
A

CONTRACT TO CHARTER A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY AND RELATED DOCUMENTS

ISSUED BY

THE GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES (AUTHORIZING BODY)

ISSUED TO

LIGHT OF THE WORLD ACADEMY (A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY)

CONFIRMING THE STATUS OF

LIGHT OF THE WORLD ACADEMY

AS A

PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY

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Contract to Charter a Public School Academy

Pursuant to Part 6a of the Revised School Code ("Code"), being Sections 380.501 to 380.507 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees ("University Board") issues a contract to Light of the World Academy (the "Academy"), to be effective July 1, 2015, confirming the Academy's status as a public school academy in this State. The Parties agree that the issuance of this Contract is subject to the following Terms and Conditions:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

- Section 1.1. <u>Certain Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Contract, and in addition to the terms defined throughout this Contract, each of the following words or expressions, whenever capitalized, shall have the meaning set forth in this section:
 - a) **Academy** means the Michigan non-profit corporation authorized by this Contract.
 - b) **Academy Board** means the Board of Directors of the Academy authorized by this Contract. **Academy Board member** or **Academy Director** means an individual who is a member of the Academy Board, whether in the past, present or future.
 - c) **Applicable Law** means all state and federal law applicable to public school academies.
 - d) **Applicant** means the person or entity that submitted the public school academy application to the University for the establishment of the Academy.
 - e) **Application** means the public school academy application and supporting documentation submitted to the University for the establishment of the Academy.
 - f) **Authorization Resolution** means the resolution adopted by the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees approving the issuance of a Contract.
 - g) Charter School means public school academy.
 - h) **Code** means the Revised School Code, Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being Sections 380.1 to 380.1852 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
 - i) **Contract** means, in addition to the definitions set forth in the Code, the Terms and Conditions and the Schedules.
 - j) **Educational Service Provider or "ESP"** means an educational management organization as defined under section 503c of the Code, MCL 380.503c, that

has entered into a contract or agreement with the Academy Board for operation or management of the Academy, which contract has been submitted to the University Charter Schools Office Director for review as provided in Section 11.11 and has not been disapproved by the University Charter Schools Office Director, and is consistent with the Charter Schools Office Educational Service Provider Policies, as they may be amended from time to time, and Applicable Law.

- k) Fund Balance Deficit means the Academy has more liabilities than assets at the end of any given school fiscal year, and includes any fiscal year where the Academy would have had a budget deficit but for a financial borrowing from, or monetary contribution by an Educational Service Provider or other person or entity to the Academy. If the Academy receives a gift or grant of money or financial support from an Educational Service Provider or other person or entity that does not require repayment by the Academy, and is not conditioned upon the actions or inactions of the Academy Board, then such gift or grant shall not constitute a financial borrowing or contribution for purposes of determining a Fund Balance Deficit.
- I) Management Agreement or ESP Agreement means an agreement as defined under section 503c of the Code, MCL 380.503c that has been entered into between an ESP and the Academy Board for operation and/or management of the Academy, which has been submitted to the University Charter Schools Office Director for review as provided in Section 11.11 and has not been disapproved by the University Charter Schools Office Director, and is consistent with the CSO Educational Service Provider Policies as they may be amended from time to time, and Applicable Law.
- m) Master Calendar of Reporting Requirements (MCRR) means the compliance certification duties required of the Academy by the University Board. The University Charter Schools Office may amend the MCRR each fiscal year or at other times as deemed appropriate by the University President. These changes shall be automatically incorporated into the Contract and shall be exempt from the Contract amendment procedures under Article IX of these Terms and Conditions.
- n) **Method of Selection Resolution** means the resolution adopted by the University Board providing for the method of selection, length of term, number of members, qualification of Board Academy members and other pertinent provisions relating to the Academy Board.
- o) **Resolution** means any resolution adopted by the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees.
- p) **Schedules** mean the schedules incorporated into and part of the Terms and Conditions.

- q) **Terms and Conditions** means this document entitled Terms and Conditions of Contract issued by the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees.
- r) **University** means Grand Valley State University established pursuant to Article VIII, Sections 4 and 6 of the 1963 Michigan Constitution and MCL 390.841 *et seq*.
- s) **University Board** means the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees.
- t) University Charter Schools Hearing Panel or Hearing Panel means such person(s) as designated by the University President.
- u) University Charter Schools Office or CSO means the office the University Board, by issuance of this Contract, hereby designates as the point of contact for public school academy applicants and public school academies authorized by the University Board. The University Charter Schools Office is also responsible for managing, implementing, and overseeing the University Board's responsibilities with respect to the Contract.
- v) University Charter Schools Office Director or CSO Director means the person designated by the University President to administer the operations of the University Charter Schools Office.
- w) **University President** means the President of Grand Valley State University or his or her designee.
- Section 1.2. Schedules. All Schedules to this Contract are part of this Contract.
- Section 1.3. <u>Statutory Definitions</u>. Statutory terms defined in the Code shall have the same meaning in this Contract.
- Section 1.4. <u>Application</u>. The Application submitted to the University Board for the establishment of the Academy is incorporated into, and made part of, this Contract. In the event that there is an inconsistency or dispute between materials in the Application and the Contract, the language or provisions in the Contract shall control.
- Section 1.5. <u>Conflicting Contract Provisions</u>. In the event that there is a conflict between the language contained in the provisions of this Contract, the Contract shall be interpreted as follows: (i) the Method of Selection Resolution shall control over any other conflicting language in the Contract; (ii) the Authorizing Resolution shall control over any other conflicting language in the Contract with the exception of language in the Method of Selection Resolution; (iii) the Terms and Conditions shall control over any other conflicting language in the Contract with the exception of language in the Method of Selection Resolution and the Authorizing Resolution; and (iv) the Articles of Incorporation shall control over any other conflicting language in the Contract with the exception of language in the Method of Selection Resolution, Authorizing Resolution and these Terms and Conditions.

ARTICLE II

ROLE OF GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS AUTHORIZING BODY

- Section 2.1. <u>University Board Resolutions</u>. For purposes of this Contract, the University Board has adopted the following resolutions:
- (a) Method of Selection Resolution. The University Board has adopted the Method of Selection Resolution, which is incorporated into this Contract as part of Schedule 1. At anytime and at its sole discretion, the University Board may amend the Method of Selection Resolution. Upon University Board approval, changes to the Method of Selection Resolution shall automatically be incorporated into this Contract and shall be exempt from the amendment procedures under Article IX of the Terms and Conditions.
- (b) <u>Authorizing Resolutions</u>. The University Board has adopted the Authorizing Resolution, which is incorporated into this Contract as part of Schedule 1.
- Section 2.2. <u>Method for Monitoring Academy's Compliance with Applicable Law and Performance of its Targeted Educational Outcomes</u>. The University Board has the responsibility to oversee the Academy's compliance with the Contract and all Applicable Law. The Academy shall perform the compliance certification duties required by the University Board as outlined in the Contract incorporated into this Contract as Schedule 5. Additionally, the Academy shall be responsible for the following:
 - a) In the event that the University President determines that the Academy's educational outcomes should be reviewed to help determine if the Academy is meeting the educational goals set forth in the Schedules, the University President, at his or her discretion, may require an objective evaluation of student performances by an educational consultant, acceptable to both the Academy and the University President. The Academy shall pay for the expense of the evaluation. In addition, at any time, the University President may require an evaluation of student performance to be selected by and at the expense of the University. The Academy shall cooperate with the evaluation, including any student testing required.
 - b) Within ten (10) days of receipt, the Academy shall notify the University Charter Schools Office of correspondence received from the Department of Education or State Board of Education that requires a written or formal response.
 - c) Within ten (10) days of receipt, the Academy shall report to the University Charter Schools Office and the University Counsel Office any litigation or formal proceedings alleging violation of Applicable Law or contractual agreement against the Academy, its officers, employees, agents, and/or contractors.
 - d) The Academy shall permit review of the Academy's records and inspection of its premises at any time by representatives of the University. Normally, such inspections

- shall occur during the Academy's hours of operation and after advance notice to the Academy.
- e) The Academy shall provide the Charter Schools Office with copies of reports and assessments concerning the educational outcomes achieved by pupils attending the Academy and shall provide necessary approvals for the Charter Schools Office to access electronic information received or stored by the State of Michigan including, but not limited to, the Department of Education or other agency authorized by the State to collect school data.
- f) The Academy shall submit audited financial statements, including auditor's management letters and any exceptions noted by the auditors, to the University Charter Schools Office. The financial statements and auditor's management letters shall be submitted to the University Charter Schools Office within ninety (90) days after the end of the Academy's fiscal year.
- g) The Academy shall provide the University Charter Schools Office with a copy of the proposed annual budget for the upcoming fiscal year of the Academy no later than July 1st. The Academy Board is responsible for establishing, approving and amending the annual budget in accordance with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, MCL 141.421 *et seq.*, and for providing all amendments and revisions to the University Charter Schools Office following Academy Board approval.
- h) The Academy shall provide to the University Charter Schools Office minutes of all Academy Board meetings no later than fourteen (14) days after such meeting.
- Section 2.3. <u>University Board Administrative Fee</u>. During the term of this Contract, the Academy shall pay the University Board an administrative fee of 3% of the state school aid payments received by the Academy. For purposes of this Contract, state school aid payments received by the Academy in July and August in any given year shall be deemed to have been received by the Academy during the Contract term. This fee shall be retained by the University Board from each state school aid payment received by the University Board for forwarding to the Academy. This fee shall compensate the University Board for issuing the Contract and overseeing the Academy's compliance with the Contract and all Applicable Law.
- Section 2.4. <u>University Board as Fiscal Agent for the Academy</u>. The University Board is the fiscal agent for the Academy. The University Board shall, within three (3) business days, forward to the Academy all state school aid funds or other public or private funds received by the University Board for the benefit of the Academy. The University Board shall retain any amount owed to the University Board by the Academy pursuant to this Contract. For purposes of this section, the responsibilities of the University Board, the State of Michigan, and the Academy are set forth in the Fiscal Agent Agreement incorporated herein as Schedule 4.
- Section 2.5. <u>Authorization of Employment</u>. The Academy may employ or contract with personnel. If the Academy contracts for personnel with an Educational Service Provider, the Academy shall submit a draft of the proposed agreement to the University Charter Schools

Office for review. The University Charter Schools Office may disapprove the proposed agreement if it contains provisions in violation of this Contract or Applicable Law. No ESP agreement shall be effective unless and until the agreement complies with Section 11.12 of these Terms and Conditions. With respect to Academy employees, the Academy shall have the power and responsibility to (i) select and engage employees; (ii) pay their wages; (iii) dismiss employees; and (iv) control the employees' conduct, including the method by which the employee carries out his or her work. An employee hired by the Academy shall be an employee of the Academy for all purposes and not an employee of the University for any purpose. The Academy Board shall prohibit any individual from being employed by the Academy, an ESP, or an employee leasing company involved in the operation of the Academy, in more than one (1) full-time position and simultaneously being compensated at a full-time rate for each of these positions. The Academy shall be responsible for carrying worker's compensation insurance and unemployment insurance for its employees.

Section 2.6. Financial Obligations of the Academy are Separate from the State of Michigan, University Board and the University. Any contract, mortgage, loan or other instrument of indebtedness entered into by the Academy and a third party shall not in any way constitute an obligation, either general, special, or moral, of the State of Michigan, the University Board, or the University. Neither the full faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State of Michigan or any agency of the State, nor the full faith and credit of the University Board or the University shall ever be assigned or pledged for the payment of any Academy contract, agreement, note, mortgage, loan or other instrument of indebtedness.

Section 2.7. Academy Has No Power to Obligate or Bind State of Michigan, University Board or the University. The Academy has no authority whatsoever to enter into any contract or other agreement that would financially obligate the State of Michigan, University Board or the University, nor does the Academy have any authority whatsoever to make any representations to lenders or third parties, that the State of Michigan, University Board or the University in any way guarantee, are financially obligated, or are in any way responsible for any contract, agreement, note, mortgage, loan or other instrument of indebtedness entered into by the Academy.

Section 2.8. Authorizing Body Contract Authorization Process. Pursuant to the Code, the University Board is not required to issue a contract to the Academy. This Contract is for a fixed term and will terminate at that end of the Contract term set forth in Section 12.14 without any further action of either the Academy or the University Board. Prior to the end of the Contract term, the University Board shall provide a description of the process and standards by which the Academy may be considered for the issuance of a new contract. The timeline for consideration of whether to issue a new contract to the Academy shall be solely determined by the University Board. The standards for issuance of a new contract shall include increases in academic achievement for all groups of pupils as measured by assessments and other objective criteria established by the University Board as the most important factor of whether to issue or not issue a new contract. The University Board, at its sole discretion, may change its process and standards for issuance of a contract at anytime, and any such changes shall take effect automatically without the need for any amendment to this Contract. Consistent with the Code, the University Board may elect, at its sole discretion, not to consider the issuance of a contract,

consider reauthorization of the Academy and elect not to issue a contract, or consider reauthorization of the Academy and issue a contract for a fixed term.

ARTICLE III

REQUIREMENT THAT ACADEMY ACT SOLELY AS GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR ENTITY AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

- Section 3.1. <u>Governmental Agency or Entity and Political Subdivision</u>. The Academy shall act exclusively as a governmental agency or entity and political subdivision.
- Section 3.2. Other Permitted Activities. Nothing in this Contract shall prohibit the Academy from engaging in other lawful activities that are not in derogation of the Academy's status as a public school or that would not jeopardize the eligibility of the Academy for state school aid funds. Subject to Section 2.5 and Section 6.15 of the Terms and Conditions, the Academy may enter into agreements with other public schools, public school academies, governmental units, businesses, community and nonprofit organizations where such agreements contribute to the effectiveness of the Academy or advance education in this state.

ARTICLE IV

PURPOSE

Section 4.1. <u>Academy's Purpose</u>. The Academy Board shall identify the purpose or mission of the Academy. Any subsequent changes to the Academy's purpose or mission shall be carried out by amendment in accordance with Article IX of these Terms and Conditions. The Academy's stated purpose or mission shall be set forth in the Schedules.

ARTICLE V

CORPORATE STRUCTURE OF THE ACADEMY

- Section 5.1. <u>Articles of Incorporation</u>. Unless amended pursuant to Section 9.2 of Article IX herein, the Articles of Incorporation of the Academy, as set forth in Schedule 2, shall be the Articles of Incorporation of the Academy. The Academy Board represents to the University Board that Schedule 2 includes all amendments to the Academy's Articles of Incorporation as of the date set forth above.
- Section 5.2. <u>Bylaws</u>. Unless amended pursuant to Section 9.3 of Article IX herein, the Bylaws of the Academy, as set forth in Schedule 3, shall be the Bylaws of the Academy. The Academy Board represents to the University Board that Schedule 3 includes all amendments to the Academy's Bylaws as of the date set forth above.

ARTICLE VI

OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

- Section 6.1. <u>Governance Structure</u>. The Academy shall be organized and administered under the direction of the Academy Board and pursuant to the governance structure as set forth in its Bylaws. The Academy's Board of Directors shall meet at least six times per fiscal year, unless another schedule is mutually agreed upon by the University President and the Academy.
- Section 6.2. <u>Contributions and Fund Raising</u>. The Academy may solicit and receive contributions and donations as permitted by law. No solicitation shall indicate that a contribution to the Academy is for the benefit of the University. The University shall not be required to receive any contributions or donations for the benefit of the Academy. If the University receives contributions or donations for the benefit of the Academy, it shall forward such funds to the Academy within three (3) business days of receipt.
- Section 6.3. <u>Educational Goals and Programs</u>. The Academy shall pursue the educational goals and programs identified and contained in the Schedules. The educational goals shall include demonstrated improved pupil academic achievement for all groups of pupils. Such goals and programs may be amended pursuant to Section 9.1 of Article IX of the Terms and Conditions. Upon request, the Academy shall provide the University Charter Schools Office with a written report, along with supporting data, assessing the Academy's progress toward achieving its goal(s).
- Section 6.4. <u>Curriculum</u>. The Academy shall have flexibility in developing, realigning, and implementing the curriculum identified in the Schedules. Any changes to the curricula shall be administered pursuant to Section 9.1 of Article IX of the Terms and Conditions, and such proposed curricula shall be designed to achieve the Academy's overall educational goals and State's educational assessment objectives.
- Section 6.5. Methods of Accountability. In addition to those set forth in this Section 6.5, the Academy shall evaluate its pupils' work based on the assessment strategies identified in the Schedules. To the extent applicable, the pupil performance of the Academy shall be assessed using at least the approved Michigan state standardized assessment designated under the Code. The Academy shall provide the University Charter Schools Office with copies of reports, assessments and test results concerning the following:
 - a) educational outcomes achieved by pupils attending the Academy and other reports reasonably requested by the University Charter Schools Office;
 - b) an assessment of the Academy's student performance at the end of each academic school year or at such other times as the University Board may reasonably request;
 - c) an annual education report in accordance with the Code;

- d) an annually administered nationally recognized norm-referenced achievement test for the Academy's grade configuration or a program of testing approved by the University Charter Schools Office Director; and
- e) all tests required under Applicable Law.

The University Board may use such reports, assessments and test results in making its decision to suspend, terminate, or not issue a new contract at the end of the Contract, or revoke the Contract.

- Section 6.6. <u>Staff Responsibilities</u>. Subject to Section 2.5 Article II of the Terms and Conditions, the University Board authorizes the Academy to employ or contract with an Educational Service Provider. A copy of the ESP agreement shall be included in the Schedules.
- Section 6.7. <u>Admission Policy</u>. The Academy shall comply with all application, enrollment and admissions policies and criteria required by Applicable Law. A copy of the Academy's admission policies and criteria are set forth in the Schedules. With respect to the Academy's pupil admissions process, the Academy shall provide any documentation or information requested by the University Charter Schools Office that demonstrates the following:
 - a) the Academy has made a reasonable effort to advertise its enrollment efforts to all pupils; and
 - b) the Academy's open enrollment period was for a duration of at least 2 weeks and permitted the enrollment of pupils by parents at times in the evening and on weekends.
- Section 6.8. <u>School Calendar/School Day Schedule</u>. The Academy shall comply with all minimum standards governing the length of the school term, minimum number of days and hours of instruction required by Applicable Law. The Academy agrees to make available to the CSO Office a copy of the School Calendar/School Day Schedule for each academic school year no later than July 1st. A copy of the School Calendar/School Day Schedule shall be automatically incorporated into the Schedules, without the need for an amendment under Article IX of the Terms and Conditions.
- Section 6.9. <u>Age/Grade Range of Pupils Enrolled</u>. The Academy is authorized to operate Kindergarten through Eighth grade(s). The Academy may add additional grades and vocational programs in the future, pursuant to Section 9.1 of Article IX of the Terms and Conditions
- Section 6.10. <u>Annual Financial Audit</u>. The Academy shall conduct an annual financial audit prepared and reviewed by an independent certified public accountant in accordance with generally accepted governmental auditing principles. The Academy shall submit the annual financial statement audit and auditor's management letter to the Charter Schools Office in accordance with the MCRR. The Academy Board shall provide to the Charter Schools Office a copy of any responses to the auditor's management letter in accordance with the MCRR.
- Section 6.11. <u>Address and Description of Proposed Site(s)</u>; <u>Process for Expanding Academy's Site Operations</u>. The proposed address and physical plant description of the

Academy's proposed site or sites is set forth in Schedule 7-8. Following Academy Board and University Board approval, proposed changes to the address and description of any site or sites shall be incorporated into this Contract by amendment. With the approval of the University Board, the Academy Board may operate the same configuration of age or grade levels at more than one (1) site if each configuration of age or grade levels and each site identified in Schedule 7-8 are under the direction and control of the Academy Board.

The University Board's process for evaluating and approving the same configuration of age or grade levels at more than one (1) site is as follows:

By formal resolution, the Academy Board may request the authority to operate the same configuration of age or grade levels at more than one site. The Academy Board shall submit to the University Charter Schools Office an application for site expansion, in a form or manner determined by the University Charter Schools Office. The application for site expansion shall include all information requested by the University Charter Schools Office, including detailed information about the site, revised budget, renovation and site improvement costs, the Academy's proposed operations at the site, and the information provided in Contract Schedules 7-8. Upon receipt of a complete application for site expansion, the University Charter Schools Office shall review the application for site expansion and make a recommendation to the University Board on whether the Academy's request for site expansion should be approved. A positive recommendation by the University Charter Schools Office of the application for site expansion shall include a determination by the Charter Schools Office that the Academy is operating in compliance with the Contract and is making measureable progress toward meeting the Academy's educational goals. The University Board may consider the Academy Board's site expansion request following submission by the University Charter Schools Office of a positive recommendation.

If the University Board approves the Academy Board's site expansion request, the Contract shall be amended in accordance with Article IX of these Terms and Conditions. The University Board reserves the right to modify, reject, or approve any application for site expansion in its sole and absolute discretion.

Section 6.12. <u>Accounting Standards</u>. The Academy shall at all times comply with generally accepted public sector accounting principles, and accounting system requirements that comply with Applicable Law.

Section 6.13. <u>Placement of University Student Interns</u>. The Academy may be a placement site for University students who are in education or other pre-professionals in training to serve in public schools. Such placement shall be without charge to the University and subject to other terms and conditions as the Academy and the University agree.

Section 6.14. <u>Disqualified Organizational or Contractual Affiliations</u>. The Academy shall comply with all state and federal law applicable to public schools concerning church-state issues. To the extent disqualified under the state or federal constitutions, the Academy shall not be organized by a church or other religious organization and shall not have any organizational or contractual affiliation with or constitute a church or other religious organization. Nothing in this

Section shall be deemed to diminish or enlarge the civil and political rights, privileges and capacities of any person on account of his or her religious belief.

- Section 6.15. <u>Matriculation Agreements</u>. Before the Academy Board approves a matriculation agreement with another public school, the Academy shall provide a draft and final copy of the agreement to the University Charter Schools Office for review and retention.
- Section 6.16. <u>Posting of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and Accreditation Status.</u> The Academy shall post notices to the Academy's homepage of its website disclosing the adequate yearly progress status and accreditation status of each school in accordance with section 1280E of the Code, MCL 380.1280E.

ARTICLE VII

TUITION PROHIBITED

Section 7.1. <u>Tuition Prohibited: Fees and Expenses</u>. The Academy shall not charge tuition. The Academy may impose fees and require payment of expenses for activities of the Academy where such fees and payments are not prohibited by law.

ARTICLE VIII

COMPLIANCE WITH PART 6A OF THE CODE AND OTHER LAWS

- Section 8.1. <u>Compliance with Part 6a of the Code</u>. The Academy shall comply with Part 6a of the Code.
- Section 8.2. <u>Compliance with State School Aid Act</u>. In order to assure that funds are available for the education of pupils, the Academy shall comply with all applicable provisions of the State School Aid Act of 1979, as amended from time to time. The Academy may expend funds from the State School Aid Act for any purpose permitted by the State School Aid Act of 1979 and may enter into contracts and agreements determined by the Academy as consistent with the purposes for which the funds were appropriated.
- Section 8.3. Open Meetings Act. Pursuant to Section 503(6)(a) of the Code, the Academy Board shall conduct all of its meetings in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act, Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being Sections 15.261 to 15.275 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- Section 8.4. Freedom of Information Act. Pursuant to Section 503(6)(b) of the Code, the records of the Academy shall be records subject to the provisions of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), Act No. 442 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being Sections 15.231 to 15.246 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. The Academy Board shall designate a freedom of information coordinator to assure compliance with FOIA and other applicable law providing for public disclosure or for protection of privacy.

- Section 8.5. <u>Public Employees Relation Act.</u> Pursuant to Section 503(6)(c) of the Code, the Academy shall comply with Act No. 336 of the Public Acts of 1947, being Sections 423.201 to 423.217 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. Organizational efforts and collective bargaining agreements, if any, with employees of the Academy shall be the responsibility of the Academy.
- Section 8.6. <u>Prevailing Wage on State Contracts</u>. The Academy shall comply with the Prevailing Wage on State Contracts statute, Act No. 166 of the Public Acts of 165, being Sections 408.551 to 408.558 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- Section 8.7. <u>Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act</u>. The Academy shall comply with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, Act No. 2 of the Public Acts of 1968, being MCL 141.421 to 141.440a.
- Section 8.8. Revised Municipal Finance Act of 2001. With respect to the Academy's borrowing money and issuance of bonds, the Academy shall comply with section 1351a of the Code and Part VI of the Revised Municipal Finance Act of 2001, Act No. 34 of the Public Acts of 2001, being MCL 141.2601 to 141.2613 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, except that the borrowing of money and issuance of bonds by the Academy is not subject to section 1351a(4) or section 1351(2) to (4) of the Code. Bonds issued by the Academy are subject to the revised municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to 141.2821.
- Section 8.9. <u>Non-discrimination</u>. The Academy shall be separately responsible for compliance with applicable laws pertaining to equal opportunity and anti-discrimination laws such as the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act, Act No. 453 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being MCL 37.2101 to 37.2804, the Michigan Handicappers' Civil Rights Act, Act No. 22 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being MCL 37.1101 to 37.1607, and Subtitle A of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Public Law 101-336, 42 USC & 12101 *et seq*. or any successor law.
- Section 8.10. <u>Other State Laws</u>. The Academy shall comply with other state laws which are applicable to public school academies. Nothing in this Contract shall be deemed to apply any other state law to the Academy.
- Section 8.11. <u>Federal Laws</u>. The Academy shall comply with federal laws which are applicable to public school academies. Nothing in this Contract shall be deemed to apply any other federal law to the Academy.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENT

Section 9.1. <u>Process for Amending the Contract</u>. Either party may propose changes in this Contract or may propose a meeting to discuss potential revision of this Contract. Except as provided in Sections 2.1, 5.1 and 6.11, the University Board delegates to its University President the review and approval of changes or amendments to this Contract. The Academy Board may delegate the same authority to the Academy Board President. The Contract shall be amended upon agreement and approval of the respective authorized designees.

Section 9.2. Process for Amending Academy Articles of Incorporation. The Academy Board, or any authorized designee of the Academy Board, may propose changes to the Academy's Articles of Incorporation. The Academy shall be authorized to make such changes to its Articles upon approval by the President or Designee of the University after review and recommendation by the University's Legal Counsel. Upon University approval, the Academy Board's authorized designee is authorized to file the amendment to the Academy's Articles of Incorporation with the appropriate state agency. Upon receipt of the filed amendment, the Academy shall forward the filed amendment to the University Charter Schools Office. The filed amendment shall be automatically incorporated into Schedule 2 of this Contract upon receipt of the amendment by the University Charter Schools Office. If the University identifies a provision in the Articles of Incorporation that violates or conflicts with this Contract, due to a change in law or other reason, after approval has been given, it shall notify the Academy Board in writing and the Academy Board shall amend the Articles of Incorporation to make them consistent with the Contract. If the change is requested by the University, the University shall reimburse the Academy for the filing fees payable to the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth.

Section 9.3. Process for Amending Academy Bylaws. The Academy Board shall submit proposed Bylaw changes to the Charter Schools Office, for review and comment, at least thirty (30) days prior to Academy Board adoption. The Academy's Bylaws, and any subsequent or proposed changes to the Academy's Bylaws, shall not violate or conflict with the Contract. If at any time the University identifies a provision in the Academy Board's Bylaws that violates or conflicts with Applicable Law or this Contract, the Academy Board's Bylaws shall be automatically void and the Academy Board shall amend the identified provision to be consistent with Applicable Law and the Contract. The amendment shall be automatically incorporated into Schedule 3 of the Contract upon receipt by the University Charter Schools Office of a duly authorized Academy Board Bylaw change made in accordance with this Section 9.3.

Section 9.4. <u>Change in Existing Law.</u> If, after the effective date of this Contract, there is a change in Applicable Law, which alters or amends the responsibilities and obligations of either the Academy or the University Board, this Contract shall be altered or amended to reflect the change in existing laws as of the effective date of such change. To the extent possible, the responsibilities and obligations of the Academy and the University Board shall conform to and be carried out in accordance with the change in Applicable Law.

ARTICLE X

TERMINATION, SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION

Section 10.1. Grounds and Procedures for Academy Termination of Contract. At anytime and for any reason, the Academy Board may terminate this Contract. The Academy Board shall notify the CSO Director in writing of the request for the termination of the Contract not less than ten (10) calendar months in advance of the effective date of termination. The University Board, in its sole discretion, may waive the ten (10) month requirement. A copy of

the Academy Board's resolution approving the Contract termination, including a summary of the reasons for terminating the Contract, shall be included with the written termination request.

Section 10.2. <u>Termination by University Board</u>. The University Board may terminate this Contract before the end of the Contract Term as follows:

- (a) <u>Termination Without Cause</u>. Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b), (c) or (d), the University Board, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to terminate this Contract before the end of the Contract Term for any reason provided that such termination shall not take place less than ten (10) calendar months from the date of the University Board's resolution approving such termination. The Charter Schools Office shall provide notice of the termination to the Academy. If during the period between the University Board's action to terminate and the effective date of termination, the Academy has violated the Contract or Applicable Law, the University Board may elect to initiate suspension or revocation of the Contract as set forth in this Article X.
- (b) Termination Caused by Change in Applicable Law. Following issuance of this Contract, if there is a change in Applicable Law that the University Board, in its sole discretion, determines impairs its rights and obligations under the Contract or requires the University Board to make changes in the Contract that are not in the best interest of the University Board or the University, then the University Board may terminate the Contract at the end of the Academy's school fiscal year in which the University Board's decision to terminate is adopted. For purposes of this section, a change in Applicable Law includes without limitation the following:
 - (i) the issuance of an order by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, pursuant to Section 1280c of the Code, placing the Academy under the supervision of the State School Reform/Redesign Officer; or
 - (ii) the development of, or changes to, a redesign plan by the Academy pursuant to Section 1280c of the Code.
- (c) <u>Automatic Termination Caused By Placement of Academy in State School Reform / Redesign School District</u>. If the Academy is notified by the State that the Academy will be placed in the State School Reform/Redesign School District pursuant to Section 1280c of the Code, then the University Board may terminate this Contract at the end of the current school year.
- (d) <u>Automatic Termination For Failure to Satisfy Requirements During the Initial Term of Contract</u>. If the Academy fails to satisfy the requirements set forth in Section 12.14 during the initial term of Contract, then this Contract shall automatically terminate on the date set forth in Section 12.14.

The revocation procedures in Section 10.6 shall not apply to a termination of this Contract under this section.

Section 10.3. <u>Contract Suspension</u>. The University Board's process for suspending the Contract is as follows:

- a) University President Action. If the University President determines, in his or her sole discretion, that conditions or circumstances exist that the Academy Board (i) has placed the health or safety of the staff and/or students at risk; (ii) is not properly exercising its fiduciary obligations to protect and preserve the Academy's public funds and property; (iii) has lost its right to occupancy of the physical facilities described in Section 6.11, and cannot find another suitable physical facility for the Academy prior to the expiration or termination of its right to occupy its existing physical facilities; or (iv) has willfully or intentionally violated this Contract or Applicable Law, the University President may immediately suspend the Contract. If the conditions or circumstances involve an alleged violation of Sections 10.5(e) or (f), the University President is authorized to suspend the Contract immediately pending completion of the procedures set forth in Section 10.6. Unless otherwise specified in the suspension notice, the Academy shall cease operations on the date on which the suspension notice is issued. A copy of the suspension notice, setting forth the grounds for suspension, shall be sent to the Academy Board and to the Hearing Panel if applicable. If this subsection is implemented, the notice and hearing procedures set forth in Section 10.6 shall be expedited as much as possible.
- b) <u>Disposition of State School Aid Funds</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract, any state school aid funds received by the University Board after a decision by the University President to suspend the Contract may be retained by the University Board for the Academy until the Contract is reinstated, or shall be returned to the Michigan Department of Treasury.
- c) Immediate Revocation Proceeding. If the Academy Board, after receiving a Suspension Notice from the University President continues to engage in conduct or activities that are covered by the suspension notice, the Hearing Panel may immediately convene a Revocation Hearing in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 10.6(e) of the Terms and Conditions. The Hearing Panel has the authority to accelerate the time line for revoking the Contract, provided that notice of the revocation hearing shall be provided to the University Charter Schools Office and the Academy Board at least five (5) days before the hearing. If the Hearing Panel determines that the Academy Board has continued to engage in conduct or activities that are covered by the suspension notice, the Hearing Panel may recommend revocation of the Contract. The University Board shall proceed to consider the Hearing Panel's recommendation in accordance with Section 10.6(f) through (i).

Section 10.4 <u>Statutory Grounds for Revocation</u>. In addition to the grounds for an automatic revocation of the Contract as set forth in Section 10.7, this Contract may also be revoked by the University Board upon a determination by the University Board, pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 10.6, that one or more of the following has occurred:

- a) Failure of the Academy to demonstrate improved pupil academic achievement for all groups of pupils or meet the educational goals set forth in this Contract;
- b) Failure of the Academy to comply with all Applicable Law;

- c) Failure of the Academy to meet generally accepted public sector accounting principles and demonstrate sound fiscal stewardship; or
- d) The existence of one or more other grounds for revocation as specified in this Contract

Section 10.5. Other Grounds for University Board Revocation. In addition to the statutory grounds for revocation set forth in Section 10.4 and the grounds for an automatic revocation of the Contract set forth in Section 10.7, the University Board may revoke this Contract, pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 10.6, upon a determination that one or more of the following has occurred:

- a) The Academy is insolvent, has been adjudged bankrupt, or has operated for one or more school fiscal year(s) with a Fund Balance Deficit;
- b) The Academy has insufficient enrollment to successfully operate the Academy, or the Academy has lost more than twenty-five percent (25%) of its student enrollment from the previous school year;
- c) The Academy defaults in any of the terms, conditions, promises or representations contained in or incorporated into this Contract;
- d) The Academy files amendments to its Articles of Incorporation with the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth, Bureau of Commercial Services, without first obtaining University President or Designee approval;
- e) The University Board discovers grossly negligent, fraudulent or criminal conduct by the Applicant, the Academy's directors, officers, employees or agents in relation to their performance under this Contract;
- f) The Applicant, the Academy's directors, officers or employees have provided false or misleading information or documentation to the University Board in connection with the University Board's approval of the Application, the issuance of this Contract, or the Academy's reporting requirements under this Contract or Applicable Law;
- g) The Academy violates the site restrictions set forth in the Contract or the Academy operates at a site or sites without the prior written authorization of the University Board; or
- h) The University Board, its trustees, officers, employees, agents or representatives are not included as third party beneficiaries under any educational management agreement entered into by the Academy for purposes of indemnifying such parties in accordance with Section 11.11 of the Terms and Conditions.

Section 10.6. <u>University Board Procedures for Revoking Contract</u>. Except for the automatic revocation process set forth in Section 10.7 or the termination of Contract by the

University Board in Section 10.2, the University Board's process for revoking the Contract is as follows:

- a) Notice of Intent to Revoke. The CSO Director or other University representative, upon reasonable belief that such grounds for revocation of the Contract exist, shall notify the Academy Board of such grounds by issuing the Academy Board a Notice of Intent to Revoke for non-compliance with the Contract or Applicable Law. The Notice of Intent to Revoke shall be in writing and shall set forth in sufficient detail the alleged grounds for revocation.
- b) Academy Board's Response. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice of Intent to Revoke, the Academy Board shall respond in writing to the alleged grounds for revocation. The Academy Board's response shall be addressed to the CSO Director, and shall either admit or deny the allegations of non-compliance. If the Academy's response includes admissions of non-compliance with the Contract or Applicable Law, the Academy Board's response must also contain a description of the Academy Board's plan and time line for correcting the non-compliance with the Contract or Applicable Law. If the Academy's response includes a denial of non-compliance with the Contract or Applicable Law, the Academy's response shall include sufficient documentation or other evidence to support a denial of non-compliance with the Contract or Applicable Law. A response not in compliance with this section shall be deemed to be non-responsive. As part of its response, the Academy Board may request that a meeting be scheduled with the CSO Director prior to a review of the Academy Board's response.
- c) Plan of Correction. Within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the Academy Board's response or after a meeting with Academy Board representatives, whichever is sooner, the CSO Director shall review the Academy Board's response and determine whether a reasonable plan for correcting the deficiencies can be formulated. If the CSO Director determines that a reasonable plan for correcting the deficiencies set forth in the Notice of Intent to Revoke can be formulated, the CSO Director shall develop a plan for correcting the non-compliance ("Plan of Correction"). developing a Plan of Correction, the CSO Director is permitted to adopt, modify or reject some or all of the Academy Board's response for correcting the deficiencies outlined in the Notice of Intent to Revoke. The Notice of Intent to Revoke shall be withdrawn if the CSO Director determines any of the following: (i) the Academy Board's denial of non-compliance is persuasive; (ii) the non-compliance set forth in the Notice of Intent to Revoke has been corrected by the Academy Board; or (iii) the Academy Board has successfully completed the Plan of Correction. In the event the Notice of Intent to Revoke is withdrawn, the CSO Director shall notify the Academy Board, in writing, of such withdrawal.
- d) <u>Plan of Correction May Include Conditions to Satisfy University Board's Contract Reconstitution Obligation</u>. As part of the Plan of Correction, the CSO Director may reconstitute the Academy in an effort to improve student educational performance and to avoid interruption of the educational process. An attempt to improve student educational performance may include, but is not limited to, one of the following

- actions: (i) removal of 1 or more members of the Academy Board members; (ii) termination of at-will board appointments of 1 or more Academy Board members; (iii) withdrawal of the Academy's authorization to contract with an ESP; or (iv) the appointment of a new Academy Board of directors or a conservator/trustee to take over operations of the Academy. The University Charter Schools Office shall notify the Superintendent of Public Instruction of any Plan of Correction that includes a reconstitution of the Academy to ensure that the Academy is not included on the list of school buildings subject to automatic closure under section 1280c of the Code.
- e) <u>Request for Revocation Hearing</u>. The CSO Director or other University representative may initiate a revocation hearing before the University Charter Schools Hearing Panel if the CSO Director determines that any of the following has occurred:
 - i) the Academy Board has failed to timely respond to the Notice of Intent to Revoke as set forth in Section 10.6(b);
 - ii) the Academy Board's response to the Notice of Intent to Revoke is non-responsive;
 - the Academy Board's response admits violations of the Contract or Applicable Law which the CSO Director deems cannot be remedied or cannot be remedied in an appropriate period of time, or for which the CSO Director determines that a Plan of Correction cannot be formulated;
 - iv) the Academy Board's response contains denials that are not supported by sufficient documentation or other evidence showing compliance with the Contract or Applicable Law;
 - v) the Academy Board has not complied with part or all of a Plan of Correction established in Section 10.6(c);
 - vi) the Academy Board has engaged in actions that jeopardize the financial or educational integrity of the Academy; or
 - vii) the Academy Board has been issued multiple or repeated Notices of Intent to Revoke.

The CSO Director or other University representative shall send a copy of the Request for Revocation Hearing to the Academy Board at the same time the request is sent to the Hearing Panel. The Request for Revocation Hearing shall identify the reasons for revoking the Contract.

f) Hearing before University Charter Schools Hearing Panel. Within thirty (30) days of the date of a Request for Revocation Hearing, the Hearing Panel shall convene a revocation hearing. The Hearing Panel shall provide a copy of the Notice of Hearing to the University Charter Schools Office and the Academy Board at least ten (10) days before the hearing. The purpose of the Hearing Panel is to gather facts surrounding the CSO Director's request for Contract revocation, and to make a recommendation to the University Board on whether the Contract should be revoked. The revocation hearing shall be held at a location, date and time as determined by the CSO Director or other University Representative. The hearing shall be transcribed by a court reporter and the cost of the court reporter shall be divided equally between the University and the Academy. The CSO Director or his or her designee, and the

Academy Board or its designee, shall each have equal time to make their presentation to the Hearing Panel. Although each party is permitted to submit affidavits and exhibits in support of their positions, the Hearing Panel will not hear testimony from any witnesses for either side. The Hearing Panel, may, however, question the CSO Director and one or more members of the Academy Board. Within thirty (30) days of the Revocation Hearing, the Hearing Panel shall make a recommendation to the University Board concerning the revocation of the Contract. In its discretion, the Hearing Panel may extend any time deadline set forth in this subsection. A copy of the Hearing Panel's recommendation shall be provided to the University Charter Schools Office and the Academy Board at the same time that the recommendation is sent to the University Board.

- g) <u>University Board Decision</u>. If the Hearing Panel's recommendation is submitted to the University Board at least fourteen (14) days before the University Board's next regular meeting, the University Board shall consider the Hearing Panel's recommendation at its next regular meeting and vote on whether to revoke the Contract. The University Board reserves the right to modify, reject or approve all or any part of the Hearing Panel's recommendation. The University Board shall have available copies of the Hearing Panel's recommendation and the transcript of the hearing. The University Board may waive the fourteen (14) day submission requirement or hold a special board meeting to consider the Hearing Panel's recommendation. A copy of the University Board's decision shall be provided to the University Charter Schools Office, the Academy Board and the Michigan Department of Education.
- h) <u>Effective Date of Revocation</u>. If the University Board votes to revoke the Contract, the revocation shall be effective on the date of the University Board's act of revocation, or at a later date as determined by the University Board, but no later than the last day of the Academy's current academic year.
- i) <u>Disposition of State School Aid Funds</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract, any state school aid funds received by the University Board after a recommendation is made by the Hearing Panel to revoke the Contract, or a decision by the University Board to revoke the Contract, may be held by the University Board and returned to the Michigan Department of Treasury.
- j) <u>Disposition of District Code Number</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract, after a recommendation is made by the Hearing Panel to revoke the Contract, or a decision by the University Board to revoke the Contract, the district code number shall remain under the direction and control of the State Board of Education and/or its designated representative.

Section 10.7. <u>Automatic Revocation by State of Michigan</u>. If the University Board is notified by the Superintendent of Public Instruction that the Academy is subject to closure under Part 6a of the Code ("State's Automatic Closure Notice"), and the Academy is currently not undergoing a reconstitution as part of a Plan of Correction developed under Section 10.6, then this Contract shall automatically be amended to eliminate the Academy's authority to operate

certain age and grade levels at the site or sites identified in the State's Automatic Closure Notice. If the State's Automatic Closure Notice includes all of the Academy's existing sites, then this Contract shall automatically be revoked at the end of the current school year in which the notice is received without any further action of the University Board or the Academy. The University Board's revocation procedures set forth in Section 10.6 do not apply to an automatic revocation initiated by the State.

Following receipt of the State's Automatic Closure Notice, the University Charter Schools Office shall forward a copy of the State's Automatic Closure Notice to the Academy Board and request a meeting with Academy Board representatives to discuss the Academy's plans and procedures for the elimination of certain age or grade levels at the identified site or sites, or if all of the Academy's existing sites are included in the State's Automatic Closure Notice, then wind-up and dissolution of the Academy corporation at the end of the current school year. All Academy inquiries and requests for reconsideration of the State's Automatic Revocation Notice shall be directed to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, in a form and manner determined by that office or the Michigan Department of Education.

Section 10.8. <u>Material Breach of Contract</u>. The issuance of an order by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, pursuant to section 1280C of the Code, placing the Academy under the supervision of the State School Reform/ Redesign Officer, shall constitute a material breach of this Contract. Following the issuance of the order, the University Charter Schools Office shall notify the Academy of the material breach and request a meeting with Academy Board representatives to discuss the matter. To remedy the material breach, the Academy shall work toward the development of a corrective action plan that is acceptable to the University Charter Schools Office. In addition to other matters, the corrective action plan shall include the Academy's redesign plan prepared pursuant to section 1280C of the Code. The development of a corrective action plan under this Section 10.8 shall not in any way limit the rights of the University Board to terminate, suspend, or revoke this Contract.

Section 10.9. Appointment of Conservator/Trustee. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract, when the University Board determines that conditions or circumstances exist to lead the University Board to believe that the health, safety, educational or economic interest of the Academy or its students is at risk, the University Board may take immediate action against the Academy pending completion of the procedures described in Sections 10.6. The University Board may appoint a conservator/ trustee to manage the day-to-day operations of the Academy in place of the Academy Board. A conservator/ trustee appointed by the University Board shall have all the powers and authority of the Academy Board under this Contract and Applicable Law. Upon the appointment of a conservator/ trustee, the appointment and term of office for each Academy Board member shall cease. If this section has been implemented and the Hearing Panel under Section 10.6 determines the revocation to be appropriate, the revocation shall become effective immediately upon the University Board's decision.

ARTICLE XI

PROVISIONS RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIES

- Section 11.1. <u>Grand Valley State University Faculty Employment in the Academy</u>. Subject to the ability of the Academy to reach separate agreement on the terms, the Academy is permitted to use University faculty as classroom teachers in any grade.
- Section 11.2. <u>The Academy Faculty Appointment to Grand Valley State University Faculty</u>. Nothing in this Contract shall prohibit a member of the Academy faculty from being appointed to or serving as a member of the University faculty.
- Section 11.3. <u>Student Conduct and Discipline</u>. The Academy Board shall adopt, abide by and enforce its own set of written policies concerning student conduct and student discipline.
- Section 11.4. <u>Insurance</u>. The Academy shall secure and maintain in its own name as the "first named insured" at all times the following insurance coverage:
 - a) Property insurance covering all of the Academy's real and personal property, whether owned or leased;
 - b) General/Public Liability with a minimum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate (Occurrence Form);
 - c) Auto Liability (Owned and Non-Owned) with a minimum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) (Occurrence Form);
 - d) Workers' Compensation or Worker' Compensation without employees (this is considered minimum premium, "if any" insurance) (statutory limits) and Employers' Liability insurance with a minimum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000);
 - e) Errors & Omissions insurance including Directors & Officers and School Leaders Errors & Omissions Liability insurance with a minimum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and three million dollars (\$3,000,000) aggregate (Claims Made or Occurrence Form);
 - f) Crime including employee dishonesty insurance with a minimum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000); and
 - g) Employment Practices Liability insurance with a minimum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per claim/aggregate (Claims Made or Occurrence Form).
 - h) Umbrella with a minimum \$4,000,000 limit and aggregate. Also, an Umbrella policy with an unlimited aggregate is acceptable at a \$2,000,000 limit.

The insurance must be obtained from a licensed mutual, stock, or other responsible company licensed to do business in the State of Michigan. The insurance carrier(s) must be an "A" best rating or better. The Academy may join with other public school academies to obtain

insurance if the Academy finds that such an association provides economic advantages to the Academy, provided that each Academy maintains its identity as first named insured with its own limits, i.e. no sharing of limits.

The Academy shall list the University Board and the University on the insurance policies as an additional insured with primary coverage on insurance coverage listed in (b), (c), (e), and (g) above. The Academy shall have a provision included in all policies requiring notice to the University, at least thirty (30) days in advance, upon termination or non-renewal of the policy or of changes in insurance carrier or policy limit changes. In addition, the Academy shall provide the University President copies of all insurance certificates and endorsements required by this Contract. The Academy shall also provide to the University Charter Schools Office an entire copy of the insurance policies. The Academy may expend funds for payment of the cost of participation in an accident or medical insurance program to insure protection for pupils while attending school or participating in a school program or activity. Other insurance policies and higher minimum may be required depending upon academic offerings and program requirements.

The Academy understands that the University's insurance carrier periodically reviews the types and amounts of insurance coverage that the Academy must secure in order for the University to maintain insurance coverage for authorization and oversight of the Academy. In the event that the University's insurance carrier requests additional changes in coverage identified in this Section 11.4, the Academy agrees to comply with any additional changes in the types and amounts of coverage requested by the University's insurance carrier within thirty (30) days after notice of the insurance coverage change.

Section 11.5. <u>Transportation</u>. The Academy Board may enter into contract with other school districts or other persons, including municipal and county governments, for the transportation of the Academy students to and from school and for field trips. In addition, the Academy Board may use funds received from state school aid payments to pay for student transportation. In the event that the Academy Board contracts for transportation services, the Academy Board shall ensure that the company providing the transportation services is properly licensed in accordance with Applicable Law, and that the company conducts criminal background and history checks on its drivers and other personnel who have direct contact with pupils in accordance with the Code.

Section 11.6. Extracurricular Activities and Interscholastic Sports. The Academy is authorized to join any organization, association, or league, which has as its objective the promotion and regulation of sport and athletic, oratorical, musical, dramatic, creative arts, or other contests by or between pupils.

Section 11.7. <u>Legal Liabilities and Covenants Not to Sue</u>. The Academy and Academy Board members acknowledge and agree that they have no authority to extend the faith and credit of the University or to enter into a contract that would bind the University. The Academy also is limited in its authority to contract by the amount of funds obtained from the state school aid fund, as provided hereunder, or from other independent sources. The Academy and Academy Board members hereby covenant not to sue the University Board, the University or any of its trustees, officers, employees, agents or representatives for any matters that arise under this

Contract or otherwise. The University does not assume any obligation with respect to any Academy Director, employee, agent, parent, guardian, or independent contractor of the Academy, and no such person shall have the right or standing to bring suit against the University Board, the University or any of its Trustees, employees, agents, or independent contractors as a result of the issuing, termination or revocation of this Contract.

Section 11.8. <u>Lease or Deed for Proposed Single Site(s)</u>. The Academy shall provide to the designee of the University Board copies of its lease or deed for the premises in which the Academy shall operate. A copy of the Academy's lease or deed and site information shall be incorporated into the Schedules.

Section 11.9. Occupancy and Safety Certificates. The Academy Board shall: (i) ensure that all physical facilities comply with all fire, health and safety standards applicable to schools; and (ii) possess the necessary occupancy and safety certificates. The Academy Board shall not conduct classes at any site until the Academy has complied with this Section 11.9. Copies of these certificates shall be incorporated into the Schedules.

Section 11.10. <u>Deposit of Public Funds by the Academy</u>. The Academy Board agrees to comply with Section 1221 of the Revised School Code, being MCL 380.1221, regarding the deposit of all public or private funds received by the Academy. Such deposit shall be made within three (3) business days after receipt of the funds by the Academy.

Section 11.11. Educational Service Provider Agreements. The Academy may enter into an ESP Agreement with an ESP to contract out its administrative and/or educational functions and personnel. For the purposes of this Contract, an employee leasing agreement shall be considered an ESP Agreement, and an employee leasing company shall be considered an ESP. Prior to entering any ESP Agreement with an ESP, the Academy shall submit a copy of the final draft ESP Agreement to the University charter Schools Office in a form or manner consistent with the ESP policies of the University Charter Schools Office, which are incorporated into and be deemed part of this Contract. The Charter Schools Office may, from time to time during the term of this Contract, amend the ESP policies and the amended policies shall automatically apply to the Academy without any amendment under Article IX of this Contract. The University Charter Schools Office may disapprove the proposed ESP Agreement submitted by the Academy if the ESP Agreement is contrary to this Contract or Applicable Law. Any subsequent amendment to an ESP Agreement shall be submitted for review by the University Charter Schools Office in the same form and manner as a new ESP Agreement.

Section 11.12. <u>Required Provisions for Educational Service Provider Agreements</u>. Any ESP agreement entered into by the Academy must contain the following provisions:

"Indemnification of Grand Valley State University. The parties acknowledge and agree that the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees, Grand Valley State University and its members, officers, employees, agents or representatives are deemed to be third party beneficiaries for purposes of this Agreement. As third party beneficiaries, the parties hereby promise to indemnify and hold harmless Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees, Grand Valley State University and its members, officers, employees, agents or representatives from all claims, demands, or liability, including attorney fees, and related expenses, on account of injury,

loss or damage, including, without limitation, claims arising from bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease, death, property loss or damage or any other losses of any kind whatsoever and not caused by the sole negligence of Grand Valley State University, which arise out of or are in any manner connected with Grand Valley State University Board's approval of the Application, the University Board's consideration of or issuance of a Contract, the Academy's preparation for and operation of a public school, or which are incurred as a result of the reliance by Grand Valley State University and its Board of Trustees members, officers, employees, agents or representatives upon information supplied by the Academy or the ESP, or which arise out of the failure of the Academy to perform its obligations under the Contract issued to the Academy by Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees. The parties expressly acknowledge and agree that Grand Valley State University and its Board of Trustee members, officers, employees, agents or representatives may commence legal action against either party to enforce its rights as set forth in this Agreement."

"Revocation or Termination of Contract. If the Academy's Contract issued by the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees is revoked or terminated, this Agreement shall automatically terminate on the same date as the Academy's Contract is revoked or termination without further action of the parties."

"Compliance with Academy's Contract. The ESP agrees to perform its duties and responsibilities under this Agreement in a manner that is consistent with the Academy's obligations under the Academy's Contract issued by Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees. The provisions of the Academy's Contract shall supersede any competing or conflicting provisions contained in this Agreement."

"Compliance with Section 503c. On an annual basis, the ESP agrees to provide the Academy Board with the same information that a school district is required to disclose under section 18(2) of the State School Aid Act of 1979, MCL 388.1618, for the most recent school fiscal year for which the information is available. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this information, the Academy Board shall make the information available on the Academy's website home page, in a form and manner prescribed by the Michigan Department of Education. The defined terms in section 503c of the Code, MCL 380.503c, shall have the same meaning in this Agreement."

Section 11.13. <u>Incompatible Public Offices and Conflicts of Interest Statutes</u>. The Academy shall comply with the Incompatible Public Offices statute, Act No. 566 of the Public Acts of 1978, being MCL 15.181 to 15.185 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and the Contracts of Public Servants With Public Entities statute, Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1968, being MCL 15.321 to 15.330 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. The Academy Board shall ensure compliance with Applicable Law relating to conflicts of interest. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the following shall be deemed a prohibited conflict of interest for purposes of this Contract:

(a) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and an owner, officer, director, employee or consultant of an educational service provider or an employee leasing company that has an ESP agreement with the Academy;

- (b) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and an Academy employee;
- (c) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and an independent contractor to the Academy;
- (d) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and as a member of the governing board of another public school; and
- (e) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and a University employee, official, or consultant, to the University.
- Section 11.14. <u>Certain Familial Relationships Prohibited</u>. The Academy Board shall prohibit specifically identified family relationships pursuant to applicable law and the Terms and Conditions of this contract. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the following shall be deemed prohibited familial relationships for the purposes of this Contract:
- (a) No person shall be appointed or reappointed to serve as an Academy Board member if the person's mother, mother-in-law, father, father-in-law, son, son-in-law, daughter, daughter-in-law, sister, sister-in-law, brother, brother-in-law, spouse or same-sex domestic partner:
 - (i) Is employed by the Academy;
 - (ii) Works at or is assigned to the Academy
 - (iii) Has an ownership, officer, policy making, managerial, administrative, non-clerical or other significant role with the Academy's ESP or employee leasing company.
- Section 11.15. <u>Dual Employment Positions Prohibited</u>. Any person working at the Academy is prohibited by law from being employed at the Academy in more than one full-time position and simultaneously being compensated for each position.
- Section 11.16. <u>Oath of Public Office</u>. Academy Board members are public officials. Before entering upon the duties of a public school board member, each Academy Board member shall take, sign, and file the constitutional oath of office with the Charter Schools Office.

Section 11.17. Information Available to the Public and University.

- (a) <u>Information to be provided by the Academy</u>. In accordance with Applicable Law, the Academy shall make information concerning its operation and management, including without limitation information in Schedule 6, available to the public and University in the same manner and to the same extent as is required for public schools and school districts.
- (b) <u>Information to be provided by Educational Service Providers</u>. The agreement between the Academy and the ESP shall contain a provision requiring the ESP to make information concerning the operation and management of the Academy, including the information in Schedule 6, available to the Academy as deemed necessary by the Academy Board in order to enable the Academy to fully satisfy its obligations under subparagraph (a).

Section 11.18. <u>University Board Invitation to Apply to Convert Academy to School of Excellence</u>. If the University Board is interested in accepting applications to issue contracts to charter Schools of Excellence under Part 6e of the Code, MCL 380.551 et seq. ("Part 6e"), and the University Board determines that the Academy meets the University Board's and the Code's eligibility criteria for applying to convert the Academy to a School of Excellence, then the University Board may invite the Academy to submit an application to apply for a contract to convert the Academy to a School of Excellence. In accordance with the Code, the University Board shall establish its own competitive application process and provide the necessary forms and procedures to eligible public school academies.

ARTICLE XII

GENERAL TERMS

Section 12.1. <u>Notices</u>. Any and all notices permitted or required to be given hereunder shall be deemed duly given; (i) upon actual delivery, if delivery by hand; or (ii) upon delivery into United States mail if delivery is by postage paid first class mail. Each such notice shall be sent to the respective party at the address indicated below or to any other person or address as the respective party may designate by notice delivered pursuant hereto:

If to Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees:

Charter Schools Office Director Grand Valley State University 201 Front Avenue, SW., Suite 310 Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504

If to Academy: Board President

Light of the World Academy 1740 E. M36

Pinckney, MI 48169

Section 12.2. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision in this Contract is held to be invalid or unenforceable, it shall be ineffective only to the extent of the invalidity, without affecting or impairing the validity and enforceability of the remainder of the provision or the remaining provisions of this Contract. If any provision of this Contract shall be or become in violation of Applicable Law, such provision shall be considered null and void, and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 12.3. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. The terms and provisions of this Contract are binding on and shall inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

Section 12.4. <u>Entire Contract</u>. This Contract sets forth the entire agreement between the University Board and the Academy with respect to the subject matter of this Contract. All prior application materials, contracts, representations, statements, negotiations, understandings, and undertakings, are superseded by this Contract.

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Section 12.5. <u>Assignment</u>. This Contract is not assignable by either party.

Section 12.6. <u>Non-Waiver</u>. Except as provided herein, no term or provision of this Contract shall be deemed waived and no breach or default shall be deemed excused, unless such waiver or consent shall be in writing and signed by the party claimed to have waived or consented. No consent by any party to, or waiver of, a breach or default by the other, whether expressed or implied, shall constitute a consent to, waiver of, or excuse for any different or subsequent breach or default.

Section 12.7. Indemnification. As a condition to receiving a grant of authority from the University Board to operate a public school pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Contract, the Academy agrees to indemnify and hold the University Board, the University and its Board of Trustees members, officers, employees, agents or representatives harmless from all claims, demands, or liability, including attorney fees, and related expenses, on account of injury, loss or damage, including, without limitation, claims arising from bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease, death, property loss or damage or any other losses of any kind whatsoever and not caused by the sole negligence of the University, which arise out of or are in any manner connected with the University Board's receipt, consideration or approval of the Application, the University Board's approval of the Method of Selection Resolution or the Authorizing Resolution, legal challenges to the validity of Part 6a of the Code or actions taken by the University Board as an authorizing body under Part 6a of the Code, the University Board's consideration of or issuance of a Contract, the Academy's preparation for and operation of a public school, or which are incurred as a result of the reliance of the University Board, the University and its Board of Trustees members, officers, employees, agents or representatives upon information supplied by the Academy, or which arise out of the failure of the Academy to perform its obligations under this Contract. The foregoing provision shall not be deemed a relinquishment or waiver of any kind of Section 7 of the Governmental Liability for Negligence Act, being Act No. 170, Public Acts of Michigan, 1964.

Section 12.8. <u>Construction</u>. This Contract shall be construed fairly as to both parties and not in favor of or against either party, regardless of which party prepared the Contract.

Section 12.9. <u>Force Majeure</u>. If any circumstances occur which are beyond the control of the parties, which delay or render impossible the obligations of one or both of the parties, the parties' obligations to perform such services shall be postponed for an equivalent period of time or shall be canceled, if such performance has been rendered impossible by such circumstances.

Section 12.10. <u>No Third Party Rights</u>. This Contract is made for the sole benefit of the Academy and the University Board and no other person or entity, including without limitation, the ESP. Except as otherwise provided, nothing in this Contract shall create or be deemed to create a relationship between the parties hereto, or either of them, and any third person, including a relationship in the nature of a third party beneficiary or fiduciary.

- Section 12.11. <u>Non-agency</u>. It is understood that the Academy is not the agent of the University.
- Section 12.12. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Contract shall be governed and controlled by the laws of the State of Michigan as to interpretation, enforcement, validity, construction, and effect, and in all other respects.
- Section 12.13. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts. Each counterpart so executed shall be deemed an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

Section 12.14. Term of Contract.

- (a) <u>Initial Term of Contract.</u> Except as otherwise provided in Section 12.14 (b) and (c) set forth below, this Contract shall commence on July 1, 2015, and shall remain in full force and effect for seven (7) years until June 30, 2022, unless sooner terminated according to the terms hereof
- (b) <u>Termination of Contract During Initial Term of Contract</u>. Consistent with the procedures set forth in this Section 12.14(b), this Contract will terminate on June 30, 2016 if the Academy fails to satisfy all of the following conditions:
 - (i) The Academy shall provide to the Charter Schools Office Director a copy of the Academy's agreements with any Educational Service Provider. The terms and conditions of the agreements must be acceptable to the University President.
 - (ii) The Academy shall provide to the Charter Schools Office Director a copy of the Academy's real property leases, sublease or other agreements set forth in the Schedules.
 - (iii) The Academy, through legal counsel, shall provide a legal opinion to the Charter Schools Office Director confirming that the Academy Board's approval and execution of any real property lease or other agreement with Educational Service Providers complies with the Contracts of Public Servants with Public Entities statute, MCL 15.321 et seq.
 - (iv) The Academy shall provide to the Charter Schools Office Director, if applicable, a copy of an AHERA asbestos plan and lead based paint survey for the site or sites set forth in the Schedules.
 - (v) The Academy shall provide to the Charter Schools Office Director, if applicable, a copy of a current boiler inspection/ approval for the site or sites set forth in the Schedules.
 - (vi) The Academy shall provide documentation to the Charter Schools Office Director confirming that the Academy has received occupancy approval

- from the Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services' Office of Fire Safety for the site or sites set forth in the Schedules.
- (vii) The Academy shall provide documentation to the Charter Schools Office Director that it has obtained a short-term cash flow loan to cover the initial cost of operations for the initial academic year. The Academy shall comply with section 1225 of the Revised School Code and the Revised Municipal Finance Act with respect to approving and obtain such funds.
- (viii) Any additional financial information or documentation requested by the University President.

The Academy shall notify the Charter Schools Office in writing following completion of the conditions set forth in this Section 12.14(b). For good cause, the Charter Schools Office Director may extend the deadlines set forth above. If the Charter Schools Office Director determines that the Academy has not satisfied the conditions set forth in this Section 12.14(b), the Charter Schools Office Director shall issue a Contract termination letter to the Academy for failing to meet certain conditions set forth in this Section 12.14(b). The issuance of the termination letter by the Charter Schools Office Director shall automatically terminate this Contract without any further action by either the University Board or the Academy Board. Upon issuance of the termination letter, the Charter Schools Office Director shall notify the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Michigan Department of Education that the Contract has been terminated.

- (c) <u>Inability to Enroll Students for Classes</u>. If the Academy, for any reason, is unable to enroll students and conduct classes by October 1, 2015, then this Contract is automatically terminated without further action of the parties.
- Section 12.15. <u>Survival of Provisions</u>. The terms, provisions, and representations contained in Section 11.4, Section 11.17, Section 11.12, and Section 12.7, and any other provision of this Contract that by their sense and context are intended to survive termination of this Contract shall survive.
- Section 12.16. <u>Termination of Responsibilities</u>. Upon termination or revocation of this Contract, the University Board and its designees shall have no further obligations or responsibilities under this Contract to the Academy or any other person or persons in connection with this Contract.
- Section 12.17. <u>Disposition of Academy Assets Upon Termination or Revocation of Contract</u>. Following termination or revocation of the Contract, the Academy shall follow the applicable wind-up and dissolution provisions set forth in the Academy's articles of incorporation and in accordance with Applicable Law.

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As the designated representative of the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees, I hereby issue this Contract to the Academy on the date set forth above.

GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By:

University President or his/her designee

As the authorized representative of the Academy, I hereby certify that the Academy is able to comply with the Contract and all Applicable Law, and that the Academy, through its governing board, has approved and agreed to comply with and be bound by the terms and conditions of this Contract.

LIGHT OF THE WORLD ACADEMY

By:

Academy Board President

SCHEDULE 1

METHOD OF SELECTION RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION



CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY ON JULY 11, 2014:

Authorization of Light of the World Academy 6a Contract

WHEREAS, the Michigan Legislature has provided for the establishment of public school academies as part of the Michigan public school system by enacting Act No. 362 of the Public Acts of 1993; and

WHEREAS, according to this legislation, the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees (the "Board of Trustees"), as the governing body of a state public university, is an authorizing body empowered to issue contracts to organize and operate public school academies; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Legislature has mandated that public school academy contracts be issued on a competitive basis taking into consideration the resources available for the proposed public school academy, the population to be served by the proposed public school academy, and the educational goals to be achieved by the proposed public school academy; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees, having requested applications for organizing public school academies and having reviewed the applications according to the provisions set forth by the Michigan Legislature;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. That the application for Light of the World Academy ("Academy"), located at 1740 E. M 36, Pinckney, MI 48169, submitted under Section 502 of the Revised School Code, meets the Board of Trustees' requirements and the requirements of applicable law, is therefore approved;
- 2. That the Board of Trustees establishes the method of selection, length of term and number of members of the Academy's Board of Directors as follows:

Method of Selection and Appointment of Academy Board Members:

- Initial Academy Board Member Nominations and a. As part of the public school academy Appointments: application, the public school academy applicant shall propose to the Director of the University Charter Schools Office ("Director"), the names of proposed individuals to serve on the initial board of directors of the proposed public school academy. When the Director recommends an initial contract for approval to the Board of Trustees, he/she shall include recommendations for initial Academy Board members. These recommendations may, but are not required to, include individuals proposed by the public school academy applicant. To be considered for appointment, the nominees must have completed the required board member candidate application materials, including at least (i) the Academy Board Member Questionnaire prescribed by the University Charter Schools Office; and (ii) the Criminal Background Check Report prescribed by the University Charter Schools Office.
- Subsequent Academy Board Member Nominations and b. Appointments: Except as provided in paragraph (2) below, the Academy Board may nominate individuals for subsequent Academy Board of Director positions. As part of the appointment process, the Academy Board may submit to the Director: (i) the name of the nominee; (ii) the board member candidate application materials identified in paragraph (a) above; and (iii) a copy of the Academy Board nominating resolution. The Director may or may not recommend the proposed nominee submitted by the Academy Board. If the Director does not recommend a nominee submitted by the Academy Board, the Director shall select a nominee and forward that recommendation to the Board of Trustees for appointment. The Board of Trustees shall have the sole and exclusive right to appoint members to the Academy Board.
- c. Exigent Appointments: When the Director determines an "exigent condition" exists which requires him/her to make an appointment to a public school academy's board of directors, the Director, with University President approval, may immediately appoint a person to serve as a public school academy board member for the time specified, but not longer than the next meeting held by the Board of Trustees when a regular appointment may be made by the Board of Trustees. The Director shall make the appointment in writing and notify the public school academy's board of directors of the appointment. Exigent conditions include, but are not limited to when an Academy Board seat is vacant, when a Academy

Board cannot reach a quorum, when the Board of Trustees determines that an Academy Board member's service is no longer required, when an Academy Board member is removed, when an Academy Board fails to fill a vacancy, or other reasons which would prohibit the Academy Board from taking action without such an appointment.

- 3. Qualifications of Academy Board Members: To be qualified to serve on the Academy Board, a person shall: (a) be a citizen of the United States; (b) reside in the State of Michigan; (c) submit all materials requested by the GVSU Charter Schools Office including, but not limited to, a GVSU Academy Board Member Questionnaire and a release for criminal history background check; (d) not be an employee of the Academy; (e) not be a director, officer, or employee of a company or other entity that contracts with the Academy; and (f) not be an employee or representative of GVSU or be a member of the Board of Trustees.
- 4. Oath /Acceptance of Office / Voting Rights: Following appointment by the Board of Trustees, Academy Board Appointees may begin their legal duties, including the right to vote, after they have signed an Acceptance of Public Office form and taken the Oath or Affirmation of Public Office administered by a member of the Academy Board, other public official or notary public.
- 5. Length of Term; Removal: An appointed Academy Board member is an "at will" board member who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees for a term of office not to exceed three (3) years. Regardless of the length of term, terms shall end on June 30 of the final year of service, unless shorter due to other provisions of this resolution. A person appointed to serve as an Academy Board member may be reappointed to serve additional terms. When an Academy Board member is appointed to complete the term of service of another Academy Board member, their service ends at the end of the previous Academy Board member's term.

If the Board of Trustees determines that an Academy Board member's service in office is no longer required, then the Board of Trustees may remove an Academy board member with or without cause and shall specify the date when the Academy Board member's service ends. An Academy Board member may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Academy's Board for cause.

6. Resignations: A member of the Academy Board may resign from office by submitting a written resignation or by notifying the Director. The resignation is effective upon receipt by the Director, unless a later date is specified in the resignation. A written notice of resignation is not required. If no such written notification is provided, then the

Director shall confirm a resignation in writing. The resignation shall be effective upon the date the Director sends confirmation to the resigning Academy Board member.

- 7. <u>Vacancy:</u> An Academy Board position shall be considered vacant when an Academy Board member:
 - a. Resigns
 - b. Dies
 - c. Is removed from Office
 - d. Is convicted of a felony
 - e. Ceases to be qualified
 - f. Is incapacitated
- 8. <u>Filling a Vacancy:</u> The Academy Board may nominate and the Director shall recommend or temporarily appoint persons to fill a vacancy as outlined in the "Subsequent Appointments" and "Exigent Appointments" procedures in this resolution.
- 9. <u>Number of Academy Board Member Positions:</u> The number of member positions of the Academy Board of Directors shall be five (5), seven (7) or nine (9), as determined from time to time by the Academy Board.
- 10. Quorum: In order to legally transact business the Academy Board shall have a quorum physically present at a duly called meeting of the Academy Board. A "quorum" shall be defined as follows:

# of Academy Board positions	# required for Quorum
Five (5)	Three (3)
Seven (7)	Four (4)
Nine (9)	Five (5)

11. <u>Manner of Acting:</u> The Academy Board shall be considered to have "acted," when a duly called meeting of the Academy Board has a quorum present and the number of board members voting in favor of an action is as follows:

# of Academy Board positions	# for Quorum	# required to act
Five (5)	Three (3)	Three (3)
Seven (7)	Four (4)	Four (4)
Nine (9)	Five (5)	Five (5)

12. <u>Initial Members of the Board of Directors:</u> The Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees appoints the following persons to serve as the initial members of the Academy's Board of Directors for the designated term of office set forth below:

Dennis Brewer	1 year term expiring June 30, 2015
Laura Burwell	1 year term expiring June 30, 2015
Stuart M. Cavcey	2 year term expiring June 30, 2016
Todd Lang	2 year term expiring June 30, 2016
Patricia Lin	3 year term expiring June 30, 2017
Victoria Lovell	3 year term expiring June 30, 2017

- 13. The Board of Trustees approves and authorizes the execution of a contract to charter a public school academy to the Academy and authorizes the University President or designee to issue a contract to charter a public school academy and related documents ("Contract") to the Academy, provided that, before execution of the Contract, the University President or designee affirms that all terms of the contract have been agreed upon and the Academy is able to comply with all terms and conditions of the Contract and Applicable Law. This resolution shall be incorporated in and made part of the Contract.
- 14. Within ten days after the Board of Trustees issues the Contract, the Director will submit the Contract to the Michigan Department of Pursuant to the State School Aid Act of 1979, the Michigan Department of Education shall, within thirty days after the Contract is submitted to the Michigan Department of Education, issue a district code number to each public school academy that is authorized under the Revised School Code and is eligible to receive funding under the State School Aid Act. By approving and issuing the Contract, the Board of Trustees is not responsible for the Michigan Department of Education's issuance or non-issuance of a district code number. As a condition precedent to the Board of Trustees' issuance of the Contract, the Applicant, the Academy and the Academy's Board of Directors shall acknowledge and agree that the Board of Trustees, Grand Valley State University, its officers, employees and agents are not responsible for any action taken by the Academy in reliance upon the Michigan Department of Education's issuance of a district code number to the Academy, or for any Michigan Department of Education's decision resulting in the non-issuance of a district code number to the Academy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name as Secretary and have caused the seal of said body corporate to be hereto affixed this 15th day of July 2014.

Teri L. Losey, Secretary

Board of Trustees

Grand Valley State University

SCHEDULE 2

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS FILING ENDORSEMENT

This is to Certify that the CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT - CORPORATION

for

LIGHT OF THE WORLD ACADEMY

ID NUMBER: 71658Q

received by facsimile transmission on November 25, 2014 is hereby endorsed.

Filed on November 25, 2014 by the Administrator.

This document is effective on the date filed, unless a subsequent effective date within 90 days after received date is stated in the document.

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In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Department, in the City of Lansing, this 25th day of November, 2014.

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Alan J. Schefke, Director Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau

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6. Nonprofit corporation only: Member, shareholder, or bo	ard approval
The foregoing amendment to the Articles of Incorporation v	vas duly adopted on the day of
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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS FILING ENDORSEMENT

This is to Certify that the ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION - NONPROFIT

for

LIGHT OF THE WORLD ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

ID NUMBER: 71658Q

received by facsimile transmission on September 24, 2014 is hereby endorsed.

Filed on September 24, 2014 by the Administrator.

This document is effective on the date filed, unless a subsequent effective date within 90 days after received date is stated in the document.

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In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Department, in the City of Lansing, this 24th day of September, 2014.

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Alan J. Schefke, Director Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau BCS/CD-502 (Rev.10/08) MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & ECONOMIC GROWTH BUREAU OF COMMERCIAL SERVICES Date Received (FOR BUREAU USE ONLY) This document is effective on the date filed, unless a subsequent effective date within 90 days after received date is stated in the document. Name Robert J. Gavin Address 31700 Middlebelt, Suite 126 City State Zip Code EFFECTIVE DATE: Farmington Hills MI 48334

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION For use by Domestic Nonprofit Corporations

(Please read information and instructions on the last page)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act of 1982, as amended (the "Act"), being MCL 450.2101 et seq. and Part 6A of the Revised School Code (the "Code"), as amended, being Sections 380.501 to 380.507 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the undersigned corporation executes the following Articles:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is: Light of the World Academy Charter School (the "Academy")

The authorizing body for the corporation is: Grand Valley State University ("GVSU") Board of Trustees, ("Board of Trustees"), 1 Campus Drive, Allendale, Michigan 49401.

ARTICLE II

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

- 1. Specifically, the corporation is organized for the purposes of operating as a public school academy in the State of Michigan pursuant to Part 6A of the Code, being Sections 380.501 to 380.507 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 2. The corporation, including all activities incident to its purposes, shall at all times be conducted so as to be a governmental entity pursuant to Section 115 of the United States Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") or any successor law. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activity not permitted to be carried on by a governmental instrumentality exempt from federal income tax under Section 115 of the IRC or by a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Michigan and subject to a Contract authorized under the Code.

ARTICLE III

- 1. The corporation is organized upon a Nonstock basis.
- 2. a. The description and value of its real property assets are:

Real Property: none

b. The description and value of its personal property assets are:

Personal Property: none

- c. The corporation is to be financed under the following general plan:
 - a. State school aid payments received pursuant to the State School Aid Act of 1979 or any successor law.
 - b. Federal funds.
 - c. Donations
 - d. Fees and charges permitted to be charged by public school academies
 - e. Other funds lawfully received.
- d. The corporation is organized on a <u>Directorship</u> basis.

ARTICLE IV

 The name of the resident agent at the registered office

Robert J. Gavin

2. The address of the registered office is:

31700 Middlebelt Road, Suite 126, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334

3. The mailing address of the registered office, if different than above:

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(Street Address)	(City)	(ZIP Code)

ARTICLE V

The name and address of the incorporator(s) is (are) as follows:

Robert J. Gavin 31700 Middlebelt Road, Suite 126 Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2374

ARTICLE VI

The corporation is a governmental entity.

ARTICLE VII

Before execution of a contract to charter a public school academy between the Academy Board and the Board of Trustees, the method of selection, length of term, and the number of members of the Academy Board shall be approved by a resolution of the Board of Trustees as required by the Code.

The members of the Academy Board shall be selected by the following method:

1. Method of Selection and Appointment of Academy Board Members:

a. <u>Initial Academy Board Member Nominations and Appointments:</u> As part of the public school academy application, the public school academy applicant shall propose to the Director of the University Charter Schools Office ("Director"), the

names of proposed individuals to serve on the initial board of directors of the proposed public school academy. When the Director recommends an initial contract for approval to the Board of Trustees, he/she shall include recommendations for initial Academy Board members. These recommendations may, but are not required to, include individuals proposed by the public school academy applicant. To be considered for appointment, the nominees must have completed the required board member candidate application materials, including at least (i) the Academy Board Member Questionnaire prescribed by the University Charter Schools Office; and (ii) the Criminal Background Check Report prescribed by the University Charter Schools Office.

- b. Subsequent Academy Board Member Nominations and Appointments: Except as provided in paragraph (2) below, the Academy Board may nominate individuals for subsequent Academy Board of Director positions. As part of the appointment process, the Academy Board may submit to the Director: (i) the name of the nominee; (ii) the board member candidate application materials identified in paragraph (a) above; and (iii) a copy of the Academy Board nominating resolution. The Director may or may not recommend the proposed nominee submitted by the Academy Board. If the Director does not recommend a nominee submitted by the Academy Board, the Director shall select a nominee and forward that recommendation to the Board of Trustees for appointment. The Board of Trustees shall have the sole and exclusive right to appoint members to the Academy Board.
- c. Exigent Appointments: When the Director determines an "exigent condition" exists which requires him/her to make an appointment to a public school academy's board of directors, the Director, with University President approval, may immediately appoint a person to serve as a public school academy board member for the time specified, but not longer than the next meeting held by the Board of Trustees when a regular appointment may be made by the Board of Trustees. The Director shall make the appointment in writing and notify the public school academy's board of directors of the appointment. Exigent conditions include, but are not limited to when an Academy Board seat is vacant, when a Academy Board cannot reach a quorum, when the Board of Trustees determines that an Academy Board member's service is no longer required, when an Academy Board member is removed, when an Academy Board fails to fill a vacancy, or other reasons which would prohibit the Academy Board from taking action without such an appointment.
- 2. Qualifications of Academy Board Members: To be qualified to serve on the Academy Board, a person shall: (a) be a citizen of the United States; (b) reside in the State of Michigan; (c) submit all materials requested by the GVSU Charter Schools Office including, but not limited to, a GVSU Academy Board Member Questionnaire and a release for criminal history background check; (d) not be an employee of the Academy; (e) not be a director, officer, or employee of a company or other entity that contracts with the Academy; and (f) not be an employee or representative of GVSU or be a member of the Board of Trustees.

- 3. Oath /Acceptance of Office / Voting Rights: Following appointment by the Board of Trustees, Academy Board Appointees may begin their legal duties, including the right to vote, after they have signed an Acceptance of Public Office form and taken the Oath or Affirmation of Public Office administered by a member of the Academy Board, other public official or notary public.
- 4. Length of Term; Removal: An appointed Academy Board member is an "at will" board member who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees for a term of office not to exceed three (3) years. Regardless of the length of term, terms shall end on June 30 of the final year of service, unless shorter due to other provisions of this resolution. A person appointed to serve as an Academy Board member may be reappointed to serve additional terms. When an Academy Board member is appointed to complete the term of service of another Academy Board member, their service ends at the end of the previous Academy Board member's term.

If the Board of Trustees determines that an Academy Board member's service in office is no longer required, then the Board of Trustees may remove an Academy board member with or without cause and shall specify the date when the Academy Board member's service ends. An Academy Board member may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Academy's Board for cause.

- 5. Resignations: A member of the Academy Board may resign from office by submitting a written resignation or by notifying the Director. The resignation is effective upon receipt by the Director, unless a later date is specified in the resignation. A written notice of resignation is not required. If no such written notification is provided, then the Director shall confirm a resignation in writing. The resignation shall be effective upon the date the Director sends confirmation to the resigning Academy Board member.
- 6. <u>Vacancy:</u> An Academy Board position shall be considered vacant when an Academy Board member:
 - a. Resigns
 - b. Dies
 - c. Is removed from Office
 - d. Is convicted of a felony
 - e. Ceases to be qualified
 - f. Is incapacitated
- 7. <u>Filling a Vacancy:</u> The Academy Board may nominate and the Director shall recommend or temporarily appoint persons to fill a vacancy as outlined in the "Subsequent Appointments" and "Exigent Appointments" procedures in this resolution.
- 8. Number of Academy Board Member Positions: The number of member positions of the Academy Board of Directors shall be five (5), seven (7) or nine (9), as determined from time to time by the Academy Board.

9. **Quorum:** In order to legally transact business the Academy Board shall have a quorum physically present at a duly called meeting of the Academy Board. A "quorum" shall be defined as follows:

# of Academy Board positions	# required for Quorum
Five (5)	Three (3)
Seven (7)	Four (4)
Nine (9)	Five (5)

10. <u>Manner of Acting:</u> The Academy Board shall be considered to have "acted," when a duly called meeting of the Academy Board has a quorum present and the number of board members voting in favor of an action is as follows:

# of Academy Board positions	# for Quorum	# required to act
Five (5)	Three (3)	Three (3)
Seven (7)	Four (4)	Four (4)
Nine (9)	Five (5)	Five (5)

ARTICLE VIII

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its directors, board, officers or other private persons, or organization organized and operated for a profit (except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in the furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article II hereof). Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a governmental entity exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 115 of the IRC, or comparable provisions of any successor law.

To the extent permitted by law, upon the dissolution of the corporation, the board shall after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation to the Board of Trustees for forwarding to the State School Aid Fund established under Article IX, Section 11 of the Constitution of the State of Michigan of 1963, as amended.

ARTICLE IX

The corporation and its incorporators, board members, officers, employees, and volunteers have governmental immunity as provided in Section 7 of Act No. 170 of the Public Acts of 1964, being Sections 691.1407 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

ARTICLE X

These Articles of Incorporation shall not be amended except by the process provided in the contract executed by the Academy Board and the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE XI

The Academy Board shall have all the powers and duties permitted by law to manage the business, property and affairs of the corporation.

ARTICLE XII

A volunteer director is not personally liable to the corporation for monetary damages for a breach of the director's fiduciary duty. This provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of a director for any of the following:

- (i) A breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation;
- (ii) Acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- (iii) A violation of Section 551(1) of the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act;
- (iv) A transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit;
- (v) An act or omission that is grossly negligent.

If the corporation obtains tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code, the corporation assumes all liability to any person other than the corporation for all acts or omissions of a volunteer director occurring on or after the filing of the Articles incurred in the good faith performance of the volunteer director's duties.

This article shall not be deemed a relinquishment or waiver of any kind of Section 7 of the Government Liability for Negligence Act, being Act No. 170, Public Acts of Michigan, 1964.

ARTICLE XIII

The corporation assumes the liability for all acts or omissions of a non-director volunteer, provided that:

(i) The volunteer was acting or reasonably believed he or she was acting within the

scope of his or her authority;

- (ii) The volunteer was acting in good faith;
- (iii) The volunteer's conduct did not amount to gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct;
- (iv) The volunteer's conduct was not an intentional tort; and

The volunteer's conduct was not a tort arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle as described in Section 209(e)(v) of the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act.

This article shall not be deemed a relinquishment or waiver of any kind of Section 7 of the Governmental Liability for negligence Act, being Act No. 170, Public Acts of Michigan, 1964

ARTICLE XIV

The officers of the Academy Board shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be selected by the Board of Directors. The Academy Board may select one or more Assistants to the officers, and may also appoint such other officers and agents as they may deem necessary for the transaction of the business of the corporation.

ARTICLE XV

The Articles of Incorporation shall become effective upon filing. However, the corporation shall not carry out the purposes set forth in Article II unless/or until the Board of Trustees issues to the Academy Board a contract to operate as a public school academy, and the contract is executed by both the Academy Board and the Board of Trustees.

I, Robert A. Gavin, the incorporator sign my name this 23rd day of September, 2014.

Robert J. Gavin/Incorporator

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BYLAWS

OF

LIGHT OF THE WORLD ACADEMY

ARTICLE I

NAME OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY

This organization shall be called Light of the World Academy (The "Academy" or the "corporation").

ARTICLE II

FORM OF ACADEMY

The Academy is organized as a non-profit, non-stock, directorship corporation.

ARTICLE III

OFFICES

- Section 1. <u>Principal Office</u>. The principal office of the Academy shall be located in the State of Michigan.
- Section 2. <u>Registered Office.</u> The registered office of the Academy shall be 31700 Middlebelt Road, Suite 126, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334. It must be located in the state of Michigan, and be the business office of the registered agent, as required by the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE IV

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. <u>General Powers.</u> The business, property and affairs of the Academy shall be managed by the Academy Board of Directors ("Academy Board"). The Academy Board may exercise any and all of the powers granted to it under the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act or pursuant to Part 6A of the Revised School code ("Code"). The Academy Board may delegate said powers to the officers and committees of the Academy Board as it deems appropriate or necessary, as long as

such delegation is consistent with the Articles, these Bylaws, the Contract and Applicable Law.

- Section 2. <u>Method of Selection and Appointment.</u> Nomination and appointment to the Academy Board shall be handled in the following manner:
 - 1. Method of Selection and Appointment of Academy Board Members:
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Section 3. <u>Compensation.</u> By resolution of the Academy Board, Directors may be paid their expenses, if any, of attendance at each meeting of the Academy Board, subject to the statutes regarding Contracts of Public Servants with Public Entities, Act No. 317 of the Public Standards of Conduct for Public Officers and Employees, Act No. 196 of the Public Acts of 1973, being Sections 15.341 to 15.348 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and the statute concerning Incompatible Public Offices, Act No. 566 of the Public Acts of 1978, being Sections 15.181 to 15.185 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

ARTICLE V

MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular Meetings. The Academy Board shall hold a regular meeting during the month of June each year. The meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Academy Board of Directors shall from time to time determine. The Academy Board may also provide, by resolution, the time and place, within the state of Michigan, for the holding of additional regular meetings. The Academy shall provide notice of all regular meetings as required by the Open Meetings Act.

Section 2. <u>Special Meetings.</u> Special meetings of the Academy Board may be called by or at the request of the President or any Academy Board Director. The person of persons authorized to call special meetings of the Academy Board may fix the place within the state of Michigan for holding any special meeting of the Academy Board called by them, and, if no other place is fixed, the place of meeting shall be the principal business office of the corporation in the state of Michigan. The corporation shall provide notice of all special meetings as required by the Open Meetings Act.

Section 3. <u>Notice: Waiver.</u> The Academy Board must comply with the notice provisions of the Open Meetings Act. In addition, notice of any meeting shall

be given to each Director stating the time and place of the meeting, delivered personally or mailed or sent by facsimile to each Director at the Director's business address. Any Director may waive notice of any meeting by written statement, or telecopy sent by the Director, signed before or after the holding of the meeting. The attendance of a Director at a meeting constitutes a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

Section 4. Open Meetings Act. All meetings of the Academy Board, shall at all times be in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Section 5. Presumption of Assent. A director of the Academy Board who is present at a meeting of the Academy Board at which action on any corporate matters is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless that Director's dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting or unless that Director shall file a written dissent to such action with the person acting as the Secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or shall forward such dissent by registered mail to the Secretary of the corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. This right to dissent shall not apply to a Director who voted in favor of such action.

ARTICLE VI

COMMITTEES

The Academy Board, by resolution, may designate one or more committees, each committee to consist of one or more Directors selected by the Academy Board. As provided in the resolution as initially adopted, and as thereafter supplemented or amended by further resolution, the committees shall have such powers as delegated by the Academy Board, except (i) filling of the vacancies in the officers of the Academy Board or committees created pursuant to this Section; (ii) amending the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; or (iii) any action the Academy Board cannot lawfully delegate under the Articles, Bylaws or Applicable Law. All committee meetings shall at all times be in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Each committee shall fix its own rules governing the conduct of its activities and shall make such reports the Academy Board of its activities as the Academy Board may request.

ARTICLE VII

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

- Section 1. <u>Number.</u> The officers of the Academy shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such Assistant officers as may be selected by the Academy Board.
- Section 2. <u>Election and Term of Office.</u> The Academy Board shall elect the initial officers at its first duly noticed meeting. Thereafter, the Academy Board shall elect the officers annually as terms expire at the annual meeting of the Academy Board. If the election of officers is not held at that meeting, the election shall be held as soon thereafter as may be convenient. Each officer shall hold office while qualified or until the officers resigns or is removed in the manner provided in Article IV, Section 2.
- Section 3. Removal. If the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees determines that an Academy Board member's service in office is no longer required, then the Board of Trustees may remove an Academy board member with or without cause and shall specify the date when the Academy Board member's service ends. An Academy Board member may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Academy's Board for cause.
- Section 4. <u>Vacancies.</u> A vacancy in any office shall be filled in accordance with Article IV. Section 2.
- Section 5. President. The President of the Academy shall be a member of the Academy Board. The President of the corporation shall preside at all meetings of the Academy Board. If there is not a President, or if the President is absent, then the Vice-President shall preside. If the Vice-President is absent, then a temporary chair, chosen by the members of the Academy Board attending the meeting shall preside. The president shall be an ex-officio member of all standing committees and may be designated Chairperson of those committees by the Academy Board. The President shall, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of President of the Board as may be prescribed by the Board from time to time.
- Section 6. <u>Vice-President.</u> The Vice-President of the Academy shall be a member of the Academy Board. In the absence of the President or in the event of the President's death, inability or refusal to act, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the

restrictions upon the President. The Vice-President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Vice-President by the President or the Academy Board.

Section 7. Secretary. The Secretary of the Academy shall be a member of the Academy Board. The Secretary shall perform, or cause to be performed, the following duties: (a) keep the minutes of the Academy Board meetings in one or more books provided that purpose; (b) see that all notices, including those notices required under the Open Meetings Act, are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the corporation and see that the seal of the corporation is affixed to all authorized documents; (d) keep a register of the post office address of each Director; and (e) perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and other duties assigned by the President or by the Academy Board.

Section 8. Treasurer. The Treasurer of the Academy shall be a member of the Academy Board. The Treasurer shall perform, or cause to be performed, the following duties: (a) keep charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; (b) keep accurate books and records of corporate receipts and disbursements; (c) deposit all moneys and securities received by the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositors as shall be selected by the Board; (d) complete all required corporate filings; (e) assure that the responsibilities of the fiscal agent of the corporation are properly carried out; and (f) in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President or by the Academy Board.

Section 9. <u>Assistants and Acting Officers.</u> The Assistants to the officers, if any, selected by the Academy Board, shall perform such duties and have such authority as shall from time to time be delegated or assigned to them by the Secretary or Treasurer or by the Academy Board. The Academy Directors shall have the power to appoint any person to perform the duties of an officer whenever for any reason it is impractical for such officer to act personally. Such acting officer so appointed shall have the powers of and be subject to all restrictions upon the officer to whose office the acting officer is so appointed except as the Academy Board may be resolution otherwise determine.

Section 10. <u>Salaries.</u> Officers shall not receive a salary unless the salary has been specifically approved by the Academy Board, subject to the statute concerning Incompatible Public Offices, Act No. 566 of the Public Acts of 1978, being sections 15.181 to 15.185 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. Officers of the corporation

who are Directors of the corporation may not be compensated for their services. They may, however, receive traveling and other expenses.

Section 11. <u>Filling More Than One Office.</u> Subject to the statute concerning Incompatible Public Offices, Act No. 566 of the Public Acts of 1978, being Sections 15.181 to 15.185 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, any two offices of the corporation except those of President and Vice-President may be held by the same person, but no officer shall execute, acknowledge or verify any instrument in more than one capacity.

ARTICLE VIII

CONTRACTS, LOANS, CHECKS AND DEPOSITS; SPECIAL CORPORATE ACTS

Section 1. <u>Contracts.</u> The Academy Board may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract, to execute and deliver any instrument, or to acknowledge any instrument required by law to be acknowledged in the name of and on behalf of the corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances, but the appointment of any person other than an officer to acknowledge an instrument required by law to be acknowledged should be made by instrument in writing. When the Academy Board authorizes the execution of a contract or of any other instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, without specifying the executing officers, the President or Vice-President, and the Secretary or Treasurer may execute the same and may affix the corporate seal there to. No contract into, by or on behalf of the Academy Board, shall in any way bind the University or impose any liability on the University, its trustees, officers, employees or agents.

Section 2. <u>Loans.</u> No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the corporation and no evidences of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Academy Board. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. No loan or advance to, or overdraft of funds by an officer or member of the Academy Board otherwise than in the ordinary and usual course of the business of the corporation, and on the ordinary and usual course of the business or security, shall be made or permitted. No loan entered into, by or on behalf of the Academy Board, shall in any way be considered a debt or obligation of Grand Valley State University or impose any liability on Grand Valley State University, its trustees, officers, employees, or agents.

Section 3. <u>Checks, Drafts, etc.</u> All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents, of the corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Academy Board.

Section 4. <u>Deposits.</u> All funds of the corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited within three (3) business days after the receipt of the funds by the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Academy Board may select, provided that such financial institution is eligible to be a depository of surplus funds under section 1221 of the Revised School Code, being Section 380.1221 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

Section 5. Voting of Securities Owned by this Corporation. Subject always to the specific directions of the Academy Board, any shares or other securities issued by another corporation and owned or controlled by this corporation may be voted at any meeting of security holders of such other corporation by the President of this corporation or by proxy appointed by Treasurer of this corporation or by proxy appointed by the Secretary or Treasurer. Such proxy or consent in respect to any shares or other securities issued by any other corporation and owned by this corporation shall be executed in the name of this corporation by the President, the Secretary or the Treasurer of this corporation without necessity of any authorization by the Academy Board, affixation of corporate seal or countersignature or attestation by another officer. Any person or persons designated in the manner above stated as the proxy or proxies of this corporation shall have full right, power, and authority to vote the shares or other securities issued by such other corporation and owned by this corporation the same as such shares or other securities might be voted by this corporation.

Section 6. <u>Contracts Between Corporation and Related Persons.</u> As required by Applicable Law, any Director, officer or employee of the Academy, who enters into a contract with the Academy, that meets the definition of contract under the statute on Contracts of Public Servants with Public Entities, Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1968, being sections 15.321 to 15.330 of the Michigan Complied Laws, shall comply with the public disclosure requirement set forth in Section 3 of the statute.

ARTICLE IX

INDEMNIFICATION

Each person who is or was a member of the Academy Board, or a trustee, director, officer or member of a committee of the Academy and each person who serves or has served at the request of the Academy as a trustee, director, officer, partner, employee or agent of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall be indemnified by the corporation to the fullest extent permitted by the corporation laws of the State of Michigan as they may be in effect from time to time. The corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any such person against any liability asserted against and incurred by such person in any such capacity or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the corporation would have power to indemnify such person against such liability under the preceding sentence. The corporation may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Board, grant rights to indemnification to any employee or agent of the corporation to the fullest extent provided under the laws of the State of Michigan as they may be in effect from time to time.

ARTICLE X

FISCAL YEAR, BUDGET AND UNIFORM BUDGETING AND ACCOUNTING

The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the first day of July in each year. The Board of Directors, subject to the oversight responsibilities of the University Board, shall have exclusive control of the budget. The board shall prepare and publish an annual budget in accordance with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, being Act 2 of the public laws of Michigan of 1968, as amended.

ARTICLE XI

SEAL

The Academy Board may provide a corporate seal, which shall be circular in form and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the corporation, the State of Michigan and the words "Corporate Seal" and "Public School Academy."

ARTICLE XII

AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed and new Bylaws may be adopted by obtaining the affirmative vote of a majority of the Academy Board at any regular or special meeting of the Academy Board, if a notice setting forth the terms of the proposal has been given in accordance with the notice requirements for the special meetings. Upon arrival, the Academy Board shall forward the amendment to the University Charter Schools Office. The amendment shall be automatically incorporated into Schedule 3 of the Contract upon receipt of the amendment by the University Charter Schools Office. The Academy Board is encouraged to submit proposed Bylaw changes to the Charter Schools Office, for review and comment, prior to adoption. If at any time the University identifies a provision in the Academy Board's Bylaws that violates or conflicts with applicable law or the Contract, it shall notify the Academy Board in writing and the Academy Board shall remedy the identified provision to be in concert with applicable law and the Contract.

CERTIFICATION

The Board certifies that these Bylaws were adopted as and for the Bylaws of Light of the World Academy, a Michigan nonprofit corporation, in an open and public meeting, by the Academy Board on the 33th day of Society,

SCHEDULE 4 FISCAL AGENT AGREEMENT

SCHEDULE 4

FISCAL AGENT AGREEMENT

This Agreement is part of the Contract issued by the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees ("University Board"), an authorizing body as defined by the Revised School Code, as amended (the "Code"), to Light of the World Academy ("Academy"), a public school academy.

Preliminary Recitals

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Code and the Contract, the University Board, as authorizing body, is the fiscal agent for the Academy, and

WHEREAS, the University Board is required by law to forward any State School Aid Payments received from the State of Michigan ("State") on behalf of the Academy to the Academy,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises set forth below, the parties agree to the following:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS

Section 1.01. <u>Definitions</u>. Unless otherwise provided, or unless the context requires otherwise, the following terms shall have the following definitions:

"Account" means an account established by the Academy for the receipt of State School Aid Payments at a bank, savings and loan association, or credit union which has not been deemed ineligible to be a depository of surplus funds under Section 6 of Act No. 105 of the Public Acts of 1855, being Section 21.146 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

"Agreement" means this Fiscal Agent Agreement.

"Fiscal Agent" means the University Board or an officer or employee of Grand Valley State University as designated by the University Board.

"Other Funds" means any other public or private funds which the Academy receives and for which the University Board voluntarily agrees to receive and transfer to the Academy.

"State School Aid Payment" means any payment of money the Academy receives from the State School Aid Fund established pursuant to Article IX, Section 11 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 or under the State School Aid Act of 1979, as amended.

"State" means the State of Michigan.

"State Treasurer" means the office responsible for issuing funds to urban high school academies for State School Aid Payments pursuant to the School Aid Act of 1979, as amended.

Section 1.02. Fiscal Agent Agreement Incorporated into Contract; Use of Contract Definitions. This Fiscal Agent Agreement shall be incorporated into and is part of the Contract issued by the University Board to the Academy. Terms defined in the Contract shall have the same meaning in this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

FISCAL AGENT DUTIES

Section 2.01. Receipt of State School Aid Payments and Other Funds. The University Board is the Fiscal Agent for the Academy for the limited purpose of receiving State School Aid Payments. By separate agreement, the University Board and the Academy may also agree that the University Board will receive Other Funds for transfer to the Academy. The Fiscal Agent will receive State School Aid Payments from the State, as provided in Section 3.02.

Section 2.02. <u>Transfer to Academy</u>. Except as provided in the Contract, the Fiscal Agent shall transfer all State School Aid Payments and all Other Funds received on behalf of the Academy to the Academy within three (3) business days of receipt or as otherwise required by the provisions of the State School Aid Act of 1979 or applicable State Board rules. The State School Aid Payments and all Other Funds shall be transferred into the Account designated by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Academy and by a method of transfer acceptable to the Fiscal Agent.

Section 2.03. <u>Limitation of Duties</u>. The Fiscal Agent has no responsibilities or duties to verify the Academy's pupil membership count, as defined in the State School Aid Act of 1979, as amended, or to authorize, to approve or to determine the accuracy of the State Aid School Payments received on behalf of the Academy from the State Treasurer. The duties of the Fiscal Agent are limited to the receipt and transfer to the Academy of State School Aid Payments and Other Funds received by the Academy. The Fiscal Agent shall have no duty to monitor or approve expenditures made by the Academy Board.

Section 2.04. Academy Board Requests for Direct Intercept of State School Aid Payments. If the Academy Board directs that a portion of its State School Aid Payments be forwarded by the Fiscal Agent to a third party account for the payment of Academy debts and liabilities, the Academy shall submit to the University Charter Schools Office: (i) a copy of the Academy Board's resolution authorizing the direct intercept of State School Aid Payments; and (ii) a copy of a State School Aid Payment Agreement and Direction document that is in a form and manner acceptable to the Fiscal Agent. No State Aid Payment Agreement and Direction document shall be effective until it is acknowledged by the University President.

ARTICLE III

STATE DUTIES

Section 3.01 <u>Eligibility for State School Aid Payments</u>. The State, through its Department of Education, has sole responsibility for determining the eligibility of the Academy to receive State School Aid Payments. The State, through its Department of Education, has sole responsibility for determining the amount of State School Aid Payments, if any, the Academy shall be entitled to receive.

Section 3.02. Method of Payment. Each State School Aid Payment for the Academy will be made to the Fiscal Agent by the State Treasurer by issuing a warrant and delivering the warrant to the Fiscal Agent by electronic funds transfer into an account specified by the Fiscal Agent, or by such other means deemed acceptable to the Fiscal Agent. The State shall make State School Aid Payments at the times specified in the State School Aid Act of 1979, as amended.

ARTICLE IV

ACADEMY DUTIES

Section 4.01. <u>Compliance with State School Aid Act</u>. In order to assure that funds are available for the education of pupils, an Academy shall comply with all applicable provisions of the State School Aid Act of 1979, as amended.

Section 4.02. Expenditure of Funds. The Academy may expend funds that it receives from the State School Aid Fund for any purpose permitted by the State School Aid Act of 1979 and may enter into contracts and agreements determined by the Academy as consistent with the purposes for which the funds were appropriated.

Section 4.03. <u>Mid-Year Transfers</u>. Funding for students transferring into or out of the Academy during the school year shall be in accordance with the State School Aid Act of 1979 or applicable State Board rules.

Section 4.04. Repayment of Overpayment. The Academy shall be directly responsible for reimbursing the State for any overpayments of State School Aid Payments. At its option, the State may reduce subsequent State School Aid Payments by the amount of the overpayment or may seek collection of the overpayment from the Academy.

Section 4.05. <u>Deposit of Academy Funds</u>. The Academy Board agrees to comply with Section 1221 of the Revised School Code, being MCL 380.1221, regarding the deposit of State School Aid Payments and Other Funds received by the Academy.

ARTICLE V

RECORDS AND REPORTS

Section 5.01. Records. The Fiscal Agent shall keep books of record and account of all transactions relating to the receipts, disbursements, allocations and application of the State School Aid Payments and Other Funds received, deposited or transferred for the benefit of the Academy, and these books shall be available for inspection at reasonable hours and under reasonable conditions by the Academy and the State.

Section 5.02. Reports. The Fiscal Agent shall prepare and send to the Academy within thirty (30) days of September 1, and annually thereafter, a written report dated as of August 31 summarizing all receipts, deposits and transfers made on behalf or for the benefit of the Academy during the period beginning on the latter of the date hereof or the date of the last such written report and ending on the date of the report, including without limitation, State School Aid Payments received on behalf of the Academy from the State Treasurer and any Other Funds which the University Board receives under this Agreement.

ARTICLE VI

CONCERNING THE FISCAL AGENT

Section 6.01. <u>Representations</u>. The Fiscal Agent represents that it has all necessary power and authority to enter into this Agreement and undertake the obligations and responsibilities imposed upon it in this Agreement and that it will carry out all of its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 6.02. <u>Limitation of Liability</u>. The liability of the Fiscal Agent to transfer funds to the Academy shall be limited to the amount of State School Aid Payments as are from time to time delivered by the State and the amount of Other Funds as delivered by the source of those funds.

The Fiscal Agent shall not be liable for any action taken or neglected to be taken by it in good faith in any exercise of reasonable care and believed by it to be within the discretion or power conferred upon it by this Agreement, nor shall the Fiscal Agent be responsible for the consequences of any error of judgment; and the Fiscal Agent shall not be answerable except for its own action, neglect or default, nor for any loss unless the same shall have been through its gross negligence or willful default.

The Fiscal Agent shall not be liable for any deficiency in the State School Aid Payments received from the State Treasurer to which the Academy was properly entitled. The Fiscal Agent shall not be liable for any State School Aid overpayments made by the State Treasurer to the Academy for which the State subsequently seeks reimbursement.

Acknowledgment of Receipt

The undersigned, on behalf of the State of Michigan, Department of Treasury, acknowledges receipt of the foregoing Fiscal Agent Agreement that is part of the Contract issued by the University Board to the Academy.

Mary J. Martin Mary G. Martin, Director

Bureau of State and Authority Finance Michigan Department of Treasury

Date: 2-20, 2015

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SCHEDULE 5

MASTER CALENDAR OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Public School Academy / School of Excellence Master Calendar of Reporting Requirements July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

DUE DATE	REPORT DESCRIPTION	SUBMIT TO:
July 1	Board Adopted 2015-2016 School Calendar/School Day Schedule.	CSO
July 1	Board Adopted Annual Operating Budget for the General Fund and School Service Fund for 2015-2016.	CSO
July 1	Copy of Notice of Public Hearing for Annual Operating Budget for 2015-2016.	CSO
July 1	Copy of Parent Satisfaction Survey and Results from 2014-2015, if applicable.	CSO
July 24	DS-4168 Report of Days and Clock Hours of Pupil Instruction for 2014-2015 academic year, if applicable (See MDE website, www.michigan.gov/mde , for MDE due date and form).	CSO
August 3	Annual Organizational Meeting Minutes for 2015-2016.	CSO
August 3	Board Resolution appointing Chief Administrative Officer for 2015-2016.	CSO
August 3	Board Resolution appointing Freedom of Information Act Coordinator for 2015-2016.	CSO
August 3	Board Designated Legal Counsel for 2015-2016.	CSO
August 3	Board adopted Annual Calendar of Regularly Scheduled Meetings for 2015-2016.	CSO
August 20	Annual Education Report 2014-2015 academic year to be submitted and presented at a public meeting.	CSO
August 28	4 th Quarter Financial Statements – quarter ending 06/30.	CSO
September 4	Organizational Chart for 2015-2016.	CSO
September 4	Board approved Student Handbook 2015-2016.	CSO
September 4	Board approved Employee Handbook 2015-2016.	CSO
September 4	Copy of School Improvement Plan covering 2015-2016 academic year.	CSO
October 1	Completed PSA Insurance Questionnaires. Required forms available at www.gvsu.edu/cso	CSO
October 1	Annual Nonprofit Corporation Information Update for 2015.	CSO
October 8	Unaudited Count Day Submission.	CSO
October 12	Audited Financial Statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. (See MDE Website, www.michigan.gov/mde , for MDE due date.	CSO
October 12	Management Letter (comments and recommendations from independent financial auditor) for fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, if issued. If a management letter is not issued, a letter from the Academy stating a management letter was not issued is required to be submitted.	CSO
October 12	Annual A-133 Single Audit for year ending June 30, 2015 is required if over \$500K in federal funds have been expended. If a single audit is not necessary, a letter from the Academy stating as such is required to be submitted.	CSO

DUE DATE	REPORT DESCRIPTION	SUBMIT TO:
October 12	DS-4898 PSA Preliminary Pupil Membership Count for September 2015 Enrollment and Attendance for 1 st & 2 nd Year PSAs and	CSO
	Academies who added grade levels. (See MDE website,	
	www.michigan.gov/mde for MDE due date).	
October 30	1 st Quarter Financial Statements – quarter ending 09/30.	CSO
December 1	Academy's Technology Plan covering 2015-2016 or annual updates thereto.	CSO
January 6	Modifications to ISD's Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Services covering 2015-2016 signed by a representative of the Academy.	CSO
January 29	2 nd Quarter Financial Statements – quarter ending 12/31.	CSO
January 29	Michigan Highly Qualified Teacher Verification Report. Required Form Available at www.gvsu.edu/cso.	CSO
February 18	Winter Count Day Submission.	CSO
March (TBD)	Anti-Bullying Policy, in accordance with Matt's Safe School Law (new schools).	CSO
April 25	3 rd Quarter Financial Statements – quarter ending 03/31.	CSO
May 13	Notice of Open Enrollment & Lottery Process or Open Enrollment & Lottery Process Board Policy for 2016-2017.	CSO
June 2	Certificate of Boiler Inspection covering years 2016-2017.	CSO
June 27	Board Approved Amended Budget for 2015-2016 fiscal year (or statement that budget has been reviewed and no amendment was needed).	CSO
June 27	2015-2016 Log of emergency drills, including date, time and results. Sample form available at www.gvsu.edu/cso.	CSO
June 27	Board adopted Letter of Engagement for year ending June 30, 2016 independent financial audit.	CSO
June 27	Food service license expiring 04/30/2017.	CSO

Ongoing Reporting Requirements July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

The following documents do not have a set calendar date; however, they require submission within a certain number of days from board action or other occurrence.

DUE DATE	REPORT DESCRIPTION	SUBMIT TO:
Date notice is posted	Academy Board Meeting Record of Postings – cancellations, changes, special meetings, emergency etc. Must include time and date of actual posting.	CSO
14 business days after Board meeting	Draft Academy Board Meeting Minutes and Resolutions of regular, special & emergency board meetings.	CSO
14 business days after Board approval	Approved Academy Board Meeting Minutes and Resolutions of regular, special & emergency board meetings.	CSO
30 business days after board approval	Board Adopted Annual Operating Budget for 2011-2012 including Salary/Compensation Transparency Reporting to be available on school website per the State School Aid Act as amended	No submission needed.
14 business days after Board approval	Oath of Office and written acceptance for each Board Member.	CSO
10 business days after Board approval	Board adopted <i>Amended</i> Budget and General Appropriations Resolution.	CSO
10 days of receipt	Correspondence received from the Michigan Department /State Board of Education requiring a formal response.	CSO
10 days of receipt	Correspondence received from the Health Department requiring a formal response.	CSO
10 days of receipt	Written notice of litigation or formal proceedings involving the Academy.	CSO
30 days prior to board execution	Board proposed draft Educational Management Company Agreements or Amendments thereto.	CSO
5 business days of receipt	Request and Responses to Freedom of Information Requests.	CSO

Original/Subsequent Board Policy Reporting Requirements July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

The following documents do not have a set calendar date; however, they require an original submission and subsequent submission if Board action is taken making amendments/changes.

REPORT DESCRIPTION	SUBMIT TO:
Articles of Incorporation. Must have GVSU Board approval before modifying.	CSO
Board of Director Bylaws.	CSO
Educational Service Provider Agreements/Amendments	CSO
Academy's Educational Goals.	CSO
Office of Fire Safety (OFS-40) – original occupancy permit and permits for renovations/additions, etc.	CSO
Lease, Deed of Premises or Rental Agreement and subsequent amendments (includes modular units).	CSO
Curriculum including any additions/deletions.	CSO
Asbestos Hazardous Emergency Response Act (AHERA) Management Plan. Visit www.michigan.gov/asbestos for Michigan's model management plan. A copy of the "acceptance" letter sent by MIOSHA is also required.	CSO
Communicable Disease Curriculum (including minutes of board approval).	CSO
Job Descriptions for all employee groups	CSO
REQUIRED BOARD POLICIES	77.0
Board adopted Purchasing Policy (date of approval). Reference: MCL 380.1267, MCL 380.1274	CSO
Use of Medications Policy (date of approval). Reference: MCL 380.1178, 380.1179	CSO
Harassment of Staff or Applicant Policy (date of approval).	CSO
Harassment of Students Policy (date of approval)	
Reference: MCL 380.1300a	
Search and Seizure Policy (date of approval). Reference: MCL 380.1306	CSO
Emergency Removal, Suspension and Expulsion of Students Policy (date of approval). Reference: MCL 380.1309; MCL 380.1312(8)&(9); MCL 37.1402	CSO
Parent/Guardian Review of Instructional Materials & Observation of Instructional Activity Policy Reference: MCL 380.1137	CSO
Board Member Reimbursement of Expenses Policy (date of approval). Reference: MCL 380.1254; MCL 388.1764b	CSO
Equal Access for Non-School Sponsored Student Clubs and Activities Policy (date of approval). Reference: MCL 380.1299	CSO
Electronic or Wireless Communication Devices Policy (date of approval).	CSO
Preparedness for Toxic Hazard and Asbestos Hazard Policy (date of approval).	CSO
Reference: MCL 324.8316, 380.1256	

Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity Policy (date of approval)	CSO
Including, but not limited to, Michigan Constitution, Article I, §26, Elliott-Larsen Civil	
Rights Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments	
of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Age Discrimination Act of	
1975.	
Academy Deposit Policy (date of approval).	CSO
PA 105 of 1855, being MCL 21.146, Section 11.10 of the Charter Contract	
Parental Involvement Policy (date of approval).	CSO
Reference: MCL 380.1294	
Wellness Policy (date of approval).	CSO
Reference: 42 USC §§ 1751, 1758, 1766; 42 USC § 1773	
Corporal Punishment Policy (date of approval).	CSO
Reference: MCL 380.1312(8)&(9);	
Anti-Bullying Policy (Matt's Safe School Law) (date of approval).	CSO
Reference: MCL 380.1310b	
Cardiac Emergency Response Plan (date of approval).	CSO
Reference: MCL 29.19	

Calendar of Additional Reporting Requirements and Critical Dates July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

The following reports Academies must submit to the local ISD, MDE, CEPI and other organizations throughout the year.

DUE DATE	REPORT DESCRIPTION	SUBMIT TO:
TBD	Student Count Day for State Aid F.T.E.	No submission
		required.
September	SE-4096 Special Education Actual Cost Report (Contact ISD for due	ISD
	date).	
October	Eye Protection Certificate (#4527 Certification of Eye Protective	CEPI
	Devices Electronic Grant System [MEGS] if applicable).	
October	Certification of Constitutionally Protected Prayer.	MDE
October	SE-4094 Transportation Expenditure Report (Contact ISD for due date).	ISD
October 1 –	Teacher Certification/Criminal Background Check/Unprofessional	No submission
October 31	Conduct. This is an onsite review scheduled and conducted by Quality	needed.
(as scheduled)	Performance Resource Group. No submission required.	
Oct/Nov	Deadline for MEIS/Single Record Student Database ("SRSD")	CEPI
	electronic file (Contact the local ISD for due date.)	
November	Deadline for Immunization Records Report – IP100. (Contact Health	Local Health
	Dept. for due date).	Dept.
November 14	Deadline for electronic submission to the Financial Information	CEPI
	Database (FID, formerly known as the Form B). State aid will be	
	withheld if the submission is not successful.	
Nov/Dec	Special Education Count on MI-CIS. Special education data must be	ISD
	current and updated in the Michigan Compliance and Information	
	System (MI-CIS). This information is used to determine funding for	
	next year (Contact local ISD for due date).	
December 1 -	Teacher Certification/Criminal Background Check/Unprofessional	No submission
December 31	Conduct. This is an onsite review scheduled and conducted by Quality	required.
(as scheduled)	Performance Resource Group. No submission required.	334
Nov/Dec	Registry of Educational Personnel (REP) Submission.	CEPI
December 30	Municipal Finance Qualifying Statement, if applicable (online	MI Dept of
	submission).	Treasury
Feb 1	Deadline for Immunization Record Report – IP100 (Contact Health	Local Health
	Dept. for due date). A financial penalty of 5% of a school's state aid	Dept.
	allocation can be assessed if the immunization rate is not at 90% or	v _F
	above.	
TBD	Supplemental Student Count for State Aid F.T.E.	No submission
		required.
March	FS-4731-C – Count of Membership Pupils eligible for free/reduced	MDE
1.141.011	breakfast, lunch or milk (official date TBD).	1,101
March	MEIS/Single Record Student Database ("SRSD") electronic file	ISD, CEPI
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DUE DATE	REPORT DESCRIPTION	SUBMIT TO:
	(Contact local ISD for due date.)	
May 1 –	Teacher Certification/ Criminal Background Check/Unprofessional	No submission
May 31	Conduct. This is an onsite review scheduled and conducted by Quality	required.
(as scheduled)	Performance Resource Group. No submission required.	
June	MEIS/ Single Record Student Database ("SRSD") electronic file	ISD, CEPI
	(Contact local ISD for due date).	
June	Registry of Educational Personnel (REP).	CEPI
June	School Infrastructure Database (SID).	CEPI

SCHEDULE 6

INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED BY ACADEMY AND EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMPANY

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INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED BY ACADEMY AND EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMPANY

- A. The following described categories of information are specifically included within those to be made available to the public and the University Charter Schools Office by the Academy in accordance with Section 11.17(a). <u>Information to be Provided by the Academy</u>, of the Terms and Conditions:
- 1. Copy of the Contract
- 2. Copies of the executed Constitutional Oath of public office form for each serving Director
- 3. List of currently serving Directors with name, address, and term of office
- 4. Copy of the Academy Board 's meeting calendar
- 5. Copy of public notice for all Academy Board meetings
- 6. Copy of Academy Board meeting agendas
- 7. Copy of Academy Board meeting minutes
- 8. Copy of Academy Board approved budget and amendments to the budget
- 9. List of bills paid for amounts of \$10,000.00 or more as submitted to the Academy Board
- 10. Copy of the quarterly financial reports submitted to the University Charter Schools Office
- 11. Copy of curriculum and other educational materials given to the University Charter Schools Office
- 12. Copy of School improvement plan (if required)
- 13. Copies of facility leases, mortgages, modular leases and/or deeds
- 14. Copies of equipment leases
- 15. Proof of ownership for Academy owned vehicles and portable buildings
- 16. Copy of Academy Board approved management contract with Educational Service Provider
- 17. Copy of Academy Board approved services contract(s)
- 18. Office of Fire Safety certificate of occupancy for all Academy facilities
- 19. MDE letter of continuous use (if required)
- 20. Local County Health Department food service permit (if required)

- 21. Asbestos inspection report and asbestos management plan (if required)
- 22. Boiler inspection certificate and lead based paint survey (if required)
- 23. Phase 1 environmental report (if required)
- 24. List of current Academy teachers and school administrators with their individual salaries as submitted to the Registry of Educational Personnel
- 25. Copies of administrator and teacher certificates or permits for all current administrative and teaching staff
- 26. Evidence of fingerprinting, criminal back-ground and record checks and unprofessional conduct check required by the Code for all Academy teachers and administrators
- 27. Academy Board approved policies
- 28. Copy of the annual financial audit and any management letters issued to the Academy Board as part of the audit
- 29. Proof of insurance as required by the Contract
- 30. Any other information specifically required under Public Act 277 of 2011
- B. The following information is specifically included within the types of information available to the Academy by the Educational Management Organization (if any) in accordance with Section 11.17(b). <u>Information to be provided by Educational Management Company</u>, of the Terms and Conditions:
- 1. Any information needed by the Academy in order to comply with its obligations to disclose the information listed under (a) above.

MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT LIGHT OF THE WORLD ACADEMY

THIS MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made and entered into on 4-50-15, 2015 by and between LIGHT OF THE WORLD ACADEMY, a Michigan public school academy (the "Academy") formed under Part 6(A) of the Revised School Code, being MCL §380.501 to §380.507, as amended (the "Code") and GPS Solutions, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company ("GPS").

WHEREAS, the Academy is a charter school organized as a public school academy under the Code. The Academy has been issued a charter contract (the "Contract") by the GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES (the "Authorizer") to organize and operate the Academy. The Authorizer is the statutory authorizing body. The Code permits a public school academy to contract with persons and entities for the operation and management of the public school academy.

WHEREAS, the Academy and GPS desire to create an enduring educational partnership whereby the Academy and GPS shall work together to develop and bring about systems of educational excellence and services to the Academy based on GPS's vision of school design, GPS's management principles, and the Educational Program (defined below).

THEREFORE, the parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I Relationship of the Parties and Other Matters

- 1. Authority. The Academy represents that (a) it is authorized by law to contract with a private entity for the provision of management and operational services to the Academy, (b) it has been issued the Contract from the Authorizer to organize and operate a public school academy, (c) it is authorized by the Authorizer to supervise and control the Academy, and (d) it is vested with all powers necessary or desirable for carrying out the Educational Program (defined below) contemplated in this Agreement. To the extent permitted by law, the Academy hereby authorizes and grants to GPS the necessary authority and power to perform under this Agreement.
- 2. Services; Educational Program. The parties agree that GPS, to the extent permitted by and in conformity with applicable laws, shall provide all labor, materials, and supervision necessary for the provision of the management and operational services contemplated by this Agreement as specifically set forth on the attached Exhibit A to the Academy (the "Services").

GPS shall provide Services to the Academy so the Academy can carry out the educational goals, Montessori curriculum, method of pupil assessment, admissions, policy and criteria, school calendar and school day schedule, and age and grade range of pupils to be enrolled,

educational goals and methods to be used to monitor compliance with performance of targeted educational outcomes, as adopted by the Academy Board of Directors ("Board") and as incorporated into the Contract through approval of the Terms and Conditions included in the Contract (collectively, the "Educational Program").

- 3. Compliance with the Academy's Contract. GPS agrees to perform its duties and responsibilities under this Agreement in a manner that is consistent with the Academy's obligations under the Academy's Contract issued by the Authorizer. The provisions of the Academy's Contract shall supersede any competing or conflicting provisions contained in this Agreement.
- 4. Compliance with Section 503c. On an annual basis, the ESP agrees to provide the Academy Board with the same information that a school district is required to disclose under section 18(2) of the State School Aid Act of 1979, MCL 388.1618, for the most recent school fiscal year for which the information is available. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this information, the Academy Board shall make the information available on the Academy's website home page, in a form and manner prescribed by the Michigan Department of Education. The defined terms in section 503c of the Code, MCL 380.503c, shall have the same meaning in this Agreement.
- 5. Compliance with Section 11.17 of Contract Terms and Conditions. GPS shall make information concerning the operation and management of the Academy, including without limitation the information described in Schedule 6 of the Contract, available to the Academy as deemed necessary by the Academy Board in order to enable the Academy to fully satisfy its obligations under Section 11.17 of the Contract Terms and Conditions.
- 6. Relationship of the Parties. GPS is not a division or any part of the Academy. The Academy is a corporate and governmental entity authorized under the Code. The Academy is not a division or any part of GPS. The relationship between the parties hereto was developed and entered into through arms-length negotiation and is based solely on the terms of this Agreement.
- 7. GPS as Independent Contractor; Agents. The parties to this Agreement intend that the relationship of GPS to the Academy is that of an independent contractor, and not an employee of the Academy. No agent or employee of GPS shall be determined to be an agent or employee of the Academy, except as expressly acknowledged, in writing, by the Academy. Notwithstanding the foregoing, GPS and its employees, to the extent they have a legitimate educational interest in so doing, are hereby designated as agents of the Academy for the limited purpose of allowing them access to educational records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. §1232(g), during the Term of this Agreement (defined below).

During the Term of this Agreement, the Academy may disclose confidential data and information to GPS, and its respective officers, directors, employees and designated agents to the extent permitted by applicable law, including without limitation, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA"), 20 USC §1401 et seq., 34 CFR 300.610-300.626; Section 504 of the

Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 USC §794a, 34 CFR 104.36; the Michigan Mandatory Special Education Act, MCL 380.1701 et seq.; the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 USC §12101 et seq.; the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"), 42 USC 1320d – 13200d-8; 45 CFR 160, 162 and 164; and social security numbers, as protected by the federal Privacy Act of 1974, 5 USC §552a; and the Michigan Social Security Number Privacy Act, MCL 445.84.

GPS shall be solely responsible for its acts, the acts of its agents, employees, and those subcontractors who are contracted through GPS.

- 8. No Related Parties or Common Control. The parties hereby agree that none of the voting power of the governing body of the Academy or the Board shall be vested in GPS or its directors, members, managers, officers, shareholders, or employees. Further, the Academy and GPS are not, and shall not become: (a) members of the same controlled group, as that term is defined in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "IRS Code"); or (b) related persons, as that term is defined in the IRS Code.
- 9. School Leader. GPS shall identify and appoint a School Leader to administer the Educational Program at the Academy (the "School Leader"). The School Leader shall hold all required certifications as required by the Code. The School Leader shall be an employee of GPS, who may be disciplined and/or terminated by GPS in its sole discretion. GPS shall notify the Board prior to the termination of the School Leader. GPS shall have the authority, consistent with applicable laws, to select and supervise the School Leader and to hold the School Leader accountable for the success of the Academy. GPS shall empower the School Leader with the authority to select and hold accountable the teachers in the Academy. GPS shall consult with the Board concerning the selection of, hiring, duties, and performance of the School Leader prior to the placement and/or removal of the School Leader at the Academy or at any other time at the request of the Academy Board.
- 10. Criminal Background Checks. GPS agrees that it shall not assign any of its employees, agents or other individuals to perform any services under this Agreement except as permitted under Sections 1230, 1230a, 1230b and related provisions of the Code pertaining to criminal background and criminal conduct checks. GPS shall require that the results of the criminal background check are received, reviewed, and used (subject to a verification process) by the School Leader acting on behalf of the Academy and/or the Board, only as permitted by law to confirm that the individual does not have a criminal history and to evaluate the qualifications of the individual for his/her assignment. Evidence of such background checks and unprofessional conduct checks required by law shall be stored on site, in a secure location and in physical form, at the Academy or be directly accessible at the Academy facility.
- Non-Compete Agreement. GPS agrees that it shall not impose any contractual requirement or contractual obligation on any of its employees assigned to the Academy to enter into a non-compete provision or agreement.

- 12. The Board. The Board is the governing body with oversight responsibilities over the Academy. The parties acknowledge that throughout this Agreement the term "Board" and the term "Academy" are sometimes used interchangeably in some sections for the sole purpose of readability based on the nature and subject-matter of the article/section. This Agreement must be approved by the Board and executed by a duly authorized member of the Board (on behalf of the Academy), and by so executing this Agreement the Board acknowledges and accepts all obligations and responsibilities related to the Board as set forth in this Agreement.
- Agreement to the contrary, GPS shall not be, directly or indirectly, liable to any third party for any cost or expense incurred by the Academy, and GPS shall only be required to perform its responsibilities under this Agreement to the extent that GPS has received such revenues from the Academy pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. GPS shall, however, remain solely liable to the Academy for any cost it commits the Academy to without the Board's approval in the event such cost is beyond the amount anticipated in the Academy's budget or any amendment thereto.
- 14. Lease and Loans. If the Academy and GPS enter into a lease, execute promissory notes or other negotiable instruments, or enter into a lease-purchase agreement or other financing relationship, then such agreements must be separately documented and separately approved. In addition, all such agreements must comply with the Charter Contract, as well as any applicable College Board and CSO policies.
- 15. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>. GPS and any and all subcontractors of GPS shall not discriminate against an employee or applicant for employment, and in this regard shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws. A breach of this covenant shall be a material breach of this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

1. <u>Term.</u> The Term of this Agreement shall be a five (5) year period, beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2020 (the "Term"). This Agreement may be terminated pursuant to Article VII below.

ARTICLE III Obligations of the Academy

- 1. Governance. The Board shall be responsible for the governance and oversight of the Academy.
- 2. Good Faith Obligation. The Board shall exercise good faith in considering GPS's recommendations relative to the Educational Program, and other issues including, but not limited to, policies, rules, regulations, procedures, curriculum and budgets, subject to the constraints of law and requirements of the Contract.

- 3. Academy Funds. The Board shall determine the depository of all funds received by the Academy. All funds received by the Academy shall be deposited in the Academy's depository account. Signatories on the depository account shall be members of the Board or individuals properly designated annually by Board resolution. All interest or investment earnings on Academy deposits shall accrue to the Academy.
- 4. Board Policy Authority. The Board is responsible for determining the fiscal and academic policies that will govern the operation of the Academy, including but not limited to, policies relative to the conduct of students while in attendance at the Academy or enroute to and from the Academy and regulations governing the procurement of supplies, materials and equipment.
- Legal Counsel. The Board shall select and retain legal counsel to advise it regarding its rights and responsibilities under the Contract, this Agreement and applicable law.
- 6. Educational Consultants. The Board may retain an educational consultant or consultants to review the operations of the Academy and the performance of GPS under this Agreement, and the cost to employ such consultant or consultants shall be paid by the Board. GPS shall cooperate with the educational consultant or consultants and will provide those individuals with reasonable and prompt access to records, facilities, and information as if such requests came from the full Board. Only the Board shall have authority to select, evaluate, assign, supervise, or control any educational consultant employed by the Board.
- 7. Academy Employees. The Board may employ such employees as it deems necessary, and the cost to employ such employees shall be paid by the Board. The Board retains authority to hire its own employees for the purpose of interfacing and working in conjunction with GPS on certain accounting and compliance matters as deemed appropriate by the Board and who may in the future be given responsibility for some tasks given to GPS under this Agreement upon mutual agreement of the parties as to the specific tasks and financial effect on this Agreement.
- Audit. The Board shall select and retain an independent auditor to perform the annual financial audit in accordance with the Contract and applicable state law.
- 9. **Budget**. The Board is responsible for adopting a budget in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, MCL 141.421 et seq, that has adequate resources to fulfill its obligations under the Contract, including but not limited to its oversight of GPS, lease payments, the organization of the Academy, negotiation of the Contract and any amendments, payment of employee costs, insurance required under the Contract and this Agreement, the annual financial audit and retention of the Board's legal counsel and consultants. In addition, the Board is responsible for determining the budget reserve amount included as part of the Academy's annual budget, for implementing fiscal policies that will assist the Academy in attaining the stated budget reserve amount and for approving necessary amendments to the budget to reflect necessary deviations from the adopted budget. The budget may be amended when deemed necessary by the Board.

- 10. Governmental Immunity. The Board shall determine when to assert, waive or not waive its governmental immunity.
- 11. Rules and Procedures. The Board shall adopt reasonable rules, regulations and procedures applicable to the Academy. GPS shall assist the Board by recommending reasonable rules, regulations and procedures, and also by enforcing the rules, regulations and procedures approved by the Board.

ARTICLE IV Evaluations of GPS

1. **Evaluations**. GPS is accountable to the Academy Board for the performance of students in attendance at the Academy and the operation of the Academy in accordance with the Agreement and the Contract. The Academy Board will regularly, and not less than annually by June 30 of each year, evaluate the performance of GPS to provide GPS with an understanding of the Academy Board's view of its performance under this Agreement. The Academy Board, in consultation with GPS, will determine the format to conduct this evaluation. To assist in the evaluation process, the Academy Board may, in writing, request GPS to reasonably provide written reports to the Academy Board on any topic of Academy activity or operations and which are consistent with this Agreement.

ARTICLE V Compensation and Reimbursement of Costs

- 1. Compensation for Services. During the first, second and third years of the term, the Board shall pay GPS an annual fee (the "Fee") equal to eight percent (8%) of the total aid received from the State of Michigan, pursuant to the State School Aid Act of 1979, as amended, including, but not limited to the foundation allowance and Section 31A funds. During academic years four and five of the term (July 1, 2018 June 30, 2020), the Fee shall be equal to ten percent (10%). The Fee shall be paid as follows:
 - a. Payment of Fee; Fixed Fee Portion. The Board will pay GPS the Fee, and the Payroll Fee described in Article V, Paragraph 4, in part, by payment of an annual fixed fee for each academic year (the "Fixed Fee Portion") in the amount of Seventy-Five Thousand (\$75,000.00) Dollars.
 - b. <u>Variable Fee Portion</u>. In addition to the Fixed Fee Portion provided for above, for the term of this Agreement, the Academy will pay GPS an annual variable fee for each academic year (the "Variable Fee Portion" and together with the Fixed Fee Portion, the "Fee") equal to the amount, if any, by which (i) an amount equal to eight (8%) percent (ten (10%) percent in years four and five of the term) of state aid funds the Academy receives directly or indirectly under Paragraph 1 of this Article from the State of Michigan for such academic year, together with the Payroll Fee, exceeds (ii) the Fixed Fee Portion for such academic year. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, in no event shall the Variable Fee Portion exceed the Fixed Fee Portion for any

academic year. GPS's compensation shall not be based, in whole or in part, on a share of net profits from the operation of the Academy.

In interpreting this Agreement and in the provision of the services required hereunder, GPS shall not have any role or relationship with the Academy that, in effect, substantially limits the Academy's ability to exercise its rights, including cancellation rights, under this Agreement. As required by the Academy's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, the Academy Board may not include any director, officer, or employee of a management company that contracts with the Academy. In furtherance of such restriction, it is agreed between the Academy and GPS that none of the voting power of the governing body of the Academy will be vested in GPS or its directors, members, managers, officers, shareholders, and employees, and the Academy and GPS will not be related parties as defined in Treas. Reg. 1.150-1(b).

- 2. <u>Reasonable Compensation</u>. The parties agree that the Fee amount is reasonable compensation for the provision of the Services. As necessary, the Academy and GPS agree to make adjustments to the Fee, in amounts subject to mutual agreement of the parties, as necessary because of factors such as differences in actual and projected enrollments, differences between actual and projected operating expenses and funding changes mandated by federal, state or municipal sources.
- Paragraph 1 of this Article shall be paid in eleven approximately equal monthly installments beginning in October and ending in August of the following academic year. Such installment amounts shall be due and payable no later than the last day of the month. GPS will cooperate with the Academy to modify the exact date of any monthly installment payment to coordinate with the time of the funds received by the Academy. The compensation due to GPS shall be calculated for each academic year at the same time as the State of Michigan calculates the State School Aid. For each academic year, the installment payments will be based on the approved budget or amended budget until the second Count Day, when adjustments shall be made for the final student count
- 4. Reimbursement of Costs. In addition to the Fee, the Academy shall reimburse GPS for all costs reasonably incurred and paid by GPS in providing the Services specifically related to the Academy. Such costs include, but are not limited to, all employment costs of GPS employees assigned to the Academy, other expenses for equipment, software, supplies, food service, transportation, special education, psychological services, medical services, and other educational services whether provided by GPS employees or pursuant to an independent contractor arrangement. GPS shall invoice the Academy for reimbursement of all employment costs of GPS employees assigned to the Academy. GPS shall invoice the Academy for reimbursement of all other costs with a detailed receipt of goods or services provided. In paying such costs on behalf of the Academy, GPS shall not charge an added fee or mark-up, provided that:
 - a. GPS shall be paid a fee (the "Payroll Fee") in the amount of three (3%) percent of the total gross salary and wages (exclusive of benefits) paid to staff employed by GPS and assigned to the Academy; and

b. GPS may charge the Academy for special education services on the same basis as they charge other schools for which they do not provide management services; however, the Payroll Fee shall not be payable for special education personnel assigned to the Academy.

Marketing and development costs paid by or charged to the Academy shall be limited to those costs specific to the Academy program and shall not include costs for general marketing and development of GPS. Costs or expenses of the management and operation of GPS, including its rent, shall not be charged to or reimbursed by, the Academy. The Academy shall not reimburse the costs for the time of GPS's principals, directors, officers or shareholders in providing Services to the Academy other than services provided directly to students at the Academy; such costs shall be separately broken out on applicable invoices. Any costs reimbursed to GPS that are determined by the independent audit not to be reasonably incurred on behalf of the Academy for Services specially related to the Academy shall be promptly returned to the Academy by GPS.

When possible and desired, the Board may advance funds to GPS for such costs before such costs are incurred (rather than reimburse GPS after the expense is incurred). GPS shall provide to the Academy or the Board proper documentation and accounting of all advanced funds or reimbursements, and such accounting shall be periodically ratified by the Board. All items acquired with Academy funds including, but not limited to, instructional materials, equipment, supplies, furniture, computers, and other technology, shall be owned by and remain the property of the Academy.

- Start-Up Costs. The Academy shall reimburse GPS for insurance, legal, and other Academy costs, with documented invoices, paid by GPS on behalf of the Academy prior to execution of this Agreement.
- 6. Other Institutions. The Academy acknowledges that GPS may enter into agreements similar to this Agreement with other public or private educational schools or institutions (the "Institutions"). GPS shall maintain separate accounts for reimbursable expenses incurred on behalf of the Academy and for reimbursable expenses incurred on behalf of the Institutions. GPS shall only charge the Academy for expenses incurred on behalf of the Academy.

If GPS incurs reimbursable expenses on behalf of the Academy and the Institutions which are incapable of precise allocation between the Academy and the Institutions, then GPS shall allocate such expenses among the Institutions and the Academy, on a pro-rata basis, based on the number of students enrolled at the Academy and the Institutions, or upon such other equitable basis as agreed by the parties.

7. Review of Budget. GPS shall assist the accountant hired by the Academy with preparing and proposing an annual budget for the Academy, and the Board shall review, revise, and timely approve the annual budget all as more fully described in Exhibit A.

8. Procurement Policies. The Board hereby retains the obligation, as provided in Section 1274 of the Code, to adopt written policies governing the procurement of supplies, materials, and equipment to the Academy. Unless otherwise prohibited by law, GPS shall directly procure all supplies, materials, and equipment provided that GPS complies with Section 1274 of the Code, and the Board's written policies promulgated thereunder related to such items. In paying for supplies, materials, and equipment on behalf of the Academy, GPS shall not charge an added fee or mark up.

ARTICLE VI Proprietary Information

- 1. Academy's Rights to Curriculum and Educational Materials. The Academy shall own, without restriction, all proprietary rights to curriculum and educational materials that: (a) are or were directly developed by the Academy and paid for with Academy funds; or (b) are or were developed by GPS at the direction of the Board using Academy funds for the specific purpose of developing such curriculum or educational materials. However, the Academy shall not obtain proprietary rights in any proprietary or licensed education models which the Academy has been granted a license to use by third parties.
- GPS's Rights to Curriculum and Educational Materials. GPS shall own, without restriction, all curriculum and educational materials, and all other proprietary information owned by, developed by or otherwise in the possession of GPS, except as set forth in this Article.
- 3. Non-Disclosure of Proprietary Information; Remedy for Breach. Except as required by applicable law, this Agreement, or the Contract, during the Term of this Agreement and continuing for three (3) years after the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, both parties hereby agree that they shall not use or disclose to any third-party, directly or indirectly, for any purpose whatsoever, any proprietary information or materials without the prior written consent of the other party.

If a party uses or discloses such proprietary information in violation of this Section 3, the disclosing party shall (a) be liable to the other party for all damages, including, but not limited to, lost profits resulting from the breach, and (b) be obligated to reimburse the non-disclosing party for its legal costs and reasonable attorney fees related to the enforcement of this Section 3.

ARTICLE VII Termination

1. Termination by GPS. GPS may terminate this Agreement prior to the end of the Term in the event the Academy fails to remedy a material breach within the required time frames below. A "material breach" in this context includes, but is not limited to, (a) the Academy's failure to timely remit the Fee, all payroll costs, or any reimbursement due to GPS, and/or (b) the

Academy's action or decision-making that is reasonably deemed by GPS to be substantially inconsistent with the recommendations of GPS relative to the Educational Program or the Services. In the event of a breach that involves the failure by the Academy to advance all funds required for payroll, the Academy shall have ten (10) days after notice from GPS to either (i) remit the funds, or (ii) reach a mutually acceptable agreement with GPS related to the payment of the funds. The Academy shall have thirty (30) days after notice from GPS to remedy all other material breaches.

Failure by GPS to (a) declare a breach, (b) place the Academy on notice thereof, or (c) exercise or exert any remedy available to GPS under this Agreement or applicable laws, shall not be deemed a waiver of GPS's right and remedies whatsoever.

2. Termination by the Academy. The Academy may terminate this Agreement prior to the end of the Term in the event that GPS fails to remedy a material breach within the required time frames below. A "material breach" in this context includes, but is not limited to: (a) failure by GPS to reasonably account for its expenditures; (b) failure by GPS to pay the Academy operating expenses as required under this Agreement (provided funds are available); (c) failure by GPS to substantially follow policies, procedures, rules, regulations, or curriculum duly adopted by the Board which are not in violation of the Contract, applicable laws or this Agreement; (d) failure by GPS to provide the Services as required by this Agreement; and/or (e) any action or inaction by GPS that places the Contract in jeopardy of revocation, suspension or termination, as evidenced by written notification from the Authorizer, University Board, Superintendent of Public Instruction, or other authorized body or official.

In the event of a breach that involves the failure by the GPS to pay all funds required for payroll, GPS shall have ten (10) days after notice from the Academy to either (i) pay the funds, or (ii) reach a mutually acceptable agreement with the Academy related to the payment of the funds. GPS shall have thirty (30) days after notice from the Academy to remedy all other material breaches.

Upon expiration or any termination of this Agreement, all advances or billable costs incurred consistent with this Agreement and the Contract, if any, paid by GPS shall be immediately repaid by the Academy, unless otherwise agreed in writing by GPS and the Academy.

Failure by the Academy to (a) declare a breach, (b) place GPS on notice thereof, or (c) exercise or exert any remedy available to the Academy under this Agreement or applicable laws, shall not be deemed a waiver of the Academy's right and remedies whatsoever.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Academy may terminate this Agreement, without cause and without penalty, at the end of the third academic year of the Term provided that the Academy delivers written notice to GPS at least ninety (90) days prior to the end of the then-current academic year.

- 3. Agreement Coterminous with the Academy's Contract. If the Academy's Contract issued by the Authorizer is suspended, revoked or terminated, or a new charter contract is not issued to the Academy after expiration of the Contract, this Agreement shall automatically be suspended or terminated, as the case may be, on the same date as the Academy's Contract is suspended, revoked, terminated or expires without further action of the parties.
- 4. Change in Law. If any federal, state or local law or regulation, or court or administrative decision, or attorney general's opinion (collectively referred to in this Agreement as the "applicable laws") has a substantial and material adverse impact (as reasonably determined by the party suffering the impact) on the ability of the impacted party to carry out its obligations under this Agreement, then the impacted party, upon written notice, may request a renegotiation of this Agreement. If the parties are unable or unwilling to successfully renegotiate the terms of this Agreement within ninety (90) days after the notice, and after making good faith efforts which shall include, but not be limited to, the use of a third party arbitrator and/or alternative dispute resolution process, the impacted party may terminate this Agreement as of the end of the then-current academic year.
- 5. Transition. In the event of the expiration of or any termination prior to the end of the Term of this Agreement, GPS shall provide the Academy "reasonable assistance" for up to ninety (90) days to assist in the orderly transition to another service provider or to a regular school. For the purposes of this section, the term "reasonable assistance" shall mean that GPS shall reasonably assist the Academy to:
 - a. Close the books on the final year of operations as of June 30 and prepare financial records necessary for the audit of the final year of the Agreement in audit-ready form, and hand said records off to the Board or successor management company. In the event that the school calendar runs past June 30 in the year in which the contract terminates, GPS shall have the business and financial records through the end of the school calendar year complete and ready to hand off to the Board or successor management company in a timely manner;
 - Complete student records for the final year of the Agreement and hand them off to the Board or successor management company in a timely manner;
 - c. Complete and organize all Academy documents, including, without limitation, Board minutes, third party contracts, correspondence relating to Academy business, notices, and so forth, by facilitating the depositing of the same in the Academy's designated central depository location in a timely manner; and
 - d. Complete all reporting and compliance requirements attributable to final year of operation in a timely manner.

The parties may agree upon other transition services to be provided by GPS, at a mutually agreed upon fee and documented in a separate contract for services.

- 6. Personal Property upon Termination or Expiration. Upon any termination or the expiration of this Agreement, the Academy may elect (a) to purchase any personal property which has been purchased or leased from a third party solely with GPS funds, provided such purchase or lease is permitted under the purchase or lease documents relating thereto, at the fair market, depreciated value of such personal property or (b) to return same to GPS. All personal property purchased or leased by GPS using the Academy funds is and shall remain the personal property of the Academy.
- 7. Obligations Upon Termination or Expiration. Upon the expiration or termination of this Agreement, the parties shall remain obligated for all financial or other obligations due at the time of the expiration or termination; once all such obligations are satisfied, the parties shall have no further obligations to each other under this Agreement whatsoever except for the continuing obligations under Article VI and Article VIII.
- 8. Effective Date of Termination. In the event this Agreement is terminated by either party prior to the end of the Term, absent unusual and compelling circumstances the termination will not become effective until the end of the same academic year as the notice of termination, provided that the notice is provided to the other party on or before March 31st in such academic year. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "unusual and compelling circumstances" shall include but not necessarily be limited to the occurrence of a "material breach" as defined above in Section 1(a) of this Article VII.

ARTICLE VIII Indemnification and Cooperation

1. Indemnification of GPS. To the extent permitted by law and subject to Section 3 of this Article VIII, the Academy shall indemnify and save and hold GPS and all of its employees, officers, directors, subcontractors and agents, harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that may arise out of, or by reason of: (a) any non-compliance by the Academy with any agreements, covenants, warranties or undertakings of the Academy contained in or made pursuant to this Agreement; (b) any misrepresentation or any breach of the representations and warranties of the Academy contained in or made pursuant to this Agreement; and/or (c) the negligence or intentionally wrongful acts of the Academy's directors, officers, employees, agents or representatives.

In addition, to the extent permitted by law, the Academy shall indemnify and reimburse GPS for all legal costs and reasonable attorney fees associated with the defense of any such claim, demand or suit. If desired, all or part of the indemnification obligations set forth in this Section 1, may be met by the purchase of insurance by the Academy. GPS shall have the right to collect from the Academy any judgment or settlement amounts incurred as a result of the administration of this Agreement. The indemnification in this Section shall also specifically apply, without limitation, to any current claims or litigation at the time this Agreement is executed, as well as any future or additional claims or litigation regarding any prior activities of the Academy.

2. <u>Indemnification of the Academy</u>. During the Term and continuing after any termination or the expiration of this Agreement, GPS shall indemnify and save and hold the Academy and all of its employees, officers, directors, subcontractors and agents harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that may arise out of, or by reason of: (a) non-compliance by GPS with any agreements, covenants, warranties or undertakings of GPS contained in or made pursuant to this Agreement; (b) GPS's breach of the Agreement; and/or (c) the negligence or intentionally wrongful acts of GPS's directors, officers, employees, agents or representatives.

In addition, GPS shall reimburse the Academy for all legal costs and reasonable attorney fees associated with the defense of any such claim, demand or suit. If desired, all or part of the indemnification obligations set forth in this section may be met by the purchase of insurance by GPS. The indemnification in this Section shall also specifically apply, without limitation, to any current claims or litigation at the time this Agreement is executed, as well as any future or additional claims or litigation regarding any prior activities of GPS.

- Immunities and Limitations. The Academy may assert all applicable immunities and statutory limitations of liability in connection with any claims arising under this Agreement.
- 4. Responsibility of the Academy. The Academy shall be solely and entirely responsible for its acts and omissions and for the acts and omissions of the Academy's agents and employees (if any) in connection with the performance of the Academy's responsibilities under this Agreement; provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement is intended, nor shall be construed, as a waiver of the governmental immunity provided to the Academy and its incorporators, board members, officers, employees, and volunteers under section 7 of 1964 PA 170, MCL 691.1407. If GPS is made a party to any litigation involving claims arising out of or relating in any way to any alleged acts and/or omissions of the Academy or its directors, agents, or employees, the Academy shall provide any reasonable assistance requested by GPS in the defense against such claims.
- 5. Mutual Duty to Cooperate. The parties acknowledge that each party has a duty and obligation to cooperate with the other party, and further that such duty to cooperate is a material part of this Agreement. The purpose of the duty to cooperate is to enable each party to perform its obligations as efficiently as possible. The duty to cooperate shall include all areas of the business of the Academy and the Services, including but not limited to potential and actual issues related to employees or teachers as they arise. The duty to cooperate also includes reasonable assistance in the event of litigation or a dispute involving a party related to the Academy or the Services, such as provision of testimony, records and/or documents reasonably related to the litigation or dispute (which are not otherwise protected from disclosure).
- 6. Indemnification of Grand Valley State University. The parties acknowledge and agree that the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees, Grand Valley State University and its members, officers, employees, agents or representatives are deemed to be third party beneficiaries for purposes of this Agreement. As third party beneficiaries, the parties hereby promise to indemnify and hold harmless Grand Valley State University Board of

Trustees, Grand Valley State University and its members, officers, employees, agents or representatives from all claims, demands, or liability, including attorney fees, and related expenses, on account of injury, loss or damage, including, without limitation, claims arising from bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease, death, property loss or damage or any other losses of any kind whatsoever and not caused by the sole negligence of Grand Valley State University, which arise out of or are in any manner connected with Grand Valley State University Board's approval of the application, the University Board's consideration of or issuance of a Contract, the Academy's preparation for and operation of a public school, or which are incurred as a result of the reliance by Grand Valley State University and its Board of Trustees members, officers, employees, agents or representatives upon information supplied by the Academy or the ESP, or which arise out of the failure of the Academy to perform its obligations under the Contract issued to the Academy by Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees. The parties expressly acknowledge and agree that Grand Valley State University and its Board of Trustee members, officers, employees, agents or representatives may commence legal action against either party to enforce its rights as set forth in this Agreement."

ARTICLE IX Insurance

- Academy Insurance. The Academy shall maintain such policies of insurance coverage in the amounts as required by the Contract. GPS shall comply with any reasonable information or recording requirements under the Academy's policies of insurance.
- GPS Insurance. GPS shall maintain separate general liability and umbrella
 insurance coverage, with the Academy listed as an additional insured on all policies. GPS shall
 maintain such policies of insurance in the amounts as required by the Contract.
- 3. Evidence and Notices. Each party shall, upon request, present evidence to the other that it maintains the requisite insurance as required in this Article IX. The policies of insurance of each party shall also provide that the other party receive from the insurer(s) a minimum thirty (30) day written notice of any termination of said policies.
- Workers' Compensation Coverage. Additionally, each party shall maintain workers' compensation insurance, as required by state law, covering their respective employees.

ARTICLE X Warranties and Representations

1. Warranties and Representations of the Academy. The Academy represents to GPS that (a) it has the authority under law to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and to incur the obligations provided for under this Agreement, (b) its actions have been duly and validly authorized, and (c) it shall adopt the necessary resolutions or expenditure approvals required for execution of this Agreement.

- 2. Warranties and Representations of GPS. GPS represents and warrants to the Academy that (a) GPS is a Michigan limited liability company in good standing duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Michigan, (b) GPS has the authority under applicable laws to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement and to incur the obligations provided for under this Agreement, (c) the actions of GPS have been duly and validly authorized, and (d) GPS shall adopt any and all resolutions required for execution of this Agreement.
- 3. <u>Mutual Representations and Warranties</u>. Each party represents and warrants to the other party that except as disclosed in writing to the other party, to its knowledge, there are no pending actions, claims, suits, or proceedings, whether threatened or reasonably anticipated, against or effecting it, which if adversely determined would have a material adverse effect (as might be reasonably determined by the non-affected party if disclosed) on its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE XI Alternative Dispute Resolution

- 1. Mediation. Any and all disputes between the parties concerning any alleged breach of this Agreement or arising out of or relating to the interpretation of this Agreement or the parties' performance of their respective obligations under this Agreement shall first be submitted to mediation for resolution in Livingston County. Both parties must mutually agree upon the mediator selected and shall participate in all meetings in good faith. The mediation shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association seated in Livingston County, Michigan, with such variations as the parties and arbitrators unanimously accept. The parties shall share equally in the costs of the mediation including forum fees, expenses and charges of the mediator.
- 2. Arbitration. If the mediation does not result in a mutually satisfactory compromise, then the matter shall be resolved by arbitration, and such procedure shall be the sole and exclusive remedy for such matters. Unless the parties agree upon a single arbitrator, the arbitration panel shall consist of three (3) persons. The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association seated in Livingston County, Michigan, with such variations as the parties and arbitrators unanimously accept. The arbitrators' award, which shall include a written explanation as to the final decision and award, shall be final and binding. The arbitrator's written explanation shall be made available to the Authorizer. A judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrators may be entered in any court having appropriate jurisdiction, by any party, without the consent of the other party. The parties shall share equally in the costs of the arbitration including forum fees, expenses, and charges of the arbitrator(s). It shall be within the discretion and purview of the arbitrator or arbitration panel to award reasonable attorney fees to the prevailing party.

ARTICLE XII Pupil Performance Standards

1. Pupil Performance Standards. GPS is responsible for and accountable to the Board for the performance of students who attend the Academy. GPS shall cause the Academy to implement pupil performance evaluations which permit evaluation of the educational progress of each Academy student, using measures of student and school performance required by the Contract and such additional measures as shall be mutually agreed between the Board and GPS and that are consistent with the Contract.

ARTICLE XIII Miscellaneous

- 1. Entire Agreement. This Agreement supersedes and replaces any and all prior written or oral agreements and understandings between the Academy and GPS regarding the subject matter hereof. This Agreement, including the Exhibits, constitutes the entire agreement of the parties regarding the subject matter hereof.
- Force Majeure. Notwithstanding any other sections of this Agreement, neither
 party shall be liable for any delay in performance or inability to perform due to acts of God or
 due to war, riot, embargo, fire, explosion, sabotage, accident, labor strike, flood, terrorism, or
 other acts beyond its reasonable control.
- 3. Governing Law. This Agreement and the rights of the parties hereto shall be interpreted according to the laws of the State of Michigan.
- 4. Official Notices. All notices or other communications required by the terms of this Agreement shall be in writing and sent to the parties at the addresses set forth below. Notice may be given by certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, traceable carrier or personal delivery. Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of personal delivery, or, if given by mail, the postmark date. Unless amended or updated in writing, the addresses of the parties hereto for the purposes of this Agreement shall be:

If to the Academy:

Light of the World Academy Attention: Board President

1740 E. M-36

Pinckney, MI 48169

With a copy to:

Shifman & Carlson, P.C.

John A. Carlson

31700 Middlebelt, Suite 126 Farmington Hills, MI 48334

If to GPS:

GPS Solutions, LLC

Attention: Anthony Pendleton

30777 Northwestern Highway, Suite 104

Farmington Hills, MI 48334

With a copy to:

Lewis & Munday, P.C.

Reginald G. Dozier

660 Woodward Avenue, Suite 2490

Detroit, MI 48226

- 5. Assignment. This Agreement shall not be assigned by GPS without prior written consent of the Board. The Academy shall not assign this Agreement without prior written consent of GPS, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. All such consents shall be in accordance with the Authorizer's educational service provider policies.
- 6. Amendment; Effect of Headings. This Agreement may only be amended in writing, signed by a duly authorized representative of each party and in a manner consistent with the Authorizer's educational service provider policies. The underlined headings are included for convenience of the reader, and if the underlined headings are inconsistent with the other text the underlined text shall be disregarded.
- Waiver. No waiver of any portion of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provision, nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless otherwise expressly stated in writing.
- 8. Severability. The invalidity of any portion or term of this Agreement shall not affect the remaining portions or terms of this Agreement. In the event a portion or a term of this Agreement is deemed invalid, the parties shall cooperatively work together to modify the invalid portion or term as minimally as possible to cure the invalidity, while at all times preserving the spirit and purpose of the applicable portion or term.
- Binding Effect. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 10. No Third Party Rights. This Agreement is made for the sole benefit of the Academy and GPS. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, nothing in this Agreement shall create or be deemed to create a relationship between the parties, or either of them individually with any third person, third party beneficiary, fiduciary, or the Authorizer.
- Survival of Termination. All representations, warranties, indemnities, and non-disclosures/confidentiality obligations made in this Agreement shall survive any termination or expiration of this Agreement without limitation.
- 12. Delegation of Authority; Compliance with Laws. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as delegating to GPS any of the powers or authority of the Board which are not subject to delegation by the Board in accordance with all applicable laws. The parties agree to comply with all applicable laws. No provision of this Agreement shall interfere with the Board's exercise of its statutory, contractual and fiduciary responsibilities governing the operation of the Academy. Further, no provision of this Agreement shall prohibit the Board from acting as an independent, self-governing public body, or allow public decisions to be made other than in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.
- 13. **Execution**. The parties may execute this Agreement by facsimile or in counterparts. A facsimile or photographic copy of this Agreement may be relied upon by either party, or any third party, as if it were an original signature copy. If this Agreement is executed in

counterparts, the separate counterpart signature pages shall be combined and treated by the parties, or any third party, as if the separate counterpart signature pages were part of one original signature copy.

- 14. Review by Independent Counsel. The parties agree that each has reviewed, or had the opportunity to review, this Agreement with its own independent legal counsel prior to the execution of this Agreement.
- 15. Modification to Conform to Changed Authorizer's Policies. The parties intend that this Agreement shall comply with Authorizer's Educational Service Provider Policies, as the same may be changed from time to time. In the event that changes in the Authorizer's Educational Service Provider Policies implemented after the date of execution of this Agreement cause any provision of this Agreement to be in conflict the revised Policies, the parties agree to amend this Agreement to eliminate the conflict within thirty (30) days after being advised by the Authorizer of the changes to its policies.

The undersigned hereby execute this Agreement as of the date set forth first above.

Academy:

LIGHT OF THE WORLD ACADEMY, a Michigan public school academy

By: Allega

Its: Board President

GPS:

GPS SOLUTIONS, LLC

a Michigan limited liability company

By:

Its: Member

EXHIBIT A

The purpose of this Exhibit A is to set forth and define the Services to be provided by GPS pursuant to the Management Services Agreement.

PART ONE

EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, GPS shall be responsible for all of the management, operation, administration and education at the Academy, which includes, but is not limited to, all of the following obligations:

- GPS shall implement and administer the Educational Program (defined in Article
 I, Section 2 of the Agreement), including administration of any and all extra-curricular and cocurricular activities and programs, and shall be responsible for recommending and acquiring
 instructional materials approved by the Board, equipment and supplies. Modification of the
 Educational Program may only occur with the prior written consent of the Board and, if required,
 an amendment to the Contract which requires Authorizer approval.
- 2. GPS may perform functions other than instruction, including but not limited to purchasing, professional development, and administrative functions off-site (i.e., not on the Academy property), unless prohibited by the Contract or applicable laws. Student records, which are the property of the Academy, shall be maintained by GPS at the Academy's site.
- 3. Although the Board shall be responsible for establishing and implementing recruitment admission policies in accordance with the Educational Program and the Contract, GPS shall enroll students for the Academy in accordance with such policies provided that said policies are in compliance with the Contract and applicable laws.
- 4. GPS shall provide student due process hearings in compliance with all applicable laws, to an extent consistent with the Academy's own obligations as to students only (and not as to faculty). The Board hereby retains the right to provide due process, as required by law.

- GPS shall administer and provide the Educational Program in a manner which shall meet the requirements imposed under the Contract and applicable law, unless such requirements are waived.
- 6. GPS shall implement pupil performance evaluations consistent with the Educational Program and the Contract. GPS shall be responsible for and accountable to the Board for the performance of students who attend the Academy. At a minimum, GPS shall utilize assessment strategies required by the Contract. The Academy and GPS shall cooperate in good faith to identify other measures of and goals for students and school performance.
- 7. GPS shall plan and supervise special education services to students who attend the Academy. GPS may subcontract these services if it determines that it is necessary and appropriate for the provision of services to students with special needs. Such services shall be provided in a manner that complies with the Contract and all applicable laws.
- GPS shall perform any function necessary or expedient for the administration of the Academy consistent with the Educational Program, the Contract, and Authorizer Policies regarding Educational Service Providers.
- 9. GPS may subcontract any and all aspects of the Services it agrees to provide to the Academy. However, GPS shall not subcontract the management or oversight of the Educational Program, except as specifically permitted in this Agreement and the Contract.
- 10. GPS shall not act in a manner which shall cause the Academy to be in breach of its Contract with the Authorizer.
- 11. GPS shall provide information to the Board on a regular basis, or upon the Board's reasonable request, to enable the Board to monitor GPS's performance under this Agreement.
- GPS shall provide all necessary staff to record and distribute the meeting minutes of the Board's meetings.

PART TWO

BUSINESS/FINANCE SERVICES

1. GPS shall be directly accountable to the Board for the administration, operation and performance of the Academy in accordance with the Contract. GPS's obligation to provide the Services is expressly limited by the budget approved by the Board pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. The Services shall be funded by the Academy budget, and neither GPS nor the Academy shall be permitted to expend Academy funds on the Services in excess of the amount set forth in the Academy Budget.

- 2. In order to supplement and enhance the school aid payments received from the State of Michigan, and improve the quality of education at the Academy, GPS shall assist the Academy's endeavors to obtain revenue from other sources (the "Funding Sources"), and in this regard:
 - a. The Academy and/or GPS may solicit and receive grants and donations in the name of the Academy from various Funding Sources consistent with the mission of the Academy;
 - The Academy and/or GPS may apply for and receive grant money in the name of the Academy from various Funding Sources;
 - c. To the extent permitted under the Code and Contract, GPS or the Academy may charge fees to students for extra services, such as summer and after-school programs, athletics, etc., and charge non-Academy students who participate in such programs.
 - GPS shall assist the accountant hired by the Board in providing the Board with:
 - a. A proposed annual budget that shall conform to the State accounting manual and the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, MCL 141.421 et seq. and in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Board and to Ferris State University Charter Schools Office. The budget shall comply with public accounting standards applicable to public schools and public school academies in Michigan. The budget shall include anticipated revenues and projected expenses and costs reasonably associated with operating the Academy and the Educational Program including, but not limited to, the projected cost of all services and educational programs provided to the Academy, rent and lease payments, debt service, maintenance and repairs to Academy facilities, supplies and furnishings necessary to operate the Academy, taxes, insurance premiums, utilities, professional fees, and other costs and expenses connected to the operation of the Academy. The proposed budget shall be submitted to the Board for consideration not later than 60 days prior to the date of the scheduled hearing on the budget, and will continue to assist the Board through the approval process;
 - b. Detailed monthly statements (or as requested by the Board) not more than forty-five (45) days in arrears. Financial statements shall include a balance sheet, cash flow statement and statement of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balance, detailing the status of the budget to actual revenues and a detailed schedule of expenditures for review and approval by the Board, and if requested by the Board, an aged report of accounts payable and bank reconciliations. The Board must be presented a balance sheet and statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance at each regularly scheduled meeting. This report shall explain any variances from the approved budget and shall contain recommendations for necessary budget corrections and shall be prepared at least seven days in advance of the Board meeting to be included in the Board packets sent to Board members, and its designees, in preparation for Board

meetings. GPS shall provide special reports as necessary to keep the Board informed of changing conditions;

- c. Assistance in facilitating the annual audit in compliance with applicable laws showing the manner in which funds are spent at the Academy, however, it is acknowledged that only the Academy Board shall select and retain independent auditors and the Board shall contract directly with any auditor of its choice, and GPS shall cooperate with the production of any and all documents necessary for the audit; any such audit shall be the property of the Academy;
- d. Assistance with other aspects of the business administration (as determined and as generally understood in the industry) of the Academy as agreed between GPS and the Board.

PART THREE

HUMAN RESOURCES SERVICES

 GPS shall work with the School Leader to recommend staffing levels to the Board, and select, evaluate, assign, discipline and transfer personnel, consistent with applicable laws, and consistent with the parameters adopted and included within the Academy's budget and the Educational Program.

GPS shall be responsible for all personnel functions, including professional development for all instructional personnel and the personnel functions outlined in this Agreement;

- As set forth in the Agreement, GPS shall identify and appoint a School Leader to administer the Educational Program at the Academy (the "School Leader"). The School Leader shall be an employee of GPS.
- 3. GPS shall work with the School Leader to provide the Academy with such teachers, qualified in the applicable grade levels and subjects approved by the Board and consistent with the Contract. GPS shall ensure that the curriculum taught by the Academy's teachers is the curriculum set forth in the Contract. Teachers assigned or retained shall have the requisite training and certification sufficient to administer the Montessori curriculum. Such teachers may also provide instruction at the Academy on a full or part time basis. If assigned to the Academy on a part-time basis, such teachers may also provide instruction at another institution, or other locations approved by GPS. Each teacher assigned or retained to the Academy shall hold a valid teaching certificate issued by the State Board of Education under the Code, to the extent required under the Code and all other requirements as established by the Michigan Department of Education, the Authorizer, and state and federal law.
- GPS shall work with the School Leader to provide the Academy with qualified and necessary support staff as required. The parties anticipate that such support staff may

include clerical staff, administrative assistants and director, bookkeeping staff, maintenance personnel, and the like. Such support staff may, in the discretion of GPS, provide services at the Academy on a full or part time basis. If assigned to the Academy on a part-time basis, said support staff may also provide services at another institution, or other locations approved by GPS.

- 5. Since, except as specified in this Agreement, all teaching, support staff and other non-teaching personnel performing functions on behalf of the Academy, shall be employees of GPS, compensation of all employees of GPS shall be paid by GPS. For purposes of the Agreement and this Exhibit, "compensation" shall include salary and benefits. Evaluation and compensation systems administered by GPS shall comply with all applicable laws, including Sections 1249 and 1250 of the Code. GPS shall pay its portion of social security, unemployment, and any other taxes required by law to be paid on behalf of its employees assigned to the Academy. Unless required by applicable laws, GPS shall not make payments to the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System or any other public retirement system on behalf of its employees.
- 6. GPS agrees that it shall not assign any of its employees, agents, or other individuals to perform any services except as provided for under Article 1, Paragraph 10. GPS shall require that the results of the criminal background check are received, reviewed, and used by the School Leader acting on behalf of the Academy and/or Board, only as permitted by law to confirm that the individual does not have a criminal history and to and to evaluate the qualifications of the individual for his/her assignment. Evidence of such background checks and unprofessional conduct checks required by law shall be stored on site, in a secure location and in physical form, at the Academy or be directly accessible at the Academy facility.

SCHEDULE 7

ACADEMY SPECIFIC INFORMATION & EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

SCHEDULE 7-1 EDUCATIONAL GOALS AND PROGRAMS

EDUCATIONAL GOALS

Standards for Schools Serving from Kindergarten to Eighth Grade:

Standard #1: On the average of all MEAP tests administered or successor state test administered, the public school academy will meet or exceed the performance of its select peer district. A select peer district is the school district Grand Valley State University identifies as a reasonable comparison district for the public school academy.

Standard #2: On the average of all MEAP tests or successor state test administered, the public school academy will meet or exceed the performance of its compositional peer district. The comparison scores for the compositional peer district are populated by the weighted total of MEAP scores from those districts in which the PSA's students physically reside.

Standard #3: The public school academy will not average more than one-half a standard deviation below GVSU's MEAP or successor state test/Free-Reduced Lunch regression model for all grades and subjects included in the model.

Standard #4: The Fall to Spring growth rate of each grade and subject for all groups of pupils for which the administered nationally norm-referenced test is designed will fall at the fiftieth percentile or higher.

Date: 4 23 15

Board President/Vice President Signature

Secretary's Certification:

l certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the LOTWA Board of Directors at properly noticed open meeting held on the 23 day of April 2015, at which a quoru was present.

Board Scoretary

CURRICULUM

The Academy will comply with the requirements of MCL 380.552(20). The Academy will submit a report to the MDE, in a form or manner prescribed by the MDE, that reports the number of pupils enrolled in an online or distance learning program during the immediately preceding month.

Please see separate folder on Contract CD for full Curriculum

SCHEDULE 7-3 STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES

Except as otherwise provided by law, the Academy shall use certificated teachers according to state board rule. The Academy may use noncertified individuals to teach as follows:

- (a) A classroom teacher in any grade a faculty member who is employed full-time by the state public university and who has been granted institutional tenure, or has been designated as being on tenure track, by the state public university, and
- (b) In any other situation in which a school district is permitted under this act to use noncertificated teachers.

All administrators or other person whose primary responsibility is administering instructional programs or as a chief business official shall meet the certification and continuing education requirements as described in MCL 380.1246.

Administrator and Teacher Evaluation Systems. The Academy Board shall adopt and implement for all teachers and school administrators a rigorous, transparent, and fair performance evaluation system that complies with sections 1249 and 1250 of the Code. If the Academy enters into an agreement with an Educational Service Provider, then the Academy Board shall ensure that the Educational Service Provider adopts a performance evaluation system that complies with this section.

Performance Evaluation System Commencing with the 2013-2014 School Year. If the Academy Board adopts and implements for all teachers and school administrators a performance evaluation system that complies with section 1249(7) of the Code, then the Academy Board is not required to implement a performance evaluation system that complies with section 1249(2) and (3). If the Academy enters into an agreement with an Educational Service Provider, then the Academy Board shall ensure that the Educational Service Provider adopts a performance evaluation system that complies with this section.

Parent Notification of Ineffective Teacher Ratings. Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year and continuing on during the term of this Contract, if a pupil is assigned to be taught by a teacher who has been rated as ineffective on his or her 2 most recent annual year-end evaluations under section 1249, the Academy Board shall notify the pupil's parent or legal guarding that the pupil has been assigned to a teacher who has been rated as ineffective on the teacher's 2 most recent annual year-end evaluations. The notification shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the pupil's parent or legal guardian by U.S. mail not later than July 15th immediately preceding the beginning of the school year for which the pupil is assigned to the teacher, and shall identify the teacher who is the subject of the notification.

Teacher and Administrator Job Performance Criteria. The Academy Board shall implement and maintain a method of compensation for its teachers and school administrators that includes job performance and job accomplishments as a significant factor in determining compensation and additional compensation earned and paid in accordance with Applicable Law. The assessment of job performance shall incorporate a rigorous, transparent, and fair evaluation system that evaluates a teacher's or school administrator's performance at least in part based upon data on student growth as measured by assessments and other objective criteria. If the Academy enters into an agreement with an Educational Service Provider, then the Academy Board shall ensure that the Educational Service Provider complies with this section.

Light of the World Academy

JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Principal

REPORTS TO: Board of Directors

SUMMARY: Serves as the educational leader and chief administrator of the Light of the World Academy with responsibility for implementing and assuring adherence to policies, regulations and procedures of the School and of Directors.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A. Ensures that all students are supervised in a safe learning environment and provided instruction that meets and exceeds the State of Michigan Core Curriculum Content Standards, following the approved curricula and directives of the District.
- B. Provides leadership, management, and enforcement of effective and clear procedures for the operation and functioning of the entire School consistent with the philosophy, mission, values and goals of the School and District, including:
 - instructional programs in the Core Curriculum Content Standards
 - extracurricular activities
 - discipline systems to ensure a safe and orderly climate
 - financial management
 - facilities maintenance
 - program evaluation
 - personnel management
 - office operations
 - emergency procedures
 - school and community relations
- C. Ensures School's compliance with all applicable laws, administrative codes, Board policies and regulations.
- D. Provides leadership to the staff to establish programs and activities that will yield student enrichment, rewards and self-esteem enhancement.
- E. Assures purchasing and distribution of instructional equipment and supplies.
- F. Assures student discipline programs and procedures are implemented in accordance with the school's and District's Discipline policy.
- G. Check teachers' lesson plans, grade books and/or grade distribution sheets to assure compliance with the standards of the School.
- H. Involve teachers in the development of new instructional programs and implement standards for educational quality within the School curriculum.
- I. Adhere to, and implement all aspects of the District's performance management and appraisal policy.
- J. Demonstrates the willingness and ability to work with people in a team environment.
- K. Assures staff participate in meaningful and engaging professional development activities
- L. Assure confidentiality of all student and School privileged information.
- M. Maintain positive, cooperative and mutually supportive relationships with the Board of Directors, Charter Authorizer, parents and representatives of resource agencies within the community.
- N. Collaborate and communicate regularly with District level administrators and staff regarding personnel management, financial management, pupil accounting/scheduling and School facility operations.

DRUG FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENT:

The employee shall remain free of any alcohol or non-prescribed controlled substance abuse in the workplace throughout his/her employment in the District.

QUALIFICATIONS: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION: Master's Degree; valid Michigan Teaching Certificate; minimum of five (5) successful years serving in public schools. Minimum of four (4) successful years serving in school administration preferred. Possess Michigan administrator certification. Demonstrated excellence in working with students and their families. Strong excellent leadership and organizational skills. Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of curriculum development and program evaluation, child growth and development, effective instructional strategies, classroom management, learning assessment, diagnosis and research related to learning. Ability to effectively use computer technology and various software applications for word processing, data management and telecommunications.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Manages and evaluates staff. Carries out supervisory responsibilities in accordance with the District's policies and applicable laws. Responsibilities include interviewing, hiring, and training employees; planning, assigning, and directing work; appraising performance; rewarding and disciplining employees; addressing complaints and resolving problems.

LANGUAGE SKILLS:

Ability to read, analyze, and interpret general business periodicals, professional journals, technical procedures, or governmental regulations. Ability to write reports, business correspondence, and procedure manuals. Ability to effectively present information and respond to questions from groups of managers, clients, customers, and the general public.

MATHEMATICAL SKILLS:

Ability to calculate figures and amounts such as discounts, interest, commissions, proportions, percentages, area, circumference, and volume. Ability to apply concepts of basic algebra and geometry.

REASONING ABILITY:

Ability to define problems, collect data, establish facts, and draw valid conclusions. Ability to interpret an extensive variety of technical instructions in mathematical or diagram form and deal with several abstract and concrete variables.

<u>OTHER SKILLS AND ABILITIES:</u> Ability to apply knowledge of current research and theory in specific field. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with students, staff and the community. Ability to communicate clearly and concisely both in oral and written form. Ability to perform duties with working knowledge of all District requirements and Board of Education policies.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand, walk, sit, and talk or hear. The employee is occasionally required to reach with hands and arms and stoop, kneel, crouch, or

crawl. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 10 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision.

The demands of extended work days (coverage of building activities and extra-curricular activities, etc.) requires a high level of physical endurance. This job requires the ability to handle and balance multiple demands at the same time.

<u>WORK ENVIRONMENT</u>: The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

The noise level in this environment is quiet to loud depending upon the activity in the particular part of the day.

EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

This job description has been reviewed with me, and I have received a copy.

I understand that the above are job requirements and, at this time, I know of no limitations which would prevent me from performing these functions, with or without accommodation, and that it is my responsibility to inform my supervisor at any time that I am unable to perform these functions.

EMPLOYEE'S PRINTE	ED NAME:		_
EMPLOYEE:		DATE:	
	(Signature)		
SUPERVISOR:		DATE:	
	(Signature)		

Light of the World Academy

JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Teacher

REPORTS TO: Instructional Leader/Principal

SUMMARY: Responsibility for assuring all students are engaged in learning that maintains rigor and relevance in accordance with state of Michigan's requirements and objectives, and meets district and school-wide curriculum goals.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Instructional Process

- A. Plans and implements a program of instruction that adheres to the district philosophy, goals and objectives as outlined in the adopted course study.
- B. Creates a classroom environment conducive to learning by employing a variety of appropriate teaching strategies including but not limited to project-based learning.
- C. Uses engaging, creative and appropriate assignments and resources to help students make connections with learning outside the educational environment.
- D. Effectively utilizes and integrates a variety of technology into daily instruction with students. Makes purposeful and appropriate lesson plans that provide for effective teaching strategies and maximize time on task.
- E. Plans and implements a program of study designed to meet individual needs of students.
- F. Encourage student enthusiasm for the learning process and the development of good study habits.
- G. Consistently collaborates with staff and facilitates an interdisciplinary curriculum to establish a deeper meaning of content for students.
- H. Prepares substitute folder containing appropriate information as required by the principal or school leadership.
- I. Plans and prescribes purposeful assignments for tutors and volunteers as needed.
- J. Recognizes challenges with learning and makes referrals as appropriate.
- K. Demonstrates strong knowledge of subject matter taught.
- L. Provides progress and interim reports to parents, staff and other appropriate parties as required.
- M. Maintain students' grades, assignments and attendance utilizing applicable software applications.
- N. Performs other related job duties as designated by the principal or school leadership.

Curriculum Development

- A. Keeps current in subject matter knowledge and learning theory and is willing to share this knowledge for continual improvement of the school's curriculum.
- B. Provide feedback and assist in the ongoing curriculum revision process, including the revision of written courses of study.
- C. Becomes acquainted with, and utilizes appropriate supplemental services beneficial to students as an extension of regular classroom activities.

Student Evaluation

- A. Evaluates accomplishments of students on a regular basis using multiple assessment methods such as teacher made tests, samples of students' work, mastery skills check lists, criterion-referenced tests and norm-referenced tests.
- B. Makes appropriate adjustments in the instructional program and as required.
- C. Respects the confidentiality of records and information regarding students, parents, and teachers in accordance with accepted professional ethics, and state and federal laws.

Classroom Management

- A. Develops, in accordance with district school guidelines, reasonable rules of classroom behavior and appropriate techniques that are consistently applied.
- B. Takes necessary and reasonable precautions to protect students, equipment, materials and facilities.
- C. Shares responsibility during the school day for the supervision of students in all areas of the school.
- D. Provides for the supervision of assigned students when circumstances require a brief absence from the assignment.

Student Advisory

- A. Acts as an advisor for a group of students by serving as primary advocate for student both socially and academically.
- B. Monitor's student progress and tracks number of credit hours attained within established quidelines and timeframes.
- C. Conducts home visits to discuss students' progress with parents/guardians as required.

Public Relations

- A. Upholds and enforces board policy, administrative procedures, and school rules and regulations, and is supportive of them to the public.
- B. Maintains appropriate work habits, including regular and punctual attendance and appropriate use of conference and planning time.
- C. Strives to communicate the positive aspects of our school program to the public in word and deed.
- D. Works cooperatively with parents to strengthen the educational program for their children.
- E. Establishes and maintains cooperative relationships with other staff members.

Professional Growth

- A. Continues professional growth through attendance at workshops, seminars, conferences, and/or advanced course work at institutions of higher learning.
- B. Cooperates with the administration in planning appropriate in-service training programs at a school or at the district level.
- C. Attends and participates in staff, department, and committee meetings as required.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

Students

QUALIFICATIONS: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE

Possess a minimum of a bachelor's degree; master's degree preferred. Demonstrated teacher leadership. Strong organizational skills.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Ability to read, analyze, and interpret general business periodicals, professional journals, technical procedures, or governmental regulations. Ability to write reports, business correspondence, and procedure manuals. Ability to effectively present information and respond to questions from groups of administrators, board of directors, staff, and the general public.

MATHEMATICAL SKILLS

Ability to calculate figures and amounts such as discounts, interest, commissions, proportions, percentages, and volume. Ability to apply concepts of basic algebra and geometry.

REASONING ABILITY

Ability to define problems, collect data, establish facts, and draw valid conclusions. Ability to interpret an extensive variety of technical instructions in mathematical or diagram form and deal with several abstract and concrete variables.

OTHER SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Ability to apply knowledge of current research and theory with specific job duties and area of service. Must have strong communication, interpersonal and computer skills. Experience and demonstrated knowledge, and use of PC/Windows and web based applications and software including word processing and spreadsheet applications required. Must have ability to learn and utilize new software programs as systems are upgraded. Typing/keyboarding required with good grammatical spelling and punctuation. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with parents, students, staff, board of directors, vendors and the community. Ability to work in a team environment. Ability to communicate clearly and concisely both in oral and written form. Ability to perform duties maintaining current knowledge of all district requirements and applicable regulatory standards. Satisfactory clearance of required pre-employment screenings and background checks.

CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS

Possess valid Michigan teaching certificate and applicable endorsement(s) as required by Michigan Department of Education. Meet highly qualified teacher requirements.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; and talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to stand; walk; and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee is occasionally required to sit and climb or balance. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT: The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

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EMPLOYEE'S PRINTE	D NAME:		
EMPLOYEE:		DATE:	
	(Signature)		
SUPERVISOR:		DATE:	
	(Signature)		

Light of the World Academy

JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Montessori Teacher

REPORTS TO: Instructional Leader/Principal

SUMMARY: Responsibility for assuring all students are engaged in learning that maintains rigor and relevance in accordance with state of Michigan's requirements and objectives, and meets district and school-wide curriculum goals.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Instructional Process

- A. Plans and implements a program of instruction that adheres to the district philosophy, goals and objectives as outlined in the adopted course study.
- B. Creates a classroom environment conducive to learning by employing a variety of appropriate teaching strategies including but not limited to project-based learning.
- C. Uses engaging, creative and appropriate assignments and resources to help students make connections with learning outside the educational environment.
- D. Effectively utilizes and integrates a variety of technology into daily instruction with students. Makes purposeful and appropriate lesson plans that provide for effective teaching strategies and maximize time on task.
- E. Plans and implements a program of study designed to meet individual needs of students.
- F. Encourage student enthusiasm for the learning process and the development of good study habits.
- G. Consistently collaborates with staff and facilitates an interdisciplinary curriculum to establish a deeper meaning of content for students.
- H. Prepares substitute folder containing appropriate information as required by the principal or school leadership.
- I. Plans and prescribes purposeful assignments for tutors and volunteers as needed.
- J. Recognizes challenges with learning and makes referrals as appropriate.
- K. Demonstrates strong knowledge of subject matter taught.
- L. Provides progress and interim reports to parents, staff and other appropriate parties as required.
- M. Maintain students' grades, assignments and attendance utilizing applicable software applications.
- N. Performs other related job duties as designated by the principal or school leadership.

Curriculum Development

- A. Keeps current in subject matter knowledge and learning theory and is willing to share this knowledge for continual improvement of the school's curriculum.
- B. Provide feedback and assist in the ongoing curriculum revision process, including the revision of written courses of study.
- C. Becomes acquainted with, and utilizes appropriate supplemental services beneficial to students as an extension of regular classroom activities.

Student Evaluation

- A. Evaluates accomplishments of students on a regular basis using multiple assessment methods such as teacher made tests, samples of students' work, mastery skills check lists, criterion-referenced tests and norm-referenced tests.
- B. Makes appropriate adjustments in the instructional program and as required.
- C. Respects the confidentiality of records and information regarding students, parents, and teachers in accordance with accepted professional ethics, and state and federal laws.

Classroom Management

- A. Develops, in accordance with district school guidelines, reasonable rules of classroom behavior and appropriate techniques that are consistently applied.
- B. Takes necessary and reasonable precautions to protect students, equipment, materials and facilities.
- C. Shares responsibility during the school day for the supervision of students in all areas of the school.
- D. Provides for the supervision of assigned students when circumstances require a brief absence from the assignment.

Student Advisory

- A. Acts as an advisor for a group of students by serving as primary advocate for student both socially and academically.
- B. Monitor's student progress and tracks number of credit hours attained within established quidelines and timeframes.
- C. Conducts home visits to discuss students' progress with parents/guardians as required.

Public Relations

- A. Upholds and enforces board policy, administrative procedures, and school rules and regulations, and is supportive of them to the public.
- B. Maintains appropriate work habits, including regular and punctual attendance and appropriate use of conference and planning time.
- C. Strives to communicate the positive aspects of our school program to the public in word and deed.
- D. Works cooperatively with parents to strengthen the educational program for their children.
- E. Establishes and maintains cooperative relationships with other staff members.

Professional Growth

- A. Continues professional growth through attendance at workshops, seminars, conferences, and/or advanced course work at institutions of higher learning.
- B. Cooperates with the administration in planning appropriate in-service training programs at a school or at the district level.
- C. Attends and participates in staff, department, and committee meetings as required.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

Students

QUALIFICATIONS: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

EDUCATION AND/OR EXPERIENCE

Possess a minimum of a bachelor's degree; master's degree preferred. Demonstrated teacher leadership. Strong organizational skills.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Ability to read, analyze, and interpret general business periodicals, professional journals, technical procedures, or governmental regulations. Ability to write reports, business correspondence, and procedure manuals. Ability to effectively present information and respond to questions from groups of administrators, board of directors, staff, and the general public.

MATHEMATICAL SKILLS

Ability to calculate figures and amounts such as discounts, interest, commissions, proportions, percentages, and volume. Ability to apply concepts of basic algebra and geometry.

REASONING ABILITY

Ability to define problems, collect data, establish facts, and draw valid conclusions. Ability to interpret an extensive variety of technical instructions in mathematical or diagram form and deal with several abstract and concrete variables.

OTHER SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Ability to apply knowledge of current research and theory with specific job duties and area of service. Must have strong communication, interpersonal and computer skills. Experience and demonstrated knowledge, and use of PC/Windows and web based applications and software including word processing and spreadsheet applications required. Must have ability to learn and utilize new software programs as systems are upgraded. Typing/keyboarding required with good grammatical spelling and punctuation. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with parents, students, staff, board of directors, vendors and the community. Ability to work in a team environment

Ability to communicate clearly and concisely both in oral and written form. Ability to perform duties maintaining current knowledge of all district requirements and applicable regulatory standards. Satisfactory clearance of required pre-employment screenings and background checks.

CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS

Possess valid Michigan teaching certificate and applicable endorsement(s) as required by Michigan Department of Education. Meet highly qualified teacher requirements. Possess Montessori certification and training. Previous experience working in a Montessori setting preferred.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; and talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to stand; walk; and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee is occasionally required to sit and climb or balance. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT: The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

The noise level in this environment is quiet to loud depending upon the activity in the particular part of the day.

EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

This job description has been reviewed with me, and I have received a copy.

I understand that the above are job requirements and, at this time, I know of no limitations which would prevent me from performing these functions, with or without accommodation, and that it is my responsibility to inform my supervisor at any time that I am unable to perform these functions.

EMPLOYEE'S PRINTE	D NAME:		
EMPLOYEE:		DATE:	
	(Signature)		
SUPERVISOR:		DATE:	
	(Signature)		

Social Worker

JOB PURPOSE

Professional practitioner, responsible for applying specialized knowledge of social work theories and interventions in order to provide student assessment, recommend IEP services and determine eligibility for special education services. Provide social services and assistance to improve the social and psychological function of children and to strengthen home/school/community partnerships and alleviate barriers to learning.

EXPECTED METRICS

- Number of students served
- Number of assessments and tests completed
- Full compliance with regulatory requirements

KEY RESPONSIBIITIES

PROGRAM DESIGN & MANAGEMENT	 Develops and evaluates creative approaches to the assessment, treatment, and rehabilitation of mental disabilities. Evaluates and reports on current and new programs. Provides in-service education of district personnel or parents to reduce systemic problems and improve teaching or parenting skills. Manages caseload and develops an effective schedule which allows for direct service, collaboration and program management.
LIAISON	 Consults with school personnel on social work concerns. Works with community groups to develop supportive resources. Works with IEP team (e.g., school counselors, social workers, speech therapists) and teachers, parents, and administrators to try to alleviate specific problems. Consults with parents on effective intervention strategies. Consults with classroom teachers to help them better understand and work with particular students or manage particular classes.
SERVICE DELIVERY	 Gathers information regarding student and/or program needs. Assesses and evaluates behavior problems resulting in school violations to assess causal relationships. Evaluates students to determine need for emotional and social development services. Conducts social development studies for students referred for special education services. Administers standardized behavior scales. Administers follow-up procedures to confirm hypotheses. Solicits evaluation of services from various client groups. Observes students to assess functioning. Analyzes and interprets information to make recommendations regarding needs for services. Explains nature and purpose of assessments, its use and limitations, in an understandable manner to parents or other professionals.

	 Prepares a written diagnostic report for educational referrals that is comprehensive and objective. Provides crisis intervention services as appropriate and as requested Makes referrals to appropriate resources within the school and/or community. Counsels individual students regarding issues that interfere with educational performance. Implementation of follow-up phases of proficiency testing or IEP reviews Gathers relevant information in the assessment of students experiencing learning and adjustment problems. Analyzes situations accurately and take effective action. Determine student eligibility for placement and to recommend subsequent educational programs and interventions in accordance with federal and state regulations. Prepares case study is summarized in a written report.
PROGRAM EVALUATION & COMPLIANCE	 Completes state mandated social history assessments in the required time frame. Prepares written reports that are succinct, direct, in appropriate language that provides insight into the presenting problem of the student. Maintain records and reports in compliance with regulations. Initiates, designs, collaborates and reports on educational social work research or program evaluation. Oversees the work of IEP Coordinators. Oversees quality of services at all customer schools.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED	
Education/Licensing	MSW in Social Work Michigan licensed School Social Worker
Experience	 5+ years in delivery of Special Education, including 3 years experience providing social work services, facilitating individual or group discussions, and preparing social and family histories. Demonstrated ability to work independently without close supervision.
Knowledge, Skills & Abilities	 Knowledge of special education requirements in K-12 school setting. Ability to form liaison relationships with parents, schools and agencies. Strong organizational skills.

Speech Therapist

JOB PURPOSE

Professional practitioner, responsible for applying specialized knowledge of speech and language theories and therapy techniques in order to provide student assessment, recommend IEP services and determine eligibility for special education services. Investigate and study the underlying causes, precipitating factors, symptomatic behavior, and the emotional and practical education effect of student language, speech, voice and fluency difficulties.

EXPECTED METRICS

- Number of students served
- Number of therapy sessions completed
- Full compliance with regulatory requirements

KEY RESPONSIBIITIES

PROGRAM DESIGN & MANAGEMENT	 Organizes a program that addresses local school speech-language goals. Works cooperatively with school personnel to accomplish objectives of the local education agency Evaluates and reports on current and new programs. Provides in-service education of district personnel or parents to reduce systemic problems and improve teaching or parenting skills.
LIAISON	 Consults with school personnel on speech and language concerns. Works with community groups to develop supportive resources. Works with IEP team (e.g., school counselors, social workers, speech therapists) and teachers, parents, and administrators to try to alleviate specific problems. Counsels patients and/or families in the adjustment to the speech impairment (for speech pathologist positions). Collaborates/consults with classroom teachers in the management of speech-language disorders. Coordinates speech-language services with students provided by other school personnel.
SERVICE DELIVERY	 Conducts speech, language and hearing screenings. Administers formal and informal (ongoing and curriculumbased) assessments. Obtains additional diagnostic information from appropriate persons. Analyzes and interprets information to make recommendations regarding the need for speech-language services. Plans evidence-based interventions appropriate for individual students. Manages facilities, materials and equipment, including assistive technology, necessary to the delivery of services. Adjusts intervention strategies based upon student performance.

	 Gathers relevant information in the assessment of students experiencing learning and adjustment problems. Analyzes situations accurately and take effective action. Conducts observations in the classroom. Conducts interviews with parents and teachers. Inspects and analyzes school records. Determine student eligibility for placement and to recommend subsequent educational programs and interventions in accordance with federal and state regulations. Prepares case study is summarized in a written report.
PROGRAM EVALUATION & COMPLIANCE	 Completes state mandated assessments in the required time frame. Prepares written reports that are succinct, direct, in appropriate language that provides insight into the presenting problem of the student. Maintain records and reports in compliance with regulations. Initiates, designs, collaborates and reports on speech and language research or program evaluation. Oversees the work of IEP Coordinators. Oversees quality of services at all customer schools.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED	
Education/Licensing	MA in Speech & Language Education Michigan licensed Speech & Language Therapist
Experience	 5+ years in delivery of speech and language therapy in a school or special education setting. Demonstrated ability to work independently without close supervision.
Knowledge, Skills & Abilities	Knowledge of special education requirements in K-12 school setting.

Light of the World Academy

JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Office Manager

REPORTS TO: Principal

SUMMARY: Responsible for performing a wide range of clerical and secretarial duties and support to the school's principal, staff, and students.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Manages calendars and schedules appointments for the principal and other assigned staff;
 develop and maintain project management timelines as requested.
- Schedules meetings, coordinate calendars, and reserve rooms as requested.
- Organizes programs, events, and meetings by arranging facilities and caterers, issuing information or invitations, coordinating speakers and controlling event budget.
- Prepares correspondence, letters, flyers, agendas, minutes, presentations, spreadsheets and reports using a variety of software applications including but not limited to MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher.
- Performs accurate record keeping, communication and coordination of functions/activities for school under the direction of the principal or other designated administrators.
- Performs front office and telephone reception duties to include answering telephones, routing phone calls, taking messages, handling inquiries and taking appropriate action.
- Assists students, parents, visitors and vendors (i.e. answering questions, providing information) as appropriate with school and/or student related matters.
- Prepares mass mailings on a frequent basis; handle daily mail distribution and courier services.
- Processes routine paperwork and correspondence; maintains database information as required.
- Maintains current and accurate information in a variety of databases to assure compliance with school and applicable regulatory standards and requirements.
- Collects, counts, tracks and properly secures funds for school/student related expenses and activities in accordance with established policies and procedures; coordinates tasks with district's accounts receivables specialist.
- Creates and maintains student files; responds to requests for student records in accordance with applicable standards, timelines and requirements.
- Performs a variety of pupil accounting and attendance support functions to assure compliance with applicable district, Michigan Department of Education, and other regulatory entities' standards and requirements.
- Assists principal with bookkeeping responsibilities relative to school's budgets and expenditures as requested.
- Assists principal and staff in managing data and information for school's website, intranet, and instructional/student portals.
- Perform research and completes special projects as requested.
- Other duties as assigned/requested by the principal.

DRUG FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENT:

The employee shall remain free of any alcohol or non-prescribed controlled substance abuse in the workplace throughout his/her employment in the district.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:

Minimum of high school graduate and equivalent with two (2) years secretarial/office experience. Associate's degree and two (2) years secretarial/office experience.

CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS: None

LANGUAGE SKILLS:

Ability to read and interpret documents such as safety rules, operating and maintenance instructions, and procedure manuals. Ability to effective write routine letters, reports and correspondence with proper use of grammar and punctuation. Ability to speak effectively to individuals and groups.

MATHEMATICAL SKILLS:

Ability to add, subtract, multiply and divide in all units of measure, using whole numbers, common fractions and decimals. Ability to compute rate, ratio, and percentages.

REASONING ABILITY:

Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of concrete variables in situations where only limited standardization exists. Ability to interpret a variety of instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.

OTHER SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Must have strong communication, interpersonal and computer skills. Experience and knowledge in PC/Windows based applications and software including word processing and spreadsheet applications required. Must have ability to learn and utilize new software programs as systems are upgraded. Typing/Keyboarding required with good grammatical spelling and punctuation. Typing speed minimum: 45 words per minute. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with staff and the school community. Ability to speak clearly and concisely both in oral and written communication. Ability to perform duties with awareness of all district requirements and Board of Education policies. Ability to organize and following through on multiple tasks.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to sit and talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to walk and use fingers, tools, or controls. The employee is occasionally required to stand and reach with hands and arms. The employee is frequently

required to repeat the same hand, arm or finger motion many times (i.e. typing, keyboarding). Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, color vision, and depth perception.

WORK ENVIRONMENT: The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

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METHODS OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND PUPIL ASSESSMENT

Grand Valley State University shall evaluate the success of the Academy by considering multiple areas of performance. A Comprehensive Performance Review (CPR) system will be established by Grand Valley State University Charter Schools Office and shall include, but not be limited to, the performance of the Academy in the areas of student performance, board governance, organizational performance, compliance reporting, facility conditions, fiscal strength and reporting and other pertinent performance data, as required by federal and state law, the authorizing contract, or desired by the authorizer for review.

Included in the Comprehensive Performance Review shall be the requirements of Article VI Section 6.5 of the authorizing agreement, which states:

Section 6.5. Methods of Accountability. In addition to those set forth in this Section 6.5, the Academy shall evaluate its pupils' work based on the assessment strategies identified in the Schedules. To the extent applicable, the pupil performance of the Academy shall be assessed using at least the approved state standardized assessment designated under the Code. The Academy shall provide the University Charter Schools Office with copies of reports, assessments and test results concerning the following:

- a) educational outcomes achieved by pupils attending the Academy and other reports reasonably requested by the University Charter Schools Office;
- b) an assessment of the Academy's student performance at the end of each academic school year or at such other times as the University Board may reasonably request;
- c) an annual education report in accordance with the Code;
- d) an annually administered nationally recognized norm-referenced achievement test for the Academy's grade configuration, or a program of testing approved by the University Charter Schools Office Director; and
- e) all tests required under Applicable Law.

The University Board may use such reports, assessments and test results in making its decision to revoke, terminate, or not issue a new contract at the end of the Contract.

Date: 4/23/

Board President/Vice President Signature

Secretary's Certification:

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Directors at a properly noticed open meeting held on the 23day of April 2015 at which a quorum was present.

Board Scenctury President

ACADEMY'S ADMISSION POLICIES AND CRITERIA

APPLICATION AND ENROLLMENT OF STUDENTS

The Academy shall comply with the application and enrollment requirements identified in this Schedule.

Enrollment Limits

The Academy will offer the grade levels with maximum enrollments as set forth in the following chart:

School Year	Grade Levels	Total Projected Enrollment
2015-2016	K-6	140
2016-2017	K-7	180
2017-2018	K-8	220
2018-2019	K-8	280
2019-2020	K-8	340

The Academy Board will annually adopt maximum enrollment figures prior to its application and enrollment period.

Requirements

Section 504 of the Code provides that public school academies shall not charge tuition and shall not discriminate in its pupil admissions policies or practices on the basis of intellectual or athletic ability, measures of achievement or aptitude, status as a student with a disability, or any other basis that would be illegal if used by a Michigan school district. However, a public school academy may limit admission to pupils who are within a particular range of age or grade level or on any other basis that would be legal if used by a Michigan school district and may give enrollment priority as provided below.

- Academy enrollment shall be open to all individuals who reside in Michigan. Except for a foreign exchange student who is not a United States citizen, a public school academy shall not enroll a pupil who is not a Michigan resident.
- Academy admissions may be limited to pupils within a particular age range/grade level or on any other basis that would be legal if used by a Michigan school district.
- The Academy shall allow any pupil who was enrolled in the Academy in the immediately preceding school year to enroll in the Academy unless the appropriate grade is not offered.
- No student may be denied participation in the application process due to lack of student records.
- If the Academy receives more applications for enrollment than there are spaces available, pupils shall be selected for enrollment through a random selection drawing.

The Academy may give enrollment priority to one (1) or more of the following:

- A sibling of a pupil enrolled in the Academy.
- A pupil who transfers to the Academy from another public school pursuant to a matriculation agreement between the Academy and other public school that provides for this enrollment priority, if all of the following requirements are met:
 - 1. Each public school that enters into the matriculation agreement remains a separate and independent public school.
 - 2. The Academy shall select at least 5% of its pupils for enrollment using a random selection process.
 - 3. The matriculation agreement allows any pupil who was enrolled at any time during elementary school in a public school that is party to the matriculation agreement and who was not expelled from the public school to enroll in the public school academy giving enrollment priority under the matriculation agreement.
- A child, including an adopted child or legal ward, of a person who is employed by or at the Academy or who is on the Academy Board.

Matriculation Agreement

• The Academy Board may enter into a matriculation agreement with another public school pursuant to section 504(4) of the Code.

Application Process

- The Academy shall make reasonable effort to advertise its enrollment openings.
- The Academy's open enrollment period shall be a minimum of two weeks (14 calendar days) in duration and shall include evening and weekend times.
- The Academy shall accept applications all year. If openings occur during the academic year, students shall be enrolled. If openings do not exist, applicants shall be placed on the official waiting list. The waiting list shall cease to exist at the beginning of the Academy's next open enrollment period.
- In the event there are openings in the class for which students have applied, students shall be admitted according to the official waiting list. The position on the waiting list shall be determined by the random selection drawing. If there is no waiting list, students shall be admitted on a first-come, first-served basis.

• The Academy may neither close the application period nor hold a random selection drawing for unauthorized grades prior to receipt of written approval from the University Charter Schools Office.

Legal Notice or Advertisement

- The Academy shall provide legal notice or advertisement of the application and enrollment process in a local newspaper of general circulation.
- At a minimum, the legal notice or advertisement must include:
 - 1. The process and/or location(s) for requesting and submitting applications.
 - 2. The beginning date and the ending date of the application period.
 - 3. The date, time, and place the random selection drawing(s) will be held, if needed.
- The legal notice or advertisement of the application period shall be designed to inform individuals that are most likely to be interested in attending the Academy.

Re-enrolling Students

- The Academy shall notify parents or guardians of all enrolled students of the deadline for notifying the Academy that they wish to re-enroll their child.
- If the Academy Board has a sibling preference policy, the re-enrollment notice must also request that the parent or guardian indicate whether a sibling(s) seeks to enroll for the upcoming academic year.
- An enrolled student who does not re-enroll by the specified date can only apply to the Academy during the application period for new students.
- An applicant on the waiting list at the time a new application period begins must reapply as a new student.
- After collecting the parent or guardian responses, the Academy must determine the following:
 - 1. The number of students who have re-enrolled per grade or grouping level.
 - 2. The number of siblings seeking admission for the upcoming academic year per grade.
 - 3. If space is unavailable, the Academy must develop a waiting list for siblings of re-enrolled students.
 - 4. The number of spaces remaining, per grade, after enrollment of current students and siblings.

Random Selection Drawing

A random selection drawing is required if the number of applications exceeds the number of available spaces. Prior to the application period, the Academy shall:

- Establish written procedures for conducting a random selection drawing.
- Establish the maximum number of spaces available per grade or age grouping level
- Establish the date, time, place and person to conduct the random selection drawing.

The Academy shall use a credible, impartial individual who is not employed by, under contract with, a member of the Board of, or otherwise affiliated with the Academy to conduct the random selection drawing. Further, the Academy shall:

- Conduct the random selection drawing in a manner that is open to parents, community members and members of the public who want to observe the process.
- Use numbers, letters, or another system that guarantees fairness and does not give an advantage to any applicant.

The Academy shall notify applicants not chosen in the random selection drawing that they were not selected and that their name has been placed on the Academy's official waiting list for openings that may occur during the academic year. Students shall appear on the official waiting list in the order they were selected in the random selection drawing.

SCHEDULE 7-6 SCHOOL CALENDAR AND SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE

LOTWA 2015-16 School Calendar

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School Day 8:45AM-4:00PM

25 Minute Lunch 30 min Recess Total PD Days 2 plus early release

MAP Fall 8/31-9/3

MAP Winter 12/15-12/19

MAP Spring 5/4-5/8 (tentative based on M-Step)

^{*}Please note, activity date changes may occur as MDE finalizes dates. School days are firm

AGE/GRADE RANGE OF PUPILS ENROLLED

SCHEDULE 7-7 AGE AND GRADE RANGE OF PUPILS

The Academy plans to open in the fall of 2015 with Kindergarten through 6th grades, adding a grade per year until grades K-8 are offered.

The Academy will comply with Applicable Law and the Terms and Conditions of this Contract, regarding the age or grade ranges of students.

ADDRESS AND DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PHYSICAL PLANT; LEASE OR DEED FOR PROPOSED SITE; OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATE

Address and Description of Facility

Light Of The World Academy

Address: 1740 E. M36, Pinckney MI 48169

Light Of The World Academy is approximately 7,650 square feet and is located on the South side of M-36 between McGregor and Farley Roads. The school sits on a 10 acre parcel of land. The school has classroom space to serve grades K-6, reception office, music room, art room, resource room, storage room and meeting room. School also has a fenced in playground, a recreation field and parking on 3 sides of the building.

Lease-

Coming Soon