

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The mission of Albany Unified School District is to provide excellent public education that empowers all to achieve their fullest potential as productive citizens. AUSD is committed to creating comprehensive learning opportunities in a safe, supportive, and collaborative environment, addressing the individual needs of each student.

REGULAR MEETING

May 14, 2019

Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Ave., Albany, CA 94706

Closed Session: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Open Session: 7:30 p.m. - 10:15 p.m.

The public is encouraged to address the Board on any topic on the agenda. The President will also invite the public to speak during the section titled "Persons to Address the Board on Matters Not on the Agenda". To ensure accurate information is captured in the Board meeting minutes, please complete the "Speaker Slip" provided on the table and hand it to the clerk when speaking.

AGENDA

<p style="text-align: center;">Meeting Norms</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maintain a focus on what is best for our students. 2. Show respect (never dismiss/devalue others). 3. Be willing to compromise. 4. Disagree (when necessary) agreeably. 5. Make a commitment to effective deliberation, each one listening with an open mind while others are allowed to express their points of view. 6. Participate by building on the thoughts of a fellow Board member. 7. Make a commitment to open communication and honesty; no surprises. 8. Commit the time necessary to govern effectively. 9. Be collaborative. 10. Maintain confidentiality (which leads to the building of trust). 11. Look upon history as lessons learned; focus on the present and the future. <p>All Regular Meetings are videotaped. (To view the videos, visit www.ausdk12.org)</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <p>I. OPENING BUSINESS</p> <p>A) Call to Order</p> <p>B) Roll Call</p> <p>II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS</p> <p><i>General public comment on any Closed Session item will be heard. The Board may limit comments to no more than three (3) minutes.</i></p> <p>III. CLOSED SESSION</p> <p><i>With Respect to Every Item of Business To Be Discussed In Closed Session:</i></p> <p>A) Pursuant to Govt. Code Section 11126(a)1:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discussion of Employment and Appointment of a Public Employee (Superintendent): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract Negotiations (15 mins.) <p>B) Pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54957.6:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Superintendent Valerie Williams, District Representative), Regarding Negotiations as it Pertains to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Albany Teachers Association (ATA) • California School Employees Association (CSEA) • Service Employees International Union (SEIU) <p>(40 mins.)</p> </div> <div style="text-align: right;"> <p>6:30 p.m.</p> <p>6:05 p.m.</p> </div> </div>
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IV. OPEN SESSION

7:30 p.m.

Depending upon completion of Closed Session items, the Board of Education intends to convene to Open Session at 7:30 p.m. to conduct the remainder of its meeting, reserving the right to return to Closed Session at any time.

A) Call To Order (Reconvene to Open Session)

B) Roll Call

C) Pledge of Allegiance

D) Reading of the AUSD Mission & Vision Statement and Board of Education Meeting Norms

E) Report of Action Taken in Closed Session

F) Approval of Agenda

G) Recognition: *Resolution 2018-19-15: Classified Employees Appreciation Week* (10 mins.)

7:35 p.m.

H) Consent Calendar

7:45 p.m.

The Consent Calendar includes routine items that may be handled with one action. Board Members may request any item be removed from the Consent Calendar without formal action.

1) Superintendent

- a) Board of Education Meeting Schedule for the 2019-2020 School Year------(pg.6)

2) Human Resources

- a) Certificated Personnel Assignment Order & Classified Personnel Assignment Order------(pg.8)

3) Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment

- a) Marin Elementary School Overnight/Outdoor Education Field Trip:
YMCA Camp Point Bonita------(pg.10)

4) Special Education

- a) Independent Contractor Services Agreement Between Albany Unified School District
and Anne MacMillan------(pg.12)
- b) Master Contract Between Albany Unified School District and
Bay Area Educational Institute------(pg.21)
- c) Master Contract Between Albany Unified School District and A Better Chance School------(pg.73)
- d) Master Contract Between Albany Unified School District and Bright Path Therapists------(pg.125)

I) Board and Superintendent Reports (5 mins.) 7:50 p.m.

J) Student Board Members' Report (5 mins.) 7:55 p.m.

K) Persons To Address the Board on Matters Not on the Agenda (5 mins.) 8:00 p.m.

Board practice limits each speaker to no more than three (3) minutes. The Brown Act limits Board ability to discuss or act on items which are not on the agenda; therefore, such items may be referred to staff for comment or for consideration on a future agenda.

L) Review And Action 8:05 p.m.

1) Human Resources

- a) Resolution 2018-19-16: Reduction of Classified Services (5 mins.)------(pg.177)
- b) Conduct a Public Hearing to Sunshine Negotiation Proposal from Albany Unified School District to California School Employees Association (5 mins.)------(pg.179)

2) Business Services

- a) Albany Children's Center Preschool Rate Adjustment (15 mins.)------(pg.181)

M) Review And Discussion 8:30 p.m.

1) Business Services

- a) Albany Unified School District Budget Reserve Practice (20 mins.)------(pg.184)

2) Superintendent

- b) Albany Unified School District Solano Avenue Property (40 mins.)------(pg.188)

3) Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment

- a) Board Policy 5145.9 (Hate-Motivated Behavior) (15 mins.)------(pg.202)

N) Staff Reports 9:45 p.m.

1) Special Education Report:

- North Region Special Education Local Plan Area Update (15 mins.)------(pg.209)

2) Education Update: Local Control And Accountability (LCAP) Update (10 mins.)------(pg.210)

V. AGENDA ITEMS/MATTERS INTRODUCED BY THE BOARD (5 mins.) 10:10 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

10:15 p.m.

The Board believes that late night meetings deter public participation, can affect the Boards decision-making ability, and can be a burden to staff. Regular Board Meetings shall be adjourned by 9:30 p.m. unless extended to a specific time determined by a majority of the Board.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Date	Time	Location
May 28, 2019: Work-Study Session: School Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA) - Secondary	5:15 - 6:30 p.m.	Albany City Hall
May 28, 2019: Regular Meeting	7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	
June 11, 2019: Regular Meeting	7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Albany City Hall
June 25, 2019: Regular Meeting	7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Albany City Hall

The Board of Education meeting packet is available for public inspection at: Albany Unified School District, 1200 Solano Avenue, and is available on the Albany Unified School District website: www.ausdk12.org. If you provide your name and/or address when speaking before the Board of Education, it may become a part of the official public record and the official minutes will be published on the Internet. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 510-558-3766. Notification must be given forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting to make reasonable arrangements for accessibility (28 CFR 35.102.104 ADA Title II).

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-19-15

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES APPRECIATION WEEK

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the Albany Unified School District and Superintendent Williams wish to commend and express their appreciation to the custodial and maintenance staff, Child Nutrition staff, clerical staff, instructional support staff, computer support staff and all other classified staff who serve the students of the Albany Unified School District; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board and Superintendent believe classified school employees deserve rightful recognition and public celebration for the caring deeds and contributions to our students; and

WHEREAS, the classified employees support the smooth operation of offices, the safety and maintenance of buildings and property, and the safe transportation, healthy nutrition and direct instruction of students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing board of the Albany Unified School District proclaims **May 20-24, 2019** to be *Classified Employees Appreciation Week*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Governing Board of the Albany Unified School District encourages all members of our community to join with it in personally expressing appreciation to our classified employees for their dedication and devotion to their work.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of Education of the Albany Unified School District of the County of Alameda, this 14th day of May, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

President of the Board of Trustees
Albany Unified School District
Alameda County, California

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

**ITEM: BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE
2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR**

PREPARED BY: VALERIE WILLIAMS, SUPERINTENDENT

TYPE OF ITEM: CONSENT

PURPOSE: For the Board of Trustees to approve the Board of Education Meeting Schedule for the 2019-2020 school year.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

AUSD Board of Education members are committed to providing quality leadership for the district and as such, engage in discussions about best practices in board governance. This strong commitment to continuously evaluate and improve practices and procedures serves to:

- 1) Improve communication and relationships;
- 2) Strengthen agreements about roles and responsibilities;
- 3) Promotes better Board-Superintendent teamwork; and
- 4) Create more effective leadership for the district.

DETAILS:

Per the Board of Education's protocols in support of effective governance, the Superintendent provides the attached document for review and approval:

- Board of Education Meeting Schedule for the 2019-2020 School Year

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: N/A

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



Objective #3: Communicate and Lead Together. Goal: All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Board of Education Meeting Schedule for the 2019-2020 School Year

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board Meeting Schedule
2019-2020 School Year**

DAY	DATE	*TIME (OPEN SESSION)	LOCATION
Tuesday	August 13, 2019	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	August 27, 2019	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	September 10, 2019	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	September 24, 2019	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Monday	October 7, 2019	7:00 p.m.	TBD
Tuesday	October 22, 2019	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Monday	November 4, 2019	7:00 p.m.	TBD
Tuesday	November 19, 2019	7:00 p.m.	TBD
Tuesday	December 10, 2019	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	January 14, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	January 28, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	February 11, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	February 25, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	March 10, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	March 24, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	April 14, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	April 28, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	May 12, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	May 26, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	June 9, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall
Tuesday	June 23, 2020	7:00 p.m.	Albany City Hall

**Closed Session may be held prior to Open Session*

Approved by BOE:

Personnel Assignment Order: Pending Approval

BOE Meeting: 5/14/2019

Class: Certificated

Category: New Hire

Position	Name	Site	FTE/Amt	Effec Date	End Date	Action	Funding
Teacher	Bliss, Kathleen	AHS	0.40	8/27/2019	6/12/2020	Approve	GF
Teacher	Coons, David	OV	1.00	8/27/2019	6/12/2020	Approve	GF
Newspaper Teacher	Curry, Meghann	AHS	\$3,387.90	18-19 Season		Approve	GF
Program Specialist	Dourado, Naiade	SE	1.00	8/12/2019		Approve	GF
Teacher	Jacuinde, Sylvia	ACC	1.00	8/27/2019	6/12/2020	Approve	GF
Teacher, School Age	Jain, Anjali	ACC	1.00	8/23/2019		Approve	GF
Safe & Inclusive Schools Coordinator	Koepp, Karen	AMS	0.60	8/27/2019	6/12/2020	Approve	GF
Director III: Special Education/Student Services	Michael, Veronica	DO	1.00	6/10/2019		Approve	GF
Teacher	Mickelson, Melanie	CO	0.20	8/27/2019	6/12/2020	Approve	GF
Teacher, APE	Rogers, Ernesto	SE	1.00	7/1/2019		Approve	GF
Teacher	Seidelman, Rho	AHS	1.00	8/27/2019	6/12/2020	Approve	GF
Teacher	Theroux, Jordyn	OV	1.00	8/27/2019	6/12/2020	Approve	GF
Teacher, Summer School	Walsh, Michelle	MA	\$36.83/hr	6/21/2019	7/19/2019	Approve	GF
Teacher	Walton, Lloyd	OV, CO	0.27	4/1/2019	6/30/2019	Approve	GF

Category: Leave

Position	Name	Site	FTE/Amt	Effec Date	End Date	Action	Funding
Teacher	Place, Marty	AHS	1.00	7/1/2019	6/30/2020	Approve	

Category: Separation of Service

Position	Name	Site	FTE/Amt	Effec Date	End Date	Action	Funding
Director III, Human Resources	Cotton, Cheryl	DO	1.00	6/30/2019		Approve	
Teacher	Sampayo, Lourdes	AHS	0.80	6/14/2019		Approve	

Class: Classified

Category: New Hire

Position	Name	Site	FTE/Amt	Effec Date	End Date	Action	Funding
Life Guard	Bayse, Madison	Pool	\$15.00/hr	4/11/2019		Approve	Pool

Swim Instructor	Bayse, Madison	Pool	\$17.00/hr	4/11/2019		Approve	Pool
Para-educator, Substitute	Clark, Mitchelyn	ACC	\$13.69/hr	5/15/2019		Approve	ACC
Life Guard	Da Silva, Rashi	Pool	\$15.00/hr	4/11/2019		Approve	Pool
Swim Instructor	Da Silva, Rashi	Pool	\$17.00/hr	4/11/2019		Approve	Pool
Para-educator, Special Education	Nisa, Amber Un	OV	0.80	4/24/2019		Approve	GF
Life Guard	Niscosa, Francesca	Pool	\$15.00/hr	4/11/2019		Approve	Pool
Swim Instructor	Niscosa, Francesca	Pool	\$17.00/hr	4/11/2019		Approve	Pool
Life Guard	Sully-Mchaughlin, Ella	Pool	\$15.00/hr	4/11/2019		Approve	Pool
Swim Instructor	Sully-Mchaughlin, Ella	Pool	\$17.00/hr	4/11/2019		Approve	Pool
Aquatics Coordinator	Woerner, Stephanie	Pool	\$23.50/hr	6/15/2019		Approve	Pool
Para-educator, Summer School ELD	Yokoyama, Shani	MA	\$18.47/hr	6/21/2019	7/19/2019	Approve	GF

Category: Status Change

Position	Name	Site	FTE/Amt	Effec Date	End Date	Action	Funding
Personnel Coordinator from Human Resources Technician	Gonzalez, Marina	DO	1.00	7/1/2019		Approve	GF

Class: Uncompensated Service**Category: Volunteer**

Position	Name	Site	FTE/Amt	Effec Date	End Date	Action	Funding
	Aurea Fuentes, Emilio			5/15/2019			
	Carrubba-Katz, Talia			5/15/2019			
	Chen, Chong			5/15/2019			
	Gidlund, Keith			5/15/2019			
	Holm, Peter			5/15/2019			
	Jones, Leslie			5/15/2019			
	Koo, Jay			5/15/2019			
	Lee, Seung In			5/15/2019			
	Peskin, Victor			5/15/2019			
	Rowand, Sang			5/15/2019			
	Thapa, Kabita			5/15/2019			
	Tretriluxana, Wirongrong			5/15/2019			

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

ITEM: **MARIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OVERNIGHT/OUTDOOR
EDUCATION FIELD TRIP: YMCA CAMP POINT BONITA**

PREPARED BY: **MARIE WILLIAMS
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

TYPE OF ITEM: **CONSENT**

PURPOSE: All field trips and excursions that occur overnight require prior approval from the Board of Education. Requests shall be presented to the Board of Education at least one month in advance of departure unless the timing of the event and the Board meeting schedule do not provide sufficient time for prior approval or make prior approval impractical.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The [YMCA Outdoor Environmental Education Program at Point Bonita](#), is based inside the beautiful Marin Headlands, and offers a myriad of outdoor education opportunities for students to experience a hands-on “living” curriculum in an outdoor setting where students can develop an understanding of their role in the environment.

[YMCA Camp Point Bonita](#) is a leading nonprofit committed to strengthening communities through youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. The environmental education provided by the outdoor & environmental education is holistic and multi-disciplinary, incorporating hands on learning, team-building challenges, community service and adventurous fun. Through living, learning, and enjoying the outdoors together, students discover their connections to science, the natural world, and each other. Students participate in hands on investigations, such as pond studies, sand crab monitoring, and habitat restoration. Outdoor education programs are aligned with the Next Generation Science Standards and are tailored to meet the individual needs of participating teachers and students.

DATES OF FIELD TRIP: May 13-15, 2020

DETAILS: All fourth grade students at Marin Elementary will spend 2 nights and 3 days at the [YMCA Camp Point Bonita Outdoor Education Center](#) in Sausalito, CA for outdoor science education. Students will have the opportunity to explore and learn about an area of the Marin Headlands under the direction of well-trained, experienced naturalists. The program addresses California 4th grade state standards for life science and earth science and is filled with learning opportunities through hiking, exploring, camp games, skits, and fireside songs. Students will travel to and from Point Bonita in private cars driven by volunteer chaperones and staff. Three Certificated staff and 15 parents will chaperone.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The trip will cost approximately \$350.00 per student. Funding will come from fees from families and fundraising from a variety of sources. No child will be denied the opportunity to participate due to lack of funds.

STRATEGIC GOALS ADDRESSED:

Objective #1: *Assess and Increase Academic Success. Goal: We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child. Goal: We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*

**RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE MARIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
OVERNIGHT/OUTDOOR EDUCATION FIELD TRIP: YMCA CAMP POINT BONITA**

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

**ITEM: INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ANNE
MACMILLAN**

PREPARED BY: DIANE MARIE, DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

TYPE OF ITEM: CONSENT

PURPOSE:

Board of Trustees to review and approve the 2019-2020 Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Anne MacMillan, Audiologist.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Anne MacMillan is an audiologist who provides services to District students that are deaf or hard of hearing. The District contracts with an outside provider for these specialized services.

DETAILS:

Services to be provided are specialized academic instruction, assessments and audiological maintenance.

- ☒ Standard Contract
☐ Contract deviates from Standard Contract
☐ New Contract
☒ Renew Contract

KEY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Q. Why contract for services instead of hiring District staff?

A. Need for this service is very limited and does not warrant or justify hiring District staff.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Not to exceed \$5,000.00

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



Objective #1: *Assess and Increase Academic Success. Goal: We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Independent Contractor Services Agreement between Albany Unified School District and Anne MacMillan.

4. Termination. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party; however the parties may agree in writing to a shorter time period for the effectiveness of such termination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, District may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving written notice to Contractor if Contractor materially violates any of the terms of this Agreement, any act or omission by Contractor or the Contracted Parties exposes District to potential liability or may cause an increase in District's insurance premiums, Contractor is adjudged a bankrupt, Contractor makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or a receiver is appointed on account of Contractor's insolvency. Such termination shall be effective immediately upon Contractor's receipt of said notice.
5. Compensation. DISTRICT agrees to pay the CONTRACTOR for services satisfactorily rendered pursuant to this AGREEMENT a total fee not to exceed five thousand dollars \$5,000.00. DISTRICT shall pay CONTRACTOR according to the following terms and conditions:
- a. Such compensation shall be based on:
 - ☒ An hourly rate of \$100.00.
 - ☐ A daily rate of \$_____ for a total amount of _____ days.
 - ☐ A flat fee not to exceed _____
 - b. Payment method shall be:
 - ☐ Upon Completion.
 - ☐ Date of Service.
 - ☒ Other (Specify): Monthly

Any work performed by Contractor in excess of said amount shall not be compensated.

Payment shall be made upon approval of DISTRICT and receipt of an invoice from CONTRACTOR one copy clearly marked original. CONTRACTOR's invoice shall be sent to: Albany Unified School District, Attention: Special Education, 819 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, CA 94710

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

7. California Residency. Contractor and the Contracted Parties shall be residents of the State of California.
8. Indemnity. Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless District and its agents, representatives, officers, consultants, employees, Board of Education, members of the Board of Education (collectively, the "District Parties"), from and against any and all claims, demands, liabilities, damages, losses, suits and actions, and expenses (including, but not limited to attorney fees and costs including fees of consultants) of any kind, nature and description (collectively, the "Claims") directly or indirectly arising out of, connected with, or resulting from the performance of this Agreement, including but not limited to Contractor's or the Contracted Parties' use of the site; Contractor's or the Contracted Parties' performance of the Services; Contractor's or the Contracted Parties' breach of any of the representations or warranties contained in this Agreement; injury to or death of persons or damage to property or delay or damage to District or the District Parties; or for any act, error, omission, negligence, or willful misconduct of Contractor, the Contracted Parties or their respective agents, subcontractors, employees, material or equipment suppliers, invitees, or licensees. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or reduce other rights or obligations of indemnity, which would otherwise exist as to a party, person, or entity described in this paragraph.
9. Insurance. Without in any way limiting Contractor's liability or indemnification obligations set forth in Paragraph 8 above, District reserves the right to require contractor to procure and maintain throughout the Term of this Agreement the following insurance: (i) comprehensive general liability insurance with limits not less than \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence and \$1,000,000.00 in the aggregate; (ii) commercial automobile liability insurance with limits not less than \$100,000.00 each occurrence and \$100,000.00 in the aggregate; if applicable; and neither Contractor nor any of the Contracted Parties shall commence performing any portion of the Services until all required insurance has been obtained and certificates indicating the required coverage have been delivered to and approved by District. All insurance policies shall include an endorsement stating that District and District Parties are named additional insured. All of the policies shall be amended to provide that the insurance shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to District. If any of the required insurance is not reinstated, District may, at its sole option, terminate this Agreement. All of the policies shall also include an endorsement stating that it is primary to any insurance or self-insurance maintained by District and shall waive all rights of subrogation against District and/or the District Parties.
10. Independent Contractor Status. Contractor, in the performance of this Agreement, shall be and act as an independent contractor. Contractor understands and agrees that s/he and the Contracted Parties shall not be considered officers, employees, agents, partners, or joint ventures of District, and are not entitled to benefits of any kind or nature normally provided to employees of District and/or to which District's employees are normally entitled.

11. Taxes. All payments made by District to Contractor pursuant to this Agreement shall be reported to the applicable federal and state taxing authorities as required. District will not withhold any money from compensation payable to Contractor, including FICA (social security), state or federal unemployment insurance contributions, or state or federal income tax or disability insurance. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for payment of all federal, state and local taxes or contributions, including unemployment insurance, social security and income taxes with respect to Contractor and the Contracted Parties and otherwise in connection with this Agreement.

12. Fingerprinting/Criminal Background Investigation Certification. Contractor and the Contracted Parties shall at all times comply with the fingerprinting and criminal background investigation requirements of the California Education Code ("Education Code") section 45125.1. Accordingly, by checking the applicable boxes below, Contractor hereby represents and warrants to District the following:

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

☒ The following Contracted Parties have more than limited contact (as determined by District) with District students during the Term of this Agreement:
Anne MacMillan

☒ All of the Contracted Parties noted above, at no cost to District, have completed background checks and have been fingerprinted under procedures established by the California Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the results of those background checks and fingerprints reveal that none of these Contracted Parties have been arrested or convicted of a serious or violent felony, as defined by the California Penal Code.

Contractor further agrees and acknowledges that if at any time during the Term of this Agreement Contractor learns or becomes aware of additional information, including additional personnel, which differs in any way from the representations set forth above, Contractor shall immediately notify District and prohibit any new personnel from having any contact with District students until the fingerprinting and background check requirements have been satisfied and District determines whether any such contact is permissible.

13. Tuberculosis Certification. Contractor and the Contracted Parties shall at all times comply with the tuberculosis ("TB") certification requirements of Education Code section 49406. Accordingly, by checking the applicable boxes below, Contractor hereby represents and warrants to District the following:

☐ Contracted Parties shall only have limited or no contact (as determined by

District) with District students at all times during the Term of this Agreement.

X The following Contracted Parties shall have **more than limited contact** (as determined by District) with District students during the Term of this Agreement and, at no cost to District, have received a TB test in full compliance with the requirements of Education Code section 49406: Anne MacMillan

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

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

14. Confidential Information. Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of and protect from unauthorized disclosure any and all individual student information received from the District, including but not limited to student names and other identifying information. Contractor shall not use such student information for any purpose other than carrying out the obligations under this agreement. Upon termination of this Agreement, Contractor shall turn over to District all educational records related to the services provided to any District student pursuant to this Agreement.
15. Assignment. Contractor shall not assign or transfer by operation of law or otherwise any or all of its rights, burdens, duties or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of District.
16. Binding Effect. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon Contractor and District and their respective successors and assigns.
17. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision of this Agreement.
18. Amendments. The terms of this Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented or amended in any manner whatsoever except by written agreement signed by both parties.
19. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California and venue shall be in the appropriate court in Alameda County, California.
20. Non-Discrimination. PROVIDER shall not discriminate on the basis of a person's actual or perceived race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status,

pregnancy, physical or mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, veteran status, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sex, or sexual orientation in employment or operation of its programs.

21. Written Notice. Written notice shall be deemed to have been duly served if delivered in person to Contractor at the address located next to the party signatures below, or if delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail to the last business address known to the person who sends the notice.
22. Compliance with Law. Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted into this Agreement shall be deemed to be inserted herein and this Agreement shall be read and enforced as though it were included therein. Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, including but not limited to fingerprinting under Education Code section 45125.1, confidentiality of records, Education Code section 49406 and others. Contractor agrees that it shall comply with all legal requirements for the performance of duties under this agreement and that failure to do so shall constitute material breach.
23. Attorney Fees. If any legal action is taken to enforce the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and other reasonable costs and expenses incurred in connection with that legal action.
24. Liability of District. Notwithstanding anything stated herein to the contrary, District shall not be liable for any special, consequential, indirect or incident damages, including but not limited to lost profits in connection with this Agreement.
25. Entire Agreement. This Agreement is intended by the parties as the final expression of their agreement with respect to such terms as are included herein and as the complete and exclusive statement of its terms and may not be contradicted by evidence of any prior agreement or of a contemporaneous oral agreement, nor explained or supplemented by evidence of consistent additional terms.
26. Subject To Approval of Board. This Agreement confers no legal or equitable rights until it is approved by the District Board of Education at a lawfully conducted public meeting.

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

DISTRICT:

ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: _____

Name: Jackie Kim

Title: Chief Business Official

Address for District Notices:

Albany Unified School District
819 Bancroft Way
Berkeley, CA 94710

CONTRACTOR:

Anne MacMillan

Tax Identification Number:

By: 

Name: Anne MacMillan

Address for Contractor Notices:

Anne MacMillan
85 Crestmont Drive
Oakland, CA 94619

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

**ITEM: MASTER CONTRACT BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
AND BAY AREA EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE**

PREPARED BY: DIANE MARIE, DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

TYPE OF ITEM: CONSENT

PURPOSE:

Board of Trustees to review and approve the 2019-2020 Master Contract with Bay Area Educational Institute.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Bay Area Educational Institute provides specialized academic instruction and related services to students with special needs.

DETAILS:

Bay Area Educational Institute will provide basic education to District student who needs cannot be met in a public school setting.

- ☒ Standard Contract
☐ Contract deviates from Standard Contract
☐ New Contract
☒ Renew Contract

KEY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Q. Why contract for services instead of hiring District staff?

A. Needs of District student cannot be met in a public school setting.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Not to exceed \$40,000.00

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



Objective #1: Assess and Increase Academic Success. **Goal:** We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child.* **Goal:** *We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Master Contract between Albany Unified School District and Bay Area Educational Institute.

*Nonpublic, Nonsectarian
School/Agency Services*

Master Contract

2019-2020

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Contract Year: 2019-2020

LEA: Albany Unified School District

NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGENCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER:

Bay Area Educational Institute

NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

1) MASTER CONTRACT

- a) This Master Contract is entered into this 1st day of July, between the Albany Unified School District (hereinafter referred to as "LEA") and Bay Area Educational Institute (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 pursuant to an Individualized Education Program (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"), and/or Individual Family Service Plan (hereinafter referred to as IFSP)
- b) The Collaborative: The Bay Area Collaborative represents ten (10) SELPAs and Member NPA/S (see appendix A for a complete listing and contact information). Nonpublic schools and nonpublic agencies that are contracting with in one of the participating SELPAs agree to participate in this collaborative process to establish a uniform contract for identified services and standards. The established system provides NPA/Ss with an opportunity to have input to the development of the process, contract issues, etc., and a simplified, standard process for rate negotiation with the participating SELPAs. Issues

listed on the Rate Schedule portion of this Master Contract may be reviewed on an annual basis upon request of the CONTRACTOR using the established Bay Area SELPA Collaborative system. CONTRACTOR agrees that the rates set forth in this Master Contract will remain unchanged from July 1 through June 30 of the term of contract, with no changes in the services provided, unless changed in a duly executed amendment to this Master Contract signed by both parties. Increases in rates will be considered on an annual basis and remain unchanged for the term of the contract from July 1 through June 30, with no changes in level of service provided without written approval by both parties.

- c) NPA/Ss that are not a member of the Bay Area Collaborative should negotiate rates with their geographically corresponding SELPA(s). The LEA will contact the corresponding SELPA to verify established rates. Increases in rates will be considered on an annual basis and remain unchanged for the following year from July 1 through June 30, with no changes provided without written approval by both parties.
- d) Any CONTRACTOR not participating as a member of the Bay Area SELPA Collaborative shall individually negotiate rates following local SELPA and/or LEA procedures. Those CONTRACTORS shall notify the SELPA with whom they contract of any proposed rate changes effective July 1 by March 1 of the preceding year.
- e) The Bay Area SELPA Collaborative Chair shall maintain, annually update and disseminate to all LEAs, NPS/As who are members of the Collaborative, a master rate schedule reflecting such NPS/A rates.
- f) Upon CONTRACTOR's acceptance of a student referred by the LEA, the LEA shall complete an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA") as specified in the LEA Procedures which shall identify the provider of each service required by the student's IEP/IFSP. For purposes of enrollment, the LEA must provide approval before any authorization for payment can be made. Such authorization may be provided electronically, by telecommunications, by mail or by fax. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, or in the student's ISA, CONTRACTOR acknowledges its obligation to provide all services specified in the pupil's IEP/IFSP. The LEA acknowledges its responsibility to pay for all services rendered to LEA students by CONTRACTOR. The ISA shall be executed within ninety (90) days of an LEA student's enrollment. (Education Code Section 56366(c)(1)) LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA in writing in advance of providing any service(s) when CONTRACTOR is unable to meet the requirements of this Master Contract or of any Individual Services Agreement.
- g) 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 the student's parent.

2) 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, a representative of the Special Education Plan Local Area (SELPA) of which the LEA is a member is an authorized LEA representative in collaboration with the LEA. The LEA maintains sole responsibility for the contract, unless otherwise specified in the contract.
- c) The term "credential" means a valid credential, life diploma, permit, a county office of education Temporary County Certificate or document in special education or pupil personnel services issued by, or under the jurisdiction of, the State Board of Education if issued prior to 1970 or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, which entitles the holder thereof to perform services for which certification qualifications are required as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(g).
- d) The term "qualified" means that a person holds a certificate, permit or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to provide special education and designated instruction and services and 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, including those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 3064 and 3065, and adheres to the standards of professional practice established in federal and state law or regulation, including the standards contained in the California Business and Professions Code.
 - i) Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities in services of a graduate needing direct hours leading to licensure, or of a student teacher or intern leading to a graduate degree at an accredited or approved college or university, as authorized by state laws or regulations.

- 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, including but not limited to mental health and board and care services at a residential placement, or refer to themselves using a specified professional title. 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(l).
- 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 Code of Federal Regulations 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 the 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 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.
- i) It is understood that the term "Master Contract" also means "Agreement" and is referred to as such in this document.

3) TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Master Contract shall be from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)). Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the 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, 2019. If the

subsequent Master Contract has not been executed prior to June 30, 2020, this Contract shall remain in force and effect until terminated as provided herein or a new Master Contract is executed.

4) 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 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 CDE certification.

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

- a) 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.
- b) A current copy of CONTRACTOR's licenses and nonpublic school/agency certifications, or a validly issued waiver of any such certification must be provided to LEA on or before the date this Master Contract is executed by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR must immediately (and under no circumstances longer than three (3) calendar days) notify LEA 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. If any such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or

otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Master Contract, this Master Contract shall be null and void.

- c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if current (re)certification documents are not available through no fault of the NPS/A, this Master Contract shall remain in effect until such documents are made available to the NPS/A, which shall in turn submit copies of same to the LEA within five (5) business days of receipt by the NPS/A. The NPS/A shall, within five (5) business days of any change in the status of its approved capacity to serve a specific number of students notify the LEA of the change.

5) COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

- a) During the term of this Master Contract the CONTRACTOR and the LEA shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations relating to the provision of special education and related services, and facilities for individuals with exceptional needs.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all policies pursuant to the Local Plan, unless, taking into consideration all of the surrounding facts and circumstances, a policy or policies or a portion of a policy does not reasonably apply to CONTRACTOR.
- c) 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 16 of this Master Contract for all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with LEA policies.
- d) The CONTRACTOR shall comply with those policies, relating to among other things, the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, LEA pupil enrollment and transfer, LEA student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions.

6) RIGHT TO REPORT MASTER CONTRACT VIOLATIONS

CONTRACTOR and LEA acknowledge and understands that either party 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) or action by the CDE against the LEA.

7) INTEGRATION / CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

- a) This Master Contract includes the LEA Procedures and each Individual Services Agreement and they are incorporated herein by this reference. Upon written request,

LEA agrees to make all of its policies and procedures available to CONTRACTOR, either electronically or by hard copy. This Master Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement with respect to the terms set forth in this Master Contract. This Master Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the LEA may modify the LEA procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

- b) CONTRACTOR shall provide the LEA with information as requested in writing to secure a Master Contract or a renewal.
- c) At a minimum, such information shall include copies of teacher credentials and clearance, insurance documentation and CDE certification. The LEA may require additional information as applicable. 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 students at the discretion of the LEA.

8) INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

- a) This contract shall include an Individual Services Agreement (ISA) developed for each LEA student to whom CONTRACTOR is to provide special education and/or related services. An ISA shall only be issued for LEA student's enrolled with the approval of the LEA pursuant to Education Code section 56366 (a)(2)(A).
- b) ISAs are void upon termination or expiration of the Master Contract. In the event that this Master Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR and the LEA 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, until such time as a new Master Contract is executed.
- c) 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 the LEA student's IEP/IFSP. 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/IFSP subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including notice to and participation by the CONTRACTOR in the IEP Team meeting.
- d) Unless otherwise provided in this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP/IFSP unless the CONTRACTOR and the LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code sections 56366(a) (5) and 3062(e)). In the event the CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the term of the ISA, the CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided.

- e) If a parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the California Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "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.
- f) Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the formulation of an ISA or the Master Contract may be appealed to the local SELPA office prior to appeal to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code section 56366 (C) (2).

ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

9) NOTICES

All notices provided for by this contract shall be in writing. Notices shall be faxed, emailed with verification of receipt, mailed by first class mail deposited with the United States Postal Service 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:

Name: Diane Marie, Director of Special Education
 LEA: Albany Unified School District
 Address: 819 Bancroft Way
 City, State, Zip: Berkeley, CA 94710
 Phone: 510-559-6536

Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on signature page.

10) MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

- a) 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: student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b); 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; daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record the provision of related services including supervision; daily service logs and notes used to record the provision of services provided through additional instructional assistants, NPA behavior intervention aides, and bus aides; 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 and documents evidencing other staff qualifications, 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 of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; statement of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books; general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/state payroll quarterly reports; and bank statements and cancelled checks or facsimile thereof.

- b) CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA electronic and physical 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 and the legitimate interests thereof (California Education Code Section 49064). Such log shall be maintained as required and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, and date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the LEA student's record. Such logs need to record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record (Education Code Section 49064). 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 LEA student records to LEA within five (5) business days. These records shall include, but not be limited to, the LEA student's current transcripts, IEP/IFSPs, and reports. LEA and/or SELPA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all records upon request within five (5) business days.

11) SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision or portion of a 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.

12) SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This Master Contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. Contractor shall notify the LEA within 30 days of any change of ownership or corporate control.

13) 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 the LEA is located.

14) MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

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

15) TERMINATION OF MASTER CONTRACT AND/OR INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Master Contract may be terminated with or without cause by either the CONTRACTOR or LEA. To terminate the Master Contract either party shall give twenty (20) calendar days prior written notice (California Education Code Section 56366(a)(4)). 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, as provided in Section 5 or 6. CONTRACTOR or LEA may terminate an ISA for cause. To terminate the ISA, either party shall give twenty (20) calendar days prior written notice (refer to Section 7).

In the event of the closure of a non-public school or agency, the LEA will be given as much notice as is reasonably possible.

16) INSURANCE

- a) CONTRACTOR shall procure and maintain for the duration of the Master Contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property, which may arise from or in connection with performance under this Master Contract by CONTRACTOR, its agents, representatives, or employees.
- b) Prior to final approval of this Master Contract, CONTRACTOR shall deliver to the LEA a certificate of insurance for each required policy with insurers and additional insured policy endorsements for the comprehensive general liability insurance and comprehensive automobile liability insurance. If at any time said policies of insurance

lapse or become canceled, this MASTER CONTRACT shall become void. The acceptance by LEA of the above-required insurance does not serve to limit the liability or responsibility of the insurer or CONTRACTOR.

c) Insurance coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- i) Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence form CG 0001).
- ii) Insurance Services Office form number CA 0001 (Ed. 1/2010) covering Automobile Liability, code 1 (any auto).
- iii) Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the state in which services are performed and Employer's Liability Insurance with limits of \$2,000,000/\$2,000,000/\$2,000,000.

d) CONTRACTOR shall maintain limits of insurance no less than:

	Agencies with 1-5 providers	Agencies with 6+ providers and non-public school	Residential
General Liability			
Per occurrence	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000
Fire damage	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
Medical expenses	\$5,000	5,000	5,000
Personal and adv. Injury	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
General aggregate	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$6,000,000
Business Auto Liability combined single limit	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions coverage not to exclude sexual molestation and abuse coverage unless that coverage is afforded elsewhere in the commercial general liability insurance			
Per Occurrence	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$3,000,000
General Aggregate	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$6,000,000
Workers Compensation and Employers Liability	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

e) For all insurance coverage procured by CONTRACTOR, the following terms apply:

- i) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$25,000 must be declared in writing to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to: (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects to the LEA, its officials and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.
- ii) The general liability and automobile liability policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:
 - a) The LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees are to be covered as additional insured as respects: liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR; products and completed operations of the CONTRACTOR; premises owned, occupied or used by the CONTRACTOR; or automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by the CONTRACTOR. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees.
 - b) For any claims related to the services, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the LEA, its subsidiaries,

officials and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees shall be excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

- c) Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the LEA.
- f) Insurance is to be placed with insurers admitted by the State of California and with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A-: VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the LEA.
- g) The CONTRACTOR shall furnish the LEA with original or photocopies of endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. All Certificates of Insurance shall reference the contract number, the name of school or agency submitting the contract number, the name of school or agency submitting the certificate, an indication if the school or agency is an NPS or NPA, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate.
- h) If LEA or CONTRACTOR determines that change in insurance coverage obligations under this section is necessary, either party may reopen negotiations to modify the insurance obligations.

17) INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold LEA and its Board Members, administrators, employees, agents, attorneys, volunteers, and subcontractors ("LEA Indemnities") harmless against all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of this Master Contract or its performance, to the extent that such loss, expense, damage or liability was caused, in whole or in part, by negligence, intentional act or willful misconduct of CONTRACTOR, including, without limitation, its agents, employees, subcontractors or anyone employed directly or indirectly by it (excluding LEA and LEA Indemnities). The duty and obligation to defend shall arise immediately upon tender of a claim or lawsuit to the CONTRACTOR.
- b) LEA shall indemnify and hold CONTRACTOR and its Board Members, administrators, employees, agents, attorneys, and subcontractors ("CONTRACTOR Indemnities") harmless against all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of this Master Contract or its performance, to the extent that such loss, expense, damage or liability was proximately caused by the gross negligence or willful act of LEA, including, without limitation, its agents, employees,

subcontracts or anyone employed directly or indirectly by it (excluding CONTRACTOR and/or any CONTRACTOR indemnities).

- c) LEA represents that it is self-insured in compliance with the laws of the state of California, that the self-insurance covers district employees acting within the course and scope of their respective duties and that its self-insurance covers LEA's indemnification obligations under this Master Contract.

18) INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

This Master Contract is by and between two independent entities that have an independent contractual relationship. 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 Master Contract shall be deemed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employer and employee between the LEA and CONTRACTOR and any of their employees, agents, affiliates or other representatives, or between the LEA and any individual assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform any services for the LEA.

19) SUBCONTRACTING

- a) CONTRACTOR shall provide written notification to LEA before subcontracting for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Master Contract. CONTRACTOR shall enter into an initial subcontract only with a provider who is certified as a nonpublic school or nonpublic agency to delivery any of the instructional or related services contemplated under this Master Contract. The LEA and the CONTRACTOR shall maintain a copy of the written approval. CONTRACTOR shall provide all required clearances for its employees, including, but not limited to fingerprint requirements, and tuberculosis. When subcontracting with a nonpublic agency, CONTRACTOR shall not charge LEA a higher rate than its own approved collaborative rate.
- b) Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR enters into 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 insurance during the term of each subcontract. Such subcontractor's insurance shall comply with the provisions of Section 16. Each subcontractor shall furnish the LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 16. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The endorsements are to be on the forms provided by the LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by the LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. As an alternative to the LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affective the coverage required by this Master Contract. All subcontractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 46

Fingerprint Clearance Requirements and Section 47 Staff Qualifications of this Master Contract.

20) CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- a) CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall avoid any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code Section 56042 and including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provision of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at IEP/IFSP team meetings acting as a student's advocate.
- b) 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 the 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 the LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR's school/agency) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR.

21) NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR programs, activities, and practices shall be free from unlawful discrimination, including discrimination against an individual or group based on race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital, pregnancy, or parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, or genetic information; a perception of one or more of such characteristics; or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

22) FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

- a) LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP/IFSP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. Unless otherwise agreed to by the CONTRACTOR and the LEA, 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 the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall not accept an LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP/IFSP (California Education Code Section 56366.10(a)).

- b) Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, or facilities for LEA pupils, as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. Supplies and equipment purchased and/or provided by the LEA remains the property of the LEA. Supplies and/or equipment provided by the CONTRACTOR remains the property of the CONTRACTOR, if CONTRACTOR is not specifically reimbursed by the LEA for that specific supply or equipment. CONTRACTOR shall make no charge of any kind to parents for special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA pupil's IEP/IFSP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of the LEA pupil's enrollment under the terms of this Master Contract).
- c) Voluntary services and/or activities not necessary for the LEA student to receive a free appropriate public education shall not interfere with the LEA pupil's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA.

23) GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

a) General Program

- i) 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. No service will be provided by the CONTRACTOR outside of the CONTRACTOR's certification unless otherwise agreed to by the LEA.
- ii) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) be consistent with LEA's standards regarding required courses of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. The State Standards and coursework selected for each student shall be aligned with the student's IEP/IFSP to meet the individual student's needs.
- iii) LEA students shall have access to the following educational materials, services, and programs that are consistent with each student's individualized educational program: (a) For kindergarten and grades 1-8 inclusive, state adopted Common Core State Standards ("CCSS") for curriculum and instructional materials; and for grades 9-12 inclusive, standards-aligned, core curriculum and instructional materials used by any local educational agency that contracts with the non-public, non-sectarian 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 (California Education Code 56366.10). CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA within 5 days upon request.

- iv) When NPS 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 LEA students leading toward graduation or completion of diploma requirements. When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction and/or services shall be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines and provided as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. The nonpublic agency providing Behavior Intervention Development services shall review or develop a written plan that specifies the nature of its' nonpublic agency service for each LEA pupil within thirty (30) days of enrollment which shall be available upon request. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no parent, guardian or adult caregiver is present at the IEP meeting held to review and approve the plan. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the general program of instruction and/or services provided prior to the effective date of this Master Contract. Contractors providing Behavior Intervention services must have a Board Certified Behavior Analyst, or an appropriately trained professional.
- v) Except for emergency situations requiring a change of location in order to continue the education of LEA students, 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/IFSP 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, or the prior written consent of a parent, guardian or adult caregiver during the delivery of services. LCI contractors shall ensure that appropriate and qualified residential or clinical staff is present during the provision of services under this Master Contract.

b) Transportation Services:

- i) In the event that transportation services for a student served by CONTRACTOR pursuant to an Individual Services Agreement are to be provided by a party other than CONTRACTOR or the LEA or its transportation providers, such services shall be reflected in a separate agreement signed by the parties hereto, and provided to the LEA and SELPA Director by the CONTRACTOR. Except as

provided below, CONTRACTOR shall compensate the transportation provider directly for such services, and shall charge the LEA for such services at the actual and reasonable rates billed by the transportation provider, plus a ten percent (.10) administrative fee, unless a "flat rate" is provided in the transportation contract. In the event that the transportation provider notifies the LEA or SELPA Director that CONTRACTOR is more than 90 days behind in payment for transportation services, LEA shall have the right, in its sole and exclusive discretion, but not the obligation, to make payment for such services directly to the transportation provider, and to deduct such payments from any sums owed to CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Master Contract and any Individual Services Agreement between the parties. In the event that the LEA makes direct payment of the transportation provider's charges, it shall be entitled to withhold both the transportation charges themselves and such additional amount as shall be reasonably necessary to compensate the LEA for the staff and other costs incurred in making direct payment of those charges. The remedies provided to the LEA pursuant to this Paragraph shall not be exclusive. CONTRACTOR shall not include transportation through the use of services or equipment owned, leased or contracted through the LEA unless expressly provided in the Individual Services Agreement for the student transported.

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

24) INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

- a) 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, unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP/IFSP, and shall be specified in the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the LEA student's IEP/IFSP.
- b) For NPS students in grades pre-kindergarten through 12, unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP, the number of instructional minutes, excluding recess, lunch, and passing time, shall be at least the minimum as specified in Education Code Sections 46110-46147, and in no case will be less than the amount as specified in the IEP/IFSP. In addition, the total number of annual instructional minutes shall be at least equivalent to the total number of annual instructional minutes provided to LEA students attending LEA schools in like grade level unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP.

- c) 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 the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the LEA student's IEP/IFSP.

25) CLASS SIZE

- a) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that class size shall not exceed a ratio of one teacher per fourteen (14) pupils. Each classroom with 2 or more students shall be assigned at least one paraprofessional. Upon written approval by an authorized LEA representative, class size may be temporarily increased by a ratio of 1 teacher to sixteen (16) pupils when necessary to provide services to pupils with disabilities. For any billing period where the class size has exceeded sixteen (16) students for five consecutive school days, the CONTRACTOR shall have a 10% decrease in its approved daily rate for those LEA students that exceeded sixteen (16), for those days (over five).
- b) 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 student by first utilizing existing certificated staff. The nonpublic school and the 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.
- c) 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.

26) CALENDARS

- a) When CONTRACTOR is a Non-Public School, the CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed 180 days for the regular school year, plus extended school year billable days as determined by the IEP/IFSP team ((34 CFR § Section 300.106); a minimum of 20 instructional days (excluding July 4th). Billable days shall include only those days that are included in the submitted and approved school calendar, and/or required by the IEP/IFSP for each student. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to the requirements for providing Extended School Year as outlined in Title 5, Article 4 of the California Code of Regulations. Unless otherwise specified by the students IEP/IFSP, educational services shall occur at the school site.

- b) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency, CONTRACTOR shall be provided with a LEA developed/approved calendar; CONTRACTOR herein agrees to observe holidays as specified in the LEA-developed/approved calendar. CONTRACTOR shall provide services pursuant to the LEA-developed/approved calendar, or as specified in the LEA pupil's IEP/IFSP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA pupils on only those days that the LEA pupil's school of attendance is in session and the LEA student attends school. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for services provided on billable days of attendance as indicated on the LEA calendar unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA.

27) DATA REPORTING

- a) CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide all data related to student information and billing information with LEA. CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide all data related to any and all sections of this contract and requested by and in the format require by the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall provide the LEA with invoices, attendance reports and progress reports for LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's nonpublic school or nonpublic agency.
- b) The LEA shall provide the CONTRACTORS with approved forms and/or format for such data including but not limited to invoicing, attendance reports and progress reports. The LEA may approve use of CONTRACTORS-provided forms at their discretion.

28) LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT/DUAL ENROLLMENT

- a) CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA policies and procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") placement options and/or Dual Enrollment options for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.
- b) CONTRACTOR and LEA shall ensure that LRE placement options are addressed at all IEP/IFSP team meetings regarding students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. This shall include IEP/IFSP team consideration of supplementary aids and services, goals and objectives necessary for placement in the LRE and that may be necessary to enable students to transition to less restrictive settings. The District has the responsibility to determine the offer of FAPE in the Least Restrictive Environment.
- c) When an IEP/IFSP team has determined that an LEA student should be transitioned into the public school setting, CONTRACTOR shall assist the LEA in implementing the IEP/IFSP team's recommendations to support the transition.

29) STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

- a) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall be available to administer all Statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASPP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, and English Language Proficiency Assessment for California (ELPAC) or alternate assessment for ELPAC, as appropriate to the student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA and state and federal guidelines. In the event the LEA requests that the NPS administer the assessments, NPS staff will be trained by a contracting LEA in the administration of all State-wide assessments in accordance with the guidelines of Ed Code 56385. Verification of training will be maintained with CONTRACTOR.
- b) NPS 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, as determined by the student's IEP, by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. Contractor shall report the test results to the CDE as required by Education Code section 56366(a)(8)(A). Test results shall be made available to the CONTRACTOR by the LEA, if the results are not sent to the CONTRACTOR by the test publisher or CDE.
- c) LEA shall provide NPS with the SSID for each LEA student. LEA shall cooperate with CONTRACTOR to accommodate CONTRACTOR's testing window. (Education Code Section 56366(a)(8)(B))

30) ATTENDANCE AT DISTRICT MANDATED MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend District 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, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, and standardized testing. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute a billable service hour(s). After attending one meeting during the school year (including Extended School Year), upon request, a CONTRACTOR who is providing NPA services may request payment for services for attending any additional meetings mandated by the LEA. The request for payment will be at the CONTRACTOR'S agreed upon hourly rate.

31) POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 56521.5 regarding positive behavior interventions. 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 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. NPS site based staff and relevant NPA staff will be trained in positive behavior strategies prior to working with students.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and Behavioral Emergency Reports (BER).
- c) CONTRACTOR providing behavior support shall ensure that all of its relevant staff members are trained annually in crisis intervention and emergency procedures as related to appropriate behavior management strategies. Other contracted agency personnel shall be trained as needed. This is not to be construed as in lieu of general positive behavior management training.
- d) Staff will not participate in restraint of students until trained in crisis prevention programs. Evidence of training in a SELPA approved crisis intervention program to staff working in a staffing ratio of 1:1 with students with severe behavioral needs shall be submitted to the LEA at the beginning of the school year and within thirty (30) days of any new hire as referenced above. If the training is not able to be provided within 30 days, the non-public school or agency will notify the LEA to determine a plan to provide the training in a timely manner.
- e) Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1 emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a Behavior Intervention Plan (BIP), and instead may only be used to control behavior that is unpredictable and spontaneous. For an emergency intervention to be used, the behavior must pose a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the individual with exceptional needs, 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 intervention shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency.

- f) CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER when an emergency occurs that is defined as a serious, dangerous behavior that staff has determined to present a clear and present danger to others. It requires a non-violent physical intervention to protect the safety of student, self, or others and a physical intervention has been used; or a physical intervention has not been used, but an injury or serious property damage has occurred. Personal Safety Techniques may or may not have been used. Emergencies **require** a BER form be completed and submitted to the LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone. If the student does not have a Behavior Intervention Plan ("BIP") or Positive Behavior Intervention Plan ("PBIP"), an IEP team shall schedule a meeting to review the BER, determine if there is a necessity for a functional behavioral assessment, and to determine an interim plan. If the student already has a BIP, the IEP team shall review and modify the BIP if a new serious behavior has been exhibited or existing behavioral interventions have proven to be ineffective. CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days.
- g) Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.2, CONTRACTOR shall not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for the following interventions, or any other interventions similar to or like the following:
 - i) Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain, including, but not limited to, electric-shock
 - ii) An intervention that involves the release of noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mists, or substances in proximity to the face of the individual.
 - iii) An intervention that denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities.
 - iv) An intervention that is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject, the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or that can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma.
 - v) Restrictive interventions that employ a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities. including the procedure known as prone containment, except that prone containment or similar techniques may be used by trained personnel as a limited emergency intervention.

- vi) Locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
 - vii) An intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual.
 - viii) An intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.
- h) CONTRACTOR shall comply with Education Code section 48905.8. Specifically,
- i) CONTRACTOR shall not do any of the following:
 - a) Use seclusion or a behavioral restraint for the purpose of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.
 - b) Use locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
 - c) Use a physical restraint technique that obstructs a pupil's respiratory airway or impairs the pupil's breathing or respiratory capacity, including techniques in which a staff member places pressure on a pupil's back or places his or her body weight against the pupil's torso or back.
 - d) Use a behavioral restraint technique that restricts breathing, including, but not limited to, using a pillow, blanket, carpet, mat, or other item to cover a pupil's face.
 - e) Place a pupil in a facedown position with the pupil's hands held or restrained behind the pupil's back.
 - f) Use a behavioral restraint for longer than is necessary to contain the behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the pupil or others.
 - ii) CONTRACTOR shall:
 - a) Keep constant, direct observation of a pupil who is in seclusion, which may be through observation of the pupil through a window, or another barrier, through which the educational provider is able to make direct eye contact with the pupil. This observation shall not be through indirect means, including through a security camera or a closed-circuit television.
 - b) Afford to pupils who are restrained the least restrictive alternative and the maximum freedom of movement, and shall use the least number of restraint points, while ensuring the physical safety of the pupil and others.

- c) If prone restraint techniques are used, a staff member shall observe the pupil for any signs of physical distress throughout the use of prone restraint. Whenever possible, the staff member monitoring the pupil shall not be involved in restraining the pupil.
- h) Notwithstanding the provisions of Education Code 48905.8, NPS/NPA staff shall not use prone restraint.
- i) In the case of a child whose behavior impedes the child's learning or that of others, the individualized education program team shall consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations.

32) STUDENT DISCIPLINE

- a) CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with state and federal law and regulations.
- b) When NPS CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from his/her current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately submit a written discipline report to the LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the 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 the LEA student's behavior plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP/IFSP meeting no later than the tenth (10th) day of suspension. LEA shall notify and invite CONTRACTOR representatives to the IEP/IFSP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

33) IEP / IFSP TEAM MEETINGS

- a) Upon referral of an LEA student to CONTRACTOR, the LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of that student's IEP/IFSP, as well as available assessment information, and facilitate, if requested, an observation of the student. CONTRACTOR retains the right to decline enrollment of any student, unless ordered by the Office of Administrative Hearing (OAH) or a Court of Competent Jurisdiction. CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA written notification of its intent to decline enrollment of the LEA student.
- b) An IEP/IFSP 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 LEA student continue to be best met at the nonpublic

school; and (3) whether changes to the LEA student's IEP/IFSP are necessary, including whether the student may be transitioned to a public school setting. With parent and LEA concurrence, an IEP team may excuse a required IEP team member either from the entire meeting or after the member's report.

- c) Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of his or her IEP/IFSP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Master Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP/IFSP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. A CONTRACTOR who is providing NPA services may request payment for services for attending any meeting that occurs after the Annual Review of the IEP/IFSP. At any time during the term of this Master Contract, the parent, the CONTRACTOR or the LEA may request a review of the student's IEP/IFSP, 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/IFSP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to parents, CONTRACTOR and LEA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA assessments and written assessment reports by service providers upon request and/or pursuant to LEA policy and procedures.
- d) 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/IFSP. 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/IFSP for the purposes of consideration of 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 an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH.

34) SURROGATE PARENTS AND FOSTER YOUTH

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments. A student in foster care shall be defined pursuant to California Education Code section 42238.01(b). The LEA shall annually notify the CONTRACTOR who the LEA has designated as the educational liaison for foster children. When a student in foster care is enrolled in a nonpublic school by the LEA any time after the completion of the student's second year of high school, the CONTRACTOR shall schedule the student in courses leading towards graduation based on the diploma requirements of the LEA unless provided notice otherwise in writing pursuant to Section 51225.1.

35) 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 of Civil Rights, or any other state and/or federal governmental body or

agency. Full participation shall include, but in no way be limited to, cooperating with LEA representatives to provide complete answers raised by any investigator and/or the immediate provision of any and all documentation that pertains to the operation of CONTRACTOR's program and/or the implementation of a particular student's IEP/Individual and Family Service Plan ("IFSP").

36) COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and adhere to its written procedures for responding to parent complaints. These procedures shall include annually notifying and providing parents of LEA students with appropriate information (including complaint forms) for the following: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 et seq.; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Pupil Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8 (a) (d) and 106.9 (a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), if applicable. CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to the LEA upon request.

37) LEA STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS/REPORT CARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

- a) Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided on a monthly basis, progress reports shall be sent by CONTRACTOR to LEA and parents no later than October 30th, January 30th, April 30th, and July 30th or as otherwise specified on the IEP/IFSP or requested in writing by the LEA, with respect to LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program. An updated report shall be submitted if there is no current progress report when LEA student is scheduled for a review by the LEA's IEP/IFSP team or when an LEA student's enrollment is terminated. Payment of invoices may be held until progress reports are provided. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at the CONTRACTOR's place of business and made available upon request of LEA and/or the LEA student's parent(s).
- b) CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other assessment of the LEA student one month prior to the LEA student's annual or triennial review IEP/IFSP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP/IFSP team meeting as required by state and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA policies, procedures, and/or practices. Supporting documentation, such as test protocols and data collection, shall be made available to LEA upon request. CONTRACTOR shall not charge the LEA student's parent(s) or LEA for the provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any assessments, interviews, or meetings. Additional formalized standardized assessments shall be at the determination of the IEP team and the responsibility of the LEA unless otherwise agreed upon between LEA and CONTRACTOR. If Contractor is asked to provide formalized standardized assessment, such service will be paid at the rate stated in Section 62.

38) TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR, at the close of each semester or upon LEA student transfer, shall prepare transcripts for LEA students in grades nine through twelve inclusive, and submit them to the LEA student's district of residence, for evaluation of progress toward completion of diploma requirements, or if appropriate, a Certificate of Completion, as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall submit to the LEA names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by the LEA.

39) LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

- a) Within three (3) school days after CONTRACTOR or LEA becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and/or the LEA shall notify CONTRACTOR of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures. Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify parents in writing of the parent's obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of the LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to parents.
- b) If the LEA student's change of residence is to a residence outside of LEA's service boundaries or CONTRACTOR fails to follow the procedures specified in this provision, LEA shall not be responsible for the costs of services delivered after the LEA student's change of residence, if CONTRACTOR had knowledge or should reasonably have had knowledge of the LEA student's change of residence. LEAs will adhere to requirements for students identified as homeless or foster youth under current education code.

40) WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM PROGRAM

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report, by telephone, to the LEA when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services. CONTRACTOR shall confirm such telephone call with written submission within three (3) days.

41) PARENT ACCESS

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

- c) CONTRACTOR 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 situation. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider.
- d) For services provided in a student's home as specified in the IEP, CONTRACTOR must ensure 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.

42) SERVICES AND SUPERVISION ON PUBLIC SCHOOL CAMPUSES

- a) If CONTRACTOR provides services on LEA public school campuses, CONTRACTOR shall comply with Penal Code Section 627.1 et. seq., and LEA procedures regarding visitors to school campuses specified by LEA policy and in the LEA Procedures, and shall follow the procedures of the campus at which services are being provided.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for purchase and provision of the supplies and assessment tools necessary to implement the provision of services on LEA public school campuses.
- c) In the event CONTRACTOR wishes to bring an animal, other than a bona fide service animal, on LEA premises, both CONTRACTOR'S management and LEA must agree in writing.

43) LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION CONTRACTORS

- a) 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 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9 (c) (1), Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b), AB 1858 (2004), AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003), AB 1261 (2005), AB 1166 Chapter 171 (2015), AB 167 Chapter 224 (2010), AB 2016 Chapter 324 (2013), AB 379 Chapter 772 (2015), AB 1012 Chapter 703 (2015), A

LCI shall not require that a student be placed in its nonpublic school as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

- b) 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/IFSP at the time of enrollment.

44) 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.

45) MONITORING

- a) CONTRACTOR shall allow access by LEA to its facilities for periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program and shall be invited to participate in the review of each student's progress. LEA shall have access to observe each LEA student at work, observe the instructional setting, interview CONTRACTOR, and review each LEA student's records and progress. Such access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR's site administrative office.
- b) If CONTRACTOR is also a LCI, LEA shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR is in compliance with Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b).
- c) During the term of this Master Contract, CONTRACTOR shall participate in a District Review to be conducted as aligned with the CDE On-site Review or more often if necessary. This review will address programmatic aspects of the Nonpublic School/Agency, compliance with relevant state and federal regulations, and Master Contract compliance.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall participate in compliance reviews of LEA in accordance with requirements of CDE. CONTRACTOR will use all SELPA IEP forms. CONTRACTOR will adhere to all SELPA assurances and procedures required for compliance.
- e) 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.

- f) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall prepare a School Accountability Report Card in accordance with California Education Code Section 56366(a)(9) and 33126 and state guidelines.

PERSONNEL

46) FINGERPRINT CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

- a) 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 CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA students, prior to service with any LEA student. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA pupils, shall not come in contact with LEA students until CDOJ and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA students, or contractors who may come into contact with LEA students have been convicted of a violent or serious felony as those terms are defined in California Education Code section 44237(h), unless despite the employee's conviction of a violent or serious felony, he or she has met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237(i) or (j). In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from the CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.
- b) According to Education Code sections 44237 and 56366.1 CONTRACTOR shall verify that it 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 who may have contact with students.** 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 State Superintendent 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 with their "Custodian of Records", 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 to the State Superintendent.

47) STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services hold a license, certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold in the service rendered consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1) and are qualified pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3064 and 3065.
- b) Only those nonpublic, nonsectarian schools or agencies located outside of California that employ staff that 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. NPA/NPS staff shall be required to hold credentials and licenses within the state where they are providing services regardless of where the agency is located.
- c) 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. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.
- d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if current license or credential documents are not available through no fault of the NPS/A, timely application having theretofore been made, this Master Contract shall remain in effect until such documents are made available to the NPS/A from the Consumer Affairs Department or the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The NPS/A shall in turn submit copies of same to the LEA within five (5) business days of receipt by the NPS/A.

48) VERIFICATION OF LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, 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 by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify the CDE and the LEA in writing as specified in the LEA Procedures and CDE within forty-five (45) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students as specified in the LEA Procedures. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if current license or credential documents are not available through no fault of the NPS/A, timely application having theretofore been made, this Master Contract shall

remain in effect until such documents are made available to the NPS/A from the Consumer Affairs Department or the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The NPS/A shall in turn submit copies of same to the LEA within five (5) business days of receipt by the NPS/A.

- b) CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide special education services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA updated information regarding the status of licenses, credentials, permits and/or other documents as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR will be considered to be in breach of this contract for any service provided by an unqualified provider or one who has an expired credential. In such an event, the provider shall be paid at 70% of the agreed upon rate.

49) CALSTRS REPORTING REQUIREMENT

CONTRACTOR shall identify to the LEA any employee (or the CONTRACTOR, if the CONTRACTOR is an individual) expected to perform services under this Agreement who is then-receiving CalSTRS benefits, and who may perform creditable service for the LEA as defined in Education Code 22119.5. Identification to the LEA shall include the individual's full legal name and STRS and social security identification numbers. Before any services by the individual are provided, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA a signed written confirmation from the individual that he/she is aware of the separation-from-service requirement earnings limitations imposed by Education Code Sections 22714, 24114, 24116, 24214, 24214.5, and 24215. CONTRACTOR shall thereafter provide on a monthly basis to the LEA the actual amounts paid to the individual for services rendered under this Agreement, with the LEA responsible for reporting the individual's earnings to CalSTRS as required by law or regulation.

Pursuant to Education Code 22164.5(b), the activities of an employee of CONTRACTOR shall not be included in the definition of "retired member activities" if all of the following conditions apply:

- (1) The employee performs a limited-term agreement.
- (2) The third-party employer does not participate in a California public pension system.
- (3) The activities performed by the individual are not normally performed by employees of an employer, as defined in Section 22131.

50) STAFF ABSENCE

- a) 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 payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided. If a teacher is absent and a non-qualified substitute has been provided, CONTRACTOR will notify the LEA immediately. The LEA will determine how to address the denial of FAPE.

- b) 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 eight (8) of this Master Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides a mutually agreed upon plan 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. Provider shall notify LEA immediately of the development of the plan for any missed services that include: 5 or more consecutive days of specialized academic instruction (SAI) or more than 2 weeks of missed related services. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make-up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and LEA.

HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES

51) HEALTH AND SAFETY

- a) 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. 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 will comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 35021 et seq., regarding preventing registered sex offenders from volunteering and to request fingerprinting clearance of volunteers.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standards, Title 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 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.

52) FACILITIES, FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS AND FIRE DRILLS

- a) Facilities: CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to LEA pupils in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related to, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR's facilities as required complying with applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances.
- b) Fire Drills: When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills monthly for elementary and intermediate students and twice per school year for secondary students, as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations, Section 550.

53) ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

- a) CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Federal Regulations and California Education Code and the California Code of Regulations, when CONTRACTOR serves an LEA student that is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the LEA student with the administration of such medication after the LEA student's parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR:
 - i) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and
 - ii) a written statement from the LEA student's parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement.
- b) 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 the 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.
- c) CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for assuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders or current student's Individual Health Care Plan. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and parent.

54) INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA within 12 hours of learning of any significant accident or incident. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports within one business day pursuant to the procedures specified in LEA Procedures.

55) MANDATED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- a) CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 et seq. and California Education Code 44691. 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 notice acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA upon request.
- b) CONTRACTOR agrees to provide annual training to all employees regarding mandated child abuse reporting laws, and shall maintain documentation, signed by each staff member receiving such training. CONTRACTOR agrees that its obligations to report incidents of abuse or neglect to the LEA are in addition to, and not in lieu of, CONTRACTOR's obligation to immediately report suspected abuse or neglect to the appropriate public authorities; a written report should be submitted within 36 hours (PC 11166(a)). CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidential records of any report of suspected child abuse and shall inform the LEA by facsimile or email within 24 hours (and followed up with U.S. mail) of becoming aware of circumstances including, but not limited to allegations of abuse involving a staff member.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of general concerns regarding the health and safety of a student that may impact the student's educational program, including the need for mental health services, injuries requiring medical attention or injuries resulting from physical restraint.

56) SEXUAL HARASSMENT

CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request, 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.

57) REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

- a) CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all staff members, including volunteers, 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 the LEA upon request.
- b) In the event a child elopes from an NPS or Residential Treatment Center and evades adult supervision, the LEA shall be notified immediately following contact to law enforcement.

FINANCIAL

58) ENROLLMENT, CONTRACTING, SERVICE TRACKING, ATTENDANCE REPORTING, AND BILLING PROCEDURES

- a) CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the school or agency has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the students enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP/IFSP for each and every student.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. All payments by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Contract.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall maintain registers for the basic education program and each related service. Original attendance forms shall be completed by the actual service provider whose signature shall appear on such forms and shall be available for review, inspection, or audit by LEA during the effective period of this contract and for a period of five (5) years after the date of origination. CONTRACTOR shall verify the accuracy of minutes of reported attendance that is the basis of services being billed for payment.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall submit accurate and timely invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided to an LEA student. Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the attendance accounting period in which the services were rendered. LEA shall make payment to CONTRACTOR based on the number of billable days of attendance and hours of service at rates specified in this contract within forty-five (45) days of LEA's receipt of properly submitted hard copy of invoices prepared and submitted as specified in California Education Code Section 56366.5. CONTRACTOR shall correct deficiencies and submit rebilling invoices no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the invoice is

returned by LEA. LEA shall pay properly submitted re-billing invoices no later than forty-five (45) days from the date a completely corrected re-billing invoice is received by LEA.

- e) If the LEA fails to comply with the provision of payment within 45 days of receipt of the request for payment of services, the CONTRACTOR may require the LEA to pay an additional amount of 1-1/2 percent of the unpaid balance per month until full payment is made (California Education Code 56366.6 (b)). Upon written notification of dispute, CONTRACTOR shall not apply additional charges to the disputed bill until the matter is resolved.

59) RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

- a) LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when:
 - i) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this contract
 - ii) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records
 - iii) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by Section 57
 - iv) education and/or related services are provided to LEA pupils by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified
 - v) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA pupils enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program
 - vi) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a pupil's change of residence to another district or confirms the change of residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA with five (5) days of such confirmation
 - vii) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA pupil.
- b) The amount which may be withheld by LEA with respect to each of the subparagraphs of the preceding paragraph are as follows:

- i) the value of the service CONTRACTOR failed to perform
 - ii) the amount of overpayment
 - iii) the entire portion of the invoice for which satisfactory documentation has not been provided by CONTRACTOR
 - iv) the amount invoiced for services provided by the individual not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified
 - v) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable pupil for the time period from the date of the violation occurred and until the violation is cured
 - vi) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable pupil for the time period from the date of the violation occurred and until the violation is cured
 - vii) the amount paid to CONTRACTOR by Medi-Cal or another agency or funding source for the service provided to the LEA pupil.
- c) If LEA determines that cause exists to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR, LEA shall, within ten (10) business days of receipt of such invoice, 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.
- d) If after subsequent request for payment has been denied and CONTRACTOR believes that payment should not be withheld, CONTRACTOR shall send written notice to LEA specifying the reason it believes payment should not be withheld. LEA shall respond to CONTRACTOR's notice within thirty (30) business days by indicating that a warrant for the amount of payment will be made or stating the reason LEA believes payment should not be made. If LEA fails to respond within thirty (30) business days or a dispute regarding the withholding of payment continues after the LEA's response to CONTRACTOR's notice, CONTRACTOR shall invoke the following escalation policy.
- i) Persons involved after forty-one (41) business days: If CONTRACTOR notifies LEA that the dispute has not been resolved by the LEA Specialist, LEA's Administrator will become involved and shall attempt to resolve the dispute. The

LEA Coordinator shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within ten (10) business days.

- ii) Persons involved after fifty-one (51) business days: If CONTRACTOR notifies LEA that the dispute has not been resolved by the LEA Administrator, the SELPA Director shall become involved. The SELPA Director shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within ten (10) business days. This shall be the final LEA determination regarding the withholding of payment.
 - iii) Persons involved after sixty-one (61) business days: Dispute Resolution, as defined in the SELPA's Local Plan, shall be followed.
- e) If the dispute has not been resolved through the SELPA's Dispute Resolution process, the party claiming injury may seek legal or CDE redress, or may submit, if mutually agreed to in writing by the parties, the matter to binding arbitration by an arbitrator or arbitration service agreed upon by the parties. Each party shall be responsible for their own fees for arbitration, if applicable. The parties agree that this Master Contract provision dealing with Master Contract disputes does not alter the parties' right to bring action in accordance with the applicable statute of limitations under state or federal law.

60) 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 covered by this Master Contract or the ISA to LEA pupils. 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 covered by this Master Contract or ISA to LEA pupils.

61) PAYMENT FOR STUDENT ABSENCES

- a) Two accounting/billing options are offered at the discretion of the LEA: "Excused Absence" or "Positive Attendance." In neither case will CONTRACTOR bill for any absences during Extended School Year (ESY).
 - i) **Positive Attendance Method**
 - a) A factor of 1.055 shall be applied to all approved rates when a Positive Attendance method is used. Actual days of attendance without exception shall be counted as a unit of service.
 - ii) **Excused Absence Method**

- a) LEA shall not be responsible for payment for more than 8 cumulative days of absences, for each of the first ninety days and second ninety days of the school year (i.e., semester), unless a written time extension is granted by LEA. No more than three of the 8 cumulative absences shall be unexcused.
 - b) On the 4th consecutive day of a pupil's absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of such absence. If CONTRACTOR fails to provide such notice by the 4th day of consecutive absence, CONTRACTOR shall not be compensated for services delivered during continuing absence after the 4th consecutive day of excused absence.
 - c) All excused absences must be verified and a copy must be submitted to LEA with the monthly invoice. All documentation must be kept for at least five (5) years from the date of origination.
 - d) Only the individuals listed below may verify the reason for absence:
 - (1) School or public health nurse
 - (2) Physician
 - (3) Principal
 - (4) Teacher
 - (5) School employee assigned to make such verification
 - (6) Student eighteen years of age or over
 - (7) Parent
 - e) Any reasonable method which established the reason for the absence may be used:
 - (1) Written note from parent, guardian, representative or adult pupil (over 18 or emancipated)
 - (2) Telephone conversation with parent, guardian, representative, or adult pupil (over 18 or emancipated)
 - f) Standards for excused absences are defined in the education code. Contractor is responsible for verification of excused absence in accordance with current requirements.
- b) The following shall apply in the event of an NPS school closure due to an emergency consistent with guidelines followed by LEAs under Education Code Section 41422:
- i) Pursuant to an application for a waiver by an LEA, the CONTRACTOR shall receive the daily rate for pupils who were in attendance prior to the emergency closure as though they were continuing in their regular attendance.
 - i) In the event a waiver is not approved, the CONTRACTOR shall be required to schedule a makeup day of service in accordance with the

education code. The NPS will work collaboratively with LEAs and inform them of a date(s) on which the makeup day will occur.

62) NONPUBLIC AGENCY PUPIL ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency, it shall notify LEA of the absence of an LEA student no later than the fifth consecutive service day of the student's absence. A unit of service for payment purposes shall not be credited for an excused absence when CONTRACTOR is provided 24 hours advance verbal notification of the student's absence. A unit of service for payment purposes shall not be credited to CONTRACTOR for CONTRACTOR'S staff development days.

63) INSPECTION AND AUDIT

- a) The CONTRACTOR shall maintain and the 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 Master Contract.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b). CONTRACTOR shall make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to:
 - i) student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b)
 - ii) registers and roll books of teachers
 - iii) daily service logs and notes or other documents used to record the provision of related services
 - iv) Medi-Cal/daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record provision of services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, bus aides, and supervisors
 - v) absence verification records (parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents)
 - vi) bus rosters
 - vii) staff lists specifying credentials held, business licenses held, documents evidencing other qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination
 - viii) staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets
 - ix) transportation and other related service subcontracts
 - x) school calendars
 - xi) bell/class schedules
 - xii) liability and worker's compensation insurance policies

- xiii) state nonpublic school and/or agency certifications
 - xiv) marketing materials
 - xv) by-laws
 - xvi) lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; statements of income and expenses
 - xvii) general journals
 - xviii) cash receipts and disbursement books
 - xix) general ledgers and supporting documents
 - xx) federal/state payroll quarterly reports; and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.
 - xxi) Such access shall include unannounced inspections by LEA. CONTRACTOR shall make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall make all records, or copies of records, available at either the office of the LEA or at the CONTRACTOR's offices (to be specified by LEA) at all times and without charge. All records shall be provided to LEA within ten (10) 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 the LEA, unless the LEA agrees to the use of the electronic format. CONTRACTOR may request from the LEA an extension of time to comply with any records request, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- e) If an inspection, review, or audit by the LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm determines that the CONTRACTOR or the LEA owes the other monies as a result of over billing, underpayment, or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Master Contract, the party owed money shall provide to the other party written notice demanding payment and specifying the basis or bases for such demand. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the party that owes money shall make such payment within thirty (30) days of receipt of the written notice demanding payment. In the event that a party from whom payment is demanded disputes that any payment is owed, the matter shall be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution section of this Master Contract.
- f) The attached rate schedule limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the contract. It may also limit the maximum number of students that can be provided specific services. Per diem rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day shall 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 contract, shall be as stated in Section 62.

64) RATE SCHEDULE

Per Diem rates for students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted proportionally. In such cases only, the adjustments in basic education rate shall be based on the percentage the required minimum number of minutes per grade level as noted in California Education Code Section 46200-46208.

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

CONTRACTOR: Bay Area Educational Institute

The CONTRACTOR CDS NUMBER: _____

PER ED CODE 56366 – TEACHER-TO-PUPIL RATIO: _____

Education service(s) offered by the CONTRACTOR and the charges for such service(s) during the term of this contract, as negotiated on behalf of the LEAs, shall be as follows:

a) Non-Bundled Education Program

i) General Program Tuition Daily Rate: \$211.00

ii) Related Services:

Service	Rate	Period
Intensive Individual Services (340)		
Language and Speech (415) INDIVIDUAL	\$135.00	Hour
Language and Speech (415) GROUP	\$135.00	Hour
Adapted Physical Education (425)		
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)		
Health and Nursing: Other Services (436)		
Assistive/Adaptive Technology Services (445)	\$145.00	Hour

Occupational Therapy (450) INDIVIDUAL	\$201.00	Hour
Occupational Therapy (450) GROUP	\$201.00	Hour
Physical Therapy (460) INDIVIDUAL		
Physical Therapy (460) INDIVIDUAL		
Individual Counseling (510)	\$160.00	Hour
Counseling and Guidance (515)	\$160.00	Hour
Parent Counseling (520)		
Social Work Services (525)		
Psychological Services (530)		
Behavior Intervention Services (535)		
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)		
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing (710)		
Interpreter Services (715)		
Audiological Services (720)		
Specialized Vision Services (725)		
Orientation and Mobility (730)		
Specialized Orthopedic Services (740)		
Reader Services (745)		
Transcription Services (755)		
Recreation Services, Including Therapeutic (760)		
College Awareness (820)		
Work Experience Education (850)		
Job Coaching (855)		
Mentoring (860)		
Travel Training (870)		

Other Transition Services (890)		
Educational Therapy	\$145.00	Hour
Service		

b) Bundled Education Program

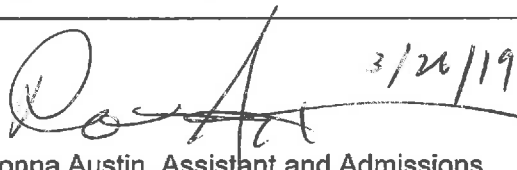
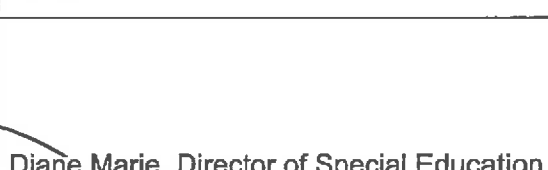
- i) Includes Educational Counseling (not ed related mental health) services, Speech & Language services, Behavior Intervention Planning, and Occupational Therapy as specified on the student's IEP.
- ii) Daily Rate: _____

APPROVALS

Master Contract approved by the governing Board on _____

Total amount of contract not to exceed **\$40,000.00**

The parties hereto have executed this Individual Services Agreement by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives as set forth below.

CONTRACTOR	DISTRICT
Bay Area Educational Institute	Albany Unified School District
(Signature & Date)	(Signature & Date)
 Donna Austin, Assistant and Admissions Director	 Diane Marie, Director of Special Education
Bayhill High School	Victoria Berndt, Special Education Secretary
1940 Virginia Street	819 Bancroft Way
Berkeley, CA 94709	Berkeley, CA 94710
Phone: 510-984-0599 Fax: 510-984-0729 Email: Website: www.bayhillhs.org	Phone: 510-559-6536 Fax: 510-559-6543 Email: vberndt@ausdk12.org Website: www.ausdk12.org

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

ITEM: MASTER CONTRACT BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND A BETTER CHANCE SCHOOL

PREPARED BY: DIANE MARIE, DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

TYPE OF ITEM: CONSENT

PURPOSE:

Board of Trustees to approve the 2019-2020 Master Contract with A Better Chance School.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Per student need, District contracts with non public schools for basic education and related services.

DETAILS:

A Better Chance School will provide basic education and related services to District students whose needs cannot be met in a public school setting.

 X Standard Contract
 Contract deviates from Standard Contract
 New Contract
 X Renew Contract

KEY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Q. Why contract for services instead of hiring District staff?

A. Needs of District students cannot be met in a public school setting.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Not to exceed \$211,966.68

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



***Objective #1:** Assess and Increase Academic Success. **Goal:** We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child. Goal: We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Master Contract between Albany Unified School District and A Better Chance School.

*Nonpublic, Nonsectarian
School/Agency Services*

Master Contract

2019-2020

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Contract Year: 2019-2020

LEA: Albany Unified School District

NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGENCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER:

A BETTER CHANCE SCHOOL

NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

1) MASTER CONTRACT

- a) This Master Contract is entered into this 1st day of July, between the Albany Unified School District (hereinafter referred to as "LEA") and A Better Chance School (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 pursuant to an Individualized Education Program (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"), and/or Individual Family Service Plan (hereinafter referred to as IFSP)
- b) The Collaborative: The Bay Area Collaborative represents ten (10) SELPAs and Member NPA/S (see appendix A for a complete listing and contact information). Nonpublic schools and nonpublic agencies that are contracting with in one of the participating SELPAs agree to participate in this collaborative process to establish a uniform contract for identified services and standards. The established system provides NPA/Ss with an opportunity to have input to the development of the process, contract issues, etc., and a simplified, standard process for rate negotiation with the participating SELPAs. Issues

listed on the Rate Schedule portion of this Master Contract may be reviewed on an annual basis upon request of the CONTRACTOR using the established Bay Area SELPA Collaborative system. CONTRACTOR agrees that the rates set forth in this Master Contract will remain unchanged from July 1 through June 30 of the term of contract, with no changes in the services provided, unless changed in a duly executed amendment to this Master Contract signed by both parties. Increases in rates will be considered on an annual basis and remain unchanged for the term of the contract from July 1 through June 30, with no changes in level of service provided without written approval by both parties.

- c) NPA/Ss that are not a member of the Bay Area Collaborative should negotiate rates with their geographically corresponding SELPA(s). The LEA will contact the corresponding SELPA to verify established rates. Increases in rates will be considered on an annual basis and remain unchanged for the following year from July 1 through June 30, with no changes provided without written approval by both parties.
- d) Any CONTRACTOR not participating as a member of the Bay Area SELPA Collaborative shall individually negotiate rates following local SELPA and/or LEA procedures. Those CONTRACTORS shall notify the SELPA with whom they contract of any proposed rate changes effective July 1 by March 1 of the preceding year.
- e) The Bay Area SELPA Collaborative Chair shall maintain, annually update and disseminate to all LEAs, NPS/As who are members of the Collaborative, a master rate schedule reflecting such NPS/A rates.
- f) Upon CONTRACTOR's acceptance of a student referred by the LEA, the LEA shall complete an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA") as specified in the LEA Procedures which shall identify the provider of each service required by the student's IEP/IFSP). For purposes of enrollment, the LEA must provide approval before any authorization for payment can be made. Such authorization may be provided electronically, by telecommunications, by mail or by fax. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, or in the student's ISA, CONTRACTOR acknowledges its obligation to provide all services specified in the pupil's IEP/IFSP. The LEA acknowledges its responsibility to pay for all services rendered to LEA students by CONTRACTOR. The ISA shall be executed within ninety (90) days of an LEA student's enrollment. (Education Code Section 56366(c)(1)) LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA in writing in advance of providing any service(s) when CONTRACTOR is unable to meet the requirements of this Master Contract or of any Individual Services Agreement.
- g) 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 the student's parent.

2) 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, a representative of the Special Education Plan Local Area (SELPA) of which the LEA is a member is an authorized LEA representative in collaboration with the LEA. The LEA maintains sole responsibility for the contract, unless otherwise specified in the contract.
- c) The term "credential" means a valid credential, life diploma, permit, a county office of education Temporary County Certificate or document in special education or pupil personnel services issued by, or under the jurisdiction of, the State Board of Education if issued prior to 1970 or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, which entitles the holder thereof to perform services for which certification qualifications are required as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(g).
- d) The term "qualified" means that a person holds a certificate, permit or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to provide special education and designated instruction and services and 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, including those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 3064 and 3065, and adheres to the standards of professional practice established in federal and state law or regulation, including the standards contained in the California Business and Professions Code.
 - i) Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities in services of a graduate needing direct hours leading to licensure, or of a student teacher or intern leading to a graduate degree at an accredited or approved college or university, as authorized by state laws or regulations.

- 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, including but not limited to mental health and board and care services at a residential placement, or refer to themselves using a specified professional title. 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(l).
- 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 Code of Federal Regulations 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 the 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 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.
- i) It is understood that the term “Master Contract” also means “Agreement” and is referred to as such in this document.

3) TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Master Contract shall be from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)). Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the 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, 2019. If the

subsequent Master Contract has not been executed prior to June 30, 2020, this Contract shall remain in force and effect until terminated as provided herein or a new Master Contract is executed.

4) 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 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 CDE certification.

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

- a) 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.
- b) A current copy of CONTRACTOR's licenses and nonpublic school/agency certifications, or a validly issued waiver of any such certification must be provided to LEA on or before the date this Master Contract is executed by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR must immediately (and under no circumstances longer than three (3) calendar days) notify LEA 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. If any such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or

otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Master Contract, this Master Contract shall be null and void.

- c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if current (re)certification documents are not available through no fault of the NPS/A, this Master Contract shall remain in effect until such documents are made available to the NPS/A, which shall in turn submit copies of same to the LEA within five (5) business days of receipt by the NPS/A. The NPS/A shall, within five (5) business days of any change in the status of its approved capacity to serve a specific number of students notify the LEA of the change.

5) COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

- a) During the term of this Master Contract the CONTRACTOR and the LEA shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations relating to the provision of special education and related services, and facilities for individuals with exceptional needs.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all policies pursuant to the Local Plan, unless, taking into consideration all of the surrounding facts and circumstances, a policy or policies or a portion of a policy does not reasonably apply to CONTRACTOR.
- c) 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 16 of this Master Contract for all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with LEA policies.
- d) The CONTRACTOR shall comply with those policies, relating to among other things, the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, LEA pupil enrollment and transfer, LEA student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions.

6) RIGHT TO REPORT MASTER CONTRACT VIOLATIONS

CONTRACTOR and LEA acknowledge and understands that either party 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) or action by the CDE against the LEA.

7) INTEGRATION / CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

- a) This Master Contract includes the LEA Procedures and each Individual Services Agreement and they are incorporated herein by this reference. Upon written request,

LEA agrees to make all of its policies and procedures available to CONTRACTOR, either electronically or by hard copy. This Master Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement with respect to the terms set forth in this Master Contract. This Master Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the LEA may modify the LEA procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

- b) CONTRACTOR shall provide the LEA with information as requested in writing to secure a Master Contract or a renewal.
- c) At a minimum, such information shall include copies of teacher credentials and clearance, insurance documentation and CDE certification. The LEA may require additional information as applicable. 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 students at the discretion of the LEA.

8) INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

- a) This contract shall include an Individual Services Agreement (ISA) developed for each LEA student to whom CONTRACTOR is to provide special education and/or related services. An ISA shall only be issued for LEA student's enrolled with the approval of the LEA pursuant to Education Code section 56366 (a)(2)(A).
- b) ISAs are void upon termination or expiration of the Master Contract. In the event that this Master Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR and the LEA 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, until such time as a new Master Contract is executed.
- c) 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 the LEA student's IEP/IFSP. 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/IFSP subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including notice to and participation by the CONTRACTOR in the IEP Team meeting.
- d) Unless otherwise provided in this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP/IFSP unless the CONTRACTOR and the LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code sections 56366(a) (5) and 3062(e)). In the event the CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the term of the ISA, the CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided.

- e) If a parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the California Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "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.
- f) Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the formulation of an ISA or the Master Contract may be appealed to the local SELPA office prior to appeal to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code section 56366 (C) (2).

ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

9) NOTICES

All notices provided for by this contract shall be in writing. Notices shall be faxed, emailed with verification of receipt, mailed by first class mail deposited with the United States Postal Service 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:

Name: Diane Marie, Director of Special Education
 LEA: Albany Unified School District
 Address: 819 Bancroft Way
 City, State, Zip: Berkeley, CA 94710
 Phone: 510-559-6536

Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on signature page.

10) MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

- a) 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: student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b); 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; daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record the provision of related services including supervision; daily service logs and notes used to record the provision of services provided through additional instructional assistants, NPA behavior intervention aides, and bus aides; 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 and documents evidencing other staff qualifications, 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 of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; statement of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books; general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/state payroll quarterly reports; and bank statements and cancelled checks or facsimile thereof.

- b) CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA electronic and physical 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 and the legitimate interests thereof (California Education Code Section 49064). Such log shall be maintained as required and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, and date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the LEA student's record. Such logs need to record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record (Education Code Section 49064). 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 LEA student records to LEA within five (5) business days. These records shall include, but not be limited to, the LEA student's current transcripts, IEP/IFSPs, and reports. LEA and/or SELPA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all records upon request within five (5) business days.

11) SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision or portion of a 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.

12) SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This Master Contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. Contractor shall notify the LEA within 30 days of any change of ownership or corporate control.

13) 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 the LEA is located.

14) MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

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

15) TERMINATION OF MASTER CONTRACT AND/OR INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Master Contract may be terminated with or without cause by either the CONTRACTOR or LEA. To terminate the Master Contract either party shall give twenty (20) calendar days prior written notice (California Education Code Section 56366(a)(4)). 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, as provided in Section 5 or 6. CONTRACTOR or LEA may terminate an ISA for cause. To terminate the ISA, either party shall give twenty (20) calendar days prior written notice (refer to Section 7).

In the event of the closure of a non-public school or agency, the LEA will be given as much notice as is reasonably possible.

16) INSURANCE

- a) CONTRACTOR shall procure and maintain for the duration of the Master Contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property, which may arise from or in connection with performance under this Master Contract by CONTRACTOR, its agents, representatives, or employees.
- b) Prior to final approval of this Master Contract, CONTRACTOR shall deliver to the LEA a certificate of insurance for each required policy with insurers and additional insured policy endorsements for the comprehensive general liability insurance and comprehensive automobile liability insurance. If at any time said policies of insurance

lapse or become canceled, this MASTER CONTRACT shall become void. The acceptance by LEA of the above-required insurance does not serve to limit the liability or responsibility of the insurer or CONTRACTOR.

c) Insurance coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- i) Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence form CG 0001).
- ii) Insurance Services Office form number CA 0001 (Ed. 1/2010) covering Automobile Liability, code 1 (any auto).
- iii) Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the state in which services are performed and Employer's Liability Insurance with limits of \$2,000,000/\$2,000,000/\$2,000,000.

d) CONTRACTOR shall maintain limits of insurance no less than:

	Agencies with 1-5 providers	Agencies with 6+ providers and non-public school	Residential
General Liability			
Per occurrence	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000
Fire damage	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
Medical expenses	\$5,000	5,000	5,000
Personal and adv. Injury	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
General aggregate	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$6,000,000
Business Auto Liability combined single limit	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions coverage not to exclude sexual molestation and abuse coverage unless that coverage is afforded elsewhere in the commercial general liability insurance			
Per Occurrence	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$3,000,000
General Aggregate	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$6,000,000
Workers Compensation and Employers Liability	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

e) For all insurance coverage procured by CONTRACTOR, the following terms apply:

- i) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$25,000 must be declared in writing to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to: (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects to the LEA, its officials and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.
- ii) The general liability and automobile liability policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:
 - a) The LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees are to be covered as additional insured as respects: liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR; products and completed operations of the CONTRACTOR; premises owned, occupied or used by the CONTRACTOR; or automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by the CONTRACTOR. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees.
 - b) For any claims related to the services, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the LEA, its subsidiaries,

officials and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees shall be excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

- c) Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the LEA.
- f) Insurance is to be placed with insurers admitted by the State of California and with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A-: VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the LEA.
- g) The CONTRACTOR shall furnish the LEA with original or photocopies of endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. All Certificates of Insurance shall reference the contract number, the name of school or agency submitting the contract number, the name of school or agency submitting the certificate, an indication if the school or agency is an NPS or NPA, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate.
- h) If LEA or CONTRACTOR determines that change in insurance coverage obligations under this section is necessary, either party may reopen negotiations to modify the insurance obligations.

17) INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold LEA and its Board Members, administrators, employees, agents, attorneys, volunteers, and subcontractors ("LEA Indemnities") harmless against all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of this Master Contract or its performance, to the extent that such loss, expense, damage or liability was caused, in whole or in part, by negligence, intentional act or willful misconduct of CONTRACTOR, including, without limitation, its agents, employees, subcontractors or anyone employed directly or indirectly by it (excluding LEA and LEA Indemnities). The duty and obligation to defend shall arise immediately upon tender of a claim or lawsuit to the CONTRACTOR.
- b) LEA shall indemnify and hold CONTRACTOR and its Board Members, administrators, employees, agents, attorneys, and subcontractors ("CONTRACTOR Indemnities") harmless against all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of this Master Contract or its performance, to the extent that such loss, expense, damage or liability was proximately caused by the gross negligence or willful act of LEA, including, without limitation, its agents, employees,

subcontracts or anyone employed directly or indirectly by it (excluding CONTRACTOR and/or any CONTRACTOR indemnities).

- c) LEA represents that it is self-insured in compliance with the laws of the state of California, that the self-insurance covers district employees acting within the course and scope of their respective duties and that its self-insurance covers LEA's indemnification obligations under this Master Contract.

18) INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

This Master Contract is by and between two independent entities that have an independent contractual relationship. 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 Master Contract shall be deemed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employer and employee between the LEA and CONTRACTOR and any of their employees, agents, affiliates or other representatives, or between the LEA and any individual assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform any services for the LEA.

19) SUBCONTRACTING

- a) CONTRACTOR shall provide written notification to LEA before subcontracting for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Master Contract. CONTRACTOR shall enter into an initial subcontract only with a provider who is certified as a nonpublic school or nonpublic agency to delivery any of the instructional or related services contemplated under this Master Contract. The LEA and the CONTRACTOR shall maintain a copy of the written approval. CONTRACTOR shall provide all required clearances for its employees, including, but not limited to fingerprint requirements, and tuberculosis. When subcontracting with a nonpublic agency, CONTRACTOR shall not charge LEA a higher rate than its own approved collaborative rate.
- b) Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR enters into 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 insurance during the term of each subcontract. Such subcontractor's insurance shall comply with the provisions of Section 16. Each subcontractor shall furnish the LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 16. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The endorsements are to be on the forms provided by the LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by the LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. As an alternative to the LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affective the coverage required by this Master Contract. All subcontractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 46

Fingerprint Clearance Requirements and Section 47 Staff Qualifications of this Master Contract.

20) CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- a) CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall avoid any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code Section 56042 and including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provision of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at IEP/IFSP team meetings acting as a student's advocate.
- b) 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 the 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 the LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR's school/agency) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR.

21) NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR programs, activities, and practices shall be free from unlawful discrimination, including discrimination against an individual or group based on race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital, pregnancy, or parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, or genetic information; a perception of one or more of such characteristics; or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

22) FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

- a) LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP/IFSP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. Unless otherwise agreed to by the CONTRACTOR and the LEA, 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 the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall not accept an LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP/IFSP (California Education Code Section 56366.10(a)).

- b) Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, or facilities for LEA pupils, as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. Supplies and equipment purchased and/or provided by the LEA remains the property of the LEA. Supplies and/or equipment provided by the CONTRACTOR remains the property of the CONTRACTOR, if CONTRACTOR is not specifically reimbursed by the LEA for that specific supply or equipment. CONTRACTOR shall make no charge of any kind to parents for special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA pupil's IEP/IFSP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of the LEA pupil's enrollment under the terms of this Master Contract).
- c) Voluntary services and/or activities not necessary for the LEA student to receive a free appropriate public education shall not interfere with the LEA pupil's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA.

23) GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

- a) General Program
 - i) 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. No service will be provided by the CONTRACTOR outside of the CONTRACTOR's certification unless otherwise agreed to by the LEA.
 - ii) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) be consistent with LEA's standards regarding required courses of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. The State Standards and coursework selected for each student shall be aligned with the student's IEP/IFSP to meet the individual student's needs.
 - iii) LEA students shall have access to the following educational materials, services, and programs that are consistent with each student's individualized educational program: (a) For kindergarten and grades 1-8 inclusive, state adopted Common Core State Standards ("CCSS") for curriculum and instructional materials; and for grades 9-12 inclusive, standards-aligned, core curriculum and instructional materials used by any local educational agency that contracts with the non-public, non-sectarian 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 (California Education Code 56366.10). CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA within 5 days upon request.

- iv) When NPS 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 LEA students leading toward graduation or completion of diploma requirements. When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction and/or services shall be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines and provided as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. The nonpublic agency providing Behavior Intervention Development services shall review or develop a written plan that specifies the nature of its' nonpublic agency service for each LEA pupil within thirty (30) days of enrollment which shall be available upon request. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no parent, guardian or adult caregiver is present at the IEP meeting held to review and approve the plan. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the general program of instruction and/or services provided prior to the effective date of this Master Contract. Contractors providing Behavior Intervention services must have a Board Certified Behavior Analyst, or an appropriately trained professional.
- v) Except for emergency situations requiring a change of location in order to continue the education of LEA students, 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/IFSP 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, or the prior written consent of a parent, guardian or adult caregiver during the delivery of services. LCI contractors shall ensure that appropriate and qualified residential or clinical staff is present during the provision of services under this Master Contract.

b) Transportation Services:

- i) In the event that transportation services for a student served by CONTRACTOR pursuant to an Individual Services Agreement are to be provided by a party other than CONTRACTOR or the LEA or its transportation providers, such services shall be reflected in a separate agreement signed by the parties hereto, and provided to the LEA and SELPA Director by the CONTRACTOR. Except as

provided below, CONTRACTOR shall compensate the transportation provider directly for such services, and shall charge the LEA for such services at the actual and reasonable rates billed by the transportation provider, plus a ten percent (.10) administrative fee, unless a "flat rate" is provided in the transportation contract. In the event that the transportation provider notifies the LEA or SELPA Director that CONTRACTOR is more than 90 days behind in payment for transportation services, LEA shall have the right, in its sole and exclusive discretion, but not the obligation, to make payment for such services directly to the transportation provider, and to deduct such payments from any sums owed to CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Master Contract and any Individual Services Agreement between the parties. In the event that the LEA makes direct payment of the transportation provider's charges, it shall be entitled to withhold both the transportation charges themselves and such additional amount as shall be reasonably necessary to compensate the LEA for the staff and other costs incurred in making direct payment of those charges. The remedies provided to the LEA pursuant to this Paragraph shall not be exclusive. CONTRACTOR shall not include transportation through the use of services or equipment owned, leased or contracted through the LEA unless expressly provided in the Individual Services Agreement for the student transported.

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

24) INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

- a) 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, unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP/IFSP, and shall be specified in the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the LEA student's IEP/IFSP.
- b) For NPS students in grades pre-kindergarten through 12, unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP, the number of instructional minutes, excluding recess, lunch, and passing time, shall be at least the minimum as specified in Education Code Sections 46110-46147, and in no case will be less than the amount as specified in the IEP/IFSP. In addition, the total number of annual instructional minutes shall be at least equivalent to the total number of annual instructional minutes provided to LEA students attending LEA schools in like grade level unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP.

- c) 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 the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the LEA student's IEP/IFSP.

25) CLASS SIZE

- a) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that class size shall not exceed a ratio of one teacher per fourteen (14) pupils. Each classroom with 2 or more students shall be assigned at least one paraprofessional. Upon written approval by an authorized LEA representative, class size may be temporarily increased by a ratio of 1 teacher to sixteen (16) pupils when necessary to provide services to pupils with disabilities. For any billing period where the class size has exceeded sixteen (16) students for five consecutive school days, the CONTRACTOR shall have a 10% decrease in its approved daily rate for those LEA students that exceeded sixteen (16), for those days (over five).
- b) 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 student by first utilizing existing certificated staff. The nonpublic school and the 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.
- c) 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.

26) CALENDARS

- a) When CONTRACTOR is a Non-Public School, the CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed 180 days for the regular school year, plus extended school year billable days as determined by the IEP/IFSP team ((34 CFR § Section 300.106); a minimum of 20 instructional days (excluding July 4th). Billable days shall include only those days that are included in the submitted and approved school calendar, and/or required by the IEP/IFSP for each student. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to the requirements for providing Extended School Year as outlined in Title 5, Article 4 of the California Code of Regulations. Unless otherwise specified by the students IEP/IFSP, educational services shall occur at the school site.

- b) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency, CONTRACTOR shall be provided with a LEA developed/approved calendar; CONTRACTOR herein agrees to observe holidays as specified in the LEA-developed/approved calendar. CONTRACTOR shall provide services pursuant to the LEA-developed/approved calendar, or as specified in the LEA pupil's IEP/IFSP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA pupils on only those days that the LEA pupil's school of attendance is in session and the LEA student attends school. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for services provided on billable days of attendance as indicated on the LEA calendar unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA.

27) DATA REPORTING

- a) CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide all data related to student information and billing information with LEA. CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide all data related to any and all sections of this contract and requested by and in the format require by the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall provide the LEA with invoices, attendance reports and progress reports for LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's nonpublic school or nonpublic agency.
- b) The LEA shall provide the CONTRACTORS with approved forms and/or format for such data including but not limited to invoicing, attendance reports and progress reports. The LEA may approve use of CONTRACTORS-provided forms at their discretion.

28) LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT/DUAL ENROLLMENT

- a) CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA policies and procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") placement options and/or Dual Enrollment options for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.
- b) CONTRACTOR and LEA shall ensure that LRE placement options are addressed at all IEP/IFSP team meetings regarding students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. This shall include IEP/IFSP team consideration of supplementary aids and services, goals and objectives necessary for placement in the LRE and that may be necessary to enable students to transition to less restrictive settings. The District has the responsibility to determine the offer of FAPE in the Least Restrictive Environment.
- c) When an IEP/IFSP team has determined that an LEA student should be transitioned into the public school setting, CONTRACTOR shall assist the LEA in implementing the IEP/IFSP team's recommendations to support the transition.

29) STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

- a) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall be available to administer all Statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASPP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, and English Language Proficiency Assessment for California (ELPAC) or alternate assessment for ELPAC, as appropriate to the student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA and state and federal guidelines. In the event the LEA requests that the NPS administer the assessments, NPS staff will be trained by a contracting LEA in the administration of all State-wide assessments in accordance with the guidelines of Ed Code 56385. Verification of training will be maintained with CONTRACTOR.
- b) NPS 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, as determined by the student's IEP, by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. Contractor shall report the test results to the CDE as required by Education Code section 56366(a)(8)(A). Test results shall be made available to the CONTRACTOR by the LEA, if the results are not sent to the CONTRACTOR by the test publisher or CDE.
- c) LEA shall provide NPS with the SSID for each LEA student. LEA shall cooperate with CONTRACTOR to accommodate CONTRACTOR's testing window. (Education Code Section 56366(a)(8)(B))

30) ATTENDANCE AT DISTRICT MANDATED MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend District 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, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, and standardized testing. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute a billable service hour(s). After attending one meeting during the school year (including Extended School Year), upon request, a CONTRACTOR who is providing NPA services may request payment for services for attending any additional meetings mandated by the LEA. The request for payment will be at the CONTRACTOR'S agreed upon hourly rate.

31) POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 56521.5 regarding positive behavior interventions. 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 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. NPS site based staff and relevant NPA staff will be trained in positive behavior strategies prior to working with students.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and Behavioral Emergency Reports (BER).
- c) CONTRACTOR providing behavior support shall ensure that all of its relevant staff members are trained annually in crisis intervention and emergency procedures as related to appropriate behavior management strategies. Other contracted agency personnel shall be trained as needed. This is not to be construed as in lieu of general positive behavior management training.
- d) Staff will not participate in restraint of students until trained in crisis prevention programs. Evidence of training in a SELPA approved crisis intervention program to staff working in a staffing ratio of 1:1 with students with severe behavioral needs shall be submitted to the LEA at the beginning of the school year and within thirty (30) days of any new hire as referenced above. If the training is not able to be provided within 30 days, the non-public school or agency will notify the LEA to determine a plan to provide the training in a timely manner.
- e) Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1 emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a Behavior Intervention Plan (BIP), and instead may only be used to control behavior that is unpredictable and spontaneous. For an emergency intervention to be used, the behavior must pose a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the individual with exceptional needs, 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 intervention shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency.

- f) CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER when an emergency occurs that is defined as a serious, dangerous behavior that staff has determined to present a clear and present danger to others. It requires a non-violent physical intervention to protect the safety of student, self, or others and a physical intervention has been used; or a physical intervention has not been used, but an injury or serious property damage has occurred. Personal Safety Techniques may or may not have been used. Emergencies **require** a BER form be completed and submitted to the LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone. If the student does not have a Behavior Intervention Plan ("BIP") or Positive Behavior Intervention Plan ("PBIP"), an IEP team shall schedule a meeting to review the BER, determine if there is a necessity for a functional behavioral assessment, and to determine an interim plan. If the student already has a BIP, the IEP team shall review and modify the BIP if a new serious behavior has been exhibited or existing behavioral interventions have proven to be ineffective. CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days.
- g) Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.2, CONTRACTOR shall not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for the following interventions, or any other interventions similar to or like the following:
 - i) Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain, including, but not limited to, electric-shock
 - ii) An intervention that involves the release of noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mists, or substances in proximity to the face of the individual.
 - iii) An intervention that denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities.
 - iv) An intervention that is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject, the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or that can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma.
 - v) Restrictive interventions that employ a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities. including the procedure known as prone containment, except that prone containment or similar techniques may be used by trained personnel as a limited emergency intervention.

- vi) Locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
 - vii) An intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual.
 - viii) An intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.
- h) CONTRACTOR shall comply with Education Code section 48905.8. Specifically,
- i) CONTRACTOR shall not do any of the following:
 - a) Use seclusion or a behavioral restraint for the purpose of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.
 - b) Use locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
 - c) Use a physical restraint technique that obstructs a pupil's respiratory airway or impairs the pupil's breathing or respiratory capacity, including techniques in which a staff member places pressure on a pupil's back or places his or her body weight against the pupil's torso or back.
 - d) Use a behavioral restraint technique that restricts breathing, including, but not limited to, using a pillow, blanket, carpet, mat, or other item to cover a pupil's face.
 - e) Place a pupil in a facedown position with the pupil's hands held or restrained behind the pupil's back.
 - f) Use a behavioral restraint for longer than is necessary to contain the behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the pupil or others.
 - ii) CONTRACTOR shall:
 - a) Keep constant, direct observation of a pupil who is in seclusion, which may be through observation of the pupil through a window, or another barrier, through which the educational provider is able to make direct eye contact with the pupil. This observation shall not be through indirect means, including through a security camera or a closed-circuit television.
 - b) Afford to pupils who are restrained the least restrictive alternative and the maximum freedom of movement, and shall use the least number of restraint points, while ensuring the physical safety of the pupil and others.

- c) If prone restraint techniques are used, a staff member shall observe the pupil for any signs of physical distress throughout the use of prone restraint. Whenever possible, the staff member monitoring the pupil shall not be involved in restraining the pupil.
- h) Notwithstanding the provisions of Education Code 48905.8, NPS/NPA staff shall not use prone restraint.
- i) In the case of a child whose behavior impedes the child's learning or that of others, the individualized education program team shall consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations.

32) STUDENT DISCIPLINE

- a) CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with state and federal law and regulations.
- b) When NPS CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from his/her current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately submit a written discipline report to the LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the 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 the LEA student's behavior plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP/IFSP meeting no later than the tenth (10th) day of suspension. LEA shall notify and invite CONTRACTOR representatives to the IEP/IFSP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

33) IEP / IFSP TEAM MEETINGS

- a) Upon referral of an LEA student to CONTRACTOR, the LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of that student's IEP/IFSP, as well as available assessment information, and facilitate, if requested, an observation of the student. CONTRACTOR retains the right to decline enrollment of any student, unless ordered by the Office of Administrative Hearing (OAH) or a Court of Competent Jurisdiction. CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA written notification of its intent to decline enrollment of the LEA student.
- b) An IEP/IFSP 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 LEA student continue to be best met at the nonpublic

school; and (3) whether changes to the LEA student's IEP/IFSP are necessary, including whether the student may be transitioned to a public school setting. With parent and LEA concurrence, an IEP team may excuse a required IEP team member either from the entire meeting or after the member's report.

- c) Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of his or her IEP/IFSP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Master Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP/IFSP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. A CONTRACTOR who is providing NPA services may request payment for services for attending any meeting that occurs after the Annual Review of the IEP/IFSP. At any time during the term of this Master Contract, the parent, the CONTRACTOR or the LEA may request a review of the student's IEP/IFSP, 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/IFSP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to parents, CONTRACTOR and LEA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA assessments and written assessment reports by service providers upon request and/or pursuant to LEA policy and procedures.
- d) 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/IFSP. 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/IFSP for the purposes of consideration of 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 an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH.

34) SURROGATE PARENTS AND FOSTER YOUTH

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments. A student in foster care shall be defined pursuant to California Education Code section 42238.01(b). The LEA shall annually notify the CONTRACTOR who the LEA has designated as the educational liaison for foster children. When a student in foster care is enrolled in a nonpublic school by the LEA any time after the completion of the student's second year of high school, the CONTRACTOR shall schedule the student in courses leading towards graduation based on the diploma requirements of the LEA unless provided notice otherwise in writing pursuant to Section 51225.1.

35) 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 of Civil Rights, or any other state and/or federal governmental body or

agency. Full participation shall include, but in no way be limited to, cooperating with LEA representatives to provide complete answers raised by any investigator and/or the immediate provision of any and all documentation that pertains to the operation of CONTRACTOR's program and/or the implementation of a particular student's IEP/Individual and Family Service Plan ("IFSP").

36) COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and adhere to its written procedures for responding to parent complaints. These procedures shall include annually notifying and providing parents of LEA students with appropriate information (including complaint forms) for the following: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 et seq.; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Pupil Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8 (a) (d) and 106.9 (a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), if applicable. CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to the LEA upon request.

37) LEA STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS/REPORT CARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

- a) Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided on a monthly basis, progress reports shall be sent by CONTRACTOR to LEA and parents no later than October 30th, January 30th, April 30th, and July 30th or as otherwise specified on the IEP/IFSP or requested in writing by the LEA, with respect to LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program. An updated report shall be submitted if there is no current progress report when LEA student is scheduled for a review by the LEA's IEP/IFSP team or when an LEA student's enrollment is terminated. Payment of invoices may be held until progress reports are provided. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at the CONTRACTOR's place of business and made available upon request of LEA and/or the LEA student's parent(s).
- b) CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other assessment of the LEA student one month prior to the LEA student's annual or triennial review IEP/IFSP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP/IFSP team meeting as required by state and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA policies, procedures, and/or practices. Supporting documentation, such as test protocols and data collection, shall be made available to LEA upon request. CONTRACTOR shall not charge the LEA student's parent(s) or LEA for the provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any assessments, interviews, or meetings. Additional formalized standardized assessments shall be at the determination of the IEP team and the responsibility of the LEA unless otherwise agreed upon between LEA and CONTRACTOR. If Contractor is asked to provide formalized standardized assessment, such service will be paid at the rate stated in Section 62.

38) TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR, at the close of each semester or upon LEA student transfer, shall prepare transcripts for LEA students in grades nine through twelve inclusive, and submit them to the LEA student's district of residence, for evaluation of progress toward completion of diploma requirements, or if appropriate, a Certificate of Completion, as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall submit to the LEA names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by the LEA.

39) LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

- a) Within three (3) school days after CONTRACTOR or LEA becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and/or the LEA shall notify CONTRACTOR of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures. Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify parents in writing of the parent's obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of the LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to parents.
- b) If the LEA student's change of residence is to a residence outside of LEA's service boundaries or CONTRACTOR fails to follow the procedures specified in this provision, LEA shall not be responsible for the costs of services delivered after the LEA student's change of residence, if CONTRACTOR had knowledge or should reasonably have had knowledge of the LEA student's change of residence. LEAs will adhere to requirements for students identified as homeless or foster youth under current education code.

40) WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM PROGRAM

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report, by telephone, to the LEA when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services. CONTRACTOR shall confirm such telephone call with written submission within three (3) days.

41) PARENT ACCESS

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

- c) CONTRACTOR 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 situation. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider.
- d) For services provided in a student's home as specified in the IEP, CONTRACTOR must ensure 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.

42) SERVICES AND SUPERVISION ON PUBLIC SCHOOL CAMPUSES

- a) If CONTRACTOR provides services on LEA public school campuses, CONTRACTOR shall comply with Penal Code Section 627.1 et. seq., and LEA procedures regarding visitors to school campuses specified by LEA policy and in the LEA Procedures, and shall follow the procedures of the campus at which services are being provided.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for purchase and provision of the supplies and assessment tools necessary to implement the provision of services on LEA public school campuses.
- c) In the event CONTRACTOR wishes to bring an animal, other than a bona fide service animal, on LEA premises, both CONTRACTOR'S management and LEA must agree in writing.

43) LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION CONTRACTORS

- a) 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 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9 (c) (1), Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b), AB 1858 (2004), AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003), AB 1261 (2005), AB 1166 Chapter 171 (2015), AB 167 Chapter 224 (2010), AB 2016 Chapter 324 (2013), AB 379 Chapter 772 (2015), AB 1012 Chapter 703 (2015), A

LCI shall not require that a student be placed in its nonpublic school as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

- b) 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/IFSP at the time of enrollment.

44) 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.

45) MONITORING

- a) CONTRACTOR shall allow access by LEA to its facilities for periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program and shall be invited to participate in the review of each student's progress. LEA shall have access to observe each LEA student at work, observe the instructional setting, interview CONTRACTOR, and review each LEA student's records and progress. Such access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR's site administrative office.
- b) If CONTRACTOR is also a LCI, LEA shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR is in compliance with Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b).
- c) During the term of this Master Contract, CONTRACTOR shall participate in a District Review to be conducted as aligned with the CDE On-site Review or more often if necessary. This review will address programmatic aspects of the Nonpublic School/Agency, compliance with relevant state and federal regulations, and Master Contract compliance.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall participate in compliance reviews of LEA in accordance with requirements of CDE. CONTRACTOR will use all SELPA IEP forms. CONTRACTOR will adhere to all SELPA assurances and procedures required for compliance.
- e) 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.

- f) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall prepare a School Accountability Report Card in accordance with California Education Code Section 56366(a)(9) and 33126 and state guidelines.

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46) FINGERPRINT CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

- a) 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 CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA students, prior to service with any LEA student. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA pupils, shall not come in contact with LEA students until CDOJ and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA students, or contractors who may come into contact with LEA students have been convicted of a violent or serious felony as those terms are defined in California Education Code section 44237(h), unless despite the employee's conviction of a violent or serious felony, he or she has met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237(i) or (j). In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from the CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.
- b) According to Education Code sections 44237 and 56366.1 CONTRACTOR shall verify that it 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 who may have contact with students.** 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 State Superintendent 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 with their "Custodian of Records", 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 to the State Superintendent.

47) STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services hold a license, certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold in the service rendered consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1) and are qualified pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3064 and 3065.
- b) Only those nonpublic, nonsectarian schools or agencies located outside of California that employ staff that 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. NPA/NPS staff shall be required to hold credentials and licenses within the state where they are providing services regardless of where the agency is located.
- c) 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. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.
- d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if current license or credential documents are not available through no fault of the NPS/A, timely application having theretofore been made, this Master Contract shall remain in effect until such documents are made available to the NPS/A from the Consumer Affairs Department or the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The NPS/A shall in turn submit copies of same to the LEA within five (5) business days of receipt by the NPS/A.

48) VERIFICATION OF LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, 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 by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify the CDE and the LEA in writing as specified in the LEA Procedures and CDE within forty-five (45) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students as specified in the LEA Procedures. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if current license or credential documents are not available through no fault of the NPS/A, timely application having theretofore been made, this Master Contract shall

remain in effect until such documents are made available to the NPS/A from the Consumer Affairs Department or the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The NPS/A shall in turn submit copies of same to the LEA within five (5) business days of receipt by the NPS/A.

- b) CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide special education services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA updated information regarding the status of licenses, credentials, permits and/or other documents as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR will be considered to be in breach of this contract for any service provided by an unqualified provider or one who has an expired credential. In such an event, the provider shall be paid at 70% of the agreed upon rate.

49) CALSTRS REPORTING REQUIREMENT

CONTRACTOR shall identify to the LEA any employee (or the CONTRACTOR, if the CONTRACTOR is an individual) expected to perform services under this Agreement who is then-receiving CalSTRS benefits, and who may perform creditable service for the LEA as defined in Education Code 22119.5. Identification to the LEA shall include the individual's full legal name and STRS and social security identification numbers. Before any services by the individual are provided, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA a signed written confirmation from the individual that he/she is aware of the separation-from-service requirement earnings limitations imposed by Education Code Sections 22714, 24114, 24116, 24214, 24214.5, and 24215. CONTRACTOR shall thereafter provide on a monthly basis to the LEA the actual amounts paid to the individual for services rendered under this Agreement, with the LEA responsible for reporting the individual's earnings to CalSTRS as required by law or regulation.

Pursuant to Education Code 22164.5(b), the activities of an employee of CONTRACTOR shall not be included in the definition of "retired member activities" if all of the following conditions apply:

- (1) The employee performs a limited-term agreement.
- (2) The third-party employer does not participate in a California public pension system.
- (3) The activities performed by the individual are not normally performed by employees of an employer, as defined in Section 22131.

50) STAFF ABSENCE

- a) 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 payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided. If a teacher is absent and a non-qualified substitute has been provided, CONTRACTOR will notify the LEA immediately. The LEA will determine how to address the denial of FAPE.

- b) 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 eight (8) of this Master Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides a mutually agreed upon plan 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. Provider shall notify LEA immediately of the development of the plan for any missed services that include: 5 or more consecutive days of specialized academic instruction (SAI) or more than 2 weeks of missed related services. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make-up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and LEA.

HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES

51) HEALTH AND SAFETY

- a) 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. 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 will comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 35021 et seq., regarding preventing registered sex offenders from volunteering and to request fingerprinting clearance of volunteers.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standards, Title 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 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.

52) FACILITIES, FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS AND FIRE DRILLS

- a) Facilities: CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to LEA pupils in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related to, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR's facilities as required complying with applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances.
- b) Fire Drills: When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills monthly for elementary and intermediate students and twice per school year for secondary students, as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations, Section 550.

53) ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

- a) CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Federal Regulations and California Education Code and the California Code of Regulations, when CONTRACTOR serves an LEA student that is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the LEA student with the administration of such medication after the LEA student's parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR:
 - i) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and
 - ii) a written statement from the LEA student's parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement.
- b) 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 the 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.
- c) CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for assuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders or current student's Individual Health Care Plan. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and parent.

54) INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA within 12 hours of learning of any significant accident or incident. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports within one business day pursuant to the procedures specified in LEA Procedures.

55) MANDATED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- a) CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 et seq. and California Education Code 44691. 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 notice acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA upon request.
- b) CONTRACTOR agrees to provide annual training to all employees regarding mandated child abuse reporting laws, and shall maintain documentation, signed by each staff member receiving such training. CONTRACTOR agrees that its obligations to report incidents of abuse or neglect to the LEA are in addition to, and not in lieu of, CONTRACTOR's obligation to immediately report suspected abuse or neglect to the appropriate public authorities; a written report should be submitted within 36 hours (PC 11166(a)). CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidential records of any report of suspected child abuse and shall inform the LEA by facsimile or email within 24 hours (and followed up with U.S. mail) of becoming aware of circumstances including, but not limited to allegations of abuse involving a staff member.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of general concerns regarding the health and safety of a student that may impact the student's educational program, including the need for mental health services, injuries requiring medical attention or injuries resulting from physical restraint.

56) SEXUAL HARASSMENT

CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request, 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.

57) REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

- a) CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all staff members, including volunteers, 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 the LEA upon request.
- b) In the event a child elopes from an NPS or Residential Treatment Center and evades adult supervision, the LEA shall be notified immediately following contact to law enforcement.

FINANCIAL

58) ENROLLMENT, CONTRACTING, SERVICE TRACKING, ATTENDANCE REPORTING, AND BILLING PROCEDURES

- a) CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the school or agency has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the students enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP/IFSP for each and every student.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. All payments by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Contract.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall maintain registers for the basic education program and each related service. Original attendance forms shall be completed by the actual service provider whose signature shall appear on such forms and shall be available for review, inspection, or audit by LEA during the effective period of this contract and for a period of five (5) years after the date of origination. CONTRACTOR shall verify the accuracy of minutes of reported attendance that is the basis of services being billed for payment.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall submit accurate and timely invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided to an LEA student. Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the attendance accounting period in which the services were rendered. LEA shall make payment to CONTRACTOR based on the number of billable days of attendance and hours of service at rates specified in this contract within forty-five (45) days of LEA's receipt of properly submitted hard copy of invoices prepared and submitted as specified in California Education Code Section 56366.5. CONTRACTOR shall correct deficiencies and submit rebilling invoices no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the invoice is

returned by LEA. LEA shall pay properly submitted re-billing invoices no later than forty-five (45) days from the date a completely corrected re-billing invoice is received by LEA.

- e) If the LEA fails to comply with the provision of payment within 45 days of receipt of the request for payment of services, the CONTRACTOR may require the LEA to pay an additional amount of 1-1/2 percent of the unpaid balance per month until full payment is made (California Education Code 56366.6 (b)). Upon written notification of dispute, CONTRACTOR shall not apply additional charges to the disputed bill until the matter is resolved.

59) RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

- a) LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when:
 - i) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this contract
 - ii) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records
 - iii) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by Section 57
 - iv) education and/or related services are provided to LEA pupils by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified
 - v) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA pupils enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program
 - vi) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a pupil's change of residence to another district or confirms the change of residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA with five (5) days of such confirmation
 - vii) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA pupil.
- b) The amount which may be withheld by LEA with respect to each of the subparagraphs of the preceding paragraph are as follows:

- i) the value of the service CONTRACTOR failed to perform
 - ii) the amount of overpayment
 - iii) the entire portion of the invoice for which satisfactory documentation has not been provided by CONTRACTOR
 - iv) the amount invoiced for services provided by the individual not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified
 - v) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable pupil for the time period from the date of the violation occurred and until the violation is cured
 - vi) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable pupil for the time period from the date of the violation occurred and until the violation is cured
 - vii) the amount paid to CONTRACTOR by Medi-Cal or another agency or funding source for the service provided to the LEA pupil.
- c) If LEA determines that cause exists to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR, LEA shall, within ten (10) business days of receipt of such invoice, 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.
- d) If after subsequent request for payment has been denied and CONTRACTOR believes that payment should not be withheld, CONTRACTOR shall send written notice to LEA specifying the reason it believes payment should not be withheld. LEA shall respond to CONTRACTOR's notice within thirty (30) business days by indicating that a warrant for the amount of payment will be made or stating the reason LEA believes payment should not be made. If LEA fails to respond within thirty (30) business days or a dispute regarding the withholding of payment continues after the LEA's response to CONTRACTOR's notice, CONTRACTOR shall invoke the following escalation policy.
- i) Persons involved after forty-one (41) business days: If CONTRACTOR notifies LEA that the dispute has not been resolved by the LEA Specialist, LEA's Administrator will become involved and shall attempt to resolve the dispute. The

LEA Coordinator shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within ten (10) business days.

- ii) Persons involved after fifty-one (51) business days: If CONTRACTOR notifies LEA that the dispute has not been resolved by the LEA Administrator, the SELPA Director shall become involved. The SELPA Director shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within ten (10) business days. This shall be the final LEA determination regarding the withholding of payment.
 - iii) Persons involved after sixty-one (61) business days: Dispute Resolution, as defined in the SELPA's Local Plan, shall be followed.
- e) If the dispute has not been resolved through the SELPA's Dispute Resolution process, the party claiming injury may seek legal or CDE redress, or may submit, if mutually agreed to in writing by the parties, the matter to binding arbitration by an arbitrator or arbitration service agreed upon by the parties. Each party shall be responsible for their own fees for arbitration, if applicable. The parties agree that this Master Contract provision dealing with Master Contract disputes does not alter the parties' right to bring action in accordance with the applicable statute of limitations under state or federal law.

60) 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 covered by this Master Contract or the ISA to LEA pupils. 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 covered by this Master Contract or ISA to LEA pupils.

61) PAYMENT FOR STUDENT ABSENCES

- a) Two accounting/billing options are offered at the discretion of the LEA: "Excused Absence" or "Positive Attendance." In neither case will CONTRACTOR bill for any absences during Extended School Year (ESY).
 - i) **Positive Attendance Method**
 - a) A factor of 1.055 shall be applied to all approved rates when a Positive Attendance method is used. Actual days of attendance without exception shall be counted as a unit of service.
 - ii) **Excused Absence Method**

- a) LEA shall not be responsible for payment for more than 8 cumulative days of absences, for each of the first ninety days and second ninety days of the school year (i.e., semester), unless a written time extension is granted by LEA. No more than three of the 8 cumulative absences shall be unexcused.
- b) On the 4th consecutive day of a pupil's absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of such absence. If CONTRACTOR fails to provide such notice by the 4th day of consecutive absence, CONTRACTOR shall not be compensated for services delivered during continuing absence after the 4th consecutive day of excused absence.
- c) All excused absences must be verified and a copy must be submitted to LEA with the monthly invoice. All documentation must be kept for at least five (5) years from the date of origination.
- d) Only the individuals listed below may verify the reason for absence:
 - (1) School or public health nurse
 - (2) Physician
 - (3) Principal
 - (4) Teacher
 - (5) School employee assigned to make such verification
 - (6) Student eighteen years of age or over
 - (7) Parent
- e) Any reasonable method which established the reason for the absence may be used:
 - (1) Written note from parent, guardian, representative or adult pupil (over 18 or emancipated)
 - (2) Telephone conversation with parent, guardian, representative, or adult pupil (over 18 or emancipated)
- f) Standards for excused absences are defined in the education code. Contractor is responsible for verification of excused absence in accordance with current requirements.
- b) The following shall apply in the event of an NPS school closure due to an emergency consistent with guidelines followed by LEAs under Education Code Section 41422:
 - i) Pursuant to an application for a waiver by an LEA, the CONTRACTOR shall receive the daily rate for pupils who were in attendance prior to the emergency closure as though they were continuing in their regular attendance.
 - i) In the event a waiver is not approved, the CONTRACTOR shall be required to schedule a makeup day of service in accordance with the

education code. The NPS will work collaboratively with LEAs and inform them of a date(s) on which the makeup day will occur.

62) NONPUBLIC AGENCY PUPIL ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency, it shall notify LEA of the absence of an LEA student no later than the fifth consecutive service day of the student's absence. A unit of service for payment purposes shall not be credited for an excused absence when CONTRACTOR is provided 24 hours advance verbal notification of the student's absence. A unit of service for payment purposes shall not be credited to CONTRACTOR for CONTRACTOR'S staff development days.

63) INSPECTION AND AUDIT

- a) The CONTRACTOR shall maintain and the 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 Master Contract.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b). CONTRACTOR shall make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to:
 - i) student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b)
 - ii) registers and roll books of teachers
 - iii) daily service logs and notes or other documents used to record the provision of related services
 - iv) Medi-Cal/daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record provision of services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, bus aides, and supervisors
 - v) absence verification records (parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents)
 - vi) bus rosters
 - vii) staff lists specifying credentials held, business licenses held, documents evidencing other qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination
 - viii) staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets
 - ix) transportation and other related service subcontracts
 - x) school calendars
 - xi) bell/class schedules
 - xii) liability and worker's compensation insurance policies

- xiii) state nonpublic school and/or agency certifications
 - xiv) marketing materials
 - xv) by-laws
 - xvi) lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; statements of income and expenses
 - xvii) general journals
 - xviii) cash receipts and disbursement books
 - xix) general ledgers and supporting documents
 - xx) federal/state payroll quarterly reports; and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.
 - xxi) Such access shall include unannounced inspections by LEA. CONTRACTOR shall make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall make all records, or copies of records, available at either the office of the LEA or at the CONTRACTOR's offices (to be specified by LEA) at all times and without charge. All records shall be provided to LEA within ten (10) 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 the LEA, unless the LEA agrees to the use of the electronic format. CONTRACTOR may request from the LEA an extension of time to comply with any records request, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- e) If an inspection, review, or audit by the LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm determines that the CONTRACTOR or the LEA owes the other monies as a result of over billing, underpayment, or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Master Contract, the party owed money shall provide to the other party written notice demanding payment and specifying the basis or bases for such demand. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the party that owes money shall make such payment within thirty (30) days of receipt of the written notice demanding payment. In the event that a party from whom payment is demanded disputes that any payment is owed, the matter shall be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution section of this Master Contract.
- f) The attached rate schedule limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the contract. It may also limit the maximum number of students that can be provided specific services. Per diem rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day shall 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 contract, shall be as stated in Section 62.

64) RATE SCHEDULE

Per Diem rates for students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted proportionally. In such cases only, the adjustments in basic education rate shall be based on the percentage the required minimum number of minutes per grade level as noted in California Education Code Section 46200-46208.

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

The CONTRACTOR: A Better Chance School

The CONTRACTOR CDS NUMBER: 07-61796-7100456

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Education service(s) offered by the CONTRACTOR and the charges for such service(s) during the term of this contract, as negotiated on behalf of the LEAs, shall be as follows:

a) Non-Bundled Education Program

i) General Program Tuition Daily Rate: \$185.00

ii) Related Services:

Service	Rate	Period
Intensive Individual Services (340)	\$126.00	Hour
Language and Speech (415) INDIVIDUAL	\$90.00	Hour
Language and Speech (415) GROUP		
Adapted Physical Education (425)		
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)		
Health and Nursing: Other Services (436)		
Assistive/Adaptive Technology Services (445)		

Occupational Therapy (450) INDIVIDUAL	\$86.00	Hour
Occupational Therapy (450) GROUP		
Physical Therapy (460) INDIVIDUAL		
Physical Therapy (460) INDIVIDUAL		
Individual Counseling (510)	\$87.00	Hour
Counseling and Guidance (515)		
Parent Counseling (520)		
Social Work Services (525)		
Psychological Services (530)		
Behavior Intervention Services (535)		
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)		
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing (710)		
Interpreter Services (715)		
Audiological Services (720)		
Specialized Vision Services (725)		
Orientation and Mobility (730)		
Specialized Orthopedic Services (740)		
Reader Services (745)		
Transcription Services (755)		
Recreation Services, Including Therapeutic (760)		
College Awareness (820)		
Work Experience Education (850)		
Job Coaching (855)		
Mentoring (860)		
Travel Training (870)		

Other Transition Services (890)		
Educational Therapy		
Service		

b) Bundled Education Program

- i) Includes Educational Counseling (not ed related mental health) services, Speech & Language services, Behavior Intervention Planning, and Occupational Therapy as specified on the student's IEP.


- ii) Daily Rate: _____

APPROVALS

Master Contract approved by the governing Board on _____

Total amount of contract not to exceed \$211,966.68

The parties hereto have executed this Individual Services Agreement by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives as set forth below.

CONTRACTOR	DISTRICT
A Better Chance School	Albany Unified School District
 (Signature & Date) 5/7/19	(Signature & Date)
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**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

ITEM: MASTER CONTRACT BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND BRIGHT PATH THERAPISTS

PREPARED BY: DIANE MARIE, DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

TYPE OF ITEM: CONSENT

PURPOSE:

Board of Trustees to approve the 2019-2020 Master Contract between Albany Unified School District and Bright Path Therapists.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Bright Path Therapists is a Non Public Agency (NPA) that provides various services to school districts to cover staffing needs.

DETAILS:

The District is in need of a physical therapist to provide services to District students who are eligible through their Individualized Education Plan (IEP) and conduct assessments when needed.

- X Standard Contract
 Contract deviates from Standard Contract
 New Contract
 X Renew Contract

KEY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Q. Why contract for services instead of hiring District staff?

A. Physical therapy services are minimal in our District and does not warrant hiring staff.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Not to exceed \$25,145.00.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



***Objective #1:** Assess and Increase Academic Success. **Goal:** We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child.* **Goal:** *We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Master Contract between the Albany Unified School District and Bright Path Therapists.

*Nonpublic, Nonsectarian
School/Agency Services*

Master Contract

2019-2020

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Contract Year: 2019-2020

LEA: Albany Unified School District

NONPUBLIC SCHOOL/AGENCY/RELATED SERVICES PROVIDER:

Bright Path Therapists

NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL/AGENCY SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

1) MASTER CONTRACT

- a) This Master Contract is entered into this 1st day of July, between the Albany Unified School District (hereinafter referred to as "LEA") and Bright Path Therapists (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 pursuant to an Individualized Education Program (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"), and/or Individual Family Service Plan (hereinafter referred to as IFSP)
- b) The Collaborative: The Bay Area Collaborative represents ten (10) SELPAs and Member NPA/S (see appendix A for a complete listing and contact information). Nonpublic schools and nonpublic agencies that are contracting with in one of the participating SELPAs agree to participate in this collaborative process to establish a uniform contract for identified services and standards. The established system provides NPA/Ss with an opportunity to have input to the development of the process, contract issues, etc., and a simplified, standard process for rate negotiation with the participating SELPAs. Issues

listed on the Rate Schedule portion of this Master Contract may be reviewed on an annual basis upon request of the CONTRACTOR using the established Bay Area SELPA Collaborative system. CONTRACTOR agrees that the rates set forth in this Master Contract will remain unchanged from July 1 through June 30 of the term of contract, with no changes in the services provided, unless changed in a duly executed amendment to this Master Contract signed by both parties. Increases in rates will be considered on an annual basis and remain unchanged for the term of the contract from July 1 through June 30, with no changes in level of service provided without written approval by both parties.

- c) NPA/Ss that are not a member of the Bay Area Collaborative should negotiate rates with their geographically corresponding SELPA(s). The LEA will contact the corresponding SELPA to verify established rates. Increases in rates will be considered on an annual basis and remain unchanged for the following year from July 1 through June 30, with no changes provided without written approval by both parties.
- d) Any CONTRACTOR not participating as a member of the Bay Area SELPA Collaborative shall individually negotiate rates following local SELPA and/or LEA procedures. Those CONTRACTORS shall notify the SELPA with whom they contract of any proposed rate changes effective July 1 by March 1 of the preceding year.
- e) The Bay Area SELPA Collaborative Chair shall maintain, annually update and disseminate to all LEAs, NPS/As who are members of the Collaborative, a master rate schedule reflecting such NPS/A rates.
- f) Upon CONTRACTOR's acceptance of a student referred by the LEA, the LEA shall complete an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA") as specified in the LEA Procedures which shall identify the provider of each service required by the student's IEP/IFSP). For purposes of enrollment, the LEA must provide approval before any authorization for payment can be made. Such authorization may be provided electronically, by telecommunications, by mail or by fax. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, or in the student's ISA, CONTRACTOR acknowledges its obligation to provide all services specified in the pupil's IEP/IFSP. The LEA acknowledges its responsibility to pay for all services rendered to LEA students by CONTRACTOR. The ISA shall be executed within ninety (90) days of an LEA student's enrollment. (Education Code Section 56366(c)(1)) LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA in writing in advance of providing any service(s) when CONTRACTOR is unable to meet the requirements of this Master Contract or of any Individual Services Agreement.
- g) 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 the student's parent.

2) 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, a representative of the Special Education Plan Local Area (SELPA) of which the LEA is a member is an authorized LEA representative in collaboration with the LEA. The LEA maintains sole responsibility for the contract, unless otherwise specified in the contract.
- c) The term "credential" means a valid credential, life diploma, permit, a county office of education Temporary County Certificate or document in special education or pupil personnel services issued by, or under the jurisdiction of, the State Board of Education if issued prior to 1970 or the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, which entitles the holder thereof to perform services for which certification qualifications are required as defined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3001(g).
- d) The term "qualified" means that a person holds a certificate, permit or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold to provide special education and designated instruction and services and 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, including those requirements set forth in Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations sections 200.56 and 200.58, and those requirements set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 3064 and 3065, and adheres to the standards of professional practice established in federal and state law or regulation, including the standards contained in the California Business and Professions Code.
 - i) Nothing in this definition shall be construed as restricting the activities in services of a graduate needing direct hours leading to licensure, or of a student teacher or intern leading to a graduate degree at an accredited or approved college or university, as authorized by state laws or regulations.

- 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, including but not limited to mental health and board and care services at a residential placement, or refer to themselves using a specified professional title. 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(l).
- 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 Code of Federal Regulations 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 the 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 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.
- i) It is understood that the term “Master Contract” also means “Agreement” and is referred to as such in this document.

3) TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Master Contract shall be from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)). Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the 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, 2019. If the

subsequent Master Contract has not been executed prior to June 30, 2020, this Contract shall remain in force and effect until terminated as provided herein or a new Master Contract is executed.

4) 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 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 CDE certification.

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

- a) 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.
- b) A current copy of CONTRACTOR's licenses and nonpublic school/agency certifications, or a validly issued waiver of any such certification must be provided to LEA on or before the date this Master Contract is executed by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR must immediately (and under no circumstances longer than three (3) calendar days) notify LEA 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. If any such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or

otherwise nullified during the effective period of this Master Contract, this Master Contract shall be null and void.

- c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if current (re)certification documents are not available through no fault of the NPS/A, this Master Contract shall remain in effect until such documents are made available to the NPS/A, which shall in turn submit copies of same to the LEA within five (5) business days of receipt by the NPS/A. The NPS/A shall, within five (5) business days of any change in the status of its approved capacity to serve a specific number of students notify the LEA of the change.

5) COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

- a) During the term of this Master Contract the CONTRACTOR and the LEA shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations relating to the provision of special education and related services, and facilities for individuals with exceptional needs.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall also comply with all policies pursuant to the Local Plan, unless, taking into consideration all of the surrounding facts and circumstances, a policy or policies or a portion of a policy does not reasonably apply to CONTRACTOR.
- c) 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 16 of this Master Contract for all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with LEA policies.
- d) The CONTRACTOR shall comply with those policies, relating to among other things, the provision of special education and/or related services, facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, LEA pupil enrollment and transfer, LEA student inactive status, corporal punishment, student discipline, and positive behavior interventions.

6) RIGHT TO REPORT MASTER CONTRACT VIOLATIONS

CONTRACTOR and LEA acknowledge and understands that either party 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) or action by the CDE against the LEA.

7) INTEGRATION / CONTINUANCE OF CONTRACT FOLLOWING EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

- a) This Master Contract includes the LEA Procedures and each Individual Services Agreement and they are incorporated herein by this reference. Upon written request,

LEA agrees to make all of its policies and procedures available to CONTRACTOR, either electronically or by hard copy. This Master Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement with respect to the terms set forth in this Master Contract. This Master Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the LEA may modify the LEA procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

- b) CONTRACTOR shall provide the LEA with information as requested in writing to secure a Master Contract or a renewal.
- c) At a minimum, such information shall include copies of teacher credentials and clearance, insurance documentation and CDE certification. The LEA may require additional information as applicable. 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 students at the discretion of the LEA.

8) INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

- a) This contract shall include an Individual Services Agreement (ISA) developed for each LEA student to whom CONTRACTOR is to provide special education and/or related services. An ISA shall only be issued for LEA student's enrolled with the approval of the LEA pursuant to Education Code section 56366 (a)(2)(A).
- b) ISAs are void upon termination or expiration of the Master Contract. In the event that this Master Contract expires or terminates, CONTRACTOR and the LEA 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, until such time as a new Master Contract is executed.
- c) 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 the LEA student's IEP/IFSP. 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/IFSP subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including notice to and participation by the CONTRACTOR in the IEP Team meeting.
- d) Unless otherwise provided in this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP/IFSP unless the CONTRACTOR and the LEA agree otherwise in the ISA. (California Education Code sections 56366(a) (5) and 3062(e)). In the event the CONTRACTOR is unable to provide a specific service at any time during the term of the ISA, the CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided.

- e) If a parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the California Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "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.
- f) Disagreements between LEA and CONTRACTOR concerning the formulation of an ISA or the Master Contract may be appealed to the local SELPA office prior to appeal to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to the provisions of California Education Code section 56366 (C) (2).

ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

9) NOTICES

All notices provided for by this contract shall be in writing. Notices shall be faxed, emailed with verification of receipt, mailed by first class mail deposited with the United States Postal Service 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:

Name: Diane Marie, Director of Special Education
 LEA: Albany Unified School District
 Address: 819 Bancroft Way
 City, State, Zip: Berkeley, CA 94710
 Phone: 510-559-6536

Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed as indicated on signature page.

10) MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

- a) 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: student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b); 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; daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record the provision of related services including supervision; daily service logs and notes used to record the provision of services provided through additional instructional assistants, NPA behavior intervention aides, and bus aides; 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 and documents evidencing other staff qualifications, 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 of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; statement of income and expenses; general journals; cash receipts and disbursement books; general ledgers and supporting documents; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/state payroll quarterly reports; and bank statements and cancelled checks or facsimile thereof.

- b) CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA electronic and physical 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 and the legitimate interests thereof (California Education Code Section 49064). Such log shall be maintained as required and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, and date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the LEA student's record. Such logs need to record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record (Education Code Section 49064). 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 LEA student records to LEA within five (5) business days. These records shall include, but not be limited to, the LEA student's current transcripts, IEP/IFSPs, and reports. LEA and/or SELPA shall have access to and receive copies of any and all records upon request within five (5) business days.

11) SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision or portion of a 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.

12) SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This Master Contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. Contractor shall notify the LEA within 30 days of any change of ownership or corporate control.

13) 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 the LEA is located.

14) MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

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

15) TERMINATION OF MASTER CONTRACT AND/OR INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Master Contract may be terminated with or without cause by either the CONTRACTOR or LEA. To terminate the Master Contract either party shall give twenty (20) calendar days prior written notice (California Education Code Section 56366(a)(4)). 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, as provided in Section 5 or 6. CONTRACTOR or LEA may terminate an ISA for cause. To terminate the ISA, either party shall give twenty (20) calendar days prior written notice (refer to Section 7).

In the event of the closure of a non-public school or agency, the LEA will be given as much notice as is reasonably possible.

16) INSURANCE

- a) CONTRACTOR shall procure and maintain for the duration of the Master Contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property, which may arise from or in connection with performance under this Master Contract by CONTRACTOR, its agents, representatives, or employees.
- b) Prior to final approval of this Master Contract, CONTRACTOR shall deliver to the LEA a certificate of insurance for each required policy with insurers and additional insured policy endorsements for the comprehensive general liability insurance and comprehensive automobile liability insurance. If at any time said policies of insurance

lapse or become canceled, this MASTER CONTRACT shall become void. The acceptance by LEA of the above-required insurance does not serve to limit the liability or responsibility of the insurer or CONTRACTOR.

c) Insurance coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- i) Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence form CG 0001).
- ii) Insurance Services Office form number CA 0001 (Ed. 1/2010) covering Automobile Liability, code 1 (any auto).
- iii) Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the state in which services are performed and Employer's Liability Insurance with limits of \$2,000,000/\$2,000,000/\$2,000,000.

d) CONTRACTOR shall maintain limits of insurance no less than:

	Agencies with 1-5 providers	Agencies with 6+ providers and non-public school	Residential
General Liability			
Per occurrence	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000
Fire damage	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
Medical expenses	\$5,000	5,000	5,000
Personal and adv. Injury	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
General aggregate	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$6,000,000
Business Auto Liability combined single limit	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions coverage not to exclude sexual molestation and abuse coverage unless that coverage is afforded elsewhere in the commercial general liability insurance			
Per Occurrence	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$3,000,000
General Aggregate	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$6,000,000
Workers Compensation and Employers Liability	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

e) For all insurance coverage procured by CONTRACTOR, the following terms apply:

- i) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$25,000 must be declared in writing to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to: (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects to the LEA, its officials and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.
- ii) The general liability and automobile liability policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:
 - a) The LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees are to be covered as additional insured as respects: liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR; products and completed operations of the CONTRACTOR; premises owned, occupied or used by the CONTRACTOR; or automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by the CONTRACTOR. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees.
 - b) For any claims related to the services, the CONTRACTOR's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the LEA, its subsidiaries,

officials and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees shall be excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

- c) Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the LEA.
- f) Insurance is to be placed with insurers admitted by the State of California and with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A-: VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the LEA.
- g) The CONTRACTOR shall furnish the LEA with original or photocopies of endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. All Certificates of Insurance shall reference the contract number, the name of school or agency submitting the contract number, the name of school or agency submitting the certificate, an indication if the school or agency is an NPS or NPA, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate.
- h) If LEA or CONTRACTOR determines that change in insurance coverage obligations under this section is necessary, either party may reopen negotiations to modify the insurance obligations.

17) INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold LEA and its Board Members, administrators, employees, agents, attorneys, volunteers, and subcontractors ("LEA Indemnities") harmless against all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of this Master Contract or its performance, to the extent that such loss, expense, damage or liability was caused, in whole or in part, by negligence, intentional act or willful misconduct of CONTRACTOR, including, without limitation, its agents, employees, subcontractors or anyone employed directly or indirectly by it (excluding LEA and LEA Indemnities). The duty and obligation to defend shall arise immediately upon tender of a claim or lawsuit to the CONTRACTOR.
- b) LEA shall indemnify and hold CONTRACTOR and its Board Members, administrators, employees, agents, attorneys, and subcontractors ("CONTRACTOR Indemnities") harmless against all liability, loss, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees) resulting from or arising out of this Master Contract or its performance, to the extent that such loss, expense, damage or liability was proximately caused by the gross negligence or willful act of LEA, including, without limitation, its agents, employees,

subcontracts or anyone employed directly or indirectly by it (excluding CONTRACTOR and/or any CONTRACTOR indemnities).

- c) LEA represents that it is self-insured in compliance with the laws of the state of California, that the self-insurance covers district employees acting within the course and scope of their respective duties and that its self-insurance covers LEA's indemnification obligations under this Master Contract.

18) INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

This Master Contract is by and between two independent entities that have an independent contractual relationship. 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 Master Contract shall be deemed to create any association, partnership, joint venture or relationship of principal and agent, master and servant, or employer and employee between the LEA and CONTRACTOR and any of their employees, agents, affiliates or other representatives, or between the LEA and any individual assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform any services for the LEA.

19) SUBCONTRACTING

- a) CONTRACTOR shall provide written notification to LEA before subcontracting for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Master Contract. CONTRACTOR shall enter into an initial subcontract only with a provider who is certified as a nonpublic school or nonpublic agency to delivery any of the instructional or related services contemplated under this Master Contract. The LEA and the CONTRACTOR shall maintain a copy of the written approval. CONTRACTOR shall provide all required clearances for its employees, including, but not limited to fingerprint requirements, and tuberculosis. When subcontracting with a nonpublic agency, CONTRACTOR shall not charge LEA a higher rate than its own approved collaborative rate.
- b) Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR enters into 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 insurance during the term of each subcontract. Such subcontractor's insurance shall comply with the provisions of Section 16. Each subcontractor shall furnish the LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 16. The endorsements are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The endorsements are to be on the forms provided by the LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by the LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. As an alternative to the LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affective the coverage required by this Master Contract. All subcontractors must meet the requirements as contained in Section 46

Fingerprint Clearance Requirements and Section 47 Staff Qualifications of this Master Contract.

20) CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- a) CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall avoid any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest pursuant to California Education Code Section 56042 and including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provision of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at IEP/IFSP team meetings acting as a student's advocate.
- b) 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 the 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 the LEA student is enrolled in CONTRACTOR's school/agency) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR.

21) NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR programs, activities, and practices shall be free from unlawful discrimination, including discrimination against an individual or group based on race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital, pregnancy, or parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, or genetic information; a perception of one or more of such characteristics; or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

22) FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION (FAPE)

- a) LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP/IFSP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. Unless otherwise agreed to by the CONTRACTOR and the LEA, 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 the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and as specified in the ISA. If CONTRACTOR is a NPS, CONTRACTOR shall not accept an LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP/IFSP (California Education Code Section 56366.10(a)).

- b) Unless otherwise agreed to between CONTRACTOR and LEA, CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the provision of all appropriate supplies, equipment, or facilities for LEA pupils, as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. Supplies and equipment purchased and/or provided by the LEA remains the property of the LEA. Supplies and/or equipment provided by the CONTRACTOR remains the property of the CONTRACTOR, if CONTRACTOR is not specifically reimbursed by the LEA for that specific supply or equipment. CONTRACTOR shall make no charge of any kind to parents for special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA pupil's IEP/IFSP and ISA (including, but not limited to, screenings, assessments, or interviews that occur prior to or as a condition of the LEA pupil's enrollment under the terms of this Master Contract).
- c) Voluntary services and/or activities not necessary for the LEA student to receive a free appropriate public education shall not interfere with the LEA pupil's receipt of special education and/or related services as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA.

23) GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

a) General Program

- i) 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. No service will be provided by the CONTRACTOR outside of the CONTRACTOR's certification unless otherwise agreed to by the LEA.
- ii) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) be consistent with LEA's standards regarding required courses of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. The State Standards and coursework selected for each student shall be aligned with the student's IEP/IFSP to meet the individual student's needs.
- iii) LEA students shall have access to the following educational materials, services, and programs that are consistent with each student's individualized educational program: (a) For kindergarten and grades 1-8 inclusive, state adopted Common Core State Standards ("CCSS") for curriculum and instructional materials; and for grades 9-12 inclusive, standards-aligned, core curriculum and instructional materials used by any local educational agency that contracts with the non-public, non-sectarian 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 (California Education Code 56366.10). CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA within 5 days upon request.

- iv) When NPS 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 LEA students leading toward graduation or completion of diploma requirements. When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency and/or related services provider, CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction and/or services shall be consistent with LEA and CDE guidelines and provided as specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. The nonpublic agency providing Behavior Intervention Development services shall review or develop a written plan that specifies the nature of its' nonpublic agency service for each LEA pupil within thirty (30) days of enrollment which shall be available upon request. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify LEA in writing if no parent, guardian or adult caregiver is present at the IEP meeting held to review and approve the plan. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a written description of the general program of instruction and/or services provided prior to the effective date of this Master Contract. Contractors providing Behavior Intervention services must have a Board Certified Behavior Analyst, or an appropriately trained professional.
- v) Except for emergency situations requiring a change of location in order to continue the education of LEA students, 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/IFSP 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, or the prior written consent of a parent, guardian or adult caregiver during the delivery of services. LCI contractors shall ensure that appropriate and qualified residential or clinical staff is present during the provision of services under this Master Contract.

b) Transportation Services:

- i) In the event that transportation services for a student served by CONTRACTOR pursuant to an Individual Services Agreement are to be provided by a party other than CONTRACTOR or the LEA or its transportation providers, such services shall be reflected in a separate agreement signed by the parties hereto, and provided to the LEA and SELPA Director by the CONTRACTOR. Except as

provided below, CONTRACTOR shall compensate the transportation provider directly for such services, and shall charge the LEA for such services at the actual and reasonable rates billed by the transportation provider, plus a ten percent (.10) administrative fee, unless a "flat rate" is provided in the transportation contract. In the event that the transportation provider notifies the LEA or SELPA Director that CONTRACTOR is more than 90 days behind in payment for transportation services, LEA shall have the right, in its sole and exclusive discretion, but not the obligation, to make payment for such services directly to the transportation provider, and to deduct such payments from any sums owed to CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Master Contract and any Individual Services Agreement between the parties. In the event that the LEA makes direct payment of the transportation provider's charges, it shall be entitled to withhold both the transportation charges themselves and such additional amount as shall be reasonably necessary to compensate the LEA for the staff and other costs incurred in making direct payment of those charges. The remedies provided to the LEA pursuant to this Paragraph shall not be exclusive. CONTRACTOR shall not include transportation through the use of services or equipment owned, leased or contracted through the LEA unless expressly provided in the Individual Services Agreement for the student transported.

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

24) INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

- a) 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, unless otherwise specified in the student's IEP/IFSP, and shall be specified in the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the LEA student's IEP/IFSP.
- b) For NPS students in grades pre-kindergarten through 12, unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP, the number of instructional minutes, excluding recess, lunch, and passing time, shall be at least the minimum as specified in Education Code Sections 46110-46147, and in no case will be less than the amount as specified in the IEP/IFSP. In addition, the total number of annual instructional minutes shall be at least equivalent to the total number of annual instructional minutes provided to LEA students attending LEA schools in like grade level unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP.

- c) 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 the LEA student's ISA developed in accordance with the LEA student's IEP/IFSP.

25) CLASS SIZE

- a) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall ensure that class size shall not exceed a ratio of one teacher per fourteen (14) pupils. Each classroom with 2 or more students shall be assigned at least one paraprofessional. Upon written approval by an authorized LEA representative, class size may be temporarily increased by a ratio of 1 teacher to sixteen (16) pupils when necessary to provide services to pupils with disabilities. For any billing period where the class size has exceeded sixteen (16) students for five consecutive school days, the CONTRACTOR shall have a 10% decrease in its approved daily rate for those LEA students that exceeded sixteen (16), for those days (over five).
- b) 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 student by first utilizing existing certificated staff. The nonpublic school and the 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.
- c) 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.

26) CALENDARS

- a) When CONTRACTOR is a Non-Public School, the CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed 180 days for the regular school year, plus extended school year billable days as determined by the IEP/IFSP team ((34 CFR § Section 300.106); a minimum of 20 instructional days (excluding July 4th). Billable days shall include only those days that are included in the submitted and approved school calendar, and/or required by the IEP/IFSP for each student. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to the requirements for providing Extended School Year as outlined in Title 5, Article 4 of the California Code of Regulations. Unless otherwise specified by the students IEP/IFSP, educational services shall occur at the school site.

- b) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency, CONTRACTOR shall be provided with a LEA developed/approved calendar; CONTRACTOR herein agrees to observe holidays as specified in the LEA-developed/approved calendar. CONTRACTOR shall provide services pursuant to the LEA-developed/approved calendar, or as specified in the LEA pupil's IEP/IFSP and ISA. Unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA, CONTRACTOR shall provide related services to LEA pupils on only those days that the LEA pupil's school of attendance is in session and the LEA student attends school. CONTRACTOR shall bill only for services provided on billable days of attendance as indicated on the LEA calendar unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA.

27) DATA REPORTING

- a) CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide all data related to student information and billing information with LEA. CONTRACTOR shall agree to provide all data related to any and all sections of this contract and requested by and in the format require by the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall provide the LEA with invoices, attendance reports and progress reports for LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's nonpublic school or nonpublic agency.
- b) The LEA shall provide the CONTRACTORS with approved forms and/or format for such data including but not limited to invoicing, attendance reports and progress reports. The LEA may approve use of CONTRACTORS-provided forms at their discretion.

28) LEAST RESTRICTIVE ENVIRONMENT/DUAL ENROLLMENT

- a) CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA policies and procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") placement options and/or Dual Enrollment options for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.
- b) CONTRACTOR and LEA shall ensure that LRE placement options are addressed at all IEP/IFSP team meetings regarding students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. This shall include IEP/IFSP team consideration of supplementary aids and services, goals and objectives necessary for placement in the LRE and that may be necessary to enable students to transition to less restrictive settings. The District has the responsibility to determine the offer of FAPE in the Least Restrictive Environment.
- c) When an IEP/IFSP team has determined that an LEA student should be transitioned into the public school setting, CONTRACTOR shall assist the LEA in implementing the IEP/IFSP team's recommendations to support the transition.

29) STATEWIDE ACHIEVEMENT TESTING

- a) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall be available to administer all Statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASPP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, and English Language Proficiency Assessment for California (ELPAC) or alternate assessment for ELPAC, as appropriate to the student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA and state and federal guidelines. In the event the LEA requests that the NPS administer the assessments, NPS staff will be trained by a contracting LEA in the administration of all State-wide assessments in accordance with the guidelines of Ed Code 56385. Verification of training will be maintained with CONTRACTOR.
- b) NPS 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, as determined by the student's IEP, by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. Contractor shall report the test results to the CDE as required by Education Code section 56366(a)(8)(A). Test results shall be made available to the CONTRACTOR by the LEA, if the results are not sent to the CONTRACTOR by the test publisher or CDE.
- c) LEA shall provide NPS with the SSID for each LEA student. LEA shall cooperate with CONTRACTOR to accommodate CONTRACTOR's testing window. (Education Code Section 56366(a)(8)(B))

30) ATTENDANCE AT DISTRICT MANDATED MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend District 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, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, and standardized testing. LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with reasonable notice of mandated meetings. Attendance at such meetings does not constitute a billable service hour(s). After attending one meeting during the school year (including Extended School Year), upon request, a CONTRACTOR who is providing NPA services may request payment for services for attending any additional meetings mandated by the LEA. The request for payment will be at the CONTRACTOR'S agreed upon hourly rate.

31) POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 56521.5 regarding positive behavior interventions. 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 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. NPS site based staff and relevant NPA staff will be trained in positive behavior strategies prior to working with students.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and Behavioral Emergency Reports (BER).
- c) CONTRACTOR providing behavior support shall ensure that all of its relevant staff members are trained annually in crisis intervention and emergency procedures as related to appropriate behavior management strategies. Other contracted agency personnel shall be trained as needed. This is not to be construed as in lieu of general positive behavior management training.
- d) Staff will not participate in restraint of students until trained in crisis prevention programs. Evidence of training in a SELPA approved crisis intervention program to staff working in a staffing ratio of 1:1 with students with severe behavioral needs shall be submitted to the LEA at the beginning of the school year and within thirty (30) days of any new hire as referenced above. If the training is not able to be provided within 30 days, the non-public school or agency will notify the LEA to determine a plan to provide the training in a timely manner.
- e) Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.1 emergency interventions shall not be used as a substitute for a Behavior Intervention Plan (BIP), and instead may only be used to control behavior that is unpredictable and spontaneous. For an emergency intervention to be used, the behavior must pose a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the individual with exceptional needs, 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 intervention shall not be employed longer than necessary to contain the behavior. If a situation requires prolonged use of emergency intervention, staff must seek assistance from the school site administrator or a law enforcement agency.

- f) CONTRACTOR shall complete a BER when an emergency occurs that is defined as a serious, dangerous behavior that staff has determined to present a clear and present danger to others. It requires a non-violent physical intervention to protect the safety of student, self, or others and a physical intervention has been used; or a physical intervention has not been used, but an injury or serious property damage has occurred. Personal Safety Techniques may or may not have been used. Emergencies **require** a BER form be completed and submitted to the LEA within twenty-four (24) hours for administrative action. CONTRACTOR shall notify Parent within twenty-four (24) hours via telephone. If the student does not have a Behavior Intervention Plan ("BIP") or Positive Behavior Intervention Plan ("PBIP"), an IEP team shall schedule a meeting to review the BER, determine if there is a necessity for a functional behavioral assessment, and to determine an interim plan. If the student already has a BIP, the IEP team shall review and modify the BIP if a new serious behavior has been exhibited or existing behavioral interventions have proven to be ineffective. CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days.
- g) Pursuant to Education Code section 56521.2, CONTRACTOR shall not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for the following interventions, or any other interventions similar to or like the following:
 - i) Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain, including, but not limited to, electric-shock
 - ii) An intervention that involves the release of noxious, toxic, or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mists, or substances in proximity to the face of the individual.
 - iii) An intervention that denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities.
 - iv) An intervention that is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject, the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule, or humiliation, or that can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma.
 - v) Restrictive interventions that employ a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities. including the procedure known as prone containment, except that prone containment or similar techniques may be used by trained personnel as a limited emergency intervention.

- vi) Locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
 - vii) An intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual.
 - viii) An intervention that deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.
- h) CONTRACTOR shall comply with Education Code section 48905.8. Specifically,
- i) CONTRACTOR shall not do any of the following:
 - a) Use seclusion or a behavioral restraint for the purpose of coercion, discipline, convenience, or retaliation.
 - b) Use locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room.
 - c) Use a physical restraint technique that obstructs a pupil's respiratory airway or impairs the pupil's breathing or respiratory capacity, including techniques in which a staff member places pressure on a pupil's back or places his or her body weight against the pupil's torso or back.
 - d) Use a behavioral restraint technique that restricts breathing, including, but not limited to, using a pillow, blanket, carpet, mat, or other item to cover a pupil's face.
 - e) Place a pupil in a facedown position with the pupil's hands held or restrained behind the pupil's back.
 - f) Use a behavioral restraint for longer than is necessary to contain the behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to the pupil or others.
 - ii) CONTRACTOR shall:
 - a) Keep constant, direct observation of a pupil who is in seclusion, which may be through observation of the pupil through a window, or another barrier, through which the educational provider is able to make direct eye contact with the pupil. This observation shall not be through indirect means, including through a security camera or a closed-circuit television.
 - b) Afford to pupils who are restrained the least restrictive alternative and the maximum freedom of movement, and shall use the least number of restraint points, while ensuring the physical safety of the pupil and others.

- c) If prone restraint techniques are used, a staff member shall observe the pupil for any signs of physical distress throughout the use of prone restraint. Whenever possible, the staff member monitoring the pupil shall not be involved in restraining the pupil.
- h) Notwithstanding the provisions of Education Code 48905.8, NPS/NPA staff shall not use prone restraint.
- i) In the case of a child whose behavior impedes the child's learning or that of others, the individualized education program team shall consider the use of positive behavioral interventions and supports, and other strategies, to address that behavior, consistent with Section 1414(d)(3)(B)(i) and (d)(4) of Title 20 of the United States Code and associated federal regulations.

32) STUDENT DISCIPLINE

- a) CONTRACTOR shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with state and federal law and regulations.
- b) When NPS CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from his/her current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately submit a written discipline report to the LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the 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 the LEA student's behavior plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP/IFSP meeting no later than the tenth (10th) day of suspension. LEA shall notify and invite CONTRACTOR representatives to the IEP/IFSP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

33) IEP / IFSP TEAM MEETINGS

- a) Upon referral of an LEA student to CONTRACTOR, the LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of that student's IEP/IFSP, as well as available assessment information, and facilitate, if requested, an observation of the student. CONTRACTOR retains the right to decline enrollment of any student, unless ordered by the Office of Administrative Hearing (OAH) or a Court of Competent Jurisdiction. CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA written notification of its intent to decline enrollment of the LEA student.
- b) An IEP/IFSP 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 LEA student continue to be best met at the nonpublic

school; and (3) whether changes to the LEA student's IEP/IFSP are necessary, including whether the student may be transitioned to a public school setting. With parent and LEA concurrence, an IEP team may excuse a required IEP team member either from the entire meeting or after the member's report.

- c) Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of his or her IEP/IFSP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Master Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP/IFSP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. A CONTRACTOR who is providing NPA services may request payment for services for attending any meeting that occurs after the Annual Review of the IEP/IFSP. At any time during the term of this Master Contract, the parent, the CONTRACTOR or the LEA may request a review of the student's IEP/IFSP, 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/IFSP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to parents, CONTRACTOR and LEA. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA assessments and written assessment reports by service providers upon request and/or pursuant to LEA policy and procedures.
- d) 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/IFSP. 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/IFSP for the purposes of consideration of 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 an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH.

34) SURROGATE PARENTS AND FOSTER YOUTH

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments. A student in foster care shall be defined pursuant to California Education Code section 42238.01(b). The LEA shall annually notify the CONTRACTOR who the LEA has designated as the educational liaison for foster children. When a student in foster care is enrolled in a nonpublic school by the LEA any time after the completion of the student's second year of high school, the CONTRACTOR shall schedule the student in courses leading towards graduation based on the diploma requirements of the LEA unless provided notice otherwise in writing pursuant to Section 51225.1.

35) 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 of Civil Rights, or any other state and/or federal governmental body or

agency. Full participation shall include, but in no way be limited to, cooperating with LEA representatives to provide complete answers raised by any investigator and/or the immediate provision of any and all documentation that pertains to the operation of CONTRACTOR's program and/or the implementation of a particular student's IEP/Individual and Family Service Plan ("IFSP").

36) COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR shall maintain and adhere to its written procedures for responding to parent complaints. These procedures shall include annually notifying and providing parents of LEA students with appropriate information (including complaint forms) for the following: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 et seq.; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Pupil Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8 (a) (d) and 106.9 (a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), if applicable. CONTRACTOR shall include verification of these procedures to the LEA upon request.

37) LEA STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS/REPORT CARDS AND ASSESSMENTS

- a) Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided on a monthly basis, progress reports shall be sent by CONTRACTOR to LEA and parents no later than October 30th, January 30th, April 30th, and July 30th or as otherwise specified on the IEP/IFSP or requested in writing by the LEA, with respect to LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program. An updated report shall be submitted if there is no current progress report when LEA student is scheduled for a review by the LEA's IEP/IFSP team or when an LEA student's enrollment is terminated. Payment of invoices may be held until progress reports are provided. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at the CONTRACTOR's place of business and made available upon request of LEA and/or the LEA student's parent(s).
- b) CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other assessment of the LEA student one month prior to the LEA student's annual or triennial review IEP/IFSP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP/IFSP team meeting as required by state and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA policies, procedures, and/or practices. Supporting documentation, such as test protocols and data collection, shall be made available to LEA upon request. CONTRACTOR shall not charge the LEA student's parent(s) or LEA for the provision of progress reports, report cards, and/or any assessments, interviews, or meetings. Additional formalized standardized assessments shall be at the determination of the IEP team and the responsibility of the LEA unless otherwise agreed upon between LEA and CONTRACTOR. If Contractor is asked to provide formalized standardized assessment, such service will be paid at the rate stated in Section 62.

38) TRANSCRIPTS

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR, at the close of each semester or upon LEA student transfer, shall prepare transcripts for LEA students in grades nine through twelve inclusive, and submit them to the LEA student's district of residence, for evaluation of progress toward completion of diploma requirements, or if appropriate, a Certificate of Completion, as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall submit to the LEA names of LEA students and their schools of residence for whom transcripts have been submitted as specified by the LEA.

39) LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

- a) Within three (3) school days after CONTRACTOR or LEA becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and/or the LEA shall notify CONTRACTOR of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures. Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify parents in writing of the parent's obligation to notify CONTRACTOR of the LEA student's change of residence. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request by LEA, documentation of such notice to parents.
- b) If the LEA student's change of residence is to a residence outside of LEA's service boundaries or CONTRACTOR fails to follow the procedures specified in this provision, LEA shall not be responsible for the costs of services delivered after the LEA student's change of residence, if CONTRACTOR had knowledge or should reasonably have had knowledge of the LEA student's change of residence. LEAs will adhere to requirements for students identified as homeless or foster youth under current education code.

40) WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM PROGRAM

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report, by telephone, to the LEA when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services. CONTRACTOR shall confirm such telephone call with written submission within three (3) days.

41) PARENT ACCESS

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

- c) CONTRACTOR 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 situation. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS/NPA service provider.
- d) For services provided in a student's home as specified in the IEP, CONTRACTOR must ensure 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.

42) SERVICES AND SUPERVISION ON PUBLIC SCHOOL CAMPUSES

- a) If CONTRACTOR provides services on LEA public school campuses, CONTRACTOR shall comply with Penal Code Section 627.1 et. seq., and LEA procedures regarding visitors to school campuses specified by LEA policy and in the LEA Procedures, and shall follow the procedures of the campus at which services are being provided.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for purchase and provision of the supplies and assessment tools necessary to implement the provision of services on LEA public school campuses.
- c) In the event CONTRACTOR wishes to bring an animal, other than a bona fide service animal, on LEA premises, both CONTRACTOR'S management and LEA must agree in writing.

43) LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION CONTRACTORS

- a) 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 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9 (c) (1), Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b), AB 1858 (2004), AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003), AB 1261 (2005), AB 1166 Chapter 171 (2015), AB 167 Chapter 224 (2010), AB 2016 Chapter 324 (2013), AB 379 Chapter 772 (2015), AB 1012 Chapter 703 (2015), A

LCI shall not require that a student be placed in its nonpublic school as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

- b) 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/IFSP at the time of enrollment.

44) 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.

45) MONITORING

- a) CONTRACTOR shall allow access by LEA to its facilities for periodic monitoring of each LEA student's instructional program and shall be invited to participate in the review of each student's progress. LEA shall have access to observe each LEA student at work, observe the instructional setting, interview CONTRACTOR, and review each LEA student's records and progress. Such access shall include unannounced monitoring visits. When making site visits, LEA shall initially report to CONTRACTOR's site administrative office.
- b) If CONTRACTOR is also a LCI, LEA shall annually evaluate whether CONTRACTOR is in compliance with Education Code section 56366.9 and Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b).
- c) During the term of this Master Contract, CONTRACTOR shall participate in a District Review to be conducted as aligned with the CDE On-site Review or more often if necessary. This review will address programmatic aspects of the Nonpublic School/Agency, compliance with relevant state and federal regulations, and Master Contract compliance.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall participate in compliance reviews of LEA in accordance with requirements of CDE. CONTRACTOR will use all SELPA IEP forms. CONTRACTOR will adhere to all SELPA assurances and procedures required for compliance.
- e) 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.

- f) When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall prepare a School Accountability Report Card in accordance with California Education Code Section 56366(a)(9) and 33126 and state guidelines.

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46) FINGERPRINT CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

- a) 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 CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA students, prior to service with any LEA student. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA pupils, shall not come in contact with LEA students until CDOJ and FBI clearance are ascertained. CONTRACTOR shall certify in writing to LEA that none of its employees, and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA students, or contractors who may come into contact with LEA students have been convicted of a violent or serious felony as those terms are defined in California Education Code section 44237(h), unless despite the employee's conviction of a violent or serious felony, he or she has met the criteria to be eligible for employment pursuant to California Education Code section 44237(i) or (j). In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from the CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.
- b) According to Education Code sections 44237 and 56366.1 CONTRACTOR shall verify that it 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 who may have contact with students.** 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 State Superintendent 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 with their "Custodian of Records", 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 to the State Superintendent.

47) STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services hold a license, certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which staff in a public school are required to hold in the service rendered consistent with Education Code section 56366.1(n)(1) and are qualified pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations sections 3064 and 3065.
- b) Only those nonpublic, nonsectarian schools or agencies located outside of California that employ staff that 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. NPA/NPS staff shall be required to hold credentials and licenses within the state where they are providing services regardless of where the agency is located.
- c) 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. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.
- d) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if current license or credential documents are not available through no fault of the NPS/A, timely application having theretofore been made, this Master Contract shall remain in effect until such documents are made available to the NPS/A from the Consumer Affairs Department or the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The NPS/A shall in turn submit copies of same to the LEA within five (5) business days of receipt by the NPS/A.

48) VERIFICATION OF LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

- a) CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, 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 by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall notify the CDE and the LEA in writing as specified in the LEA Procedures and CDE within forty-five (45) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students as specified in the LEA Procedures. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if current license or credential documents are not available through no fault of the NPS/A, timely application having theretofore been made, this Master Contract shall

remain in effect until such documents are made available to the NPS/A from the Consumer Affairs Department or the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The NPS/A shall in turn submit copies of same to the LEA within five (5) business days of receipt by the NPS/A.

- b) CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR to provide special education services to LEA students. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA updated information regarding the status of licenses, credentials, permits and/or other documents as specified in LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR will be considered to be in breach of this contract for any service provided by an unqualified provider or one who has an expired credential. In such an event, the provider shall be paid at 70% of the agreed upon rate.

49) CALSTRS REPORTING REQUIREMENT

CONTRACTOR shall identify to the LEA any employee (or the CONTRACTOR, if the CONTRACTOR is an individual) expected to perform services under this Agreement who is then-receiving CalSTRS benefits, and who may perform creditable service for the LEA as defined in Education Code 22119.5. Identification to the LEA shall include the individual's full legal name and STRS and social security identification numbers. Before any services by the individual are provided, the CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA a signed written confirmation from the individual that he/she is aware of the separation-from-service requirement earnings limitations imposed by Education Code Sections 22714, 24114, 24116, 24214, 24214.5, and 24215. CONTRACTOR shall thereafter provide on a monthly basis to the LEA the actual amounts paid to the individual for services rendered under this Agreement, with the LEA responsible for reporting the individual's earnings to CalSTRS as required by law or regulation.

Pursuant to Education Code 22164.5(b), the activities of an employee of CONTRACTOR shall not be included in the definition of "retired member activities" if all of the following conditions apply:

- (1) The employee performs a limited-term agreement.
- (2) The third-party employer does not participate in a California public pension system.
- (3) The activities performed by the individual are not normally performed by employees of an employer, as defined in Section 22131.

50) STAFF ABSENCE

- a) 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 payment for instruction and/or services when an appropriately credentialed substitute teacher is not provided. If a teacher is absent and a non-qualified substitute has been provided, CONTRACTOR will notify the LEA immediately. The LEA will determine how to address the denial of FAPE.

- b) 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 eight (8) of this Master Contract and as determined by LEA) substitute, unless LEA provides appropriate coverage in lieu of CONTRACTOR's service providers. LEA will not pay for services unless a qualified substitute is provided and/or CONTRACTOR provides a mutually agreed upon plan 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. Provider shall notify LEA immediately of the development of the plan for any missed services that include: 5 or more consecutive days of specialized academic instruction (SAI) or more than 2 weeks of missed related services. CONTRACTOR shall not "bank" or "carry over" make-up service hours under any circumstances, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by CONTRACTOR and LEA.

HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES

51) HEALTH AND SAFETY

- a) 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. 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 will comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 35021 et seq., regarding preventing registered sex offenders from volunteering and to request fingerprinting clearance of volunteers.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standards, Title 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 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.

52) FACILITIES, FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS AND FIRE DRILLS

- a) Facilities: CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to LEA pupils in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related to, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for any structural changes and/or modifications to CONTRACTOR's facilities as required complying with applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances.
- b) Fire Drills: When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school, CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills monthly for elementary and intermediate students and twice per school year for secondary students, as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations, Section 550.

53) ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

- a) CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Federal Regulations and California Education Code and the California Code of Regulations, when CONTRACTOR serves an LEA student that is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the LEA student with the administration of such medication after the LEA student's parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR:
 - i) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and
 - ii) a written statement from the LEA student's parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement.
- b) 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 the 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.
- c) CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for assuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders or current student's Individual Health Care Plan. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and parent.

54) INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA within 12 hours of learning of any significant accident or incident. CONTRACTOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports within one business day pursuant to the procedures specified in LEA Procedures.

55) MANDATED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- a) CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 et seq. and California Education Code 44691. 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 notice acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA upon request.
- b) CONTRACTOR agrees to provide annual training to all employees regarding mandated child abuse reporting laws, and shall maintain documentation, signed by each staff member receiving such training. CONTRACTOR agrees that its obligations to report incidents of abuse or neglect to the LEA are in addition to, and not in lieu of, CONTRACTOR's obligation to immediately report suspected abuse or neglect to the appropriate public authorities; a written report should be submitted within 36 hours (PC 11166(a)). CONTRACTOR shall maintain confidential records of any report of suspected child abuse and shall inform the LEA by facsimile or email within 24 hours (and followed up with U.S. mail) of becoming aware of circumstances including, but not limited to allegations of abuse involving a staff member.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of general concerns regarding the health and safety of a student that may impact the student's educational program, including the need for mental health services, injuries requiring medical attention or injuries resulting from physical restraint.

56) SEXUAL HARASSMENT

CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide upon request, 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.

57) REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

- a) CONTRACTOR assures LEA that all staff members, including volunteers, 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 the LEA upon request.
- b) In the event a child elopes from an NPS or Residential Treatment Center and evades adult supervision, the LEA shall be notified immediately following contact to law enforcement.

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58) ENROLLMENT, CONTRACTING, SERVICE TRACKING, ATTENDANCE REPORTING, AND BILLING PROCEDURES

- a) CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the school or agency has the necessary financial resources to provide an appropriate education for the students enrolled and will distribute those resources in such a manner to implement the IEP/IFSP for each and every student.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP/IFSP and ISA. All payments by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Contract.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall maintain registers for the basic education program and each related service. Original attendance forms shall be completed by the actual service provider whose signature shall appear on such forms and shall be available for review, inspection, or audit by LEA during the effective period of this contract and for a period of five (5) years after the date of origination. CONTRACTOR shall verify the accuracy of minutes of reported attendance that is the basis of services being billed for payment.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall submit accurate and timely invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided to an LEA student. Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the end of the attendance accounting period in which the services were rendered. LEA shall make payment to CONTRACTOR based on the number of billable days of attendance and hours of service at rates specified in this contract within forty-five (45) days of LEA's receipt of properly submitted hard copy of invoices prepared and submitted as specified in California Education Code Section 56366.5. CONTRACTOR shall correct deficiencies and submit rebilling invoices no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the invoice is

returned by LEA. LEA shall pay properly submitted re-billing invoices no later than forty-five (45) days from the date a completely corrected re-billing invoice is received by LEA.

- e) If the LEA fails to comply with the provision of payment within 45 days of receipt of the request for payment of services, the CONTRACTOR may require the LEA to pay an additional amount of 1-1/2 percent of the unpaid balance per month until full payment is made (California Education Code 56366.6 (b)). Upon written notification of dispute, CONTRACTOR shall not apply additional charges to the disputed bill until the matter is resolved.

59) RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

- a) LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when:
 - i) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this contract
 - ii) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records
 - iii) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by Section 57
 - iv) education and/or related services are provided to LEA pupils by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified
 - v) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA pupils enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program
 - vi) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a pupil's change of residence to another district or confirms the change of residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA with five (5) days of such confirmation
 - vii) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA pupil.
- b) The amount which may be withheld by LEA with respect to each of the subparagraphs of the preceding paragraph are as follows:

- i) the value of the service CONTRACTOR failed to perform
 - ii) the amount of overpayment
 - iii) the entire portion of the invoice for which satisfactory documentation has not been provided by CONTRACTOR
 - iv) the amount invoiced for services provided by the individual not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified
 - v) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable pupil for the time period from the date of the violation occurred and until the violation is cured
 - vi) the proportionate amount of the invoice related to the applicable pupil for the time period from the date of the violation occurred and until the violation is cured
 - vii) the amount paid to CONTRACTOR by Medi-Cal or another agency or funding source for the service provided to the LEA pupil.
- c) If LEA determines that cause exists to withhold payment to CONTRACTOR, LEA shall, within ten (10) business days of receipt of such invoice, 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.
- d) If after subsequent request for payment has been denied and CONTRACTOR believes that payment should not be withheld, CONTRACTOR shall send written notice to LEA specifying the reason it believes payment should not be withheld. LEA shall respond to CONTRACTOR's notice within thirty (30) business days by indicating that a warrant for the amount of payment will be made or stating the reason LEA believes payment should not be made. If LEA fails to respond within thirty (30) business days or a dispute regarding the withholding of payment continues after the LEA's response to CONTRACTOR's notice, CONTRACTOR shall invoke the following escalation policy.
- i) Persons involved after forty-one (41) business days: If CONTRACTOR notifies LEA that the dispute has not been resolved by the LEA Specialist, LEA's Administrator will become involved and shall attempt to resolve the dispute. The

LEA Coordinator shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within ten (10) business days.

- ii) Persons involved after fifty-one (51) business days: If CONTRACTOR notifies LEA that the dispute has not been resolved by the LEA Administrator, the SELPA Director shall become involved. The SELPA Director shall respond to the CONTRACTOR in writing within ten (10) business days. This shall be the final LEA determination regarding the withholding of payment.
 - iii) Persons involved after sixty-one (61) business days: Dispute Resolution, as defined in the SELPA's Local Plan, shall be followed.
- e) If the dispute has not been resolved through the SELPA's Dispute Resolution process, the party claiming injury may seek legal or CDE redress, or may submit, if mutually agreed to in writing by the parties, the matter to binding arbitration by an arbitrator or arbitration service agreed upon by the parties. Each party shall be responsible for their own fees for arbitration, if applicable. The parties agree that this Master Contract provision dealing with Master Contract disputes does not alter the parties' right to bring action in accordance with the applicable statute of limitations under state or federal law.

60) 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 covered by this Master Contract or the ISA to LEA pupils. 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 covered by this Master Contract or ISA to LEA pupils.

61) PAYMENT FOR STUDENT ABSENCES

- a) Two accounting/billing options are offered at the discretion of the LEA: "Excused Absence" or "Positive Attendance." In neither case will CONTRACTOR bill for any absences during Extended School Year (ESY).
 - i) **Positive Attendance Method**
 - a) A factor of 1.055 shall be applied to all approved rates when a Positive Attendance method is used. Actual days of attendance without exception shall be counted as a unit of service.
 - ii) **Excused Absence Method**

- a) LEA shall not be responsible for payment for more than 8 cumulative days of absences, for each of the first ninety days and second ninety days of the school year (i.e., semester), unless a written time extension is granted by LEA. No more than three of the 8 cumulative absences shall be unexcused.
- b) On the 4th consecutive day of a pupil's absence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of such absence. If CONTRACTOR fails to provide such notice by the 4th day of consecutive absence, CONTRACTOR shall not be compensated for services delivered during continuing absence after the 4th consecutive day of excused absence.
- c) All excused absences must be verified and a copy must be submitted to LEA with the monthly invoice. All documentation must be kept for at least five (5) years from the date of origination.
- d) Only the individuals listed below may verify the reason for absence:
 - (1) School or public health nurse
 - (2) Physician
 - (3) Principal
 - (4) Teacher
 - (5) School employee assigned to make such verification
 - (6) Student eighteen years of age or over
 - (7) Parent
- e) Any reasonable method which established the reason for the absence may be used:
 - (1) Written note from parent, guardian, representative or adult pupil (over 18 or emancipated)
 - (2) Telephone conversation with parent, guardian, representative, or adult pupil (over 18 or emancipated)
- f) Standards for excused absences are defined in the education code. Contractor is responsible for verification of excused absence in accordance with current requirements.
- b) The following shall apply in the event of an NPS school closure due to an emergency consistent with guidelines followed by LEAs under Education Code Section 41422:
 - i) Pursuant to an application for a waiver by an LEA, the CONTRACTOR shall receive the daily rate for pupils who were in attendance prior to the emergency closure as though they were continuing in their regular attendance.
 - i) In the event a waiver is not approved, the CONTRACTOR shall be required to schedule a makeup day of service in accordance with the

education code. The NPS will work collaboratively with LEAs and inform them of a date(s) on which the makeup day will occur.

62) NONPUBLIC AGENCY PUPIL ABSENCE

If CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic agency, it shall notify LEA of the absence of an LEA student no later than the fifth consecutive service day of the student's absence. A unit of service for payment purposes shall not be credited for an excused absence when CONTRACTOR is provided 24 hours advance verbal notification of the student's absence. A unit of service for payment purposes shall not be credited to CONTRACTOR for CONTRACTOR'S staff development days.

63) INSPECTION AND AUDIT

- a) The CONTRACTOR shall maintain and the 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 Master Contract.
- b) CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b). CONTRACTOR shall make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.
- c) CONTRACTOR shall provide access to LEA to all records including, but not limited to:
 - i) student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b)
 - ii) registers and roll books of teachers
 - iii) daily service logs and notes or other documents used to record the provision of related services
 - iv) Medi-Cal/daily service logs and notes and other documents used to record provision of services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, bus aides, and supervisors
 - v) absence verification records (parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents)
 - vi) bus rosters
 - vii) staff lists specifying credentials held, business licenses held, documents evidencing other qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination
 - viii) staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets
 - ix) transportation and other related service subcontracts
 - x) school calendars
 - xi) bell/class schedules
 - xii) liability and worker's compensation insurance policies

- xiii) state nonpublic school and/or agency certifications
 - xiv) marketing materials
 - xv) by-laws
 - xvi) lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; statements of income and expenses
 - xvii) general journals
 - xviii) cash receipts and disbursement books
 - xix) general ledgers and supporting documents
 - xx) federal/state payroll quarterly reports; and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.
 - xxi) Such access shall include unannounced inspections by LEA. CONTRACTOR shall make available to LEA all budgetary information including operating budgets submitted by CONTRACTOR to LEA for the relevant contract period being audited.
- d) CONTRACTOR shall make all records, or copies of records, available at either the office of the LEA or at the CONTRACTOR's offices (to be specified by LEA) at all times and without charge. All records shall be provided to LEA within ten (10) 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 the LEA, unless the LEA agrees to the use of the electronic format. CONTRACTOR may request from the LEA an extension of time to comply with any records request, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- e) If an inspection, review, or audit by the LEA, a state agency, a federal agency, and/or an independent agency/firm determines that the CONTRACTOR or the LEA owes the other monies as a result of over billing, underpayment, or failure to perform, in whole or in part, any of its obligations under this Master Contract, the party owed money shall provide to the other party written notice demanding payment and specifying the basis or bases for such demand. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the party that owes money shall make such payment within thirty (30) days of receipt of the written notice demanding payment. In the event that a party from whom payment is demanded disputes that any payment is owed, the matter shall be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution section of this Master Contract.
- f) The attached rate schedule limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the contract. It may also limit the maximum number of students that can be provided specific services. Per diem rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day shall 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 contract, shall be as stated in Section 62.

64) RATE SCHEDULE

Per Diem rates for students whose IEPs authorize less than a full instructional day may be adjusted proportionally. In such cases only, the adjustments in basic education rate shall be based on the percentage the required minimum number of minutes per grade level as noted in California Education Code Section 46200-46208.

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

The CONTRACTOR: Bright Path Therapists

The CONTRACTOR CDS NUMBER: _____

PER ED CODE 56366 – TEACHER-TO-PUPIL RATIO: _____

Education service(s) offered by the CONTRACTOR and the charges for such service(s) during the term of this contract, as negotiated on behalf of the LEAs, shall be as follows:

a) Non-Bundled Education Program

i) General Program Tuition Daily Rate: _____

ii) Related Services:

Service	Rate	Period
Intensive Individual Services (340)		
Language and Speech (415) INDIVIDUAL		
Language and Speech (415) GROUP		
Adapted Physical Education (425)		
Health and Nursing: Specialized Physical Health Care (435)		
Health and Nursing: Other Services (436)		
Assistive/Adaptive Technology Services (445)		

Occupational Therapy (450) INDIVIDUAL	\$97.00	Hour
Occupational Therapy (450) GROUP	\$97.00	Hour
Physical Therapy (460) INDIVIDUAL	\$97.00	Hour
Physical Therapy Inclusive	\$85.00	Hour
Individual Counseling (510)		
Counseling and Guidance (515)		
Parent Counseling (520)		
Social Work Services (525)		
Psychological Services (530)		
Behavior Intervention Services (535)		
Specialized Services for Low Incidence Disabilities (610)		
Specialized Deaf and Hard of Hearing (710)		
Interpreter Services (715)		
Audiological Services (720)		
Specialized Vision Services (725)		
Orientation and Mobility (730)		
Specialized Orthopedic Services (740)		
Reader Services (745)		
Transcription Services (755)		
Recreation Services, Including Therapeutic (760)		
College Awareness (820)		
Work Experience Education (850)		
Job Coaching (855)		
Mentoring (860)		
Travel Training (870)		

Other Transition Services (890)		
Educational Therapy		
Service		

b) Bundled Education Program

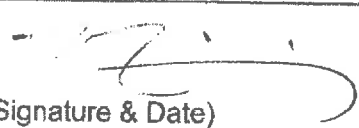

- i) Includes Educational Counseling (not ed related mental health) services, Speech & Language services, Behavior Intervention Planning, and Occupational Therapy as specified on the student's IEP.
- ii) Daily Rate: _____

APPROVALS

Master Contract approved by the governing Board on _____

Total amount of contract not to exceed \$25,145.00

The parties hereto have executed this Individual Services Agreement by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives as set forth below.

CONTRACTOR	DISTRICT
Bright Path Therapists	Albany Unified School District
 (Signature & Date)	 (Signature & Date)
Tonya Zimring, MS, OTR/L Director, Founder	Diane Marie, Director of Special Education
(Notices to Contractor shall be addressed to) Bright Path Therapists	(Notices to Contractor shall be addressed to) Victoria Berndt, Special Education Secretary
45 Alta Vista Way	819 Bancroft Way
San Rafael, CA 94901	Berkeley, CA 94710
Phone: 415-698-1700 Fax: 415-689-7773 Email: tonya@brightpaththerapists.com Website: www.brightpaththerapists.com	Phone: 510-559-6536 Fax: 510-559-6543 Email: vberndt@ausdk12.org Website: www.ausdk12.org

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

ITEM: RESOLUTION 2018-19-16: REDUCTION OF CLASSIFIED SERVICES

PREPARED BY: CHERYL COTTON, DIRECTOR III, HUMAN RESOURCES

TYPE OF ITEM: REVIEW AND ACTION

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this item is to reduce services and support provided by classified staff for the 2019-2020 school year.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Yearly, the district determines which, if any classified positions need to be reduced due to lack of work/lack of funds. Employees who are affected by the lay-off are placed on a 39 month re-hire list. Should the funds or work return, the employees are contacted to return to work in order of seniority.

DETAILS: Classified staff will be reduced by 4.92 FTE.

KEY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

Q: Are the classified employees who are laid-off eligible for unemployment?

A: Human resources will provide employees affected by the lay-offs with information on how to file for unemployment benefits. The Employment Development Department makes the determination as to whether or not a person receives unemployment benefits.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: General Fund \$24,467

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



Objective #3: Communicate and Lead Together. Goal: All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Resolution 2018-19-16: Reduction of Classified Services

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION 2018-19-16**

REDUCTION OF CLASSIFIED SCHOOL SERVICES

WHEREAS, Education Code sections 45101, 45114, 45117, 45298 and 45308 authorize the district to lay off classified employees for lack of work and/or lack of funds upon sixty (60) days prior notice; and

WHEREAS, due to a lack of work and/or a lack of funds, certain services now being provided by the District must be reduced/eliminated;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that as of the 30th day of July, 2019, the following positions be reduced/eliminated:

Position	Reason	FTE
Library Technician	Categorical Funds	2.5
Para-educator: Instructional	Categorical Funds	.89
Secretary II (High School)	Budget Reduction	.80
Athletic Clerk	Categorical Funds	.73
Total		4.92

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Superintendent or designee be authorized and directed to give notice of termination of employment to the affected employee(s) of this District pursuant to District rules and regulations and applicable provisions of the Education Code not later than sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of such reduction or discontinuance as set forth above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Superintendent or designee be authorized and directed to take any other actions necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of Education of the Albany Unified School District of the County of Alameda, this 14th day of May, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

President of the Board of Trustees
Albany Unified School District
Alameda County, California

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

ITEM: CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO SUNSHINE
NEGOTIATION PROPOSAL FROM ALBANY UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT TO THE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL
EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

PREPARED BY: CHERYL COTTON, DIRECTOR III, HUMAN RESOURCES

TYPE OF ITEM: REVIEW & ACTION

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is for the Board of Education to conduct a public hearing on the Albany Unified School District's (AUSD) Sunshine Proposal to the California School Employees Association (CSEA) for 2019-2022 contract, and for the Board of Education to approve this negotiation proposal.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The current contract ends June 30, 2019. CSEA has already sunshined proposed articles for the 2019-2022 contract. Albany Unified School District is now sunshining articles to be opened during the successor contract negotiations for the July 1, 2019-June 30, 2022 contract.

DETAILS: Albany Unified School District has identified the following articles to sunshine:

- Article 6 – Wages and Salary
- Article 7 – Health and Welfare Benefits
- Exhibit O – Performance Evaluation – Classified Employees
- Exhibit P – Performance Evaluation – Instructional Para-educators

KEY QUESTIONS/ANSWERS:

Q. What is a sunshine proposal?

A. Sunshine proposals are the first step in contract negotiations. It informs the negotiating teams as to the issues they can expect to see at the bargaining table.

Q. When will negotiations start?

A. The teams are scheduled to meet on May 16 and 17, 2019.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Impact to be determined as negotiations proceed

STRATEGIC GOALS ADDRESSED:



Objective #3: Communicate and Lead Together. Goal: All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Negotiation Proposal From Albany Unified School District to the California School Employees Association (CSEA) for the 2019-2022 contract.

Albany Unified School District: Sunshine Proposal

The District has an interest in exploring and discussing the following articles for collective bargaining with California School Employees Association for the 2019-2022 contract.

The District has identified the following articles for negotiations:

- Article 6 – Wages and Salary
- Article 7 – Health and Welfare Benefits
- Exhibit O – Performance Evaluation – Classified Employees
- Exhibit P – Performance Evaluation – Instructional Para-educators

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

ITEM: ALBANY CHILDREN'S CENTER PRESCHOOL RATE ADJUSTMENT

**PREPARED BY: JACKIE KIM, CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICIAL
ANNA MANSKER, ALBANY CHILDREN'S CENTER DIRECTOR**

TYPE OF ITEM: REVIEW AND ACTION

PURPOSE: To review and approve the adjustment of AUSD Preschool rates starting in the 2019-20 school year.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The last time AUSD Preschool rates were adjusted was in May 2016. A price adjustment is necessary due to the following:

- To align with the cost of neighboring programs
- To balance preschool budget
- To maintain highly qualified staff
- To align with cost increases due to health and welfare and retirement cost increases

DETAILS:

The State of California provides reimbursement at \$51.84 per child per day for a “full day” of attendance at preschool. A full day is considered at least 6.5 hours per day. AUSD Preschool operates ten and a half hours a day and provides breakfast, lunch, and an afternoon snack. The cost of operating a 10.5 hour a day program is significantly more than the cost of operating a 6.5 hour a day program (i.e. salary, benefits, etc); however, the amount subsidized is the same regardless of the number of hours the program operates. Additionally, the AUSD Preschool program is open 245 days per year, and all but two neighboring preschool programs are open for 225 days or less. Please see Exhibit A for monthly preschool tuition rates in our area.

Currently, seventy-eight percent (78%) of the students enrolled in the AUSD's Preschool program, receive state-subsidies, and our AUSD Preschool budget has historically operated at a deficit. During the 2017-2018 school year, this deficit was approximately \$140,000. In order to balance the preschool budget, we backfilled the deficit with funds from the school-age before and after-care program that currently runs in the black.

Funds currently being used to cover the deficit in the AUSD Preschool program, will be needed to cover

the costs associated with expanding the District's school-age before and after school programs due to temporary housing.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Staff is recommending the tuition rate for ACC Preschool be increased from \$1,250 to \$1,450 a month. This recommended price adjustment could potentially generate \$38,400 revenue each year based on the current enrollment of Preschool students. \$38,400 a year will help to offset the amount of money transferred to preschool from school-age.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



Objective #1: *Assess and Increase Academic Success. Goal: We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child. Goal: We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*



Objective #3: *Communicate and Lead Together. Goal: All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.*

<p>RECOMMENDATION: To review and approve the adjustment of AUSD Preschool rates starting in the 2019-20 school year.</p>

Exhibit A**Proposal to increase preschool tuition at ACC 2019-20****Market Research of the surrounding preschools for 3-5-year olds (M-F, full day programs*):**

Preschool	Time open (daily)	Time open (yearly)	Rates (per month)	Lunch included?
Blue Skies Preschool (Oakland)	7:30-6:00	12 month, 244 days	\$2470.00	Yes
OrcKids Preschool (Albany)	8:00-6:00	12 mon w/ holidays, 225 days	\$1995.00	No
Monteverde Preschool (Berkeley)	8:00-5:30	12 mon w/ holidays, 225 days	\$1874.00	No
Duck's Nest (4 th Street, Berkeley)	8:00-5:00	10 month, follows TK-12 calendar	\$1815.00	No
The Model School (Berkeley)	7:00-6:00	12 month, 244 days	\$1801.00	No
UC Berkeley ECE (UC Village)	7:30-5:30	12 mon w/ holidays, 225 days	\$1775.00	Yes
Emeryville CDC (Emeryville)	7:30-5:30	12 mon w/ holidays, 225 days	\$1638.00 (non-resident) \$1476.00 (resident)	Yes
Albany Preschool Co-op (Albany)	9:00-4:30	10 month, follows TK-12 calendar	\$1592.00	No
El Cerrito Co-op (El Cerrito)	8:30-4:30	10 month, follows TK-12 calendar	\$1375.00	No
Albany Children's Center	7:30-6:00	12 month, 245 days	\$1250.00	Yes

*State of CA determines preschool 'full day' to be at least 6.5 hours/day.

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

ITEM: BUDGET RESERVE PRACTICE

PREPARED BY: JACKIE KIM, CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICIAL

TYPE OF ITEM: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

PURPOSE: To review and discuss the 9% budget reserve practice previously adopted by the Board of Education.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At the [January 9, 2018 Board Meeting](#), Allan Garde, AUSD's previous Chief Business Official, stated that although AUSD began the Great Recession with a budget reserve of over 15%, the District had to monitor cash daily and delay payments by several months to local vendors, delay payments to PG&E for electricity, and make agreements with CalPERS, Delta Dental, and VSP to delay payments for employee benefits. Fortunately, AUSD did not issue loans to meet payroll obligations, or reduce the number of instructional days, or implement furloughs because of an emergency parcel tax passed on November 3, 2009.

However, many school districts across the State survived the Great Recession by laying off staff, issuing loans to meet payroll obligations, delaying payments to vendors including local vendors and utility agencies, reducing instructional days by 5 (temporarily allowed by the State), implementing furlough days to staff, and utilizing State grants for specific programs to pay for general items like utilities. Because of AUSD's 15% reserve, these types of drastic measures were not required by AUSD.

The State survived the Great Recession's \$130.2 billion budget gap by making sweeping cuts to programs, passing down services previously handled by the State to the local level, utilizing accounting gimmicks by deferring payments to agencies which totaled \$35 billion in 2011, and placing a ballot measure on the November 2012 ballot explicitly stating further reductions (mostly focused on education) would occur if the ballot measure did not pass.

DETAILS:

The California Department of Education released the *2017-18 Unaudited Actuals* data on March 22, 2019, that allows for the calculation of the district and statewide average reserve levels. The 2017-18 percentages for unified school districts are 16.98% (see Exhibit A).

The State of California requires a school district of our size to maintain a minimum 3% reserve of total expenditures for the current and two subsequent budget years. However, the minimum

reserve level is not enough to cover one month of AUSD's payroll expenses. Alameda County Office of Education continues to reinforce the need for districts to maintain a reserve higher than the 3% minimum requirement in order to plan for economic uncertainty. The Government Finance Officers Association recommends districts have reserves at least equal to two months of average general fund operating expenditures (about 17%).

AUSD's historical data for reserves is as follows:

Fiscal year 2013-14 : 18.04%

Fiscal year 2014-15 : 13.11%

Fiscal year 2015-16 : 14.27%

Fiscal year 2016-17 : 15.34%

Fiscal year 2017-18 : 14.31%

The reserves for the current year (FY 2018-19) and the next three years are projected as follows:

Fiscal year 2018-19 : approximately 11.2%

Fiscal year 2019-20 : approximately 8.9%

Fiscal year 2020-21 : approximately 4.9%

Fiscal year 2021-22 : approximately 0.6%

School Services of California encourages districts to consider:

- Assembly Bill (AB) 1200 (Chapter 1213/1991): AB 1200 requires multi-year projections, and in the current environment of cost-of-living adjustment only, even a 10% reserve in year one will not cover cost increases for three years (California State Teachers' Retirement System, California Public Employees' Retirement System, health benefits, step and column, special education contributions).
- The 3% reserve is a required minimum, which represents less than one month of AUSD's payroll expenses.
- The reserve is one-time money and once expended, replacement is essential and often difficult.
- Most financial problems occur over multiple years. It takes a lot of one-time reserve dollars to solve a multiyear problem, even temporarily.
- Unless a district has bond money, it may need additional reserves for school repairs or to provide state matching fund.
- Most districts do not carry reserves specially set aside for post-retirement health benefits which means the general fund reserve is the only source of payment for this growing liability.
- For comparison, the total average net ending balance for all unified school districts was 16.98%, a number School Services of California thinks is reasonable given the State's current economic circumstances.

SUMMARY:

The current AUSD 9% reserve practice accomplishes the following:

- Ensures sufficient cash on hand to meet payroll every month;

- Ensures stability of programs throughout an unstable State budget process;
- Addresses unexpected costs (emergency facility repair related to a leaking roof, malfunctioning fire system, gas leak, or litigation, etc.);
- Saves for large purchases (equipment and facility components that have reached the end of their useful lives, such as worn out flooring or heating and cooling systems);
- Affects the district's credit rating when selling bonds; and
- Ensures time needed to engage stakeholders when making budget reductions.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: N/A

STRATEGIC GOALS ADDRESSED:



Objective #1: *Assess and Increase Academic Success. Goal: We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child. Goal: We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*



Objective #3: *Communicate and Lead Together. Goal: All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.*

<p>RECOMMENDATION: To review and discuss the 9% budget reserve practice previously adopted by the Board.</p>

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2017-18 Statewide Average Reserve Levels Slightly Down

The California Department of Education released the 2017-18 Unaudited Actual data that allow for the calculation of the district type and statewide average reserve levels.

The reserve levels are defined as the unrestricted net ending fund balance for the General Fund, plus the ending balance for Fund 17 (Special Reserve for Other Than Capital Outlay Projects) as a percentage of total General Fund (including restricted programs) expenditures, transfers, and other uses. The averages by district type are as follows:

2017-18 Average Unrestricted General Fund, Plus Fund 17; Net Ending Balances as a Percentage of Total General Fund Expenditures, Transfers, and Other Uses		Change from Prior Year
Unified School Districts	16.98%	-0.27%
Elementary School Districts	20.20%	-0.88%
High School Districts	15.63%	-1.01%

The 2017-18 percentages for both unified and high school districts are below the 17% minimum (two months of payroll) amount of reserves for local governments recommended by the Governmental Finance Officers Association. While the elementary school districts' average is higher, there are many more small elementary school districts, which more than justifies a higher elementary school statewide average, in our opinion.

—*John Gray and Dave Heckler*

posted 03/12/2019

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

**ITEM: ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SOLANO AVENUE
PROPERTY**

PREPARED BY: VAL WILLIAMS, SUPERINTENDENT

TYPE OF ITEM: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

PURPOSE: For the Board of Education to review and discuss the Albany Unified School District property at 1216 and 1200 Solano Avenue and provide direction to staff.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In 2005, motivated by the desire to create affordable staff housing, staff and the Board engaged in discussions to potentially develop the AUSD-owned property on Solano Avenue. A Request for Proposals (RFP) process was initiated, and two proposals were submitted: one by Oliver & Company and one by Cornell Partners. The plan submitted by Oliver & Company included retail space on the ground floor, AUSD office space, leasable office space on the second floor, and eight (8) apartments on the third floor. The plan submitted by Cornell Partners (consisting of Howard McNenny, Red Oak Realty, and Novo Construction) included space for the district office and retail space.

The Board also discussed options to develop the property which included revenue-generating leased space, developer financing, and affordable housing. The Solano Avenue plans became dormant around 2011 possibly due to the recession and the inability of the district to find a means to fund the project.

DETAILS:

The AUSD-owned property on Solano Avenue is approximately 14,000 sq. ft. Currently, the property at 1216 Solano Avenue is leased by the YMCA for \$40,425 through June 30, 2019 and \$66,000 annually until the lease terminates on June 30, 2023. Either party may terminate the lease with 180 days written notice. The YMCA program on Solano Avenue includes Solano Kids Club, which is a licensed before-and after-school program providing services to K-5th grade students, and Albany YMCA Preschool, a play-based Spanish-English bilingual program for children ages 2.9 - 5 yrs. The Solano Avenue property also houses the AUSD Enrollment Center at 1200 Solano Avenue.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: N/A

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:

Objective #3: *Communicate and Lead Together. Goal: All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.*

RECOMMENDATION: For the Board of Education to review and discuss the Albany Unified School District property at 1216 and 1200 Solano Avenue and provide direction to staff.

Howard McNenny, AIA, LEED AP Project Proposal

Two new buildings are proposed: a 3-story building on the corner of Talbot and Solano, and a single story retail building on the corner of Cornell and Solano. The school district offices will occupy the upper two floors of the 3-story building, with a lobby facing Talbot. The ground floor in both buildings will be devoted to retail space, all fronting on Solano Avenue.



Site Plan



Solano Avenue Elevation



Perspective from Talbot Street



AUSD Office Plans

Cornell Partners

Financial Proposal

Cornell Partners' offer to the Albany Unified School District is presented in two forms: One for a build-to-suit turnkey transaction in which the school district would make a cash purchase of the office portion of the 3-story building, upon acceptance of the completed building. The second offer is for a long-term lease of the office space. In both cases, the school district would continue to own the land, but would lease the development rights for a minimum lease term of 99-years. We anticipate that the first option may be preferable to the district for the simple reason that it is able to borrow money at a much lower rate than a private developer is able to do, and the terms will necessarily reflect that. On the other hand, it will be necessary to confirm that bond funds are available for such a purpose, and if not, there may need to be a ballot measure to confirm voter approval. Details of each offer are as follows:

Build-to-Suit; School District Purchase of the Offices

Cornell Partners proposes to construct the 3-story office building to the specifications described in the proposal dated July 15, 2005. Upon verification that the building is substantially complete and ready for occupancy, the school district will pay to Cornell Partners a lump sum payment of \$1,950,000, and will at that point assume ownership and all ownership responsibilities for the offices. This lump sum payment is based upon an assumed authorization by the School District to begin construction no later than March 31, 2006. In the event of a delay in authorization of construction beyond that date, through no fault of Cornell Partners, the contract amount will be adjusted in accordance with the change in the construction cost index for the Bay Area from that date to the actual date of authorization by the School District.

Concurrent with the construction of the office building, Cornell Partners intends to construct the adjoining retail building. Cornell Partners will retain ownership of this building, as well as the retail space on the ground level of the 3-story building.

Cornell Partners will pay to the school district a monthly payment of \$3,000 for the ground lease of the land being used for retail purposes, for the first 10 years of the lease period. After 10 years, the ground lease will increase to \$3,750 per month for the next 10 years, and after 20 years, the ground lease will increase to \$4,750. At the end of 30 years, and at 10 year intervals throughout the duration of the lease, the ground rent will be adjusted according to the lesser of the following: (1) the increase in the appraised value of the land, or (2) the increase in the San Francisco-Oakland urban consumers CPI (both using the 20-year anniversary of the lease as the base date). As an additional condition, Cornell Partners will be given first right of refusal for purchase of the land, should the school district decide to sell at some future date.

Build-to-Suit; School District Lease of Offices

Under this proposal, the Albany Unified School District will enter in to contract with Cornell Partners to pre-lease the school district offices. Cornell Partners will agree to construct the building to the specifications described in this proposal, and make the offices available for occupancy on an agreed-upon date. The district will agree to pay monthly rent to Cornell Partners at the rate of \$2.25 per square foot of leasable area for the first 10 years of the lease period. After 10 years, the monthly rent will increase to \$2.80 per square foot, and after 20 years, the rent will increase to \$3.50 per square foot. Thereafter, the rent will be determined by generally prevailing rents for similar office buildings in the area.

As above, concurrent with the construction of the office building, Cornell Partners intends to construct the adjoining retail building. Cornell Partners will retain ownership of this building, as well as the retail space on the ground level of the 3-story building.

Cornell Partners will pay to the school district a monthly payment of \$6,000 for the ground lease of the land being used for retail purposes, for the first 10 years of the lease period. After 10 years, the ground lease will increase to \$7,500 per month for the next 10 years, and after 20 years, the ground rent will increase to \$9,500 per month. At the end of 30 years, and at 10 year intervals throughout the duration of the lease, the ground rent will be adjusted according to the lesser of the following: (1) the increase in the appraised value of the land, or (2) the increase in the San Francisco-Oakland urban consumers CPI (both using the 20-year anniversary of the lease as the base date).

ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Development Proposal



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Architects • Developers • Builders

Oliver & Company, Trachtenberg Architects, Frederic Schwartz Architects, Miller Company Landscape Architects

CONSTRUCTION, MANAGEMENT, DEVELOPMENT

OLIVER & COMPANYA CALIFORNIA CORPORATION
BERKELEY/RICHMOND

July 13, 2005

Albany Unified School District
Attn. William L. Wong (Ed.D. Superintendent)
904 Talbot Avenue
Albany, CA 94706

Subject: Albany Unified School District
Development Proposals

Dear Mr. Wong,

I very much appreciate your consideration of our proposal for the subject projects. Oliver & Company has been in existence and part of the East Bay's community fabric for nearly sixty years. The company was originally founded in 1946 in Berkeley and in 1991 moved to Richmond continuing a long-term social, cultural and financial commitment to the near East Bay.

Fifty percent of Oliver & Company employees live within fifteen miles of our Richmond address and almost all employees serve on the boards of social service, cultural and related philanthropic non-profit organizations in the East Bay -- from the YMCA to the Boy's Club to the Boy Scouts to Alta Bates Hospital. Our employees have a longstanding commitment to the economic and cultural welfare of their cities.

Professionally, Oliver & Company has completed over four hundred buildings in the near East Bay and over one thousand in Northern California since 1946. In addition there are countless remodeling projects too numerous to list. Since 1978, Oliver & Company has been involved exclusively in Project Management work. In this scenario, we either have total project management which includes land acquisition, financing, leasing, design and construction of projects and, at the very least, the management of design and construction. Within the company is also a Development Division that has developed, from the ground up, over forty buildings and continues to own and manage those buildings today. We have a fully developed Property Management department that manages buildings both of our own ownership and those for third party clients. Our average sales volume for the last fifteen years has been between \$50,000,000 and \$70,000,000 worth of completed projects per year.

Enclosed with this proposal are three individual project budgets and income and expense analysis for the three proposed Albany School District sites. Each one has its own

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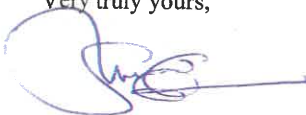
character, but there is an interrelated character that is important. When you look at each individual pro forma, you will see that there is a cash requirement. The Jackson Street site requires \$300,000, the Solano Avenue site \$400,000 and the San Gabriel Avenue site \$600,000. That equals a total of \$1,300,000 dollars cash required to complete these projects. We believe that this cash is available at a minimum from the sale of the seven units at the Jackson Street site Cerrito Street frontage. These seven lots should draw at least \$200,000 and perhaps more providing the cash necessary to input with non-profit financing to complete the three projects. If that is not the solution you desire we have alternatives to propose. It would be important for me to go back to your Proposal Evaluation Process description and answer the numbered questions in order.

1. This transmittal letter authorizes this submission and is signed by myself as a CEO of Oliver & Company and provides you confirmation of my authority to submit this proposal and stand behind it.
2. Oliver & Company will be the entity with which the district will contract. We are a corporation formed in the State of California and, as stated before, in existence for nearly sixty years. Oliver & Company will arrange and provide the management of contractor and sub-contractor arrangements for the Albany School District. It will represent, with our design team and other entities, the work with financing groups that will be involved in the development of these three sites.
3. I have described above Oliver & Company's development experience, but enclosed is a list of recent projects in the Bay Area that Oliver & Company provided construction management for. In some cases we were construction and design managers only and in some cases we had full development responsibility from land acquisition through completion of the project.
4. The development team to be assigned to the project would be myself as Principal, the Project Executive will be Josh Oliver, Vice President of Oliver & Company, and a Project Manager responsible for day-to-day construction operations. We divide responsibilities, in this case, between the financing and design and construction. As the Principal, I will manage the financing and design side and Josh Oliver will manage the construction budgeting and sub-contracting with our design team partners.
5. The Architect for this project will be a professional association between Trachtenberg Architects, based in Berkeley, and Frederic Schwartz Architects out of New York. The Landscape Architect will be The Miller Company of San Francisco. All three of these award-winning firms are noted for their inventive and cost effective solutions and their demonstrated ability to navigate the often labyrinthine agencies approvals processes. You will be well served by their collaborative approach, hands-on knowledge of construction, proven sensitivity to schedule and cost issues and dedication to the project from commencement through completion. The firms are complimentary in size, scale of work and

William L. Wong
July 13, 2005
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I look forward to continuing our discussion on these very exciting projects and would love to participate, not only with the fabulous design team that we have assembled, but given the opportunity to increase our commitment to the East Bay. A relationship with the City of Albany's School District would be an exciting opportunity for us. We look forward to continuing this discussion.

Very truly yours,



Steven H. Oliver

SHO/elt

cc: Josh Oliver

Enclosures

TEAM QUALIFICATIONS

TRACHTENBERG ARCHITECTS

BACKGROUND AND PHILOSOPHY

The design studio of Trachtenberg Architects, founded in 1991, is committed to excellence in architecture and design.

Trachtenberg Architects seeks no stylistic label but strives for innovative and cost-effective solutions developed from a critical understanding of site conditions, program, political realities and budgetary constraints. We interpret site and context, whether a bucolic Northern California vineyard or a blighted urban block, as forces to organize program, circulation and light. The nature of materials – their means of production and connection – are made evident at all scales of the work.

Employing a hands-on approach to design and construction, our best work results from active collaborations with clients and builders. We foster productive partnerships with the builders with whom we work, permitting us to integrate their field-based knowledge into our developing projects.

We believe in value

From the beginning of each project, we work with clients and builders to develop realistic budgets and schedules. We proceed through each project phase measuring project development against these constraints as a way to ensure project success. Through our experience in the field, we have learned to create memorable and high quality spaces without excessive or unnecessary cost.

We have experience with a great variety of clients and project types

Our body of work includes experience with the full range of project types and clients including private homes, developer driven projects, and buildings for non-profit, religious and institutional clients. Our experience with designing private homes has taught us the importance of craft and attention to detail. Our work with developers has given us the experience and skills required to produce large and complex projects within strict budget and schedule constraints. Our work with non-profits, religious and institutional clients has given us the skills to work with diverse constituencies, committees, and tight budgets.

We bring expertise in managing the agencies approval process

We have extensive knowledge of and success with working with various city agencies including zoning and design review boards and the building departments. Many of our projects have involved negotiating potentially contentious projects in a positive direction for our clients. Over the years David Trachtenberg has built direct relationships with various city agencies and administrators throughout the Bay Area that helps our projects move forward in a timely fashion. In addition, we encourage and work with our clients to build favorable neighbor relations throughout the project. Our experience has shown us how important good neighborhood relations can be for a positive project outcome in a timely fashion.

We bring expertise in dealing with the landmarks process

We have experience in working on historic and landmark buildings, including major additions to state land-marked buildings. These projects require sensitivity to the historic nature of the structure while presenting the unique challenge of developing a scheme for current day uses, accessibility and building systems.

We bring expertise in environmental sensitivity

We have the knowledge and ability to design using environmentally sensitive and sustainable planning principles, equipment and materials / methods of construction when they serve our clients' interests. We educate and encourage our clients to elect these principles.

STAFF BIOS

David Trachtenberg (Founding Principal)

David will direct the project as Principal-in-Charge. David has nineteen years of work experience in public and private architecture. He holds degrees in Architecture from both UC Berkeley (BA 1981) and the Harvard Graduate School of Design (MA, 1985). Prior to establishing Trachtenberg Architects in 1991, David's work experience included work at the San Francisco office of Skidmore, Owings and Merrill and at Michael Dennis Associates in Boston where he worked on a variety of larger scale commercial, civic and institutional projects.

Recognizing the need to synthesize the constellation of skills involved in the process of place-making beyond the realm of the architect's office, David then spent two years as a construction cost estimator at San Francisco's Ryan Associates. Another three years of experience were garnered as an Architect / Associate with Abrams, Millikan and Associates – Developers and Builders of the successful Fourth Street shopping district in Berkeley, where he became conversant with the language of development. He maintains a keen interest in the interplay of design, economics, culture and construction.

For eight years David served on the board of A Jewish Traveling Theater. He is a member of the American Institute of Architects, Architects for Social Responsibility and The U.S. Green Building Council. He is currently serving on the Mayor's Task force for Permitting and Development in Berkeley. David is a frequent guest critic in the Departments of Architecture at UC Berkeley and California College of Arts.

Robert Nishimori (Principal)

Robert has eighteen years experience in a variety of building types and projects. Robert joined Trachtenberg Architects in 1999 and has collaborated with David on the conceptual design and detailing of commercial, industrial and residential projects. His responsibilities have included work in all phases of architectural development including contract negotiation, planning/schematic design, construction documents through construction administration.

Recently completed projects include a retail and office building located at 1820 Solano Avenue in Berkeley, the corporate headquarters and design/fabricating facility for Erickson Outdoors in Richmond and a studio and poolhouse in Forestville. Robert is currently working on the new offices for the ACLU of Northern California and 3-story mixed-use building in Berkeley.

During his tenure at Morimoto Architects, Robert was the project architect for Yoshi's Japanese Restaurant & Jazz Club in Jack London Square, Oakland. In the office of Weinstein Copeland Architects, he completed the construction administration for St. Columba's Church and worked on a variety of residential, multi-family and commercial projects.

Alexandra Vondeling (Associate)

Alex has 15 years of experience in the field on a variety of building projects and types. Since joining Trachtenberg Architects in 2001 she has worked as a project manager on a variety of commercial and institutional projects from the planning / schematic design phase through construction documents and administration. Some projects of note that she has completed with Trachtenberg Architects are the 5 story atrium renovation of Children's Hospital, new tenant spaces for Children's Hospital Autism Intervention Program and Parent Infant Program and Cody's Bookstore in Union Square, San Francisco. In addition to being a licensed architect, Alex is a LEED Certified Professional and she brings her in-depth knowledge of Green Building principles to our projects as much as possible.

During her tenure in the office of Van der Ryn Architects, Alexandra worked exclusively on projects implementing sustainable design concepts including the Golden Gate Park Pavilion and Draper Hall Renovation at Berea College in Kentucky. Throughout her career at RMW, Ratcliff Architects and several other small firms she has a variety of experience working on commercial, institutional and residential projects, such as the rehabilitation of the Boys and Girls Club in the Mission in San Francisco, Pyramid Brewery in Berkeley and the Center for Health in North Richmond. Alexandra is currently a member of the OWA (Organization of Women Architects) and ADPSR (Architects, Designers and Planners for Social Responsibility).

CONCEPTUAL PLANS

Project Description

The civic scale and quality of this building will help mend the urban fabric of lower Solano Avenue.

The ground floor provides pedestrian oriented, neighborhood serving 8,845 sq. ft. retail space that can easily be subdivided. The second floor will provide leased office space of 4,310 sq. ft. and 5,500 sq. ft. of office space for the AUDS (with a possible bridge to the existing administrative offices in the adjacent building). The third floor will provide eight loft-like apartments varying in size with an average of approximately 1,200 sq. ft. Twelve on-grade parking places and one loading space are provided to serve the retail space and an additional 45 parking places will be provided in a basement parking area.

Project Budget

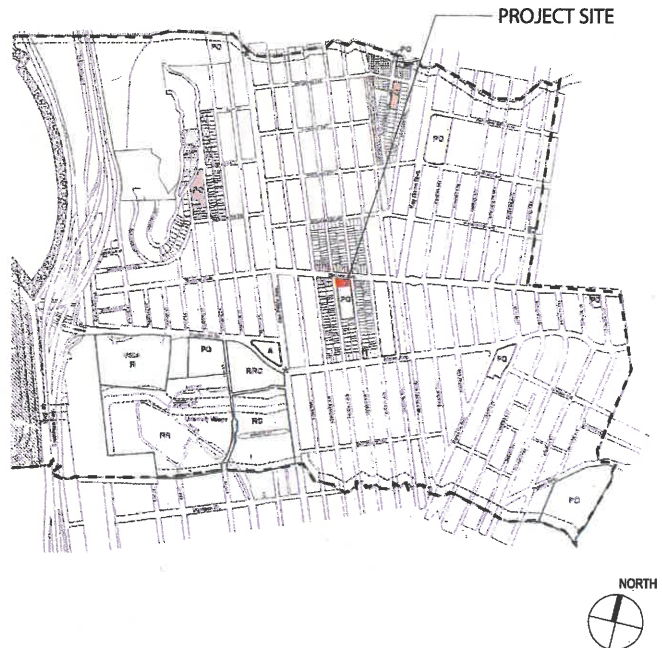
Land & Buildings	0
Survey, Toxic, Soils Reports	20,000
Building - Demo	100,000
New Underground Garage 14,000 sq ft @ 150/sq ft	2,100,000
New Building Shell 30,320 sq ft @ 130/sq ft	3,942,000
TI Office 11,300 sq ft @ 60/sq ft	678,000
TI Residential 10,000 sq ft @ 80/sq ft	800,000
Design, Arch., Eng., Civil, MEP and Landscaping - Classrooms	675,000
City & Utility Fees	70,000
Financing - Appraisal & Fees	10,000
Bond Fees	110,000
Interest During Construction	250,000
Taxes During Construction	-
Closing costs legal, accounting, insurance	30,000
Leasing - 1st Floor Retail	60,000
Project Management	300,000
Contingency	255,000
	<u>\$9,400,000</u>

Budget Proforma

Project Budget	9,400,000
Project Debt	9,000,000
Cash Equity Plus Land	400,000
Total:	9,400,000
	<u>Monthly</u>
Bond/Non-Profit Financing \$9,000,000 @ 4 1/2% - 30 years	45,602
Distributable Cash (initial return on equity = 6%) 400,000	2,000
Taxes	-
Insurance	2,000
Maintenance Reserves	2,500
Management & Accounting	1,800
	53,902
Gross Rent - (except janitorial & utilities)	
Garage Parking - 30 spaces @ 65/mo \	1,950
Basement Storage - 1,500 sq ft @ 1.50	2,250
1st Floor Retail - 9,000 sq ft @ 2.50	22,500
2nd Floor Office - 12,000 sq ft @ 1.25	15,000
3rd Floor Residential* - 8 units = 10,000 sq ft @ 1.25/sq ft/mo	12,500
Subtotal:	54,200

*See attached floor plan

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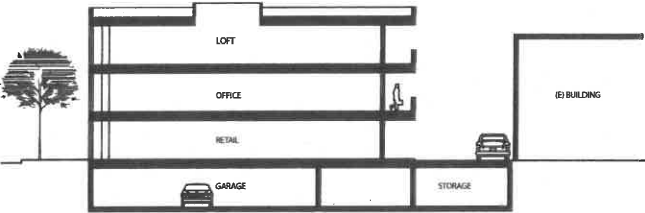


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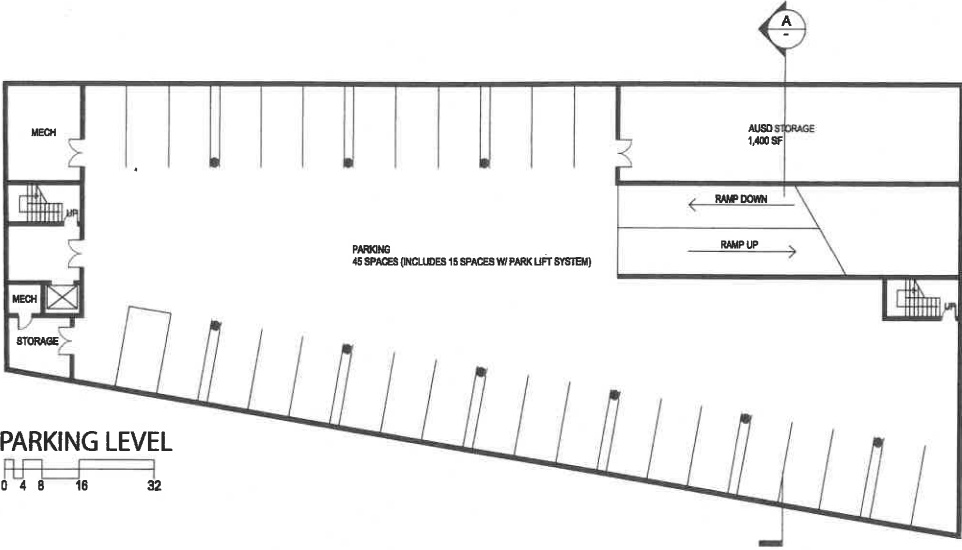
SUMMARY OF USES & PARKING

FLOOR	USE	GROSS FLOOR AREA	PARKING	REQUIRED	PROVIDED
SUBTERRANEAN PARKING	PARKING	14,000 SF	NA	NA	NA
GROUND FLOOR	RETAIL	9,089 SF	1/400 SF	23	18
SECOND FLOOR	OFFICE	11,278 SF	1/400 SF	28	23 *
THIRD FLOOR	RESIDENTIAL	9,979 SF (UNITS)	2 PER UNIT	16	16 **
TOTAL		30,320 SF (NOT INCLUDING PARKING)		67	57

* ASSUMES USE OF PARK LIFT FOR 7 OF THE AUSD PARKING SPACES
** ASSUMES USE OF PARK LIFT FOR ALL 8 RESIDENTIAL PARKING SPACES



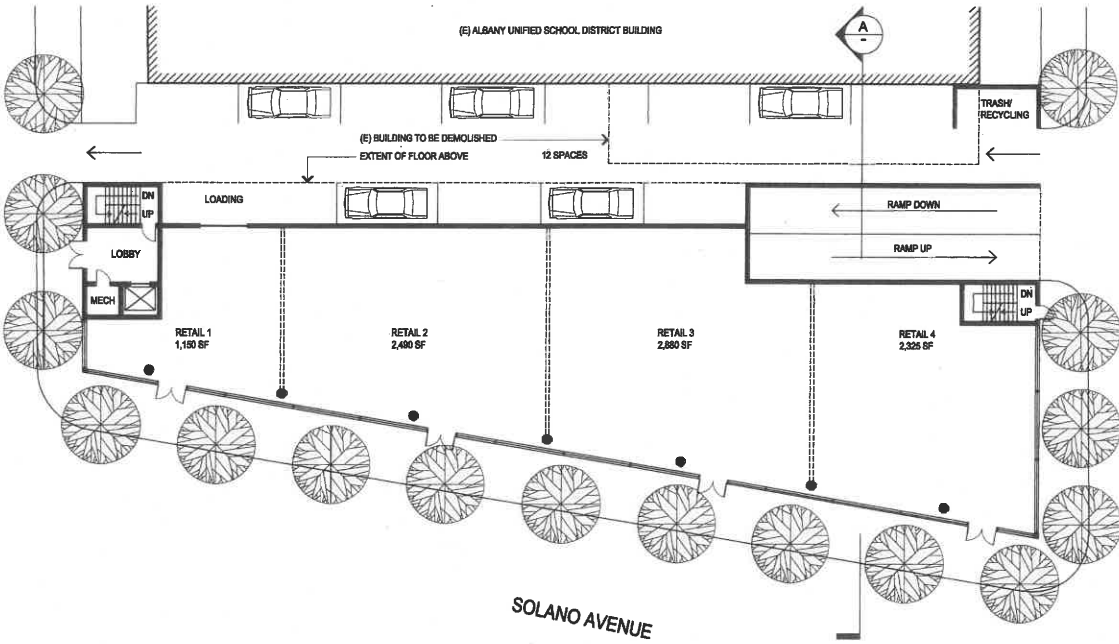
SCHEMATIC SECTION



PARKING LEVEL

TALBOT AVENUE

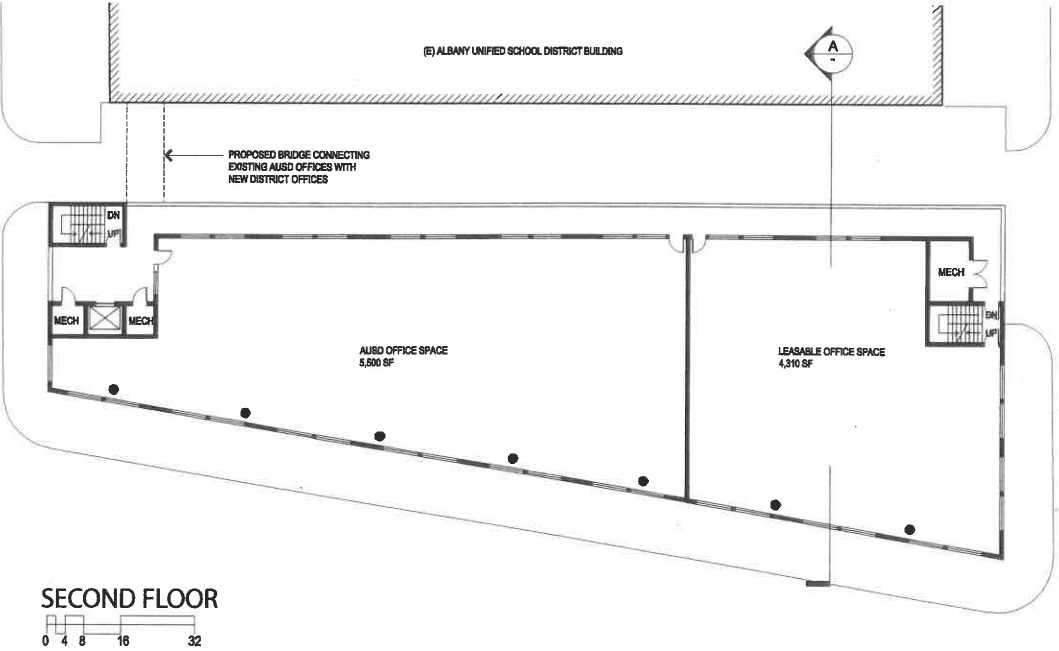
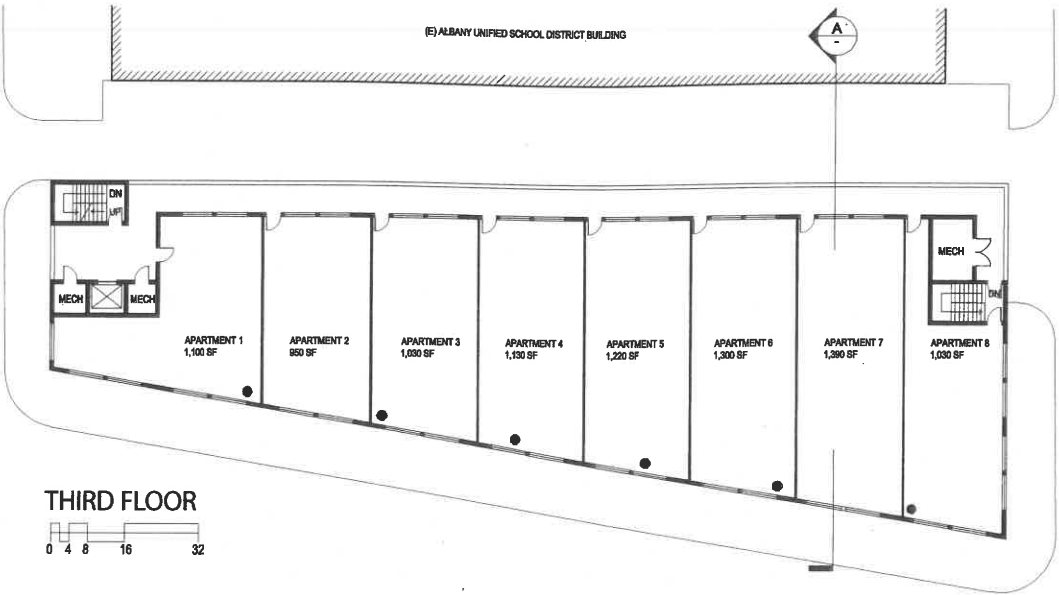
CORNELL AVENUE



GROUND FLOOR



SOLANO AVENUE
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**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019

ITEM: BOARD POLICY 5145.9 (Hate-Motivated Behavior)

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TYPE OF ITEM: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is for the Board of Education to review and discuss Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.9 (Hate-Motivated Behavior).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At the November 14, 2017 AUSD Governing Board Meeting, the Governing Board approved the establishment of a District Board Policy Committee to do the following:

1. Make recommendations to the Governing Board regarding the creation, revision, and deletion of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation.
2. Monitor the implementation of Board Policies/Administrative Regulation districtwide.

The Board Policy Committee is composed of AUSD Trustees, classroom teachers, site and district administrators, and community members. Since February 2018, the Committee has held monthly meetings to discuss AUSD Board Policies and Administrative Regulations. In accordance with the Brown Act, all meetings are open to the public and meeting materials (agenda and minutes) are posted on the District's website 72 hours prior to the meeting.

As stated in AUSD Board Policy 9310 (Board Policies), written board policies and administrative regulations "convey expectations for actions taken in the district, clarify roles and responsibilities of the Board and Superintendent, and communicate Board philosophy and positions to the students, staff, parents/guardians and the community." To that end, it is important Districts establish processes for maintaining current board policies and administrative regulations.

DETAILS:

The Board Policy Committee identified a series of board policies pertaining to student conduct for review and revision. The process of revision began with comparing sample language from California School Boards Association (CSBA) to current District board policy and administrative regulation. CSBA regularly provides updates to sample board policy and administrative regulation language to reflect new and updated legislation.

The following is a summary of changes made to Board Policy 5145.9 (Hate-Motivated Behavior):

- The sentence that begins: “The District shall provide students with age-appropriate instruction...” reflects revised CSBA sample board policy language.
- The sentence that begins: “The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the rules prohibiting hate-motivated behavior...” reflects revised CSBA sample board policy language.
- The following language was removed from the the board policy and included in the new administrative regulation:
 - Procedure for filing a complaint in accordance with uniform complaint procedures.
 - Professional development for staff and students.

California School Boards Association (CSBA) does not have a sample Administrative Regulation 5145.9; therefore, AUSD created a draft administrative regulation using sample language from neighboring districts and with input from the District’s site administrators.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



Objective #3: Communicate and Lead Together. Goal: All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.

RECOMMENDATION: REVIEW AND DISCUSS BOARD POLICY 5145.9 (HATE-MOTIVATED BEHAVIOR)

Albany USD

Board Policy

Hate-Motivated Behavior

BP 5145.9

Students

In order to create a safe learning environment for all students, the Governing Board of Education affirms-desires to protect the right of every student to be free protected from hate-motivated behavior. It is the intent of the Board to and will promote harmonious relationships among students so as to that enable students them to gain a true understanding of the civil rights and social responsibilities of people in our society. The District prohibits discriminatory Bbehavior or statements that degrade an individual on the basis of his/her their actual or perceived race, ethnicity, culture, heritage, gender, sexual orientation, physical/mental attributes, or religious beliefs or practices shall not be tolerated.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 3515.4 - Recovery for Property Loss or Damage)

(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism, Theft and Graffiti)

(cf. 5136 - Gangs)

(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

(cf. 6141.6 - Multicultural Education)

The District shall provide students with age-appropriate instruction that includes the development of social-emotional learning, promotes their understanding of and respect for human rights, diversity, and acceptance in a multicultural society, and provides strategies to manage conflicts constructively.

(cf. 5138 - Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation)

(cf. 6142.3 - Civic Education)

(cf. 6142.4 - Service Learning/Community Service Classes)

(cf. 6142.94 - History-Social Science Instruction)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the rules prohibiting hate-motivated behavior and procedures for reporting a hate-motivated incident are provided to students and parents/guardians.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

Grievance Procedures

~~Any student who feels that he/she is a victim~~ Any person who has experienced, or has knowledge of, hate-motivated behavior is strongly encouraged to report it to any staff member who will then notify the Principal. ~~shall immediately contact the principal or designee. If the student believes that the situation has not been remedied by the principal or designee, he/she may file a complaint in accordance with district complaint procedures.~~ A student who has been found to have demonstrated hate-motivated behavior shall be subject to discipline in accordance with law, board policy, and administrative regulation.

(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 5131- Conduct)

(cf. 5144- Discipline)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

Staff who receive notice of hate-motivated behavior or personally observe such behavior shall notify the Principal, ~~Superintendent~~ or designee, and/or law enforcement, as appropriate. ~~Students demonstrating hate-motivated behavior shall be subject to discipline in accordance with Board policy and administrative regulation.~~

(cf. 3515.3 - District Police/Security Department)

(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))

As necessary, In addition, the dDistrict shall provide counseling, guidance and support to students who are victims of hate-motivated behavior and to students who exhibit such behavior. and appropriate sensitivity training and diversity education for students exhibiting hate-motivated behavior. The district shall also provide counseling, guidance and support, as necessary, to those students who are the victims of hate-motivated behavior.

(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)

~~The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that staff receive appropriate training to recognize hate-motivated behavior and methods for handling such behavior in appropriate ways.~~

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)

(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

~~The district shall provide age-appropriate instruction to help promote understanding of and respect for human rights.~~

~~At the beginning of each school year, students and staff shall receive a copy of the district's policy on hate-motivated behavior.~~

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination

32282 School safety plans

48900.3 Suspension for hate violence

48900.4 Suspension or expulsion for threats or harassment

PENAL CODE

422.55 Definition of hate crime

422.6 Crimes, harassment

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4600-4687 Uniform Complaint Procedures

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LEGAL ADVISORIES

California Student Safety and Violence Prevention - Laws and Regulations, April 2004

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS & NATIONAL

ASSOCIATION OF ATTORNEYS GENERAL PUBLICATIONS

Protecting Students from Harassment and Hate Crime: A Guide for Schools, 1999

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PUBLICATIONS

Preventing Youth Hate Crimes: A Guide for Schools and Communities, 1997

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Association of Human Relations Organizations: <http://www.cahro.org>

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

National Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center: <http://www.safeyouth.org>

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr>

U.S. Department of Justice, Community Relations Service: <http://www.usdoj.gov/crs>

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revised: June 15, 2010

revised:

**Albany Unified School District
Administrative Regulation**

AR 5145.9

Students

Hate-Motivated Behavior

Definitions

Hate-Motivated Behavior

An incident of hate-motivated behavior is any act, attempted act, or speech intended to discriminate against or to willfully injure, intimidate, interfere with, oppress or threaten by force or threat by force or threat of force, any person because of that person's real or perceived ethnicity, national origin, immigrant status, religious belief, gender, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, mental or physical disability, political affiliation, or any other physical or cultural characteristic.

Hate Crimes

An incident of hate-motivated behavior may also be a crime pursuant to California Penal Code 422.6. Hate crimes are defined under specific penal code sections as an act or an attempted act by any person against the person or property of another individual or group which in any way constitutes an expression of hostility toward the victim because of his or her race, religion, disability, gender, ethnicity, or sexual orientation. Any suspected hate-motivated crime must be promptly reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency, and the District Attorney may choose to prosecute the alleged perpetrator.

Reporting and Investigation Procedures

A student or parent/guardian who believes the student is a victim of hate-motivated behavior is strongly encouraged to report the incident to a teacher, the principal, or other staff member.

The District prohibits retaliatory behavior against any participant in the complaint process. Information related to a complaint of hate-motivated behavior shall be confidential to the extent possible, and individuals involved in the investigation of such a complaint shall not discuss related information outside the investigation process.

Any employee who, within the scope of their employment, has knowledge of, observes, or reasonably suspects acts of hate-motivated behavior, shall report the known or suspected incident to the site administrator or designee as soon as practicably possible and within one school day of the staff member becoming aware of the incident. Acts of hate-motivated behavior will be given priority attention and investigations will commence within one school day of the incident being reported.

1. The appropriate law enforcement and/or Child Protectives Services agency will be notified as appropriate) if there is evidence indicating that a hate-motivated crime has occurred. Behaviors

described in Penal Code 422.6 require mandatory reporting. Law enforcement officers may proceed with a concurrent investigation based upon California Penal Code violations.

2. The principal or designee will conduct an investigation of the incident. In determining whether an act of hate-motivated behavior has occurred, the principal or designee will do the following:
 - a. Meet/speak with, and gather written statements from, the complainant, accused party, and any witnesses.
 - b. Gather physical evidence pertaining to the incident (as available).
3. A student found to have engaged in hate-motivated behavior may be subject to discipline up to and including expulsion. Such disciplinary action shall be in accordance with law, board policy, administrative regulation, law, and the school level behavior matrices.
4. Parents/guardians of the offender and victim will be notified and individual conferences scheduled as appropriate.
5. Upon verifying that an incident of hate-motivated behavior occurred, the parent/guardian and the student will be informed that they may file a formal complaint in accordance with the Uniform Complaint Procedures (BP 1312.3).
6. The District shall provide counseling, guidance and support, as necessary, to those students who are the victims of hate-motivated behavior. The district shall provide counseling and appropriate sensitivity training and diversity education for students demonstrating hate-motivated behavior.

Professional Development/Staff Training

The Superintendent or designee shall provide professional development to assist staff in developing the following:

1. Programs that teach respect for differences and counteract biases and stereotypical perceptions.
2. Age-appropriate instruction to help promote understanding of and respect for human rights.

Notice to Parents/Guardians and Students

The District's hate-motivated behavior board policy and administration will be provided to every District employee and student at the beginning of the school year, upon enrollment for new students enrolling during the school year, and to new employees when the new employee is hired.

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ITEM: NORTH REGION SELPA PARENT REP REPORT

PREPARED BY: DIANE MARIE, DIRECTOR, SPECIAL EDUCATION

TYPE OF ITEM: STAFF REPORT

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this item is for the Albany USD parent representative to provide information about 2018-2019 North Region Special Education Local Plan Area (NR SELPA) Community Advisory Committee (CAC).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Board requested a year-end report by the parent representative of the NR SELPA CAC.

DETAILS:

The parent representative of the NR SELPA Community Advisory Committee will provide the following information. There will be no handouts.

- Summary of Presentations sponsored by CAC
- Summary of Legislative Information Sharing Day
- Recommendations to the NR SELPA
- 2019-2020 CAC Planning

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



Objective #1: *Assess and Increase Academic Success. Goal: We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child. Goal: We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*

RECOMMENDATION: Receive the NR SELPA CAC Report

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ITEM: LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN

**PREPARED BY: MARIE WILLIAMS
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TYPE OF ITEM: STAFF REPORT

PURPOSE: The purpose of this staff report is to provide an update on the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) process and share general themes from stakeholder input gathered to-date.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The LCAP is a planning and accountability tool that highlights the District's annual goals, actions, services and expenditures within a fixed three-year planning cycle.

DETAILS:

Stakeholder input is a required component of the LCAP process and districts are required to describe the following:

1. How, when, and with whom the District consulted as part of the planning process for reviewing, analyzing, and updating the LCAP.
2. How input gathered from stakeholders impacted the LCAP for the upcoming year.

During the months of March and April and May stakeholder groups have been consulted in order to gather input to inform the development of the LCAP; input has been captured through an online survey, and approximately 180 respondents have completed the survey to date. The LCAP Advisory Committee received the LCAP input gathered to date at its April meeting and will continue its discussion of this input, and implications for the 2019-2020 LCAP, at the May 21 LCAP Advisory Committee meeting.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



Objective #1: *Assess and Increase Academic Success. Goal: We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child. Goal: We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual*

socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.



Objective #3: *Communicate and Lead Together.* **Goal:** *All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.*

<p>RECOMMENDATION: RECEIVE THE STAFF REPORT ON THE LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN</p>



Local Control and Accountability Plan

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Local Control and Accountability Plan

The Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) is a planning and accountability tool that reflects and highlights the district's annual goals, actions, services and expenditures within a fixed three-year planning cycle.

Albany Unified School District's LCAP is aligned with the three goals of the District's Strategic Plan:

1. Assess and Increase Academic Success.
2. Support the Whole Child.
3. Communicate and Lead Together.

Local Control and Accountability Plan

CA Education Code 52061

- On or before July 1...a school district shall update the local control and accountability plan and shall include all of the following:
 - A review of any changes in the applicability of the goals.
 - A review of the progress toward the goals included in the local control and accountability plan, an assessment of the effectiveness of the specific actions described in the local control and accountability plan toward achieving the goals, and a description of changes to the specific actions as a result of the review and assessment.
- A listing and description of the expenditures for the fiscal year implementing the specific actions and the changes to the specific actions made as a result of the reviews and assessment.

Local Control and Accountability Plan

Common Themes from Stakeholder Input

2017-2018:

- Mental Health Supports
- Academic and Socio-Emotional Intervention
- Safe and Welcoming School Environments
- Resources for Teachers (time, materials, and money)
- Parent Engagement and Support

2018-2019:

- Mental Health Supports
- Academic and Socio-Emotional Supports/Intervention
- Safe and Welcoming School Environments/Support for Diversity and Inclusion
- Highly Qualified Teachers and Low Class Sizes

Local Control and Accountability Plan

Current Actions/Services (Goal 1: Assess and Increase Academic Success)

- **Staff** ELD Specialists
- **Staff** Intervention Specialists and Course Sections
- **Staff** Summer Bridge Program
- Purchase Instructional Materials and Supplies
- Provide Extended Learning Opportunities
- **Staff** CTE and AP Course Sections at AHS
- **Staff** Visual and Performing Arts Program
- **Staff** Technology Personnel and Purchase Devices
- **Staff** a Districtwide Library Program
- Provide Professional Development
- Employee Recruitment and Retention

Local Control and Accountability Plan

Current Actions/Services (Goal 2: Support the Whole Child)

- **Staff** Attendance Program
- **Staff** 6-12th grade Counseling Services
- **Staff** Mental Health Specialists and Social Worker
- **Staff** Safe and Inclusive Schools Program
- **Staff** District Athletics Program
- **Staff** District Physical Education Program
- **Staff** Specialized Academic Counseling Program

Current Actions/Services (Goal 3: Communicate Lead Together)

- Provide Parent and Community Engagement
- **Staff** Clerical Support Staff
- Provide Facilities Improvement
- Provide Bond B and E Communication Services
- Improve Communication Methods

Observations and Next Steps

Observations

- Continued alignment between LCAP feedback and current LCAP goals, actions and services
- Gaps continue to persist between LCAP feedback and implementation of goals, actions and services due to inadequate school funding
- Need additional tools to measure effectiveness of goals, actions and services (in real time)

Next Steps

- May 21: Review Stakeholder Input and Receive Recommendations (LCAP Advisory Committee Meeting)
- June 11: LCAP Public Hearing (Board of Education Meeting)
- June 25: LCAP Review and Potential Approval (Board of Education Meeting)



Local Control and Accountability Plan

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