

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS DRAFT RESOLUTION NO. SY2122-04-13 REFERRAL OF STUDENTS TO LIGHTHOUSE COMMUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS MOST APPROPRIATE TO SERVE THE STUDENT'S UNIQUE SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS

Whereas, the Governing Board of the Board of Directors of Lighthouse Community Public Schools ("LCPS") is committed to provide all student with disabilities a free and appropriate public education ("FAPE"), which includes ensuring that each LCPS student has access to a full continuum of placement options and all required IEP special education and related services.

Whereas, LCPS is a nonprofit public benefit 501(c)(3) corporation formed and operated pursuant to California law, operating three (3) separately chartered charter schools—Lighthouse K-8, Lighthouse 9-12, and Lodestar K-12—each of which serves as its own Local Educational Agency ("LEA") for special education purposes, and each of which must properly allocate and distribute public funds in accordance with state and federal laws;

Whereas, each LCPS charter school operates as a fiscally independent entity for purposes of receiving State and Federal funding to utilize for special education programs in accordance with State and Federal law;

Whereas, any of the charter schools operated by LCPS may wish to offer placement and/or special education and/or related services operated by another LCPS charter school; and

Whereas, the LCPS charter school offering the placement and/or special education and/or related services ("Receiving School") shall incur additional costs for students referred from the original LCPS charter school ("Sending School") pursuant to this Resolution;

**Now, therefore, be it resolved**, that students in LCPS operated charter schools may be offered placement and/or special education and/or related services at another LCPS operated charter school pursuant to a lawfully held IEP team meeting; and with parental consent shall be transferred from the Sending School to the Receiving School; and

To ensure proper accounting of public funds, proper maintenance of student records, and compliance with all state and federal laws, LCPS shall:

- 1. Ensure the Sending School pays the Receiving School an amount proportional to the time spent by Receiving School to serve each student enrolled in Sending School, at Receiving School pursuant to this Resolution.
- 2. Ensure that Sending and Receiving Schools maintain proper documentation, accounting, and reporting of all funds transferred between Sending Schools and Receiving School pursuant to this Resolution.
- 3. Ensure the Sending School properly claims all ADA funding pursuant to applicable laws utilizing attendance data provided by the Receiving School.
- 4. Require Sending School to remain the responsible Local Educational Agency ("LEA") for all students receiving services at a Receiving School pursuant to this Resolution including but not limited to discipline, maintenance of student records, assessments, reassessments, IEP team meetings, and offers of FAPE;
- 5. Require Sending and receiving Schools to transfer and share Student records files to the extent required to properly serve the Student, pursuant to this Resolution; and
- 6. Provide any necessary training and/or support for school site employees to fulfill the requirements outlined in this Resolution.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Directors has adopted the above resolution by the following vote at a regular Board meeting this 13th day of April, 2022.

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ABSTENTIONS:

By:\_\_\_

[INSERT NAME], Secretary