Name of LEA: East Bay Innovation Academy Name of NPS: Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., d/b/a Maxim Staffing Solutions

# NON-RESIDENTIAL NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL SERVICES

MASTER CONTRACT

2014-2015

(Revised 04/2014)

# MASTER CONTRACT

# GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL SERVICES

LEA EAST BAY INNOVATION ACADEMY

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	Master Contract for fiscal year with Individual Service Agreements (ISA) to be approved throughout t term of this contract.
	Individual Master Contract for a specific student incorporating the Individual Service Agreement (ISA into the terms of this Individual Master Contract specific to a single student.
	Interim Contract: an extension of the previous fiscal years approved contracts and rates. The sole purpose of this Interim Contract is to provide for ongoing funding at the prior year's rates for 90 days at the sold discretion of the LEA. Expiration Date:
	this section is included as part of any Master Contract, the changes specified above shall amend Section of Master Contract.
NONP	: THIS MASTER CONTRACT IS TO BE USED ONLY WHEN CONTRACTING SERVICES FROM PUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOLS, AS DEFINED IN CALIFORNIA EDUCATION CODE TON 56034. A SEPARATE FORM OF MASTER CONTRACT IS AVAILABLE FOR USE WHEN

CONTRACTING SERVICES FROM NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN AGENCIES.

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# LEA: East Bay Innovation Academy

NONPUBLIC SCHOOL: Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., d/b/a Maxim Staffing Solutions

### NONPUBLIC, NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL SERVICES MASTER CONTRACT

# AUTHORIZATION FOR MASTER CONTRACT AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. MASTER CONTRACT

This Master Contract is entered into this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2014, between East Bay Innovation Academy (hereinafter referred to as "LEA") and Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., d/b/a Maxim Staffing Solutions (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 agreement does not commit LEA to pay for special education and/or related services provided to any LEA student, or CONTRACTOR to provide such special education and/or related services, unless and until an authorized LEA representative approves the provision of special education and/or related services by CONTRACTOR.

Upon acceptance of a LEA student, CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA an Individual Services Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "ISA") and a Nonpublic Services Student Enrollment form as specified in the LEA Procedures. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, these forms shall acknowledge CONTRACTOR's obligation to provide all services specified in the student's Individualized Education Plan (hereinafter referred to as "IEP"). The ISA shall be executed within ninety (90) days of an LEA student's enrollment. LEA and CONTRACTOR shall enter into an ISA for each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. As available and appropriate, the LEA shall make available access to any electronic IEP system and /or electronic data base for ISA developing including invoicing.

Unless placement is made pursuant to an Office of Administrative Hearings (hereinafter referred to as "OAH") order, a lawfully executed agreement between LEA and parent or authorized by LEA for a transfer student pursuant to California Education Code section 56325, LEA is not responsible for the costs associated with nonpublic school placement until the date on which an IEP team meeting is convened, the IEP team determines that a nonpublic school placement is appropriate, and the IEP is signed by the LEA student's parent.

#### 2. CERTIFICATION

CONTRACTOR shall be certified by the California Department of Education (hereinafter referred to as "CDE") as a nonpublic, nonsectarian school. All nonpublic school 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 providers license, certification and/or credential. A current copy of CONTRACTOR's nonpublic school 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. Total student enrollment shall be limited to capacity as stated in Section 24 of the Master Contract.

In addition to meeting the certification requirements of the State of California, a CONTRACTOR that operates a program outside of this State shall be certified or licensed by that state to provide, 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.).

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

## 3. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, STATUTES, REGULATIONS

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

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

#### 4. TERM OF MASTER CONTRACT

The term of this Master Contract shall be from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(a)) unless otherwise stated. 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, 2015. In the event the contract is not renegotiated by June 30<sup>th</sup>, an interim contract may be made available as mutually agreed upon for up to 90 days from July 1 of the new fiscal year. (Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 3062(d)) No Master Contract will be offered unless and until all of the contracting requirements have been satisfied. The offer of a Master Contract to a CONTRACTOR is at the sole discretion of the LEA.

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

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

This Master Contract includes the LEA Procedures and each Individual Services Agreement and they are incorporated herein by this reference. This Master Contract supersedes any prior or contemporaneous written or oral understanding or agreement. This Master Contract may be amended only by written amendment executed by both parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the LEA may modify the LEA procedures from time to time without the consent of CONTRACTOR.

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

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

#### 6. INDIVIDUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

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

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

Unless otherwise provided in this Master Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall provide all services specified in the IEP unless the CONTRACTOR and 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 life of the ISA, the CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA in writing within five (5) business days of the last date a service was provided.

If a parent or LEA contests the termination of an ISA by initiating a due process proceeding with the OAH, CONTRACTOR shall abide by the "stay-put" requirement of state and federal law unless the parent agrees otherwise or an interim alternative educational placement is deemed lawful and appropriate by LEA or OAH. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning changes in placement.

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

#### 7. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply for purposes of this contract:

 The term "CONTRACTOR" means a nonpublic, nonsectarian school certified by the California Department of Education and its officers, agents, employees.

- b. The term "authorized LEA representative" means a LEA administrator designated to be responsible for nonpublic school. 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, 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(j).
- 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.

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. (Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations Section 3001 (y)).

- 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(r).
- f. The term "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 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.

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

#### ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT

#### 8. NOTICES

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

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

#### MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

All records shall be maintained by CONTRACTOR as required by state and federal laws and regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, CONTRACTOR shall maintain all records for at least five (5) years after the termination of this Master Contract. For purposes of this Master Contract, "records" shall include, but not be limited to student records as defined by California Education Code section 49061(b) including electronically stored information; cost data records as set forth in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations section 3061; registers and roll books of teachers and/or daily service providers; 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, 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 certifications by-laws; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/state payroll quarterly reports; and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain LEA student records in a secure location to ensure confidentiality and prevent unauthorized access. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a current list of the names and positions of CONTRACTOR's employees who have access to confidential records. CONTRACTOR shall maintain an access log for each LEA student's record which lists all persons, agencies, or organizations requesting or receiving information from the record. Such log shall be maintained as required by California Education Code section 49064 and include the name, title, agency/organization affiliation, and date/time of access for each individual requesting or receiving information from the LEA student's record. Such log need record access to the LEA student's records by: (a) the LEA student's parent; (b) an individual to whom written consent has been executed by the LEA student's parent; or (c) employees of LEA or CONTRACTOR having a legitimate educational interest in requesting or receiving information from the record. CONTRACTOR/LEA shall maintain copies of any written parental concerns granting access to 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 closure, to forward LEA student records within ten (10) business days to LEA. These shall include, but not limited to, 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.

#### 10. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

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

#### 11. SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST

This contract binds CONTRACTOR's successors and assignees. CONTRACTOR shall notify the LEA of any change of ownership or corporate control.

#### 12. VENUE AND GOVERNING LAW

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

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

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

#### 14. TERMINATION

This Master Contract or Individual Service Agreement may be terminated for cause. The cause shall not be the availability of a public class initiated during the period of the contract unless the parent agrees to the transfer of the student to the public school program at an IEP team meeting. To terminate the contract either party shall give twenty (20) 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) days prior written notice.

#### 15. INSURANCE

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

#### PART I

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

\$3,000,000 per occurrence

\$ 500,000 fire damage

\$ 5,000 medical expenses

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

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\$6,000,000 general aggregate \$2,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

The policy may not contain an exclusion for coverage of claims arising from claims for sexual molestation or abuse. In the event that CONTRACTOR's policy should have an exclusion for sexual molestation or abuse claims, then CONTRACTOR shall be required to procure a supplemental policy providing such coverage.

B. Business Auto Liability Insurance for all owned scheduled, non-owned or hired automobiles with a \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if the RTC does not operate a student bus service. If the RTC provides student bus services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.

If no owned automobiles, then only hired and non-owned is required.

C. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance in a form and amount covering Contractor's full liability under the California Workers' Compensation Insurance and Safety Act and in accordance with applicable state and federal laws.

Part A – Statutory Limits
Part B - \$1,000,000/\$1,000,000/\$1,000,000 Employers Liability.

D. Errors & Omissions (E & O)/Malpractice (Professional Liability) coverage, <u>including</u> Sexual Molestation and Abuse coverage, unless that coverage is afforded elsewhere in the Commercial General Liability policy by endorsement or separate policy, with the following limits:

\$3,000,000 per occurrence \$6,000,000 general aggregate

- E. Contractor, upon execution of this contract and periodically thereafter upon request, shall furnish the LEA with certificates of insurance evidencing such coverage. The certificate of insurance shall include a ten (10) day non-renewal notice provision. The Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policy shall name the LEA and the Board of Education as additional insured's premiums on all insurance policies and shall be paid by Contractor and shall be deemed included in CONTRACTOR's obligations under this contract at no additional charge.
- F. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions above \$100,000 must be declared to and approved by the LEA. At its option, LEA may require the CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's sole cost, to: (a) cause its insurer to reduce to levels specified by the LEA or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions with respect to the LEA, its officials and employees, or (b) procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigation.
- G. 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 selfinsurance maintained by the LEA, its subsidiaries, officials and employees shall be excess of the CONTRACTOR's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- H. All Certificates of Insurance shall reference the contract number, name of the school or agency submitting the certificate, and the location of the school or agency submitting the certificate on the certificate.

CONTRACTOR shall not be entitled to any compensation for any special education and/or DIS provided to any pupil for any period during which CONTRACTOR failed to fully comply with this Section 15.

#### PART II

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

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

- A. Commercial General Liability coverage of \$3,000,000 per Occurrence and \$6,000,000 in General Aggregate. The policy shall be endorsed to name the LEA and the Board of Education as named additional insured and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by the LEA which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and the RTC's insurance primary despite any conflicting provisions in the RTC's policy. Coverage shall be maintained with no Self-Insured Retention above \$100,000 without the prior written approval of the LEA.
- B. Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with provisions of the California Labor Code adequate to protect the RTC from claims that may arise from its operations pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act (Statutory Coverage). The Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage must also include Employers Liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000/\$1,000/000/\$1,000,000.
- C. Commercial Auto Liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if the RTC does not operate a student bus service. If the RTC provides student bus services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.
- D. Fidelity Bond or Crime Coverage shall be maintained by the RTC to cover all employees who process or otherwise have responsibility for RTC funds, supplies, equipment or other assets. Minimum amount of coverage shall be \$250,000 per occurrence, with no self-insured retention.
- E. Professional Liability/Errors & Omissions/MALPRACTICE coverage with minimum limits of \$3,000,000 per occurrence and \$6,000,000 general aggregate.
- F. Sexual Molestation and Abuse coverage, unless that coverage is afforded elsewhere in the Commercial General Liability or Professional liability policy by endorsement, with minimum limits of \$3,000,000 per occurrence and \$6,000,000 general aggregate.

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

#### 16. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

To the fullest extent allowed by the law, LEA agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless CONTRACTOR and its officers, agents and employees against all liability, loss and costs (including reasonable attorneys' fees) arising from actions, suits, claims or demands attributable solely and exclusively to acts or omissions of LEA, and LEA's officers, agents and employees, in performance of this Agreement.

To the fullest extent allowed by the law, CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless LEA and its officers, agents and employees against all liability, loss and costs (including reasonable attorneys' fees) arising from actions, suits, claims or demands attributable (a) solely and exclusively to acts or omissions of CONTRACTOR, and CONTRACTOR's officers, agents and employees, in performance of this Agreement, (b) to CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with applicable LEA policies, as provided for in Section 3, above, or (c) to LEA being held to be a partner, joint venturer, co-principle, employer or co-employer of CONTRACTOR, as provided for in Section 17, below.

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.

#### 17. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

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

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

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

#### 18. SUBCONTRACTING

CONTRACTOR shall provide written notification to LEA before subcontracting for special education and/or related services pursuant to this Master Contract. In the event LEA determines that it can provide the subcontracted service(s) at a lower rate, LEA may elect to provide such service(s). If LEA elects to provide such service(s), LEA shall provide written notification to CONTRACTOR within five (5) days of receipt of CONTRACTOR's original notice and CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract for said service(s).

CONTRACTOR shall incorporate all of the provisions of this Master Contract in all subcontracts, to the fullest extent reasonably possible. Furthermore, when CONTRACTOR enters into subcontracts for the provision of special education and/or related services (including without limitation transportation) for any LEA 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 15. Each subcontractor shall furnish the LEA with original endorsements and certificates of insurance effecting coverage required by Section 15. 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 forms provided by the LEA. All endorsements are to be received and approved by the LEA before the subcontractor's work commences. The insurance or liability coverage agreements shall name the LEA and all proposed indemnitees as additional insured.

As an alternative to the LEA's forms, a subcontractor's insurer may provide complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage required by this Master Contract. All Certificates of Insurance shall reference the LEA contract number, name of the school submitting the certificate, indication of NPS status, and the location of the school submitting the certificate. In addition, all sub-contractors must meet the requirements as contained in section 45 Clearance Requirements and Section 46 Staff Qualifications of this Master Contract.

#### 19. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA a copy of its current bylaws and a current list of its Board of Directors (or Trustees), if it is incorporated. CONTRACTOR and any member of its Board of Directors (or Trustees) shall disclose 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 team meetings acting as

a student's advocate. Pursuant to California Education code section 56042, an attorney or advocate for a parent of an individual with exceptional needs shall not recommend placement at CONTRACTOR's facility if the attorney or advocate is employed or contracted by the CONTRACTOR, or will receive a benefit from the CONTRACTOR, or otherwise has a conflict of interest.

Unless CONTRACTOR and LEA otherwise agree in writing, LEA shall neither execute an ISA with CONTRACTOR nor amend an existing ISA for a LEA student when a recommendation for special education and/or related services is based in whole or in part on assessment(s) or reports provided by CONTRACTOR to 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) or whether an assessment of the LEA student is performed or a report is prepared in the normal course of the services provided to the LEA student by CONTRACTOR. To avoid conflict of interest, and in order to ensure the appropriateness of an Independent Educational Evaluation (hereinafter referred to as "IEE") and its recommendations, the LEA may, in its discretion, not fund an IEE by an evaluator who provides ongoing service(s) or is sought to provide service(s) to the student for whom the IEE is requested. Likewise, the LEA may, in its discretion, not fund services through the evaluator whose IEE the LEA agrees to fund. When no other appropriate assessor is available, LEA may request and if CONTRACTOR agrees, the CONTRACTOR may provide an IEE.

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

#### 20. NON-DISCRIMINATION

CONTRACTOR shall not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation, or disability in employment or operation of its programs.

#### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

# 21. FREE AND APPROPRIATE PUBLIC EDUCATION

LEA shall provide CONTRACTOR with a copy of the IEP including the Individualized Transition Plan (hereinafter referred to as "ITP") of each LEA student served by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide to each LEA student special education and/or related services (including transition services) within the nonpublic school consistent with the LEA student's IEP and as specified in the ISA. CONTRACTOR shall not accept a LEA student if it cannot provide or ensure the provision of the services outlined in the student's IEP. If student services are provided by a third party (i.e. Related Services Provider), CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA if provision of services cease. Pursuant to California Education Code section 56366(b), transportation shall not be provided through the use of services or equipment owned, leased, or contracted by the LEA for students served by CONTRACTOR unless those services and equipment are provided directly or subcontracted by the CONTRACTOR.

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

appropriate public education after: (a) written notification to the LEA student's parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities; and (b) receipt by the LEA of the written notification and a written acknowledgment signed by the LEA student's parent(s) of the cost and voluntary nature of the services and/or activities. CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all LEA requirements concerning parent acknowledgment of financial responsibility as specified in the LEA Procedures.

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

## 22. GENERAL PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

All nonpublic school services shall be provided consistent with the area of certification specified by CDE Certification and as defined in California Education Code section 56366 et seq., and shall ensure that facilities are adequate to provide LEA students with an environment, which meets all pertinent health and safety regulations.

CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall: (a) utilize evidence-based practices and predictors and be consistent with LEA's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (b) include curriculum that addresses mathematics, literacy and the use of educational, assistive technology and transition services; (c) be consistent with CDE's standards regarding the particular course of study and curriculum; (d) provide the services as specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. LEA students shall have access to: (a) State Board of Education (SBE) - adopted standards-based, core curriculum and the same instructional materials for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive; and provide standards - aligned core curriculum and instructional materials for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, used by the LEA, that contracts with the nonpublic school: (b) college preparation courses; (c) extracurricular activities, such as art, sports, music and academic clubs; (d) career preparation and vocational training, consistent with transition plans pursuant to state and federal law and; (e) supplemental assistance, including individual academic tutoring, psychological counseling, and career and college counseling. When appropriate, CONTRACTOR shall utilize the Special Education Administrators of County Officers ("SEACO") Curriculum Guide for students with moderate to severe disabilities who participate in California Alternative Performance Assessment ("CAPA"). Applicable students shall have access to the core content, activities, and instructional materials delineated within the SEACO Guide. CONTRACTOR's general program of instruction shall be described in writing and a copy provided to LEA prior to the effective date of this Master Contract.

When CONTRACTOR serves LEA students in grades nine through twelve inclusive, LEA shall provide to CONTRACTOR a specific list of the course requirements to be satisfied by the CONTRACTOR leading toward graduation or completion of LEA's diploma requirements. CONTRACTOR shall not award a high school diploma to LEA students who have not successfully completed all of the LEA's graduation requirements, including, but not limited to, passing the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) or meeting CAHSEE exception/waiver requirements per state guidelines.

For students placed in mental health treatment facilities, CONTRACTOR shall complete a Mental Health Treatment Plan ("Treatment Plan") for each student receiving program services. The Treatment Plan shall provide overall direction for the collaborative work of the student, the program and goals as agreed upon in the student's IEP. The Treatment Plan shall meet Medi-Cal (if applicable) and other applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, manuals, policies, guidelines, and directives. The Treatment Plan shall include: (a) student's treatment goals in accordance with student's IEP which guide the service delivery process and describe the skills and behaviors that the student will be able to learn as a result of the program's behavioral interventions; and (b) interventions planned to help the student reach his or her goals.

CONTRACTOR shall ensure staff providing services to students in mental health treatment facilities to students with emotional disturbance (ED), and agree that all staff shall adhere to professionally recognized best practices for rehabilitation assessment, service planning, and service delivery, and shall become proficient in the principles and practices of Integrated Dual Disorders Treatment. Staff hired to work

directly with students with ED shall have competence and experience in working with high-risk mental health students. Further, it is agreed that LEA may request that CONTRACTOR's staff be immediately removed from working on the Contract for good cause during the term of the Contract. Disqualification, if any, of CONTRACTOR staff, pursuant to this section, shall not relieve CONTRACTOR of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

#### 23. INSTRUCTIONAL MINUTES

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

For LEA students in grades kindergarten through 12 inclusive, unless otherwise specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA, the number of instructional minutes, excluding breakfast, recess, lunch, and passing time, shall be at least 314 instructional minutes.

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.

#### CLASS SIZE

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

In the event CONTRACTOR is unable to fill a vacant teaching position responsible for direct instruction to students, and the vacancy has direct impact on the California Department of Education Certification of that school, the nonpublic school shall develop a plan to assure appropriate coverage of students by first utilizing existing certificated staff. The nonpublic school and 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.

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

#### 25. CALENDARS

The CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a school calendar with the total number of billable days not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ regular school year (RSY) days, plus up to \_\_\_\_\_ extended school year (ESY) days as determined by LEA's calendar. Billable days shall include only those days that are included in the submitted and approved school calendar, and shall not exceed number of days in LEA's approved calendar and/or required by the IEP for each LEA student. In the event the LEA adjusts the number school days for the regular school year and/or extended school year, the approved number of days shall become the total billable days for the nonpublic school. In which case, an amended calendar shall be provided by CONTRACTOR for LEA approval.

Unless otherwise specified by the students' IEP, educational services shall occur at the school site. A student shall only be eligible for extended school year services if such are recommended by his/her IEP Team and the provision of such is specifically included in the ISA. Extended school year shall consist of twenty (20) instructional days, unless otherwise agreed upon by the IEP Team convened by the LEA. Any days of extended school year in excess of twenty (20) billable days must be mutually agreed to, in writing,

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

CONTRACTOR shall observe the same legal holidays as LEA. Those holidays are Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, may include Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Cesar Chavez Day, President's Day, Memorial Day and Independence Day. With the approval of LEA, CONTRACTOR may revise the date upon which CONTRACTOR closes in observance of any of the holidays observed by LEA.

#### 26. DATA REPORTING

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 sections of this contract and requested by and in the format required by the LEA. It is understood that all CONTRACTORS shall utilize the Special Education Information System (SEIS) or comparable system approved by the LEA and SELPA for all IEP development and progress reporting. Additional progress reporting may be required by the LEA. The LEA shall provide the CONTRACTOR with appropriate software, user training and proper internet permissions to allow adequate access.

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.

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

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall follow all LEA policies and procedures that support Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") options and/or Dual Enrollment options for students to have access to the general curriculum and to be educated with their nondisabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate.

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

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

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

Per implementation of Senate Bill 484, CONTRACTOR shall administer all Statewide assessments within the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress ("CAASP"), Desired Results Developmental Profile ("DRDP"), achievement and abilities tests (using LEA-authorized assessment instruments), the Fitness Gram, California English Language Development Test ("CELDT"), and the California High School Exit Examination, as appropriate to the student, and mandated by LEA pursuant to LEA and state and federal guidelines.

CONTRACTOR is subject to the alternative accountability system developed pursuant to Education Code section 52052, in the same manner as public schools and each LEA student placed with CONTRACTOR

by the LEA shall be tested by qualified staff of CONTRACTOR in accordance with that accountability program. LEA shall provide test administration training to CONTRACTOR's qualified staff, CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA test training and comply with completion of all coding requirements as required by LEA. Contractor shall report the test results to the CDE as required by Education Code section 56366(a)(8)(A).

## 29. LEA MANDATED ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

CONTRACTOR shall attend LEA mandated meetings when legal mandates, and/or LEA policy and procedures are reviewed, including but not limited to the areas of: curriculum, high school graduation, standards-based instruction, behavior intervention, cultural and linguistic needs of students with disabilities, dual enrollment responsibilities, LRE responsibilities, transition services, 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).

#### 30. POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS

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.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written policy pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1 regarding emergency interventions and Behavioral Emergency Reports. Evidence of such training shall be submitted to the LEA at the beginning of the school year and within 6 days of any new hire. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all of its staff members are trained annually in crisis intervention and emergency procedures as related to appropriate behavior management strategies. Training includes certification with <u>Crisis Prevention Intervention</u> (CPI) or a similarly recognized and approved crisis intervention program.

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.

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 LEA 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's IEP does not contain a Behavior Intervention Plan (BIP), CONTRACTOR shall schedule with LEA an IEP meeting within two (2) days 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 not authorize, order, consent to, or pay for any of the following prohibited interventions, or any other intervention similar to or like the following: (a) locked seclusion, unless it is in a facility otherwise licensed or permitted by state law to use a locked room; (b) employment of a device, material, or objects that simultaneously immobilize all four extremities, except that techniques such as prone containment may be used as an emergency intervention by staff trained in those procedures; (c) an amount of force that exceeds that which is reasonable and necessary under the circumstances, pursuant to California Education Code section 56521.1(d)(1-3).

#### 31. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

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

When CONTRACTOR seeks to remove a LEA student from his/her current educational placement for disciplinary reasons, CONTRACTOR shall immediately submit a written discipline report to the LEA and a manifestation IEP team meeting shall be scheduled. 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 meeting no later than the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day of suspension. CONTRACTOR shall notify and invite LEA representatives to the IEP team meeting where the manifestation determination will be made.

#### 32. IEP TEAM MEETINGS

An IEP team meeting shall be convened at least annually to evaluate: (1) the educational progress of each student placed with CONTRACTOR, including all state assessment results pursuant to the requirements of Education Code section 52052; (2) whether or not the needs of the student continue to be best met at the nonpublic school; and (3) whether changes to the student's IEP are necessary, including whether the student may be transitioned to a public school setting. (California Education Code Sections 56366 (a) (2) (B) (i) and (ii)). If an LEA student is to be transferred from a NPS setting into a regular class setting in a public school for any part of the school day, the IEP team shall document, if appropriate, a description of activities provided to integrate the student into the regular education program, including the nature of each activity as well as the time spent on the activity each day or week and a description of the activities provided to support the transition of the student from the special education program into the regular education program. Each LEA student shall be allowed to provide confidential input to any representative of his or her IEP team. Except as otherwise provided in the Master Contract, CONTRACTOR and LEA shall participate in all IEP team meetings regarding LEA students for whom ISAs have been or may be executed. At any time during the term of this Master Contract, the parent, the CONTRACTOR or the LEA may request a review of the student's IEP, subject to all procedural safeguards required by law, including reasonable notice given to, and participation of, the CONTRACTOR in the meeting. Every effort shall be made to schedule IEP team meetings at a time and place that is mutually convenient to parent, 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. It is understood that attendance at an IEP meeting is part of CONTRACTOR'S professional responsibility and is not a billable service under this Master Contract unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the LEA.

It is understood that the CONTRACTOR shall utilize the approved electronic IEP system of the LEA such as the Special Education Information System (SEIS) for all IEP planning and progress reporting. The SELPA shall provide training for any NPS to assure access to THE APPROVED SYSTEM. The NPS and/or NPS shall maintain confidentiality of all IEP data on THE APPROVED SYSTEM and shall protect

the password requirements of the system. When a student disenrolls from the NPS, the NPS shall discontinue use of THE APPROVED SYSTEM for that student.

Changes in any LEA student's educational program, including instruction, services, or instructional setting, provided under this Master Contract may only be made on the basis of revisions to the student's IEP. In the event that the CONTRACTOR believes the student requires a change of placement, the CONTRACTOR may request a review of the student's IEP for the 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.

#### 33. SURROGATE PARENTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with LEA surrogate parent assignments.

#### 34. DUE PROCESS PROCEEDINGS

CONTRACTOR shall fully participate in special education due process proceedings including mediations and hearings, as requested by LEA. CONTRACTOR shall also fully participate in the investigation and provision of documentation related to any complaint filed with the State of California, the Office of Civil Rights, or any other state and/or federal governmental body or agency.

#### 35. COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

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

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

Unless LEA requests in writing that progress reports be provided on a monthly basis, CONTRACTOR shall provide to parents at least four written progress reports/report cards. At a minimum, progress reports shall include progress over time towards IEP goals and objectives. A copy of the progress reports/report cards shall be maintained at the CONTRACTOR's place of business shall be submitted to the LEA within 10 days of request. CONTRACTOR shall provide access to supporting documentation used to determine progress on any goal or objective, including but not limited to log sheets, observation notes, data sheets, pre/post tests, rubrics and other similar data collection used to determine progress or lack of progress on approved goals, objectives, transition plans or behavior support plans. The LEA may request such data at any time within five years of the date of service. The CONTRACTOR shall provide this data supporting progress within 5 business days of request. Additional time may be granted as needed by the LEA.

CONTRACTOR shall complete academic or other assessment of the LEA student one month prior to the LEA student's annual or triennial review IEP team meeting for the purpose of reporting the LEA student's present levels of performance at the IEP team meeting as required by state and federal laws and regulations and pursuant to LEA policies, procedures, and/or practices. Supporting documentation such as test protocols and data collection shall be made available to LEA upon request.

The CONTRACTOR is responsible for all assessment costs regarding the updating of goals and objectives, progress reporting and development of present levels of performance. All other assessments shall be provided by the LEA unless the LEA specifies in writing a request for CONTRACTOR assessments

including the approved timelines, conditions and costs. Such assessment costs may be added to the ISA and/or approved separately by the LEA at their sole discretion.

It is understood that all billable hours must be in direct services to pupils as specified in the ISA.

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 unless otherwise agreed on in writing by the LEA.

It is understood that all billable hours have limits to those specified on the ISA consistent with the IEP. It is understood that copies of data collection notes, forms, charts and other such data are part of the pupil's record and shall be made available to the LEA upon written request.

#### 37. TRANSCRIPTS

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

## 38. LEA STUDENT CHANGE OF RESIDENCE

Within five (5) school days after CONTRACTOR becomes aware of a LEA student's change of residence, CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA of the LEA student's change of residence as specified in LEA Procedures. Upon enrollment, CONTRACTOR shall notify parents in writing of their 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.

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

# 39. WITHDRAWAL OF LEA STUDENT FROM PROGRAM

CONTRACTOR shall immediately report, by telephone, to the Nonpublic Services Department when a LEA student is withdrawn from school and/or services. CONTRACTOR shall confirm such telephone call on LEA approved forms and submit within five (5) business days as specified in the Nonpublic Services Department Procedural Handbook. CONTRACTOR shall assist LEA to verify and clear potential dropouts three times per year, as required by the 2001 Elementary and Secondary Education Act (No Child Left Behind; NCLB), as documentation of graduation rate is one of the indicators of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

#### 40. PARENT ACCESS

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

CONTRACTORs operating programs with residential components shall cooperate with a parent's reasonable request for LEA student visits in their home during, but not limited to, holidays and weekends. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that parents obtain prior written authorization for therapeutic visits from the CONTRACTOR and the LEA at least thirty (30) days in advance.

CONTRACTORS providing services in the student's home as specified in the IEP shall assure that at least one parent of the child or an adult caregiver with written and signed authorization to make decisions in an emergency is present. The names of any adult caregiver other than the parent shall be provided to the LEA prior to the start of any home based services, including written and signed authorization in emergency situations. The parent shall inform the LEA of any changes of caregivers and provide written authorization for emergency situation. The adult caregiver cannot also be an employee or volunteer associated with the NPS service provider.

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

## 41. SERVICES AND SUPERVISION AND PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

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 the procedures of the campus being visited. 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.

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

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

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

## 42. LICENSED CHILDREN'S INSTITUTION CONTRACTORS

If CONTRACTOR is a licensed children's institution (hereinafter referred to as "LCI"), CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements regarding educational placements for LCI students as stated in Education Code 56366 (a) (2) (C), 56366.9, Health and Safety Code section 1501.1(b), AB 1858, AB490 (Chapter 862, Statutes of 2003) and the procedures set forth in the LEA Procedures. A LCI shall not require that a pupil be placed in its nonpublic school as a condition of being placed in its residential facility.

If CONTRACTOR is owned, operated by, or associated with a residential treatment center (hereinafter referred to as "NPS/RTC"), CONTRACTOR shall adhere to all legal requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. section 1412(a)(1)(A) and Education Code section 56000, et seq.; amended and reorganized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEIA), 20 U.S.C. section 1401(29); Education Code section 56031; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 5, section 3001 et seq., Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, section 60100 et seq. regarding the provision of counseling services, including residential care for students to receive a FAPE as set forth in the LEA student's IEPs.

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

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

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

#### 43. STATE MEAL MANDATE

CONTRACTOR and LEA shall satisfy the State Meal Mandate under California Education Code sections 49530, 49530.5 and 49550.

#### 44. MONITORING

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 formal 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.

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).

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction ("Superintendent") shall monitor CONTRACTOR'S facilities, the educational environment, and the quality of the educational program, including the teaching staff, the credentials authorizing service, the standards-based core curriculum being employed, and the standard focused instructional materials used on a three-year cycle, as follows: (1) CONTRACTOR shall complete a self-review in year one; (2) the Superintendent shall conduct an onsite review in year two; and (3) the Superintendent shall conduct a follow-up visit in year three.

CONTRACTOR shall participate in the CDE On-site and Self Review and if applicable, LEA Validation Review. This review will address programmatic aspects of the Nonpublic School, compliance with relevant state and federal regulations, and Master Contract compliance. CONTRACTOR shall complete and submit a Nonpublic School Self-Assessment Checklist submitted as specified by the LEA. CONTRACTOR shall conduct any follow-up or corrective action procedures related to review findings.

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

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

#### PERSONNEL

#### 45. CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 44237, 35021.1 and 35021.2 including, but not limited to: obtaining clearance from both the California Department of Justice (hereinafter referred to as "CDOJ") and clearance from the Federal Bureau of Investigation

(hereinafter referred to as "FBI") for CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA students. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers, unless CONTRACTOR determines that the volunteers will have no direct contact with LEA students 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). Clearance certification shall be submitted to the LEA. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall make a request for subsequent arrest service from the CDOJ as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2.

The passage of AB 389 amends Education Code sections 44237 and 56366.1 as to the verification that the CONTRACTOR has received a successful criminal background check clearance and has enrolled in subsequent arrest notice service, as specified, for each owner, operator, and employee of the nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. Further this bill deletes the exemption for applicants possessing a valid California state teaching credential or who are currently licensed by another state agency that requires a criminal record summary, from submitting 2 sets of fingerprints for the purpose of obtaining a criminal record summary from the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Notwithstanding the restrictions on sharing and destroying criminal background check information, CONTRACTOR, upon demand, shall make available to the LEA evidence of a successful criminal background check clearance and enrollment in subsequent arrest notice service, as provided, for each owner, operator, and employee of the nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency. CONTRACTOR is required to retain the evidence on-site, as specified, for all staff, including those licensed or credentialed by another state agency. Background clearances and proof of subsequent arrest notification service as required by California Penal Code section 11105.2 for all staff shall be provided upon request.

#### 46. STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

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

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that each special education teacher meets the Highly Qualified Teacher requirements and holds a full and valid non-expired CTC credential authorizing instruction to students with the disabling conditions placed in the teacher's classroom through documentation provided to the CDE. (5 CCR 3064 (a)).

CONTRACTOR will designate an appropriately qualified person who will serve as the curricular and instructional leader, and be able to provide leadership, oversight and professional development.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with personnel standards and qualifications regarding instructional aides and teacher assistants respectively pursuant to Federal requirements and California Education Code sections 45340 et seq. and 45350 et seq. Specifically, all paraprofessionals, including, but not limited to, instructional aides and teacher assistants, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or subcontracted by CONTRACTOR to provide classroom and/or individualized instruction or related services, shall possess a high school diploma (or its recognized equivalent) and at least one of the following qualifications: (a) completed at least 2 years of study at an institution of higher education; or (b) obtained an associate's (or higher) degree; or (3) met a rigorous standard of quality and can demonstrate, through a formal state or

local assessment (i) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading, writing, and mathematics; or (ii) knowledge of, and the ability to assist in instructing, reading readiness, writing readiness, and mathematics readiness, as appropriate. CONTRACTOR shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the licensed professions, including but not limited to, the provisions with respect to supervision.

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

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

CONTRACTOR shall submit to LEA a staff list, and copies of all current licenses, credentials, permits and/or other documents which entitle the holder to provide special education and/or related services by individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired or sub-contracted by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all licenses, credentials, permits or other documents are on file at the office of the County Superintendent of Schools. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA in writing within thirty (30) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students as specified in the LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall provide the LEA with the verified dates of fingerprint clearance, Department of Justice clearance and Tuberculosis Test clearance for all employees, approved subcontractors and/or volunteers prior to such individuals starting to work with any student.

CONTRACTOR shall monitor the status of licenses, credentials, permits and/or other documents for all individuals employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA updated information regarding the status of licenses, credentials, permits and/or other documents within than 30 days of known changes. CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA and CDE in writing within thirty (30) days when personnel changes occur which may affect the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. The LEA shall not be obligated to pay for any services provided by a person whose such licenses, certifications or waivers are expired, suspended, revoked, rescinded, or otherwise nullified during the period during which such person is providing services under this Master Contract. Failure to notify the LEA and CDE of any changes in credentialing/licensed staff may result in suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Master Contract by the LEA.

#### 48. STAFF ABSENCE

When 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.

# 49. STAFF PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR WHEN PROVIDING SERVICES AT SCHOOL OR SCHOOL RELATED EVENTS OR IN THE HOME

It is understood, that all employees, subcontractors, and volunteers of any certified nonpublic school shall adhere to the customary professional and ethical standards when providing services. All practices shall only be within the scope of professional responsibility as defined in the professional code of conduct for each profession as well as any LEA professional standards as specified in Board policies and/or regulations when made available to the CONTRACTOR. Reports regarding student progress shall be consistent with the provision of this contract.

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

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY MANDATES

#### 50. HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable federal, state, local, and LEA laws, regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures regarding student and employee health and safety. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code sections 35021 et. seq., 49406, and Health and Safety Code Section 3454(a) regarding the examination of CONTRACTOR's employees and volunteers for tuberculosis. CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA documentation for each individual volunteering, employed, contracted, and/or otherwise hired by CONTRACTOR of such compliance before an individual comes in contact with an LEA student.

CONTRACTOR shall comply with OSHA Blood Borne Pathogens Standards, 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.

#### 51. FACILITIES AND FACILITIES MODIFICATIONS

CONTRACTOR shall provide special education and/or related services to LEA students in facilities that comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and ordinances related, but not limited to: disability access; fire, health, sanitation, and building standards and safety; fire warning systems; zoning permits; and occupancy capacity. CONTRACTOR shall conduct fire drills as required by Title 5 California Code of Regulations section 550. 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. Failure to notify the LEA and CDE of any changes in, major modification or relocation of facilities may result in the suspension or revocation of CDE certification and/or suspension or termination of this Master Contract by the LEA.

#### 52. ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of California Education Code section 49423 when CONTRACTOR serves a LEA student that is required to take prescription and/or over-the-counter medication during the school day. CONTRACTOR may designate personnel to assist the LEA student with the administration of such medication after the LEA student's parent(s) provides to CONTRACTOR: (a) a written statement from a physician detailing the type, administration method, amount, and time schedules by which such medication shall be taken; and (b) a written statement from the LEA student's parent(s) granting CONTRACTOR permission to administer medication(s) as specified in the physician's statement. CONTRACTOR shall maintain, and provide to LEA upon request, copies of such written statements. CONTRACTOR shall maintain a written log for each LEA student to whom medication is administered. Such written log shall specify 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. CONTRACTOR maintains full responsibility for assuring appropriate staff training in the administration of such medication consistent with physician's written orders. Any change in medication type, administration method, amount or schedule must be authorized by both a licensed physician and parent.

#### 53. INCIDENT/ACCIDENT REPORTING

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

#### 54. CHILD ABUSE REPORTING

CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to annually train all staff members, including volunteers, so that they are familiar with and agree to adhere to its own child and dependent adult abuse reporting obligations and procedures as specified in California Penal Code section 11164 et seq., To protect the privacy rights of all parties involved (i.e. reporter, child and alleged abuser), reports will remain confidential as required by law and professional ethical mandates. A written acknowledging the legal requirements of such reporting and verification of staff adherence to such reporting shall be submitted to the LEA.

#### 55. SEXUAL HARASSMENT

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

#### 56. REPORTING OF MISSING CHILDREN

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. The written statement shall be submitted as specified by the LEA.

#### FINANCIAL

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

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

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all LEA procedures concerning enrollment, contracting, attendance reporting, service tracking and billing including requirements of electronic billing as specified by the LEA Procedures. CONTRACTOR shall be paid for the provision of special education and/or related services specified in the LEA student's IEP and ISA. All payments by LEA shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Master Contract and in compliance with the LEA Procedures and will be governed by all applicable federal and state laws.

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

CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices and related documents to LEA for payment, for each calendar month when education or related services were provided. Invoices and related documents shall be properly submitted electronically and in addition, on a LEA form with signatures in the manner prescribed by LEA

in the LEA Procedures. At a minimum, each invoice must contain the following information: month of service; specific days and times of services coordinated by the LEA approved calendar unless otherwise specified in the IEP or agreed to by the LEA; name of staff who provided the service; approved cost of each invoice; total for each service and total for the monthly invoice; date invoice was mailed; signature of NPS administrator authorizing that the information is accurate and consistent with the ISA, CDE certificates and staff notification; verification that attendance report is attached as appropriate; indication of any made-up session consistent with this contract; verification that progress reports have been provided consistent with the ISA (monthly or quarterly unless specified otherwise on the ISA); and name or initial of each student for when the service was provided.

In the event services were not provided, rationale for why the services were not provided shall be included.

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

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

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

#### 58. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT

LEA may withhold payment to CONTRACTOR when: (a) CONTRACTOR has failed to perform, in whole or in part, under the terms of this contract; (b) CONTRACTOR has billed for services rendered on days other than billable days of attendance or for days when student was not in attendance and/or did not receive services; (c) CONTRACTOR was overpaid by LEA as determined by inspection, review, and/or audit of its program, work, and/or records; (d) CONTRACTOR has failed to provide supporting documentation with an invoice, as required by EC 56366(c)(2); (e) education and/or related services are provided to LEA students by personnel who are not appropriately credentialed, licensed, or otherwise qualified; (f) LEA has not received prior to school closure or contract termination, all documents concerning one or more LEA students enrolled in CONTRACTOR's educational program; (g) CONTRACTOR fails to confirm a student's change of residence to another district or confirms the change or residence to another district, but fails to notify LEA with five (5) days of such confirmation; or (h) CONTRACTOR receives payment from Medi-Cal or from any other agency or funding source for a service provided to a LEA student. It is understood that no payments shall be made for any invoices that is not received by six months following the close of the prior fiscal year, for services provided in that year.

Final payment to CONTRACTOR in connection with the cessation of operations and/or termination of a Master Contract will be subject to the same documentation standards described for all payment claims for regular ongoing operations. In addition, final payment may be withheld by the LEA until completion of a review or audit, if deemed necessary by the LEA. Such review or audit will be completed within ninety

(90) days. The final payment may be adjusted to offset any previous payments to the CONTRACTOR determined to have been paid in error or in anticipation of correction of documentation deficiencies by the CONTRACTOR that remain uncorrected.

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

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

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

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

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

#### 59. PAYMENT FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

CONTRACTOR shall notify LEA when Medi-Cal or any other agency is billed for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students. Upon request, CONTRACTOR shall provide to LEA any and all documentation regarding reports, billing, and/or payment by Medi-Cal or any other agency for the costs associated with the provision of special education and/or related services to LEA students.

#### 60. PAYMENT FOR ABSENCES

#### STAFF ABSENCE

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

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

#### STUDENT ABSENCE

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

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

For students whose parents reside in the district and for students residing in Licensed Children's Institutions or Foster Family Homes, the LEA shall reimburse CONTRACTOR for five (5) excused absences per semester. The aforementioned reimbursement/payment will be reduced by the local daily revenue amount of \$33.25.

#### 61. INSPECTION AND AUDIT

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 Agreement.

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); registers and roll books of teachers; daily service logs and notes or other documents used to record the provision of related services; Medi-Cal/daily service logs and notes used to record provision of services provided by instructional assistants, behavior intervention aides, bus aides, and supervisors; absence verification records (parent/doctor notes, telephone logs, and related documents); bus rosters; staff lists specifying credentials held, business licenses held, documents evidencing other qualifications, social security numbers, dates of hire, and dates of termination; staff time sheets; non-paid staff and volunteer sign-in sheets; transportation and other related service subcontracts; school calendars; bell/class schedules when applicable; liability and worker's compensation insurance policies; state nonpublic school certifications; by-laws; lists of current board of directors/trustees, if incorporated; other documents evidencing financial expenditures; federal/state payroll quarterly reports Form 941/DE3DP; and bank statements and canceled checks or facsimile thereof. 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.

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

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

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

#### 62. RATE SCHEDULE

The attached rate schedule (Exhibit A) limits the number of LEA students that may be enrolled and maximum dollar amount of the contract. It may also limit the maximum number of students that can be provided specific services. Per Diem rates for LEA students who's 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 of a 310-minute instructional day.

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

When CONTRACTOR is a nonpublic school associated with a Residential Treatment Center (NPS/RTC), CONTRACTOR will ensure that all Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) are provided in an integrated, intensive, educationally related therapeutic residential setting; which includes social emotional/behavior support through individual counseling, group counseling, family consultation and support, as appropriate. It is a collaborative model which includes educational professionals and related service providers, where all supports and services are integrated in the NPS/RTC program. Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) costs are all inclusive and combined with the daily rate as ERMHS+RB (ERMHS + Room and Board). ERMHS plus Room and Board payments are based on Positive attendance (payable for up to a maximum of 365 days) only, with up to a maximum of 10 days payment per student, per contract year, when a bed is unoccupied, for home visits of a therapeutic nature.

#### 63. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By signing this agreement, the Contractor certifies that:

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

CONTRACTOR,
Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc., d/b/a Maxim
Staffing Solutions
Nonpublic School

By:

Signature
Jessa Lombo, Assistant Regional Controller

Name and Title of Authorized
Representative

Name and Title of Authorized
Representative

unless sooner terminated as provide herein.

The parties hereto have executed this Contract by and through their duly authorized agents or representatives. This contract is effective on the \_\_\_\_\_ tay of July 2014 and terminates at 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2015,

# Notices to CONTRACTOR shall be addressed to:

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# EXHIBIT A: RATES FOR Non-RESIDENTIAL NPS PLACEMENTS

XHIBIT	A: RATES FOR Non-RESIDENTIAL N			20	14 2015
Inc., d/l	RACTOR Maxim Healthcare Services, b/a Maxim Staffing Solutions UBLIC SCHOOL)	CONTRAC	TOR NUMBER		(14-2015) RACT YEAR)
	E Certification, total enrollment may no	t exceed	If blank, the num CDE Certification	ber shall be as de	termine by
the contra	edule. This rate schedule limits the number let. It may also limit the maximum numb ated services offered by CONTRACTOR, is contract shall be as follows:	of LEA students er of students to and the charge	s that may be enrolled that can be provided s s for such educations	l and the maxing specific service all and/or relate	num dollar amount of es. Special education d services during the
Paymer Total L	nt under this contract may not exceed EA enrollment may not exceed		Rate	Period	
A. <u>Basi</u>	e Education Program/Special Education Ins e Education Program/Dual Enrollment	truction			
	em rates for LEA students whose IEPs authorize less	than a full instructi	onal day shall be adjusted	proportionally.	
B. Relate (1) (2) (3) (4)	a. Transportation – Round Trip b. Transportation – One Way c. Transportation – Dual Enrollment d. Public Transportation e. Parent* a. Educational Counseling – Individual b. Educational Counseling – Group of c. Counseling – Parent a. Adapted Physical Education – Individual b. Adapted Physical Education – Group of c. Adapted Physical Education – Group of a. Language and Speech Therapy – Individual b. Language and Speech Therapy – Group of c. Language and Speech Therapy – Group of d. Language and Speech Therapy – Per diem e. Language and Speech – Consultation Rate a. SCIA** – Individual (must be authorize b. SCIA – Group of 2 c. SCIA – Group of 3 d. Classroom Instructional Assistance – Per	d on IEP)			
(6) (7)	<ul> <li>Intensive Special Education Instruction***</li> <li>a. Occupational Therapy – Individual</li> <li>b. Occupational Therapy – Group of 2</li> <li>c. Occupational Therapy – Group of 3</li> <li>d. Occupational Therapy – Group of 4 – 7</li> <li>e. Occupational Therapy – Consultation Rat</li> </ul>		-		
(8)	Physical Therapy a. Individual b. Consultation		_		
(9)	<ul> <li>a. Behavior Intervention – BII</li> <li>b. Behavior Intervention – BID</li> <li>Provided by:</li> </ul>	a I		\$50.00	Per hour
(10)	Nursing Services District RN CNA/Aide Hearing and Vision RN			\$62.00 \$30.00 \$78.50	Per hour Per hour Per hour

- \* Parent transportation reimbursement rates are to be determined by the LEA. \*\*SCIA Special Circumstance Instructional Assistance \*\*\* By Credentialed Special Education Teacher.



# CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 8/29/2014

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).	CONTACT Krista Dean				
Altus Partners, Inc 919 Conestoga Road	NAME: PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): (610) 526-9130 (A/C, No):	(610) 526-2021			
	E-MAIL E-MAIL ADDRESS: Certificates@altuspartners.com PRODUCER PRODUCER D #00000042 CUSTOMER D #00000042				
Rosemont PA 19010 INSURED Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. d/b/a Maxim Staffing Solutions	INSURER A: Lloyd's of London	2623/623			
	INSURER BACE American Ins Co.	22667			
	INSURERC: Indemnity Ins Co of NA	43575			
7227 Lee DeForest Drive	INSURERD: Federal Insurance Company	20281			
Columbia MD 21046	INSURER E :				
	INSURER F:  DEVISION NUMBER:				

COVERAGES

CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 13-14 Staffing Std+XS

REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

TYPE OF INSURANCE

INSR WYD

POLICY NUMBER

(MM/DD/YYYY)

LIMITS

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ISR TR		INSR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	(MINUDOTT TT)	Transfer of the second	EACH OCCURRENCE	5	3,000,000
A	GENERAL LIABILITY		рн1303923			DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	5	100,000
	X COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY		BH1303953	1	11/30/2014	MED EXP (Any one person)	5	10,000
	X CLAIMS-MADE OCCUR					PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	5	1,000,000
	X \$3,000,000 SIR					GENERAL AGGREGATE	\$	3,000,000
						PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG	5	3,000,000
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER						\$	
	X POLICY PRO- JECT LOC		но8815501			COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$	1,000,000
	ANY AUTO		H08815513 (Owned)		/ /	BODILY INJURY (Per person)	\$	
В	X ALL OWNED AUTOS			11/30/2013	11/30/2014	BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	S	
	SCHEDULED AUTOS					PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	\$	
	X HIRED AUTOS					Uninsured motorist combined	\$	
	X NON-OWNED AUTOS					Underinsured motorist	\$	
A			PH1303923	11/30/2013	11/30/2014	EACH OCCURRENCE	s	7,000,000
	X UMBRELLA LIAB OCCUR					AGGREGATE	\$	7,000,000
	EXCESS LIAB X CLAIMS-MAD						5	
	DEDUCTIBLE						\$	
	WORKERS COMPENSATION	1	C47875201	11/30/2013	11/30/2014	Y WC STATU- TORY LIMITS ER		
С	AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH)					E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	\$	1,000,000
						E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYE	5	1,000,000
						E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	5	1,000,000
	If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below Professional Liability		PH1303923(SIR)	11/30/2013	3 11/30/2014	\$4,000,000 Per claim		
A			F111303513 (311)			\$4,000,000 Policy limit		

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS/LOCATIONS/VEHICLES (Attach ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, if more space is required)

Certificate is issued as evidence of insurance per the policy terms, conditions, and exclusions. East Bay Innovation Academy (EBIA) its subsidiaries, officials and employees and the Board of Education are additional insured on the general liability insurance policy per the written agreement and on the automobile liability insurance policy per the policy terms, conditions and exclusions. The general liability insurance policy referenced above and/or herein shall CANCELLATION

CERTIFICATE HOLDER	CANCELLATION			
East Bay Innovation Academy (EBIA) 3400 Malcolm Avenue	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.			
	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE			
Oakland, CA 94605	c Ingelsby/csi Christopen & Dongaren			
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#### COMMENTS/REMARKS

be primary and non-contributory with any coverage held by LEA, its subsidiaries, officials, and employees for any losses occurring within the \$3,000,000 self-insured retention. The commercial automobile liability insurance is primary and non-contributory per the terms and conditions of the contractual liability provision of the policy. Agent/Broker will mail 10 days written notice to the certificate holder should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date. The gneral liability policy includes coverage for sexual abuse and molestation according to the policy terms ans conditions.

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