# Galt Joint Union Elementary School District Board of Education

"Building a Bright Future for All Learners"

Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, August 19, 2015 6:15 p.m. Closed Session 7:00 p.m. Open Session Galt City Hall Chamber 380 Civic Drive, Galt, CA 95632

# **AGENDA**

Anyone may address the Board regarding any item that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. However, the Board may not take action on any item which is not on this agenda as authorized by Government Code Section 54954.2.

Community members and employees may address items on the agenda by filling out a speaker's request form and giving it to the board meeting assistant prior to the start of that agenda item.

Comments are limited to no more than 3 minutes or less pending Board President approval.

- A. 6:15 p.m. Closed Session: Galt City Hall Chambers Conference Room
- B. Announce Items to be Discussed in Closed Session, Adjourn to Closed Session
  - 1. STUDENT MATTER, Education Code §35146, 48918(c), Expulsion Case # 14/15-10
  - PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE, Government Code §54957
  - 3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, Government Code §54957.6 Agency Negotiator: Karen Schauer, Robert Nacario, Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano
    - Employee Agency: (GEFA) Galt Elementary Faculty Association
    - Employee Agency: (CSEA) California School Employee Association
    - Non-Represented Employees
- C. Adjourn Closed Session, Call Meeting to Order, Flag Salute, Announce Action Taken in Closed Session
- **D. Public Comments** for topics not on the agenda

Public comment should be limited to three minutes or less pending Board President approval. Community members who cannot wait for the related agenda item may also request to speak at this time by indicating this on the speaker's request form.

E. Reports

#### Superintendent and Curriculum Director

- Bright Future for Galt Students Initiative Update
  - Professional Learning and Leadership Opportunities
    - Academic Coaches
    - o RALLI (Results for Academic Language and Literacy Implementation)
    - NGSS (Next Generation Science Standards)
    - Staff Development Days and Menu Mondays

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- REEd (Resourcing Excellence in Education) Educator Evaluation Grant
- Gooru
- Open Education Resources
- Edivate Learn
- Community Feedback for GJUESD School Facilities

#### F. **Recommended Actions**

#### **Routine Matters/New Business**

131.652 Consent Calendar

a. Approval of the Agenda

At a regular meeting, the Board may take action upon an item of business not appearing on the posted agenda if, <u>first</u>, the Board publicly identifies the item, and <u>second</u>, one or more of the following occurs:

1) The Board, by a majority vote of the full Board, decides that an emergency (as defined in Government

- Code section 54956.5) exists; or
- 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 prior to the date of this meeting, and at the prior meeting, the item was continued to this
- b. Minutes: July 22, 2015 Regular Board Meeting Minutes: June 24, 2015 Regular Board Meeting
- c. Payment of Warrants -

Certificated/Classified Payrolls Dated: 7/14/15, 7/31/15, 8/10/15 Vendor Warrants: 16301330-16301351; 16302266-16302327; 16303011-16303022; 16303699-16303737

- d. Personnel
  - 1. Resignations/Retirement
  - Leave of Absence Requests
  - 3. New Hires
- e. Nonpublic, Non-Sectarian School/Agency Services Master Contract
  - 1. CCHAT Center Sacramento (Children's Choice for Hearing And Talking
  - 2. Lodi Children's Therapy
  - 3. Bizzi Bodies Children's Therapy

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131.653	Consent Calendar (Continued) – Items Removed for Later Consideration	CC Items Removed
131.654	Board Action Regarding Student Matter #14/15-10	MOTION
131.655	Board Consideration of Approval of Employee Benefits Consulting Services Agreement Between GJUESD and Keenan & Associates Beginning January 1, 2016 and Ending December 31, 2016	MOTION
131.656	Board Consideration to Nominate California School Boards Association (CSBA) Directors-at-Large, African American,	MOTION

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#### G. Pending Agenda Items

- 1. Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, Technology Alignment
- 2. Electronic Board Agenda Packet
- 3. Special Education Services
- 4. School Furniture Analysis
- 5. Migrant Education

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

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#### I. Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the GJUESD Board of Education: September 23, 2015

Board agenda materials are available for inspection at the address below.

Individuals who require disability-related accommodations or modifications including auxiliary aids and services in order to participate in the Board meeting should contact the Superintendent or designee in writing:

Karen Schauer Ed.D., District Superintendent Galt Joint Union Elementary School District 1018 C Street, Suite 210, Galt, CA 95632 (209) 744-4545

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## Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

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# **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	8/19/15	Agenda Item: Closed Session
Presenter:	Karen Schauer	Action Item: XX

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Presenter:	Karen Schauer Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano	Action Item: XX

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### Superintendent

2. Community Feedback for GJUESD School Facilities

## Community Feedback for GJUESD School Facilities

### **Superintendent**

#### Community Feedback for GJUESD School Facilities

GJUESD continues to move forward to strengthen and improve school facilities to optimize learning at every school location. We are taking steps to survey the community to 1.) support the Board of Trustees in finalizing priorities in the GJUESD Facilities Master Plan and 2.) determine feasibility for a future General Obligation Bond campaign.

The consulting services involving Isom Advisors is attached to further clarify the report conducted on August 12, 2015. At this time, we are preparing for Back-to-School Night presentations to further communicate Facilities Master Plan findings and seek parent feedback.

Attachment: Consulting Services Agreement

# Consulting Services Agreement

This CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is dated as of the latest date set forth on the signature page hereto (the "Effective Date") and is entered into by and between Isom Advisors, a Division of Urban Futures Inc., a California corporation ("Advisor"), and Galt Joint Union Elementary School District ("District").

#### Advisor agrees to:

- 1. Prepare a telephone voter survey of the voters of the District, the purpose of which is to assess the feasibility of a voter approved funding measure in the District.
- 2. Survey an audience that consists of a random sample of 400 registered voters that represents a subset of the various demographics in the community (i.e. age, political party, ethnicity, parent/non-parent, gender, and geographic location)
- 3. Test specific project support, tax tolerances, voter attitudes, and overall support for a local school district funding measure.
- 4. Prepare a summary survey presentation to be presented to the District and Board at a public board meeting.

#### District agrees to:

1. Fully cooperate and assist Advisor in providing appropriate background data unique to the District including project lists for the development of the survey on behalf of District.

#### Consideration:

- 1. In consideration for the above services, District agrees to pay Advisor pursuant to the following:
  - a. One time survey fee of \$12,000 paid within 30 days of receipt of invoice.
  - This agreement shall terminate with 30 days written notice from either party sent via certified mail.

#### Arbitration:

In the event of a dispute between the parties regarding the terms or performance of this Agreement, the parties agree to decide this dispute under the rules of the American Arbitration Association.

#### Complete Agreement:

The parties agree that this Agreement is the complete agreement between the parties superseding all prior written or oral agreements between the parties. The parties further agree that this Agreement can be altered or modified only through a writing signed and dated by both parties.

Galt Jt. Union Elementary School District

Isom Advisors, a Division of Urban Futures, Inc.

Karen Schauer, Superintendent Jon Isom, Managing Principal



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Presenter:	Karen Schauer	Action Item: XX Information Item:

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#### d. Personnel

1. Resignations/Retirement

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Last	First	Assignment	
Clark-Collins	Victoria	Social Worker	Resignation effective 7/23/15
Hasties	Eileen	Counselor	Resignation effective 8/5/15
Hayden	Marcella	Special Ed Inst. Asst.	Resignation effective 7/22/15
Lambert	Shanta	Instructional Asst.	Resignation effective 8/11/15
Quesinberry	Phil	Teacher	Resignation effective 7/22/15
Wells	Laketia	Yard Supervisor	Resignation effective 6/22/15
Henderson	Alice	Food Services Manager	Resignation effective 8/24/15
Leiva	Catarina	Yard Supervisor	Resignation effective 8/12/15
Hoff	Valerie	Yard Supervisor	Resignation effective 8/12/15

- e. New Hires: see attached
- f. Nonpublic, Non-Sectarian School/Agency Services Master Contract
  - 1. CCHAT Center Sacramento (Children's Choice for Hearing And Talking
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**Regular Board Meeting** 

Board of Education
Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

Wednesday, July 22, 2015 Galt City Hall Chambers 380 Civic Drive, Galt, CA 95632

**Board Members Present** 

John Gordon Kevin Papineau- absent Matthew Giblin Wesley Cagle Grace Malson **Administrators Present** 

Karen Schauer Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano Robert Nacario Donna Mayo-Whitlock

# **MINUTES**

- **A.** Closed Session was called to order at 5:49 p.m. by John Gordon. Wesley Cagle entered closed session at 6:00 p.m. The following was discussed:
  - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9
    - one matter (facilities)

Blair E. Aas, Director of Planning Services, SCI Consulting Group was present in closed session from 5:49 p.m. to 6:40 p.m.

- 2. STUDENT MATTER, Education Code §35146, 48918(c),
  - Expulsion Readmission Case # 14/15-07
- 3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE, Government Code §54957
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  - Non-Represented Employees
- **B.** Closed Session Adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The open meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by John Gordon followed by the flag salute. John Gordon announced discussion was held with legal counsel. No action was taken in closed session.
- C. Reports

#### **Superinte**ndent

Karen Schauer provided a Business Services Leadership update. She indicated that
with the recent arrest of the Business Services Director she is working to keep things
moving forward. Debbie Schmidt, retired Business Services Director, continues to be of
assistance to our district. Additionally, our classified supervisors have increased their

leadership duties. Each of them has been asked to provide a department update.

- a. Willie Marlin, Technology Supervisor/Coordinator provided board members with an infrastructure update. He indicated the following summer projects are in progress:
  - Server Virtualization
  - 2. Network Refresh
  - 3. Wireless Access Point Deployment
  - 4. Wireless Configuration
  - 5. Active Directory, Light Speed Web Filtering

John Gordon stated his concern with security.

Mr. Marlin shared information on the Active Directory process for staff and students that will provide a secure authentication process onto the district's network.

- b. Myla Frantson, Fiscal Services Supervisor, provided board members with a fiscal services department update. She indicated they are working on both 2014/15 and 2015/16 at the same time to finalize them for the unaudited actuals report due in September.
- c. Laurel Goins, Food Services Supervisor, provided board members with a department update. She shared information on summer feed programs and the number of students being served. She indicated that many students are being served however, many more are not. Ms. Goins will implement efforts to promote the food services program in order to increase enrollment in the program. In addition, Ms. Goins stated that students will have an increased variety of fruits and vegetables to choose from in the upcoming school year.

John Gordon asked if the facilities master plan process involves food services.

Laurel Goins stated that school kitchens are fairly complete. She will be applying for equipment grants as needed.

d. Jennifer Collier, Extended Learning Supervisor, provided board members with a department update. She stated that summer camps are going very well and has provided students with a variety of opportunities. She then announced a partnership with ASES to expand opportunities for students through added transportation services. She indicated that she is looking forward to working with the ASES team.

Grace Malson stated that kids and parents seem to really enjoy the camps.

Karen Schauer stated that the camps are intentionally showing students how camps relate to college and career readiness. Camps are fun and enriching.

John Gordon indicated he would like to know how many kids attended the camps versus how many spots were available. Also, in terms of Personalized Learning Plans (PLP), how many students needing remediation were enrolled in a camp? He would like to better understand participation rates.

Jennifer Collier stated that she has already begun that work. She is hoping that

Illuminate will help to filter that type of information easily. In addition, because of PLP's we will be able to look at participation rates and its effectiveness.

- e. Kevin Sellstrom, Transportation Supervisor, provided board members with a department update. He stated the following transportation projects are in progress:
  - Additional transportation services for middle school students are being planned in partnership with the BFLC's and ASES programs.
  - Software research to better serve schools and budget process
  - Dispatch position consideration
  - GPS equipment
  - Energy efficiency upgrades
  - New transportation/maintenance facility
- f. Robert Milligan, Maintenance Supervisor, provided board members with a department update. He indicated the following summer projects are in progress:
  - Proposition 39 funding priorities plan proposal
  - Maintenance & Operations/Transportation facility
  - AHERA asbestos inspection, report and training

Wesley Cagle asked where big projects such as welding projects are worked on.

Robert Milligan stated that depending on the item to be worked on, a make-shift work area is created on location.

Karen Schauer stated that this is a gap area that the district has for facilities. Mr. Milligan has been working hard on a maintenance and operation facility shop proposal.

John Gordon asked if the district office warehouse is an optional workspace for these types of projects.

Robert Milligan stated that it is not.

John Gordon asked if a short-term solution can be found with the high school district.

Robert Milligan indicated that he could look into that.

Karen Schauer acknowledged supervisors for their leadership roles.

2. Karen Schauer provided a School Services Annual Budget Conference Report. She highlighted changes from the May Revision, GJUESD budget implications and next steps.

Myla Frantson provided additional information on budget implications for 2015/16 including:

- Local Control Funding Formula gap closure from 53.08% to 51.52%, a reduction of almost \$98,000
- One-Time Discretionary Funds from \$601/ADA to \$530/ADA, a reduction of \$251,000

3. Karen Schauer reported no complaints during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Williams Uniform Complaint Process.

#### **Educational Services Director**

- Robert Nacario provided an Accountability Update in the Absence of Assessment Data.
   He reported:
  - Majority of the nation has received waivers from NCLB requirements
  - Annual Yearly Progress requirement is frozen for one year
  - California Department of Education waiver request and US Department of Education response
  - Program Improvement status under NCLB

John Gordon asked how the district will use Smarter Balanced assessment information in light of the projected results that most students will need to make significant progress to reach the standards.

Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano stated that this year's results will establish a new baseline for the progress we expect students to make over time. In addition to Smarter Balance, the district will look at growth and compare scores to Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) and District Reading Assessment (DRA) for patterns.

John Gordon indicated his concern with how parents will look at results.

Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano stated that parents should not be discouraged by these scores, which will not be used to determine whether a student moves on to the next grade.

Robert Nacario stated that part of the State's message is that Smarter Balanced assessment score is one of multiple measures.

John Gordon stated that we have to look at how we evaluate learning and get message out to parents.

Karen Schauer stated that the district is adding links to the district website explaining Smarter Balanced reports to parents. Additional information will be provided at Back to School nights.

#### **Board Discussion**

 GJUESD JPA members Wesley Cagle and Matthew Giblin reported on action taken by the JPA to Restore Up-front Developer Fees and Annual Tax to Home Owners.

Wesley Cagle reported the vote was 3 Ayes and 2 Nos to continue the 30% reduced tax rate and developer fees of special tax for community facilities district No. 1. He indicated that Matthew Giblin, Kirk Swim and himself voted aye and Terry Parker-Owning and Mark Beck voted no.

Wesley Cagle reported the motion for a 10% restoration tax rate and developer fees of special tax for community facilities district No. 1 did not pass.

Matthew Giblin stated that the discussion will most likely come up quarterly.

John Gordon thanked Mr. Cagle and Mr. Giblin for representing the school district in this matter.

131.637 John Gordon pulled the June 24, 2015 Regular Board Meeting Minutes from the consent calendar.

A motion was made by Matthew Giblin to approve all other items on the consent calendar, seconded by Grace Malson and unanimously carried.

a. Approval of the Agenda

Consent Calendar

- b. Minutes: June 17, 2015 Special Board Meeting Minutes: June 24, 2015 Regular Board Meeting
- c. Payment of Warrants -

Certificated/Classified Payrolls Dated: 06/30/15, 07/10/15, 07/13/15

<u>Vendor Warrant Numbers:</u> 15348260-15348396; 15350075-15350178; 16300038-1600088; 16300651-1600681

#### d. Personnel

1. Resignations/Leaves: Recommend approval of the following:

Last	First	Assignment	
Hoover	Ana	Teacher	Resignation effective 6/30/15
Mingo	Ashlee	Temp Teacher	Resignation effective 7/17/15
Mitchell	Coleen	Payroll	Resignation effective 7/15/15
Newman	Aaron	Technology Assistant	Resignation effective 7/1/15
Quiroga-Muraoka	Natalia	Teacher	Resignation effective 7/14/15
Santoyo	Veronica	Sp Ed Inst. Asst	Resignation effective 7/7/15
Tretheway	Amber	Teacher	Resignation effective 7/8/15
Wing	Jennifer	Yard Supervisor	Resignation effective 7/10/15

e. New Hires: See attached

#### f. Donations

#### **Greer Elementary**

- Greer Pardners in Education made a monetary donation for site use
- Sonja Shands donated \$443.58 through the PG&E Corporation Campaign for the Community Program for Science Camp Fund
- Joshua Havens from Westech donated 16 safety vests for site use

#### Lake Canyon Elementary

- Joshua Bauer, Michelle Ward, Kathleen Jackson, Maria G.
   Quaresma, West Bros. Concrete Pumping, Debbie Mayer, Roberta
   Wilfong, and Sonja Lindberg made a monetary donation towards the
   Color Me Run Event
- Judi Hayes donated \$500.00 towards the track
- LC PTA donated \$500.00 towards the track
- Kelton Crawford donated \$1204.00 through the PG&E Corporation Campaign for the Community Program forsite use
- Katie Sickels donated \$250.02 through the PG&E Corporation Campaign for the Community Program for site use
- Jon Adams made a monetary donation through the PG&E Corporation Campaign for the Community Program for site use
- Target made a monetary donation towards site use

#### Marengo Ranch Elementary

- Target made a monetary donation towards site use
- Wesley and Gina Cagle made a monetary donation towards site tshirts
- PG&E Corporation donated \$562.10 through the Campaign for the Community Program towards site use

#### Valley Oaks Elementary

- Valley Oaks VOV donated \$200.00 towards a transportation costs for a field trip
- Save Mart donated \$170.83 toward site use

#### McCaffrey Middle School

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• Brewsters Bar & Grill donated \$100.00 towards dance committee

#### Fairsite School Readiness Center

Local Control Accountability Plan.

· Save Mart made a monetary donation for site use

# Minutes John Gordon indicated that he voted No on item 131.630.

Removed

CC Items

The minutes will be corrected and brought back to the next regular board meeting for action.

Consent Calendar (continued) – Items Removed for Later Consideration: June 24, 2015 Regular Board Meeting

131.639 A motion was made by Matthew Giblin to approve the recommendation regarding Student Matter #14/15-07, seconded by Wesley Cagle and unanimously carried.

Student Matter

131.640 A motion was made by Grace Malson to approve 2015-16 Expulsion Panel Members, seconded by Wesley Cagle and unanimously carried. Expulsion Panel

131.641 A motion was made by Wesley Cage to approve 2015-16 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid

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Programs, seconded by Matthew Giblin and unanimously carried.

131.642	A motion was made by Matthew Giblin to Increase of \$0.10 in School Lunch Prices seconded by Wesley Cagle and unanimo	s for 2015-16,	Lunch Price Increase
131.643	A motion was made by Grace Malson to School Education and Safety Program M Understanding Between GJUESD and th 2015-16 School Year at the following sch 1. Vernon E. Greer Elementary School 2. Valley Oaks Elementary School 3. Robert L. McCaffrey Middle School Seconded by Wesley Cagle and unanimo	emorandum of ne City of Galt for the nool locations:	ASES MOU
131.644	A motion was made by Matthew Giblin to #1; Authorized Signatories for the Galt Jo District, seconded by Wesley Cagle and	oint Union School	Res 1 Auth Sig
131.645	A motion was made by Matthew Giblin to approve Resolution #2; Resolution of the Galt Joint Union School District Certifying That Housing and Community Development (HCD) Relocatable Buildings Are No Longer Being Used For School Purposes, seconded by Grace Malson and unanimously carried.		Res 2 HCD
131.646	A motion was made by Grace Malson to Readiness Coordinator Job Description, Cagle and unanimously carried.	• •	Job Desc
131.647	A motion was made by Grace Malson to Costs Between GJUESD and GHSD for Dispatcher, seconded by Wesley Cagle a carried.	Trans Dispatch	
131.648	A motions was made by Grace Malson to following board meeting date changes:  Current Date  August 26, 2015  August 19, 2015	Reason	Board Mtg Dates

and ming bear a meeting date on anger.				
Current Date	New Date	Reason		
August 26, 2015	August 19, 2015	First Week of		
		School		
November 25, 2015	November 18, 2015	Thanksgiving		
January 27, 2016	January 20, 2016	Superintendent		
		Suymposium		
March 23, 2016	March 16, 2016	Spring Break		

Seconded by Wesley Cagle and unanimously carried.

#### F. **Pending Agenda Items**

Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, Technology Alignment

- 2. Technology Analysis for Board Members
- 3. Special Education Services
- 4. School Furniture Analysis
- 5. 2015-16 Board Meeting Dates

G.	Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.	
		Matthew Giblin, Clerk
		Date

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John Gordon Kevin Papineau Matthew Giblin Wesley Cagle Grace Malson- joined meeting via phone from Fresno, CA **Administrators Present** 

Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano Donna Mayo-Whitlock Jamie Hughes Laura Marquez

# **MINUTES**

- **A. Closed Session** was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by John Gordon to discuss:
  - 1. STUDENT MATTER, Education Code §35146, 48918(c).
    - Expulsion Readmission Case # 14/15-01; 14/15-05; 14/15-06; 14/15-08; 14/15-09

Karen Schauer

Robert Nacario

Scot Sutton

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- 2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE, Government Code §54957
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- **B.** Closed Session Adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The open meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by John Gordon followed by the flag salute.

#### C. Reports

#### Superintendent

 Karen Schauer provided a Bright Future for Galt Students Initiative and Summer Services brief update. She highlighted the following services: Bright Future Learning Center (BFLC) Clubs, Extended Year for Special Education, Summer SOAR, Migrant Academy, Pre-K Jumpstart and Food Services.

Jennifer Collier, Extended Learning Supervisor, presented BFLC Club t-shirts to Board members and administrators. She indicated that summer BFLC clubs started this week and is nearly full for the summer. Some of the clubs offered include: Lego, fun in the sun, technology, arts & crafts, and cooking.

Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano, Curriculum Director, highlighted summer professional learning opportunities for teachers and administrators including Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) training, Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) training in connection with the high school district and Results for Academic Language and Literacy Instruction (RALLI).

#### Curriculum Director

- Donna Whitlock, Prevention & Intervention Coordinator, provided a CA State Preschool Program Self Evaluation report. She indicated the review includes the following four requirements:
  - 1. Self-Evaluation Process
  - 2. Program Review Instrument
  - 3. Action Plan Reflection
  - 4. Action Plan

In addition, Ms. Whitlock announced Fairsite preschool will be receiving additional onetime funding through the CA Race To The Top Preschool Award and Governor's budget. She indicated that the additional funds from the Governor's budget will allow school districts to admit more children in to the transitional kindergarten program on a case-by-case basis in addition to adding more preschool openings.

#### **Educational Services Director**

1. Robert Nacario provided a Technology Cost Analysis. He reported that the challenge of giving a cost analysis is that we don't always know what the needs are. We are preparing students for jobs that do not exist yet. He shared a video with the Board called Future Ready Schools: Preparing Students For Success. The video shows students using technology everywhere in place of paper and pencil. He indicated that there will come a time when we will not be talking about technology and learning as separate subjects but as one. Mr. Nacario stated that the Future Ready Initiative is aligned with our Bright Future Initiative. [The Future Ready Initiative Pledge recognizes the importance of building human capacity within schools and districts for effectively using increased connectivity and new devices to transform teaching and learning.] He acknowledged Willie Marlin, technology coordinator, efforts to improve technology infrastructure.

Mr. Nacario continued with pricing information for device refreshment, infrastructure, peripherals, and professional development. In addition, he shared information on what the district could save if Board members received their board packets on an electronic tablet versus hard copy.

Kevin Papineau noted that the Future Ready Schools video showed students using technology but not teachers. He indicated a need to make professional development effective as it relates to technology training.

Robert Nacario agreed that professional development needs to be effective and ongoing.

John Gordon stated that if there is a potential cost savings for the Board to go paperless, we should consider it. He requested to add this topic as a future agenda item.

2. Robert Nacario reported on Board Policy (BP) 6020: Parental Involvement Annual Evaluation. He indicated that Education Code 11503 requires an annual evaluation. The evaluation process includes LCAP evaluation by stakeholders, including parents, with opportunities to provide feedback related to this policy.

#### **Business Services Director**

- 1. Robert Milligan, Maintenance Supervisor, provided a Transportation Portable Update. He indicated the new portable will be integrated with transportation and will be ready for use on July 6.
- 2. Robert Milligan provided a Proposition 39: The California Clean Energy Jobs Act update. He indicated that the district has been approved for funding and will be going to bid for energy efficient projects including HVAC upgrades and lighting.

#### D. Board Discussion

 Karen Schauer reported that the Joint Power Authority (JPA) is considering Restoring Up-Front Developer Fees and Annual Tax to Home Owners. GJUESD JPA members, Wesley Cagle and Matthew Giblin, requested the board discuss information shared at the June JPA meeting to provide them with direction for next steps.

Dr. Schauer continued. The JPA was created between the GJUESD and GHSD to generate new facilities funds through a Community Facilities District (CFD.) In 2013-14, the JPA agreed to reduce its tax rate and developer fees by 30% and freeze any additional increases because 1) it felt the building of the schools that it served was completed, and 2) fees collected were more than what was needed to pay off the existing bonds.

Scot Sutton provided a cost analysis for tax papers dependent on the percentage of a restoration to the CSD, noting that the increase cannot exceed the 30%.

Matthew Giblin stated that we can make this decision after researching the possibility of a General Obligation (GO) Bond for the district.

Kevin Papineau stated that GJUESD has summarized general needs that could be addressed with additional JPA funding. He asked if these needs fit into our Facilities Master Plan (FMP) and if GHSD has summarized their needs?

Karen Schauer indicated that the GHSD has facilities needs at both high schools.

Kevin Papineau stated that the needs are great but a specific plan is needed.

Karen Schauer stated that more specific information may be presented at the July 15 JPA meeting.

John Gordon stated that he is committed to governing through transparency that includes stakeholder input. He has some concerns with not seeking stakeholder input prior to taking action on this item. In addition, he feels restoring fees at this time would weaken GJUESD chance of acquiring a GO Bond.

Scot Sutton stated that 44% of voters live in the CFD. Kevin Papineau suggested that GJUESD finish the FMP process so we can fully assess

our needs before taking action to restore CSD fees.

John Gordon stated that CFD restoration fees could be included as part of a polling question for a GO Bond.

The Board concluded that GJUESD should hold on restoring CFD fees until the district has completed the FMP process.

#### E. Recommended Actions

#### 1. Routine Matters/New Business

131.626 A motion was made by Wesley Cagle to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Matthew Giblin and unanimously Calendar carried.

- a. Approval of the Agenda
- b. Minutes: May 27, 2015 Regular Board Meeting Minutes: June 8, 2015 Special Board Meeting
- c. Payment of Warrants -

<u>Certificated/Classified Payrolls Dated:</u> 5/29/15, 6/5/15, 6/10/15 <u>Vendor Warrant Numbers:</u> 15343749-15343782, 15344981-15345041, 15345983-15346029, 15347192-15347231

#### d. Personnel

Resignations/Retirement – accepted the following:

Last	First	Assignment	
Alvarado	Breanna	Inst. Asst. Sp. Ed.	Resignation effective 6/10/15
Arwood	Lauri	Teacher	Retirement effective 6/10/15
Dickison	Tim	Yard Supervisor	Resignation effective 6/10/15
Ferreira	Jose	Teacher	Resignation effective 6/10/15
Frantson	Ron	Maintenance	Retirement effective 9/10/15
Hill	Samantha	Inst. Asst.	Resignation effective 6/10/15
Mike	Katherine	Teacher	Leave of Absence 2015-16
Soria	Elka	Teacher	Resignation effective 6/10/15
Swindler	Alisa	Yard Supervisor	Resignation effective 6/2/15
Zorn	Samantha	Teacher	Resignation effective 6/10/15

#### 2. New Hires- approved the following:

Last	First	Assignment	
Speer	Lisa	PLP Secretary	Valley Oaks Elementary
Johnson	Amanda	Program Specialist	District Office
Morgan	Kristy	Temporary Math Teacher	McCaffrey Middle School
Swars	Melody	Special Education Teacher	River Oaks Elementary
Prado	Lucia	Bilingual Office Assistant	River Oaks Elementary
Garcia	Monica	Parent Liaison	Fairsite School Readiness Center
McCormick	Megan	Temporary Language Arts Teacher	McCaffrey Middle School

Minutes: June 24, 2015

#### e. Donations

#### Greer

 Sonja Shands donated \$443.58 through the PG&E Corporation Campaign for the Community Program for Science Camp Fund

#### Lake Canyon

- Joshua Bauer, Michelle Ward, Kathleen Jackson, Maria Quaresma and West Brothers Concrete Pumping made a monetary donation towards the Color Me Run Event
- LC PTA donated \$500.00 towards track
- f. Approval to Destroy Old District Records Pertaining to Business, Food Services, Educational Services, Personnel, and Payroll
- g. Resolution #16: 2015-16 Pre-Kindergarten and Family Literacy Program Agreement #CPKS-5073
- h. Resolution #17: 2015-16 State Preschool Program Agreement #CSPP-5362

131.627	Consent Calendar (continued) – Items Removed for Later Consideration: No items removed.	CC Items Removed
131.628	A motion was made by Kevin Papineau to approve the recommendation for Student Matter #14/15-01; 14/15-05; 14/15-06; 14/15-08; 14/15-09, seconded by Matthew Giblin and unanimously carried.	Student Matter
131.629	A motion was made by Kevin Papineau to Accept Revised Facilities Master Plan Draft with Follow-up Community Survey and Board Prioritization, seconded by Wesley Cagle and unanimously carried.	FMP Draft
131.630	A motion was made by Wesley Cagle to approve 2015-16 Local Control and Accountability Plan, seconded by Matthew Giblin and carried by a vote of 4 Ayes by Wesley Cagle, Matthew Giblin, Kevin Papineau and Grace Malson and a No vote by John Gordon.	LCAP
131.631	A motion was made by Matthew Giblin to approve 2015-16 Budget and 2014-15 Budget Revisions, seconded by Kevin Papineau and unanimously carried.	Budget
131.632	A motion was made by Kevin Papineau to approve Galt Elementary Faculty Association (GEFA) Ratified Contract Language Changes, seconded by Grace Malson and unanimously carried.	GEFA Contract

Minutes: June 24, 2015

131.633	A motion was made by Matthew Giblin to approve the following 2015-16 Job Share Requests, seconded by Kevin Papineau and unanimously carried.	Job Share
	<ul> <li>Mai Nakamoto &amp; Destiny Wesbrook: 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Lake Canyon Elementary</li> <li>Hillary Hske &amp; Jessica Bressington: Preschool Speech Language Pathologist, Fairsite</li> </ul>	
131.634	A motion was made by Matthew Giblin to approve Resolution #18; Resolution For Exception To The 180-Day Wait Period, seconded by Kevin Papineau and unanimously carried.	Res. 18 180-Day
131.635	A motion was made by Wesley Cagle to approve Amended Superintendent Contract for a Period of Three (3) Years Beginning the First (1st) Day of July 2015, and ending on the Thirtieth (30th) Day of June, 2018 to include a 2.11% Salary Increase Retroactive to the First (1st) Day of July 2014, seconded by Kevin Papineau and unanimously carried.	Amended Supt Contract
131.636	A motion was made by Matthew Giblin to approve a Piggyback on the South County Support Services Agency Contract to Purchase a Special Needs Bus And to Piggyback on Hemet Unified School District's Contract to Purchase a Regular Bus, seconded by Grace Malson and unanimously carried.	Bus Purchase Piggyback
<ol> <li>Technolog</li> <li>Special Ed</li> <li>School Fu</li> </ol>	da Items  n, Instruction, Assessment, Technology Alignment gy Analysis for Board Members ducation Services rniture Analysis board Meeting Dates	
Adjournment The meeting ad	journed at 9:30 p.m.	
	Matthey	w Giblin, Clerk

F.

G.

Date



## New Hires **CONSENT CALENDAR**

## August 2015

Name	Position	Location
Bowler, Shelby	Teacher	Greer Elementary
Dunnett, Cynthia	Technology Assistant	District Office
Grant, Bradford	Teacher	River Oaks Elementary
Hopper, Joyce	Sub Bus Driver	Transportation
Jones, Lori	District Clerk II	District Office
Kimrey, Erik	Custodian (3.5)	Valley Oaks Elementary
Lewis, Chelsea	Teacher	Greer Elementary
Little, Kim	Social Worker	District Office
McCormick, Megan	Teacher	McCaffrey Middle School
McFadyen, Megan	Teacher	Lake Canyon Elementary
Miller, Sheri	School Readiness	Fairsite Pre School
	Coordinator	
Morey, David	Custodian (Nights)	Greer Elementary
Mullins, Sara	Teacher	River Oaks Elementary
Pamplona, Susan	Accounts Payable Clerk	District Office
Pantoya Evans, Lisa	Teacher	McCaffrey Middle School
Marie		
Perez, Jose	Custodian (3.5)	River Oaks Elementary
Raboy, Clare	Information Systems Technician	District Office
Ramirez, Soledad	Custodian (3.5)	River Oaks Elementary
Shewmaker, Mathew	Custodian (3.5)	Marengo Ranch Elementary
Stout John	Bus Driver	Transportation
Suarez, Alex	Custodian (3.5)	Lake Canyon Elementary
Zimmerman, Cheyenne	Custodian (3.5)	Marengo Ranch Elementary



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# Nonpublic, Non-Sectarian School/Agency Services

MASTER CONTRACT #2

CCHAT Center – Sacramento (Children's Choice for Hearing And Talking)

# SACRAMENTO COUNTY SELPA

Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services

MASTER CONTRACT

2015-2016

# MASTER CONTRACT

GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONSECTARIAN, NONPUBLIC SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES

	District	GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY
		Contract Year 2015-2016
	X	Nonpublic School
	****	Nonpublic Agency
Type o	f Contract:	
X .	Master Contract for fisc term of this contract.	cal year with Individual Service Agreements (ISA) to be approved throughout the
		ract for a specific student incorporating the Individual Service Agreement (ISA) dividual Master Contract specific to a single student.
		tension of the previous fiscal years approved contracts and rates. The sole purpose is to provide for ongoing funding at the prior year's rates for 90 days at the sole t. Expiration Date:

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

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGENCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER: CCHAT Center - Sacramento

# NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

#### AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract is entered into on July 1, 2015, between the <u>Galt Joint Union Elementary School District</u> (hereinafter referred to as the local educational agency "LEA" or "District") and <u>CCHAT Center – Sacramento</u> (nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency, hereinafter referred to as "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 Master 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 student, LEA shall submit to CONTRACTOR, an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA"), along with 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 in writing, the ISA and the Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR'S obligation to provide all services specified in the student's Individualized Education Plan (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). The ISA shall be executed within ninety (90) days of an LEA student's enrollment. LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and/or electronic database for ISA development, including invoicing.

Unless placement is made 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 student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with nonpublic school placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a nonpublic school placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by LEA student's parent.

#### 2. CERTIFICATION AND LICENSES

CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency. All nonpublic school and nonpublic agency 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.* and within the professional scope of practice of each provider's license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR'S nonpublic school/agency 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 Master Contract is executed by

CONTRACTOR. This Master Contract shall be null and void if such certification or waiver is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Master Contract. Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated on the applicable CDE certification. Total LEA student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated in Section 24 of the Master Contract.

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 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.).

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall be licensed by the state, or other public agency having delegated authority by contract with the state to license, to provide nonmedical care 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 this state, 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 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 shall also be good cause for the suspension or termination of this Master Contract by LEA.

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

During the term of this Master Contract, unless otherwise agreed, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, policies, and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all applicable LEA policies and procedures unless CONTRACTOR and LEA specifically agree, in writing, that 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 policies and shall indemnify LEA under the provisions of Section 15 of this Agreement 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 policies (e.g., those policies relating to the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, LEA student enrollment and transfer, LEA student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions).

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

#### 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Master Contract shall be from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor LEA is required to renew this Master Contract in subsequent contract years. However, the parties acknowledge that any subsequent Master Contract is to be re-negotiated prior to June 30, 2015. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d).) In the event a Master Contract is not renegotiated by June 30<sup>th</sup>, an interim contract may be made available as mutually agreed upon for up to 90 days from July 1 of the new fiscal year. 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 LEA.

The provisions of this Master 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 Master Contract includes LEA Procedures and each Individual Services Agreement which are incorporated herein by this reference. This Master Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Master 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 all information as requested in writing to secure a Master Contract or a renewal.

At a minimum, such information shall include copies of 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 Master Contract will be issued. If CONTRACTOR does not return the Master 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 Master Contract is received by LEA and will not be retroactive to the first day of the new Master Contract's effective date. If CONTRACTOR fails to execute the new Master Contract within such ninety day period, all payments shall cease until such time as the new Master Contract for the current school year is signed and returned to LEA by CONTRACTOR. (California Education Code section 56366(c)(1) and (2).) In the event that this Master Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed Master Contract between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized LEA students at the discretion of LEA.

#### 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Master Contract shall include an ISA developed for each LEA student for 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 Master Contract in effect. In the event that this Master 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 LEA students.

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

Unless otherwise provided in this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless the CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code section 56366(a)(5) and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3062(e)). In the event the CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the life of the ISA, the 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 the nonpublic school or agency.

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 state and federal law unless the parent agrees otherwise or an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

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

#### 7. **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

- a. The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency certified by the alifornia Department of Education and its officers, agents and employees.
- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for nonpublic school/agencies. It is understood that 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 the Master Contract, unless otherwise specified in the Master 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. As defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(r), the term "qualified" means that a person has met federal and state certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements which apply to the area in which he or she is providing special education or related services (which can include but is not limited to those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 (qualifications of "highly qualified teacher") and 200.58 (qualifications of paraprofessionals), and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3064 (staff qualifications for special education instruction) and 3065 (staff qualifications for related services), and Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1)), or, in the absence of such requirements, the state-education-agency-approved or recognized requirements, 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 and the scope of practice as defined by the licensing or credentialing body. Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities or 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.
- e. The term "license" means a valid non-expired document issued by a licensing agency within the Department of Consumer Affairs or other state 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 licensing agency, a certificate of registration with the appropriate professional organization at the national or state 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 a biological or adoptive parent unless the biological or adoptive parent does not have legal authority to make educational decisions for the child, a guardian generally authorized to act as the child's parent or authorized to make educational decisions for the child, 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, a surrogate parent, a foster parent if the authority of the biological or adoptive parent 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 (2). Parent does not include the state or any political subdivision of government or the nonpublic school or agency under contract with LEA for the provision of special education or designated instruction and services for a child. (California Education Code section 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 a 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 "Agreement" and may be referred to as such in this document.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

#### 8. NOTICES

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

All notices mailed to LEA shall be addressed to the person and address as indicated on the signature page of the Master Contract. Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on signature page of this Master 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 Master Contract. For purposes of this Master Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to pupil records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; cost data records as set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3061; 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 by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, bus aides and supervisors; absence verification records (parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents) if the CONTRACTOR is funded for excused absences, however, such records are not required if positive attendance is required; bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held; business licenses held; documents evidencing other staff qualifications including social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; records of employee training and certification, 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 nonpublic school and/or agency certifications; by-laws; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; statements of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books, general ledgers and supporting

documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/state payroll reports; 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, and date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from LEA student's record. Such log needs to record access to LEA student's records by: (a) LEA student's parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by 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 student records. For purposes of this paragraph, "employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR" do not include subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall grant parents access to student records, and comply with parents' requests for copies of student records, as required by state and federal laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of school or agency closure, to forward all records within ten (10) business days to LEA. These shall include, but not be limited to, current transcripts, IEP/IFSPs, and reports. LEA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all documents required to be maintained by CONTRACTOR within five (5) business days of a request.

#### 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

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

#### 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This contract binds CONTRACTOR'S successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, 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 Master Contract with venue in the County where LEA is located.

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

This Master 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 thirty (30) days' notice of any such changes or modifications made to conform to administrative or statutory guidelines and a copy of the statute or regulation upon which the modification or changes are based.

#### 14. TERMINATION

This Master Contract or an Individual Service Agreement may be terminated for cause. Cause shall include but not be limited to non-maintenance of current nonpublic school certification, failure of either LEA or the CONTRACTOR to maintain the standards required under the Master Contract and/or Individual Services Agreement, or other material breach of the contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. For purposes of Non Public School placement, the cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the Master Contract or ISA unless the parent agrees to the transfer of the student to the public school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the Master Contract, either party shall give twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other party pursuant to California Education Code section 56366(a)(4), or

immediately if the CONTRACTOR and LEA mutually agree that there are significant health or safety concerns. At the time of termination, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Master Contract. ISAs are void upon termination of this Master Contract. CONTRACTOR or LEA may also terminate an individual ISA for cause, without terminating the Master Contract in its entirety. To terminate the ISA, either party shall also give twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other.

#### 15. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

Except with respect to claims arising from a Party's separate negligence or willful acts, which shall remain that Party's personal obligation, each Party agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the other Party and its directors, officers, and employees with respect to a claim arising from the Party's actual or alleged act, failure to act, error, or omission in the performance of their obligations under this Agreement or any governing law or regulations.

#### 16. INSURANCE

LEA and CONTRACTOR agree to purchase and/or maintain through the duration of this Agreement insurance or liability coverage (such as liability coverage provided by a Joint Powers Agency) ensuring their ability to meet their respective defense and indemnity obligations as set forth in this Agreement. Such insurance or liability coverage shall have a limit of liability of no less than \$1,000,000 per claim/occurrence, and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate.

#### Lines of Insurance/Coverage

The insurance or liability coverage shall include, as may be reasonable and appropriate given the acts and activities contemplated by this Agreement, commercial general liability, premises liability, automobile liability (owned, non-owned, and hired), professional liability/errors and omissions, employer's liability, product liability, completed operations, and/or educator's legal liability coverages.

For the acts and activities contemplated by this Agreement, at a minimum, CONTRACTOR shall provide the following insurances/coverages:

- a. **Commercial General Liability** if the operations of CONTRACTOR involve direct and/or indirect control over or manipulation of student bodily parts, including but not limited to limbs, upper and lower extremities, neck and back, regardless of the location or premises services are provided (i.e. whether services are provided on District property, or property owned, borrowed, rented or leased by CONTRACTOR.)
  - (i) Covered property includes if applicable according to CONTRACTOR services provided, District property and student property (e.g. wheelchairs, durable medical equipment, assistive technology devices.)
- b. **Professional Liability or Errors and Omissions Liability** since all CONTRACTORS are providing professional or specialized services.
  - (i) Including molestation and abuse, by endorsement if not already in manuscript form.
- c. **Commercial Automobile Liability** if CONTRACTOR is going to operate a vehicle on District property or transport students in any capacity.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Conditions for coverage regarding transportation of students:

Unless authorized by written agreement including the parent, CONTRACTOR is not to transport students.

- (i) Limits of liability shall include a minimum of \$1,000,000 combined single unit.
- d. **Premises Liability** (if not included in General Liability) if services are provided on property owned, rented, leased or controlled by CONTRACTOR.
- e. **Educator's Legal Liability** (if not covered under Professional or Errors and Omissions Liabilities), if services include, within LEA's standards, the development and delivery of curriculum.

#### Additional Insured Endorsement:

To the full extent of the Parties' respective indemnity obligations, including the minimum limit of liability set forth above, the Parties' insurance or liability coverage agreements shall also be endorsed to extend "additional insured" or "additional covered party" status to all proposed indemnitees.

#### Primary Insurance/Coverage:

In addition to the "Additional Insured Endorsement" as stated above, said insurance/coverage policies shall include or be endorsed (copy of Endorsement attached to Certificate of Insurance) to the extent that each line of insurance/coverage under this Agreement shall apply as primary, and that any other insurance/coverage maintained by the Parties shall be excess only and not contributing with the insurance/coverage afforded by the other.

#### Other Insurance/Coverage:

Each Party also represents that for the period of this Agreement they will also purchase and maintain [real or personal property insurance or coverage, as well as any] insurance or liability coverage as required by law or regulation, including workers' compensation coverage.

#### Workers' Compensation Waiver of Subrogation:

To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR and its directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers and guests waive all opportunities of subrogation against LEA for any and all claims for bodily and personal injury, including employers' liability (Coverages A and B) and third party over actions against LEA and its elected and appointed officials, directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers and guests.

#### Certificate of Insurance/Coverage:

With respect to such required coverage(s) pursuant to this Agreement, each Party shall provide evidence of such coverage(s) by way of a Certificate of Insurance or Certificate of Coverage, issued by a duly authorized representative of the insurer or coverage provider. A copy of each endorsement in order to effect the indemnity obligations of this contract shall be attached to said Certificate, and such Certificate shall not be valid without said endorsement(s).

If students need transportation to/from the CONTRACTOR'S premises where services are provided, or any other location involving CONTRACTOR'S services, transportation of the student is to be provided by District transportation.

If under specified circumstances, and District transportation is not available, transportation of the student is not authorized without parental completion of a *Student Alternate Transportation Form*. Completion of this form is required even if the parent is to transport the student where otherwise District transportation would have been provided in order to receive contracted services.

Any driver (including parents) while on District business must submit prior to commencement of services, a completed and accepted *Employee and Volunteer Personal Automobile Use Form.* This form is to be completed if the transportation of students is for services under this Agreement.

#### Survivability:

The Parties' indemnity and coverage obligations shall survive the termination of this Agreement with respect to any claim arising from the Parties' actual or alleged performance or non-performance of their respective rights, privileges, or obligations existing under this Agreement.

#### Joint Interests:

For the duration of this Agreement, with respect to the fulfillment of each Parties' obligations pursuant to this Agreement, each Party agrees to provide the other's designee (e.g. Risk Management Department) with notification of bodily injury, personal injury or loss of property to each Parties' officials, employees, agents, volunteers, guests and third parties, within 5 calendar days of the date of occurrence of such loss, but no later than 5 calendar days of the date of the Party's knowledge of the loss.

In the event of such loss, the Parties agree to take all steps reasonable or necessary to cooperate in investigating the occurrence of each loss, and in resolving or mitigating losses with the affected or third party.

In the event of a claim covered by these provisions, the Parties agree to take all steps reasonable or necessary to cooperate in defending and protecting their joint interests, including efforts to reduce defense costs (through joint representation whenever possible), expenses and potential liability exposures.

#### Injury and Illness Prevention:

Each Party also represents that for the period of this Agreement, they will maintain and enforce an Injury and Illness Prevention Program as required by law or regulation, including all required standards and requirements under such law/regulation (e.g. blood borne pathogen, ergonomic, reporting of serious injury/illness), and agree to take all steps reasonable or necessary to cooperate in ensuring compliance. Documentation or recordkeeping to the same will be made available to the other Party upon request.

#### 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing herein contained shall be construed to imply a joint venture, partnership or principal-agent relationship between LEA and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide all services under this Agreement 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 Agreement 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 held to be a partner, joint venturer, 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 holding, as well as any expenses, costs, taxes, penalties and interest charges incurred by LEA as a result of that holding.

#### 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 Master 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) 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 request and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said services.

Should LEA approve in concept, of CONTRACTOR subcontracting for services, CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA for approval the proposed subcontract. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Master Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR creates subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including without limitation, transportation) for any 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 Master Contract, for the duration of the term of each subcontract. If a proposed subcontract is approved by LEA, each subcontractor must furnish LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effective coverage required by Section 16 of this Master 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 the LEA. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall name the LEA/SELPA and the LEA Board of Education as additional insured. All endorsements are to be received and approved by LEA before the subcontractor's work commences In addition, all sub-contractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 45 (Clearance Requirements) and Section 46 (Staff Qualifications) of this Master Contract. No subcontract shall be considered final without LEA approval.

#### 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA 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 avoid and disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code section 56042 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.

Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for a 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 LEA student without prior written authorization by LEA. This paragraph shall apply to CONTRACTOR regardless of when an assessment is performed or a report is prepared (i.e. before or after LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR'S school/agency) or whether an assessment of LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid a 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, in its discretion, not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, LEA may, in its discretion, 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, the CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that its authorized representative has read and understands 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 was an employee of LEA within three hundred and sixty five (365) days prior to executing this Master 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 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.

#### 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, gender, ethnic groups, identification, ancestry, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or mental or physical disability or on the basis of a person's association with a person or groups with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, or any other classification provided by federal or state law, in employment or operation of its programs.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

#### 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION

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 to each LEA student special education and/or related services (including transition services) within the nonpublic school or nonpublic agency consistent with LEA student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall not accept a LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If a LEA student's services are provided by a third party (i.e. a related services provider) CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, if the provision of services ceases.

Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, and/or facilities for LEA students, as specified in 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 LEA student's IEP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of LEA student's enrollment under the terms of this Master Contract). LEA shall provide low incidence equipment for eligible students with low incidence disabilities when specified in the student's IEP and ISA. Such equipment remains the property of the SELPA/LEA and shall be returned to the SELPA/LEA when the IEP team determines the equipment is no longer needed or when the student is no longer enrolled in the nonpublic school. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide all LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations. CONTRACTOR may charge a LEA student's parent(s) for services and/or activities not necessary for LEA student to receive a free appropriate public education after: (a) written notification to 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 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 an LEA student to receive a free appropriate public education shall not interfere with LEA student's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA unless LEA and CONTRACTOR agree otherwise in writing.

#### 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All nonpublic school and nonpublic agency 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.* and shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR'S general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and predictors 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 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 a local education agency (LEA), that contracts with the nonpublic school: (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 Master Contract.

When CONTRACTOR serves LEA students in grades nine through twelve 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 award a high school diploma to LEA students who have not successfully completed all of LEA's graduation requirements, including, but not limited to, passing the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) if applicable, or meeting CAHSEE exception/waiver requirements per state guidelines.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR'S general program of instruction and/or services shall utilize evidence-based practices and predictors and be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines/certifications and any state licensing requirements and shall be provided as specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA. The nonpublic agency providing Behavior Intervention Services shall develop a written treatment plan that specifies the nature of their nonpublic agency service for each student within thirty (30) days of enrollment and shall be provided in writing to LEA. 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, all services not provided in the school setting require the presence of a parent, guardian or adult caregiver during the delivery of services, provided such guardian or caregiver has a signed authorization by the parent or legal guardian 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 Master Contract. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no parent, guardian or adult care giver is present. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the services and location provided prior to the effective date of this Master Contract. Contractors providing Behavior Intervention Services must have a trained Behavior Intervention Case Manager (BICM) or trained equivalent on staff. It is understood that Behavior Intervention Services are limited per CDE Certification and do not constitute as an instructional program.

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

#### 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, 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 LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with LEA student's IEP.

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 levels unless otherwise specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA.

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

#### 24. CLASS SIZE

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

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 nonpublic school, 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 shall not exceed the number of days on LEA's approved calendar and/or required by the IEP (developed by LEA) for each 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 Master 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 the regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for the nonpublic school or agency. In such a case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the students' IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services if such are recommended by his/her 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 IEP Team convened by LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to, 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 actually 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 nonpublic school service. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall observe only the same legal holidays as LEA. With the 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 nonpublic agency, 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 LEA student's IEP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in LEA student's ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA students on only those days that LEA student's school of attendance is in session and 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. 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 nonpublic agency service provided by CONTRACTOR. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR.

#### 26. DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide to LEA, all data (including billing information) related to students who are served by the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide all data related to or referenced in any and all sections of this Master Contract if requested by LEA. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide all requested information in the format required by LEA. It is understood that all nonpublic schools and nonpublic agencies shall utilize the Special Education Information System (SEIS) or comparable program/system approved by LEA/SELPA for all IEP development and progress reporting. Additional progress reporting may be required by LEA. LEA shall provide the CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access so that this information may be compiled.

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 their discretion.

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

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA policies and 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 and 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 recommendations and/or activities to support the transition.

#### 28. STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING AND HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAMINATION

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, per implementation of Assembly Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all Statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and

Progress ("CAASP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, California English Language Development Test ("CELDT"), and the California High School Exit Examination, as appropriate to the student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA and state 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 policy and 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, standardized testing, and IEPs. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute a billable service hour(s).

#### 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all requirements of Education Code section 56521.1 and 56521.2 regarding positive behavior interventions. Failure to do so shall constitute sufficient cause for contract termination.

LEA students who exhibit serious behavioral challenges must receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal law and its implementing regulations. If the individualized education program ("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 consistent with California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and Behavioral Emergency Reports ("BERs"). Evidence of such training shall be submitted to the LEA at the beginning of the school year and within 6 days of any new hire. CONTRACTOR shall also ensure that all of its staff members are trained annually in crisis intervention and emergency procedures as related to appropriate behavior management strategies. Training includes certification with an approved SELPA crisis intervention program.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1 emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a BIP, and instead may only be used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the LEA student, or others. Before emergency interventions may be applied, the behavior must be of the kind that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior. Emergency interventions shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of an emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency.

To prevent emergency interventions from being used in lieu of planned, systematic behavioral interventions, the parent, guardian, and residential care provider, if appropriate, shall be notified if an emergency intervention is used or serious property damage occurs. CONTRACTOR shall immediately complete and maintain in the file of LEA student, a BER which shall include all of the following: (1) The name and age of the individual with exceptional needs; (2) The setting and location of the incident; (3) The name of the staff or other persons involved; (4) A description of the incident and the emergency intervention used, and whether the LEA student is currently engaged in any systematic behavioral intervention plan; and (5) Details of any injuries sustained by LEA student or others, including staff, as a result of the incident. The BER shall be submitted to LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall also notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone.

Consistent with the requirements of California Education Code section 56521.1(g), if a BER is written regarding an LEA student who does not have a behavior intervention plan, the designated responsible administrator shall, within two days, schedule an IEP Team meeting to review the emergency report, to determine the necessity for a functional behavioral assessment, and to determine the necessity for an interim plan. The IEP Team shall document the reasons for not conducting the functional behavioral assessment, not developing an interim plan, or both. Consistent with the requirements of California Education Code section 56521.1(h), if a behavioral emergency report is written regarding an LEA student who has a positive behavioral intervention plan, an incident involving a previously unseen serious behavior problem, or where a previously designed intervention is ineffective, shall be referred to the IEP team to review and determine if the incident constitutes a need to modify the positive behavioral intervention plan.

CONTRACTOR shall not utilize, authorize, order, consent to, or pay for any of the following prohibited interventions, or any other intervention similar to or like the following: (a) any intervention that is designed to, or likely to cause physical pain; (b) releasing noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mists, or substances in proximity to LEA student's face; (c) any intervention which denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities; (d) any intervention which is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject LEA student to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or which can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma; (e) restrictive interventions which 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 as a limited emergency intervention by CONTRACTOR'S trained and qualified personnel as allowable by applicable law and regulations; (f) locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by State law to use a locked room; (g) an intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual; or (h) an intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

#### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with state and federal law and regulations.

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from his/her current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall submit a written discipline report within 24 hours to LEA and a manifestation IEP team meeting shall be scheduled. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: LEA student's name; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACTOR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of 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 of suspension. CONTRACTOR shall notify and invite LEA 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 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 student continue to be best met at the nonpublic school and/or by the nonpublic agency; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) and pursuant to California Education Code section 56345(b)(4).) If an LEA student is to be transferred from a nonpublic school setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, if appropriate, 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 student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of his or her IEP Team. Except as otherwise provided in the Master 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 Master Contract, a parent, the CONTRACTOR or LEA may request a review of the student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, the CONTRACTOR in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to the parent(s), the CONTRACTOR and LEA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, at no cost and prior to an annual or triennial IEP Team meeting, documentation which shows progress on goals and any 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 policy and 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 Master Contract.

It is understood that the CONTRACTOR shall utilize the Special Education Information System (SEIS) or other comparable program/system as designated by LEA at LEA's discretion, for all IEP planning and progress reporting. LEA or SELPA shall provide training for any nonpublic school and nonpublic agency to assure access to SEIS or the comparable program/system designated for use by LEA. The nonpublic school and/or nonpublic agency shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on SEIS or comparable program/system and shall protect the password requirements of the system. When a student disenrolls from the nonpublic school or stops receiving services from the nonpublic agency, such CONTRACTOR shall discontinue use of SEIS and/or comparable program/system for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting, provided under this Master Contract may only be made on the basis of revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that the CONTRACTOR believes the student requires a change of placement, the CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the purpose of considering a change in the student's placement. Student is entitled to remain in the last agreed upon and implemented placement unless parent agrees otherwise, or unless an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH.

#### 33. SURROGATE PARENTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA surrogate parent assignments.

#### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office for 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/ISP.

#### 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 policies pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960(a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policies pursuant to California Education Code 231.5 (a), (b) and (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedures pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 106.8(a) and 106.9(a); (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA); and (6) Notification and Complaint Procedures for Disability Access, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq., Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 104. CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to LEA.

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

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided on a monthly basis, CONTRACTOR shall provide to parents, with a concurrent copy sent to LEA, at least four 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 the CONTRACTOR'S place of business.

CONTRACTOR shall also provide an LEA representative access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, 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 support and/or intervention plans. LEA may request copies of such data at any time within five years of the date of service. CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain the information for at least five years and also shall provide this data supporting progress within 5 business days of request.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other assessment of LEA student one month prior to LEA student's annual or triennial review IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting 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 policies, procedures, and/or practices. Sufficient copies of reports, projected goals and/or any other relevant documents to be reviewed by the IEP Team shall be provided to the District no later than five (5) business days prior to an annual or triennial IEP team meeting. CONTRACTOR shall maintain all supporting documentation including but not limited to test protocols and data collection, which shall be made available to LEA within 5 business days of request.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for all assessment costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting and the development of present levels of performance. All other assessments shall be provided by LEA unless LEA specifies in writing a request that CONTRACTOR perform such additional assessment. Such assessment 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 pupils as specified in the ISA. For nonpublic agency services, supervision provided by a qualified individual as specified in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 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 LEA student's parent(s) or LEA for the development or provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any assessments, interviews, or attendance at any meetings, including but not limited to IEP meetings. It is understood that all billable hours have limits 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 pupil's record and shall be made available to LEA upon written request.

#### 37. TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall prepare transcripts at the close of each semester, or upon LEA student transfer, for LEA students in grades nine through twelve inclusive. CONTRACTOR shall submit all transcripts on LEA approved forms to 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 names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by LEA.

#### 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify parents in writing of their obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of LEA student's change of residence. Within five (5) school days after CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, of LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to parents.

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

#### 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM PROGRAM

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report, by telephone, with a follow-up written notification within five (5) business days to LEA Representative responsible for overseeing nonpublic schools and nonpublic agencies, and any other required representative from the California Department of Education, when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services. CONTRACTOR shall confirm such telephone call on LEA approved forms and submit to LEA and the Department of Education, if required, within five (5) business days of the withdrawal, including a student's change in residence to a residence outside of LEA service boundaries, and the student's discharge against professional advice from a Nonpublic School/Residential Treatment Center (NPS/RTC). CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify and clear potential dropouts three times per year, as required by the 2001 Elementary and Secondary Education Act (No Child Left Behind; NCLB), as documentation of graduation rate is one of the indicators of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

#### 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 LEA student's living quarters. CONTRACTOR shall comply with any known court orders regarding parental visits and access to LEA students.

CONTRACTOR, if operating a program with a residential component, shall ensure that parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from both the CONTRACTOR and LEA.

CONTRACTORS providing services in the student's home as specified in the IEP shall assure that at least one parent of the child, or an adult caregiver with 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. The parent shall inform the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider.

For services provided in a pupil's home as specified in the IEP, CONTRACTORS must assure that the parent or LEA approved responsible adult is present during the provision of services. All problems and/or concerns reported to parents, both verbal and written, shall also be provided to the LEA.

CONTRACTORS operating programs associated with a 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 the CONTRACTOR and the LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance. CONTRACTOR shall facilitate all parent travel and accommodations and for providing travel information to the parent as appropriate. Payment by LEA for approved travel-related expenses shall be made directly through the LEA.

#### 41. SERVICES AND SUPERVISION AND PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

If CONTRACTOR provides services on a LEA public school campus, CONTRACTOR shall comply with Penal Code section 627.1 *et seq.*, as well as all other LEA and campus-specific policies and procedures regarding visitors to/on school campuses. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the purchase and provision of the supplies and assessment tools necessary to implement the provision of CONTRACTOR services on LEA public school campuses.

For services provided on a public school campus, sign in/out procedures shall be followed along with all procedures for being on campus consistent with school and LEA policy. It is understood that the public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the educational program and all nonpublic agency service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher who shall remain in charge of the instructional program.

It is understood that all employees, subcontractors and volunteers of any certified nonpublic school or agency shall adhere to customary professional standards when providing services. All practices shall be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession. Reports regarding student progress shall be consistent with the provision of the Master Contract.

CONTRACTORS 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 or guardians, in either verbal or written form, shall be reported to LEA.

CONTRACTOR, if providing services in a student's home as specified in the IEP, shall assure that at least one parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency is present during the 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 parent shall inform LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot be an employee or volunteer associated with the nonpublic school/nonpublic agency service provider. All problems and/or concerns reported to parents, both verbal and written, shall also be provided to LEA.

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

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(C) and 56366.9, Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b), (AB1858,

AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003)) and the procedures set forth in LEA Procedures. A LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its nonpublic school as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic, nonsectarian school 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 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.

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic, nonsectarian school that is owned, operated by, or associated with a residential treatment center (hereinafter referred to as "NPS/RTC"), CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1411 *et seq.* and Education Code section 56000, et seq.; amended and reorganized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEIA), 20 U.S.C. section 1401(29); Education Code section 56031; Title 5, California Code of Regulations section 3001 et seq., Title 2, California Code of Regulations section 60100 et seq. regarding the provision of counseling services, including residential care for students to receive a FAPE as set forth in LEA student's IEPs.

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 nonpublic school placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a nonpublic school placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by 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 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.).

#### 43. STATE MEAL MANDATE

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49530, 49530.5 and 49550.

#### 44. MONITORING

CONTRACTOR shall allow representatives from LEA access to its facilities for the purpose of periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program, and shall be invited to participate in the formal review of each student's progress. LEA representatives 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. Such access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR'S site administrative office. CONTRACTOR shall be invited to participate in the review of each student's progress.

If CONTRACTOR is also a LCI and/or NPS/RTC, LEA shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR is in compliance with Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b).

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) the Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) the Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in any LEA and 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 nonpublic school/agency, compliance with relevant state and federal regulations, and Master Contract compliance. CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School/Agency Self-Review Assessment submitted as specified by LEA. 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 a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall collect all applicable data and prepare the applicable portion of a School Accountability Report Card in accordance with California Education Code Section 33126.

#### PERSONNEL

#### 45. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 44237, 35021.1 and 35021.2 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 all of CONTRACTOR'S employees and volunteers who will have or likely may have any direct contact with LEA students. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR'S employees and volunteers shall not come in contact with LEA students until both CDOJ and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall further certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, volunteers, or subcontractors who will have, or likely may have any direct 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). Clearance certification shall be submitted to LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from the CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

The passage of AB 389 amends Education Code sections 44237 and 56366.1 as to the verification that the CONTRACTOR has received a successful criminal background check clearance and has enrolled in subsequent arrest notice service, as specified, for each owner, operator, and employee of the nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. Further this bill deletes the exemption for applicants possessing a valid California state teaching credential or who are currently licensed by another state agency that requires a criminal record summary, from submitting 2 sets of fingerprints for the purpose of obtaining a criminal record summary from the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to the LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notice service, as provided, for each owner, operator, and employee of the nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. 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 upon request.

#### 46. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or to provide related services are qualified as defined in Section 7(d) of this Mater Contract, including but not limited to holding a license,

certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to render the service consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1); are qualified pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58; and are qualified consistent with Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, sections 3064 and 3065, as applicable. 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 each special education teacher meets the Highly Qualified Teacher requirements and holds a full and valid non-expired CTC credential authorizing instruction to students with the disabling conditions placed in the teacher's classroom through documentation provided to the CDE (5 CCR 3064(a)).

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, an appropriately qualified person shall serve as curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development.

Only those nonpublic, nonsectarian schools or agencies located outside of California that employ staff who hold a current valid credential or license to render special education and related services as required by that state shall be eligible to be certified.

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 and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least 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 an LEA student shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide 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.).

#### 47. 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 California Commission on Teacher Credentialing or other licensing authority. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA 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 as specified in LEA Procedures. Within thirty (30) days, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA with the verified dates of fingerprint clearance, Department of Justice clearance and Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any 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 Master 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 during which such person is providing services under this Master Contract. Failure to notify LEA of changes in licenses, certifications or suspensions shall be good cause for termination of this Master Contract by LEA.

Failure to notify LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and shall also suffice as good cause for the suspension or termination of this Master Contract by LEA.

#### 48. STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school 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 LEA documentation of substitute coverage on LEA substitute teacher log. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time. LEA shall not be responsible for any payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and/or related services provider, and CONTRACTOR'S service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section seven (7) of this Master Contract 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 student shall not be deemed to be a qualified substitute for his/her 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 an authorized LEA representative.

# 49. 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 nonpublic school or nonpublic agency 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. Reports regarding student progress shall be consistent with the provision of this Master Contract.

For services provided on a public school campus, sign in/out procedures shall be followed by nonpublic agency providers working in a public school classroom along with all other procedures for being on campus consistent with school and LEA policy. It is understood that the public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the instructional program, and all nonpublic agency service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher, who shall remain in charge of the instructional program. Failure to comply with this an all LEA requirements in this regard shall be sufficient cause to terminate this Master Contract.

For services provided in a pupil's home as specified in the IEP, CONTRACTOR must assure that the parent or an LEA-approved responsible adult is present during the provision of services. All problems and/or concerns reported to parents, both verbal and written shall also be provided to LEA. It is understood that unless otherwise agreed to by LEA, a public school credentialed teacher is responsible for the

instructional program and all nonpublic agency related service providers shall work collaboratively with the teacher who shall remain in charge of supervising the instructional program.

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

#### 50. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, state, local, and LEA laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 et seq., and 49406, and Health and Safety Code section 121545 regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR'S employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with an LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood Borne Pathogens Standards, Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 1910.1030, 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.

#### 51. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to LEA 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 nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 550. During the duration of this Agreement, if CONTRACTOR is subject to fines, penalties and findings of noncompliance, CONTRACTOR shall assume any and all responsibilities for payment of such financial obligations. CONTRACTOR shall also be fully responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR'S facilities as required to comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Failure to notify LEA or 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 Master Contract by LEA.

In signing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR certifies that its facilities either comply with federal and state 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.

#### 52. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49423 when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student that is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist LEA student with the administration of such medication after LEA student's parent(s) provide(s) 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 LEA 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 LEA student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify LEA 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 assuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with student's physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and parent.

In the event there is an LEA student who is on a prescription medication regimen, the CONTRACTOR is to: (a) first obtain a copy of the appropriate medication authorization form available from LEA student's primary regional or site nurse; or (b) in the event the student does not take prescription medication during the school day, but would only take such medication while in the care, custody and control of the CONTRACTOR, prior to the commencement of services to LEA student, CONTRACTOR is to obtain a signed copy of the appropriate medication authorization form from the District. Both the District and CONTRACTOR shall retain a copy of the Authorization.

#### 53. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall submit within 24 hours by facsimile and by US Mail, any accident or incident report to LEA. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports pursuant to the procedures specified in LEA Procedures.

#### 54. 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. 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 acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to LEA.

CONTRACTOR is to read and become familiar with the District's *Mandated Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Manual*, available on the District's Risk Management Web Site at: http://www.egusd.net/riskmanagement/Info-MandRep.html.

In the event there is suspicion of abuse conducted by District staff (e.g. a student reports to CONTRACTOR staff of abuse from District staff), CONTRACTOR is to file the appropriate report to the Sacramento County Sheriff. CONTRACTOR is also to confidentially notify the Risk Management Department (Risk Manager) of the report. CONTRACTOR is to cooperate with any investigation conducted by the District in connection with such report.

#### 55. SEXUAL HARASSMENT/DISCRIMINATION

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.

#### 56. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all staff members, including volunteers and any independent contractor and/or subcontractor authorized pursuant to this Master Contract, are familiar with and agree to adhere to requirements for reporting missing children as specified in California Education Code section 49370. A written statement acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be properly submitted to LEA. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by LEA.

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

CONTRACTOR shall assure that the nonpublic school or nonpublic agency has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the children enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP and ISA for each and every child.

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. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA which are provided on billable days of attendance. All payments by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Contract and in compliance with LEA Procedures, and will be governed by all applicable federal and state laws.

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 Master 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. Contractor will submit invoices using the format provided by LEA. At the request of LEA, invoices may require the following information: name of LEA student for whom service was provided; the type of service provided: (if payment for assessment is approved by LEA pursuant to Section 36 of this Master Contract, the invoice must describe whether the assessment was prepared for an initial, annual, amended, or triennial IEP; month of service; specific dates (date, month, year and times) of services coordinated pursuant to LEA-approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by LEA; name of staff who provided the service and that 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 the nonpublic school/nonpublic agency 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 session consistent with this Master Contract; and verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with IEP Benchmark Dates unless otherwise specified on the ISA. In the event services were not provided, rationale for why the services were not provided shall be included.

Such an invoice is subject to all conditions of this Master Contract. At the discretion of LEA, an electronic invoice may be required provided such notice has been made in writing and training provided to the 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 Master 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 Master 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 Master Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond six months after the close of the fiscal year unless approved by LEA to resolve billing issues including rebilling issues directly related to a delay in obtaining information from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding teacher qualification, but no later than 12 months from the close of the fiscal year. If the billing or rebilling error is the responsibility of LEA, then no limit is set provided that 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 employee.

#### 58. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) 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; (b) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (c) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice; (d) education and/or related services are provided to LEA students by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (e) 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; (f) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change or residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA with five (5) days of such confirmation; (g) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student; (h) CONTRACTOR fails to provide the required liability/insurance documentation as outlined in Section 16; or (i) CONTRACTOR has otherwise failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this Master Contract. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that are not received by six 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 Master 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 the 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 pupil 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 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. 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 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 Authorized LEA's Representative of the dispute in writing. LEA Authorized Representative shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within fifteen (15) business days.

After sixty (60) business days: Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the Master Contract may be appealed to the County Superintendent of Schools or the State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code Section 56366(c)(2).

#### 59. 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.

#### 60. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL 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 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 seven (7) of this Master 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 LEA student's IEP.

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, no later than the tenth (10th) cumulative day of LEA student's unexcused absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of such absence as specified in LEA Procedures.

Criteria for a billable day for payment purposes is one 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 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 DIS or 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 STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and CONTRACTOR'S service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section seven (7) of this Master 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 STUDENT ABSENCE

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

#### 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

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 Agreement.

CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA access to all records as defined in Section 9 of this Master Contract. CONTRACTOR shall make all records available at the office of LEA or CONTRACTOR'S offices (to be specified by LEA), at all reasonable times and without charge. All records shall be provided to LEA within five (5) working days of a written request from LEA. CONTRACTOR shall, at no cost to LEA, provide assistance for 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.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain from its subcontractors and suppliers, written agreements 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 Master 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 result of CONTRACTOR'S over billing and/or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Master 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 schedules (Exhibits A and B) limit the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and the maximum dollar amount of the contract. It may also limit the maximum number of 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.

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 Master Contract, shall be as stated in Exhibits A and B.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school associated with a Residential Treatment Center (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. Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) costs 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 student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature.

#### 63. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this agreement, 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) Has/have <u>not</u>, 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, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or 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 Master Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This Master Contract is effective on the  $1^{st}$  day of July 2015 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2016, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR
CCHAT Center - Sacramento

Nonpublic School/Agency

By:
Signature

Date

By:
Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano
Director of Curriculum

Name and Title of Authorized
Representative

LEA
Galt Joint Union Elementary School District

By:
Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano
Director of Curriculum

Name and Title of Authorized
Representative

#### Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:

#### Notices to LEA shall be addressed to:

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# Additional LEA Notification (Required if Completed)

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#### EXHIBIT A: RATES - NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL ONLY - 2015-2016 CONTRACT YEAR

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(11)	Provided by Nursing Ser					

\*\*By credentialed Special Education Teacher.

<sup>\*</sup>Parent transportation reimbursement rates are to be determined by LEA.



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# Nonpublic, Non-Sectarian School/Agency Services

MASTER CONTRACT #3

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2015-2016

### MASTER CONTRACT

GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONSECTARIAN, NONPUBLIC SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES

	District	GALT JOINT UNION ELEMENTARY
		Contract Year 2015-2016
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	nis section is included as p of Master Contract.	art of any Master Contract, the changes specified above shall amend Section

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

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGENCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER: <u>Lodi Children's Therapy</u>

# NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

#### AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract is entered into on July 1, 2015, between the <u>Galt Joint Union Elementary School District</u> (hereinafter referred to as the local educational agency "LEA" or "District") and <u>Lodi Children's Therapy</u> (nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency, hereinafter referred to as "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 Master 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 student, LEA shall submit to CONTRACTOR, an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA"), along with 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 in writing, the ISA and the Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR'S obligation to provide all services specified in the student's Individualized Education Plan (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). The ISA shall be executed within ninety (90) days of an LEA student's enrollment. LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and/or electronic database for ISA development, including invoicing.

Unless placement is made 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 student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with nonpublic school placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a nonpublic school placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by LEA student's parent.

#### 2. CERTIFICATION AND LICENSES

CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency. All nonpublic school and nonpublic agency 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. and within the professional scope of practice of each provider's license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR'S nonpublic school/agency 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 Master Contract is executed by

CONTRACTOR. This Master Contract shall be null and void if such certification or waiver is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Master Contract. Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated on the applicable CDE certification. Total LEA student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated in Section 24 of the Master Contract.

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 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.).

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall be licensed by the state, or other public agency having delegated authority by contract with the state to license, to provide nonmedical care 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 this state, 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 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 shall also be good cause for the suspension or termination of this Master Contract by LEA.

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

During the term of this Master Contract, unless otherwise agreed, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, policies, and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all applicable LEA policies and procedures unless CONTRACTOR and LEA specifically agree, in writing, that 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 policies and shall indemnify LEA under the provisions of Section 15 of this Agreement 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 policies (e.g., those policies relating to the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, LEA student enrollment and transfer, LEA student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions).

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

#### 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Master Contract shall be from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor LEA is required to renew this Master Contract in subsequent contract years. However, the parties acknowledge that any subsequent Master Contract is to be re-negotiated prior to June 30, 2015. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d).) In the event a Master Contract is not renegotiated by June 30<sup>th</sup>, an interim contract may be made available as mutually agreed upon for up to 90 days from July 1 of the new fiscal year. 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 LEA.

The provisions of this Master 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 Master Contract includes LEA Procedures and each Individual Services Agreement which are incorporated herein by this reference. This Master Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Master 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 all information as requested in writing to secure a Master Contract or a renewal.

At a minimum, such information shall include copies of 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 Master Contract will be issued. If CONTRACTOR does not return the Master 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 Master Contract is received by LEA and will not be retroactive to the first day of the new Master Contract's effective date. If CONTRACTOR fails to execute the new Master Contract within such ninety day period, all payments shall cease until such time as the new Master Contract for the current school year is signed and returned to LEA by CONTRACTOR. (California Education Code section 56366(c)(1) and (2).) In the event that this Master Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed Master Contract between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized LEA students at the discretion of LEA.

#### 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Master Contract shall include an ISA developed for each LEA student for 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 Master Contract in effect. In the event that this Master 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 LEA students.

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

Unless otherwise provided in this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless the CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code section 56366(a)(5) and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3062(e)). In the event the CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the life of the ISA, the 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 the nonpublic school or agency.

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 state and federal law unless the parent agrees otherwise or an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

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

#### 7. **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

- a. The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency certified by the California Department of Education and its officers, agents and employees.
- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for nonpublic school/agencies. It is understood that 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 the Master Contract, unless otherwise specified in the Master 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).
- As defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(r), the term "qualified" d. means that a person has met federal and state certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements which apply to the area in which he or she is providing special education or related services (which can include but is not limited to those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 (qualifications of "highly qualified teacher") and 200.58 (qualifications of paraprofessionals), and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3064 (staff qualifications for special education instruction) and 3065 (staff qualifications for related services), and Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1)), or, in the absence of such requirements, the state-education-agency-approved or recognized requirements, 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 and the scope of practice as defined by the licensing or credentialing body. Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities or 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.
- e. The term "license" means a valid non-expired document issued by a licensing agency within the Department of Consumer Affairs or other state 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 licensing agency, a certificate of registration with the appropriate professional organization at the national or state 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 a biological or adoptive parent unless the biological or adoptive parent does not have legal authority to make educational decisions for the child, a guardian generally authorized to act as the child's parent or authorized to make educational decisions for the child, 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, a surrogate parent, a foster parent if the authority of the biological or adoptive parent 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 (2). Parent does not include the state or any political subdivision of government or the nonpublic school or agency under contract with LEA for the provision of special education or designated instruction and services for a child. (California Education Code section 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 a 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 "Agreement" and may be referred to as such in this document.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

#### 8. NOTICES

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

All notices mailed to LEA shall be addressed to the person and address as indicated on the signature page of the Master Contract. Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on signature page of this Master 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 Master Contract. For purposes of this Master Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to pupil records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; cost data records as set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3061; 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 by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, bus aides and supervisors; absence verification records (parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents) if the CONTRACTOR is funded for excused absences, however, such records are not required if positive attendance is required; bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held; business licenses held; documents evidencing other staff qualifications including social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; records of employee training and certification, 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 nonpublic school and/or agency certifications; by-laws; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; statements of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books, general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/state payroll reports; 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, and date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from LEA student's record. Such log needs to record access to LEA student's records by: (a) LEA student's parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by 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 student records. For purposes of this paragraph, "employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR" do not include subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall grant parents access to student records, and comply with parents' requests for copies of student records, as required by state and federal laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of school or agency closure, to forward all records within ten (10) business days to LEA. These shall include, but not be limited to, current transcripts, IEP/IFSPs, and reports. LEA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all documents required to be maintained by CONTRACTOR within five (5) business days of a request.

#### 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

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

#### 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This contract binds CONTRACTOR'S successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, 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 Master Contract with venue in the County where LEA is located.

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

This Master 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 thirty (30) days' notice of any such changes or modifications made to conform to administrative or statutory guidelines and a copy of the statute or regulation upon which the modification or changes are based.

#### 14. TERMINATION

This Master Contract or an Individual Service Agreement may be terminated for cause. Cause shall include but not be limited to non-maintenance of current nonpublic school certification, failure of either LEA or the CONTRACTOR to maintain the standards required under the Master Contract and/or Individual Services Agreement, or other material breach of the contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. For purposes of Non Public School placement, the cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the Master Contract or ISA unless the parent agrees to the transfer of the student to the public school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the Master Contract, either party shall give twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other party pursuant to California Education Code section 56366(a)(4), or

immediately if the CONTRACTOR and LEA mutually agree that there are significant health or safety concerns. At the time of termination, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Master Contract. ISAs are void upon termination of this Master Contract. CONTRACTOR or LEA may also terminate an individual ISA for cause, without terminating the Master Contract in its entirety. To terminate the ISA, either party shall also give twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other.

#### 15. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

Except with respect to claims arising from a Party's separate negligence or willful acts, which shall remain that Party's personal obligation, each Party agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the other Party and its directors, officers, and employees with respect to a claim arising from the Party's actual or alleged act, failure to act, error, or omission in the performance of their obligations under this Agreement or any governing law or regulations.

#### 16. INSURANCE

LEA and CONTRACTOR agree to purchase and/or maintain through the duration of this Agreement insurance or liability coverage (such as liability coverage provided by a Joint Powers Agency) ensuring their ability to meet their respective defense and indemnity obligations as set forth in this Agreement. Such insurance or liability coverage shall have a limit of liability of no less than \$1,000,000 per claim/occurrence, and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate.

#### Lines of Insurance/Coverage

The insurance or liability coverage shall include, as may be reasonable and appropriate given the acts and activities contemplated by this Agreement, commercial general liability, premises liability, automobile liability (owned, non-owned, and hired), professional liability/errors and omissions, employer's liability, product liability, completed operations, and/or educator's legal liability coverages.

For the acts and activities contemplated by this Agreement, at a minimum, CONTRACTOR shall provide the following insurances/coverages:

- a. Commercial General Liability if the operations of CONTRACTOR involve direct and/or indirect control over or manipulation of student bodily parts, including but not limited to limbs, upper and lower extremities, neck and back, regardless of the location or premises services are provided (i.e. whether services are provided on District property, or property owned, borrowed, rented or leased by CONTRACTOR.)
  - (i) Covered property includes if applicable according to CONTRACTOR services provided, District property and student property (e.g. wheelchairs, durable medical equipment, assistive technology devices.)
- b. **Professional Liability or Errors and Omissions Liability** since all CONTRACTORS are providing professional or specialized services.
  - (i) Including molestation and abuse, by endorsement if not already in manuscript form.
- c. Commercial Automobile Liability if CONTRACTOR is going to operate a vehicle on District property or transport students in any capacity.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Conditions for coverage regarding transportation of students:

- (i) Limits of liability shall include a minimum of \$1,000,000 combined single unit.
- d. **Premises Liability** (if not included in General Liability) if services are provided on property owned, rented, leased or controlled by CONTRACTOR.
- e. **Educator's Legal Liability** (if not covered under Professional or Errors and Omissions Liabilities), if services include, within LEA's standards, the development and delivery of curriculum.

#### **Additional Insured Endorsement:**

To the full extent of the Parties' respective indemnity obligations, including the minimum limit of liability set forth above, the Parties' insurance or liability coverage agreements shall also be endorsed to extend "additional insured" or "additional covered party" status to all proposed indemnitees.

#### Primary Insurance/Coverage:

In addition to the "Additional Insured Endorsement" as stated above, said insurance/coverage policies shall include or be endorsed (copy of Endorsement attached to Certificate of Insurance) to the extent that each line of insurance/coverage under this Agreement shall apply as primary, and that any other insurance/coverage maintained by the Parties shall be excess only and not contributing with the insurance/coverage afforded by the other.

#### Other Insurance/Coverage:

Each Party also represents that for the period of this Agreement they will also purchase and maintain [real or personal property insurance or coverage, as well as any] insurance or liability coverage as required by law or regulation, including workers' compensation coverage.

#### Workers' Compensation Waiver of Subrogation:

To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR and its directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers and guests waive all opportunities of subrogation against LEA for any and all claims for bodily and personal injury, including employers' liability (Coverages A and B) and third party over actions against LEA and its elected and appointed officials, directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers and guests.

#### Certificate of Insurance/Coverage:

With respect to such required coverage(s) pursuant to this Agreement, each Party shall provide evidence of such coverage(s) by way of a Certificate of Insurance or Certificate of Coverage, issued by a duly authorized representative of the insurer or coverage provider. A copy of each endorsement in order to effect the indemnity obligations of this contract shall be attached to said Certificate, and such Certificate shall not be valid without said endorsement(s).

If students need transportation to/from the CONTRACTOR'S premises where services are provided, or any other location involving CONTRACTOR'S services, transportation of the student is to be provided by District transportation.

If under specified circumstances, and District transportation is not available, transportation of the student is not authorized without parental completion of a *Student Alternate Transportation Form*. Completion of this form is required even if the parent is to transport the student where otherwise District transportation would have been provided in order to receive contracted services.

Any driver (including parents) while on District business must submit prior to commencement of services, a completed and accepted *Employee and Volunteer Personal Automobile Use Form*. This form is to be completed if the transportation of students is for services under this Agreement.

#### Survivability:

The Parties' indemnity and coverage obligations shall survive the termination of this Agreement with respect to any claim arising from the Parties' actual or alleged performance or non-performance of their respective rights, privileges, or obligations existing under this Agreement.

#### **Joint Interests:**

For the duration of this Agreement, with respect to the fulfillment of each Parties' obligations pursuant to this Agreement, each Party agrees to provide the other's designee (e.g. Risk Management Department) with notification of bodily injury, personal injury or loss of property to each Parties' officials, employees, agents, volunteers, guests and third parties, within 5 calendar days of the date of occurrence of such loss, but no later than 5 calendar days of the date of the Party's knowledge of the loss.

In the event of such loss, the Parties agree to take all steps reasonable or necessary to cooperate in investigating the occurrence of each loss, and in resolving or mitigating losses with the affected or third party.

In the event of a claim covered by these provisions, the Parties agree to take all steps reasonable or necessary to cooperate in defending and protecting their joint interests, including efforts to reduce defense costs (through joint representation whenever possible), expenses and potential liability exposures.

#### Injury and Illness Prevention:

Each Party also represents that for the period of this Agreement, they will maintain and enforce an Injury and Illness Prevention Program as required by law or regulation, including all required standards and requirements under such law/regulation (e.g. blood borne pathogen, ergonomic, reporting of serious injury/illness), and agree to take all steps reasonable or necessary to cooperate in ensuring compliance. Documentation or recordkeeping to the same will be made available to the other Party upon request.

#### 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing herein contained shall be construed to imply a joint venture, partnership or principal-agent relationship between LEA and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide all services under this Agreement 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 Agreement 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 held to be a partner, joint venturer, 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 holding, as well as any expenses, costs, taxes, penalties and interest charges incurred by LEA as a result of that holding.

#### 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 Master 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) 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 request and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said services.

Should LEA approve in concept, of CONTRACTOR subcontracting for services, CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA for approval the proposed subcontract. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Master Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR creates subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including without limitation, transportation) for any 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 Master Contract, for the duration of the term of each subcontract. If a proposed subcontract is approved by LEA, each subcontractor must furnish LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effective coverage required by Section 16 of this Master 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 the LEA. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall name the LEA/SELPA and the LEA Board of Education as additional insured. All endorsements are to be received and approved by LEA before the subcontractor's work commences In addition, all sub-contractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 45 (Clearance Requirements) and Section 46 (Staff Qualifications) of this Master Contract. No subcontract shall be considered final without LEA approval.

#### 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA 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 avoid and disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code section 56042 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.

Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for a 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 LEA student without prior written authorization by LEA. This paragraph shall apply to CONTRACTOR regardless of when an assessment is performed or a report is prepared (i.e. before or after LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR'S school/agency) or whether an assessment of LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid a 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, in its discretion, not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, LEA may, in its discretion, 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, the CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that its authorized representative has read and understands 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 was an employee of LEA within three hundred and sixty five (365) days prior to executing this Master 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 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.

#### 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, gender, ethnic groups, identification, ancestry, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or mental or physical disability or on the basis of a person's association with a person or groups with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, or any other classification provided by federal or state law, in employment or operation of its programs.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

#### 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION

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 to each LEA student special education and/or related services (including transition services) within the nonpublic school or nonpublic agency consistent with LEA student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall not accept a LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If a LEA student's services are provided by a third party (i.e. a related services provider) CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, if the provision of services ceases.

Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, and/or facilities for LEA students, as specified in 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 LEA student's IEP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of LEA student's enrollment under the terms of this Master Contract). LEA shall provide low incidence equipment for eligible students with low incidence disabilities when specified in the student's IEP and ISA. Such equipment remains the property of the SELPA/LEA and shall be returned to the SELPA/LEA when the IEP team determines the equipment is no longer needed or when the student is no longer enrolled in the nonpublic school. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide all LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations. CONTRACTOR may charge a LEA student's parent(s) for services and/or activities not necessary for LEA student to receive a free appropriate public education after: (a) written notification to 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 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 an LEA student to receive a free appropriate public education shall not interfere with LEA student's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA unless LEA and CONTRACTOR agree otherwise in writing.

#### 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All nonpublic school and nonpublic agency 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.* and shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR'S general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and predictors and be consistent with LEA's standards regarding the

particular course of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics. literacv 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 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 a local education agency (LEA), that contracts with the nonpublic school: (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 Master Contract.

When CONTRACTOR serves LEA students in grades nine through twelve 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 award a high school diploma to LEA students who have not successfully completed all of LEA's graduation requirements, including, but not limited to, passing the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) if applicable, or meeting CAHSEE exception/waiver requirements per state guidelines.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR'S general program of instruction and/or services shall utilize evidence-based practices and predictors and be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines/certifications and any state licensing requirements and shall be provided as specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA. The nonpublic agency providing Behavior Intervention Services shall develop a written treatment plan that specifies the nature of their nonpublic agency service for each student within thirty (30) days of enrollment and shall be provided in writing to LEA. 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, all services not provided in the school setting require the presence of a parent, guardian or adult caregiver during the delivery of services, provided such guardian or caregiver has a signed authorization by the parent or legal guardian 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 Master Contract. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no parent, guardian or adult care giver is present. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the services and location provided prior to the effective date of this Master Contract. Contractors providing Behavior Intervention Services must have a trained Behavior Intervention Case Manager (BICM) or trained equivalent on staff. It is understood that Behavior Intervention Services are limited per CDE Certification and do not constitute as an instructional program.

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

#### 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, 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 LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with LEA student's IEP.

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 levels unless otherwise specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA.

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

#### 24. CLASS SIZE

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

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 nonpublic school, 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 shall not exceed the number of days on LEA's approved calendar and/or required by the IEP (developed by LEA) for each 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 Master 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 the regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for the nonpublic school or agency. In such a case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the students' IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services if such are recommended by his/her 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 IEP Team convened by LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to, 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 actually 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 nonpublic school service. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall observe only the same legal holidays as LEA. With the 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 nonpublic agency, 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 LEA student's IEP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in LEA student's ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA students on only those days that LEA student's school of attendance is in session and 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. 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 nonpublic agency service provided by CONTRACTOR. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR.

#### 26. DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide to LEA, all data (including billing information) related to students who are served by the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide all data related to or referenced in any and all sections of this Master Contract if requested by LEA. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide all requested information in the format required by LEA. It is understood that all nonpublic schools and nonpublic agencies shall utilize the Special Education Information System (SEIS) or comparable program/system approved by LEA/SELPA for all IEP development and progress reporting. Additional progress reporting may be required by LEA. LEA shall provide the CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access so that this information may be compiled.

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 their discretion.

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

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA policies and 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 and 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 recommendations and/or activities to support the transition.

#### 28. STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING AND HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAMINATION

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, per implementation of Assembly Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all Statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and

Progress ("CAASP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, California English Language Development Test ("CELDT"), and the California High School Exit Examination, as appropriate to the student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA and state 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 policy and 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, standardized testing, and IEPs. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute a billable service hour(s).

#### 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all requirements of Education Code section 56521.1 and 56521.2 regarding positive behavior interventions. Failure to do so shall constitute sufficient cause for contract termination.

LEA students who exhibit serious behavioral challenges must receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal law and its implementing regulations. If the individualized education program ("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 consistent with California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and Behavioral Emergency Reports ("BERs"). Evidence of such training shall be submitted to the LEA at the beginning of the school year and within 6 days of any new hire. CONTRACTOR shall also ensure that all of its staff members are trained annually in crisis intervention and emergency procedures as related to appropriate behavior management strategies. Training includes certification with an approved SELPA crisis intervention program.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1 emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a BIP, and instead may only be used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the LEA student, or others. Before emergency interventions may be applied, the behavior must be of the kind that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior. Emergency interventions shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of an emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency.

To prevent emergency interventions from being used in lieu of planned, systematic behavioral interventions, the parent, guardian, and residential care provider, if appropriate, shall be notified if an emergency intervention is used or serious property damage occurs. CONTRACTOR shall immediately complete and maintain in the file of LEA student, a BER which shall include all of the following: (1) The name and age of the individual with exceptional needs; (2) The setting and location of the incident; (3) The name of the staff or other persons involved; (4) A description of the incident and the emergency intervention used, and whether the LEA student is currently engaged in any systematic behavioral intervention plan; and (5) Details of any injuries sustained by LEA student or others, including staff, as a result of the incident. The BER shall be submitted to LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall also notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone.

Consistent with the requirements of California Education Code section 56521.1(g), if a BER is written regarding an LEA student who does not have a behavior intervention plan, the designated responsible administrator shall, within two days, schedule an IEP Team meeting to review the emergency report, to determine the necessity for a functional behavioral assessment, and to determine the necessity for an interim plan. The IEP Team shall document the reasons for not conducting the functional behavioral assessment, not developing an interim plan, or both. Consistent with the requirements of California Education Code section 56521.1(h), if a behavioral emergency report is written regarding an LEA student who has a positive behavioral intervention plan, an incident involving a previously unseen serious behavior problem, or where a previously designed intervention is ineffective, shall be referred to the IEP team to review and determine if the incident constitutes a need to modify the positive behavioral intervention plan.

CONTRACTOR shall not utilize, authorize, order, consent to, or pay for any of the following prohibited interventions, or any other intervention similar to or like the following: (a) any intervention that is designed to, or likely to cause physical pain; (b) releasing noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mists, or substances in proximity to LEA student's face; (c) any intervention which denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities; (d) any intervention which is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject LEA student to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or which can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma; (e) restrictive interventions which 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 as a limited emergency intervention by CONTRACTOR'S trained and qualified personnel as allowable by applicable law and regulations; (f) locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by State law to use a locked room; (g) an intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual; or (h) an intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

#### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with state and federal law and regulations.

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from his/her current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall submit a written discipline report within 24 hours to LEA and a manifestation IEP team meeting shall be scheduled. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: LEA student's name; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACTOR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of 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 of suspension. CONTRACTOR shall notify and invite LEA 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 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 student continue to be best met at the nonpublic school and/or by the nonpublic agency; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) and pursuant to California Education Code section 56345(b)(4).) If an LEA student is to be transferred from a nonpublic school setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, if appropriate, 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 student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of his or her IEP Team. Except as otherwise provided in the Master 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 Master Contract, a parent, the CONTRACTOR or LEA may request a review of the student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, the CONTRACTOR in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to the parent(s), the CONTRACTOR and LEA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, at no cost and prior to an annual or triennial IEP Team meeting, documentation which shows progress on goals and any 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 policy and 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 Master Contract.

It is understood that the CONTRACTOR shall utilize the Special Education Information System (SEIS) or other comparable program/system as designated by LEA at LEA's discretion, for all IEP planning and progress reporting. LEA or SELPA shall provide training for any nonpublic school and nonpublic agency to assure access to SEIS or the comparable program/system designated for use by LEA. The nonpublic school and/or nonpublic agency shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on SEIS or comparable program/system and shall protect the password requirements of the system. When a student disenrolls from the nonpublic school or stops receiving services from the nonpublic agency, such CONTRACTOR shall discontinue use of SEIS and/or comparable program/system for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting, provided under this Master Contract may only be made on the basis of revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that the CONTRACTOR believes the student requires a change of placement, the CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the purpose of considering a change in the student's placement. Student is entitled to remain in the last agreed upon and implemented placement unless parent agrees otherwise, or unless an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH.

#### 33. SURROGATE PARENTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA surrogate parent assignments.

#### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office for 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/ISP.

#### 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 policies pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960(a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policies pursuant to California Education Code 231.5 (a), (b) and (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedures pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 106.8(a) and 106.9(a); (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA); and (6) Notification and Complaint Procedures for Disability Access, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq., Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 104. CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to LEA.

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

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided on a monthly basis, CONTRACTOR shall provide to parents, with a concurrent copy sent to LEA, at least four 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 the CONTRACTOR'S place of business.

CONTRACTOR shall also provide an LEA representative access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, 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 support and/or intervention plans. LEA may request copies of such data at any time within five years of the date of service. CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain the information for at least five years and also shall provide this data supporting progress within 5 business days of request.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other assessment of LEA student one month prior to LEA student's annual or triennial review IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting 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 policies, procedures, and/or practices. Sufficient copies of reports, projected goals and/or any other relevant documents to be reviewed by the IEP Team shall be provided to the District no later than five (5) business days prior to an annual or triennial IEP team meeting. CONTRACTOR shall maintain all supporting documentation including but not limited to test protocols and data collection, which shall be made available to LEA within 5 business days of request.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for all assessment costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting and the development of present levels of performance. All other assessments shall be provided by LEA unless LEA specifies in writing a request that CONTRACTOR perform such additional assessment. Such assessment 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 pupils as specified in the ISA. For nonpublic agency services, supervision provided by a qualified individual as specified in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 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 LEA student's parent(s) or LEA for the development or provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any assessments, interviews, or attendance at any meetings, including but not limited to IEP meetings. It is understood that all billable hours have limits 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 pupil's record and shall be made available to LEA upon written request.

#### 37. TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall prepare transcripts at the close of each semester, or upon LEA student transfer, for LEA students in grades nine through twelve inclusive. CONTRACTOR shall submit all transcripts on LEA approved forms to 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 names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by LEA.

#### 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify parents in writing of their obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of LEA student's change of residence. Within five (5) school days after CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, of LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to parents.

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

#### 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM PROGRAM

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report, by telephone, with a follow-up written notification within five (5) business days to LEA Representative responsible for overseeing nonpublic schools and nonpublic agencies, and any other required representative from the California Department of Education, when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services. CONTRACTOR shall confirm such telephone call on LEA approved forms and submit to LEA and the Department of Education, if required, within five (5) business days of the withdrawal, including a student's change in residence to a residence outside of LEA service boundaries, and the student's discharge against professional advice from a Nonpublic School/Residential Treatment Center (NPS/RTC). CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify and clear potential dropouts three times per year, as required by the 2001 Elementary and Secondary Education Act (No Child Left Behind; NCLB), as documentation of graduation rate is one of the indicators of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

#### 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 LEA student's living quarters. CONTRACTOR shall comply with any known court orders regarding parental visits and access to LEA students.

CONTRACTOR, if operating a program with a residential component, shall ensure that parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from both the CONTRACTOR and LEA.

CONTRACTORS providing services in the student's home as specified in the IEP shall assure that at least one parent of the child, or an adult caregiver with 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. The parent shall inform the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider.

For services provided in a pupil's home as specified in the IEP, CONTRACTORS must assure that the parent or LEA approved responsible adult is present during the provision of services. All problems and/or concerns reported to parents, both verbal and written, shall also be provided to the LEA.

CONTRACTORS operating programs associated with a 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 the CONTRACTOR and the LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance. CONTRACTOR shall facilitate all parent travel and accommodations and for providing travel information to the parent as appropriate. Payment by LEA for approved travel-related expenses shall be made directly through the LEA.

#### 41. SERVICES AND SUPERVISION AND PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

If CONTRACTOR provides services on a LEA public school campus, CONTRACTOR shall comply with Penal Code section 627.1 *et seq.*, as well as all other LEA and campus-specific policies and procedures regarding visitors to/on school campuses. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the purchase and provision of the supplies and assessment tools necessary to implement the provision of CONTRACTOR services on LEA public school campuses.

For services provided on a public school campus, sign in/out procedures shall be followed along with all procedures for being on campus consistent with school and LEA policy. It is understood that the public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the educational program and all nonpublic agency service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher who shall remain in charge of the instructional program.

It is understood that all employees, subcontractors and volunteers of any certified nonpublic school or agency shall adhere to customary professional standards when providing services. All practices shall be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession. Reports regarding student progress shall be consistent with the provision of the Master Contract.

CONTRACTORS 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 or guardians, in either verbal or written form, shall be reported to LEA.

CONTRACTOR, if providing services in a student's home as specified in the IEP, shall assure that at least one parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency is present during the 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 parent shall inform LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot be an employee or volunteer associated with the nonpublic school/nonpublic agency service provider. All problems and/or concerns reported to parents, both verbal and written, shall also be provided to LEA.

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

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(C) and 56366.9, Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b), (AB1858,

AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003)) and the procedures set forth in LEA Procedures. A LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its nonpublic school as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic, nonsectarian school 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 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.

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic, nonsectarian school that is owned, operated by, or associated with a residential treatment center (hereinafter referred to as "NPS/RTC"), CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1411 *et seq.* and Education Code section 56000, et seq.; amended and reorganized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEIA), 20 U.S.C. section 1401(29); Education Code section 56031; Title 5, California Code of Regulations section 3001 et seq., Title 2, California Code of Regulations section 60100 et seq. regarding the provision of counseling services, including residential care for students to receive a FAPE as set forth in LEA student's IEPs.

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 nonpublic school placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a nonpublic school placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by 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 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.).

#### 43. STATE MEAL MANDATE

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49530, 49530.5 and 49550.

#### 44. MONITORING

CONTRACTOR shall allow representatives from LEA access to its facilities for the purpose of periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program, and shall be invited to participate in the formal review of each student's progress. LEA representatives 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. Such access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR'S site administrative office. CONTRACTOR shall be invited to participate in the review of each student's progress.

If CONTRACTOR is also a LCI and/or NPS/RTC, LEA shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR is in compliance with Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b).

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) the Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) the Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in any LEA and 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 nonpublic school/agency, compliance with relevant state and federal regulations, and Master Contract compliance. CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School/Agency Self-Review Assessment submitted as specified by LEA. 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 a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall collect all applicable data and prepare the applicable portion of a School Accountability Report Card in accordance with California Education Code Section 33126.

#### **PERSONNEL**

#### 45. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 44237, 35021.1 and 35021.2 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 all of CONTRACTOR'S employees and volunteers who will have or likely may have any direct contact with LEA students. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR'S employees and volunteers shall not come in contact with LEA students until both CDOJ and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall further certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, volunteers, or subcontractors who will have, or likely may have any direct 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). Clearance certification shall be submitted to LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from the CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

The passage of AB 389 amends Education Code sections 44237 and 56366.1 as to the verification that the CONTRACTOR has received a successful criminal background check clearance and has enrolled in subsequent arrest notice service, as specified, for each owner, operator, and employee of the nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. Further this bill deletes the exemption for applicants possessing a valid California state teaching credential or who are currently licensed by another state agency that requires a criminal record summary, from submitting 2 sets of fingerprints for the purpose of obtaining a criminal record summary from the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to the LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notice service, as provided, for each owner, operator, and employee of the nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. 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 upon request.

#### 46. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or to provide related services are qualified as defined in Section 7(d) of this Mater Contract, including but not limited to holding a license,

certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to render the service consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1); are qualified pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58; and are qualified consistent with Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, sections 3064 and 3065, as applicable. 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 each special education teacher meets the Highly Qualified Teacher requirements and holds a full and valid non-expired CTC credential authorizing instruction to students with the disabling conditions placed in the teacher's classroom through documentation provided to the CDE (5 CCR 3064(a)).

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, an appropriately qualified person shall serve as curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development.

Only those nonpublic, nonsectarian schools or agencies located outside of California that employ staff who hold a current valid credential or license to render special education and related services as required by that state shall be eligible to be certified.

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 and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least 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 an LEA student shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide 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.).

#### 47. 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 California Commission on Teacher Credentialing or other licensing authority. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA 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 as specified in LEA Procedures. Within thirty (30) days, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA with the verified dates of fingerprint clearance, Department of Justice clearance and Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any 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 Master 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 during which such person is providing services under this Master Contract. Failure to notify LEA of changes in licenses, certifications or suspensions shall be good cause for termination of this Master Contract by LEA.

Failure to notify LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and shall also suffice as good cause for the suspension or termination of this Master Contract by LEA.

#### 48. STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school 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 LEA documentation of substitute coverage on LEA substitute teacher log. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time. LEA shall not be responsible for any payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and/or related services provider, and CONTRACTOR'S service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section seven (7) of this Master Contract 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 student shall not be deemed to be a qualified substitute for his/her 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 an authorized LEA representative.

# 49. 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 nonpublic school or nonpublic agency 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. Reports regarding student progress shall be consistent with the provision of this Master Contract.

For services provided on a public school campus, sign in/out procedures shall be followed by nonpublic agency providers working in a public school classroom along with all other procedures for being on campus consistent with school and LEA policy. It is understood that the public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the instructional program, and all nonpublic agency service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher, who shall remain in charge of the instructional program. Failure to comply with this an all LEA requirements in this regard shall be sufficient cause to terminate this Master Contract.

For services provided in a pupil's home as specified in the IEP, CONTRACTOR must assure that the parent or an LEA-approved responsible adult is present during the provision of services. All problems and/or concerns reported to parents, both verbal and written shall also be provided to LEA. It is understood that unless otherwise agreed to by LEA, a public school credentialed teacher is responsible for the

instructional program and all nonpublic agency related service providers shall work collaboratively with the teacher who shall remain in charge of supervising the instructional program.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES

#### 50. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, state, local, and LEA laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 et seq., and 49406, and Health and Safety Code section 121545 regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR'S employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with an LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood Borne Pathogens Standards, Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 1910.1030, 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.

#### 51. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to LEA 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 nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 550. During the duration of this Agreement, if CONTRACTOR is subject to fines, penalties and findings of noncompliance, CONTRACTOR shall assume any and all responsibilities for payment of such financial obligations. CONTRACTOR shall also be fully responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR'S facilities as required to comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Failure to notify LEA or 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 Master Contract by LEA.

In signing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR certifies that its facilities either comply with federal and state 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.

#### 52. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49423 when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student that is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist LEA student with the administration of such medication after LEA student's parent(s) provide(s) 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 LEA 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 LEA student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify LEA 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 assuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with student's physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and parent.

In the event there is an LEA student who is on a prescription medication regimen, the CONTRACTOR is to: (a) first obtain a copy of the appropriate medication authorization form available from LEA student's primary regional or site nurse; or (b) in the event the student does not take prescription medication during the school day, but would only take such medication while in the care, custody and control of the CONTRACTOR, prior to the commencement of services to LEA student, CONTRACTOR is to obtain a signed copy of the appropriate medication authorization form from the District. Both the District and CONTRACTOR shall retain a copy of the Authorization.

#### 53. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall submit within 24 hours by facsimile and by US Mail, any accident or incident report to LEA. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports pursuant to the procedures specified in LEA Procedures.

#### 54. 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. 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 acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to LEA.

CONTRACTOR is to read and become familiar with the District's *Mandated Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Manual*, available on the District's Risk Management Web Site at: http://www.egusd.net/riskmanagement/Info-MandRep.html.

In the event there is suspicion of abuse conducted by District staff (e.g. a student reports to CONTRACTOR staff of abuse from District staff), CONTRACTOR is to file the appropriate report to the Sacramento County Sheriff. CONTRACTOR is also to confidentially notify the Risk Management Department (Risk Manager) of the report. CONTRACTOR is to cooperate with any investigation conducted by the District in connection with such report.

#### 55. SEXUAL HARASSMENT/DISCRIMINATION

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.

#### 56. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all staff members, including volunteers and any independent contractor and/or subcontractor authorized pursuant to this Master Contract, are familiar with and agree to adhere to requirements for reporting missing children as specified in California Education Code section 49370. A written statement acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be properly submitted to LEA. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by LEA.

#### **FINANCIAL**

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

CONTRACTOR shall assure that the nonpublic school or nonpublic agency has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the children enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP and ISA for each and every child.

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. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA which are provided on billable days of attendance. All payments by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Contract and in compliance with LEA Procedures, and will be governed by all applicable federal and state laws.

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 Master 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. Contractor will submit invoices using the format provided by LEA. At the request of LEA, invoices may require the following information: name of LEA student for whom service was provided; the type of service provided; (if payment for assessment is approved by LEA pursuant to Section 36 of this Master Contract, the invoice must describe whether the assessment was prepared for an initial, annual, amended, or triennial IEP; month of service; specific dates (date, month, year and times) of services coordinated pursuant to LEA-approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by LEA; name of staff who provided the service and that 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 the nonpublic school/nonpublic agency 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 session consistent with this Master Contract; and verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with IEP Benchmark Dates unless otherwise specified on the ISA. In the event services were not provided, rationale for why the services were not provided shall be included.

Such an invoice is subject to all conditions of this Master Contract. At the discretion of LEA, an electronic invoice may be required provided such notice has been made in writing and training provided to the 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 Master 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 Master 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 Master Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond six months after the close of the fiscal year unless approved by LEA to resolve billing issues including rebilling issues directly related to a delay in obtaining information from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding teacher qualification, but no later than 12 months from the close of the fiscal year. If the billing or rebilling error is the responsibility of LEA, then no limit is set provided that 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 employee.

#### 58. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) 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; (b) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (c) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice; (d) education and/or related services are provided to LEA students by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (e) 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; (f) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change or residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA with five (5) days of such confirmation; (g) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student; (h) CONTRACTOR fails to provide the required liability/insurance documentation as outlined in Section 16; or (i) CONTRACTOR has otherwise failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this Master Contract. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that are not received by six 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 Master 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 the 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 pupil 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 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. 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 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 Authorized LEA's Representative of the dispute in writing. LEA Authorized Representative shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within fifteen (15) business days.

After sixty (60) business days: Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the Master Contract may be appealed to the County Superintendent of Schools or the State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code Section 56366(c)(2).

#### 59. 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.

#### 60. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL 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 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 seven (7) of this Master 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 LEA student's IEP.

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, no later than the tenth (10th) cumulative day of LEA student's unexcused absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of such absence as specified in LEA Procedures.

Criteria for a billable day for payment purposes is one 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 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 DIS or 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 STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and CONTRACTOR'S service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section seven (7) of this Master 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 STUDENT ABSENCE

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

#### 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

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 Agreement.

CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA access to all records as defined in Section 9 of this Master Contract. CONTRACTOR shall make all records available at the office of LEA or CONTRACTOR'S offices (to be specified by LEA), at all reasonable times and without charge. All records shall be provided to LEA within five (5) working days of a written request from LEA. CONTRACTOR shall, at no cost to LEA, provide assistance for 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.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain from its subcontractors and suppliers, written agreements 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 Master 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 result of CONTRACTOR'S over billing and/or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Master 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 schedules (Exhibits A and B) limit the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and the maximum dollar amount of the contract. It may also limit the maximum number of 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.

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 Master Contract, shall be as stated in Exhibits A and B.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school associated with a Residential Treatment Center (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. Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) costs 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 student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature.

#### 63. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this agreement, 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) Has/have <u>not</u>, 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, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or 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 Master Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This Master Contract is effective on the \_\_\_\_1st\_\_ day of July 2015 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2016, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR Lodi Children's Therapy	LEA Galt Joint Union Elementary School District
Nonpublic School/Agency	
By: Signature Date By:	Signature Date
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#### Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:

#### Notices to LEA shall be addressed to:

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#### Additional LEA Notification

(Required if Completed)

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MASTER CONTRACT #4

Bizzi Bodies Children's Therapy

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MASTER CONTRACT

2015-2016

## MASTER CONTRACT

GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONSECTARIAN, NONPUBLIC SCHOOL AND AGENCY SERVICES

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

# NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGENCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER: Bizzi Bodies Children's Therapy

# NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

#### AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract is entered into on July 1, 2015, between the <u>Galt Joint Union Elementary School District</u> (hereinafter referred to as the local educational agency "LEA" or "District") and <u>Bizzi Bodies Children's Therapy</u> (nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency, hereinafter referred to as "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 Master 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 student, LEA shall submit to CONTRACTOR, an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA"), along with 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 in writing, the ISA and the Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR'S obligation to provide all services specified in the student's Individualized Education Plan (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). The ISA shall be executed within ninety (90) days of an LEA student's enrollment. LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and/or electronic database for ISA development, including invoicing.

Unless placement is made 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 student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with nonpublic school placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a nonpublic school placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by LEA student's parent.

#### 2. CERTIFICATION AND LICENSES

CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency. All nonpublic school and nonpublic agency 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. and within the professional scope of practice of each provider's license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR'S nonpublic school/agency 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 Master Contract is executed by

CONTRACTOR. This Master Contract shall be null and void if such certification or waiver is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Master Contract. Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated on the applicable CDE certification. Total LEA student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated in Section 24 of the Master Contract.

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 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.).

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall be licensed by the state, or other public agency having delegated authority by contract with the state to license, to provide nonmedical care 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 this state, 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 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 shall also be good cause for the suspension or termination of this Master Contract by LEA.

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

During the term of this Master Contract, unless otherwise agreed, CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, policies, and regulations. CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all applicable LEA policies and procedures unless CONTRACTOR and LEA specifically agree, in writing, that 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 policies and shall indemnify LEA under the provisions of Section 15 of this Agreement 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 policies (e.g., those policies relating to the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, LEA student enrollment and transfer, LEA student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions).

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

#### 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Master Contract shall be from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. Neither the CONTRACTOR nor LEA is required to renew this Master Contract in subsequent contract years. However, the parties acknowledge that any subsequent Master Contract is to be re-negotiated prior to June 30, 2015. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d).) In the event a Master Contract is not renegotiated by June 30<sup>th</sup>, an interim contract may be made available as mutually agreed upon for up to 90 days from July 1 of the new fiscal year. 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 LEA.

The provisions of this Master 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 Master Contract includes LEA Procedures and each Individual Services Agreement which are incorporated herein by this reference. This Master Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Master 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 all information as requested in writing to secure a Master Contract or a renewal.

At a minimum, such information shall include copies of 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 Master Contract will be issued. If CONTRACTOR does not return the Master 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 Master Contract is received by LEA and will not be retroactive to the first day of the new Master Contract's effective date. If CONTRACTOR fails to execute the new Master Contract within such ninety day period, all payments shall cease until such time as the new Master Contract for the current school year is signed and returned to LEA by CONTRACTOR. (California Education Code section 56366(c)(1) and (2).) In the event that this Master Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR shall continue to be bound to all of the terms and conditions of the most recent executed Master Contract between CONTRACTOR and LEA for so long as CONTRACTOR is servicing authorized LEA students at the discretion of LEA.

#### 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Master Contract shall include an ISA developed for each LEA student for 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 Master Contract in effect. In the event that this Master 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 LEA students.

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

Unless otherwise provided in this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless the CONTRACTOR and LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code section 56366(a)(5) and Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3062(e)). In the event the CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the life of the ISA, the 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 the nonpublic school or agency.

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 state and federal law unless the parent agrees otherwise or an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

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

#### 7. **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

- a. The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school/agency certified by the California Department of Education and its officers, agents and employees.
- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for nonpublic school/agencies. It is understood that 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 the Master Contract, unless otherwise specified in the Master 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. As defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(r), the term "qualified" means that a person has met federal and state certification, licensing, registration, or other comparable requirements which apply to the area in which he or she is providing special education or related services (which can include but is not limited to those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 (qualifications of "highly qualified teacher") and 200.58 (qualifications of paraprofessionals), and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3064 (staff qualifications for special education instruction) and 3065 (staff qualifications for related services), and Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1)), or, in the absence of such requirements, the state-education-agency-approved or recognized requirements, 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 and the scope of practice as defined by the licensing or credentialing body. Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities or 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.
- e. The term "license" means a valid non-expired document issued by a licensing agency within the Department of Consumer Affairs or other state 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 licensing agency, a certificate of registration with the appropriate professional organization at the national or state 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 a biological or adoptive parent unless the biological or adoptive parent does not have legal authority to make educational decisions for the child, a guardian generally authorized to act as the child's parent or authorized to make educational decisions for the child, 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, a surrogate parent, a foster parent if the authority of the biological or adoptive parent 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 (2). Parent does not include the state or any political subdivision of government or the nonpublic school or agency under contract with LEA for the provision of special education or designated instruction and services for a child. (California Education Code section 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 a 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 "Agreement" and may be referred to as such in this document.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

#### 8. NOTICES

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

All notices mailed to LEA shall be addressed to the person and address as indicated on the signature page of the Master Contract. Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on signature page of this Master 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 Master Contract. For purposes of this Master Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to pupil records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; cost data records as set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3061; 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 by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, bus aides and supervisors; absence verification records (parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents) if the CONTRACTOR is funded for excused absences, however, such records are not required if positive attendance is required; bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held; business licenses held; documents evidencing other staff qualifications including social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; records of employee training and certification, 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 nonpublic school and/or agency certifications; by-laws; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; statements of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books, general ledgers and supporting

documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/state payroll reports; 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, and date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from LEA student's record. Such log needs to record access to LEA student's records by: (a) LEA student's parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by 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 student records. For purposes of this paragraph, "employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR" do not include subcontractors. CONTRACTOR shall grant parents access to student records, and comply with parents' requests for copies of student records, as required by state and federal laws and regulations. CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of school or agency closure, to forward all records within ten (10) business days to LEA. These shall include, but not be limited to, current transcripts, IEP/IFSPs, and reports. LEA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all documents required to be maintained by CONTRACTOR within five (5) business days of a request.

#### 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

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

#### 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This contract binds CONTRACTOR'S successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, 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 Master Contract with venue in the County where LEA is located.

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

This Master 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 thirty (30) days' notice of any such changes or modifications made to conform to administrative or statutory guidelines and a copy of the statute or regulation upon which the modification or changes are based.

#### 14. TERMINATION

This Master Contract or an Individual Service Agreement may be terminated for cause. Cause shall include but not be limited to non-maintenance of current nonpublic school certification, failure of either LEA or the CONTRACTOR to maintain the standards required under the Master Contract and/or Individual Services Agreement, or other material breach of the contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. For purposes of Non Public School placement, the cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the Master Contract or ISA unless the parent agrees to the transfer of the student to the public school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the Master Contract, either party shall give twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other party pursuant to California Education Code section 56366(a)(4), or

immediately if the CONTRACTOR and LEA mutually agree that there are significant health or safety concerns. At the time of termination, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documents CONTRACTOR is required to maintain under this Master Contract. ISAs are void upon termination of this Master Contract. CONTRACTOR or LEA may also terminate an individual ISA for cause, without terminating the Master Contract in its entirety. To terminate the ISA, either party shall also give twenty (20) days prior written notice to the other.

#### 15. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

Except with respect to claims arising from a Party's separate negligence or willful acts, which shall remain that Party's personal obligation, each Party agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the other Party and its directors, officers, and employees with respect to a claim arising from the Party's actual or alleged act, failure to act, error, or omission in the performance of their obligations under this Agreement or any governing law or regulations.

#### 16. INSURANCE

LEA and CONTRACTOR agree to purchase and/or maintain through the duration of this Agreement insurance or liability coverage (such as liability coverage provided by a Joint Powers Agency) ensuring their ability to meet their respective defense and indemnity obligations as set forth in this Agreement. Such insurance or liability coverage shall have a limit of liability of no less than \$1,000,000 per claim/occurrence, and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate.

#### Lines of Insurance/Coverage

The insurance or liability coverage shall include, as may be reasonable and appropriate given the acts and activities contemplated by this Agreement, commercial general liability, premises liability, automobile liability (owned, non-owned, and hired), professional liability/errors and omissions, employer's liability, product liability, completed operations, and/or educator's legal liability coverages.

For the acts and activities contemplated by this Agreement, at a minimum, CONTRACTOR shall provide the following insurances/coverages:

- a. **Commercial General Liability** if the operations of CONTRACTOR involve direct and/or indirect control over or manipulation of student bodily parts, including but not limited to limbs, upper and lower extremities, neck and back, regardless of the location or premises services are provided (i.e. whether services are provided on District property, or property owned, borrowed, rented or leased by CONTRACTOR.)
  - (i) Covered property includes if applicable according to CONTRACTOR services provided, District property and student property (e.g. wheelchairs, durable medical equipment, assistive technology devices.)
- b. **Professional Liability or Errors and Omissions Liability** since all CONTRACTORS are providing professional or specialized services.
  - (i) Including molestation and abuse, by endorsement if not already in manuscript form.
- c. Commercial Automobile Liability if CONTRACTOR is going to operate a vehicle on District property or transport students in any capacity.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Conditions for coverage regarding transportation of students:

Unless authorized by written agreement including the parent, CONTRACTOR is not to transport students.

- (i) Limits of liability shall include a minimum of \$1,000,000 combined single unit.
- d. **Premises Liability** (if not included in General Liability) if services are provided on property owned, rented, leased or controlled by CONTRACTOR.
- e. **Educator's Legal Liability** (if not covered under Professional or Errors and Omissions Liabilities), if services include, within LEA's standards, the development and delivery of curriculum.

#### Additional Insured Endorsement:

To the full extent of the Parties' respective indemnity obligations, including the minimum limit of liability set forth above, the Parties' insurance or liability coverage agreements shall also be endorsed to extend "additional insured" or "additional covered party" status to all proposed indemnitees.

#### Primary Insurance/Coverage:

In addition to the "Additional Insured Endorsement" as stated above, said insurance/coverage policies shall include or be endorsed (copy of Endorsement attached to Certificate of Insurance) to the extent that each line of insurance/coverage under this Agreement shall apply as primary, and that any other insurance/coverage maintained by the Parties shall be excess only and not contributing with the insurance/coverage afforded by the other.

#### Other Insurance/Coverage:

Each Party also represents that for the period of this Agreement they will also purchase and maintain [real or personal property insurance or coverage, as well as any] insurance or liability coverage as required by law or regulation, including workers' compensation coverage.

#### Workers' Compensation Waiver of Subrogation:

To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR and its directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers and guests waive all opportunities of subrogation against LEA for any and all claims for bodily and personal injury, including employers' liability (Coverages A and B) and third party over actions against LEA and its elected and appointed officials, directors, officers, agents, employees, volunteers and guests.

#### Certificate of Insurance/Coverage:

With respect to such required coverage(s) pursuant to this Agreement, each Party shall provide evidence of such coverage(s) by way of a Certificate of Insurance or Certificate of Coverage, issued by a duly authorized representative of the insurer or coverage provider. A copy of each endorsement in order to effect the indemnity obligations of this contract shall be attached to said Certificate, and such Certificate shall not be valid without said endorsement(s).

If students need transportation to/from the CONTRACTOR'S premises where services are provided, or any other location involving CONTRACTOR'S services, transportation of the student is to be provided by District transportation.

If under specified circumstances, and District transportation is not available, transportation of the student is not authorized without parental completion of a *Student Alternate Transportation Form*. Completion of this form is required even if the parent is to transport the student where otherwise District transportation would have been provided in order to receive contracted services.

Any driver (including parents) while on District business must submit prior to commencement of services, a completed and accepted *Employee and Volunteer Personal Automobile Use Form*. This form is to be completed if the transportation of students is for services under this Agreement.

#### Survivability:

The Parties' indemnity and coverage obligations shall survive the termination of this Agreement with respect to any claim arising from the Parties' actual or alleged performance or non-performance of their respective rights, privileges, or obligations existing under this Agreement.

#### **Joint Interests:**

For the duration of this Agreement, with respect to the fulfillment of each Parties' obligations pursuant to this Agreement, each Party agrees to provide the other's designee (e.g. Risk Management Department) with notification of bodily injury, personal injury or loss of property to each Parties' officials, employees, agents, volunteers, guests and third parties, within 5 calendar days of the date of occurrence of such loss, but no later than 5 calendar days of the date of the Party's knowledge of the loss.

In the event of such loss, the Parties agree to take all steps reasonable or necessary to cooperate in investigating the occurrence of each loss, and in resolving or mitigating losses with the affected or third party.

In the event of a claim covered by these provisions, the Parties agree to take all steps reasonable or necessary to cooperate in defending and protecting their joint interests, including efforts to reduce defense costs (through joint representation whenever possible), expenses and potential liability exposures.

#### Injury and Illness Prevention:

Each Party also represents that for the period of this Agreement, they will maintain and enforce an Injury and Illness Prevention Program as required by law or regulation, including all required standards and requirements under such law/regulation (e.g. blood borne pathogen, ergonomic, reporting of serious injury/illness), and agree to take all steps reasonable or necessary to cooperate in ensuring compliance. Documentation or recordkeeping to the same will be made available to the other Party upon request.

#### 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing herein contained shall be construed to imply a joint venture, partnership or principal-agent relationship between LEA and CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide all services under this Agreement 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 Agreement 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 held to be a partner, joint venturer, 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 holding, as well as any expenses, costs, taxes, penalties and interest charges incurred by LEA as a result of that holding.

#### 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 Master 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) 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 request and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said services.

Should LEA approve in concept, of CONTRACTOR subcontracting for services, CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA for approval the proposed subcontract. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Master Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR creates subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including without limitation, transportation) for any 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 Master Contract, for the duration of the term of each subcontract. If a proposed subcontract is approved by LEA, each subcontractor must furnish LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effective coverage required by Section 16 of this Master 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 the LEA. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies shall name the LEA/SELPA and the LEA Board of Education as additional insured. All endorsements are to be received and approved by LEA before the subcontractor's work commences In addition, all sub-contractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 45 (Clearance Requirements) and Section 46 (Staff Qualifications) of this Master Contract. No subcontract shall be considered final without LEA approval.

#### 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA 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 avoid and disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code section 56042 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.

Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for a 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 LEA student without prior written authorization by LEA. This paragraph shall apply to CONTRACTOR regardless of when an assessment is performed or a report is prepared (i.e. before or after LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR'S school/agency) or whether an assessment of LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid a 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, in its discretion, not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, LEA may, in its discretion, 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, the CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that its authorized representative has read and understands 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 was an employee of LEA within three hundred and sixty five (365) days prior to executing this Master 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 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.

#### 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, gender, ethnic groups, identification, ancestry, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or mental or physical disability or on the basis of a person's association with a person or groups with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, or any other classification provided by federal or state law, in employment or operation of its programs.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

#### 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION

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 to each LEA student special education and/or related services (including transition services) within the nonpublic school or nonpublic agency consistent with LEA student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall not accept a LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If a LEA student's services are provided by a third party (i.e. a related services provider) CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, if the provision of services ceases.

Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, and/or facilities for LEA students, as specified in 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 LEA student's IEP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of LEA student's enrollment under the terms of this Master Contract). LEA shall provide low incidence equipment for eligible students with low incidence disabilities when specified in the student's IEP and ISA. Such equipment remains the property of the SELPA/LEA and shall be returned to the SELPA/LEA when the IEP team determines the equipment is no longer needed or when the student is no longer enrolled in the nonpublic school. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide all LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations. CONTRACTOR may charge a LEA student's parent(s) for services and/or activities not necessary for LEA student to receive a free appropriate public education after: (a) written notification to 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 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 an LEA student to receive a free appropriate public education shall not interfere with LEA student's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA unless LEA and CONTRACTOR agree otherwise in writing.

#### 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All nonpublic school and nonpublic agency 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.* and shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR'S general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and predictors 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 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 a local education agency (LEA), that contracts with the nonpublic school: (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 Master Contract.

When CONTRACTOR serves LEA students in grades nine through twelve 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 award a high school diploma to LEA students who have not successfully completed all of LEA's graduation requirements, including, but not limited to, passing the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) if applicable, or meeting CAHSEE exception/waiver requirements per state guidelines.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR'S general program of instruction and/or services shall utilize evidence-based practices and predictors and be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines/certifications and any state licensing requirements and shall be provided as specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA. The nonpublic agency providing Behavior Intervention Services shall develop a written treatment plan that specifies the nature of their nonpublic agency service for each student within thirty (30) days of enrollment and shall be provided in writing to LEA. 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, all services not provided in the school setting require the presence of a parent, guardian or adult caregiver during the delivery of services, provided such guardian or caregiver has a signed authorization by the parent or legal guardian 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 Master Contract. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no parent, guardian or adult care giver is present. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the services and location provided prior to the effective date of this Master Contract. Contractors providing Behavior Intervention Services must have a trained Behavior Intervention Case Manager (BICM) or trained equivalent on staff. It is understood that Behavior Intervention Services are limited per CDE Certification and do not constitute as an instructional program.

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

#### 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, 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 LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with LEA student's IEP.

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 levels unless otherwise specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA.

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

#### 24. CLASS SIZE

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

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 nonpublic school, 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 shall not exceed the number of days on LEA's approved calendar and/or required by the IEP (developed by LEA) for each 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 Master 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 the regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for the nonpublic school or agency. In such a case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the students' IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services if such are recommended by his/her 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 IEP Team convened by LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to, 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 actually 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 nonpublic school service. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR shall observe only the same legal holidays as LEA. With the 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 nonpublic agency, 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 LEA student's IEP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in LEA student's ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA students on only those days that LEA student's school of attendance is in session and 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. 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 nonpublic agency service provided by CONTRACTOR. Any instructional days provided without this written agreement shall be at the sole financial responsibility of the CONTRACTOR.

#### 26. DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide to LEA, all data (including billing information) related to students who are served by the CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide all data related to or referenced in any and all sections of this Master Contract if requested by LEA. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide all requested information in the format required by LEA. It is understood that all nonpublic schools and nonpublic agencies shall utilize the Special Education Information System (SEIS) or comparable program/system approved by LEA/SELPA for all IEP development and progress reporting. Additional progress reporting may be required by LEA. LEA shall provide the CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access so that this information may be compiled.

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 their discretion.

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

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA policies and 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 and 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 recommendations and/or activities to support the transition.

#### 28. STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING AND HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAMINATION

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, per implementation of Assembly Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all Statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and

Progress ("CAASP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, California English Language Development Test ("CELDT"), and the California High School Exit Examination, as appropriate to the student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA and state 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 policy and 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, standardized testing, and IEPs. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute a billable service hour(s).

#### 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all requirements of Education Code section 56521.1 and 56521.2 regarding positive behavior interventions. Failure to do so shall constitute sufficient cause for contract termination.

LEA students who exhibit serious behavioral challenges must receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal law and its implementing regulations. If the individualized education program ("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 consistent with California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and Behavioral Emergency Reports ("BERs"). Evidence of such training shall be submitted to the LEA at the beginning of the school year and within 6 days of any new hire. CONTRACTOR shall also ensure that all of its staff members are trained annually in crisis intervention and emergency procedures as related to appropriate behavior management strategies. Training includes certification with an approved SELPA crisis intervention program.

Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1 emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a BIP, and instead may only be used to control unpredictable, spontaneous behavior that poses clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the LEA student, or others. Before emergency interventions may be applied, the behavior must be of the kind that cannot be immediately prevented by a response less restrictive than the temporary application of a technique used to contain the behavior. Emergency interventions shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of an emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency.

To prevent emergency interventions from being used in lieu of planned, systematic behavioral interventions, the parent, guardian, and residential care provider, if appropriate, shall be notified if an emergency intervention is used or serious property damage occurs. CONTRACTOR shall immediately complete and maintain in the file of LEA student, a BER which shall include all of the following: (1) The name and age of the individual with exceptional needs; (2) The setting and location of the incident; (3) The name of the staff or other persons involved; (4) A description of the incident and the emergency intervention used, and whether the LEA student is currently engaged in any systematic behavioral intervention plan; and (5) Details of any injuries sustained by LEA student or others, including staff, as a result of the incident. The BER shall be submitted to LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall also notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone.

Consistent with the requirements of California Education Code section 56521.1(g), if a BER is written regarding an LEA student who does not have a behavior intervention plan, the designated responsible administrator shall, within two days, schedule an IEP Team meeting to review the emergency report, to determine the necessity for a functional behavioral assessment, and to determine the necessity for an interim plan. The IEP Team shall document the reasons for not conducting the functional behavioral assessment, not developing an interim plan, or both. Consistent with the requirements of California Education Code section 56521.1(h), if a behavioral emergency report is written regarding an LEA student who has a positive behavioral intervention plan, an incident involving a previously unseen serious behavior problem, or where a previously designed intervention is ineffective, shall be referred to the IEP team to review and determine if the incident constitutes a need to modify the positive behavioral intervention plan.

CONTRACTOR shall not utilize, authorize, order, consent to, or pay for any of the following prohibited interventions, or any other intervention similar to or like the following: (a) any intervention that is designed to, or likely to cause physical pain; (b) releasing noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mists, or substances in proximity to LEA student's face; (c) any intervention which denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities; (d) any intervention which is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject LEA student to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or which can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma; (e) restrictive interventions which 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 as a limited emergency intervention by CONTRACTOR'S trained and qualified personnel as allowable by applicable law and regulations; (f) locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by State law to use a locked room; (g) an intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual; or (h) an intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

#### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with state and federal law and regulations.

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from his/her current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall submit a written discipline report within 24 hours to LEA and a manifestation IEP team meeting shall be scheduled. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: LEA student's name; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACTOR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of 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 of suspension. CONTRACTOR shall notify and invite LEA 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 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 student continue to be best met at the nonpublic school and/or by the nonpublic agency; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(B)(i) and (ii) and pursuant to California Education Code section 56345(b)(4).) If an LEA student is to be transferred from a nonpublic school setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, if appropriate, 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 student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of his or her IEP Team. Except as otherwise provided in the Master 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 Master Contract, a parent, the CONTRACTOR or LEA may request a review of the student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, the CONTRACTOR in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to the parent(s), the CONTRACTOR and LEA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA, at no cost and prior to an annual or triennial IEP Team meeting, documentation which shows progress on goals and any 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 policy and 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 Master Contract.

It is understood that the CONTRACTOR shall utilize the Special Education Information System (SEIS) or other comparable program/system as designated by LEA at LEA's discretion, for all IEP planning and progress reporting. LEA or SELPA shall provide training for any nonpublic school and nonpublic agency to assure access to SEIS or the comparable program/system designated for use by LEA. The nonpublic school and/or nonpublic agency shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on SEIS or comparable program/system and shall protect the password requirements of the system. When a student disenrolls from the nonpublic school or stops receiving services from the nonpublic agency, such CONTRACTOR shall discontinue use of SEIS and/or comparable program/system for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting, provided under this Master Contract may only be made on the basis of revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that the CONTRACTOR believes the student requires a change of placement, the CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the purpose of considering a change in the student's placement. Student is entitled to remain in the last agreed upon and implemented placement unless parent agrees otherwise, or unless an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH.

#### 33. SURROGATE PARENTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA surrogate parent assignments.

#### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office for 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/ISP.

#### 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 policies pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960(a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policies pursuant to California Education Code 231.5 (a), (b) and (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedures pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 106.8(a) and 106.9(a); (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA); and (6) Notification and Complaint Procedures for Disability Access, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq., Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 104. CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to LEA.

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

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided on a monthly basis, CONTRACTOR shall provide to parents, with a concurrent copy sent to LEA, at least four 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 the CONTRACTOR'S place of business.

CONTRACTOR shall also provide an LEA representative access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, 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 support and/or intervention plans. LEA may request copies of such data at any time within five years of the date of service. CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain the information for at least five years and also shall provide this data supporting progress within 5 business days of request.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other assessment of LEA student one month prior to LEA student's annual or triennial review IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting 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 policies, procedures, and/or practices. Sufficient copies of reports, projected goals and/or any other relevant documents to be reviewed by the IEP Team shall be provided to the District no later than five (5) business days prior to an annual or triennial IEP team meeting. CONTRACTOR shall maintain all supporting documentation including but not limited to test protocols and data collection, which shall be made available to LEA within 5 business days of request.

CONTRACTOR is responsible for all assessment costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting and the development of present levels of performance. All other assessments shall be provided by LEA unless LEA specifies in writing a request that CONTRACTOR perform such additional assessment. Such assessment 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 pupils as specified in the ISA. For nonpublic agency services, supervision provided by a qualified individual as specified in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 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 LEA student's parent(s) or LEA for the development or provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any assessments, interviews, or attendance at any meetings, including but not limited to IEP meetings. It is understood that all billable hours have limits 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 pupil's record and shall be made available to LEA upon written request.

#### 37. TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall prepare transcripts at the close of each semester, or upon LEA student transfer, for LEA students in grades nine through twelve inclusive. CONTRACTOR shall submit all transcripts on LEA approved forms to 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 names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by LEA.

#### 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify parents in writing of their obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of LEA student's change of residence. Within five (5) school days after CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA, in writing, of LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to parents.

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

#### 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM PROGRAM

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report, by telephone, with a follow-up written notification within five (5) business days to LEA Representative responsible for overseeing nonpublic schools and nonpublic agencies, and any other required representative from the California Department of Education, when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services. CONTRACTOR shall confirm such telephone call on LEA approved forms and submit to LEA and the Department of Education, if required, within five (5) business days of the withdrawal, including a student's change in residence to a residence outside of LEA service boundaries, and the student's discharge against professional advice from a Nonpublic School/Residential Treatment Center (NPS/RTC). CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify and clear potential dropouts three times per year, as required by the 2001 Elementary and Secondary Education Act (No Child Left Behind; NCLB), as documentation of graduation rate is one of the indicators of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

#### 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 LEA student's living quarters. CONTRACTOR shall comply with any known court orders regarding parental visits and access to LEA students.

CONTRACTOR, if operating a program with a residential component, shall ensure that parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from both the CONTRACTOR and LEA.

CONTRACTORS providing services in the student's home as specified in the IEP shall assure that at least one parent of the child, or an adult caregiver with 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. The parent shall inform the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider.

For services provided in a pupil's home as specified in the IEP, CONTRACTORS must assure that the parent or LEA approved responsible adult is present during the provision of services. All problems and/or concerns reported to parents, both verbal and written, shall also be provided to the LEA.

CONTRACTORS operating programs associated with a 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 the CONTRACTOR and the LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance. CONTRACTOR shall facilitate all parent travel and accommodations and for providing travel information to the parent as appropriate. Payment by LEA for approved travel-related expenses shall be made directly through the LEA.

#### 41. SERVICES AND SUPERVISION AND PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

If CONTRACTOR provides services on a LEA public school campus, CONTRACTOR shall comply with Penal Code section 627.1 *et seq.*, as well as all other LEA and campus-specific policies and procedures regarding visitors to/on school campuses. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the purchase and provision of the supplies and assessment tools necessary to implement the provision of CONTRACTOR services on LEA public school campuses.

For services provided on a public school campus, sign in/out procedures shall be followed along with all procedures for being on campus consistent with school and LEA policy. It is understood that the public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the educational program and all nonpublic agency service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher who shall remain in charge of the instructional program.

It is understood that all employees, subcontractors and volunteers of any certified nonpublic school or agency shall adhere to customary professional standards when providing services. All practices shall be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession. Reports regarding student progress shall be consistent with the provision of the Master Contract.

CONTRACTORS 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 or guardians, in either verbal or written form, shall be reported to LEA.

CONTRACTOR, if providing services in a student's home as specified in the IEP, shall assure that at least one parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency is present during the 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 parent shall inform LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergency situations. The adult caregiver cannot be an employee or volunteer associated with the nonpublic school/nonpublic agency service provider. All problems and/or concerns reported to parents, both verbal and written, shall also be provided to LEA.

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

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code sections 56366(a)(2)(C) and 56366.9, Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b), (AB1858,

AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003)) and the procedures set forth in LEA Procedures. A LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its nonpublic school as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic, nonsectarian school 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 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.

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic, nonsectarian school that is owned, operated by, or associated with a residential treatment center (hereinafter referred to as "NPS/RTC"), CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1411 *et seq.* and Education Code section 56000, et seq.; amended and reorganized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEIA), 20 U.S.C. section 1401(29); Education Code section 56031; Title 5, California Code of Regulations section 3001 et seq., Title 2, California Code of Regulations section 60100 et seq. regarding the provision of counseling services, including residential care for students to receive a FAPE as set forth in LEA student's IEPs.

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 nonpublic school placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a nonpublic school placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by 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 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.).

#### 43. STATE MEAL MANDATE

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49530, 49530.5 and 49550.

#### 44. MONITORING

CONTRACTOR shall allow representatives from LEA access to its facilities for the purpose of periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program, and shall be invited to participate in the formal review of each student's progress. LEA representatives 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. Such access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR'S site administrative office. CONTRACTOR shall be invited to participate in the review of each student's progress.

If CONTRACTOR is also a LCI and/or NPS/RTC, LEA shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR is in compliance with Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b).

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) the Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) the Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in any LEA and 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 nonpublic school/agency, compliance with relevant state and federal regulations, and Master Contract compliance. CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School/Agency Self-Review Assessment submitted as specified by LEA. 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 a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall collect all applicable data and prepare the applicable portion of a School Accountability Report Card in accordance with California Education Code Section 33126.

#### PERSONNEL

#### 45. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 44237, 35021.1 and 35021.2 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 all of CONTRACTOR'S employees and volunteers who will have or likely may have any direct contact with LEA students. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR'S employees and volunteers shall not come in contact with LEA students until both CDOJ and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall further certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, volunteers, or subcontractors who will have, or likely may have any direct 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). Clearance certification shall be submitted to LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from the CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

The passage of AB 389 amends Education Code sections 44237 and 56366.1 as to the verification that the CONTRACTOR has received a successful criminal background check clearance and has enrolled in subsequent arrest notice service, as specified, for each owner, operator, and employee of the nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. Further this bill deletes the exemption for applicants possessing a valid California state teaching credential or who are currently licensed by another state agency that requires a criminal record summary, from submitting 2 sets of fingerprints for the purpose of obtaining a criminal record summary from the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to the LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notice service, as provided, for each owner, operator, and employee of the nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. 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 upon request.

#### 46. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or to provide related services are qualified as defined in Section 7(d) of this Mater Contract, including but not limited to holding a license,

certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to render the service consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1); are qualified pursuant to Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58; and are qualified consistent with Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, sections 3064 and 3065, as applicable. 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 each special education teacher meets the Highly Qualified Teacher requirements and holds a full and valid non-expired CTC credential authorizing instruction to students with the disabling conditions placed in the teacher's classroom through documentation provided to the CDE (5 CCR 3064(a)).

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, an appropriately qualified person shall serve as curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development.

Only those nonpublic, nonsectarian schools or agencies located outside of California that employ staff who hold a current valid credential or license to render special education and related services as required by that state shall be eligible to be certified.

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 and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least 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 an LEA student shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide 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.).

#### 47. 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 California Commission on Teacher Credentialing or other licensing authority. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA 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 as specified in LEA Procedures. Within thirty (30) days, CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA with the verified dates of fingerprint clearance, Department of Justice clearance and Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any 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 Master 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 during which such person is providing services under this Master Contract. Failure to notify LEA of changes in licenses, certifications or suspensions shall be good cause for termination of this Master Contract by LEA.

Failure to notify LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and shall also suffice as good cause for the suspension or termination of this Master Contract by LEA.

#### 48. STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school 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 LEA documentation of substitute coverage on LEA substitute teacher log. Substitute teachers shall remain with their assigned class during all instructional time. LEA shall not be responsible for any payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and/or related services provider, and CONTRACTOR'S service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section seven (7) of this Master Contract 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 student shall not be deemed to be a qualified substitute for his/her 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 an authorized LEA representative.

## 49. 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 nonpublic school or nonpublic agency 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. Reports regarding student progress shall be consistent with the provision of this Master Contract.

For services provided on a public school campus, sign in/out procedures shall be followed by nonpublic agency providers working in a public school classroom along with all other procedures for being on campus consistent with school and LEA policy. It is understood that the public school credentialed classroom teacher is responsible for the instructional program, and all nonpublic agency service providers shall work collaboratively with the classroom teacher, who shall remain in charge of the instructional program. Failure to comply with this an all LEA requirements in this regard shall be sufficient cause to terminate this Master Contract.

For services provided in a pupil's home as specified in the IEP, CONTRACTOR must assure that the parent or an LEA-approved responsible adult is present during the provision of services. All problems and/or concerns reported to parents, both verbal and written shall also be provided to LEA. It is understood that unless otherwise agreed to by LEA, a public school credentialed teacher is responsible for the

instructional program and all nonpublic agency related service providers shall work collaboratively with the teacher who shall remain in charge of supervising the instructional program.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES

#### 50. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, state, local, and LEA laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 et seq., and 49406, and Health and Safety Code section 121545 regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR'S employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with an LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood Borne Pathogens Standards, Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 1910.1030, 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.

#### 51. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to LEA 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 nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 550. During the duration of this Agreement, if CONTRACTOR is subject to fines, penalties and findings of noncompliance, CONTRACTOR shall assume any and all responsibilities for payment of such financial obligations. CONTRACTOR shall also be fully responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR'S facilities as required to comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances. Failure to notify LEA or 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 Master Contract by LEA.

In signing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR certifies that its facilities either comply with federal and state 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.

#### 52. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49423 when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student that is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist LEA student with the administration of such medication after LEA student's parent(s) provide(s) 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 LEA 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 LEA student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify LEA 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 assuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with student's physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and parent.

In the event there is an LEA student who is on a prescription medication regimen, the CONTRACTOR is to: (a) first obtain a copy of the appropriate medication authorization form available from LEA student's primary regional or site nurse; or (b) in the event the student does not take prescription medication during the school day, but would only take such medication while in the care, custody and control of the CONTRACTOR, prior to the commencement of services to LEA student, CONTRACTOR is to obtain a signed copy of the appropriate medication authorization form from the District. Both the District and CONTRACTOR shall retain a copy of the Authorization.

#### 53. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall submit within 24 hours by facsimile and by US Mail, any accident or incident report to LEA. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports pursuant to the procedures specified in LEA Procedures.

#### 54. 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. 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 acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to LEA.

CONTRACTOR is to read and become familiar with the District's *Mandated Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Manual*, available on the District's Risk Management Web Site at: http://www.egusd.net/riskmanagement/Info-MandRep.html.

In the event there is suspicion of abuse conducted by District staff (e.g. a student reports to CONTRACTOR staff of abuse from District staff), CONTRACTOR is to file the appropriate report to the Sacramento County Sheriff. CONTRACTOR is also to confidentially notify the Risk Management Department (Risk Manager) of the report. CONTRACTOR is to cooperate with any investigation conducted by the District in connection with such report.

#### 55. SEXUAL HARASSMENT/DISCRIMINATION

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.

#### 56. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all staff members, including volunteers and any independent contractor and/or subcontractor authorized pursuant to this Master Contract, are familiar with and agree to adhere to requirements for reporting missing children as specified in California Education Code section 49370. A written statement acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be properly submitted to LEA. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by LEA.

#### FINANCIAL

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

CONTRACTOR shall assure that the nonpublic school or nonpublic agency has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the children enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP and ISA for each and every child.

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. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in LEA student's IEP and ISA which are provided on billable days of attendance. All payments by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Contract and in compliance with LEA Procedures, and will be governed by all applicable federal and state laws.

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 Master 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. Contractor will submit invoices using the format provided by LEA. At the request of LEA, invoices may require the following information: name of LEA student for whom service was provided; the type of service provided; (if payment for assessment is approved by LEA pursuant to Section 36 of this Master Contract, the invoice must describe whether the assessment was prepared for an initial, annual, amended, or triennial IEP; month of service; specific dates (date, month, year and times) of services coordinated pursuant to LEA-approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by LEA; name of staff who provided the service and that 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 the nonpublic school/nonpublic agency 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 session consistent with this Master Contract; and verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with IEP Benchmark Dates unless otherwise specified on the ISA. In the event services were not provided, rationale for why the services were not provided shall be included.

Such an invoice is subject to all conditions of this Master Contract. At the discretion of LEA, an electronic invoice may be required provided such notice has been made in writing and training provided to the 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 Master 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 Master 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 Master Contract fiscal year (July through June) extend beyond six months after the close of the fiscal year unless approved by LEA to resolve billing issues including rebilling issues directly related to a delay in obtaining information from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing regarding teacher qualification, but no later than 12 months from the close of the fiscal year. If the billing or rebilling error is the responsibility of LEA, then no limit is set provided that 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 employee.

#### 58. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) 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; (b) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (c) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice; (d) education and/or related services are provided to LEA students by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (e) 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; (f) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change or residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA with five (5) days of such confirmation; (g) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student; (h) CONTRACTOR fails to provide the required liability/insurance documentation as outlined in Section 16; or (i) CONTRACTOR has otherwise failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this Master Contract. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that are not received by six 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 Master 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 the 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 pupil 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 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. 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 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 Authorized LEA's Representative of the dispute in writing. LEA Authorized Representative shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within fifteen (15) business days.

After sixty (60) business days: Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the Master Contract may be appealed to the County Superintendent of Schools or the State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code Section 56366(c)(2).

#### 59. 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.

#### 60. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL 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 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 seven (7) of this Master 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 LEA student's IEP.

#### NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, no later than the tenth (10th) cumulative day of LEA student's unexcused absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of such absence as specified in LEA Procedures.

Criteria for a billable day for payment purposes is one 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 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 DIS or 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 STAFF ABSENCE

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and CONTRACTOR'S service provider is absent, CONTRACTOR shall provide a qualified (as defined in Section seven (7) of this Master 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 STUDENT ABSENCE

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

#### 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

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 Agreement.

CONTRACTOR shall provide LEA access to all records as defined in Section 9 of this Master Contract. CONTRACTOR shall make all records available at the office of LEA or CONTRACTOR'S offices (to be specified by LEA), at all reasonable times and without charge. All records shall be provided to LEA within five (5) working days of a written request from LEA. CONTRACTOR shall, at no cost to LEA, provide assistance for 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.

CONTRACTOR shall obtain from its subcontractors and suppliers, written agreements 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 Master 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 result of CONTRACTOR'S over billing and/or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Master 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 schedules (Exhibits A and B) limit the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and the maximum dollar amount of the contract. It may also limit the maximum number of 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.

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 Master Contract, shall be as stated in Exhibits A and B.

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school associated with a Residential Treatment Center (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. Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) costs 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 student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature.

#### 63. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this agreement, 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) Has/have <u>not</u>, 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, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or 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 Master Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This Master Contract is effective on the  $1^{st}$  day of July 2015 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2016, unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR Bizzi Bodies Children's Therapy		LEA Galt Joint Union Elementary	School District
Nonpublic School/Agency			
By: <u>Lawana Ballane</u> 7-9-15 Signature Date	By:	Signature Sono	7,1,15 Date
Lawana Ballance Owner	-,.	Claudia Del Toro-Anguiano Director of Curriculum	
Name and Title of Authorized Representative		Name and Title of Authorized Representative	d

#### Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:

#### Notices to LEA shall be addressed to:

Lawana Ballance Owner	•		Claudia Del Toro-Ango Director of Curriculum		
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Address Herald, CA 95	638		Address Galt, CA 95632		
City 209-327-8142	State	Zip	City 209-744-4545 ext 307	State 209-744-4553	Zip
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### Additional LEA Notification

(Required if Completed)

Amanda Johnson, Progra	am Specialist	
Name and Title Galt Joint Union Elemen	ntary School District	
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### **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	8/19/15	Agenda Item: 131.653 Consent Calendar (continued)- Items Removed For Later Consideration
Presenter:	Karen Schauer	Action Item: XX Information Item:
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### **Board Meeting Agenda Item Information**

Meeting Date:	8/19/15	Agenda Item: 131.654 Board Action Regarding Student Matter #14/15-10
Presenter:	Robert Nacario	Action Item: XX Information Item:



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

Meeting Date:	8/19/15	Agenda Item: 131.655 Board Consideration of Approval of Employee Benefits Consulting Services Agreement Between GJUESD and Keenan & Associates Beginning January 1, 2016 and Ending December 31, 2016
Presenter:	Robert Nacario	Action Item: XX Information Item:
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#### EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Employee Benefits Consulting Services Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between Galt Joint Union Elementary School District ("Client") and Keenan & Associates ("Keenan"), as of July 1, 2015 ("Effective Date").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, Client desires to secure a variety of insurance products, and related services in conjunction with the health and welfare benefits provided to its eligible employees;

WHEREAS, Keenan is a specialty insurance services provider and, as such, is qualified to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, Client desires Keenan to provide, and Keenan desires to provide, the services described in this Agreement for those Client benefits programs identified below ("Plans"):

Medical, Vision, Life and Accidental Death & Disability, Section 125 and Voluntary Insurance Products

The parties agree as follows:

#### AGREEMENT

#### 1. TERM

The term of this Agreement is from the Effective Date through June 30, 2018 ("Termination Date") and shall automatically renew for subsequent one (1) year periods unless either party gives the other at least sixty (60) days written notice of its intent not to renew.

#### 2. <u>KEENAN SERVICES AND RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES</u>

- A. Client elects and Keenan shall provide its services ("Services") with respect to Client's Plans for the Plan year(s) that begin(s) on January 1, 2016 and end(s) December 31, 2016 (Services provided during a renewal term shall be provided for Client's then-current Plan year.) A full description of the Services is provided in Exhibits A-1 through A-3 attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- B. The relationship of Keenan and Client shall be that of an independent contractor and Keenan shall at all times remain responsible for its own operational and personnel expenses. Under no circumstance shall any employee of one party look to the other party for any payment or the provision of any benefit, including without exception, workers' compensation coverage. Except as may be expressly set forth in or contemplated by this Agreement, neither party shall have the right to act on behalf of the other, or to bind the other to any contract or other obligation.



- C. In providing the Services, Keenan shall act exclusively in an advisory and consultative capacity. Client shall at all times have the right to determine whether to act on or implement the information, recommendations, and suggestions provided by Keenan, and the manner by which any such action or implementation shall be undertaken. Except for Keenan's responsibilities with respect to funds obtained from or on behalf of Client, Keenan shall not be a fiduciary of Client.
- D. Keenan shall not provide any legal, tax, or accounting service, advice, or opinion, and the Services shall not be interpreted as representing any such service, advice or opinion. Client shall consult its own attorney on all legal issues and its own tax and accounting experts on all tax, accounting, and financial matters relating to its operations, including without limitation, the establishment, implementation and operation of the Plans.
- E. In providing its Services, Keenan shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations, and obtain and maintain all necessary licenses, registrations, and/or permits necessary for the performance of its duties under this Agreement.
- F. The Services provided to Client are non-exclusive and Keenan reserves the right to provide the same or similar services to other clients who may be in the same industry, business, or service as Client.
- G. Keenan shall also provide those services described in Exhibit A-3 as ("Platform Services").
- H. Keenan agrees that for the purposes of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), Keenan is considered a Business Associate of Client and, therefore, agrees to comply with the terms and conditions of, 45 CFR, Subchapter C, Part 160 et seq., with respect to the Privacy and Security Standards of HIPAA, and, if it has not already done so, will execute a Business Associate Agreement with the Client.
- I. In addition, Keenan agrees to the following, with respect to the use, disclosure and ownership of data:
  - 1. Ownership of Data: Client is the owner of the data inputted into the Platform.
  - 2. <u>Permitted Uses</u>: Keenan shall be allowed to create and use Aggregated Data (combination of data inputted by Client with similar information inputted into the Platform by other Keenan Clients) for the purposes of running trend reports and for benchmarking purposes. Keenan shall own all right, title and interest in and to the Aggregated Data.
  - 3. Reports: Client and Keenan are allowed to run various reports from the information inputted into the Platform as outlined in Exhibit A-3.
- J. Keenan's responsibility to Client, upon notification by Client of a Platform's failure to perform or upon Keenan's discovery of such failure, is expressly limited to the use of all

reasonable commercial methods available to search for the failure and fix it within a reasonable period of time. If the problems encountered cannot be fixed, Client's sole remedy is to cease using the Platform.

K. Keenan shall assist Client with the transfer of certain information into the Platform such as the eligibility rules.

#### 3. CLIENT'S DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Client shall retain decision-making authority for its Plans, and shall manage the day-to-day activities of the Plans, except for those duties and/or functions expressly assigned to Keenan under this Agreement.
- B. Client shall provide Keenan with timely access to such information and individuals, including its outside advisors and consultants, as may be necessary for Keenan to perform the Services. Keenan shall not be responsible for any delay in its performance that results from the failure of Client, or any person acting on behalf of Client, to make available any information or individual in a timely manner.
- C. All information provided to Keenan, either in anticipation of or during the term of this Agreement, shall be complete and accurate, and that Keenan may rely upon such information.
- D. If Client desires Keenan to obtain insurance quotes on its behalf, Client shall execute the Broker of Record Designation attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- E. Client agrees that the Platform is intended for the use of its employees and their dependents. Client shall not provide access to the Platform to any other party or entity without the written consent of Keenan.
- F. Client agrees to use the Platform only for the purposes set forth in this Addendum and that it shall not at any time: (i) create any derivative work based on the Platform Services, except for the reports that Client is allowed to run from the Platform; (ii) copy or modify the Platform services in any form.

#### 4. COMPENSATION

A. Keenan's fees for the Services rendered pursuant to this Agreement are as provided in the attached Exhibit C. Any Services provided to Client that are outside of or in addition to those described in Exhibits A-1, A-2 and A-3 may be subject to additional fees.



- B. It is possible that Keenan may also provide services to other entities that participate in or provide services to the Plans (such as management services, underwriting, marketing, claims administration, loss control services, obtaining other insurance and reinsurance). To the extent that such services are provided, Keenan will be separately compensated by the recipient of those services.
- C. Consistent with industry practices, insurers may also pay insurance brokers, such as Keenan, indirect compensation based upon volume efficiencies, client renewals, marketing services, product development, technology investments and other additional services. Keenan seeks written assurances from insurers that any such indirect compensation will not adversely impact the pricing or coverage terms that Keenan is able to obtain for its clients. The parties agree that any indirect compensation shall not be considered part of Keenan's "commissions" as that term may be used elsewhere in this Agreement.
- D. Keenan shall comply with all applicable state and/or federal laws and regulations regarding disclosure of compensation. We embrace industry efforts for transparency and believe it is important that clients have access to information that may be relevant to their choice of insurance products, including the cost of such insurance and services, and, the compensation that may be directly or indirectly paid to Keenan in connection with the products or services that are selected. If you have questions regarding any of these items or desire additional information, you may contact your Keenan account representative to discuss this matter in more detail.

#### 5. INSURANCE

Keenan shall procure and maintain during the term of this Agreement the following insurance coverages, and shall provide certificates of insurance to Client upon Client's request.

- i. Workers' Compensation: Coverage in conformance with the laws of the State of California and applicable federal laws;
- ii. <u>General Liability</u>: Coverage (including motor vehicle operation) with a One Million Dollar (\$1,000,000) limit of liability for each occurrence and a Two Million Dollar (\$2,000,000) aggregate limit of liability; and
- iii. <u>Errors and Omissions</u>: Coverage with a One Million Dollar (\$1,000,000) limit of liability for each occurrence and a Two Million Dollar (\$2,000,000) aggregate limit of liability.

#### 6. INDEMNIFICATION

If either party breaches this Agreement, then the breaching party shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the non-breaching party, its officers, agents and employees against all claims, losses, demands, actions, liabilities, and costs (including, without limitation, reasonable



attorneys' fees and expenses) arising from such breach. In addition, if Keenan (i) becomes the subject of a subpoena or is otherwise compelled to testify or (ii) becomes the subject of a claim, demand, action or liability brought or asserted by one of Client's employees, Plan beneficiaries, or Plan vendors ("Third-Party Demand") relating to the Services and such Third-Party Demand is not a direct result of Keenan's negligence or willful misconduct, then Client shall defend, indemnify and hold Keenan harmless from all losses, payments, and expenses incurred by Keenan in resolving such Third-Party Demand.

#### 7. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in no event shall either party be liable for any punitive damages, fines, penalties, taxes, or any indirect, incidental, or consequential damages incurred by the other party, its officers, employees, agents, contractors or consultants whether or not foreseeable and whether or not based in contract or tort claims or otherwise, arising out of or in connection with this Agreement even if advised of the possibility of such damage. Keenan's liability under this Agreement shall further be limited to, and shall not exceed, the amount of its available insurance coverage, but not exceeding the limits of coverage outlined in Section 5.

#### 8. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

- A. Disputes arising out of or relating to this Agreement, other agreements between the parties, or any other relationship involving Client and Keenan (whether occurring prior to, as part of, or after the signing of this Agreement) shall first be resolved by good faith negotiations between representatives of the parties with decision-making authority. If either party determines that the dispute cannot be resolved through informal negotiation then the dispute shall be submitted to non-binding mediation. The site of the mediation and the selection of a mediator shall be determined by mutual agreement of the parties. If the dispute is not resolved through mediation within sixty (60) days following the first notification of a request to mediate, then either party shall have the right to require the matter to be resolved by JAMS dispute resolution service pursuant to its Streamlined Arbitration Rules and Procedures, or such other arbitration procedures as may be agreed to in writing by the parties. Negotiation, mediation, and arbitration shall be the exclusive means of dispute resolution between Client and Keenan and their respective members, agents, employees and officers.
- B. Arbitration shall be before a single arbitrator in the County of Los Angeles, California. The Arbitrator shall apply the Federal Arbitration Act and California substantive law, and shall accompany the award with a reasoned opinion. The arbitrator shall have no authority to award punitive or other damages not measured by the prevailing party's actual damages. The prevailing party shall be entitled to an award of reasonable attorneys' fees. A judgment of any court having jurisdiction may be entered upon the award.
- C. Either party may apply to the arbitrator seeking injunctive relief until the arbitration award is rendered or the controversy is otherwise resolved. Either party also may,



without waiving any remedy under this Agreement, seek from any court having jurisdiction any interim or provisional relief that is necessary to protect the rights or property of that party, pending the establishment of the arbitral tribunal (or pending the arbitral tribunal's determination of the merits of the controversy).

#### 9. TERMINATION

- A. This Agreement may be terminated upon the occurrence of any of the following events:
  - i. By either party upon the dissolution or insolvency of a party to this Agreement;
  - ii. By either party following the filing of a bankruptcy petition by or against either party (if the petition is not dismissed within sixty (60) days in the case of an involuntary bankruptcy petition);
  - iii. If the application of any law, rule, regulation, or court or administrative decision prohibits the continuation of this Agreement or would cause a penalty to either party if the Agreement is continued, and if the Agreement cannot be amended to conform to such law, rule, regulation, or court or administrative decision in a manner that would preserve the original intent of the parties with respect to their rights and duties under this Agreement; or
  - iv. By the non-breaching party if a breach of this Agreement is not cured within thirty (30) days following receipt of written notice of the breach from the non-breaching party;
- B. In the event of termination pursuant to Section 9A above, Keenan shall be paid for the full value of its services through the date of termination.

#### 10. GENERAL

- A. This Agreement, its recitals and all exhibits attached to the Agreement contain the entire understanding of the parties related to the subject matter covered by this Agreement and supersede all prior and collateral statements, presentations, communications, reports, agreements or understandings, if any, related to such matter(s).
- B. The obligations set forth in this Agreement, other than Keenan's obligation to perform the Services and Client's responsibility to pay for such services, shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement. Nothing in this Section 10B shall, however, be interpreted as relieving Client of its obligation to pay for any Services rendered by Keenan during the term of this Agreement.
- C. This Agreement is made for the benefit of the parties and is not intended to confer any third party benefit or right. The enforcement of any remedy for a breach of this Agreement or claim related to the Services may only be pursued by the parties to this Agreement.



- D. No modification or amendment to this Agreement shall be binding unless it is in writing and signed by authorized representatives from both parties. Any waiver or delay by a party in enforcing this Agreement shall not deprive that party of the right to take appropriate action at a later time or due to another breach. This Agreement shall be interpreted as if written jointly by the parties.
- E. Any provision determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be partially or wholly invalid or unenforceable shall be severed from this Agreement and replaced by a valid and enforceable provision that most closely expresses the intention of the invalid or unenforceable provision. The severance of any such provision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Agreement.
- F. Neither party shall be liable or deemed to be in default for any delay or failure in performance under this Agreement resulting, directly or indirectly, from acts of God, civil or military authority, acts of public enemy, war, accidents, fires, explosions, earthquakes, floods, power outages, failure of computer systems, machinery or supplies, vandalism, strikes, or other work interruptions, or any similar or other cause that is beyond the reasonable control of either party. Each party shall make good faith efforts to perform under this Agreement in the event of any such circumstances, and shall resume full performance once the cause of the delay has abated.
- G. All notices hereunder shall be in writing and sent to the parties at the addresses as set forth below, or to such other individual or address as a party may later designate. Notices shall be sent via personal delivery, courier service, United States mail (postage pre-paid, return receipt requested), express mail service, electronic mail, or fax. Notice shall be effective when delivered, or if refused, when delivery is attempted. Notices delivered during non-working hours shall be deemed to be effective as of the next business day.

If the notice relates to a legal matter or dispute, a copy shall be sent to:

Keenan & Associates 2355 Crenshaw Blvd., Ste. 200 Torrance, CA 90501 Attn: Legal Department Fax: (310) 533-0573

H. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts and by fax, signatures and each shall be deemed to be an original.

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Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of a party represents and warrants that he or she has the necessary authority to bind such party and that this Agreement is binding on and enforceable against such party.

Galt Join	Union Elementary School District	<u>F</u>	Keenan & Associates
Signature:		Signature:	
<u>By:</u>	Robert Nacario	<u>By:</u>	John Scatterday
Title:	Director of Educational Services	Title:	Senior Vice President
Address:	1018 C Street., Suite 210	Address:	2355 Crenshaw Blvd., Ste. 200
	Galt, CA 95632		Torrance, CA 90501
Telephone:	209 744-4545 ext. 303	Telephone:	310 212-0363
Fax:	209 744-4553	Fax:	510 986-0440
Attention:	Robert Nacario	Attention:	John Scatterday

# EXHIBIT A-1 Brokerage Services

#### Keenan shall provide the following Brokerage Services:

- 1. <u>Plan Review</u> Keenan shall review Client's current Plans and provide information and recommendations regarding insured and/or self-insured options, as requested by Client.
- 2. <u>Insurance Needs Assessment</u> Keenan shall work with Client to determine Client's insurance needs.
- 3. <u>Insurance Marketing Plan</u> Review, evaluate and negotiate insurance renewals on Client's behalf. Keenan shall prepare and present to Client its plan for marketing Client to various carriers and/or Coverage providers. In furtherance of its plan, Keenan shall contact those markets that it has determined most likely to meet Client's needs, as made known to Keenan, but shall not necessarily contact every available market for the particular Coverage being sought. In so far as practical, Keenan shall honor Client's timely and reasonable requests to contact specific markets, but Keenan shall not be obligated to present Client to any carrier or Coverage provider which Keenan has determined would not be willing to quote Client's business or would not give a competitive quote.
- 4. <u>Insurance Marketing Results</u> Keenan shall present to the client, in summary format, information concerning all markets and carriers approached. The summary shall include, as applicable: name of carrier and Coverage providers approached, limits, premium, and deductible. The summary shall also include the names of any carriers or Coverage providers who declined to provide a quote.
- 5. Review of Insurance Options Keenan shall present, along with the Marketing Results, a comparison summary highlighting the significant terms and/or differences among the various Coverages quoted. This summary is provided for Client's convenience only. It is Client's responsibility to ask questions and to request any additional information that it deems necessary for it to make an informed decision regarding its insurance or self-insurance program.
- 6. Obtain Coverage Once the Client has made its decision, Keenan shall take all steps necessary to communicate Client's decision to the carrier selected and to have the carrier or other Coverage provider bind Coverage on behalf of the Client.
- 7. <u>Implementation</u> Keenan shall assist Client in the preparation and distribution of materials relating to the implementation of its coverage, for which client shall give final approval.
- 8. Ongoing Service Keenan will provide the following ongoing Client support services:
  - Direction and support with claims resolution and other related issues;
  - Support with billing/eligibility concerns;
  - Acting as a liaison between Client and carriers and vendors and serving as a proactive
     Client advocate; and
  - Responding to day-to-day benefit questions from Client.



# EXHIBIT A-2 Consulting Services

#### Keenan shall perform the following Consulting Services:

#### 1. Benefit Analysis/Financial Analysis

- A. Conducting ongoing review and analysis of the design and performance of Client's current benefit plans ("Plans") and advising Client regarding available options and alternatives, as appropriate.
- B. If Client has one or more self-funded plan(s), preparing annual self-funded plan analysis to project costs based on emerging experience, utilization and trend for plan pricing and budgeting purposes. The report will include claims analysis, reserve calculations, trend projections, a review of utilization patterns for evidence of abuse or deviation from anticipated norms, projected funding levels, COBRA rates, and an analysis of cost management techniques and programs for continued appropriateness and efficacy.
- C. Reviewing claims experience and informing Client of potential impact of developing trends and projected costs (funding levels, COBRA rates).
- D. Assisting Client with governmental reporting and filings (e.g., 5500's and Summary Annual Reports), as applicable.
- E. Periodically providing information concerning current developments and trends in employee benefits, and new legislation that may affect Client's Plans.

#### 2. Plan Implementation Services

- A. Assisting in marketing, review, and implementation of new benefit Plans, as needed.
- B. Facilitating Client's review and approval of employee benefits booklets, certificates, insurance policies, and contracts prepared by insurance carriers and vendors providing services to or for the Plans.
- C. Reviewing and distributing vendor administrative manuals for Clients.
- D. Assisting in the drafting, review and/or amendment of Plan and related documents. Any Plan documents drafted or reviewed by Keenan and approved by Client under this Agreement shall apply solely to the Plan year during which such Service was provided. They are not intended for use beyond the Plan year for which they were created, reviewed or revised. Keenan shall not be held liable for any direct, punitive, special, consequential or incidental damages, loss of profit or revenue, loss of business, loss or inaccuracy of data or scope of insurance resulting from the continued use of such plan documents or SPD beyond the dates for which they were intended.
- E. Assisting in the coordination and preparation of open enrollment, orientation, health fairs, and/or question and answer meetings for Client's employees.



# EXHIBIT A-3 BenefitBridge Platform Services

Keenan shall provide the following BenefitBridge platform services ("Platform"):

#### 1. Platform Services and Reports

#### 1. Platform services and reports:

- A. The Platform provides the following services:
  - i. Benefit administration functionality including the ability to manage eligibility rules for various classes of employees/dependents;
  - ii. Online enrollment functions enabling employee self-service or Client enrollment on the Client's employees' behalf;
  - iii. Benefits billing and eligibility functions including the ability to create and transmit carrier-billing reports;
  - iv. The ability to communicate general health and welfare information and for the Client to upload documents and web links germane to the Client;
  - v. Other useful content as Keenan deems appropriate.

#### B. With respect to the Platform, Keenan will:

- i. Maintain the Platform and keep its contents updated and current;
- ii. Provide technical support to the Client;
- iii. Provide training on the Platform to the Client's Human Resources users and for employee trainers;
- iv. Provide implementation support including the loading of the plan designs, the eligibility rules, Client census files, initial user data and other data required to enable the Platform;
- v. Provide annual updates to plan designs and related eligibility rules stored in the Platform;
- vi. Identify employees, dependents, and retirees who are enrolled in plans for which they are defined as ineligible;
- vii. Setup data transfers with the Client's carriers;
- viii. Ensure that standard reports are available for the Client's census, carrier bills and related benefits.

#### C. With respect to the Platform, the Client will:

- i. Maintain user passwords and accounts for any employees given access;
- ii. Provide initial census data files;
- iii. Work with Keenan to acquire carrier membership files;
- iv. Work with Keenan to fully define eligibility rules.



#### 2. Enhanced Services Options

#### 1. Definitions

- a. Futuris Care. An Enhancement that will allow retirees and plan participants approaching retirement age to access options for Medicare supplement insurance products. This Enhancement is available only to those Clients who have executed a Supplement Services Addendum for Retiree Medical Services.
- b. Voluntary Benefits. An Enhancement that will allow employees to access, apply for, and purchase, on an individual basis, certain elective benefits that are not included in Client's benefit plans. Depending upon carrier practices Client may be required to collect premiums (e.g., payroll deduction) and submit to carriers.
- c. Age Out Options. An Enhancement that permits Keenan to use data from Benefit Bridge to identify dependants approaching 26 and alert them that they will no longer be eligible on their parents' plan, and provides options for them to explore and/or purchase individual coverage.
- 2. Client hereby authorizes Keenan to install the following Enhancements on its BenefitBridge Platform (check all that apply):

d.	Futuris Care	
e.	Voluntary Benefits	$\geq$
f.	Age Out Options	
g.	None of the Above	

If fewer than three Enhancements are selected, additional Enhancements can be added at any time upon written notice to Keenan.

- 3. Data stored on the Platform may be transmitted electronically to carriers and other Vendors ("Vendors") to facilitate the application for and/or enrollment in products and programs offered through the Enhancements. No Data will be transmitted unless an individual has, through the use of an Enhancement, elected to purchase or participate in the Vendor's product or program.
- 4. The Enhancements will be installed without charge to Client. It is understood and agreed that Keenan may be compensated by the Vendors in exchange for facilitating the application/enrollment process by transmitting the data electronically from the Platform, and that Keenan may receive a commission from one or more Vendors as a result of the sale of their products or programs to an individual employee.



# EXHIBIT B Broker of Record Designation

This letter confirms that as of **July 1, 2015**, the organization listed below ("Client") has appointed Keenan & Associates ("Keenan") as the Broker of Record in connection with the following coverages:

# Medical, Vision, Life and Accidental Death & Disability, Section 125 and Voluntary Insurance Products

and such additional coverages or insurance (the "Coverage") as Client may from time-to-time request from Keenan.

With respect to the Coverage identified in this Exhibit C (and as later amended) Keenan shall have the exclusive authority and right to negotiate with insurance carriers and other coverage providers on Client's behalf. Client shall not seek or acquire quotes directly from any insurance carrier or other coverage provider during the term of this Agreement.

Keenan is authorized to provide a copy of this letter to any insurer to demonstrate Keenan's authority to obtain the Coverage. This appointment rescinds any and all previous appointments Client may have made with respect to the Coverage, and shall remain in full force and effect until cancelled in writing at any time by either party. Keenan shall at all times remain an independent contractor and shall not act as or be deemed to be an officer, employee, agent or fiduciary of Client.

Client authorizes Keenan to provide representatives of prospective insurers and other coverage providers with all information regarding Client, its operations, employees, and financial status as may be necessary for such insurer or coverage provider to evaluate Client's suitability for coverage and to prepare a quote.

Acknowledged and agreed to by:

Galt Join	t Union Elementary School <u>District</u>	<u>k</u>	Keenan & Associates
Signature:		Signature:	Talor Carthaulass
By: Title:	Robert Nacario  Director of Educational	By: Title:	John Scatterday Senior Vice President
	Services		

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# EXHIBIT C Compensation (Commission Only)

As compensation for its provision of the Services, Keenan shall receive commissions from insurance carriers and/or other vendors for the placement of insurance coverage. Client shall have no responsibility for the payment of any such commission to Keenan. Client acknowledges that commissions paid by insurers to Keenan that are directly related to the insurance coverage purchased by Client as part of the Plans may impact the pricing that Keenan is able to obtain for Client for such coverage. Our annual commissions may increase from one year to the next by an amount below or equal to the percent of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase.

The Set-up Fee and the Monthly Maintenance Fee for the services rendered under the BenefitBridge Platform will be waived, provided Keenan remains the Broker of Record for the following lines of coverage:

#### Medical, Vision, Life

If, for any reason whatsoever, the Client stops the BenefitBridge Platform installation process once it has begun, Client will be charged a \$10,000.00 Reactivation Fee to reactivate the BenefitBridge installation.

Client is entitled to one (1) annual online Open Enrollment at no charge. Client shall be charged a flat fee of \$15,000.00 for each additional online Open Enrollment that is performed in a given plan year.





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

Meeting Date:	8/19/15	Agenda Item: 131.656 Board Consideration to Nominate California School Boards Association (CSBA) Directors-at-Large, African American, American Indian, and County
Presenter:	Karen Schauer	Action Item: XX Information Item:

Nominations for CSBA Director-at Large African American, American Indian, and County are currently being accepted until Friday, October 2, 2015.

The nomination for regional Director must be made by a delegate from that region and nominee must be a board member within that region. Each nominating delegate must certify that the nominee has consented to be nominated.



# Nomination Form for Regional Director from Odd-numbered CSBA Regions

The nomination for regional Director must be made by a Delegate from that region and the nominee must be a board member within that region. Each nominating Delegate must certify that the nominee has consented to be nominated. The **email** deadline to submit the nomination form is **Friday, October 2, 2015**.

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The nominee is a board member of the	School District o
County Office Board of Education, which is	a member of CSBA. The nominee has given permission to be
nominated and will be submitting a candida	ite form.
Submitted by:	
Name of Delegate:	
Name of District or COE:	

#### Return the nomination form by email to:

President Jesús M. Holguín and Leanne Gosselin, CSBA Email: jholguin@mvusd.net *and* lgosselin@csba.org