

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of this ____ day of _____, 2016, by and between

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

(hereinafter referred to as “SBBC”),
a body corporate and political subdivision of the State of Florida,
whose principal place of business is
600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

and

SIGNTALK, LLC

(hereinafter referred to as “VENDOR”),
whose principal place of business is
1663 E. 17th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11229

WHEREAS, SBBC issued a Request for Proposal identified as RFP 16-126B – Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (hereinafter referred to as “RFP”), dated March 14, 2016 and amended by addendum No. 1, dated March 30, 2016 which are incorporated by reference herein, for the purpose of receiving proposals for Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; and

WHEREAS, VENDOR offered a proposal dated April 11, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as “Proposal”) which is incorporated by reference herein, in response to this RFP; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - RECITALS

1.01 **Recitals.** The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and that such recitals are incorporated herein by reference.

ARTICLE 2 – SPECIAL CONDITIONS

2.01 **Term of Agreement.** Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Section 3.05 of this Agreement, the term of this Agreement shall commence on July 27, 2016, or date of award, and conclude on July 26, 2019. The term of the contract may, by mutual agreement between SBBC and VENDOR be extended for two additional one-year periods, and, if needed, 180 days beyond the expiration date of the renewal period. SBBC’s Procurement & Warehousing Services Department, will, if considering renewing, request a letter consenting to renewal from VENDOR, prior to the end of the term. Any renewal period shall be approved by an Amendment to this Agreement executed by both parties.

2.02 **Priority of Documents.** In the event of a conflict between documents, the following priority of documents shall govern.

- First: This Agreement, then;
- Second: Addendum No. 1, then;
- Third: RFP 16-126B and Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
- Fourth: Proposal submitted in response to the RFP by VENDOR

2.03 **Services:** VENDOR will provide SBBC with services as identified in the RFP Scope of Services and proposed in its Proposal (**Exhibit A**) and in compliance with this Agreement and the RFP and its Addenda and as specified in **Exhibit B**.

- (a) VENDOR will provide educational interpreting/transliterating to a student or a group of students who are deaf/hard of hearing in the communication mode used by the student(s) in one or more educational settings including classrooms, assemblies, discipline or counseling sessions, extra-curricular activities.
- (b) VENDOR will provide interpreting/ transliterating in receptive and expressive mode for classroom lectures or discussions to facilitate communication between students, teachers and peers; this may also include film/video presentations.
- (c) VENDOR will provide interpreting services to adults including parents, community members and employees in the communication mode used by the adult. Activities, which may require the services of an interpreter, including, but not limited to: parent-teacher conferences, IEP meetings, assemblies, school performance, interviews and School Board meetings.
- (d) VENDOR agrees not to employ any individual currently employed part-time or full-time by SBBC during the term of this contract or for a period of one year following separation from SBBC.
- (e) VENDOR will provide copies of current certifications and professional licenses for all interpreters prior to placement.
- (f) VENDOR will provide a cell phone with voice calling and text message capability, local or toll-free number, for use by SBBC to contact the individual employee of an agency during normal working hours.
- (g) VENDOR will provide proof of services provided on an approved voucher form no later than ten school days following the delivery of service to insure timely payment of service.
- (h) VENDOR must have Interpreter and required substitutes or replacements submit to, and pass the screening of, the Special Investigative Unit (SIU), including fingerprinting, prior to working with students as required for all SBBC personnel. All Interpreters shall display an official SBBC identification

badge during contracted work hours. Awardee will be required to pay SBBC the required fee to process the screening.

- (i) VENDOR will comply with all SBBC policies and procedures including procedures for reporting absences or any other District procedures and shall adhere to the highest standards for professional conduct.
- (j) VENDOR will be available to work at any school or location in the District (Broward County).
- (k) VENDOR will provide a qualified substitute to the District if a regularly scheduled Interpreter is unable to work.
- (l) VENDOR will assign the same interpreter for an ongoing assignment to ensure continuity in the students' education. Exceptions are allowed for illness or other unavoidable events.
- (m) VENDOR will provide ongoing training to their staff on the standard practices for educational interpreting. Trainings will also include testing procedures and rules, following the Individual Education Plan (IEP), and guidelines for professional conduct for educational interpreters. SBBC can provide materials of presentations when requested.
- (n) VENDOR will ensure that Sign Language Interpreter assigned reports to the designated staff person upon arrival and before departure to obtain signature on the verification sheet/time sheet. The designated staff has the right to document the actual time of arrival and departure on the time sheet.
- (o) VENDOR will ensure that Sign Language Interpreter assigned reports to the designated staff person if a student is absent or unavailable. Designated staff can determine alternate placement. District Lead Interpreter must approve release from assignment.

2.04 **Cost of Services.** SBBC shall pay VENDOR for services rendered for Manual Interpreting/Transliterating at \$61.33 per hour and for Oral Transliterating Services at \$56.00 per hour. VENDOR may offer SBBC a special educational discount for pricing and reduce the cost of services during the term of the contract. VENDOR may invoice SBBC at an hourly rate less than their original bid price.

2.05 **Payment.** Invoices, unless otherwise indicated, must show Purchase Order numbers and shall be submitted in duplicate to The School Board of Broward County, Florida, Accounting and Financial Reporting Department, Attn: Accounts Payable, 600 S.E. 3rd Avenue, 7th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301. Payment will be made a minimum of 30 days after delivery, authorized inspection and acceptance. When vendors are directed to send invoices to a school, the school will make direct payments to the vendor.

2.06 **M/WBE Participation.** As consideration for being awarded this contract agreement, VENDOR has agreed to utilize the following M/WBE firms: ASAP, LLC (Certificate #7007-7008) to provide Printing Services, Ink & Toner USA Distribution, Inc.

(Certificate # 7007-7017) to provide Office Supplies and Magnified Imaging Solutions (Certificate #7007-5167) to provide Office Supplies.

2.07 **Inspection of VENDOR's Records by SBBC.** VENDOR shall establish and maintain books, records and documents (including electronic storage media) sufficient to reflect all income and expenditures of funds provided by SBBC under this Agreement. All VENDOR's Records, regardless of the form in which they are kept, shall be open to inspection and subject to audit, inspection, examination, evaluation and/or reproduction, during normal working hours, by SBBC's agent or its authorized representative to permit SBBC to evaluate, analyze and verify the satisfactory performance of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and to evaluate, analyze and verify any and all invoices, billings, payments and/or claims submitted by VENDOR or any of VENDOR's payees pursuant to this Agreement. VENDOR's Records subject to examination shall include, without limitation, those records necessary to evaluate and verify direct and indirect costs (including overhead allocations) as they may apply to costs associated with this Agreement. VENDOR's Records subject to this section shall include any and all documents pertinent to the evaluation, analysis, verification and reconciliation of any and all expenditures under this Agreement without regard to funding sources.

(a) **VENDOR's Records Defined.** For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "VENDOR's Records" shall include, without limitation, and any supporting documents that would substantiate, reconcile or refute any charges and/or expenditures related to this Agreement.

(b) **Duration of Right to Inspect.** For the purpose of such audits, inspections, examinations, evaluations and/or reproductions, SBBC's agent or authorized representative shall have access to VENDOR's Records from the effective date of this Agreement, for the duration of the term of this Agreement, and until the later of five (5) years after the termination of this Agreement or five (5) years after the date of final payment by SBBC to VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement.

(c) **Notice of Inspection.** SBBC's agent or its authorized representative shall provide VENDOR reasonable advance notice (not to exceed two (2) weeks) of any intended audit, inspection, examination, evaluation and or reproduction.

(d) **Audit Site Conditions.** SBBC's agent or its authorized representative shall have access to VENDOR's facilities and to any and all records related to this Agreement, and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to exercise the rights permitted under this section.

(e) **Failure to Permit Inspection.** Failure by VENDOR to permit audit, inspection, examination, evaluation and/or reproduction as permitted under this Section shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement by SBBC for cause and shall be grounds for the denial of some or all of any VENDOR's claims for payment by SBBC.

(f) **Overcharges and Unauthorized Charges.** If an audit conducted in accordance with this Section discloses overcharges or unauthorized charges to SBBC by VENDOR in excess of two percent (2%) of the total billings under this Agreement, the actual cost of SBBC's audit shall be paid by VENDOR. If the audit discloses billings or charges to which VENDOR is not contractually entitled, VENDOR shall pay said sum to SBBC within

twenty (20) days of receipt of written demand under otherwise agreed to in writing by both parties.

(g) Inspection of Subcontractor's Records. VENDOR shall require any and all subcontractors, insurance agents and material suppliers (hereafter referred to as "Payees") providing services or goods with regard to this Agreement to comply with the requirements of this section by insertion of such requirements in any written subcontract. Failure by VENDOR to include such requirements in any subcontract shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement by SBBC for cause and shall be grounds for the exclusion of some or all of any Payee's costs from amounts payable by SBBC to VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement and such excluded costs shall become the liability of VENDOR.

(h) Inspector General Audits. VENDOR shall comply and cooperate immediately with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits deemed necessary by the Florida Office of the Inspector General or by any other state or federal officials.

2.08 Notice. When any of the parties desire to give notice to the other, such notice must be in writing, sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the party for whom it is intended at the place last specified; the place for giving notice shall remain such until it is changed by written notice in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the present, the Parties designate the following as the respective places for giving notice:

- To SBBC: Superintendent of Schools
The School Board of Broward County, Florida
600 Southeast Third Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301
- With a Copy to: Director, Exceptional Student Education and Support
Services
Atlantic Technical College – Arthur Ashe, Jr. Campus
1701 NW 23rd Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311
- To SignTalk, LLC: 1663 East 17th Street, 2nd Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11229
- With a Copy to: Joseph Geliebter, Executive Director
1663 East 17th Street, 2nd Floor
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2.09 Background Screening: VENDOR agrees to comply with all requirements of Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes, and all of its personnel who (1) are to be permitted access to school grounds when students are present, (2) will have direct contact with students, or (3) have access or control of school funds, will successfully complete the background screening required by the referenced statutes and meet the standards established by the statutes. This background screening will be conducted by SBBC in advance of VENDOR or its personnel providing any services under the conditions described in the previous sentence. VENDOR shall bear the cost of acquiring the background screening required by Section 1012.32, Florida Statutes, and any fee imposed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to maintain the fingerprints provided with respect to VENDOR and its personnel. The parties agree that the failure of VENDOR to perform any of the duties described in this section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement entitling SBBC to terminate immediately with no

further responsibilities or duties to perform under this Agreement. VENDOR agrees to indemnify and hold harmless SBBC, its officers and employees from any liability in the form of physical or mental injury, death or property damage resulting from VENDOR's failure to comply with the requirements of this Section or with Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 3 – GENERAL CONDITIONS

3.01 **No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.** Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign immunity may be applicable or of any rights or limits to liability existing under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

3.02 **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** The parties expressly acknowledge that it is not their intent to create or confer any rights or obligations in or upon any third person or entity under this Agreement. None of the parties intend to directly or substantially benefit a third party by this Agreement. The parties agree that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert a claim against any of the parties based upon this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by an agency or political subdivision of the State of Florida to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of any contract.

3.03 **Independent Contractor.** The parties to this agreement shall at all times be acting in the capacity of independent contractors and not as an officer, employee or agent of one another. Neither party or its respective agents, employees, subcontractors or assignees shall represent to others that it has the authority to bind the other party unless specifically authorized in writing to do so. No right to SBBC retirement, leave benefits or any other benefits of SBBC employees shall exist as a result of the performance of any duties or responsibilities under this Agreement. SBBC shall not be responsible for social security, withholding taxes, contributions to unemployment compensation funds or insurance for the other party or the other party's officers, employees, agents, subcontractors or assignees.

3.04 **Equal Opportunity Provision.** The parties agree that no person shall be subjected to discrimination because of age, race, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression marital status, national origin, religion, sex or sexual orientation in the performance of the parties' respective duties, responsibilities and obligations under this Agreement.

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3.05 **Termination.** This Agreement may be canceled with or without cause by SBBC during the term hereof upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other parties of its desire to terminate this Agreement. SBBC shall have no liability for any property left on SBBC's property by any party to this Agreement after the termination of this Agreement. Any party contracting with SBBC under this Agreement agrees that any of its property placed upon SBBC's facilities pursuant to this Agreement shall be removed within ten (10) business days following the termination, conclusion or cancellation of this Agreement and that any such property remaining upon SBBC's facilities after that time shall be deemed to be abandoned, title to such property shall pass to SBBC, and SBBC may use or dispose of such property as SBBC deems fit and appropriate.

3.06 **Default.** The parties agree that, in the event that either party is in default of its obligations under this Agreement, the non-defaulting party shall provide to the defaulting party (30) days written notice to cure the default. However, in the event said default cannot be cured within said thirty (30) day period and the defaulting party is diligently attempting in good faith to cure same, the time period shall be reasonably extended to allow the defaulting party additional cure time. Upon the occurrence of a default that is not cured during the applicable cure period, this Agreement may be terminated by the non-defaulting party upon thirty (30) days notice. This remedy is not intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or future exercise thereof. Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude termination for convenience pursuant to Section 3.05.

3.07 **Annual Appropriation.** The performance and obligations of SBBC under this Agreement shall be contingent upon an annual budgetary appropriation by its governing body. If SBBC does not allocate funds for the payment of services or products to be provided under this Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by SBBC at the end of the period for which funds have been allocated. SBBC shall notify the other party at the earliest possible time before such termination. No penalty shall accrue to SBBC in the event this provision is exercised, and SBBC shall not be obligated or liable for any future payments due or any damages as a result of termination under this section.

3.08 **Excess Funds.** Any party receiving funds paid by SBBC under this Agreement agrees to promptly notify SBBC of any funds erroneously received from SBBC upon the discovery of such erroneous payment or overpayment. Any such excess funds shall be refunded to SBBC with interest calculated from the date of the erroneous payment or overpayment. Interest shall be calculated using the interest rate for judgments under Section 55.03, Florida Statutes, applicable at the time the erroneous payment or overpayment was made by SBBC.

3.09 **Public Records.** Pursuant to Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, any party contracting with SBBC is required to (a) keep and maintain available for public inspection any records that pertain to services rendered under this Agreement; (b) provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that SBBC would provide such records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law; (c) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and (d) meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost to SBBC, all public records in that party's possession upon termination of its Agreement with SBBC and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All of such party's records stored electronically must be provided to SBBC in a format that is compatible with SBBC's information technology systems. Each party shall maintain its own respective records and documents associated with this Agreement in accordance with the records retention requirements applicable to public records. Each party shall be responsible for compliance with any public documents request served upon it pursuant to Section 119.07, Florida Statutes, and any resultant award of attorney's fees for non-compliance with that law. Each party acknowledges that this Agreement and all attachments thereto are public records and do not constitute trade secrets.

3.10 **Student Records:** Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within this Agreement, any party contracting with SBBC under this Agreement shall fully comply with the requirements of Sections 1002.22 and 1002.221, Florida Statutes; FERPA, and any other state or federal law or regulation regarding the confidentiality of student information and records. Each such party agrees, for itself, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors or subcontractors, to fully indemnify and hold harmless SBBC and its officers and employees for any violation of this section, including, without limitation, defending SBBC and its officers and employees against any complaint, administrative or judicial proceeding, payment of any penalty imposed upon SBBC, or payment of any and all costs, damages, judgments or losses incurred by or imposed upon SBBC arising out of a breach of this covenant by the party, or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party to the extent that the party or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party shall either intentionally or negligently violate the provisions of this section or of Sections 1002.22 and/or 1002.221, Florida Statutes.

3.11 **Compliance with Laws.** Each party shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, codes, rules and regulations in performing its duties, responsibilities and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

3.12 **Place of Performance.** All obligations of SBBC under the terms of this Agreement are reasonably susceptible of being performed in Broward County, Florida and shall be payable and performable in Broward County, Florida.

3.13 **Governing Law and Venue.** This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any controversies or legal problems arising out of this Agreement and any action involving the enforcement or interpretation of any rights hereunder shall be submitted to the jurisdiction of the State courts of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida.

3.14 **Entirety of Agreement.** This document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements and understandings applicable to the matters contained herein and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this document. Accordingly, the parties agree that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written.

3.15 **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

3.16 **Assignment.** Neither this Agreement nor any interest herein may be assigned, transferred or encumbered by any party without the prior written consent of the other party. There shall be no partial assignments of this Agreement including, without limitation, the partial assignment of any right to receive payments from SBBC.

3.17 **Incorporation by Reference.** **Exhibits A and B** attached hereto and referenced herein shall be deemed to be incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

3.18 **Captions.** The captions, section designations, section numbers, article numbers, titles and headings appearing in this Agreement are inserted only as a matter of convenience, have no substantive meaning, and in no way define, limit, construe or describe the

scope or intent of such articles or sections of this Agreement, nor in any way effect this Agreement and shall not be construed to create a conflict with the provisions of this Agreement.

3.19 **Severability.** In the event that any one or more of the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or provisions contained in this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void in any respect, such shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement and the same shall remain in full force and effect as if such invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or provisions had never been included herein.

3.20 **Preparation of Agreement.** The parties acknowledge that they have sought and obtained whatever competent advice and counsel as was necessary for them to form a full and complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein and that the preparation of this Agreement has been their joint effort. The language agreed to herein expresses their mutual intent and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the parties than the other.

3.21 **Amendments.** No modification, amendment, or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document prepared with the same or similar formality as this Agreement and executed by each party hereto.

3.22 **Waiver.** The parties agree that each requirement, duty and obligation set forth herein is substantial and important to the formation of this Agreement and, therefore, is a material term hereof. Any party's failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of such provision or modification of this Agreement unless the waiver is in writing and signed by the party waiving such provision. A written waiver shall only be effective as to the specific instance for which it is obtained and shall not be deemed a continuing or future waiver.

3.23 **Force Majeure.** Neither party shall be obligated to perform any duty, requirement or obligation under this Agreement if such performance is prevented by fire, hurricane, earthquake, explosion, wars, sabotage, accident, flood, acts of God, strikes, or other labor disputes, riot or civil commotions, or by reason of any other matter or condition beyond the control of either party, and which cannot be overcome by reasonable diligence and without unusual expense ("Force Majeure"). In no event shall a lack of funds on the part of either party be deemed Force Majeure.

3.24 **Survival.** All representations and warranties made herein, indemnification obligations, obligations to reimburse SBBC, obligations to maintain and allow inspection and audit of records and property, obligations to maintain the confidentiality of records, reporting requirements, and obligations to return public funds shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

3.25 **Contract Administration.** SBBC has delegated authority to the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee to take any actions necessary to implement and administer this Agreement.

3.26. **Liability.** This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

A. By SBBC: SBBC agrees to be fully responsible up to the limits of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, for its acts of negligence, or its employees' acts of negligence when acting within the scope of their employment and agrees to be liable for any damages resulting from said negligence.

B. By VENDOR: VENDOR agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend SBBC, its agents, servants and employees from any and all claims, judgments, costs, and expenses including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, reasonable investigative and discovery costs, court costs and all other sums which SBBC, its agents, servants and employees may pay or become obligated to pay on account of any, all and every claim or demand, or assertion of liability, or any claim or action founded thereon, arising or alleged to have arisen out of the products, goods or services furnished by VENDOR, its agents, servants or employees; the equipment of VENDOR, its agents, servants or employees while such equipment is on premises owned or controlled by SBBC; or the negligence of VENDOR or the negligence of VENDOR's agents when acting within the scope of their employment, whether such claims, judgments, costs and expenses be for damages, damage to property including SBBC's property, and injury or death of any person whether employed by VENDOR, SBBC or otherwise.

3.27 **Travel.** There is no reimbursement for travel expenses. Cost of service as identified in the proposal is inclusive of all travel expense by the vendor.

3.28 **School Board Policies.** VENDOR agrees to comply with all School Board Policies, local, state and federal laws.

3.29 **Authority.** Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of either party individually warrants that he or she has full legal power to execute this Agreement on behalf of the party for whom he or she is signing, and to bind and obligate such party with respect to all provisions contained in this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the date first above written.

FOR SBBC

(Corporate Seal)

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD
COUNTY, FLORIDA

By _____
Dr. Rosalind Osgood, Chair

ATTEST:

Approved as to Form and Legal Content:

Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent of Schools



Office of the General Counsel

FOR SIGNTALK, LLC

(Corporate Seal)

SignTalk, LLC

ATTEST:

By Leah Schlager

_____, Secretary

-or-

Suzanne Hersher, Suzanne Hersher
Witness

Maria Jimenez, Maria Jimenez
Witness

The Following Notarization is Required for Every Agreement Without Regard to Whether the Party Chose to Use a Secretary's Attestation or Two (2) Witnesses.

STATE OF New York

COUNTY OF Kings

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 14th day of June, 20 16 by Leah Schlager of

SignTalk, LLC, on behalf of the corporation/agency.
Name of Corporation or Agency

He/She is personally known to me or produced drive license as identification and did/did not first take an oath. Type of Identification

My Commission Expires:

[Signature]
Signature - Notary Public

ILENE STEIFMAN
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01ST5042450
(Sealed) in Richmond County
Commission Expires April 24, 2019

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INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE

GENERAL LIABILITY: Limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence for Bodily Injury/ Property Damage; \$1,000,000 General Aggregate.

Limits not less than \$1,000,000 for Products/Completed Operations Aggregate.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION: Florida Statutory limits in accordance with Chapter 440; Employer's Liability limits not less than \$100,000/\$100,000/\$500,000 (each accident/disease-each employee/disease-policy limit).

AUTO LIABILITY: Owned, Non-Owned and Hired Auto Liability with Bodily Injury and Property Damage limits of not less than \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit.

If Awardee does not own any vehicles, hired and non-owned automobile liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 will be accepted. In addition, an affidavit signed by the Awardee must be furnished to SBBC indicating the following:

_____ (Awardee Name) does not own any vehicles. In the event insured acquires any vehicles throughout the term of this agreement, insured agrees to provide proof of "Any Auto" coverage effective the date of acquisition. (Fax affidavit with Certificate of Insurance to SBBC Risk Management at 866-897-0424.)

ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURANCE CARRIERS: The insurance policies shall be issued by companies qualified to do business in the State of Florida. The insurance companies must be rated at least A- VI by AM Best or Aa3 by Moody's Investor Service.

VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE: Proof of the required insurance must be furnished by an Awardee to SBBC Risk Management Department by Certificate of Insurance within 15 days of notification of award. All certificates (and any required documents) must be received and approved by SBBC before any work commences to permit Awardee time to remedy any deficiencies. **FAX CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE TO SBBC RISK MANAGEMENT AT 866-897-0424.**

REQUIRED CONDITIONS: Liability policies must contain the following provisions. In addition, the following wording must be included on the Certificate of Insurance:

The School Board of Broward County, FL, its members, officers, employees and agents are added as additional insured. The endorsement # is: _____.

All liability policies are primary of all other valid and collectable coverage maintained by the School Board of Broward County, Florida.

(**Please include the Contract # and Title on the Certificate of Insurance.)

(Certificate Holder: School Board of Broward County, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.)

CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE: Vendors are prohibited from providing services under this contract with SBBC without the minimum required insurance coverage and must notify SBBC within two business days if required insurance is cancelled.

Any questions as to the intent or meaning of any part of the above required coverage should be submitted in writing and in accordance with General Condition 5. See also General Conditions 12 and 20.

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2.04 **Cost of Services.** SBBC shall pay VENDOR for services rendered for Manual Interpreting/Transliterating at \$65.00 per hour and for Oral Transliterating Services at \$65.00 per hour. VENDOR may offer SBBC a special educational discount for pricing and reduce the cost of services during the term of the contract. VENDOR may invoice SBBC at an hourly rate less than their original bid price.

2.05 **Payment.** Invoices, unless otherwise indicated, must show Purchase Order numbers and shall be submitted in duplicate to The School Board of Broward County, Florida, Accounting and Financial Reporting Department, Attn: Accounts Payable, 600 S.E. 3rd Avenue, 7th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301. Payment will be made a minimum of 30 days after delivery, authorized inspection and acceptance. When vendors are directed to send invoices to a school, the school will make direct payments to the vendor.

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2.07 **Inspection of VENDOR's Records by SBBC.** VENDOR shall establish and maintain books, records and documents (including electronic storage media) sufficient to reflect all income and expenditures of funds provided by SBBC under this Agreement. All VENDOR's Records, regardless of the form in which they are kept, shall be open to inspection and subject to audit, inspection, examination, evaluation and/or reproduction, during normal working hours, by SBBC's agent or its authorized representative to permit SBBC to evaluate, analyze and verify the satisfactory performance of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and to evaluate, analyze and verify any and all invoices, billings, payments and/or claims submitted by VENDOR or any of VENDOR's payees pursuant to this Agreement. VENDOR's Records subject to examination shall include, without limitation, those records necessary to evaluate and verify direct and indirect costs (including overhead allocations) as they may apply to costs associated with this Agreement. VENDOR's Records subject to this section shall include any and all documents pertinent to the evaluation, analysis, verification and reconciliation of any and all expenditures under this Agreement without regard to funding sources.

(a) **VENDOR's Records Defined.** For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "VENDOR's Records" shall include, without limitation, and any supporting documents that would substantiate, reconcile or refute any charges and/or expenditures related to this Agreement.

(b) **Duration of Right to Inspect.** For the purpose of such audits, inspections, examinations, evaluations and/or reproductions, SBBC's agent or authorized representative shall have access to VENDOR's Records from the effective date of this Agreement, for the duration of the term of this Agreement, and until the later of five (5) years after the termination of this Agreement or five (5) years after the date of final payment by SBBC to VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement.

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(e) **Failure to Permit Inspection.** Failure by VENDOR to permit audit, inspection, examination, evaluation and/or reproduction as permitted under this Section shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement by SBBC for cause and shall be grounds for the denial of some or all of any VENDOR's claims for payment by SBBC.

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(g) Inspection of Subcontractor's Records. VENDOR shall require any and all subcontractors, insurance agents and material suppliers (hereafter referred to as "Payees") providing services or goods with regard to this Agreement to comply with the requirements of this section by insertion of such requirements in any written subcontract. Failure by VENDOR to include such requirements in any subcontract shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement by SBBC for cause and shall be grounds for the exclusion of some or all of any Payee's costs from amounts payable by SBBC to VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement and such excluded costs shall become the liability of VENDOR.

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2.08 Notice. When any of the parties desire to give notice to the other, such notice must be in writing, sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the party for whom it is intended at the place last specified; the place for giving notice shall remain such until it is changed by written notice in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the present, the Parties designate the following as the respective places for giving notice:

To SBBC:	Superintendent of Schools The School Board of Broward County, Florida 600 Southeast Third Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301
With a Copy to:	Director, Exceptional Student Education and Support Services 600 Southeast Third Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301
To:	Community Rehab Associates 3950 3 rd Street North, Suite D St. Petersburg, FL 33703
With a Copy to:	Kelly McDonnel, CEO 3950 3 rd Street North, Suite D St. Petersburg, FL 33703

2.09 Background Screening: VENDOR agrees to comply with all requirements of Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes, and all of its personnel who (1) are to be permitted access to school grounds when students are present, (2) will have direct contact with students, or (3) have access or control of school funds, will successfully complete the background screening required by the referenced statutes and meet the standards established by the statutes. This background screening will be conducted by SBBC in advance of VENDOR or its personnel providing any services under the conditions described in the previous sentence. VENDOR shall bear the cost of acquiring the background screening required by Section 1012.32, Florida Statutes, and any fee imposed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to maintain the fingerprints provided with respect to VENDOR and its personnel. The parties

agree that the failure of VENDOR to perform any of the duties described in this section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement entitling SBBC to terminate immediately with no further responsibilities or duties to perform under this Agreement. VENDOR agrees to indemnify and hold harmless SBBC, its officers and employees from any liability in the form of physical or mental injury, death or property damage resulting from VENDOR's failure to comply with the requirements of this Section or with Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 3 – GENERAL CONDITIONS

3.01 **No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.** Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign immunity may be applicable or of any rights or limits to liability existing under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

3.02 **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** The parties expressly acknowledge that it is not their intent to create or confer any rights or obligations in or upon any third person or entity under this Agreement. None of the parties intend to directly or substantially benefit a third party by this Agreement. The parties agree that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert a claim against any of the parties based upon this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by an agency or political subdivision of the State of Florida to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of any contract.

3.03 **Independent Contractor.** The parties to this agreement shall at all times be acting in the capacity of independent contractors and not as an officer, employee or agent of one another. Neither party or its respective agents, employees, subcontractors or assignees shall represent to others that it has the authority to bind the other party unless specifically authorized in writing to do so. No right to SBBC retirement, leave benefits or any other benefits of SBBC employees shall exist as a result of the performance of any duties or responsibilities under this Agreement. SBBC shall not be responsible for social security, withholding taxes, contributions to unemployment compensation funds or insurance for the other party or the other party's officers, employees, agents, subcontractors or assignees.

3.04 **Equal Opportunity Provision.** The parties agree that no person shall be subjected to discrimination because of age, race, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression marital status, national origin, religion, sex or sexual orientation in the performance of the parties' respective duties, responsibilities and obligations under this Agreement.

3.05 **Termination.** This Agreement may be canceled with or without cause by SBBC during the term hereof upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other parties of its desire to terminate this Agreement. SBBC shall have no liability for any property left on SBBC's property by any party to this Agreement after the termination of this Agreement. Any party contracting with SBBC under this Agreement agrees that any of its property placed upon SBBC's facilities pursuant to this Agreement shall be removed within ten (10) business days following the termination, conclusion or cancellation of this Agreement and that any such property remaining upon SBBC's facilities after that time shall be deemed to be abandoned, title to such property shall pass to SBBC, and SBBC may use or dispose of such property as SBBC deems fit and appropriate.

3.06 **Default.** The parties agree that, in the event that either party is in default of its obligations under this Agreement, the non-defaulting party shall provide to the defaulting party (30) days written notice to cure the default. However, in the event said default cannot be cured within said thirty (30) day period and the defaulting party is diligently attempting in good faith to cure same, the time period shall be reasonably extended to allow the defaulting party additional cure time. Upon the occurrence of a default that is not cured during the applicable cure period, this Agreement may be terminated by the non-defaulting party upon thirty (30) days notice. This remedy is not intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or future exercise thereof. Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude termination for convenience pursuant to Section 3.05.

3.07 **Annual Appropriation.** The performance and obligations of SBBC under this Agreement shall be contingent upon an annual budgetary appropriation by its governing body. If SBBC does not allocate funds for the payment of services or products to be provided under this Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by SBBC at the end of the period for which funds have been allocated. SBBC shall notify the other party at the earliest possible time before such termination. No penalty shall accrue to SBBC in the event this provision is exercised, and SBBC shall not be obligated or liable for any future payments due or any damages as a result of termination under this section.

3.08 **Excess Funds.** Any party receiving funds paid by SBBC under this Agreement agrees to promptly notify SBBC of any funds erroneously received from SBBC upon the discovery of such erroneous payment or overpayment. Any such excess funds shall be refunded to SBBC with interest calculated from the date of the erroneous payment or overpayment. Interest shall be calculated using the interest rate for judgments under Section 55.03, Florida Statutes, applicable at the time the erroneous payment or overpayment was made by SBBC.

3.09 **Public Records.** Pursuant to Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, any party contracting with SBBC is required to (a) keep and maintain available for public inspection any records that pertain to services rendered under this Agreement; (b) provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that SBBC would provide such records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law; (c) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and (d) meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost to SBBC, all public records in that party's possession upon termination of its Agreement with SBBC and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All of such party's records stored electronically must be provided to SBBC in a format that is compatible with SBBC's information technology systems. Each party shall maintain its own respective records and documents associated with this Agreement in accordance with the records retention requirements applicable to public records. Each party shall be responsible for compliance with any public documents request served upon it pursuant to Section 119.07, Florida Statutes, and any resultant award of attorney's fees for non-compliance with that law. Each party acknowledges that this Agreement and all attachments thereto are public records and do not constitute trade secrets.

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3.19 **Severability**. In the event that any one or more of the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or provisions contained in this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void in any respect, such shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement and the same shall remain in full force and effect as if such invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or provisions had never been included herein.

3.20 **Preparation of Agreement**. The parties acknowledge that they have sought and obtained whatever competent advice and counsel as was necessary for them to form a full and complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein and that the preparation of this Agreement has been their joint effort. The language agreed to herein expresses their mutual intent and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the parties than the other.

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3.28 **School Board Policies.** VENDOR agrees to comply with all School Board Policies, local, state and federal laws.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the date first above written.

FOR SBBC

(Corporate Seal)

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD
COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

By _____
Dr. Rosalind Osgood, Chair

Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to Form and Legal Content:



Office of the General Counsel

FOR COMMUNITY REHAB ASSOCIATES

(Corporate Seal)

Community Rehab Associates, Inc.

ATTEST:

S. Luthin
_____, Secretary

By Kelly McDonald_____

-or-

Witness

Witness

The Following Notarization is Required for Every Agreement Without Regard to Whether the Party Chose to Use a Secretary's Attestation or Two (2) Witnesses.

STATE OF Florida

COUNTY OF Pinellas

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 13th day of June, 2016 by Kelly McDonald of Community Rehab Associates, Inc. on behalf of the corporation/agency.

He/She is personally known to me or produced _____ as identification and did/did not first take an oath. _____ Type of Identification

My Commission Expires: March 2, 2020

Heather Berberich
Signature – Notary Public

Heather Berberich
Printed Name of Notary

FF 966921
Notary's Commission No.



INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE

GENERAL LIABILITY: Limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence for Bodily Injury/ Property Damage; \$1,000,000 General Aggregate.

Limits not less than \$1,000,000 for Products/Completed Operations Aggregate.

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AUTO LIABILITY: Owned, Non-Owned and Hired Auto Liability with Bodily Injury and Property Damage limits of not less than \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit.

If Awardee does not own any vehicles, hired and non-owned automobile liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 will be accepted. In addition, an affidavit signed by the Awardee must be furnished to SBBC indicating the following:

_____ (Awardee Name) does not own any vehicles. In the event insured acquires any vehicles throughout the term of this agreement, insured agrees to provide proof of "Any Auto" coverage effective the date of acquisition. (Fax affidavit with Certificate of Insurance to SBBC Risk Management at 866-897-0424.)

ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURANCE CARRIERS: The insurance policies shall be issued by companies qualified to do business in the State of Florida. The insurance companies must be rated at least A- VI by AM Best or Aa3 by Moody's Investor Service.

VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE: Proof of the required insurance must be furnished by an Awardee to SBBC Risk Management Department by Certificate of Insurance within 15 days of notification of award. All certificates (and any required documents) must be received and approved by SBBC before any work commences to permit Awardee time to remedy any deficiencies. **FAX CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE TO SBBC RISK MANAGEMENT AT 866-897-0424.**

REQUIRED CONDITIONS: Liability policies must contain the following provisions. In addition, the following wording must be included on the Certificate of Insurance:

The School Board of Broward County, FL, its members, officers, employees and agents are added as additional insured. The endorsement # is: _____.

All liability policies are primary of all other valid and collectable coverage maintained by the School Board of Broward County, Florida.

(**Please include the Contract # and Title on the Certificate of Insurance.)

(Certificate Holder: School Board of Broward County, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.)

CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE: Vendors are prohibited from providing services under this contract with SBBC without the minimum required insurance coverage and must notify SBBC within two business days if required insurance is cancelled.

Any questions as to the intent or meaning of any part of the above required coverage should be submitted in writing and in accordance with General Condition 5. See also General Conditions 12 and 20.

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of this ____ day of _____, 2016, by and between

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(hereinafter referred to as "SBBC"),
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whose principal place of business is
600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

and

INTERPRETERS UNLIMITED, INC.

(hereinafter referred to as "VENDOR"),
whose principal place of business is
10650 Treena ST #308
San Diego, CA 92131

WHEREAS, SBBC issued a Request for Proposal identified as RFP 16-126B – Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (hereinafter referred to as "RFP"), dated March 14, 2016 and amended by addendum No. 1, dated March 30, 2016 which are incorporated by reference herein, for the purpose of receiving proposals for Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; and

WHEREAS, VENDOR offered a proposal dated April 11, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as "Proposal") which is incorporated by reference herein, in response to this RFP; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - RECITALS

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(a) VENDOR's Records Defined. For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "VENDOR's Records" shall include, without limitation, and any supporting documents that would substantiate, reconcile or refute any charges and/or expenditures related to this Agreement.

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(d) Audit Site Conditions. SBBC's agent or its authorized representative shall have access to VENDOR's facilities and to any and all records related to this Agreement, and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to exercise the rights permitted under this section.

(e) Failure to Permit Inspection. Failure by VENDOR to permit audit, inspection, examination, evaluation and/or reproduction as permitted under this Section shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement by SBBC for cause and shall be grounds for the denial of some or all of any VENDOR's claims for payment by SBBC.

(f) Overcharges and Unauthorized Charges. If an audit conducted in accordance with this Section discloses overcharges or unauthorized charges to SBBC by VENDOR in excess of two percent (2%) of the total billings under this Agreement, the actual cost of SBBC's audit shall be paid by VENDOR. If the audit discloses billings or charges to which VENDOR is not contractually entitled, VENDOR shall pay said sum to SBBC within twenty (20) days of receipt of written demand under otherwise agreed to in writing by both parties.

(g) Inspection of Subcontractor's Records. VENDOR shall require any and all subcontractors, insurance agents and material suppliers (hereafter referred to as "Payees") providing services or goods with regard to this Agreement to comply with the requirements of this section by insertion of such requirements in any written subcontract. Failure by VENDOR to include such requirements in any subcontract shall constitute grounds for termination of this

Agreement by SBBC for cause and shall be grounds for the exclusion of some or all of any Payee's costs from amounts payable by SBBC to VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement and such excluded costs shall become the liability of VENDOR.

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2.08 **Notice.** When any of the parties desire to give notice to the other, such notice must be in writing, sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the party for whom it is intended at the place last specified; the place for giving notice shall remain such until it is changed by written notice in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the present, the Parties designate the following as the respective places for giving notice:

To SBBC: Superintendent of Schools
The School Board of Broward County, Florida
600 Southeast Third Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

With a Copy to: Director, Exceptional Student Education and Support
Services
600 Southeast Third Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

To Interpreters Unlimited: Lisa Campbell, Senior Director
4846 N. University Drive
Lauderhill, FL 33351

With a Copy to: Shamus Sayed, Vice President of Sales & Marketing
10650 Treena ST #308
San Diego, CA 92131

2.09 **Background Screening:** VENDOR agrees to comply with all requirements of Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes, and all of its personnel who (1) are to be permitted access to school grounds when students are present, (2) will have direct contact with students, or (3) have access or control of school funds, will successfully complete the background screening required by the referenced statutes and meet the standards established by the statutes. This background screening will be conducted by SBBC in advance of VENDOR or its personnel providing any services under the conditions described in the previous sentence. VENDOR shall bear the cost of acquiring the background screening required by Section 1012.32, Florida Statutes, and any fee imposed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to maintain the fingerprints provided with respect to VENDOR and its personnel. The parties agree that the failure of VENDOR to perform any of the duties described in this section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement entitling SBBC to terminate immediately with no further responsibilities or duties to perform under this Agreement. VENDOR agrees to indemnify and hold harmless SBBC, its officers and employees from any liability in the form of physical or mental injury, death or property damage resulting from VENDOR's failure to comply with the requirements of this Section or with Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 3 – GENERAL CONDITIONS

3.01 **No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.** Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign immunity may be applicable or of any rights or limits to liability existing under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

3.02 **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** The parties expressly acknowledge that it is not their intent to create or confer any rights or obligations in or upon any third person or entity under this Agreement. None of the parties intend to directly or substantially benefit a third party by this Agreement. The parties agree that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert a claim against any of the parties based upon this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by an agency or political subdivision of the State of Florida to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of any contract.

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3.05 **Termination.** This Agreement may be canceled with or without cause by SBBC during the term hereof upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other parties of its desire to terminate this Agreement. SBBC shall have no liability for any property left on SBBC's property by any party to this Agreement after the termination of this Agreement. Any party contracting with SBBC under this Agreement agrees that any of its property placed upon SBBC's facilities pursuant to this Agreement shall be removed within ten (10) business days following the termination, conclusion or cancellation of this Agreement and that any such property remaining upon SBBC's facilities after that time shall be deemed to be abandoned, title to such property shall pass to SBBC, and SBBC may use or dispose of such property as SBBC deems fit and appropriate.

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notice. This remedy is not intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or future exercise thereof. Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude termination for convenience pursuant to Section 3.05.

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3.09 **Public Records.** Pursuant to Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, any party contracting with SBBC is required to (a) keep and maintain available for public inspection any records that pertain to services rendered under this Agreement; (b) provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that SBBC would provide such records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law; (c) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and (d) meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost to SBBC, all public records in that party's possession upon termination of its Agreement with SBBC and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All of such party's records stored electronically must be provided to SBBC in a format that is compatible with SBBC's information technology systems. Each party shall maintain its own respective records and documents associated with this Agreement in accordance with the records retention requirements applicable to public records. Each party shall be responsible for compliance with any public documents request served upon it pursuant to Section 119.07, Florida Statutes, and any resultant award of attorney's fees for non-compliance with that law. Each party acknowledges that this Agreement and all attachments thereto are public records and do not constitute trade secrets.

3.10 **Student Records:** Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within this Agreement, any party contracting with SBBC under this Agreement shall fully comply with the requirements of Sections 1002.22 and 1002.221, Florida Statutes; FERPA, and any other state or federal law or regulation regarding the confidentiality of student information and records. Each such party agrees, for itself, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors or subcontractors, to fully indemnify and hold harmless SBBC and its officers and employees for any violation of this section, including, without limitation, defending SBBC and its officers and

employees against any complaint, administrative or judicial proceeding, payment of any penalty imposed upon SBBC, or payment of any and all costs, damages, judgments or losses incurred by or imposed upon SBBC arising out of a breach of this covenant by the party, or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party to the extent that the party or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party shall either intentionally or negligently violate the provisions of this section or of Sections 1002.22 and/or 1002.221, Florida Statutes.

3.11 **Compliance with Laws.** Each party shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, codes, rules and regulations in performing its duties, responsibilities and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

3.12 **Place of Performance.** All obligations of SBBC under the terms of this Agreement are reasonably susceptible of being performed in Broward County, Florida and shall be payable and performable in Broward County, Florida.

3.13 **Governing Law and Venue.** This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any controversies or legal problems arising out of this Agreement and any action involving the enforcement or interpretation of any rights hereunder shall be submitted to the jurisdiction of the State courts of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida.

3.14 **Entirety of Agreement.** This document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements and understandings applicable to the matters contained herein and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this document. Accordingly, the parties agree that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written.

3.15 **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

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as if such invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or provisions had never been included herein.

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3.21 **Amendments.** No modification, amendment, or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document prepared with the same or similar formality as this Agreement and executed by each party hereto.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the date first above written.

FOR SBBC

(Corporate Seal)

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD
COUNTY, FLORIDA

By _____
Dr. Rosalind Osgood, Chair

ATTEST:

Approved as to Form and Legal Content:

Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent of Schools



Office of the General Counsel

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California
County of San Diego

On June 14, 2016 before me, Edith Elizondo
(insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared Shamus Sayed,
who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature Edith Elizondo (Seal)



FOR INTERPRETERS UNLIMITED

(Corporate Seal)

Interpreters Unlimited, Inc.

ATTEST:

By 

_____, Secretary

-or-



Witness



Witness

The Following Notarization is Required for Every Agreement Without Regard to Whether the Party Chose to Use a Secretary's Attestation or Two (2) Witnesses.

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____, 20__ by _____ of _____

_____, on behalf of the corporation/agency.
Name of Person
_____, on behalf of the corporation/agency.
Name of Corporation or Agency

He/She is personally known to me or produced _____ as
identification and did/did not first take an oath. _____
Type of Identification

My Commission Expires:

Signature - Notary Public

(SEAL)

Printed Name of Notary

Notary's Commission No.

see attached

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE

GENERAL LIABILITY: Limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence for Bodily Injury/ Property Damage; \$1,000,000 General Aggregate.

Limits not less than \$1,000,000 for Products/Completed Operations Aggregate.

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AUTO LIABILITY: Owned, Non-Owned and Hired Auto Liability with Bodily Injury and Property Damage limits of not less than \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit.

If Awardee does not own any vehicles, hired and non-owned automobile liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 will be accepted. In addition, an affidavit signed by the Awardee must be furnished to SBBC indicating the following:

_____ (Awardee Name) does not own any vehicles. In the event insured acquires any vehicles throughout the term of this agreement, insured agrees to provide proof of "Any Auto" coverage effective the date of acquisition. (Fax affidavit with Certificate of Insurance to SBBC Risk Management at 866-897-0424.)

ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURANCE CARRIERS: The insurance policies shall be issued by companies qualified to do business in the State of Florida. The insurance companies must be rated at least A- VI by AM Best or Aa3 by Moody's Investor Service.

VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE: Proof of the required insurance must be furnished by an Awardee to SBBC Risk Management Department by Certificate of Insurance within 15 days of notification of award. All certificates (and any required documents) must be received and approved by SBBC before any work commences to permit Awardee time to remedy any deficiencies. **FAX CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE TO SBBC RISK MANAGEMENT AT 866-897-0424.**

REQUIRED CONDITIONS: Liability policies must contain the following provisions. In addition, the following wording must be included on the Certificate of Insurance:

The School Board of Broward County, FL, its members, officers, employees and agents are added as additional insured. The endorsement # is: _____.

All liability policies are primary of all other valid and collectable coverage maintained by the School Board of Broward County, Florida.

(**Please include the Contract # and Title on the Certificate of Insurance.)

(Certificate Holder: School Board of Broward County, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.)

CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE: Vendors are prohibited from providing services under this contract with SBBC without the minimum required insurance coverage and must notify SBBC within two business days if required insurance is cancelled.

Any questions as to the intent or meaning of any part of the above required coverage should be submitted in writing and in accordance with General Condition 5. See also General Conditions 12 and 20.

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of this ____ day of _____, 2016, by and between

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

(hereinafter referred to as "SBBC"),
a body corporate and political subdivision of the State of Florida,
whose principal place of business is
600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

and

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE SERVICES CORPORATION

(hereinafter referred to as "VENDOR"),
whose principal place of business is
3700 Commerce Boulevard, Suite 216
Kissimmee, FL 34741-4656

WHEREAS, SBBC issued a Request for Proposal identified as RFP 16-126B – Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (hereinafter referred to as "RFP"), dated March 14, 2016 and amended by addendum No. 1, dated March 30, 2016 which are incorporated by reference herein, for the purpose of receiving proposals for Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing ; and

WHEREAS, VENDOR offered a proposal dated April 11, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as "Proposal") which is incorporated by reference herein, in response to this RFP; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - RECITALS

1.01 **Recitals.** The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and that such recitals are incorporated herein by reference.

ARTICLE 2 – SPECIAL CONDITIONS

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- First: This Agreement, then;
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- Fourth: Proposal submitted in response to the RFP by VENDOR

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(d) Audit Site Conditions. SBBC's agent or its authorized representative shall have access to VENDOR's facilities and to any and all records related to this Agreement, and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to exercise the rights permitted under this section.

(e) Failure to Permit Inspection. Failure by VENDOR to permit audit, inspection, examination, evaluation and/or reproduction as permitted under this Section shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement by SBBC for cause and shall be grounds for the denial of some or all of any VENDOR's claims for payment by SBBC.

(f) Overcharges and Unauthorized Charges. If an audit conducted in accordance with this Section discloses overcharges or unauthorized charges to SBBC by VENDOR in excess of two percent (2%) of the total billings under this Agreement, the actual cost of SBBC's audit shall be paid by VENDOR. If the audit discloses billings or charges to which VENDOR is not contractually entitled, VENDOR shall pay said sum to SBBC within twenty (20) days of receipt of written demand under otherwise agreed to in writing by both parties.

(g) Inspection of Subcontractor's Records. VENDOR shall require any and all subcontractors, insurance agents and material suppliers (hereafter referred to as "Payees") providing services or goods with regard to this Agreement to comply with the requirements of this section by insertion of such requirements in any written subcontract. Failure by VENDOR

to include such requirements in any subcontract shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement by SBBC for cause and shall be grounds for the exclusion of some or all of any Payee's costs from amounts payable by SBBC to VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement and such excluded costs shall become the liability of VENDOR.

(h) Inspector General Audits. VENDOR shall comply and cooperate immediately with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits deemed necessary by the Florida Office of the Inspector General or by any other state or federal officials.

2.07 Notice. When any of the parties desire to give notice to the other, such notice must be in writing, sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the party for whom it is intended at the place last specified; the place for giving notice shall remain such until it is changed by written notice in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the present, the Parties designate the following as the respective places for giving notice:

To SBBC: Superintendent of Schools
The School Board of Broward County, Florida
600 Southeast Third Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

With a Copy to: Director, Exceptional Student Education and
Support Services
600 Southeast Third Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

To: American Sign Language Services Corporation Vanessa LeBoss
3700 Commerce Boulevard
Kissimmee, FL 34741

2.08 Background Screening: VENDOR agrees to comply with all requirements of Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes, and all of its personnel who (1) are to be permitted access to school grounds when students are present, (2) will have direct contact with students, or (3) have access or control of school funds, will successfully complete the background screening required by the referenced statutes and meet the standards established by the statutes. This background screening will be conducted by SBBC in advance of VENDOR or its personnel providing any services under the conditions described in the previous sentence. VENDOR shall bear the cost of acquiring the background screening required by Section 1012.32, Florida Statutes, and any fee imposed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to maintain the fingerprints provided with respect to VENDOR and its personnel. The parties agree that the failure of VENDOR to perform any of the duties described in this section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement entitling SBBC to terminate immediately with no further responsibilities or duties to perform under this Agreement. VENDOR agrees to indemnify and hold harmless SBBC, its officers and employees from any liability in the form of physical or mental injury, death or property damage resulting from VENDOR's failure to comply with the requirements of this Section or with Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 3 – GENERAL CONDITIONS

3.01 No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity. Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign

immunity may be applicable or of any rights or limits to liability existing under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

3.02 **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** The parties expressly acknowledge that it is not their intent to create or confer any rights or obligations in or upon any third person or entity under this Agreement. None of the parties intend to directly or substantially benefit a third party by this Agreement. The parties agree that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert a claim against any of the parties based upon this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by an agency or political subdivision of the State of Florida to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of any contract.

3.03 **Independent Contractor.** The parties to this agreement shall at all times be acting in the capacity of independent contractors and not as an officer, employee or agent of one another. Neither party or its respective agents, employees, subcontractors or assignees shall represent to others that it has the authority to bind the other party unless specifically authorized in writing to do so. No right to SBBC retirement, leave benefits or any other benefits of SBBC employees shall exist as a result of the performance of any duties or responsibilities under this Agreement. SBBC shall not be responsible for social security, withholding taxes, contributions to unemployment compensation funds or insurance for the other party or the other party's officers, employees, agents, subcontractors or assignees.

3.04 **Equal Opportunity Provision.** The parties agree that no person shall be subjected to discrimination because of age, race, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression marital status, national origin, religion, sex or sexual orientation in the performance of the parties' respective duties, responsibilities and obligations under this Agreement.

3.05 **Termination.** This Agreement may be canceled with or without cause by SBBC during the term hereof upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other parties of its desire to terminate this Agreement. SBBC shall have no liability for any property left on SBBC's property by any party to this Agreement after the termination of this Agreement. Any party contracting with SBBC under this Agreement agrees that any of its property placed upon SBBC's facilities pursuant to this Agreement shall be removed within ten (10) business days following the termination, conclusion or cancellation of this Agreement and that any such property remaining upon SBBC's facilities after that time shall be deemed to be abandoned, title to such property shall pass to SBBC, and SBBC may use or dispose of such property as SBBC deems fit and appropriate.

3.06 **Default.** The parties agree that, in the event that either party is in default of its obligations under this Agreement, the non-defaulting party shall provide to the defaulting party (30) days written notice to cure the default. However, in the event said default cannot be cured within said thirty (30) day period and the defaulting party is diligently attempting in good faith to cure same, the time period shall be reasonably extended to allow the defaulting party additional cure time. Upon the occurrence of a default that is not cured during the applicable cure period, this Agreement may be terminated by the non-defaulting party upon thirty (30) days notice. This remedy is not intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or future exercise thereof.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude termination for convenience pursuant to Section 3.05.

3.07 **Annual Appropriation.** The performance and obligations of SBBC under this Agreement shall be contingent upon an annual budgetary appropriation by its governing body. If SBBC does not allocate funds for the payment of services or products to be provided under this Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by SBBC at the end of the period for which funds have been allocated. SBBC shall notify the other party at the earliest possible time before such termination. No penalty shall accrue to SBBC in the event this provision is exercised, and SBBC shall not be obligated or liable for any future payments due or any damages as a result of termination under this section.

3.08 **Excess Funds.** Any party receiving funds paid by SBBC under this Agreement agrees to promptly notify SBBC of any funds erroneously received from SBBC upon the discovery of such erroneous payment or overpayment. Any such excess funds shall be refunded to SBBC with interest calculated from the date of the erroneous payment or overpayment. Interest shall be calculated using the interest rate for judgments under Section 55.03, Florida Statutes, applicable at the time the erroneous payment or overpayment was made by SBBC.

3.09 **Public Records.** Pursuant to Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, any party contracting with SBBC is required to (a) keep and maintain available for public inspection any records that pertain to services rendered under this Agreement; (b) provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that SBBC would provide such records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law; (c) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and (d) meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost to SBBC, all public records in that party's possession upon termination of its Agreement with SBBC and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All of such party's records stored electronically must be provided to SBBC in a format that is compatible with SBBC's information technology systems. Each party shall maintain its own respective records and documents associated with this Agreement in accordance with the records retention requirements applicable to public records. Each party shall be responsible for compliance with any public documents request served upon it pursuant to Section 119.07, Florida Statutes, and any resultant award of attorney's fees for non-compliance with that law. Each party acknowledges that this Agreement and all attachments thereto are public records and do not constitute trade secrets.

3.10 **Student Records:** Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within this Agreement, any party contracting with SBBC under this Agreement shall fully comply with the requirements of Sections 1002.22 and 1002.221, Florida Statutes; FERPA, and any other state or federal law or regulation regarding the confidentiality of student information and records. Each such party agrees, for itself, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors or subcontractors, to fully indemnify and hold harmless SBBC and its officers and employees for any violation of this section, including, without limitation, defending SBBC and its officers and employees against any complaint, administrative or judicial proceeding, payment of any penalty imposed upon SBBC, or payment of any and all costs, damages, judgments or losses incurred by or imposed upon SBBC arising out of a breach of this covenant by the party, or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party to the extent that the

party or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party shall either intentionally or negligently violate the provisions of this section or of Sections 1002.22 and/or 1002.221, Florida Statutes.

3.11 **Compliance with Laws.** Each party shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, codes, rules and regulations in performing its duties, responsibilities and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

3.12 **Place of Performance.** All obligations of SBBC under the terms of this Agreement are reasonably susceptible of being performed in Broward County, Florida and shall be payable and performable in Broward County, Florida.

3.13 **Governing Law and Venue.** This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any controversies or legal problems arising out of this Agreement and any action involving the enforcement or interpretation of any rights hereunder shall be submitted to the jurisdiction of the State courts of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida.

3.14 **Entirety of Agreement.** This document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements and understandings applicable to the matters contained herein and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this document. Accordingly, the parties agree that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written.

3.15 **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

3.16 **Assignment.** Neither this Agreement nor any interest herein may be assigned, transferred or encumbered by any party without the prior written consent of the other party. There shall be no partial assignments of this Agreement including, without limitation, the partial assignment of any right to receive payments from SBBC.

3.17 **Incorporation by Reference.** **Exhibits A and B** attached hereto and referenced herein shall be deemed to be incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

3.18 **Captions.** The captions, section designations, section numbers, article numbers, titles and headings appearing in this Agreement are inserted only as a matter of convenience, have no substantive meaning, and in no way define, limit, construe or describe the scope or intent of such articles or sections of this Agreement, nor in any way effect this Agreement and shall not be construed to create a conflict with the provisions of this Agreement.

3.19 **Severability.** In the event that any one or more of the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or provisions contained in this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void in any respect, such shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement and the same shall remain in full force and effect as if such invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or provisions had never been included herein.

3.20 **Preparation of Agreement.** The parties acknowledge that they have sought and obtained whatever competent advice and counsel as was necessary for them to form a full and

complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein and that the preparation of this Agreement has been their joint effort. The language agreed to herein expresses their mutual intent and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the parties than the other.

3.21 **Amendments.** No modification, amendment, or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document prepared with the same or similar formality as this Agreement and executed by each party hereto.

3.22 **Waiver.** The parties agree that each requirement, duty and obligation set forth herein is substantial and important to the formation of this Agreement and, therefore, is a material term hereof. Any party's failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of such provision or modification of this Agreement unless the waiver is in writing and signed by the party waiving such provision. A written waiver shall only be effective as to the specific instance for which it is obtained and shall not be deemed a continuing or future waiver.

3.23 **Force Majeure.** Neither party shall be obligated to perform any duty, requirement or obligation under this Agreement if such performance is prevented by fire, hurricane, earthquake, explosion, wars, sabotage, accident, flood, acts of God, strikes, or other labor disputes, riot or civil commotions, or by reason of any other matter or condition beyond the control of either party, and which cannot be overcome by reasonable diligence and without unusual expense ("Force Majeure"). In no event shall a lack of funds on the part of either party be deemed Force Majeure.

3.24 **Survival.** All representations and warranties made herein, indemnification obligations, obligations to reimburse SBBC, obligations to maintain and allow inspection and audit of records and property, obligations to maintain the confidentiality of records, reporting requirements, and obligations to return public funds shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

3.25 **Contract Administration.** SBBC has delegated authority to the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee to take any actions necessary to implement and administer this Agreement.

3.26. **Liability.** This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

A. By SBBC: SBBC agrees to be fully responsible up to the limits of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, for its acts of negligence, or its employees' acts of negligence when acting within the scope of their employment and agrees to be liable for any damages resulting from said negligence.

B. By VENDOR: VENDOR agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend SBBC, its agents, servants and employees from any and all claims, judgments, costs, and expenses including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, reasonable investigative and discovery costs, court costs and all other sums which SBBC, its agents, servants and employees may pay or become obligated to pay on account of any, all and every claim or demand, or assertion of liability, or any claim or action founded thereon, arising or alleged to have arisen out of the products, goods or services furnished by VENDOR, its agents, servants or employees; the equipment of VENDOR, its agents, servants or employees while such equipment is on premises

owned or controlled by SBBC; or the negligence of VENDOR or the negligence of VENDOR's agents when acting within the scope of their employment, whether such claims, judgments, costs and expenses be for damages, damage to property including SBBC's property, and injury or death of any person whether employed by VENDOR, SBBC or otherwise.

3.27 **Travel.** There is no reimbursement for travel expenses. Cost of service as identified in the proposal is inclusive of all travel expense by the vendor.

3.28 **School Board Policies.** VENDOR agrees to comply with all School Board Policies, local, state and federal laws.

3.29 **Authority.** Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of either party individually warrants that he or she has full legal power to execute this Agreement on behalf of the party for whom he or she is signing, and to bind and obligate such party with respect to all provisions contained in this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the date first above written.

FOR SBBC

(Corporate Seal)

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

By _____
Dr. Rosalind Osgood, Chair

ATTEST:

Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to Form and Legal Content:



Office of the General Counsel

FOR AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE SERVICES CORPORATION

(Corporate Seal)

American Sign Language Services Corporation

ATTEST:

By [Signature]

_____, Secretary

-or-

[Signature]
Witness

[Signature]
Witness

The Following Notarization is Required for Every Agreement Without Regard to Whether the Party Chose to Use a Secretary's Attestation or Two (2) Witnesses.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF OSCEOLA

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 14 day of JUNE, 20 16 by JULIAN IGNATOWSKI of AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INC. on behalf of the corporation/agency.

Name of Corporation or Agency
He/She is personally known to me or produced _____ as identification and did/did not first take an oath. _____ Type of Identification

My Commission Expires: 10/10/16

[Signature]
Signature - Notary Public

KATHLEEN A. DICKSON
Printed Name of Notary

(SEAL)

EE 836230
Notary's Commission No.



INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE

GENERAL LIABILITY: Limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence for Bodily Injury/ Property Damage; \$1,000,000 General Aggregate.

Limits not less than \$1,000,000 for Products/Completed Operations Aggregate.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION: Florida Statutory limits in accordance with Chapter 440; Employer's Liability limits not less than \$100,000/\$100,000/\$500,000 (each accident/disease-each employee/disease-policy limit).

AUTO LIABILITY: Owned, Non-Owned and Hired Auto Liability with Bodily Injury and Property Damage limits of not less than \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit.

If Awardee does not own any vehicles, hired and non-owned automobile liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 will be accepted. In addition, an affidavit signed by the Awardee must be furnished to SBBC indicating the following:

_____ (Awardee Name) does not own any vehicles. In the event insured acquires any vehicles throughout the term of this agreement, insured agrees to provide proof of "Any Auto" coverage effective the date of acquisition. (Fax affidavit with Certificate of Insurance to SBBC Risk Management at 866-897-0424.)

ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURANCE CARRIERS: The insurance policies shall be issued by companies qualified to do business in the State of Florida. The insurance companies must be rated at least A- VI by AM Best or Aa3 by Moody's Investor Service.

VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE: Proof of the required insurance must be furnished by an Awardee to SBBC Risk Management Department by Certificate of Insurance within 15 days of notification of award. All certificates (and any required documents) must be received and approved by SBBC before any work commences to permit Awardee time to remedy any deficiencies. **FAX CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE TO SBBC RISK MANAGEMENT AT 866-897-0424.**

REQUIRED CONDITIONS: Liability policies must contain the following provisions. In addition, the following wording must be included on the Certificate of Insurance:

The School Board of Broward County, FL, its members, officers, employees and agents are added as additional insured. The endorsement # is: _____.

All liability policies are primary of all other valid and collectable coverage maintained by the School Board of Broward County, Florida.

(**Please include the Contract # and Title on the Certificate of Insurance.)

(Certificate Holder: School Board of Broward County, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.)

CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE: Vendors are prohibited from providing services under this contract with SBBC without the minimum required insurance coverage and must notify SBBC within two business days if required insurance is cancelled.

Any questions as to the intent or meaning of any part of the above required coverage should be submitted in writing and in accordance with General Condition 5. See also General Conditions 12 and 20.

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of this ____ day of _____, 2016, by and between

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

(hereinafter referred to as “SBBC”),
a body corporate and political subdivision of the State of Florida,
whose principal place of business is
600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

and

CODA LINK, INC.

(hereinafter referred to as “VENDOR”),
whose principal place of business is
8963 Stirling Road, Suite 6
Cooper City, FL 33328.

WHEREAS, SBBC issued a Request for Proposal identified as RFP 16-126B – Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (hereinafter referred to as “RFP”), dated March 14, 2016 and amended by addendum No. 1, dated March 30, 2016 which are incorporated by reference herein, for the purpose of receiving proposals for Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; and

WHEREAS, VENDOR offered a proposal dated April 11, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as “Proposal”) which is incorporated by reference herein, in response to this RFP; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - RECITALS

1.01 **Recitals.** The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and that such recitals are incorporated herein by reference.

ARTICLE 2 – SPECIAL CONDITIONS

2.01 **Term of Agreement.** Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Section 3.05 of this Agreement, the term of this Agreement shall commence on July 27, 2016, or date of award, and conclude on June 26, 2019. The term of the contract may, by mutual agreement between SBBC and VENDOR be extended for two additional one-year periods, and, if needed, 180 days beyond the expiration date of the renewal period. SBBC’s Procurement & Warehousing Services Department, will, if considering renewing, request a letter consenting to renewal from VENDOR, prior to the end of the term. Any renewal period shall be approved by an Amendment to this Agreement executed by both parties.

2.02 **Priority of Documents.** In the event of a conflict between documents, the following priority of documents shall govern.

- First: This Agreement, then;
- Second: Addendum No. 1, then;
- Third: RFP 16-126B and Interpreter Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
- Fourth: Proposal submitted in response to the RFP by VENDOR

2.03 **Services:** VENDOR will provide SBBC with services as identified in the RFP Scope of Services and proposed in its Proposal (**Exhibit A**) and in compliance with this Agreement and the RFP and its Addenda and as specified in **Exhibit B**.

- (a) VENDOR will provide educational interpreting/transliterating to a student or a group of students who are deaf/hard of hearing in the communication mode used by the student(s) in one or more educational settings including classrooms, assemblies, discipline or counseling sessions, extra-curricular activities.
- (b) VENDOR will provide interpreting/ transliterating in receptive and expressive mode for classroom lectures or discussions to facilitate communication between students, teachers and peers; this may also include film/video presentations.
- (c) VENDOR will provide interpreting services to adults including parents, community members and employees in the communication mode used by the adult. Activities, which may require the services of an interpreter, including, but not limited to: parent-teacher conferences, IEP meetings, assemblies, school performance, interviews and School Board meetings.
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- (e) VENDOR will provide copies of current certifications and professional licenses for all interpreters prior to placement.
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- (g) VENDOR will provide proof of services provided on an approved voucher form no later than ten school days following the delivery of service to insure timely payment of service.
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providing services or goods with regard to this Agreement to comply with the requirements of this section by insertion of such requirements in any written subcontract. Failure by VENDOR to include such requirements in any subcontract shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement by SBBC for cause and shall be grounds for the exclusion of some or all of any Payee's costs from amounts payable by SBBC to VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement and such excluded costs shall become the liability of VENDOR.

(h) Inspector General Audits. VENDOR shall comply and cooperate immediately with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits deemed necessary by the Florida Office of the Inspector General or by any other state or federal officials.

2.08 **Notice.** When any of the parties desire to give notice to the other, such notice must be in writing, sent by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the party for whom it is intended at the place last specified; the place for giving notice shall remain such until it is changed by written notice in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the present, the Parties designate the following as the respective places for giving notice:

To SBBC: Superintendent of Schools
The School Board of Broward County, Florida
600 Southeast Third Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

With a Copy to: Director, Exceptional Student Education and
Support Services
600 Southeast Third Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

To CODA Link, Inc.: Donna R. Fernandez, Executive Director
8963 Stirling Road, Suite 6
Cooper City FL 33328

2.09 **Background Screening:** VENDOR agrees to comply with all requirements of Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes, and all of its personnel who (1) are to be permitted access to school grounds when students are present, (2) will have direct contact with students, or (3) have access or control of school funds, will successfully complete the background screening required by the referenced statutes and meet the standards established by the statutes. This background screening will be conducted by SBBC in advance of VENDOR or its personnel providing any services under the conditions described in the previous sentence. VENDOR shall bear the cost of acquiring the background screening required by Section 1012.32, Florida Statutes, and any fee imposed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to maintain the fingerprints provided with respect to VENDOR and its personnel. The parties agree that the failure of VENDOR to perform any of the duties described in this section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement entitling SBBC to terminate immediately with no further responsibilities or duties to perform under this Agreement. VENDOR agrees to indemnify and hold harmless SBBC, its officers and employees from any liability in the form of physical or mental injury, death or property damage resulting from VENDOR's failure to comply with the requirements of this Section or with Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 3 – GENERAL CONDITIONS

3.01 **No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.** Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign immunity may be applicable or of any rights or limits to liability existing under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

3.02 **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** The parties expressly acknowledge that it is not their intent to create or confer any rights or obligations in or upon any third person or entity under this Agreement. None of the parties intend to directly or substantially benefit a third party by this Agreement. The parties agree that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert a claim against any of the parties based upon this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by an agency or political subdivision of the State of Florida to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of any contract.

3.03 **Independent Contractor.** The parties to this agreement shall at all times be acting in the capacity of independent contractors and not as an officer, employee or agent of one another. Neither party or its respective agents, employees, subcontractors or assignees shall represent to others that it has the authority to bind the other party unless specifically authorized in writing to do so. No right to SBBC retirement, leave benefits or any other benefits of SBBC employees shall exist as a result of the performance of any duties or responsibilities under this Agreement. SBBC shall not be responsible for social security, withholding taxes, contributions to unemployment compensation funds or insurance for the other party or the other party's officers, employees, agents, subcontractors or assignees.

3.04 **Equal Opportunity Provision.** The parties agree that no person shall be subjected to discrimination because of age, race, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression marital status, national origin, religion, sex or sexual orientation in the performance of the parties' respective duties, responsibilities and obligations under this Agreement.

3.05 **Termination.** This Agreement may be canceled with or without cause by SBBC during the term hereof upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other parties of its desire to terminate this Agreement. SBBC shall have no liability for any property left on SBBC's property by any party to this Agreement after the termination of this Agreement. Any party contracting with SBBC under this Agreement agrees that any of its property placed upon SBBC's facilities pursuant to this Agreement shall be removed within ten (10) business days following the termination, conclusion or cancellation of this Agreement and that any such property remaining upon SBBC's facilities after that time shall be deemed to be abandoned, title to such property shall pass to SBBC, and SBBC may use or dispose of such property as SBBC deems fit and appropriate.

3.06 **Default.** The parties agree that, in the event that either party is in default of its obligations under this Agreement, the non-defaulting party shall provide to the defaulting party (30) days written notice to cure the default. However, in the event said default cannot be cured within said thirty (30) day period and the defaulting party is diligently attempting in good faith to cure same, the time period shall be reasonably extended to allow the defaulting party additional cure time. Upon the occurrence of a default that is not cured during the applicable cure period, this Agreement may be terminated by the non-defaulting party upon thirty (30) days notice. This remedy is not intended to be exclusive of any other remedy, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy now or hereafter

existing at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise. No single or partial exercise by any party of any right, power, or remedy hereunder shall preclude any other or future exercise thereof. Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude termination for convenience pursuant to Section 3.05.

3.07 **Annual Appropriation.** The performance and obligations of SBBC under this Agreement shall be contingent upon an annual budgetary appropriation by its governing body. If SBBC does not allocate funds for the payment of services or products to be provided under this Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by SBBC at the end of the period for which funds have been allocated. SBBC shall notify the other party at the earliest possible time before such termination. No penalty shall accrue to SBBC in the event this provision is exercised, and SBBC shall not be obligated or liable for any future payments due or any damages as a result of termination under this section.

3.08 **Excess Funds.** Any party receiving funds paid by SBBC under this Agreement agrees to promptly notify SBBC of any funds erroneously received from SBBC upon the discovery of such erroneous payment or overpayment. Any such excess funds shall be refunded to SBBC with interest calculated from the date of the erroneous payment or overpayment. Interest shall be calculated using the interest rate for judgments under Section 55.03, Florida Statutes, applicable at the time the erroneous payment or overpayment was made by SBBC.

3.09 **Public Records.** Pursuant to Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, any party contracting with SBBC is required to (a) keep and maintain available for public inspection any records that pertain to services rendered under this Agreement; (b) provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that SBBC would provide such records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law; (c) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law; and (d) meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost to SBBC, all public records in that party's possession upon termination of its Agreement with SBBC and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. All of such party's records stored electronically must be provided to SBBC in a format that is compatible with SBBC's information technology systems. Each party shall maintain its own respective records and documents associated with this Agreement in accordance with the records retention requirements applicable to public records. Each party shall be responsible for compliance with any public documents request served upon it pursuant to Section 119.07, Florida Statutes, and any resultant award of attorney's fees for non-compliance with that law. Each party acknowledges that this Agreement and all attachments thereto are public records and do not constitute trade secrets.

3.10 **Student Records:** Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary within this Agreement, any party contracting with SBBC under this Agreement shall fully comply with the requirements of Sections 1002.22 and 1002.221, Florida Statutes; FERPA, and any other state or federal law or regulation regarding the confidentiality of student information and records. Each such party agrees, for itself, its officers, employees, agents, representatives, contractors or subcontractors, to fully indemnify and hold harmless SBBC and its officers and employees for any violation of this section, including, without limitation, defending SBBC and its officers and employees against any complaint, administrative or judicial proceeding, payment of any penalty imposed upon SBBC, or payment of any and all costs, damages, judgments or losses incurred by

or imposed upon SBBC arising out of a breach of this covenant by the party, or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party to the extent that the party or an officer, employee, agent, representative, contractor, or sub-contractor of the party shall either intentionally or negligently violate the provisions of this section or of Sections 1002.22 and/or 1002.221, Florida Statutes.

3.11 **Compliance with Laws.** Each party shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, codes, rules and regulations in performing its duties, responsibilities and obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

3.12 **Place of Performance.** All obligations of SBBC under the terms of this Agreement are reasonably susceptible of being performed in Broward County, Florida and shall be payable and performable in Broward County, Florida.

3.13 **Governing Law and Venue.** This Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Any controversies or legal problems arising out of this Agreement and any action involving the enforcement or interpretation of any rights hereunder shall be submitted to the jurisdiction of the State courts of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Broward County, Florida.

3.14 **Entirety of Agreement.** This document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements and understandings applicable to the matters contained herein and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this document. Accordingly, the parties agree that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written.

3.15 **Binding Effect.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

3.16 **Assignment.** Neither this Agreement nor any interest herein may be assigned, transferred or encumbered by any party without the prior written consent of the other party. There shall be no partial assignments of this Agreement including, without limitation, the partial assignment of any right to receive payments from SBBC.

3.17 **Incorporation by Reference.** **Exhibits A, B and C** attached hereto and referenced herein shall be deemed to be incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

3.18 **Captions.** The captions, section designations, section numbers, article numbers, titles and headings appearing in this Agreement are inserted only as a matter of convenience, have no substantive meaning, and in no way define, limit, construe or describe the scope or intent of such articles or sections of this Agreement, nor in any way effect this Agreement and shall not be construed to create a conflict with the provisions of this Agreement.

3.19 **Severability.** In the event that any one or more of the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or provisions contained in this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void in any respect, such shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement and the same shall remain in full force and effect as if such invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or provisions had never been included herein.

3.20 **Preparation of Agreement.** The parties acknowledge that they have sought and obtained whatever competent advice and counsel as was necessary for them to form a full and complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein and that the preparation of this Agreement has been their joint effort. The language agreed to herein expresses their mutual intent and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the parties than the other.

3.21 **Amendments.** No modification, amendment, or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document prepared with the same or similar formality as this Agreement and executed by each party hereto.

3.22 **Waiver.** The parties agree that each requirement, duty and obligation set forth herein is substantial and important to the formation of this Agreement and, therefore, is a material term hereof. Any party's failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of such provision or modification of this Agreement unless the waiver is in writing and signed by the party waiving such provision. A written waiver shall only be effective as to the specific instance for which it is obtained and shall not be deemed a continuing or future waiver.

3.23 **Force Majeure.** Neither party shall be obligated to perform any duty, requirement or obligation under this Agreement if such performance is prevented by fire, hurricane, earthquake, explosion, wars, sabotage, accident, flood, acts of God, strikes, or other labor disputes, riot or civil commotions, or by reason of any other matter or condition beyond the control of either party, and which cannot be overcome by reasonable diligence and without unusual expense ("Force Majeure"). In no event shall a lack of funds on the part of either party be deemed Force Majeure.

3.24 **Survival.** All representations and warranties made herein, indemnification obligations, obligations to reimburse SBBC, obligations to maintain and allow inspection and audit of records and property, obligations to maintain the confidentiality of records, reporting requirements, and obligations to return public funds shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

3.25 **Contract Administration.** SBBC has delegated authority to the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee to take any actions necessary to implement and administer this Agreement.

3.26. **Liability.** This section shall survive the termination of all performance or obligations under this Agreement and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Agreement is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

A. By SBBC: SBBC agrees to be fully responsible up to the limits of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, for its acts of negligence, or its employees' acts of negligence when acting within the scope of their employment and agrees to be liable for any damages resulting from said negligence.

B. By VENDOR: VENDOR agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend SBBC, its agents, servants and employees from any and all claims, judgments, costs, and expenses including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, reasonable investigative and discovery costs, court costs and all other sums which SBBC, its agents, servants and employees may pay or become obligated to pay on account of any, all and every claim or demand, or assertion of liability, or any claim or action founded thereon, arising or alleged to have arisen out of the

products, goods or services furnished by VENDOR, its agents, servants or employees; the equipment of VENDOR, its agents, servants or employees while such equipment is on premises owned or controlled by SBBC; or the negligence of VENDOR or the negligence of VENDOR's agents when acting within the scope of their employment, whether such claims, judgments, costs and expenses be for damages, damage to property including SBBC's property, and injury or death of any person whether employed by VENDOR, SBBC or otherwise.

3.27 **Travel.** There is no reimbursement for travel expenses. Cost of service as identified in the proposal is inclusive of all travel expense by the vendor.

3.28 **School Board Policies.** VENDOR agrees to comply with all School Board Policies, local, state and federal laws.

3.29 **Authority.** Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of either party individually warrants that he or she has full legal power to execute this Agreement on behalf of the party for whom he or she is signing, and to bind and obligate such party with respect to all provisions contained in this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the date first above written.

FOR SBBC

(Corporate Seal)

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD
COUNTY, FLORIDA

By _____
Dr. Rosalind Osgood, Chair

ATTEST:

Approved as to Form and Legal Content:

Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent of Schools



Office of the General Counsel

FOR CODA LINK, INC.

(Corporate Seal)

CODA Link, Inc.

ATTEST:

Stephanie A. Araujo
Stephanie A. Araujo
Secretary

By Donna R. Fernandez

-or-

Witness

Witness

The Following Notarization is Required for Every Agreement Without Regard to Whether the Party Chose to Use a Secretary's Attestation or Two (2) Witnesses.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF BROWARD

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 9 day of June, 2016 by Donna R. Fernandez of

CODA Link Inc., on behalf of the corporation/agency.
Name of Corporation or Agency

He/She is personally known to me or produced DRIVER LICENSE as identification and did/did not first take an oath. Type of Identification

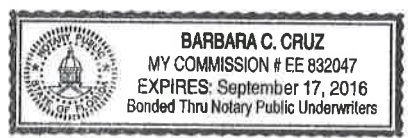
My Commission Expires:

Barbara C Cruz
Signature - Notary Public

(SEAL)

BARBARA C. CRUZ
Printed Name of Notary

Notary's Commission No.



INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE

GENERAL LIABILITY: Limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence for Bodily Injury/ Property Damage; \$1,000,000 General Aggregate.

Limits not less than \$1,000,000 for Products/Completed Operations Aggregate.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION: Florida Statutory limits in accordance with Chapter 440; Employer's Liability limits not less than \$100,000/\$100,000/\$500,000 (each accident/disease-each employee/disease-policy limit).

AUTO LIABILITY: Owned, Non-Owned and Hired Auto Liability with Bodily Injury and Property Damage limits of not less than \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit.

If Awardee does not own any vehicles, hired and non-owned automobile liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 will be accepted. In addition, an affidavit signed by the Awardee must be furnished to SBBC indicating the following:

_____ (Awardee Name) does not own any vehicles. In the event insured acquires any vehicles throughout the term of this agreement, insured agrees to provide proof of "Any Auto" coverage effective the date of acquisition. (Fax affidavit with Certificate of Insurance to SBBC Risk Management at 866-897-0424.)

ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURANCE CARRIERS: The insurance policies shall be issued by companies qualified to do business in the State of Florida. The insurance companies must be rated at least A- VI by AM Best or Aa3 by Moody's Investor Service.

VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE: Proof of the required insurance must be furnished by an Awardee to SBBC Risk Management Department by Certificate of Insurance within 15 days of notification of award. All certificates (and any required documents) must be received and approved by SBBC before any work commences to permit Awardee time to remedy any deficiencies. **FAX CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE TO SBBC RISK MANAGEMENT AT 866-897-0424.**

REQUIRED CONDITIONS: Liability policies must contain the following provisions. In addition, the following wording must be included on the Certificate of Insurance:

The School Board of Broward County, FL, its members, officers, employees and agents are added as additional insured. The endorsement # is: _____.

All liability policies are primary of all other valid and collectable coverage maintained by the School Board of Broward County, Florida.

(**Please include the Contract # and Title on the Certificate of Insurance.)

(Certificate Holder: School Board of Broward County, 600 Southeast Third Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.)

CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE: Vendors are prohibited from providing services under this contract with SBBC without the minimum required insurance coverage and must notify SBBC within two business days if required insurance is cancelled.

Any questions as to the intent or meaning of any part of the above required coverage should be submitted in writing and in accordance with General Condition 5. See also General Conditions 12 and 20.