LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE (For Attestation Engagements of Charter Schools)

Dear Chief Executive Officer:

Attached is the Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire that is to be completed by you or your staff. This questionnaire is a required part of the review/attestation engagement of Louisiana charter schools. The completed and signed questionnaire must be presented to and adopted by the governing body of the charter school by means of a formal resolution in an open meeting.

The completed and signed questionnaire and a copy of the adoption instrument **must be given to the independent certified public accountant at the beginning of the engagement**. The CPA will, during the course of his/her engagement, perform certain agreed-upon procedures to the responses in the questionnaire. It is not necessary to return the questionnaire to the Legislative Auditor's office.

Certain portions of the questionnaire may not be applicable to your organization. In such cases, it is appropriate to mark the representation "not applicable." However, you must respond to each applicable representation. A 'yes' answer indicates that you have complied with the applicable law or regulation. A 'no' answer to any representation indicates a possible violation of law or regulation and, as such, should be fully explained. These matters will be reviewed by the CPA during the course of his/her engagement. Please feel free to attach a further explanation of any representation.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Daryl G. Purpera, CPA, CFE Louisiana Legislative Auditor

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	9/15/2020	(Date Transmitted	
Bernard & Franks, CPAs		(CPA Firm Name)	
4141 Veterans Memorial Blvd.		(CPA Firm Address)	
Metairie, LA 70002		(City, State Zip)	

In connection with your engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures to the control and compliance matters identified below, as of __6/30/2020_____(date) and for the year then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513 and the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide, we make the following representations to you.

Administration

It is true that no member of the governing or management board has received any compensation other than reimbursement of actual expenses incurred while fulfilling duties as a member of such board [R.S. 17:3991(A)(1)(b)].

The school is not affiliated with any religion or religious organization or institution [R.S. 17:3991(E)(1)].

Yes [X] No []

Student Admissions

Student admission requirements, if any, include a system for appropriate admission decisions and the requirements have been applied on a consistent basis [R.S. 17:3991(B)(3)].

It is true that all students reside within the jurisdiction of the school as described in the charter agreement [R.S. 17:3991(C)(1)(a)]. Yes [X] No []

Instructional Staff

The charter school has employed instructional staff who have at least a baccalaureate degree and who are subject to all provisions of state law relative to background checks applicable to the employment of public school personnel [R.S. 17:3991(C)(6)].

Yes[X]No[]

Fixed Assets

Yes, as a Type 4 charter school, if applicable, we have maintained records of fixed assets that clearly identify those assets belonging to the local school board [R.S. 17:3991(H)].

Yes, as a Type 1, Type 2, Type 3, Type 3B, or Type 5 charter school, if applicable, we have maintained records of fixed assets that clearly identify those assets acquired with public funds, which, if the school ceases to operate, become the property of the chartering authority [R.S. 17:3991(H)].

Yes[X]No[]

Open Meetings Law

We have complied with the laws pertaining to open and public meetings (R.S. 42:11 through 42:28).

Yes [X] No []

Public Bid Law

It is true that we obtained bids for any erection, construction, alteration, improvement, or repair of a public facility or immovable property (R.S. 38:2211 through 38:2259).

Yes [X] No

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Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

It is true that no employees or member of the governing or management board have accepted anything of value, whether in the form of a service, loan, or promise, from anyone that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1101-1124.

Yes [X] No []

It is true that no member of the immediate family of any member of the governing or management board of the charter school has been employed by the charter school under circumstances that would constitute a violation of R.S. 42:1119, except as applies to any person employed by the charter school prior to August 15, 2003.

Yes [X] No []

State Audit Law

We have had our financial statements reviewed in accordance with R.S. 24:513.

Yes [X] No [

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We did not enter into any contracts that utilized state funds as defined in R.S. 39:72.1 A. (2); and that were subject to the public bid law (R.S. 38:2211, et seq.), while the agency was not in compliance with R.S. 24:513 (the audit law).

Yes [X]No[]

Reporting

We have complied with R.S. 24:513 A. (3) regarding disclosure of compensation, reimbursements, benefits and other payments to the agency head, political subdivision head, or chief executive officer.

Yes [X] No []

Other

It is true that the actual operations of the school agree with those specified in its approved charter (See Charter).

Yes [X] No []

Prior-Year Comments

We have resolved all prior-year recommendations and/or comments.

Yes [X] No []

General

We are responsible for our compliance with the foregoing laws and regulations and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations.

Yes [X] No []

We have evaluated our compliance with these laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

Yes [X] No []

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as	well as any
contradictions to the foregoing representations.	

Yes [X] No []

We have made available to you all records that we believe are relevant to the foregoing agreed-upon procedures.

Yes[X] No[]

We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies, internal auditors, other independent practitioners or consultants or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of your report.

Yes [X] No []

We will disclose to you, the Legislative Auditor, the Louisiana Department of Education, and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies any known noncompliance that may occur up to the date of your report.

Yes [X 1 No [1

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Treasurer	Date
President	Date
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