bond revenues. The committee shall actively review and report on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction and shall convene to provide oversight for, but not limited to, the following: (Education Code 15278)

- 1. Ensuring that bond revenues are expended only for the purposes described in Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution including the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities
- 2. Ensuring that, as prohibited by Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3)(A) of the California Constitution, no funds are used for any teacher and administrative salaries or other school operating expenses

In furtherance of its purpose, the committee may engage in any of the following activities: (Education Code 15278)

- 1. Receiving and reviewing copies of the annual, independent performance audit required by Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3)(C) of the California Constitution
- 2. Receiving and reviewing copies of the annual, independent financial audit required by Article 13A, Section 1(b)(3)(D) of the California Constitution

- 3. Inspecting school facilities and grounds to ensure that bond revenues are expended in compliance with the requirements of Article 13(A), Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution
- 4. Receiving and reviewing copies of any deferred maintenance proposals or plans developed by the district, including any reports required by Education Code 17584.1
- 5. Reviewing efforts by the district to maximize bond revenues by implementing cost-saving measures including, but not limited to, the following:
  - a. Mechanisms designed to reduce the costs of professional fees
  - b. Mechanisms designed to reduce the costs of site preparation
  - c. Recommendations regarding the joint use of core facilities
  - d. Mechanisms designed to reduce costs by incorporating efficiencies in school site design
  - e. Recommendations regarding the use of cost-effective and efficient reusable facility plans

The Board shall, without expending bond funds, provide the citizens' oversight committee with any necessary technical assistance and shall provide administrative assistance in furtherance of the committee's purpose and sufficient resources to publicize the committee's conclusions. (Education Code 15280)

All oversight committee proceedings shall be open to the public and noticed in the same manner as proceedings of the Board. Committee meetings shall be subject to the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. (Education Code 15280; Government Code 54952)

The oversight committee shall issue regular reports, at least once a year, on the results of its activities. Minutes of the proceedings and all documents received and reports issued shall be a matter of public record and shall be made available on the district's web site. (Education Code 15280)

Members of the oversight committee shall be subject to prohibitions regarding incompatibility of office pursuant to Government Code 1125-1129 and financial interest in contracts pursuant to Government Code 1090-1098. (Education Code 15282)

#### Reports

Within 30 days after the end of each fiscal year, the Board shall submit to the County Superintendent of Schools a report concerning any bond election(s) containing the following information: (Education Code 15111)

- 1. The total amount of the bond issue, bonded indebtedness, or other indebtedness involved
- 2. The percentage of registered electors who voted at the election

3.	The results of the election, with the percentage of votes cast for and against the proposition