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MASTER CONTRACT

CONTRACT YEAR 2017-2018

This Master Contract is made and entered into

this 1 day of July, 2017 between the

Bonsall Unified School DIstrict, County of San Diego,
(Local Education Agency)

hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "LEA," and

TERI Inc./The Learning Academy
(Nonpublic,)

hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR."

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SECTION 1: AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1 MASTER CONTRACT

For the purpose of providing special education and related services to individuals with exceptional needs under the authorization of Education Code sections 56157, 56361, and 56365-56366.5 the Master Contract consists of (the Main Document and Master Contract Appendices A (Schools), B (Agencies), C (Room & Board). The general term "Master Contract" refers to the Master Contract /Main Document/ and Master Contract /Appendices A (Schools), B (Agencies), and C (Room and Board) given to the CONTRACTOR by a representative of the LEA's Special Education Unit on terms acceptable to the LEA and CONTRACTOR.[1] It is also understood that this contract does not commit the CONTRACTOR to provide special education and related services to any individual unless and until an Individual Services Agreement is executed between the LEA and the CONTRACTOR on behalf of such individual or interim written approval is given to the CONTRACTOR by an authorized representative of the LEA's Special Education Unit. This interim written approval shall be for a maximum period of 90 days, beginning with the anticipated student start date, during which time the contract and/or Individual Services Agreement shall be completed and executed by the LEA and CONTRACTOR. If an Individual Services Agreement is not completed and executed by the LEA and the CONTRACTOR within this ninety-day period, the LEA or CONTRACTOR may request an IEP meeting to be held as soon as possible to discuss a change in placement for the pupil. The LEA shall continue to reimburse the CONTRACTOR as set forth in the interim written approval, or as otherwise agreed by the parties in writing, pending any change in placement or subsequent execution of an Individual Services Agreement.

1.2 SUPERSEDES PRIOR CONTRACTS

This Master Contract includes the Main Document, Appendix A (Schools), Appendix B (Agencies), Appendix C (Room and Board), to the extent that they are applicable, and each ISA, all of which are incorporated herein by this reference and any exhibits or attachments hereto constitute the entire agreement between the parties to this contract and supersedes any prior contract, understanding, or agreement with respect to the terms set forth in this contract.

1.3 MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

The LEA and CONTRACTOR agree that any amendments to the contract must be in writing and approved by the LEA's Governing Board and the Board of Directors/Trustees or authorized representative of CONTRACTOR. Prior to executing a written amendment to the contract, the LEA shall obtain approval from the San Diego County SELPA Directors and the County Director of Special Education. In implementing this Master Contract, any specific terms related to an individual pupil shall be reflected in the Individual Services Agreement.

1.4 INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

The LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an Individual Services Agreement for each pupil who is to receive special education and/or related services provided by the CONTRACTOR. The LEA is responsible for completing each pupil's Individual Services Agreement, which shall identify the provider of each service required by the pupil's Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) (CCR 3062(e)). Individual Services Agreements shall only be issued for those pupils enrolled with the approval of the LEA. Changes in any LEA pupil's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting provided under this contract, may only be made on the basis of revisions to the pupil's IEP or IFSP. At any time during the term of this contract, the parent, the CONTRACTOR or LEA may request a review of the pupil's IEP/IFSP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including notice given to and participation by the CONTRACTOR in the IEP Team meeting. In the event that the CONTRACTOR recommends that the pupil requires either a lesser or more restrictive placement than the CONTRACTOR can provide, the CONTRACTOR will notify the LEA immediately. The LEA shall expedite the review and/or the resulting change in placement, and shall modify the Individual Services Agreement as appropriate if there is a change in the instructional and/or other services provided.

[1] Please see Appendix B for Agencies for exceptions to NPA Hired as Full Time Equivalent.

1.5 NONPUBLIC CERTIFICATION OR WAIVER

A current copy of the CONTRACTOR'S California Department of Education Nonpublic Certification or waiver of such certification issued by CDE pursuant to EC 56366.2 is attached hereto. This Master Contract shall be null and void if such certification is expired, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the effective period of this contract.

1.6 TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

Neither the CONTRACTOR nor the LEA is required to renew this contract in subsequent contract years. In the event that a pupil is enrolled with the CONTRACTOR during the term of this contract and said pupil continues to receive special education and/or related services by the CONTRACTOR as approved by the LEA in accordance with the pupil's IEP/IFSP and either (a) a new contract has not been fully executed or (b) the CONTRACTOR or the LEA chooses not to renew this contract, the terms of this contract and associated Individual Service Agreements shall apply to any and all special education and/or related services provided by CONTRACTOR and payment for those services by the LEA.

Upon agreement of both parties to this Master Contract, its provisions shall be retroactive to the beginning of this contract year (July 1st), to cover services provided by the CONTRACTOR to LEA students, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by both parties.

The term of this Master Contract shall be from July 1, 20 17 to June 30, 20 18.

Any subsequent Master Contract is to be renegotiated prior to June 30 of each year.

This Master Contract has no force or effect until approved or ratified by the LEA's Governing Board.

1.7 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS

During the term of this contract, the CONTRACTOR and LEA shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations relating to the required special education and designated instruction and services and facilities for individuals with exceptional needs, including those not expressly documented in this Master Contract.

a. Nondiscrimination

The CONTRACTOR and the LEA shall not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation disability or any other classification protected by federal or state laws in employment or operation of its programs.

b. Sexual Harassment Policy

The CONTRACTOR shall have a written policy on sexual harassment in accordance with state and federal regulations and guidelines.

c. Corporal Punishment Prohibitions

(l) No public education agency, or nonpublic school or agency serving individuals pursuant to Education Code Section 56365 et seq., may authorize, order, consent to, or pay for any of the following interventions, or any other interventions similar to or like the following:
(1) Any intervention that is designed to, or likely to, cause physical pain;
(2) Releasing noxious, toxic or otherwise unpleasant sprays, mists, or substances in proximity to the individual's face;
(3) Any intervention which denies adequate sleep, food, water, shelter, bedding, physical comfort, or access to bathroom facilities;
(4) Any intervention which is designed to subject, used to subject, or likely to subject the individual to verbal abuse, ridicule or humiliation, or which can be expected to cause excessive emotional trauma;
(5) Restrictive interventions which employ a device or 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 pursuant to subsection (i) of Ed Code Section 56521.2 (a) (5)
(6) Locked seclusion, except pursuant to subsection (i)(4)(A) of Ed Code Section 56521.2 (a) (6)
(7) Any intervention that precludes adequate supervision of the individual; and
(8) Any intervention which deprives the individual of one or more of his or her senses.

d. Student Discipline

Contractor shall maintain and abide by a written policy for student discipline that is consistent with state and federal law and regulations, such that students who exhibit serious behavioral challenges receive timely and appropriate assessments and positive supports and interventions in accordance with the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and its implementing regulations.

When a CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a student from his/her current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately submit a written discipline report to the LEA and a manifestation IEP team meeting shall be scheduled by the LEA. Written discipline reports shall include, but not be limited to: the student's name; the time, date, and description of the misconduct; the disciplinary action taken by CONTRACOTR; and the rationale for such disciplinary action. A copy of the student's behavioral plan, if any, shall be submitted with the written discipline report. CONTRACTOR and LEA agree to participate in a manifestation determination at an IEP meeting no later than the tenth (10th) day of suspension.

e. Behavioral Emergency Reports (Ed. 56521.1(a))

(1) Anytime an emergency intervention is used pursuant to Ed Code Section 56521.1(a) subsection (i), CONTRACTOR must notify LEA and IEP team immediately and document emergency intervention in a "Behavioral Emergency Report" as defined by 56521.1(e).
(2) Whenever a "Behavioral Emergency Report" is written regarding an individual who does not have a behavioral intervention plan, the designated responsible administrator shall, within two days, schedule an IEP team meeting to review the emergency report, to determine the necessity for a functional behavioral assessment, and to determine the necessity for an interim behavioral intervention plan.
(3) Anytime a "Behavioral Emergency Report" is written regarding an individual who has a behavioral intervention plan, any incident involving a previously unseen serious behavior problem or where a previously designed intervention is not effective should be referred to the IEP team to review and determine if the incident constitutes a need to modify the plan.
(4) "Behavioral Emergency Report" data shall be collected by CONTRACTOR and be submitted to LEA.
(5) A summary of Behavioral Emergency Reports shall be submitted at least monthly to the LEA and the Director of the Special Education Local Plan Area of which the LEA is a member.

1.8 DEFINITIONS

"DAYS": For the purpose of the contract, "days" refers to calendar days unless otherwise specified.

"PARENT": For the purpose of the contract, a parent (34CFR 300.3Da) is the natural parent, adoptive parent, or legal guardian or any other adult granted educational decision-making rights by the natural or adoptive parent or a court of competent jurisdiction. A trained, certified surrogate parent, identified by the LEA, may act on behalf of the pupil if no parent, guardian or person acting as a parent can be located. The LEA shall be responsible for providing a translator for the parent if needed.

SECTION 2: ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

2.1 NOTICES

Notices provided for by this contract shall be in writing, be delivered to the individual identified below in this section, and shall be delivered by certified, registered, or return receipt requested mail, postage prepaid, or by facsimile transmission, unless a specific section of this contract requires or allows notice or contact to be made in a different manner or to a different individual. The effective date of an invoice shall be the date of its receipt by the LEA. The effective date of all other notices shall be the date of the postmark or of the facsimile transmittal date identified in the document. In the event there is a change in the individual to be notified, the CONTRACTOR or the LEA shall provide written notice of the change and, after such notice is provided, all future notices shall be addressed to that individual. Notice may be provided under this section pursuant to regular United States mail if the LEA and CONTRACTOR agree in writing to notice by regular United States mail. If the LEA or CONTRACTOR does not identify an individual to be notified in this section, the person to be notified under this section shall be the LEA or CONTRACTOR representative that executes this contract.

Notices mailed to the LEA shall be addressed to:

Lori Cummins/Director of Student Services
Name/Title

Bonsall Unified School District
Local Education Agency

31505 Old River Road
Address

Bonsall	CA	92003
City	State	Zip

(760) 631-5218
Phone

(760) 631-5219
Facsimile

lori.cummins@bonsallusd.com
Email Address

Notices to the CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:

Joseph Michalowski, CFO
Name/Title

TERI, Inc
Nonpublic School

251 Airport Road
Address

Oceanside	CA	92058
City	State	Zip

(760) 721-1706
Phone

( )
Facsimile

joem@teriinc.org
Email Address

2.2 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

This contract is by and between two independent contractors and is not intended to and shall not be construed to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture or association.

2.3 SUBCONTRACT AND ASSIGNMENT

The CONTRACTOR shall not enter into an initial subcontract with any noncertified Nonpublic Agency (NPA) or provider, for any of the instructional or related services contemplated under this contract without first obtaining written approval by a representative of the San Diego County Office of Education (i.e. County Director of Special Education or a SELPA Director). Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The LEA and CONTRACTOR shall maintain a copy of the written approval.

2.4 INDEMNIFICATION

The CONTRACTOR hereby indemnifies, defends, and holds harmless the LEA, its Board, officers, employees, agents, independent contractors, consultants and other representatives from and against any and all liabilities, claims, demands, costs, losses, damages, or expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, and including but not limited to consequential damages, loss of use, extra expense, cost of temporary classrooms, that arise out of or result from, in whole or in part, the negligent, wrongful or willful acts or omissions of the CONTRACTOR, its employees, agents, subcontractors, independent contractors, consultants, or other representatives.

The LEA hereby indemnifies, defends, and holds harmless the CONTRACTOR, its Board, officers, employees, agents, independent contractors, consultants and other representatives from and against any and all liabilities, claims, demands, costs, losses, damages, or expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, and including but not limited to consequential damages, loss of use, extra expense, cost of temporary classrooms, that arise out of or result from, in whole or in part, the negligent, wrongful or willful acts or omissions of the LEA, its employees, agents, subcontractors, independent contractors, consultants, or other representatives.

The CONTRACTOR shall have no obligation to indemnify, defend, or hold harmless the LEA, its Board, officers, employees, agents, independent contractors, consultants, and other representatives for the LEA's sole negligence or willful misconduct; and the LEA shall have no obligation to indemnify, defend, or hold harmless the CONTRACTOR, its Board, officers, employees, agents, independent contractors, consultants and other representatives for the CONTRACTOR'S sole negligence or willful misconduct. This indemnity shall survive the termination of the Contract or final payment hereunder, and is in addition to any other rights or remedies that the CONTRACTOR or LEA may have under the law or this contract.

2.5 INSURANCE

During the entire term of this contract and any extension or modification thereof, the CONTRACTOR shall keep in effect a policy or policies of general liability insurance, including contractual liability coverage, professional liability, and auto liability coverage of owned and non-owned vehicles used by CONTRACTOR in relation to the performance of service(s) under this Master Contract, with minimum limits of one million dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence, and three million dollars ($3,000,000) in aggregate. Such insurance shall name LEA as an additional insured, and an endorsement evidencing such coverage shall be provided within 90 days, only as to matters arising out of this Master Contract for which CONTRACTOR has an obligation to indemnify the LEA, under the Indemnification clause, Section 2.6, of this Master Contract.

Not later than the effective date of this contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide the LEA with satisfactory evidence of insurance. The insurance maintained by CONTRACTOR shall include a provision for the insurance provider to send written notice of cancellation or modification to the CONTRACTOR at least 30 calendar days before cancellation or adverse material change, or 10 days for nonpayment of premium. Such CONTRACTOR'S insurance may contain the same notice requirement for the LEA. If the insurance provider is only required to send such notice to the CONTRACTOR (but not the LEA) CONTRACTOR shall provide the LEA written notice of cancellation or adverse material modification within one business day after receiving such notice from the insurer. Such notice shall be provided pursuant to Section 2.3 (Notices) of this contract. The CONTRACTOR shall at its own cost and expense procure and maintain insurance under the applicable state's Workers' Compensation laws. Failure to maintain the above mentioned insurance coverage shall be cause for termination of this contract.

LEA warrants that it is self-insured in compliance with the laws of the State of California, that the self insurance covers persons acting on its behalf or under its control, that its self insurance covers LEA's indemnification obligations to CONTRACTOR under this contract, and that LEA agrees to provide coverage to CONTRACTOR pursuant to this self insurance in the event the indemnification obligations of Section 2.6 of this contract are triggered. The LEA further warrants that it shall notify the CONTRACTOR pursuant to Section 2.3 (Notices) of this contract, of any material insurance coverage changes at least thirty days prior to the change.

CONTRACTOR agrees that any subcontractor with which it contracts to provide services pursuant to any Individual Services Agreement, shall submit written proof of insurance in a minimum amount of $1,000,000 per occurrence, including general, liability, auto liability (if applicable), and professional liability (if applicable). Such insurance shall be maintained by any subcontractor for the scope of duties performed and duration of time it provides services to LEA pupils. Proof of insurance shall be provided to the LEA prior to the beginning of transportation services by a subcontractor, and upon renewal of coverage thereafter. Transportation subcontractors shall submit copies of insurance policies upon request of the LEA; otherwise, certificates of insurance may be acceptable proof, provided that the information thereon is adequate and verifiable. Subcontractors shall be required to provide to the CONTRACTOR written notice of cancellation of insurance or adverse material change in such insurance at least 30 days prior to cancellation or adverse material change or within one business day after receiving such notice, whichever is earlier.

2.6 TRANSPORTATION

Transportation costs are the responsibility of the LEA unless otherwise agreed to in writing. The CONTRACTOR shall provide each pupil whom the CONTRACTOR transports with adequate supervision during transports and with instruction in school bus emergency procedures and passenger safety, as appropriate to the pupil's needs. The CONTRACTOR shall have in place a transportation safety plan containing procedures for school personnel to follow to ensure the safe transport of pupils.

In the event the CONTRACTOR transports students due to health, behavior, or other emergencies, or as otherwise agreed to between the CONTRACTOR and the LEA, the LEA shall reimburse CONTRACTOR at the rate specified in this Master Contract (Rate Schedule - Schools: Section 4.1, Agencies: Section 5.1).

2.7 WAIVERS

The LEA and/or CONTRACTOR may independently or jointly submit waivers of applicable state laws and regulations.

2.8 SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This contract binds the CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall not assign this Master Contract without the written consent of LEA, and any attempt by Contractor to effect such an assignment without the written consent of LEA shall make this Master Contract terminable at the option of the LEA.

2.9 SEVERABILITY

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

2.10 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

a. The CONTRACTOR agrees to furnish to the LEA a copy of its current bylaws and a current list of its Governing Board of Directors (or Trustees), if it is incorporated. LEA has the right to request a current list of the Board of Directors or Trustees at any time during the term of the Master Contract.

b. CONTRACTOR and members of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall disclose any relationship with LEA that constitutes or may constitute a conflict of interest including, but not limited to, employment with LEA, provisions of private party assessments and/or reports, and attendance at the IEP team meetings and/or due process proceedings.

c. Anytime the CONTRACTOR is contracted to conduct a formal Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE), and the IEP team determines that services are necessary as a result of that IEE the LEA shall be obligated to select a service provider who is not the CONTRACTOR. Unless, a service provider who is not the CONTRACTOR is unavailable or unable to provide that service.

2.11 INABILITY TO MEET CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

The CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA in writing when the CONTRACTOR is unable to meet the requirements of this contract. The LEA shall notify CONTRACTOR in writing when the LEA is unable to meet the requirements of this contract.

2.12 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Disagreements concerning the meaning, requirements or performance of this contract shall first be brought to the attention of the other party in writing, pursuant to the notice provisions (Section 2.3) of this contract, in an attempt to resolve the dispute at the lowest level. Any remaining disputes or disagreements may be resolved either 1) as voluntarily agreed to by the parties, 2) by equitable remedies, or 3) by other legal means.

2.13 DUE PROCESS AND COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations related to Due Process and the rights of students and parents.

CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain policies and procedures as follows: (1) Uniform Complaint Procedures pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4600 *et seq*.; (2) Nondiscrimination policy pursuant to Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 4960 (a); (3) Sexual Harassment Policy, California Education Code 231.5 (a) (b) (c); (4) Title IX Student Grievance Procedure, Title IX 106.8 (a) (d) and 106.9 (a); and (5) Notice of Privacy Practices in compliance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

2.14 VENUE AND GOVERNING LAW

This contract, and conditions of this contract, shall be governed by the laws of the State of California with venue in San Diego County, California.

2.15 RIGHT TO REPORT MASTER CONTRACT VIOLATIONS

The CONTRACTOR acknowledges and understands that the LEA may report to the CDE any violations of the provisions of this contract; and that may result in the suspension of the CDE nonpublic school certification pursuant to California EC section 56366.4(a).

2.16 TERMINATION OF MASTER CONTRACT AND/OR INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

a. Master Contract

Either the LEA or the CONTRACTOR may terminate this Master Contract for cause as set forth in EC section 56366(a)(4), with twenty (20) days written notice pursuant to Section 2.3 of this contract, or immediately if the CONTRACTOR and LEA mutually agree that there are significant health or safety concerns. Cause shall include but not be limited to non maintenance of current nonpublic school certification, failure of either the LEA or the CONTRACTOR to maintain the standards required under the Master Contract and/or Individual Services Agreement, or material breach of the contract by CONTRACTOR or LEA. To terminate the contract either party shall give a minimum of 20 days written notice pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.3 (Notices) of this contract. Upon termination, the LEA shall pay within 45 days, without duplication, for all services performed and expenses incurred to date of termination according to the provisions set forth in Schools Document Section 4.1, Agencies Document Section 5.1 (Rate Schedule) and Main Document Section 4.1 (Billing and Payment) of this contract. CONTRACTOR shall provide to the LEA the IEP/IFSP and all related documents in its possession or under its control pertaining to its services,

for all pupils of the LEA who were receiving services from the CONTRACTOR in accordance with applicable state and federal laws regarding student records.

b. Individual Services Agreement

The Individual Services Agreement may be terminated or suspended by the LEA or the CONTRACTOR for cause, as set forth in EC section 56366(a)(4), with twenty (20) days written notice pursuant to Section 2.3 (Notices) of this contract, or immediately if the CONTRACTOR and the LEA mutually agree that there are significant health or safety concerns.

Individual Services Agreements are null and void upon termination of the Master Contract.

The LEA shall not terminate Individual Services Agreements because of the availability of a public class initiated during the course of the contract unless the parent agrees to the transfer of a pupil to a public school program, which agreement must only be given in a duly called and held IEP/IFSP meeting at which the CONTRACTOR is present.

2.17 INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM (IEP) / INDIVIDUALIZED FAMILY SERVICE PLAN (IFSP)

When a pupil is accepted for enrollment in a nonpublic school, the CONTRACTOR shall provide the pupil a program of educational instruction and services within the nonpublic school, which is consistent with his or her IEP/IFSP as specified in each pupil's Individual Services Agreement.

The CONTRACTOR shall implement those responsibilities delegated to CONTRACTOR in the plan for transition services (per EC section 56445 and EC section 56462) as stated by the IEP/IFSP.

The CONTRACTOR shall provide an appropriate adult to pupil ratio for pupils with exceptional needs between three and five years of age, in accordance with EC 56441.5.

The LEA shall invite the CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR shall participate in all IEP/IFSP meetings, including those related to placement and those called by the parent in accordance with EC section 56343.5, so long as the pupil is to be served by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to an Individual Services Agreement. The child's present teacher shall participate in the IEP meeting in accordance with EC 56341(b)(3). Every effort shall be made to schedule the meeting at a time and place that is mutually convenient to parents, CONTRACTOR's staff, and LEA's staff.

The local educational agency shall oversee and evaluate the pupil's placement in the NPS through the IEP process. The IEP team shall evaluate whether the pupil is making appropriate educational progress through a review of the student's progress toward IEP goals and, as appropriate, a review of the pupil's scores on state assessments. If the NPS staff or LEA will be making recommendation(s) for significant changes to the student's program, placement or services, the LEA Case Manager and representative of the NPS shall discuss the recommendation(s) prior to the IEP meeting. The IEP team will consider whether or not the needs of the pupil continue to be best met at the nonpublic school, whether changes to the pupil's IEP are necessary, and whether the pupil may be transitioned to a public school setting (EC 56366(a)(2)(B), EC 56343(d), EC 56043(h)). Partial day attendance at the NPS may be appropriate to support transition to a public school program.

2.18 FREE APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION

No charge of any kind to parents shall be made by the CONTRACTOR for educational activities and related services specified on the pupil's IEP/IFSP, including screening or interviews which occur prior to or as a condition of a pupil's enrollment under the terms of the contract, except as specified in writing in a due process procedure that is signed by all relevant parties and attached to the relevant pupil's Individual Services Agreement, or for voluntary extracurricular activities conducted subsequent to written notification to parents as to the cost and the voluntary and extracurricular nature of the activity. Unless the activity (for example, field trips) takes place during a school vacation or holiday, pupils not participating in such activities shall continue to receive special education and/or related services as set forth in their IEP/IFSPs.

2.19 TRANSITION TO A LRE

CONTRACTOR & LEA shall support Least Restrictive Environment options, including dual enrollment, if appropriate, for students enrolled in NPS to have access to the general curriculum and to be education with nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.

CONTRACTOR & LEA shall address LRE placement options for students enrolled in NPS at all IEP team meetings, including whether the students may be transitioned to a public school setting.

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

2.20 PUPIL PROGRESS

The CONTRACTOR shall have written procedures in place for measuring progress utilizing on-going data collection in the goal areas identified on the IEP/IFSP.

The CONTRACTOR shall provide to parents and the LEA case manager written pupil progress reports on the goals in the IEP/IFSP, no less than quarterly. The CONTRACTOR shall submit an updated report if there is no current progress report when pupils are scheduled for a review by the IEP/IFSP team or when a pupil's enrollment is terminated.

The CONTRACTOR shall allow periodic review of each pupil's instructional program by the LEA. Representatives of the LEA shall have reasonable access to observe each pupil at work, observe the instructional setting, meet with the CONTRACTOR and review each pupil's progress, including the behavioral intervention plan, if any. LEA representatives making site visits shall initially report to the CONTRACTOR's site administrative office.

2.21 ASSESSMENTS

a. Individual Student Assessments

If the CONTRACTOR receives a parent request for evaluation, the CONTRACTOR shall inform the parent of his or her ability to submit a written request for evaluation to the LEA in accordance with applicable law. The LEA shall collaborate with the CONTRACTOR to develop the evaluation plan and submit it to the parent for approval. The LEA retains the responsibility for conducting triennial evaluations (EC 56381(c)).

2.22 CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS

All reports, records and other documents that CONTRACTOR is required to submit to LEA, the Special Education Local Plan Area, or otherwise, pursuant to this contract, shall be redacted to the extent necessary and appropriate to protect the confidentiality and privacy of pupils, employees, and subcontractors, as provided for pursuant to state and federal law.

2.23 FORWARDING OF EDUCATIONAL RECORDS

The CONTRACTOR agrees, in the event of school closure, to immediately forward pupil records to the LEA pertaining to the LEA's pupils enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program. These records shall include, but need not be limited to, current transcripts, IEP/IFSPs and results of performance testing.

2.24 DATA REPORTING

CONTRACTOR agrees to provide LEA with all student information required for LEA to report to the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) as well as other data as required by Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) or any federal data reporting requirements, including, but not limited to, data required to calculate enrollment and dropout and graduation rates.

SECTION 3: PERSONNEL

3.1 VERIFICATION OF CREDENTIALS, LICENSES AND OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

The CONTRACTOR shall provide all contracted special education, and/or related services required by the IEP/IFSP, Master Contract and Individual Services Agreement by appropriately qualified staff. The CONTRACTOR shall provide appropriately credentialed teachers and/or licensed or license-eligible personnel or other education related mental health provider consistent with the California laws and regulations unless the California Department of Education has granted a written waiver. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for monitoring the status of waiver applications submitted to the state for all non-credentialed teachers and non-licensed service providers. All non-credentialed teachers and non-licensed service providers shall apply for a waiver.

For a NPSs A-G course credits, only University of California A-G approved courses will be accepted by contracting districts.

The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for verification of credentials and licenses held by its employees, agents and subcontractors. Once the CONTRACTOR has provided the LEA with a copy of the credential or license for all staff providing services to children with disabilities, the CONTRACTOR shall supply the LEA with copies of any changes in the credentials or licenses of staff within 45 days of the change in accordance with Title 5, Section 3062.

The CONTRACTOR is fiscally responsible for all training necessary to provide appropriate services per IEP/IFSP. The LEA shall not reimburse CONTRACTOR for training that occurs outside of contact time with student, and that is not during implementation of IEP/IFSP.

Where behavior intervention services are provided by a nonpublic agency, the CONTRACTOR shall train staff in implementing the behavior support plan or Behavior Intervention Plan and pupils shall receive the level of supervision required in the pupil's IEP/IFSP.

The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including the provisions with respect to supervision.

3.2 EMPLOYEE FINGERPRINTS AND TUBERCULOSIS TESTING

The CONTRACTOR shall ensure that employee fingerprints have been processed in a manner required by EC section 44237. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain a file containing a current certificate of each person covered by Health and Safety Code Sections 121525-121555 (tuberculosis testing). In addition, contractor will adhere to all of the requirements under AB 389.

3.3 QUALIFICATIONS OF INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES AND TEACHER ASSISTANTS

Effective July 1, 2001 the CONTRACTOR shall ensure that newly hired instructional aides and teacher assistants have demonstrated proficiency in basic reading, writing, and mathematics skills, based on a test selected and administered by the CONTRACTOR.

3.4 REQUIREMENT TO REPORT

a. Child Abuse or Molestation

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain a signed statement by all personnel required to sign such a statement under the child abuse reporting laws, acknowledging their training and understanding of the reporting requirements regarding observed or suspected cases of child abuse. When filing a child abuse report under the Child Abuse Reporting laws, the CONTRACTOR shall include in the report the name, telephone number and address of the LEA representative as identified in Section 2.3 (Notices) of this contract.

b. Missing Students

The CONTRACTOR shall ensure that staff is aware of its responsibility and requirement to report to parents, and local law enforcement as appropriate, when a pupil leaves campus without permission, immediately upon confirmation that the pupil is missing, in accordance with EC 49370. The CONTRACTOR shall contact the LEA Case Manager by telephone no later than the end of the day in the event a pupil leaves campus without permission, does not return that school day, and is not located at his or her residence or in the custody of his or her parent or guardian.

c. Student Injury

The CONTRACTOR agrees to complete a written report when a pupil has suffered an injury that requires medical attention, and notify the LEA case manager within 48 hours.

In case of incident, the CONTRACTOR agrees to submit a written report to the LEA case manager by the end of the following school day, in cases of injury resulting from physical restraint or the death of a student. The CONTRACTOR agrees to reasonably participate in any communications between a pupil's parents and the LEA regarding any injuries resulting from physical restraint.

SECTION 4: FISCAL

4.1 BILLING AND PAYMENT

a. Invoices

The CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices monthly. The effective date of an invoice shall be the date of the receipt by the LEA. Invoices should clearly reflect rates as specified in the Master Contract, be in accordance with the Individual Services Agreements, and include all days of creditable service, beginning no earlier than the date specified in the Interim Written Approval or ISA. The CONTRACTOR shall submit said invoice for services rendered no later than thirty (30) days from the end of the attendance accounting period calendar month in which said services are actually provided and the invoice shall be submitted pursuant to Section 2.3 (Notices) of this contract. All education related mental health services will be billed by contractor in separate invoice.

b. Late Invoices

If the LEA does not receive a properly submitted invoice within thirty (30) days from the end of the attendance accounting period calendar month, the LEA may deduct 1.5% per month, calculated proportionately per day, of that total invoice, if the LEA does not agree to the request of the CONTRACTOR to an extension of time to submit the invoice.

c. Payment

The LEA shall make payment within forty-five (45) days of receipt of a properly prepared and submitted invoice and such payment shall be submitted pursuant to Section 2.3 (Notices) of this contract. This payment shall be at the rates agreed to in the Rate Schedule (See Appendix A for Schools, B for Agencies, and C for Room and Board) of this contract and shall be in an amount equal to the number of creditable days of attendance during both the regular and extended school years, make-up sessions (including “excused” absences) per the individual services agreement for each pupil. This calculation shall include the Extended School Year if the pupil is enrolled in the Extended School Year, and any other absence for which the LEA has agreed to pay CONTRACTOR and any related services and transportation costs as specified in the Rate Schedule (See Appendix A for Schools, B for Agencies, and C for Room and Board) of this contract and in accordance with the Individual Services Agreements. If no notice of withholding is provided to CONTRACTOR within 10 working days of receipt of an invoice, the LEA shall not withhold any payment. Payment by the LEA shall refer to the invoice number or the date of the bill submitted by the CONTRACTOR.

d. Pupil Enrolled Prior to Approval of Agreement to a Contract

Ed Code addresses situations when a contract has not yet been developed and the pupil is enrolled and receiving services from the Nonpublic School or Agency (ED 56366.9 c (1)).

> "If a pupil is enrolled in a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency with the approval of the local educational agency prior to agreement to a contract or individual services agreement, the local educational agency shall issue a warrant, upon submission of an attendance report and claim, for an amount equal to the number of creditable days of attendance at the per diem tuition rate agreed upon prior to the enrollment of the pupil. This provision shall be allowed for 90 days during which time the contract shall be consummated."

e. Late Payment

If the payment is not postmarked from the LEA within forty-five (45) days of the receipt of the invoice, the LEA agrees to pay an additional fee of 1.5% interest per month on amounts not paid, such interest being calculated beginning day forty-six (46) from receipt of the invoice. Interest shall be calculated in accordance with standard accounting procedures. The CONTRACTOR shall bill the LEA for the interest. Failure by the LEA to pay an appropriately submitted invoice within 90 days of receipt may be considered a breach of contract.

f. Medi-Cal Reimbursement

Documentation of LEA Medi-CAL Billable Services will be completed by the provider. All documentation of provider services shall be given to the District/SELPA for reimbursement submissions to Medi-Cal. The contractor will not submit any claims in the LBO (LEA) program and the LEA has the right to submit claims for reimbursement.

4.2 RIGHT TO WITHHOLD

The LEA has the right to withhold payment to the CONTRACTOR when the LEA has reliable evidence, described in writing to the CONTRACTOR at the time the notice of withholding is submitted that: (A) service is provided by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed/licensed; (B) records required by the LEA prior to school closure with respect to one or more LEA pupil(s) enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program have not been received; (C) the CONTRACTOR confirms a pupil's change of residence to another district but neglects to notify the LEA within 5 days; or (D) the CONTRACTOR fails to notify the LEA within 5 days after the 10th consecutive school day of a pupil's absence. If the basis for withholding is subsections (B) (C) or (D) of this section the LEA may only withhold the proportionate amount of the bill related to that pupil. If the basis for withholding is subsection (A) of this section, the LEA may only withhold payment for services provided by that personnel.

The LEA shall notify CONTRACTOR in writing within 10 working days of receipt of an invoice of any reason why requested payment shall not be paid. (EC section 56366.5(a)). Such notice shall specify the basis for the LEA's withholding payment and shall be made pursuant to Section 2.3 (Notices) of this contract. If no notice of withholding is provided to CONTRACTOR within 10 working days of receipt of an invoice, the LEA shall not withhold any payment. Within fourteen (14) days from the date of receipt of such notice, the CONTRACTOR shall take all necessary and appropriate action to correct the deficiencies that form the basis for the LEA's withholding payment. Upon receipt of the CONTRACTOR'S written request showing good cause sent pursuant to Section 2.3 (Notices) of this Contract, the LEA shall extend the CONTRACTOR'S time to respond by an additional fourteen days. The CONTRACTOR shall submit rebilling for payment no later than thirty (30) calendar days when an invoice is returned to the CONTRACTOR with a notice of withholding. Upon verification of remediation of identified deficiencies and receipt of rebilling, the LEA shall pay the resubmitted invoice in accordance with Schools: Section 4.1, Agencies: Section 5.1 (Rate Schedule) of this contract. If CONTRACTOR does not resubmit sufficient rebilling or verify remediation of identified deficiencies within thirty (30) calendar days, that shall constitute a reason to continue to withhold payment unless and until CONTRACTOR resubmits the bill and corrects the deficiencies as noted in the original notice of withholding.

4.3 INSPECTION AND AUDIT

a. Maintenance of Fiscal Records

The CONTRACTOR shall maintain cost data in sufficient detail to verify the annual operating budget in providing education and designated instructional services to children with disabilities and shall make that data available to the LEA upon reasonable request consistent with the provisions of this section. Fiscal records shall be maintained by the CONTRACTOR for five years and shall be available for audit consistent with the provisions of this section.

b. Maintenance of Student Records

District of residence is the custodian of the student records.

c. LEA Access to Documents Related to the Master Contact

The CONTRACTOR shall provide access to, or forward copies of, any documents or other matters relating to the contract within 20 days upon reasonable request by the LEA except as otherwise provided by law. The reason for this request for records shall be provided to the CONTRACTOR at the time it is made. The CONTRACTOR may request from the LEA an extension of time to comply with any records request, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. Such documents may include: 1) registers and roll books of teachers; 2) daily service logs and notes or other documents used to record the provision of related services; 3) absence verification records; 4) transportation records; 5) staff lists specifying credentials held, business and/or professional licenses held documents evidencing other qualifications; 6) dates of hire, and dates of termination; 7) staff time sheets; 8) non-paid volunteer sign-in sheets; 9) related services contracts; 10) school calendars; 11) bell/class schedules; 12) liability and workers' compensation insurance policies; 13) state nonpublic school certifications; 14) marketing materials; 15) statements of income and expenses; 16) general ledgers and supporting documents; 17) all budgetary information and projections submitted by the CONTRACTOR to LEA for purpose of contract negotiations.

d. Audit Exceptions

The CONTRACTOR agrees to accept responsibility for receiving, replying to, and/or complying with any audit exceptions identified by appropriate LEA personnel or State or Federal audit agencies occurring as a result of the CONTRACTOR's performance of this contract. The CONTRACTOR also agrees to pay to the LEA within thirty days of demand by LEA for any financial penalties resulting from any audit exceptions to the extent they are attributable to the CONTRACTOR's failure to perform properly any of its obligations under this contract unless the LEA agrees to different terms in writing and any demand by LEA for such payment shall be made pursuant to the notice provisions of Section 2.3 of this contract. Any, and all audit exceptions must be specified in complete detail before any demand from the LEA for any amount set forth therein.

e. Reasons for Unannounced Visits

LEA and/or Special Education Local Plan Area representatives may make unannounced inspections when there is a concern regarding the health, safety, or welfare of a child, or a substantial concern regarding the implementation of the IEP.

SECTION 5: SIGNATURES

This Nonpublic Master Contract 2017-2018, including its component parts, may be signed in counterparts and the signatures may appear on separate signature pages. A copy and/or original, with all signatures attached, shall be deemed a fully executed document. A facsimile version of any party's signature shall be deemed an original. The parties hereto have executed this Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives as indicated by their signatures.

This contract is effective on July 1, 2017 and terminates at 5:00 p.m. on June 30, 2018 unless sooner terminated as provided herein.

CONTRACTOR
Nonpublic ☒ School ☐ Agency

_____ DATE: _____
Authorized Representative Signature

Joseph Michalowski, CFO
(Type) Name and Title

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

SELPA DIRECTOR

_____ DATE: _____
Authorized Representative Signature

Theresa Kurtz, Senior Director
(Type) Name and Title

LEA
Local Educational Agency

_____ DATE: _____
Authorized Representative Signature

David Jones, Superintendent
(Type) Name and Title

LEA Board Approval DATE: _____