# LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

# CAREER DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE PATHWAY HEAD START & EARLY LEARNING DIVISION STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS

The LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, a public educational agency, located at 9300 Imperial Highway, Downey, California 90242-2890, is hereinafter referred to as "LACOE." The contractor/consultant as identified in the Contract is hereinafter referred to as "Contractor/Participant," together with LACOE, the "Parties."

WHEREAS, LACOE's Head Start and Early Learning Division has launched the Universal Prekindergarten Career Development Initiative (UPK-CDI) to improve the pipeline to prekindergarten employment and opportunities for development and advancement with the Early Childhood Education (ECE) field;

WHEREAS, the UPK-CDI will focus on training parents to become assistant teachers through the apprenticeship model

WHEREAS, LACOE's Head Start and Early Learning Division will enroll up to 100 parents into the ECE program to obtain a child development teacher assistant permit and simultaneously gain on-the-job experience; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor/Participant wishes to participate in the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter contained, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

#### 1. TERM OF CONTRACT

The dates of service are as specified in the Contract.

# 2. PAYMENT

Contractor/ Participant will be eligible to receive stipends as long as it remains compliant with the terms of this Contract. LACOE reserves the right to reduce/terminate stipend allowance to Contractor/Participant for any reason. LACOE will provide written notice to Contractor/Participant of any changes or reductions in stipend allowance. These changes will supersede and replace any previous stipend allowance described in prior amendments to this Contract.

#### 3. INDEMNIFICATION

Contractor/ Participant agrees to defend, indemnify, save, and hold harmless LACOE, its governing body, the individuals thereof, and all officers, agents, employees, representatives, and volunteers from all loss, cost, and expense (including, but not by way of limitation, attorneys' fees and other related legal costs) arising out of any liability or claim of liability for injury, damage, or loss sustained or claimed to have been sustained arising out of, or occurring as a result of the Contractor/Participant's performance or failure to perform services under this Contract, or resulting from or in any way directly or indirectly connected with the performance or nonperformance of Contractor/Participant pertaining to this Contract. Contractor/Participant further agrees to waive all rights of subrogation against LACOE for any and all general liability and workers' compensation claim(s) that may arise and shall assume all responsibility and pay for any and all injury, damage, or loss to LACOE. LACOE assumes no responsibility whatsoever for any property placed on the premises. The provisions of this indemnification clause shall not be limited to the availability or collectability of insurance coverage nor do these provisions apply to any injury, damage or loss caused solely by the negligence of LACOE.

#### 4. NOTICES

Any notices to be given pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing and such notices, as well as any other document to be delivered, shall be delivered by personal service or by deposit in the U.S. Mail, certified or registered, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, and addressed to the party for whom intended as follows:

LACOE: Procurement Services

LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION 9300 Imperial Highway, ECW Building Room 169

Downey, CA 90242-2890

Contractor/Participant:Mailing Address as shown on Contract

# 6. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

Contractor/Participant warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon a Contract or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, excepting bona fide established commercial or selling agencies retained by Contractor/Participant for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, LACOE shall have the right to immediate termination of this Contract and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or commission fee.

# 7. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

While performing its obligations under this Contract, Contractor/Participant is an Independent Contractor and not an officer, employee or agent of LACOE. Contractor/Participant shall not at any time or in any manner represent that it or any of its officers, employees, or agents are employees of LACOE. Contractor/Participant warrants its compliance with the criteria established by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (I.R.S.) and the California Employment Development Department (EDD) for qualification as an Independent Contractor including, but not limited to, being hired on a temporary basis, having some discretion is scheduling time to complete contract work, working for more than one employer at a time, and acquiring and maintaining its own office space and equipment; being free from the control and direction of LACOE in connection with the performance of the work, both under the contract for the performance of the work and in fact; performing work that is outside the usual course of LACOE's business; and being customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business of the same nature as that involved in the work performed.

# 8. ASSIGNMENT

Contractor/Participant shall not in any manner, directly or indirectly, by operation of law or otherwise, assign, transfer or encumber this Contract or any portion hereof of any interest herein, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of LACOE. If prior written consent is not given by LACOE to assign, transfer, or encumber this Contract, such action shall be deemed automatically void.

#### 9. INTEGRATION

This Contract, including all exhibits and other documents incorporated herein or made applicable by reference, contains the complete and final understanding of the parties' rights, duties and obligations with respect to the transaction discussed in the Contract and supersedes all prior Contracts, understandings and commitments, whether oral or written. This Contract shall not be amended in any way except by a writing expressly purporting to be such an amendment, signed and acknowledged by both of the parties hereto.

#### 10. MODIFICATION

The Contract shall not be modified or amended without mutual written consent of the parties. If any actual or physical deletions or changes appear on the face of the Contract, such deletions or changes shall only be effective if the initials of both contracting parties appear beside such deletion or change.

# 11. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Except as specifically provided elsewhere in this Contract, conflicting, vague and/or ambiguous provisions of this Contract shall prevail in the following order of precedence: (1) the provisions in the body of this Contract, (2) the exhibits of the Contract, if any; (3) all other documents cited in this Contract or incorporated by reference.

## 12. <u>SEVERABILITY/WAIVER</u>

- a. If any provision of this Contract is determined to be illegal, unenforceable, or invalid, such act shall in no way affect the validity of any other provision in this Contract.
- b. No waiver of any provision of this Contract shall be deemed, or shall constitute, a waiver of any other provision, whether or not similar, nor shall any such waiver constitute a continuing or subsequent waiver of the same provision. No waiver shall be binding unless executed in writing by the party making the waiver.

#### 13. TERMINATION

The Contract may be terminated by LACOE upon written notification.

#### 14. FAILURE TO COMPLY

In the event Contractor/Participant fails to perform in accordance with the indemnification or insurance requirement clauses of this Contract, makes inaccurate certifications as a part of this contract or contracting process, or otherwise breaches any other clause of this Contract, LACOE, the Los Angeles County Board of Education and the individuals thereof, and all officers, agents, employees, representatives, and volunteers shall be entitled to recover all legal fees, costs, and other expenses incident to securing performance or incurred as a consequence of nonperformance.

#### 15. ATTORNEY'S FEES

Should either party be required to file any legal action or claim to enforce any provision of this Contract or resolve any dispute arising under or connected to this Contract, except as set forth in the "Failure to Comply" in this contract, each party shall bear its own attorney's fees and costs in bringing such an action and any judgment or decree rendered in such a proceeding shall not include an award thereof.

#### 16. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

Contractor/Participant shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, policies, and procedures in performing under this Contract. Contractor/Participant warrants that it has all licenses, permits, certificates and credentials required by law to perform the work specified under this Contract and shall, upon request by LACOE, provide evidence of same.

#### 17. FORCE MAJEURE

In the event that performance on the part of any party hereto shall be delayed or suspended as a result of circumstances beyond the reasonable control and without the fault or negligence of said party, none of the parties shall incur any liability to the other parties as a result of such delay or

suspension. Circumstances deemed to be beyond the control of the parties hereunder shall include, but not be limited to, acts of God or of the public enemy, insurrection, acts of the federal government or any unit of state or local government in sovereign capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, pandemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes or delays in transportation, to the extent that such circumstances are not caused by the party's willful or negligent acts or omissions, and to the extent that they are beyond the party's reasonable control.

#### 18. GOVERNING LAW/FORUM SELECTION

This Contract is made, entered into and executed in Los Angeles County, California, and the parties agree that any legal action, claim or proceeding arising out of or connected with this Contract shall be filed in the applicable court in Los Angeles County, California. The parties further agree this Contract shall be construed, and all disputes hereunder shall be settled, in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

#### 19. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

Any exhibits referenced herein shall be incorporated and made a part of this Contract.

#### 20. PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY LAW DEEMED INSERTED

Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted in this contract shall be deemed to be inserted herein and the contract shall be read and enforced as though it were so inserted and included.

#### 21. RECORD RETENTION AND INSPECTION

Contractor/Participant agrees that LACOE shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy or transcribe any pertinent records pertaining to this Contract. All records shall be kept and maintained by Contractor/Participant and made available to LACOE during the entire term of this Contract and for a period not less than five (5) years after final payment hereunder by LACOE.

#### 22. NO THIRD PARTY OBLIGATIONS

The execution and delivery of this Contract shall not be deemed to confer any rights upon, nor obligate any parties thereto, to any person or entity other than the parties hereto.

#### 23. LACOE BUDGET/GRANT FUNDS CONTINGENCY

If any portion(s) of LACOE's financial budget affecting the contractual time period of this agreement does not appropriate sufficient funds for these contracted services and/or related programs, or if grant funds related to these contracted services and/or related programs are not available for any reason whatsoever, this agreement shall be of no further force and effect. In this event, LACOE shall have no liability to pay any funds to Contractor/Participant under this agreement, and the Contractor/Participant shall not be obligated to perform any provisions of this agreement. In such instances, particularly when partial funding remains available, LACOE shall have the option to either terminate this agreement with no liability occurring to LACOE, or LACOE may offer an amendment to this agreement to reflect the reduced availability of funds.

#### 24. NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-SEGREGATION

During the performance of this Contract, both parties hereby agrees to comply with all Federal, state and local laws respecting non-discrimination in employment and non-segregation of facilities, including, but not limited to requirements set out in 41 CFR 60-1.4, 60-250.4 and 60-741.4, which equal opportunity clauses are hereby incorporated by reference.

#### 25. TOBACCO AND MARIJUANA-FREE SCHOOLS AND FACILITIES

When at LACOE-owned or LACOE-leased buildings, both parties hereby agree to comply with the

Los Angeles County Board of Education's Policy 3513.3 which states: The County Board recognizes the health hazards associated with smoking and the use of tobacco and/or marijuana products including the breathing of second-hand smoke, and desires to provide a healthy environment for students and staff. The County Board prohibits the use of tobacco and/or marijuana products at any time in LACOE-owned or leased buildings, on LACOE property and in LACOE vehicles. This includes the use of an electronic smoking device that creates aerosol or vapor or of any oral smoking device for the purpose of circumventing the prohibition of smoking.

#### 26. ALCOHOL AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

Contractor/Participant hereby certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that Contractor/Participant will comply with the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 (Government Code Section 8350 et. seq.), and the Los Angeles County Board of Education's Alcohol and Drug-Free Workplace Policy 4020.

# 27. <u>CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION OR OTHER INELIGIBILITY (Federal Executive Order 12549)</u>

By executing this contractual instrument, Contractor/Participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it and its principals:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal Department or Agency;
- b. Have not, within a three-year period preceding the execution of this contractual instrument, been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them, for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public transaction (Federal, State or Local) or contract under a public transaction; or violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by any government entity (Federal, State or Local), with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in Section 32.2 above, of this certification; and,
- d. Have not, within a three-year period preceding the execution of this contractual instrument, had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or Local) terminated for cause of default.

#### 28. COVID-19 VACCINATION

When at LACOE schools and/or work locations, Contractor/Participant its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors, representatives and volunteers (collectively hereinafter referred in this Section as Contractor) and as a material condition of this Contract, shall comply with the Los Angeles County Superintendent's Policy 4060 (a) which states: "LACOE shall require proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 by October 31, 2021 from all LACOE employees, including substitute employees, temporary office workers, contractors, interns, and volunteers as a condition of employment.

An individual is considered "fully vaccinated" when at least 2 weeks have passed since that individual's receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine.

Effective immediately, the County Superintendent or designee shall establish any necessary procedures in order to implement this policy, and shall consider limited exceptions on a case-by-case basis, which may include providing reasonable accommodations in accordance with Superintendent Regulation 4032, Reasonable Accommodation."

By executing this contractual instrument, Contractor/Participant declares and certifies under

penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that:

- 30.1 all of its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors, representatives and volunteers who report to LACOE school and/or work locations in carrying out services regardless of location, are or will be fully vaccinated;
- 30.2 all of its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors, representatives and volunteers who are exempt from receiving the vaccine due to a disability or serious medical condition, or a sincerely held religious belief, will submit to weekly COVID-19 testing, will be responsible for the cost and for ensuring that this testing is carried out and pertinent records retained, maintained and made available to LACOE upon request;
- 30.3 all of its officers, agents, employees, subcontractors, representatives and volunteers will comply and remain compliant with this Section and LACOE's Superintendent's Policy 4060 throughout the duration of this Contract.

#### 29. CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS

All materials, records and data resulting from this Contract are and will remain the property of LACOE. The Parties agree to maintain the confidentiality of all records under this Contract in accordance with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations. The Parties may disclose the records and data under this agreement only if the records or data presented are either in aggregate form or some other form which removes all identifying personal information.

## 30. <u>EXECUTION REQUIREMENTS</u>

Proper signatures required for execution of this instrument may be by original signature; photocopy; fax/facsimile copy; valid, encrypted, electronic transmission/signature; and/or other commonly accepted, widely used, commercially acceptable signature methods. This instrument may be executed in counter-parts by each party on a separate copy thereof with the same force and effect as though all parties had executed a single original copy. The Parties represent and warrant that those persons signing this Contract are authorized to execute this Contract.