



# Where Exceptional is the Rule

# Alliance Marine-Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex



Sun Valley Community Los Angeles Unified School District

> Charter Renewal Petition Submitted July 30, 2019

Request for Five-Year Renewal Term July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2025

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# Assurances, Affirmations, and Declarations

Alliance Marine-Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex (also referred to herein as "MIT" and "Charter School") shall:

- Be nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations. (California Education Code (hereinafter "Ed. Code") § 47605(d)(1).)
- Not charge tuition. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(1).)
- Not discriminate against any pupil on the basis of disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in section 422.55 of the Penal Code. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(1); Ed. Code § 220.)
- Except as provided in Education Code section 47605(d)(2), admission to a charter school shall not be determined according to the place of residence of the pupil, or of his or her parent or legal guardian, within this state, except that an existing public school converting partially or entirely to a charter school under this part shall adopt and maintain a policy giving admission preference to pupils who reside within the former attendance area of that school. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(1).)
- Admit all pupils who wish to attend Charter School. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(2)(A).)
- Except for existing pupils of Charter School, determine attendance by a public random drawing if the number of pupils who wish to attend Charter School exceeds Charter School's capacity. Preference shall be extended to pupils currently attending Charter School and pupils who reside in the Los Angeles Unified School District (also referred to herein as "LAUSD" and "District"). (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(2)(B).)
- If a pupil is expelled or leaves Charter School without graduating or completing the school year for any reason, Charter School shall notify the superintendent of the school district of the pupil's last known address within 30 days, and shall, upon request, provide that school district with a copy of the cumulative record of the pupil, including a transcript of grades or report card, and health information. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(3).)
- Meet all statewide standards and conduct the pupil assessments required pursuant to Education Code sections 60605 and 60851 and any other statewide standards authorized in statute or pupil assessments applicable to pupils in non-charter public schools. (Ed. Code § 47605(c)(1).)
- Consult, on a regular basis, with Charter School's parents, legal guardians, and teachers regarding the school's educational programs. (Ed. Code § 47605(c)(2).)

Charter School hereby declares that Charter School, operated as or by its nonprofit public benefit corporation, is and shall be the exclusive public school employer of Charter School's employees for the purposes of the Educational Employment Relations Act (EERA), Chapter 10.7 (commencing with Section 3540) of Division 4 of Title I of the Government Code. Charter School shall comply with all provisions of the EERA and shall act independently from LAUSD for collective bargaining purposes. In accordance with the EERA, employees may join and be represented by an organization of their choice for collective bargaining purposes.

NOTE: This Charter contains specific "District Required Language" (DRL), including the *Assurances, Affirmations, and Declarations* section above. The DRL should be highlighted in gray within each Charter element or section. The final section of the Charter provides a consolidated addendum of the DRL. This intentional redundancy facilitates efficient charter petition review while ensuring ready access to the DRL for any given section of the Charter. To the extent that any inconsistency may exist between any provision contained within the body of the Charter and the DRL contained in the addendum, the provisions of the DRL addendum shall control.

## **ELEMENT 1: The Educational Program**

"The educational program of the charter school, designed, among other things, to identify those whom the charter school is attempting to educate, what it means to be an "educated person" in the 21st century, and how learning best occurs. The goals identified in that program shall include the objective of enabling pupils to become selfmotivated, competent, and lifelong learners." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(A)(i).)

"The annual goals for the charter school for all pupils and for each subgroup of pupils identified pursuant to Section 52052, to be achieved in the state priorities, as described in subdivision (d) of Section 52060, that apply for the grade levels served, or the nature of the program operated, by the charter school, and specific annual actions to achieve those goals. A charter petition may identify additional school priorities, the goals for the school priorities, and the specific annual actions to achieve those goals." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(A)(ii).)

"If the proposed charter school will serve high school pupils, a description of the manner in which the charter school will inform parents about the transferability of courses to other public high schools and the eligibility of courses to meet college entrance requirements. Courses offered by the charter school that are accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges may be considered transferable and courses approved by the University of California or the California State University as creditable under the "A" to "G" admissions criteria may be considered to meet college entrance requirements." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(A)(iii).)

# LOCAL CONTROL FUNDING FORMULA (LCFF) AND LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN (LCAP)

Charter School acknowledges and agrees that it must comply with all applicable laws and regulations related to AB 97 (2013) (Local Control Funding Formula), as they may be amended from time to time, which include the requirement that Charter School shall annually submit a Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)/annual update to the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools and the Charter Schools Division (CSD) on or before July 1. In accordance with Education Code sections 47604.33 and 47606.5, Charter School shall annually update its goals and annual actions to achieve those goals identified in the charter pursuant to Education Code section 47605(b)(5)(A)(ii), using the Local Control and Accountability Plan template adopted by the State Board of Education, as it may be changed from time to time. Charter School shall comply with all requirements of Education Code section 47606.5, including but not limited to the requirement that Charter School "shall consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, parents, and pupils in developing the local control and accountability plan." (Ed. Code § 47606.5(e).)

# ACADEMIC CALENDAR AND SCHEDULES

Charter School shall offer, at a minimum, the number of minutes of instruction set forth in Education Code section 47612.5, and the number of school days required by California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 11960.

# MATHEMATICS PLACEMENT

Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the California Mathematics Placement Act of 2015.

## TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN

Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements regarding transitional kindergarten. For purposes of admission to Charter School, transitional kindergarten shall be considered a part of kindergarten, and therefore students enrolled in transitional kindergarten at Charter School shall be considered existing students of Charter School for purposes of Charter School's admissions, enrollment, and lottery.

## HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAMINATION

Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of Education Code sections 60850 – 60859, including but not limited to the requirements of sections 60851.6 and 60852.3.

## WASC ACCREDITATION

If Charter School serves students in grades 9-12, before Charter School graduates its first class of students, Charter School shall obtain, and thereafter maintain, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation.

# ENGLISH LEARNERS

Charter School shall identify potential English Learners in a timely manner in accordance with all applicable legal requirements. Charter School must provide all English Learners with an effective English language acquisition program that also affords meaningful and equitable access to Charter School's core academic curriculum. Instructional plans for English Learners must be (1) based on sound educational theory; (2) adequately supported with trained teachers and appropriate materials and resources; and (3) periodically evaluated to make sure the program is successful and modified when the program is not successful.

On an annual basis, upon request, Charter School shall submit a certification to the LAUSD Charter Schools Division (CSD) that certifies that Charter School has adopted and is implementing either the LAUSD English Learner Master Plan *or* Charter School's own English Learner (EL) Master Plan. If Charter School chooses to implement its own EL Master Plan, the plan shall provide a detailed description of Charter School's EL program, and shall address the following:

- How Charter School's EL Master Plan provides all of its English Learners, including but not limited to Long Term English Learners (LTELs) with an effective English language acquisition program as well as meaningful and equitable access to Charter School's core academic curriculum
- How English Learners' specific needs will be identified
- What services will be offered
- How, where, and by whom the services will be provided
- How Charter School will evaluate its EL program each year, and how the results of this
  evaluation will be used to improve the program, including the provision of EL services

Each year, Charter School shall provide to the CSD a report on its annual evaluation of the effectiveness of its EL program. Upon request, Charter School shall provide a copy of its current EL Master Plan to the CSD.

Charter School shall administer the CELDT/ELPAC annually in accordance with federal and state requirements.

Charter School shall reclassify English Learners in accordance with federal and state requirements.

Charter School shall provide parent outreach services and meaningfully inform parents with limited English proficiency of important information regarding Charter School matters to the same extent as other parents.

#### STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

#### Federal Law Compliance

Charter School shall adhere to all provisions of federal law related to students with disabilities including, but not limited to, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004.

#### Special Education Program

Charter School shall ensure that no student otherwise eligible to enroll in Charter School shall be denied, directly or indirectly, admission due to a disability or to Charter School's inability to provide necessary services. Charter School acknowledges that policies and procedures are in place to ensure the recruitment, enrollment, service, and retention of students with disabilities at LAUSD-authorized charter schools, including Charter School.

Prior to LAUSD Board of Education approval of an initial Charter petition, and if a renewing Charter School intends to operate as a "school of the district" for special education services, Charter School shall execute a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") by and between LAUSD and Charter School regarding the provision and funding of special education services consistent with applicable state law and the LAUSD Special Education Local Plan Area ("SELPA") Local Plan for Special Education and shall be considered a "public school of the District" for purposes of Special Education pursuant to Education Code Section 47641(b). However, Charter School reserves the right to make written verifiable assurances that it may become an independent local educational agency (LEA) and join a SELPA pursuant to Education Code Section 47641 (a) either on its own or with a grouping of charter school LEAs as a consortium following the requirements of Education Code section 56195.3(b).

#### SELPA Reorganization

The Los Angeles Unified School District is approved to operate as a single-District SELPA under the provisions of Education Code section 56195.1(a). As a single-District SELPA, the District has created two charter school sections (District-operated Programs and Charter-operated Programs) under the administration of one single Administrative Unit pursuant to a reorganization plan approved by the Board of Education on January 4, 2011 (149/10-11). Full implementation of the reorganized LAUSD SELPA commenced in the 2013-2014 school year requiring all District-authorized charter schools to elect one of the three options available under the LAUSD SELPA. Prior to an option election, all District-authorized charter schools were required to participate as a school of the District under the District-Operated Programs Unit.

Prior to the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year, all District-authorized charter schools, other than those that had previously executed an Option 3 Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"), were required to execute a new MOU setting forth the LAUSD SELPA option election for the remainder of the charter petition term. The Charter-operated Program schools do not have LEA status for the purposes of special education but will function in a similar role in that each charter school will be responsible for all special education requirements, including but not limited to services, placement, due process, related services, special education classes, and special education supports. Charter schools that have elected to participate in a District-operated programs option may apply for membership in the Charter-operated Program section of the SELPA. Charter schools accepted for participation in the Charter-operated Programs section receive support from a Special Education Director for the Charter-operated Programs.

# Modified Consent Decree Requirements

All charter schools approved by the LAUSD Board of Education are bound by and must adhere to the terms, conditions and requirements of the *Chanda Smith* Modified Consent Decree ("MCD") and other court orders imposed upon the District pertaining to special education. The MCD is a consent decree entered in a federal court class action lawsuit initially brought on behalf of students with disabilities in LAUSD. It is an agreement of the parties approved by the federal court and monitored by a court-appointed independent monitor. The MCD includes nineteen statistically measureable outcomes and facilities obligations that the District has to achieve to disengage from the MCD and federal court oversight. All charter schools are required to use the District's Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual and Welligent, the District-wide web-based software system used for online Individualized Education Programs ("IEPs") and tracking of related services provided to students during the course of their education.

As part of fulfilling the District's obligations under the MCD, student level data requests from District-operated and Charter-operated charter schools are made on a regular basis. The requested data must be submitted in the Office of the Independent Monitor's ("OIM") required format in accordance with the OIM's required timelines and as follows:

• End of Year Suspension

District ID, SSIS ID, last name, first name, date of birth, gender, grade, date of suspension, number of days suspended, and reason for suspension.

Statewide Assessment Data

The standard file including District ID.

Norm day

District ID, SSIS ID, last name, first name, date of birth, gender, grade, location code, school name and local district for all students enrolled on norm day.

- CBEDS
- All Students enrolled as of December 1 of each school year

District ID, SSIS ID, last name, first name, date of birth, gender, grade, location code, school name and local district for all students enrolled on norm day.

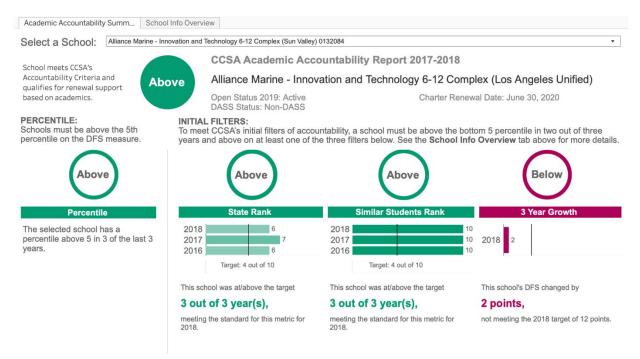
# Dropout

District ID, SSIS ID, last name, first name, middle name, date of birth, grade, last location, school name and local district

- Monthly SESAC and Suspension data
- Graduation roster from all charter schools with 12th grade students with disabilities

The MCD requires charter schools to implement the District's integrated student information system, which is currently referred to as My Integrated Student Information System (MiSiS). MiSiS is a suite of applications which is designed to capture all District student data. All charter schools are required to utilize MiSiS directly or interface with MiSiS via a web based Application Programming Interface (API) in compliance with the requirements of the MCD and applicable timelines. Upon charter school full utilization of MiSiS either directly or via a web based API, the list of required data above will automatically be captured within MiSiS.

GENERAL INFORMATION	
The contact person for Charter School is:	Jonathan Tiongco, Principal
The contact address for Charter School is:	Alliance Marine-Innovation & Technology 6-12 Complex 11933 Allegheny Street Sun Valley, CA 91352
The contact phone number for Charter School is:	(747) 223-2649
The proposed address or ZIP Code of the target community to be served by Charter School is:	91352
This location is in LAUSD Board District:	6
This location is in LAUSD Local District:	Northeast
The grade configuration of Charter School is:	6 - 12
The number of students in the first year will be:	950
The grade level(s) of the students in the first year will be:	6- 12
Charter School's scheduled first day of instruction in 2020- 2021 is:	August 10, 2020
The enrollment capacity is: (Enrollment capacity is defined as the total number of students who may be enrolled in Charter School regardless of student residency.)	1050
The type of instructional calendar (e.g., traditional/year-round, single track/multi-track, extended day/year) will be:	Extended Day/Year
The bell schedule for Charter School will be:	7:45 am to 3:00 pm (HS) 8:00 am to 3:15 pm (MS)



#### MULTIPLE MEASURE REVIEW:

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Charter schools with a DF3 percentile of 5 or less in two of three years and charter schools who do not meet at least one of the other initial filters are invited to present additional measures for review:

The selected school is not in the bottom 5th percentile of performance and is above on at least one of the initial filters.

Similar students rank calculated using the September 29, 2018 release of the CAASPP file, a-g rate calculated from the UC/CSU entrance requirements file released April 11, 2017, and state rank and DFS growth are calculated using the CDE Dashboard data files released December 6, 2018. Click metric names to view information on each metric.

CCSA's Minimum Academic Accountability Criteria would not apply if a school participates in the DASS program or has fewer than 30 valid test takers. No report is generated for schools fitting these criteria.

# **Community Need for Charter School**

Alliance Marine - Innovation & Technology 6-12 Complex (MIT) was opened in 2015 to serve Sun Valley and its neighboring communities. According to the 2012 American Community Survey, published by the United States Census Bureau, Sun Valley is home to a young and growing population, but only 5.3% of current Sun Valley residents have a Bachelor's Degree or higher, over 4% lower than the county at large. Our school's population reflects these low college graduation attainment rates, as well as the low median income rates (\$51,154 per household) in the community, with 90% of our students receiving free and reduced meal program services. The low college attainment and median incomes within Sun Valley demonstrate that the community has a strong need for additional educational opportunities that will drive college attainment and, in turn, help to advance the employment options and bolster the economy for all Sun Valley residents.

In order to meet this need, we aspire to offer educational alternatives personalized to the needs of individual students and geared specifically toward preparing them for college entrance, a critical component that sets us apart from traditional schools in the area. Currently, public high schools in our local Northeast San Fernando Valley community (included in the demographic table below) have an average cohort graduation rate of 89% with only 68% of those who graduate meeting the requirements for University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) admission according to the California Department of Education DataQuest. Our school strives to bridge this gap by providing a small, intimate, and individualized college-preparatory environment for students that spans from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

UC/CSU ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS COMPLETION							
High School Name	Student Population	High School Cohort Graduation Rate	Completion of UC/CSU Entrance Requirements				
Arleta High School	1,418	94%	85%				
John H. Francis Polytechnic High School	2,766	88%	76%				
San Fernando High School	2,053	90%	63%				
Sun Valley High School	422	81%	57%				
Verdugo Hills Senior High School	1,283	94%	60%				

# 2017-18 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATES & UC/CSU ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS COMPLETION

Source: California Department of Education (CDE) DataQuest

In order to realize our vision, we pursue a number of strategies to foster exceptional academics and an inclusive school climate for our students:

First, we utilize a robust observation, coaching, and feedback system for our teachers in order to ensure rigorous task alignment, criteria for success, and progress monitoring in instruction. Each day in our student-centered Blended Learning for Alliance School Transformation (BLAST) classrooms, teachers provide students with college-preparatory tasks, such as science explorations, math performance tasks, and presentations of learning, with clearly-defined criteria for success and monitor to ensure that students are on track to meet the lesson objectives.

Second, we engage with parents regularly through our parent workshop series, monthly Hot Chocolate with the Principal sessions, monthly town halls meetings, and other advocacy and community service project activities in order to ensure that our programs meaningfully reflect the voices of our families. In recognition of the importance of this goal, we also maintain a Parent Engagement Specialist who works full time to support our mission of having "Parents as Partners."

Third, we foster a number of tremendous community partnerships to ensure our low-income students have access to additional resources to support their journey through middle school, high school, and college: After School Stars to bring in much-needed after school care and enrichment; Whirlpool to provide washer and dryer access to our families; QUESTion Project to provide a social-emotional curriculum; Hathaway-Sycamore to address the psychological needs of our families; El Nido for gang reduction and drug awareness support; Better 4 You Meals for supper for our needy families; and a variety of other services.

Last, we ensure that our students with additional needs, such as our Students with Disabilities, have access to a comprehensive set of services to support their learning, including interventions and remedial supports throughout the school day as well as tutoring and enrichment opportunities after school. In service to this goal, we also collaborated with the LAUSD Charter Operated Programs Option 3 to bring in innovative programming such as our College and Career Readiness Centers, Resource Labs (a literacy-focused curriculum built to support English language proficiency and transition skills),, and Circle of Friends (a school inclusion program that builds genuine friendships between students with special needs and their general education peers).

In keeping with LAUSD's commitment to provide a wide range of schools and programs that meet the diverse educational needs and priorities of students and families, Alliance MIT continues to offer an important alternative for families in Sun Valley community. Our school's college-readiness focus, personalized learning environment, culture of high expectations, commitment to working with parents as partners and other core values continue to make a positive impact on our students and families and improve the academic performance in the community, a fact solidly supported by our data. Moreover, our results aren't simply represented in our testing data. We are fully WASC-accredited and have been honored as a California Honor Roll School for the last three years (2016-17 to 2018-19). We have also been recognized as being one of the more innovative schools in the San Fernando Valley based on our work with BLASTs and blended learning. As we continue into the next five years, we will continue to provide a high-quality, college-focused instruction for community.

# School Performance Over the Charter Term

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS SBAC									
	201	5-16	2016-17		2017-18				
	MIT	Resident	MIT	Resident	MIT	Resident			
All	51%	43%	56.7%	35.6%	54.7%	33.4%			
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	51%	28%	56.8%	28.5%	46.2%	27.8%			
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	*	25%	56.4%	28.2%	67.6%	31.6%			
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	*	27%	*	29.0%	45.1%	34.6%			
English Learner	23%	0%	7.8%	1.3%	3.9%	0.7%			
Students with Disabilities	8%	5%	12.5%	8.3%	14.5%	6.8%			
Hispanic or Latino	49%	40%	50.3%	35.9%	54.7%	33.2%			
Economically Disadvantaged	61%	41%	55.7%	35.8%	52.7%	32.9%			
White	57%	39%	78.8%	40.7%	52%	39.1%			

# Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) Analysis

Source: Los Angeles Unified School District, Data Set - November 16, 2018; California Department of Education (CDE) DataQuest

The resident schools referenced in this petition include Charles Maclay Middle, Richard E. Byrd Middle, Sun Valley Magnet, Mt. Gleeson Middles, Pacoima Middle, Sun Valley High, San Fernando Institute of Applied Media, Olive Vista Middle, John H. Francis Polytechnic, Sylmar Biotech Health Academy, Francisco Sepulveda Middle, Verdugo Hills Senior High, San Fernando Middle, Cesar E. Chavez Learning Academies-Social Justice Humanitas Academy, Cesar E. Chavez Learning Academies-Academy of Scientific Exploration (ASE), San Fernando Senior High, Sylmar Charter High, and Cesar E, Chavez Learning Academies-Technology Preparation Academy.

Over the last three years (2015-16 to 2011-17), Alliance MIT has consistently out-performed our resident schools both school-wide and by subgroup on the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) in English Language Arts (ELA). In 2018, our school-wide population outperformed the resident school median by a tremendous 21 points while our English Learners and Students with Disabilities exceeded their resident school counterparts by 3 and 7 points, respectively. Moreover, our school-wide population, Students with Disabilities, and Hispanic or Latino students have all experienced growth in the percent of students meeting or exceeding standards between 2016 and 2018. Though our White and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged subgroups have experienced a decline over the last three years, these subgroup have exceeded the resident school median each year, with the White and Economically Disadvantaged subgroup surpassing resident schools by 13 and 20 points, respectively, in 2017-18.

Over the last three years (2016-17 to 2018-19), the number of students taking the CAASPP test has grown approximately 700% from 55 to 426 test takers, resulting in a high level of volatility in subgroup performance due to small population size in our first year of testing in 2015-16. As our rates stabilize, we strive to raise student performance both school-wide and for our subgroups through the following strategies:

- We maintain a complex-wide focus on literacy that includes literacy-focused professional development, school-wide strategies (i.e. annotation strategies, essay writing strategies, criteria for success, justification, etc.), and universal access to complex texts. We have committed additional resources and supports in the areas of literacy as we believe that the key to both high school and college success is through a strong literacy program. We also leverage curriculum resources through Houghton Mifflin Harcourt and Achievement First to provide humanities instruction and intervention.
- We provide reading intervention and targeted phonics instruction to address learning gaps among our students. We have piloted the use of Wilson curriculum to address students' fluency, decoding, and basic reading skill gaps. We have also purchased new curriculum, including C&A Phonics for Reading System, Wilson Reading, Achievement First, etc. to improve intellectual preparation for lessons and strong instructional delivery.
- We continue to provide supports to our English Learners through targeted designated and integrated ELD. This includes strengthening implementation of English 3D in our designated ELD courses by providing ELD teachers with professional development that supports implementation of the curriculum. We strategically place students in ELD courses based on their English proficiency to ensure that instruction is targeted to meet the needs of our students. For integrated supports, teachers and instructional aides receive professional development on Specially Designed Academic Instruction in English (SDAIE) strategies and on how to appropriately accommodate and support our ELs in their classrooms.
- We have restructured our schedule to include blocks for reading intervention and remediation, including enrichment classes, resource labs, ELD, and advisories. Students are provided with pre-assessments (i.e. Achieve 3000 LevelSet and/or iReady comprehensive assessment) during the summer and/or the school accesses prior ELPAC data to determine classroom placements and levels of support needed.
- We have increased our special education staffing (Resource Specialist Program (RSP) teachers and instructional aides) and added a College and Career Ready Center (CCRC) course for HS (after having created a successful program in MS the previous year) to support with our most vulnerable pupils (i.e. students with disabilities). These CCRC classrooms provide a smaller classroom setting for our students with moderate to severe disabilities to specifically focus on language and literacy gaps through explicit phonics instruction and reading comprehension lessons. These new programs and supports were created in collaboration with LAUSD Charter Operated Programs Option 3.
- We have partnered with the College Board to begin implementation in Pre-AP and AP coursework. In order to ensure our high population of socio-economically disadvantaged students have opportunities that might not be available to them at other schools, we emphasize the importance of AP classwork and ensure that all students have access to AP classes. These courses and curriculum resources are available to all students, thus ensuring that our students with a lower socioeconomic status still have access to high-rigor, college-preparatory curriculum to push their levels of proficiency.

 We provide high-quality professional development to our teachers to support ELA instruction. We continued to implement RELAY Graduate School of Education protocols for Data Driven Instruction and have increased weekly observations and scoreboard tracking through the use of the 4 Disciplines of Execution system with our Alliance Home Office support staff. Teachers are also continuing to utilize a variety of online resources to support standards mastery, including Achieve 3000. Students are able to develop their literacy skills and 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills through technology-enhanced curriculum resources.

MATHEMATICS SBAC								
	201	5-16	201	6-17	2017-18			
	MIT	Resident	MIT	Resident	MIT	Resident		
All	34%	19%	44.8%	18.6%	39.7%	17.4%		
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	34%	15%	46.6%	15.7%	33.9%	16.8%		
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	*	18%	41.0%	17.1%	50.3%	17.4%		
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	*	19%	*	19.3%	29.3%	20.0%		
English Learner	7%	1%	3.9%	1.2%	3.9%	0.7%		
Students with Disabilities	15%	2%	15.0%	1.8%	13.0%	1.7%		
Hispanic or Latino	34%	18%	40.5%	17.9%	39.2%	17.7%		
Economically Disadvantaged	38%	18%	43.0%	18.3%	38.1%	17.8%		
White	43%	39%	66.7%	27.5%	39.6%	25.5%		

# CAASPP Mathematics

Source: Los Angeles Unified School District, Data Set - November 16, 2018; California Department of Education (CDE) DataQuest

Over the last three years (2015-16 to 2017-18), Alliance MIT has consistently out-performed our resident schools both school-wide and by subgroup on the CAASPP in Mathematics. In 2018, our school-wide population outperformed the resident school median by a tremendous 22 points while our English Learners and Students with Disabilities exceeded their resident school counterparts by 3 and 11 points, respectively. Moreover, our school-wide population and Hispanic or Latino students have both experienced growth in the percent of students meeting or exceeding standards between 2016 and 2018. Though our White subgroup has experienced a slight decline and our Socioeconomically Disadvantaged subgroup hasn't grown over the last three years, these subgroup have exceeded the resident school median each year, with the White and Economically Disadvantaged subgroup surpassing resident schools by 14 and 20 points, respectively, in 2017-18.

As stated above, our smaller subgroup populations have experienced volatility in CAASPP scores due to the nearly 700% increase in our student population between 2015-16 (55 test takers) and 2017-18 (426 test takers).

As our population size stabilizes, we plan to raise student performance both school-wide and for our subgroups through the following strategies:

- We maintain a complex-wide focus on justification, including common strategies for unpacking rigorous tasks, annotating word problems, discussing protocols, identifying criteria for success, and writing performance tasks. Like in English-Language Arts, we have continued to maximize common planning time and shared work in lesson planning and intellectual preparation. We have also continued our RELAY Graduate School of Education for observation-feedback and data-driven instruction to support our teachers in their classrooms and analyzing student work to have high-quality reteaches.
- We have restructured our schedule to include blocks for math intervention and remediation, including enrichment classes, resource labs, ELD, and advisories. At the quarter and/or semester break, teachers analyze interim performance data and student achievement grades to identify students in need of additional math support. Once identified, students are assigned to specific math intervention courses to provide specific instruction on skill gaps using both traditional in-person teaching strategies and online adaptive tools (i.e. Khan Academy, iReady).
- We have increased math resources and materials, including curriculum from Achievement First, Open Up, and College Preparatory Mathematics to maximize the use of instructional time during these core blocks and to improve intellectual preparation for lessons and strong instructional delivery. Instead of creating lessons from scratch, teachers are able to modify and improve existing materials in order to efficiently plan quality lessons. As a key part of the intellectual preparation and lesson internalization process, teachers are asked to complete all required math tasks themselves prior to presenting and instructing students. Teachers draft their own exemplar responses to the performance tasks, identify any potential areas of misconceptions for students, proactively identify strategies to address these misconceptions, script out questions to check for understanding, and progress monitor throughout lessons.
- We have increased special education and English Learner staffing (RSP teachers and instructional aides) and added a College and Career Ready Center (CCRC) for high school (after having created the program in middle school the previous year in 2017-18) to ensure that our English Learners and students with disabilities are receiving the support that they needed. The CCRC class provides students with the opportunity to receive targeted literacy skills instruction to assist them with attacking and solving math word problems and tasks in their math classes. These literacy skills can be transferred to a variety of courses, including math.
- We have also partnered with the EnCorps since 2017-18, an organization dedicated to
  placing working professionals in STEM-based careers in schools to provide in-classroom
  support, after-school tutoring, and mentorship to students in the areas of math and
  science. The EnCorps volunteers are able to provide specialized tutoring and support in
  math and science while also bridging the relevance of students' courses with real-world
  applications and careers. EnCorps also provides opportunities for teachers to receive
  STEM-focused professional school support and assistance.

# Internal Assessment: English/Language Arts and Mathematics

In Fall 2017, MIT implemented new interim assessments in ELA and Math, created by the Alliance Home Office, that we administer to grades 6 through 11 three times a year. These interims are strongly aligned to Common Core State Standards in ELA and Math and are built off of the assessment blueprints and item specifications for Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC). Data from each interim is immediately available to staff and broken down at the student, item and standard level. School-wide Data Days are held immediately following each interim assessment to provide time for teachers and leaders to deeply analyze interim data and plan reteaching as well as additional intervention and support.

	2018-19 Interim Assessment – English/Language Arts									
	A	All Students			English Learners			s with Dis	abilities	
	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	
Grade	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	
9	33%	37%	43%	21%	26%	32%	22%	33%	32%	
10	36%	47%	46%	28%	34%	29%	25%	34%	36%	

Source: Schoolzilla, Illuminate Data Platform

	2018-19 Interim Assessment - Mathematics									
	All Students English Learners			All Students			ners	Student	s with Dis	abilities
	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	Interim	
Grade	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	
9	46%	29%	37%	33%	19%	29%	36%	19%	31%	
10	45%	42%	46%	35%	35%	32%	29%	22%	32%	

Source: Schoolzilla, Illuminate Data Platform

Based on our 2018-19 ELA Interim data, we have seen significant growth in performance in both 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade school-wide and by subgroup. Our school-wide population in both 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade grew by 10 points between interim 1 and 3, while our English Learners and Students with Disabilities also largely met or exceeded 10 point growth during this timeframe.

Based on our 2018-19 Math data, our current Integrated Math 1 students improved by 15% compared to last year's Integrated Math 1 students. Our 10<sup>th</sup> grade students with disabilities improved 3% from interim 1 to interim 3. Though our English Learners declined 4 percentage points in 9<sup>th</sup> grade and 3 percentage points in 10<sup>th</sup> grade, we have focused on providing additional support, including English Learner support staffing, a restructured schedule with increased opportunities for targeted intervention, and reteaching based on data analysis.

Based on our interim data, which we received three times during the year, our teachers identify areas of strength and areas of needed improvement and create individual grade level action plans in order to ensure that students both school-wide and by subgroup receive the supports that they need. As part of this process, teachers create reteaching plans based on individual and subgroup results to hone in on areas in which students need additional instruction. After completing these lessons, students retake assessments for the identified standards to provide their teachers with additional data about the success of the lessons and their progress toward standards mastery. Based on the results of these reassessments, we've found that students consistently demonstrate a higher mastery of the content on average, assuring us that our interim process has been successful.

In order to meet our desired mathematics outcomes in high school mathematics, we know that our students will need to improve in Integrated Math 1, 2, and 3, specifically in the Standard A-CED areas (creating equations that describe numbers or relationships). This was evidenced in the data for all high school grade levels. We must also improve the standards mastery status for our students with disabilities and English learners who are performing as they are performance behind their general education peers.

In order for us to meet our ambitious goal of having 60% of our 11th grade students meet or exceed standards in high school mathematics, we will continue to engage teachers in our data driven instruction (DDI) process, which allows us to identify areas of strength, areas of needed improvement, and create individual grade level action plans. We will also continue to improve our general education and special education teacher collaboration and planning while continuing to work on intellectual prep, with specific emphasis on justification and the use of textual evidence in reading and analysis. We're also continuing to improve criteria for success and aggressive monitoring practices so that we can engage in more consistent bi-weekly data meetings with teachers to help them improve student performance.

Reclassification of English Learners								
2016-17 2017-18 2018-19								
MIT	0%	26%	22%					
Resident School Median	18%	24%	24%					
LAUSD	17%	20%	23%					
California	13%	15%	14%					

## **Reclassification of English Learners**

Source: California Department of Education

Over the last three years (2016-17 and 2018-19), we've grown our reclassification rate 22 points, exceeding the State of California's reclassification rate by 11 points in 2017-18 and 8 points in 2018-19. Though we had a reclassification rate of 0% in 2016-17, this was largely due to the fact that our reclassification criteria relies heavily on ELPAC testing, which takes place in the Fall. As a result, we only had our students for a limited time by the date of testing, limiting our ability to grow our students' literacy skills sufficiently. However, the significant growth that we experienced in 2017-18 clearly demonstrates that our instructional program has positively impacted students' literacy skills.

In order to foster additional growth over the next 5 years of our petition term, we are pursuing the following strategies:

- We have restructured our schedule to include blocks for reading intervention and remediation, including enrichment classes, resource labs, ELD, and advisories, in order to address performance gaps.
- We have purchased new curriculum, including C&A Phonics for Reading System, English 3D, Wilson Reading, Achievement First, etc. to improve intellectual preparation for lessons and strong instructional delivery, particularly for English Learners.

 Teachers across the complex are also continuing to utilize a variety of online resources to support standards mastery, including Achieve 3000, to support our students with their reading.

## **College-Readiness Outcomes**

Alliance Marine-Innovation and Technology opened its doors to the Sun Valley community in Fall 2015 with 6th grade. We have since grown to grades 6 - 11 in 2018 - 2019. We are excited to have our first senior class graduate in the 2019-20 school year.

Though we won't have graduation or dropout rates until 2020, we consistently monitor our high school students' progress toward graduation. Our counselors meet 1:1 with students to track their graduation progress and A-G credits. Students also have access to their grades electronically and receive regular printed reports so that they can engage in reflection and goalsetting activities through their Advisory course each week. Through our partnership with Naviance, our counseling team creates and co-facilitates Advisory lessons for students on the importance of course credits and UC A-G requirements, hosts workshops and academies for parents, and sends home mailings so that all are aware of their students' progress towards graduation. We also motivate and inspire our students to go to college by providing a variety of college workshops, on-site college representative presentations, and university field trips. Students who are credit-deficient have opportunities to recover credits through an online program as well as through Summer School, which is offered each year. Teachers regularly review gradebook data and use it to assign students to after school tutoring, provide retake opportunities, and contact parents to inform them of concerns or praise. As a result of this intentional focus on our high school students' performance, our founding graduating class of 2020 is currently on pace to have a 94% graduation rate or above, with 92% or more of our araduating class meeting the A-G requirements for CSU/UC eligibility. We will be adding additional counseling support to ensure that we meet or exceed these current rates of graduation and 4-year university eligibility in 2019-20.

During our students' four years of high school, primarily their Junior and Senior years, they are consistently exposed to a variety of assessments, assessment preparation, and academic enrichment opportunities to prepare for college admissions and college success. Our students are or have been exposed to Pre-Advanced Placement curriculum. Alliance MIT was one of 100 schools selected across the United States starting in 2018-19 to partner with the College Board to engage its students in Pre-AP coursework. This advanced preparation for our incoming high school students has increased the rigor of our instructional program. Our students have access to an increased selection of Advanced Placement courses and AP exams. To prepare for these exams, our AP teachers provided AP bootcamps both after school and on Saturdays to prepare our students to be as successful as possible on their AP exams. Our students also had their first exposure to the PSAT and SAT exams in the 2018 - 2019 school year, which included SAT prep workshops provided during advisory. We are excited to be able to continue to build on our college preparatory programs moving forward.

# School Climate & Culture

# Attendance

Average Daily Attendance						
2015-16 2016-17 2017-1						
MIT	95%	96%	96%			

Source: PowerSchool Attendance Reports

Our complex-wide attendance rates have remained high even with the significant and rapid growth in student population. We have increased our average daily attendance from 95% in 2015 – 2016 to 96% in 2017-18 with nearly 10 times student growth between those years. We are currently in the Green status for chronic absenteeism as measured the California Dashboard and improved our chronically absent population from 9.3% to 7.8% in 2017-18.

At Alliance MIT, our certificated and classified teams work in collaboration with our students and families to promote high attendance rates. Strong attendance allows and creates the conditions for engaged learning and higher academic achievement. We attribute our average daily attendance rates and improved chronic absenteeism counts to the fact that we've added additional operations and parent engagement specialist staffing to increase home to school communication.

We have initiated a School Attendance Review Board (SARB) process, which includes multiple interventions at the site and network home office levels. The attendance clerk begins each day with tracking daily attendance. For absent students, phone calls are made on a daily basis requesting a note for the absence to ensure that parents are aware of the absence. Families receive a phone call from a school administrator and/or counselor to set up a meeting via phone or in person to discuss students' attendance and the impact their absences have on their academic grades. Families receive truancy letters when students demonstrate consistent absences. Chronically absent students are identified throughout the semester and receive at least one home visit. School staff then schedule an additional in-person meeting on-site to connect with the family and determine how to better support the student.

In addition to this SARB process, we have also continued to improve our Positive Behavior Intervention Support system to increase motivation for students to attend school. Positive relationships with all students are cultivated through advisory, academic classrooms, and student incentive programs. We create personalized environments in advisory in which students discuss social-emotional issues, learn about current events, build cohort culture, and celebrate student achievement. In our classrooms, our students engage in 21st century learning opportunities, such as our Alliance Blended Learning for Alliance School Transformation (BLAST) station-rotation model in the core instructional blocks as well as Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM)-focused enrichment classes, that are designed to promote active engagement and rigorous challenge. To motivate our students to show up to school every day, we have monthly awards assemblies with some of the recognitions including perfect attendance and on-time class attendance.

Even though MIT's daily attendance is high, we will continue to strive for excellence and improve in this area. We plan to provide our counselors with a weekly list of absent students to touch base with their families both on site and through home visits. Our team will continue to monitor and track chronically absent students through one spreadsheet shared amongst administrators, office staff, teachers and counselors.

Out-Of-School Suspension Event Percentages							
	201	5-16	201	6-17	2017-18		
	МІТ	Resident	МІТ	Resident	МІТ	Resident	
Suspensions	0%	0.9%	2.3%	0.7%	2.9%	0.8%	

Source: Los Angeles Unified School District, Data Set

MIT has maintained a low suspension rate over the last three years (2015-16 to 2017-18), exceeding the State of California average by 1 point in 2016-17 and 2017-18. However, we have experienced increased suspension rates in 2016-17 and 2017-18as a result of increased population size coupled with our identified need to implement more positive behavior intervention supports and alternatives to suspension, particularly for our students with disabilities. In order to reduce suspension rates and ensure that we support our student's needs, we have employed several strategies:

- We outlined our "Always READY" expectations to communicate with students, families, and staff about what it means to be Respectful, Engaged, Accountable, Determine, and Your Personal Best in all areas of the school. We communicated these attributes with all of our stakeholders and created practices and systems to reward students for their positive behavior as identified by these expectations.
- We created and improved upon our Positive Behavior Intervention Support System and identified a variety of alternatives to suspension, including our READY Rewards program where we provide students with "merits," or school-based points or money, that students can use to purchase prizes from our READY Rewards Store and/or have access to extracurricular field trip opportunities based on their levels of Merits in addition to our typical grade level university field trips and enrichment field trips ... We also increased the number of school-based spirit days, sports programs, and student activities to increase motivation for students to behave appropriately. In regards to alternatives to suspension, we have implemented more on-site reflection opportunities and restorative practices to keep students on site when disciplinary infractions occur.
- We fostered community partners and organizations to wrap their metaphoric arms around our students and families to develop more positive programs and spaces on campus. We created a new library on campus in 2018-19 to give students a space to study and collaborate with peers through a generous donation by Mark and Cha Cha Weinstein. We worked with El Nido and the Foothill Police Department to provide trainings and workshops for students and families for anti-drug and anti-gang programming through their Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD) initiatives. We worked with University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) Health Sound Body Sound Mind to put in a brand new fitness center to provide students with fitness opportunities. We worked with the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) to have sports programs on campus for our students. These partnerships have been developed since we opened in 2015-2016 and continue today. We increased our After School All Stars programming to include more middle school students while creating leadership opportunities for high school students to serve as mentors.
- We provided teachers with professional development in socio-emotional strategies and restorative justice to better address the needs of our students who have experienced trauma in strategies such as restorative circles. We provided trainings on Non-Violent

Crisis Interventions for our instructional aides and several teachers. We were also able to provide professional development to counselors on suicide prevention.

 We also increased our parent engagement opportunities to work with parents to identify and address issues affecting young people and families today. We continue to work with El Nido to provide drug and gang awareness programs for families and the Sandy Hook Promise to provide anti-bullying and positive self-esteem programs for our students. We seek to actively partner with parents to find positive strategies to reduce suspensions.

Annual Stakeholder Satisfaction Surveys							
2015-16 2016-17 2017-18							
Scholar Satisfaction	93%	84%	84%				
Staff Satisfaction	100%	99%	95%				
Parent Satisfaction	91%	94%	92%				

# Parent Engagement & Stakeholder Satisfaction

Source: Internal Satisfaction Surveys

Annual surveys over the last 3 years (2015-16 to 2017-18) have demonstrated that students, parents, and staff are satisfied with our school and the services that we provide.

Parents are invaluable partners in attaining the goals we seek to achieve in our charter petition and our Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). The Annual Parent Satisfaction Survey data demonstrates the families are satisfied with our school. Throughout our existence, our scholar satisfaction, staff satisfaction, and parent satisfaction data reflects that fact that 80% or more of these various stakeholders agree or strongly agree that they are satisfied with our school.

The school embraces parents as partners in the education of their children. All stakeholders have the opportunity to participate in the decision-making process at the school through engagement opportunities, such as quarterly school board meetings, monthly school coordinating council meetings and monthly town hall meetings.

The school further extends parent engagement through monthly parent workshops, as well, where counselors and school leaders guide parents through a series of topics related to academic, financial, and social-emotional readiness for students and their families as they prepare for the journey to and through college. To ensure parents are aware of the various meetings occurring on site, we regularly update the MIT website with online copies of materials for parents including agendas and notes from the MIT school board meetings, school coordinating council meetings, town hall meetings, and parent workshops. Parents are also invited to campus to meet with teachers during Back to School Night within the first month of school each year, during parent conferences after the first progress report of each semester, or routinely throughout the school year for individual conferences at the request of teachers and parents alike. Through these various avenues, we maintain an open-door policy in which all parents have access to share ideas and provide feedback on school decision-making processes.

In order to create a space for involvement of all stakeholder groups, such as our school staff, students, and families, and keep the community engaged in the fulfillment of the mission/vision, the school has a School Coordinating Council (SCC) which meets a minimum of four times per year. The SCC consists of members from various stakeholder groups, including parents,

teachers, classified staff, community members, student government and the site leadership. The SCC is an effective forum to provide suggestions and recommendations to the leadership on day-to-day operations and issues including but not limited to, budgeting, the instructional program, school policies, and the general direction of the school.

The school hosts community townhall meetings once a month. These meetings provide an opportunity for the wider group of stakeholders to participate in monitoring the school's progress. During these meetings, we discuss a wide range of topics to promote engagement and commitment to our mission. These meetings are open to the community members, but also provide an opportunity for parents who are unable to attend the SCC meetings. The school leadership attends the townhall meetings which are held on campus.

Since parent involvement and education are essential components in the success of our students, the school holds workshops to increase parent capacity to support their children at home and assist the school in closing the achievement gap. The goal of the parent workshops is to create and maintain a climate conducive to sustained parent engagement and partnerships to support student learning and success. The Parent Engagement Specialist, with support from the administrative team, conducts the workshops on a variety of topics, and serves as a vehicle for parent education regarding the educational program of their student. Topics range from high school preparedness, college-readiness, and parenting skills.

# Student Population to be Served

Alliance Marine-Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex is an independent charter school that serves students in grades 6-12, providing an alternative choice of quality education in the Sun Valley community.

MIT provides a sound educational program for all students in attendance through its rigorous standards-based curriculum, culture of high expectations, highly effective and qualified teachers, and principal leadership in a small personalized learning environment where students know their teachers well and are known by adults.

The publicly available SBAC data and the California Accountability Dashboard for schools in the community to be served reflects a large, urban student population and provides an objective rationale for the need of the proposed instructional program. MIT seeks to recruit middle and high school students in the following school communities to improve academic performance as a priority:

- Charles Maclay Middle Richard E. Byrd Middle Sun Valley Magnet Mt. Gleason Middle Pacoima Middle Sun Valley High San Fernando Institute of Applied Media Olive Vista Middle John H. Francis Polytechnic Sylmar Biotech Health Academy
- Francisco Sepulveda Middle Verdugo Hills Senior High San Fernando Middle Cesar E. Chavez Learning Academies-Social Justice Humanitas Academy Cesar E. Chavez Learning Academies-Academy of Scientific Exploration (ASE) San Fernando Senior High Sylmar Charter High Cesar E. Chavez Learning Academies-Technology Preparatory Academy

# **Enrollment by Grade-Level**

	5 Year Enrollment Roll-Out Plan								
Grade	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025				
6	150	150	150	150	150				
7	180	150	150	150	150				
8	175	175	150	150	150				
9	150	170	150	150	150				
10	150	145	150	150	150				
11	85	145	150	150	150				
12	60	80	150	150	150				
Total	950	1015	1050	1050	1050				

# Goals and Philosophy

## Mission

The mission of MIT is to operate a small high performing school that prepares all students to graduate and to enter and succeed in college. Moreover, we strive to ensure that each MIT student will develop resilient character and strong critical thinking and collaborative skills necessary to become socially responsible, globally minded citizens who are an integral part of their local, national and international communities.

Alliance MIT 6-12 Complex students are ALWAYS READY. They are innovative thinkers and doers, challenge seekers, and lifelong learners. They relentlessly strive to improve themselves while respecting and caring for others. They graduate from our school equipped with the knowledge, skills, and habits of mind needed to succeed in college, compete in a technology-rich global economy, and make a positive impact on the world.

# Vision

The vision of MIT is to provide a highly accountable model of innovation with highly effective teachers guided by core principles that are based on what research has shown to be best educational practices, and to serve as a model for the District and other public schools.

MIT will consistently demonstrate student readiness for success in college by growing the number of students who, based on State content/common core standards assessments, place at the "meeting" or "exceeding" standards levels.

# **Key Program Elements**

MIT students, staff and community embrace the following five Alliance program elements to establish and maintain the culture of the school:

- 1. **High Expectations for All Students** All students, including students in historically underachieving communities, can successfully learn at high levels and have a fundamental right to high expectations and quality instruction that prepare them to enter and succeed in college<sup>1</sup>. All students must pass the A-G college entrance course requirements with a grade of C or better to graduate and be at least proficient in core academic standards (reading, writing, math, science, history/social science) to be ready for success in college.
- 2. Small Personalized Schools and Classrooms Students learn best in small learning communities where their education is personalized so that students know their teachers and are well known as individuals by all adults in the school. Blended-learning classrooms, like those at MIT, offer even more personalized and individualized instruction that targets individual student learning needs, takes them from where they are and accelerates their learning to where they need to be in order to graduate ready for success in college.
- 3. Increased Instructional Time All students must have sufficient time in school to learn successfully. The school offers a longer school year and ongoing opportunities for extended learning time through intervention or enrichment to meet individual student needs. Daily learning time is structured in longer instructional blocks of time to allow for focused in-depth learning. Students will also have access to online resources, be able to replay online content, and access other features allowed by using technology, creating many out-of-classroom learning opportunities. Research demonstrates how increased learning time can lead to higher achievement<sup>2</sup>
- 4. Highly Qualified Principals and Teachers All Alliance schools must have exemplary principals who are capable instructional leaders and entrepreneurs in managing resources, and who are given opportunities for ongoing leadership training. Knowing that students learn best with teachers who know their subject field, are well trained to deliver rigorous instruction, and can attend to the diverse needs of individual students, these skills are at the forefront when selecting and developing teachers. Our teachers work in collaborative teams with common planning time where lessons are studied as a learning community and where accountability for student success is a shared responsibility.
- 5. Working with Parents as Partners Parents at all Alliance schools are meaningfully and actively engaged in their children's education. They have a right to choose to send their children to excellent high performing schools. Parents must be responsible and accountable for supporting their children's learning at school and at home. They must understand what it will take to prepare their children for college, and they are encouraged to support the goals of the school through their voice and through volunteering.

# What it Means to Be an Educated Person in the 21st Century

A well-educated person in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century must be highly proficient in a rigorous set of competencies in language, reasoning/problem solving, reading, writing, computation,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Doug Lemov, Teach Like a Champion, March 2010

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Massachusetts 2020, More Time for Learning: Promising Practices and Lessons Learned, 2010.

interpersonal relationships, social/ economic studies, the use of technology, and personal work habits in order to succeed in a global economy.

A well-educated person recognizes that the world is constantly changing, and is a self-directed lifelong learner prepared to continually adapt to changes that require new skills and competencies to be successful in their lifetime. An educated person understands that creative thinking leads to opportunity, that talent can be turned into true skill, and that all human beings are equal and important.<sup>3</sup>

The MIT curriculum, instructional methodology, and environment are designed to instill and develop these skills in our students so that they can achieve success in college and in their chosen careers, and can continue to be self-directed learners, highly skilled critical thinkers, and effective communicators throughout their lives.

# How Learning Best Occurs

At MIT, we believe that we believe exceptional teaching is at the heart of student success in middle school, high school, college, and beyond. Every day, with every student, we exemplify this belief through the academic commitments below. We believe learning occurs best when classrooms are characterized by the attributes below:

**SPARK** Our students are enthusiastic learners who work hard every day to master challenging content.

- Teachers celebrate students' effort and foster students' curiosity by cultivating a passion for learning and reinforcing the conviction that with hard work, every student can succeed.
- Students enthusiastically read, write, analyze, discuss, research, experiment, and solve challenging problems and self-advocate for what they need to succeed.

**CHALLENGE** Our students learn best when we provide challenging content that builds strong learning habits and life skills.

- Teachers support students to lead the cognitive thinking in a lesson by providing challenging academic content, skills, and experiences that prepare them for success in high school, college, and beyond. Challenging content pushes every student to exceed their own expectations, achieving exceptional results through struggle and hard work.
- Students wrestle with complex ideas and persevere in their work even when they are not sure of the answer.

**SCHOLAR TO SCHOLAR** Our students deepen their understanding of content and build skills through lively discussions and meaningful collaboration with their peers.

- Teachers provide students with a variety of opportunities to engage in robust academic discussions and to collaborate to solve real-world problems.
- Students use evidence to support their thinking, respectfully disagree with differing perspectives, and revise their own thinking in light of other students' ideas.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Douglas Kellner, New Media and New Literacies: Reconstructing Education for the New Millennium, UCLA, 2000

**PERSONALIZED** Our students thrive with thoughtful scaffolding and individualized supports to meet our high bar for academic rigor.

- Teachers use data to strategically tailor instruction based on what their students need, keeping the bar for academic rigor high.
- Students employ a variety of tools and strategies, including technology, to accelerate their learning, build knowledge and skills, and obtain feedback on their performance.

# Annual Goals for Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)

NOTE: The data targets approved by the School Board of Directors for the Year 3 LCAP are reflected in the tables below, where possible, and are based upon 2017-18 baselines or 2018-19 baselines, where available. The LCAP was developed based on the input by various stakeholder groups as required, approved by the School Board in June 2019, and submitted to LACOE per statutory requirements. The Board will consider revisions to the LCAP based on available data for the 2020-21 year as part of the Spring 2020 development of the 2020-2023 LCAP.

NOTE: Subgroups which are not statistically significant as of the current data reporting year are denoted with an "\*" in the table below. Additionally, NA indicates that the data is either not available or is not disaggregated by subgroup. Finally, because we do not have baseline data available for many 2019-20 metrics, the baselines listed are subject to revision upon receipt of 2019-20 finalized data.

GOAL #1			
Ensure all students are provided a learning environment supported by highly effective and fully credentialed teachers, and have full access to standards-		elated Stat Priorities:	е
aligned instructional materials in a well-maintained facility	X 1 7	X 4	
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	□ 3	□ 6	
	Loc	al Prioritie	es:
	□:		
Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal			
Action/Service 1: Increase administrative staffing to continue to provide administrati teacher support year 1 and 2 teachers as school population grows. Action/Service 2: Increased tutoring services for students at risk of receiving an NP meeting standard on CAASPP/interim assessments Action/Service 3: Ensure that all teachers that are hired have correct credential and appropriate content area (base teacher salaries and benefits) and retain highly qual providing additional compensation (stipends) for extra duties.	and/or s are assi	tudents n gned to tl	not

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	82%	82%	83%	84%	85%	86%
English Learners	82%	81%	82%	83%	84%	85%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	82%	81%	82%	83%	84%	85%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	82%	81%	82%	83%	84%	85%
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
_atino Students	82%	81%	82%	83%	84%	85%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
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All Students (Schoolwide)	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings
English Learners	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings
Foster Youth	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings
Students with Disabilities	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings	0 findings
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	GOAL #2								
All students will have equitable access to rigorous, standards-aligned       Related State Priori         curricula and technology, assuring readiness for a full range of college       1       4       1         and career options.       X 2       5       1         3       6									
Local Priorities:									
Specific A	nnual Actic	ons to Achi	eve Goal						
Action/Service 1: Increase Summer Bridge access for all incoming students to support the transition to (MS/HS), and introduces ELA/math for ensuring college-going culture Action/Service 2: Improve the implementation of ELA school-wide operating plan and math school-wide operating plan through a coherent system of professional development that focuses on vertical articulation and planning amongst teachers to create clear scope & sequence for all departments, shared literacy strategies, and data driven inquiry. Action/Service 3: Develop individual graduation/college/career plans for all students with regular check-ins during advisory/mentorship Action/Service 4: Provide coordinated system of digital content (Summit PLP, Achieve 3000, Moby Max, etc.), print materials (textbooks and library books), and interim and formative assessments to provide subgroup and student-level data on standards (i.e. standards- aligned assessments items used to drive instructional decisions, CAASPP Interim Assessments). Increase IT support for the complex by increasing staffing.									
Expected	Annual Me	asurable C	Outcomes						
Outcome #1:ELA CAASPP Proficiency Metric/Method for Measuring: % of stude	nts who m	et or excee	eded the st	andard/CA	ASPP Res	ults			
Applicable Student Groups	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025			
All Students (Schoolwide)	55%	55.5%	56%	56.5%	57%	57.5%			
English Learners	4%	10.5%	11%	11.5%	12%	12.5%			
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	53%	53.5%	54%	54.5%	55%	55.5%			
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Students with Disabilities	14%	14.5%	15%	15.5%	16%	16.5%			
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Latino Students	55%	55.5%	56%	56.5%	57%	57.5%			
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			

Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	55%	55.5%	56%	56.5%	57%	57.5%
Outcome #2: Math CAASPP Proficiency Metric/Method for Measuring: % of stude	ents who me	et or excee	eded the sta	andard/CA	ASPP Res	ults
Applicable Student Groups	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	40%	40%	40.5%	41%	41.5%	42%
English Learners	4%	10.5%	11%	11.5%	12%	12.5%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	38%	38.5%	39%	39.5%	40%	41.5%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	13%	13.5%	14%	14.5%	15%	15.5%
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	39%	40%	40.5%	41%	41.5%	42%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	40%	40%	40.5%	41%	41.5%	42%

GOAL #3			
Provide meaningful involvement opportunities for all parents that	Relat	ted State I	Priorities:
support student success in become college and career ready	□ 1	□ 4	□ 7
	□ 2	□ 5	□ 8
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	L	_ocal Prior	rities:
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Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal			
Action/Service 1: Offer coherent program of parent workshops related to charter college, college admissions, financial aid and high school graduation). Action/Service 2: Through surveys in fall and spring, school will continue to eval connectedness and reasons that motivate stronger participation and engagement involvement and volunteer opportunities, and track participation by parents.	uate sc	hool	

Action/Service 3: Increase full-time parent engagement specialist staffing to 2 team members to advertise and promote parent engagement opportunities via school website, Teleparent, and flyers as school population grows. Provide communication translations as needed.

Expected	d Annual Me	asurable C	outcomes			
Outcome #1: Parent Attendance: Town H Metric/Method for Measuring: Parents a and workshop/Attendance sheets		-				
Applicable Student Groups	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	15%	16%	17%	18%	19%	20%
English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Metric/Method for Measuring: Conferen parent conferences. APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	ce attendand Baseline	ce tracking	- 54% Par 2021-2022	ent attend	ing school- 2023-2024	wide 2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	80%	81%	82%	83%	84%	85%
English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
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Filipino Students	*	*	*		×	*
Filipino Students Latino Students	* NA	* NA	* NA	NA	NA	* NA
•			* NA *	NA *		
Latino Students	NA	NA			NA	NA

# Outcome #3: Parent Satisfaction Surveys Metric/Method for Measuring: 54% of Parents completing rating of school with average 3's or 4's/Panorama Survey data

Applicable Student Groups	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	95%	96%	97%	98%	99%	100%
English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

GOAL #4			
All students will gain the knowledge and skills to be college and career	Rela	ated State I	Priorities:
ready through a variety of academic opportunities and programs to	□ 1	Χ4	□ 7
support their learning	□ 2	□ 5	□ 8
	□ 3	□ 6	
		Local Prior	ities:
	□:		
	□:		
Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal	-		
Action/Service 1: Provide increased targeted support and interventions to drive English Support courses/double blocked humanities, targeted interventions/tutol meeting grade-level standards to increase the number of students who "meet or measured by CAASPP). Provide supplemental English-Language Arts curriculus accelerate students at varying levels. Action/Service 2: Provide increased Math Support courses/double blocked STEI interventions, tutoring, and supplemental mathematics curriculum for students n	ring fo excee m to re M time	r students ed" standa emediate c e, targeted	not Irds as Dr

standards (or at-risk of receiving an NP) to push them to "meet or exceed" standards as measured by CAASPP.

Action/Service 3: Increase number of opportunities to promote the career-ready and college-ready experiences for students (i.e. college visits, guest speakers, and strategies to support student preparation for college, dual enrollment, test preparation for college entrance exams)

#### Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes

Outcome #1:A-G Course Completion

Metric/Method for Measuring: A-G course completion tracking/4 Year Plans

Applicable Student Groups	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	N/A	50%	52%	54%	56%	58%
English Learners	N/A	45%	46%	47%	48%	49%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	N/A	50%	52%	54%	56%	58%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	N/A	45%	46%	47%	48%	49%
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	N/A	50%	52%	54%	56%	58%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	N/A	50%	52%	54%	56%	58%
Outcome #2:AP Passage Rates Metric/Method for Measuring: AP Test F APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Passage (3+ Baseline	scores)	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	30%	31%	32%	33%	34%	35%
English Learners	N/A	1%	1.5%	2%	2.5%	3%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	N/A	10%	11%	12%	13%	14%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	N/A	1%	1.5%	2%	2.5%	3%
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	N/A	10%	11%	12%	13%	14%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
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Students of Two or More Races

White Students	N/A	10%	11%	12%	13%	14%
Outcome #3: Early Assessment Program	· · ·	ish and EA	P Math			
Metric/Method for Measuring: ELA Resu	Ilts					
Applicable Student Groups	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	N/A	25%	25%+	25%+	25%+	25%+
English Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Outcome #3: EAP English and EAP Math						
Metric/Method for Measuring: Math Res		0000 0004	0004 0000	0000 0000	0000 0004	0004 0005
STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	N/A	25%+	25%+	25%+	25%+	25%+
English Learners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*

GOAL #5									
All students will be provided an engaging learning environment that will Related State Priorities:									
support rigorous learning opportunities	□ 1	□ 4	□7						
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					Local Prior	ities:			
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Specific A	nnual Actio	ons to Achi	eve Goal	-					
Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal Action/Service 1: Add 1 additional full-time counselor for middle school and high school to support with social-emotional needs and college/career pathways advisement. Provide increased professional development for counseling staff and teachers to promote and implement positive behavior intervention support strategies and plans. Action/Service 2: Administration will meet directly with students (and their parents) who were at risk of failure and who also have attendance as a contributing factor. Provide adequate administrative support to ensure a safe and orderly environment that supports the instruction of rigorous academic content. Action/Service 3: Continue to maintain a focus on regular school attendance by adding an additional full- time parent engagement specialist; daily monitoring (and monthly assessment and analysis of attendance) and meet with families of students on a more consistent basis who are chronically absent; timely communication with parents about attendance issues. Purchase positive attendance with awards and recognition.									
Expected	Annual Me	asurable C	outcomes						
Outcome #1:Chronic Absenteeism Metric/Method for Measuring: Chronic Ab	sontooism	Rates							
Applicable									
STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025			
All Students (Schoolwide)	8%	8%	7.5%	7.5%	7%	7%			
English Learners	4%	4%	3.5%	3.5%	3%	3%			
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	8%	8%	7.5%	7.5%	7%	7%			

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Foster Youth

Asian Students

Filipino Students

Latino Students

Students with Disabilities

African American Students

American Indian/Alaska Native Students

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students

Students of Two or More Races

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White Students	13%	12%	11%	11%	10%	10%
Outcome #2:Daily Attendance						
Metric/Method for Measuring: Daily atte	ndance trac	king				
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	95%	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%
English Learners	NA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	NA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	NA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	NA	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Outcome #3 <i>Middle School Dropout Ra</i> Metric/Method for Measuring:	ite	-		<u>.</u>	<u>.</u>	
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
English Learners	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

# Outcome #4 High School Dropout Rate Metric/Method for Measuring:

Metric/Method for Measuring:										
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025				
All Students (Schoolwide)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
English Learners	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Students with Disabilities	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Latino Students	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*				
White Students	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
Outcome #5 High School Graduation Ra Metric/Method for Measuring:	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025				
STUDENT GROUPS										
All Students (Schoolwide)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
English Learners	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Students with Disabilities	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Latino Students	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*				
White Students	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD				

	GOAI	L #6					
All students will be provided a safe, and	healthy le	earning en	vironment	t to Rel	ated State F	Priorities:	
achieve social, emotional and academic	success.			□ 1	□ 4	□7	
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					Local Prior	ities:	
Specific A	nnual Actic	ons to Achi	eve Goal	-			
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Action/Service 2: Improve and implement a celebratory events to boost staff and stude				. Ο		inforce	
positive school culture through character-b			Smeeting	Colubioned	gouis. No		
Action/Service 3: Continue and improve up	• • •	-	scipline pla	an with a fo	cus on alte	ernatives	
to suspension such as restorative practices		0	•				
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issues through (i.e. counseling presentation grade-level assemblies, etc.) and monitor r	•						
grade-level assemblies, etc.) and monitor progress using a student culture rubric. Add additional							
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AP/SpEd/Discipline administrator to support	-	-					
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AP/SpEd/Discipline administrator to suppor Expected 2 Outcome #1:Suspension Rate Metric/Method for Measuring: Monthly su APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	rt increased Annual Me Ispension r Baseline	d student a asurable C eports 2020-2021	nd teacher Outcomes 2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	
AP/SpEd/Discipline administrator to suppor Expected a Outcome #1:Suspension Rate Metric/Method for Measuring: Monthly su APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS All Students (Schoolwide)	Annual Me spension r Baseline 3%	d student a asurable C eports 2020-2021 2.5%	2021-2022	2022-2023 2%	n. 2023-2024 2%	2024-2025 2%	
AP/SpEd/Discipline administrator to suppor Expected 2 Outcome #1:Suspension Rate Metric/Method for Measuring: Monthly su APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS All Students (Schoolwide) English Learners	Annual Me spension r Baseline 3% 3%	d student a asurable C eports 2020-2021 2.5% 2.5%	2021-2022 2% 2%	2022-2023 2% 2%	n. 2023-2024 2% 2%	2024-2025 2% 2%	
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White Students	2%	2.5%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Outcome #2:Expulsion Rate						
Metric/Method for Measuring: Monthly e	xpulsion rep	oorts	t			
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
English Learners	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Outcome #3:Student Satisfaction			·			
Metric/Method for Measuring: Panorama	a student pe	rception a	nd satisfac	tion survey	results (3	s and 4s)
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	35%	37%	39%	40%	41%	42%
English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

GOAL #7									
All students will have the opportunity t	o experienc	ce a range	of course	e <b>s</b> Rel	ated State I	Priorities:			
that support career and college reading	ess			□ 1	□ 4	Χ7			
				□ 2	□ 5	□ 8			
				□ 3	□ 6				
					Local Prior	ities:			
				□:					
Specific	Annual Actic	ons to Achi	eve Goal						
Action/Service 1: Continue to provide a w	de range of	academic	options (e.	g. Advance	ed Placem	ent,			
Honors, etc.) and provide the necessary s					iptions to p	promote			
success, and ensure teachers receive AP		•	•						
Action/Service 2: Provide a sequence of c meeting the A-G requirements for all stud		ctive cours	es (e.g. vis	sual-perforr	ning arts, (	IE, etc.)			
Action/Service 3: Provide a tutoring progra		ll curriculai	r areas and	1 provide a	dditional				
instructional support to students with disa					addional				
Expected	Annual Me	asurable C	outcomes						
Outcome #1:A-G Course Completion									
Metric/Method for Measuring: Students	Meeting A-C	G Requiren	nents						
Applicable Student Groups	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025			
All Students (Schoolwide)	N/A	50%	52%	54%	56%	58%			
English Learners	N/A	10%	10.5%	11%	11.5%	12%			
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	N/A	50%	52%	54%	56%	58%			
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Students with Disabilities	N/A	10%	10.5%	11%	11.5%	12%			
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Latino Students	N/A	50%	52%	54%	56%	58%			
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*			
White Students	N/A	50%	52%	54%	56%	58%			

	GOA	L #8				
Increase the reclassification of English I	Language	Learners.		Rel	ated State F	Priorities:
				□ 1	□ 4	□ 7
				□ 2	□ 5	X 8
				□ 3	□ 6	
Local Priorities:						
Specific A	nnual Actio	ons to Achi	eve Goal			
Action/Service 1: Increase access to curriculum/supports for English Learners through the purchased ELD program, ELD supports, and tutoring. Provide training to teachers in the use of an ELD program and supports to ensure effective implementation. Action/Service 2: Provide increased professional development to all staff regarding the English language development standards, integrated and designated ELD (with specific focus on the ELD Literacy Program). Action/Service 3: Improve the system of supports for English Learners by providing additional instructional aides supporting students' access to the core and supplemental materials that support their acquisition and mastery of English.						
Expected	Annual Me	asurable C	outcomes			
Outcome #1:Redesignation Rates Metric/Method for Measuring: Reclassific	ation rates	based on	EL reclass	ification cri	teria	
Applicable Student Groups	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
English Learners	22%	22%+	22%+	22%+	22%+	22%+
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Outcome #2:ELPAC Proficiency Rates						
Metric/Method for Measuring: Increasing	g English pr	oficiency o	n ELPAC	(based on	improveme	ent)
Applicable Student Groups	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
English Learners	50%	51%	52%	53%	54%	55%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

# LCFF Narrative

The overarching goal for LCFF is improved educational outcomes for students – especially those with the greatest needs – based on the engagement and input of the entire school community. By investing in academic, social-emotional, and operational supports for students and parents, we better meet the needs of the whole child. This multi-pronged approach helps build students' self-esteem and confidence in their academic performance, which motivates students to stay on track for high school and post-secondary options.

Additional findings on how the goals of the LCAP will enable students to become and remain self-motivated, competent, and life-long learners are listed below:

LCAP Goal	Supporting self-motivated, competent, and life-long learners
Goal 1: Ensure all students are provided a learning environment supported by highly effective and fully credentialed teachers, and have full access to standards-aligned instructional materials in a well-maintained facility	Students will have access to a school environment and resources as well as highly effective and fully credentialed teachers which all contribute to our scholars becoming self-motivated, competent, life-long learners.
Goal 2: All students will have equitable access to rigorous, standards-aligned curricula and technology, assuring readiness	All school materials, curricula and technology allow for equitable access and support our rigorous instructional model that supports the

LCAP Goal	Supporting self-motivated, competent, and life-long learners
for a full range of college and career options.	development of college-ready, life-long learners.
Goal 3: Provide meaningful involvement opportunities for all parents that support student success in become college and career ready	By supporting our parents, they in turn can support their students in all aspects of the middle and high school experience.
Goal 4: All students will gain the knowledge and skills to be college and career ready through a variety of academic opportunities and programs to support their learning [Work that leads to college ready student graduates and college enrollment	Students at the Alliance MIT 6-12 Complex will have access to various language supports and a rich ELA curriculum so that they can gain the knowledge and skills to be college and career-ready lifelong learners.
Goal 5: All students will be provided an engaging learning environment that will support rigorous learning opportunities (Work that leads to graduation)	Alliance MIT will support students with attendance success and steps toward graduation in order to develop self-motivated and competent life-long learners.
Goal 6: All students will be provided a safe, and healthy learning environment to achieve social, emotional and academic success.	Alliance MIT believes in the development and support of the whole child in order for them to become life-long, self-motivated learners. As such, the Complex utilizes a restorative justice approach with positive behavior interventions and maintains multiple social- emotional counselors on-site
Goal 7: All students will have the opportunity to experience a range of courses that support career and college readiness	Through the experience of a variety of courses (electives and advanced placement), students at Alliance MIT will be supported in becoming well-rounded, lifelong learners.
Goal 8: Increase the reclassification of English Language Learners.	Students at Alliance MIT will have access to various numeracy supports and a rich mathematics curriculum so that they can gain the knowledge and skills to be college and career-ready lifelong learners

#### Instructional Design

#### **Curriculum and Instruction**

The educational model for curriculum and instruction at MIT is guided by our key program elements, our beliefs about how learning best occurs and by <sup>4</sup> best practices researched in high performing high schools that consistently produce well-educated students prepared to successfully enter and succeed in college. The philosophical base and the organizational structure for MIT's curriculum are student centered and are in accordance with accountability for meeting or exceeding grade level Common Core, Next Generation Science Standards, ELD and other state college readiness standards.

Each school year students are enrolled in a variety of core and non-core classes that support their academic growth and success. Each class is purposely designed to provide appropriate academic intervention or foundation, or an opportunity to explore interests and skills. Core and non-core classes are developed to support student success beyond MIT. As a result, per grade level all students are enrolled in core classes, such as English, math, science and history per California Education code. Students also enroll in non-core classes such as math and English support classes that provide appropriate intervention for students who are falling behind in math or English, as well as World Languages, Art and other social studies electives.

Specifically, MIT employs a standards-aligned curriculum that prepares students to excel academically, with increased focus on Math and English scores. Research from ACT's seminal study<sup>5</sup> on college readiness found that students' ability to comprehend complex text is the factor that differentiates college-ready readers from their non-ready peers. The study also highlighted the importance of reading across the curriculum, given that of the students not meeting the ACT Reading Benchmark, only 5% met the ACT Science benchmark. In addition, research consistently shows that building student knowledge via informational text is crucial to developing students' literacy ability. Finally, in order to access grade-level, complex texts, students must have repeated exposure and practice with complex text through close reading across content areas that requires reading, speaking, and writing grounded in evidence<sup>6,7,8</sup>.

Given this strong body of research, MIT educational program positions literacy skills as the gateway skills that position students for success across all content areas. In every course, students are required to analyze complex text, cite textual evidence through discussion and writing and justify their thinking. In Science and Social Studies, students engage in informational texts, such as primary source documents (e.g. US Constitution) or domain-specific texts (e.g. scientific journal article), which demand careful reading and analysis to make meaning. In mathematics, students engage in daily tasks that require solving real-world

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>G. Sue Shannon, Nine Characteristics of High Performing High Schools, 2001

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ACT (2006). Reading between the lines: What the ACT reveals about college readiness in reading. Iowa City, IA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Ericsson, K. A., Krampe, R. T., & Tesch-Römer, C. (1993). The role of deliberate

practice in the acquisition of expert performance. Psychological Review, 100(3),

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates of the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California, (2002) Academic literacy: A statement of competencies expected of students entering California's public colleges and universities. Sacramento, CA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Cervetti, G., Jaynes, C., & Hiebert, E. (2009). Increasing opportunities to acquire knowledge through reading. In Reading more, reading better (pp. 79-100). The Guilford Press.

problems and justifying (orally and through writing) their mathematical thinking. Finally, across all subjects, all students are pushed to carry the cognitive and intellectual thinking required by the Common Core State Standards and NGSS standards, as well as the ELD Standards/Framework<sup>9</sup>.

MIT attests that each pupil in the school will have sufficient instructional materials in each subject area consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum frameworks adopted by the California Department of Education.

Each spring, the principal, in consultation with staff, identifies areas of need and orders materials for the following year. Recent studies published by the Center for American Progress, Brown Center on Educational Policy at Brookings Institute, and RAND Corporation<sup>10,11</sup> consistently find that the quality of instructional materials teachers use in the classroom has a measurable impact on student performance. Curriculum materials are selected based on their alignment to the CCSS/NGSS/ELD standards and instructional shifts and materials must prepare students to graduate ready for college.

In alignment to the MIT's educational program, curriculum materials across content areas provide students with daily assignments that require careful reading of complex text as well as writing and discussion grounded in evidence. In accordance to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) instructional shifts in English Language Arts, a variety of genres and text types are used, with the majority of texts being informational texts. Additionally, across content areas teachers use a number of instructional strategies like multiple reads, text-dependent questions and annotation to ensure all students have access to the material. In mathematics, curriculum materials deeply focus on student mastery of Claim 1 Smarter Balanced standards and engage students in problem-solving through the Mathematical Practices. Finally, in every course, teachers carefully align daily objectives, activities and formative assessments to the standards and monitor progress against the standards through our standards-based grading system. While a full list of curriculum materials is found on the next page, the key features and components of our English Language Arts and Mathematics curriculum is summarized below:

MIT relies on both core instructional materials (digital or hard copy) and supplemental instructional materials (digital or hard copy). Below are lists of all current curriculum materials and resources utilized by the school for each grade level and subject. Programs that have specific tools to support English learners are also indicated.

Digital Content/Resources for Middle Grades								
			Subject(s)			Gr	ade Le	vel
Publisher	Math	English	Science	Social Studies	English Language Development	6	7	8
Achieve 3000		Х			Х	Х	Х	Х
Achievement First Curriculum	Х	Х	Х	Х		х	Х	х
Duolingo					Х	Х	Х	Х

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> California ELD Framework https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/rl/cf/documents/elaeldfwchapter2.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> https://cdn.americanprogress.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/06111518/CurriculumMatters-report.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> https://www.brookings.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/0410\_curriculum\_chingos\_whitehurst.pdf

	Digital Content/Resources for Middle Grades								
			Subject(s)			Gr	Grade Level		
Publisher	Math	English	Science	Social Studies	English Language Development	6	7	8	
Google Apps for Education (Gmail, Drive, Sheets, Presentations, Classroom, etc.)	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	x	
iReady	Х	Х	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х	
Khan Academy	Х					Х	Х	Х	
Moby Max	Х	Х	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х	
Lumos Learning	Х					Х	Х	Х	

	Digital Content/Resources for High School Grades									
			Subject(s)				Grade Level			
Publisher	Math	English	Science	Social Studies	English Language Development	9	10	11	12	
Achieve 3000		Х			Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Achievement First Curriculum	Х	Х	Х	Х		х	х	х	х	
Apex Learning (Credit Recovery, Elective, Foreign Language)	х	х	х	x		х	x	x	х	
College Board Pre- Advanced Placement		Х	Х			х				
Desmos	Х					Х	Х	Х	Х	
Duolingo					Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Google Apps for Education (Gmail, Drive, Sheets, Presentations, Classroom, etc.)	х	х	x	x	х	x	x	x	x	
iReady	Х	Х	Х	Х		Х				
Khan Academy	Х					Х	Х	Х	Х	

A target ratio of one computer and/or iPad for every student ensures students adequate access to technology for effective use in student learning, common core and digital classroom instruction, data management, SBAC online state assessments and communication. Classroom teachers are also provided iPads or laptops and use consistent data systems for monitoring student performance, managing grades, and internal school and network communication with other schools.

Textbooks					
Subject	Grade(s)	Title	Publisher		
MS CC Math	6-8	Open Up 6-8 Math Curriculum	Open Up Resources		
MS CC English	6-8	HMH Collections	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt		
HS CC English	9-12	HMH Collections	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt		
HS CC Integrated Math	9-12	College Preparatory Mathematics (CPM)	College Preparatory Mathematics (CPM)		
HS CC Integrated Math Honors	9-12	College Preparatory Mathematics (CPM)	College Preparatory Mathematics (CPM)		
Spanish 1-3	9-12	Realidades	Prentice Hall		
English Language Development	6-12	English 3D System 44	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt		
Reading Intervention/ Resource Lab	6-12	Wilson Reading System Wilson Just Words	Wilson		
Pre-Advanced Placement	9	Pre-Advanced Placement	College Board		

As noted previously, the needs of the school are evaluated each year and core and supplemental curriculum materials and digital resources are adjusted accordingly.

### **Current Comprehensive Course List**

The table below shows all current course offerings for all grades served by MIT. Those with an asterisk indicate courses which meet A-G and graduation requirements.

Middle Grades Comprehensive Course List						
	6 <sup>th</sup> G	irade	7 <sup>th</sup> 0	Grade	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	
Subject Area	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester
English/ Language Arts	Common Core English 6 A	Common Core English 6 B	Common Core English 7 A	Common Core English 7 B	Common Core English 8A	Common Core English 8B
			Common Core English Honors 7 A	Common Core English Honors 7 B	Common Core English Honors 8A	Common Core English Honors 8B
English Language Development	ELD II A	ELD II B	ELD III A	ELD III B	ELD III A	ELD III B
Special	Resource Lab 6 A	Resource Lab 6B	Resource Lab 7 A	Resource Lab 7 B	Resource Lab 8 A	Resource Lab 8 B
Education	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) A	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) B	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) A	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) B	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) A	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) B
Mathematics	Common Core Math 6 A	Common Core Math 6 B	Common Core Math 7 A	Common Core Math 7 B	Common Core Math 8 A	Common Core Math 8B
			Common Core Math Honors 7 A	Common Core Math Honors 7 B	Common Core Integrated Math 1 A	Common Core Integrated Math 1 B
Science	Integrated Science 6 A	Integrated Science 6 B	Integrated Science 7 A	Integrated Science 7 B	Integrated Science 8 A	Integrated Science 8 B
History/Social Science	World History: Ancient Civilizations 6 A	World History: Ancient Civilizations 6 B	World History: Medieval Times A	World History: Medieval Times B	United States History 8 A	United States History 8 B

Middle Grades Comprehensive Course List						
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade						irade
Subject Area	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester
Health/Physical Education	Physical Education 6 A	Physical Education 6 B	Physical Education 7 A	Physical Education 7 B	Physical Education 8 A	Physical Education 8 B
Electives & Other Courses	CC Enrichment A Advisory 6 A	CC Enrichment B Advisory 6 B	CC Enrichment A Advisory 7 A	CC Enrichment B Advisory 7 B	CC Enrichment A Advisory 8 A	CC Enrichment B Advisory 8 B

	9 <sup>th</sup> G	Grade	10 <sup>th</sup> (	Grade	11 <sup>th</sup> (	Grade	12 <sup>th</sup> (	Grade
Subject Area	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester
English/ Language Arts	*CC English 9A	*CC English 9B	*CC English 10A	*CC English 10B	*CC English 11A	*CC English 11B	*CC English 12A	*CC English 12B
(4 years required – 40 credits)	CC English 9 Honors Prep-AP English	CC English 9 Honors Prep-AP English	CC English 10 Honors	CC English 10 Honors	AP English Language	AP English Language	AP English Literature	AP English Literature
English Language Development	English Language Development A (1-4)	English Language Development B(1-4)	English Language Development A(1-4)	English Language Development B (1-4)	English Language Development A (1-4)	English Language Development B(1-4)	English Language Development A (1-4)	English Language Development B (1-4)
Special Education	Resource Lab A	Resource Lab B	Resource Lab A	Resource Lab B	Resource Lab A	Resource Lab B	Resource Lab A	Resource Lab B
	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) A	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) B	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) A	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) B	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) A	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) B	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) A	College and Career Readiness Center (CCRC) B
Mathematics (3 years required – 30 credits)	*CC Integrated Math 1 A	*CC Integrated Math 1 B	*CC Integrated Math 2 A	*CC Integrated Math 2 B	*CC Integrated Math 3 A *Pre-Calculus A	*CC Integrated Math 3B *Pre-Calculus B	*AP Calculus A *Pre-Calculus A	*AP Calculus B Pre-Calculus E
History/Social Science (2 years required – 20 credits)			*World History A	*World History B	*US History A	*US History B	*AP Government and Politics *US Government	*Economics
Laboratory Science (2 years required - 20 credits; 3 years recommended) May not be offered online unless "wet lab" is offered	*The Living Earth A	*The Living Earth B	*Chemistry in the Earth Systems A	*Chemistry in the Earth Systems B	*Physics of the Universe A	*Physics of the Universe B	*STEM Applied Science and Engineering A AP Chemistry	*STEM Applied Science and Engineering B AP Chemistry
Visual & Performing Arts (1 year required – 10 credits) May not be offered online	Drama 1A	Drama 1B	Play Production 1A	Play Production 1B			*Art 1A	*Art 1B
Health/Physical Educ	ation - PE offered	/not required						
Language Other Than English (2 years required – 20 credits)	*Spanish Native Speakers 1A	*Spanish Native Speakers 1B	*AP Spanish Language A *Spanish Native Speakers 1A	*AP Spanish Language B *Spanish Native Speakers 1B	*AP Spanish Language A *Spanish Native Speakers 2A	*AP Spanish Language B *Spanish Native Speakers 2B	*AP Spanish Language A	*AP Spanish Language B

	9 <sup>th</sup> G	irade	10 <sup>th</sup> (	Grade	11 <sup>th</sup> (	Grade	12 <sup>th</sup> (	Grade
Subject Area	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semeste
			*Spanish Native Speakers 2A	*Spanish Native Speakers 2B	*Spanish 2A	*Spanish 2B		
Electives & Other Courses/ Areas of Study Required for Graduation/A-G Requirements (1 year Academic Electives required – 10 credits: two semesters @ 5 credits each) Can include an extra year of science, foreign language, mathematics, social science, visual/performing arts	*Sociology 1A CC Integrated Math 1 Support A English 9 Support 1A *Human Geography 1A *AP Human Geography AVID 9A Computer Science	*Sociology 1B CC Integrated Math 1 Support B English 9 support 1B *Human Geography 1B *AP Human Geography AVID 9B Computer	*Spanish 1A CC Integrated Math 2 Support A AVID 10A Computer Science	*Spanish 1A CC Integrated Math 2 Support B AVID 10B Computer Science	*Psychology A CC College Ready English and Math Prep A AVID 11A Computer Science	*Psychology B CC College Ready English and Math Prep B AVID 11B Computer Science	*Psychology A *Sociology A AVID 12A	*Psychology E *Sociology B AVID 12B

\*Denotes courses that meet A-G and graduation requirements

Upon enrollment, all students are given a series of diagnostic survey assessments. These indicate student needs in mathematics, language arts, and the student's English Language status. Results of initial diagnostic testing for entering students determine student placement in math and determine students' need for intervention supports. All students have access to the grade level core curriculum, and alternative curriculum when designated in a student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP). Students-at-risk participate in extended learning through after school tutoring or Saturday to provide more time for learning and to accelerate their progress. All students are eligible to take all classes, including Advanced Placement (in grades 9-12). Students who show a continued lack of progress are served as detailed under *Elementary and Secondary Schools Act (ESSA)* and/or the *Meeting the Needs of All Students* section below, depending on individual student needs.

#### Innovative Curricular Components of the Educational Program

In addition to the description provided in the section "Integrated and Instructional Technology", we are proud of the innovative components we have developed to align to our theme of college readiness:

**Advisory** All students are well known by their advisory teachers. Each grade level provides advisory and mentorship support in the areas of personal development, college and career, social responsibility and community building. In addition to college preparation and building school spirit, we also focus on reading development through Achieve 3000 and other programs.

**Personalized Learning Environment and Increased Time for Learning** Students learn best in small learning communities where their education is personalized. Through our small school environment, relationships between Alliance MIT staff and students are deepened. Various teachers in middle school loop with their students to build continuity across school years. We also implement a block schedule to allow for longer, sustained learning blocks and a longer

academic calendar. As part of our personalized learning environment, we also provide spaces, resources, and materials such as our fitness center, multi-purpose room, resource labs, college and career readiness centers, and upcoming library to support students to have sound bodies and sound minds.

**Blended Learning and STEAM Integration** The Alliance MIT blended learning model is a mix of learning technologies and interactions resulting in a socially supportive, constructive learning experience. We utilize digital content and instructional technology to create a unique classroom environment which will allow students to develop into independent learners and offer the teacher opportunities to focus additional time on group and targeted differentiated instruction. The teacher no longer is the sole distribution mode for instruction. Alliance MIT's blended learning environment (BLAST "Pick 6" model) re-thinks the role of the teacher, allows each core teacher to maintain an effective instructional group of students, and maintain our block schedule which will foster an atmosphere of rigor and focus on the core subjects while providing flexibility around elective participation. Students have Daily access to technology, participate in inclassroom rotations, and are able to utilize one or all of the following learning technologies: distance learning, digital content, online courses and interactive tools. Students are able to also take ownership of their learning through 24/7 access to teacher websites, online curriculum, and other resources.

*High Expectations and College-Going Culture for All Students* The question at Alliance MIT is not, "Are you going to college?" but rather, "Where do you want to go to college?" While our students may have plans to pursue other post-secondary options such as vocational schools or military service, the school maintains a strong college- going culture, which will be implemented through advisory groups, parent engagement and school-wide activities. We also provide college information materials, brochures, financial aid packets, etc. We also implement programs to counsel and prepare our students for college acceptance.

### Instructional Methods and Strategies

Students learn best when there are rigorous standards based curriculum where students lead the cognitive thinking of challenging content that builds strong learning habits and life skills; when students enthusiastically read, write, analyze, discuss, research, experiment and solve challenging problems; when students participate in robust scholar to scholar academic discussions that deepen their understanding of challenging content; when students employ a variety of tools and strategies, including technology, to accelerate their learning, build skills and obtain feedback on their performance.

Instructional methods and strategies include, but are not limited to, students engage in close reading of complex texts across a variety of genres, apply mathematical concepts to real world problems, and conduct laboratory experiments that deepen their understanding of a scientific phenomenon. All academic experiences build the skills and knowledge students need to be successful in college and beyond.

### Implementation of Common Core State Standards

MIT has fully implemented Common Core State Standards, using CCSS-aligned curriculum. Next Generation Science Standards are being implemented in science and the Social Studies/History, Science & Technical Studies Common Core literacy standards are integrated into science and history/social science courses. In addition, the ELD standards are integrated throughout all content area instruction. The instructional methodologies, curriculum, and instructional materials have been chosen as they align with the CCSS and are designed to ensure student mastery of the standards.

MIT is focused on deepening teachers' understanding of the expectations of CCSS and NGSS through ongoing professional support in instructional planning, interim data analysis and feedback on instructional practice. New teachers to the school also receive professional development on the CCSS and NGSS standards and instructional shifts as part of their onboarding.

### Integrated and Instructional Technology

To be successful, productive citizens in a 21<sup>st</sup> century economy, students must attain technology literacy and fluency.

We define technology literacy as the ability to responsibly, creatively and effectively use appropriate technology to: communicate; access, collect, manage, integrate and evaluate information; solve problems and create solutions; build and share knowledge; and improve and enhance learning in all subject areas and experiences. Technology Fluency is demonstrated when students: apply technology to real-world experiences; adapt to changing technologies; modify current and create new technologies; and personalize technology to meet personal needs, interests and learning style.

To reach these goals, students have access to one tablet and/or laptop (all SBAC-ready) to ensure adequate access to technology for effective use in student learning. Students use technology regularly to access research online, develop standards-based multimedia projects and presentations, and access instructional materials and assignments. Students also access instructional technology to receive personalized support that best meets their individual learning needs.<sup>12</sup> Alliance interim assessments are also designed to help prepare students to take SBAC online assessments.

All classroom teachers are provided a computing device and use Alliance-wide data systems for managing grades, student performance data, and internal school and network communication with other schools.

## Alliance Marine-Innovation 6-12 Complex Graduation Requirements

Alliance high school graduation requirements are in alignment with the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) "A-G" minimum undergraduate admission requirements (see table below). Our high school program and course schedule is designed to enable all students to meet graduation requirements, "A-G" minimum undergraduate admission requirements, and the CDE's College/Career Indicator within four years.

UC and CSU A-G Requirements				
Subject	Requirements			
(a) History-Social Science	1 year of U.S. History 1 year of World History			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> US Department of Education, Evaluation of Evidence-Based Practices in Online Learning, 2010

U	UC and CSU A-G Requirements				
Subject	Requirements				
(b) English Language Arts	4 years of college preparatory English				
(c) Mathematics	3 years of college preparatory Mathematics (Integrated Math 1, Integrated Math 2, Integrated Math 3, Pre-Calculus, Calculus or Statistics).				
(d) Laboratory Science	2 years of Laboratory Science in two of the three of the following: biology, physics or chemistry				
(e) Language other than English	2 years of the same language other than English				
(f) Visual and Performing Arts	1 year chosen from dance, music, theater or the visual arts				
(g) College Preparatory Elective	1 year of additional academic electives (e.g., third year of science or foreign language, fourth year of math, social science, advanced visual or performing arts)				

Alliance Marine-Innovation and Technology Graduation Requirements:

- Total Unit/Credit requirements for graduation: 230.
  - In total, a student will take 160 A-G approved credits.
  - Course requirements for graduation: Pass ALL required courses with a grade of C or higher (basic proficiency).
- Passage of the UC and CSU A-G requirements as noted above.
- In addition to the required A-G history/social science course sequence, all students must complete 1 semester course in American Government & Civics, and 1 semester course in Economics. Alliance high schools have determined that these courses must also be A-G approved.

Our mission is that all high school students will pass all A-G and elective courses with a grade of C or better to graduate in 4 years with a minimum of 230 credits. To best serve students who are not on track to meet these goals, the following supports are provided:

- Online Credit Recovery which is offered after school and in summer session.
- Tutoring After School or Saturdays

These supports are provided for all students in need including all subgroups and students transferring in to the school. Students that transfer into the school after the start of freshman year work closely with their counselor to ensure that any needed classes are made up either in their regular schedule, after school, or in summer session. Individual graduation checks are done with each student at least once a semester.

Students who are still unsuccessful in meeting the Alliance 230 credit "A-G" high school graduation requirement by the end of the summer following their 4<sup>th</sup> year.

In addition to our instructional program fully meeting the A-G high school graduation requirements, the program provides students with the instructional opportunities necessary to meet the California Department of Education's College and Career indicator at the Prepared level. English and Mathematics courses in 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades are tightly aligned to the Common Core Standards and our interim assessment system is built in alignment to the Smarter Balanced assessment blueprint and item specifications. Our interims provide data

throughout the year on students' mastery of the Common Core Standards so we can carefully monitor and adjust instruction to ensure students meet the expectations of Smarter Balanced in 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

Finally, MIT strives to prepare students to take and pass Advanced Placement courses during their high school careers in preparation for college. These courses are available to any students interested in taking a course, regardless of prior enrollment in honors or other AP courses. All AP teachers have been certified to teach the course and develop the curricula that meets the needs of their students. In addition, during spring semester, AP teachers organize AP boot camps for students either after-school or during weekend hours. The boot camps allow for longer periods of time for students to take full practice exams as well as focus in on their specific areas of need in preparation for the tests.

### Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Accreditation

MIT is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges through June 30, 2020. The school will be completing its first Self-Study review during the 2019-20 academic year.

The school will work to complete periodic evaluation and improvement of our program and school-wide action plan, in alignment with our LCAP, through the WASC-required self-study, mid-cycle progress reports, as well as WASC on-site visits to ensure accreditation is maintained for subsequent graduating classes with support from the Alliance Home Office.

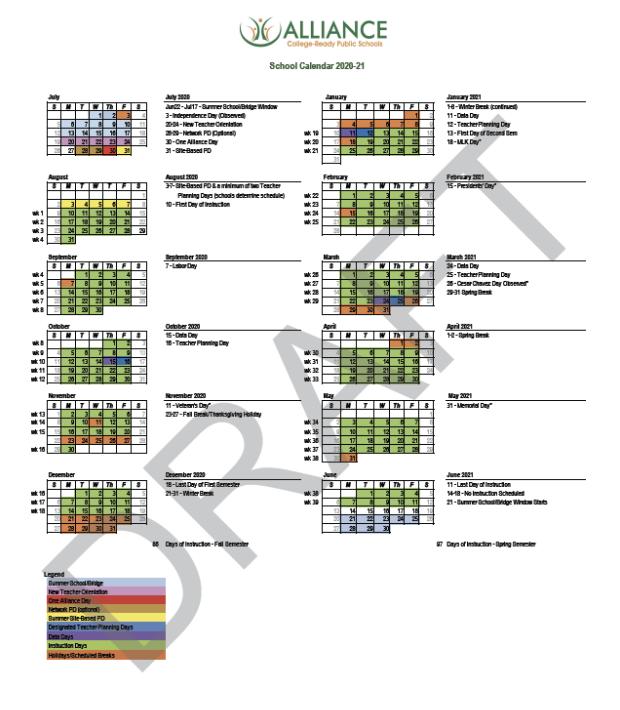
The school oversees the accreditation process including the development of their self-study and interim progress reports with support from the Alliance Home Office.

### Transferability of Courses

All A-G courses are transferable to other public schools, and meet the rigorous requirements for admission to both the UC and state university systems. Parents receive notification of course transferability in student recruitment and student enrollment materials, which are available in both English and Spanish. MIT college counselors also work closely with students and families to ensure that they are well aware of requirements and where each child stands in relation to those requirements. This is done at least once a semester with students and at least once a semester with students and parents combined if a student is not currently on track to graduate.

### Academic Calendar

The calendar below is a draft of the 2020-21 academic calendar. The calendar provided here will be revised based on input from various stakeholder groups and subject to Board approval.



## **Bell Schedules**

The following bell schedules will be in place for the 2020-21 school year.

### Middle School

# Regular Day – All Period Schedule

Mondays	Start and End Times	Instructional Minutes
Period 1	8:00AM-8:54AM	54 minutes
Period 2	8:56AM-9:50AM	54 minutes
Nutrition	9:50AM-10:05AM	15 minutes
Period 3	10:08AM-11:02AM	54 minutes
Period 4	11:04AM-11:58AM	54 minutes
Lunch	11:58AM-12:33PM	35 minutes
Period 5	12:36PM-1:30PM	54 minutes
Period 6	1:32PM-2:26PM	54 minutes
Advisory	2:29PM-3:15PM	46 minutes

# Regular Day – Block Schedule

Tuesdays/Thursdays (Odd Periods) Wednesdays/Fridays (Even Periods)	Start and End Times	Instructional Minutes
Period 1/2	8:00AM-9:50AM	110 minutes
Nutrition	9:50AM-10:05AM	15 minutes
Period 3/4	10:08AM-11:58AM	110 minutes
Lunch	11:58AM-12:33PM	35 minutes
Period 5/6	12:36PM-2:26PM	110 minutes
Advisory	2:29PM-3:15PM	46 minutes

# Early Dismissal

Periods	Start and End Times	Instructional Minutes
Period 1	8:00 AM – 8:50 AM	50 minutes
Period 2	8:53 AM – 9:43 AM	50 minutes
Nutrition	9:43 AM – 9:58 AM	15 minutes
Period 3	10:01 AM – 10:51 AM	50 minutes
Period 4	10:54 AM – 11:44 AM	50 minutes
Lunch	11:44 AM – 12:19 PM	35 minutes
Period 5	12:22 PM – 1:12 PM	50 minutes
Period 6	1:15 PM – 2:05 PM	50 minutes

# **High School**

Mondays	Start and End Times	Instructional Minutes
Period 1	7:45AM-8:50AM	65 minutes
Nutrition	8:50AM-9:05AM	15 minutes
Period 2	9:07AM-10:09AM	62 minutes
Period 3	10:11AM-11:13AM	62 minutes
Period 4	11:15AM-12:17PM	62 minutes
Period 5	12:19PM-1:21PM	62 minutes
Lunch	1:21PM-1:56PM	35 minutes
Period 6	1:58PM-3:00PM	62 minutes

# Regular Day – Block Schedule

Tuesdays/Thursdays (Odd Periods) Wednesdays/Fridays (Even Periods)	Start and End Times	Instructional Minutes
Period 1/2	7:45AM-9:25AM	100 minutes
Nutrition	9:25AM-9:40AM	15 minutes
Period 3/4	9:43AM-11:23AM	100 minutes
Period 5/6	11:26AM-1:06PM	100 minutes
Lunch	1:06PM -1:41PM	35 minutes
Advisory	1:44PM -3:00PM	76 minutes

# Early Dismissal

Periods	Start and End Times	Instructional Minutes
Period 1	7:45 AM – 8:35 AM	50 minutes
Period 2	8:38 AM – 9:28 AM	50 minutes
Nutrition	9:28 AM – 9:43 AM	15 minutes
Period 3	9:46 AM – 10:36 AM	50 minutes
Period 4	10:39 AM – 11:29 AM	50 minutes
Period 5	11:32 AM – 12:22 PM	30 minutes
Lunch	12:22 PM – 12:57 PM	35 minutes
Period 6	1:00 PM – 1:50 PM	50 minutes

# Sample Daily Student Course Schedules

# 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Period 1 / 2	Period 1 CC English 6 or CCRC / Period 2 World History Ancient Civilizations
Period 3 / 4	Period 3 Common Core Math 6 / Period 4 Integrated Science 6
Period 5 / 6	Period 5 CC Enrichment or Resource Lab / Period 6 Physical Education 6
Advisory	

# 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Period 1 / 2	Period 1 CC Enrichment or Resource Lab / Period 2 Physical Education 7
Period 3 / 4	Period 3 CC English 7 or CCRC / Period 4 World History Medieval Times
Period 5 / 6	Period 5 Common Core Math 7 / Period 6 Integrated Science 7
Advisory	

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Period 1 / 2	Period 1 Common Core Math 8 / Period 2 Integrated Science 8
Period 3 / 4	Period 3 CC Enrichment or Resource Lab / Period 4 Physical Education 8
Period 5 / 6	Period 5 CC English 8 or CCRC / Period 6 United States History
Advisory	

# 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

Advisory	
Period 1 / 2	Period 1 The Living Earth/ Period 2 ELD or English Support
Period 3 / 4	Period 3 CC English 9/ Period 4 Human Geography
Period 5 / 6	Period 5 CC Math Integrated Math/ Period 6 Advanced Physical Education

# 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

Advisory	
Period 1 / 2	Period 1 CC Math Integrated 2/ Period 2 Spanish
Period 3 / 4	Period 3 World History/ Period 4 Chemistry in the Earth Systems
Period 5 / 6	Period 5 CC English 10/ Period 6 Drama or Integrated Math 2 Support or
	ELD

# 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

Advisory	
Period 1 / 2	Period 1 AVID or Play Production/ Period 2 CC English 11
Period 3 / 4	Period 3 Physics of the Universe/ Period 4 CC Integrated Math 3
Period 5 / 6	Period 5 United States History/ Period 6 Spanish

# 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Advisory	
Period 1 / 2	Period 1 Pre-Calculus or Calculus/ Period 2 Art
Period 3 / 4	Period 3 STEM Applied Science and Engineering/ Period 4 AP English
	Literature and Composition
Period 5 / 6	Period 5 Economics/ Period 6 Spanish or ELD or Psychology

### Instructional Days and Minutes Calculator

													Number
			Number		Number		Number		Number				of Instr.
			of Instr.		of Instr.		of Instr.		of Instr.				Minutes
		Number		Number of		Number	Minutes		Minutes		Minutes	Total	Above/
		of	Per	Early	Per Early	of	Per	Number	Per	Total	Req'd Per	Number of	Below
	Grades	Regular	Regular	Dismissal	Dismissa	Minimum	Minimum	of [Other]	[Other]	Number of	State	Instr.	State
Grades	Offered	Days	Day	Days	l Day	Days	Day	Days	Day	Instr. Days	Law	Minutes	Req't.
TK/K	No									0	36000	0	-36000
1	No									0	50400	0	-50400
2	No									0	50400	0	-50400
3	No									0	50400	0	-50400
4	No									0	54000	0	-54000
5	No									0	54000	0	-54000
6	Yes	183	425	0	330	0	0	0	0	183	54000	77775	23775
7	Yes	183	425	0	330	0	0	0	0	183	54000	77775	23775
8	Yes	183	425	0	330	0	0	0	0	183	54000	77775	23775
9	Yes	183	425	0	330	0	0	0	0	183	64800	77775	12975
10	Yes	183	425	0	330	0	0	0	0	183	64800	77775	12975
11	Yes	183	425	0	330	0	0	0	0	183	64800	77775	12975
12	Yes	183	425	0	330	0	0	0	0	183	64800	77775	12975

## **Professional Development**

### **Teacher Recruitment**

Students learn best with teachers who are knowledgeable of their subject field and are well trained to deliver rigorous instruction and attend to the diverse needs of each student as an individual. MIT, led by the principal, recruits highly qualified new and experienced credentialed teachers who demonstrate satisfactory progress toward full certification, fully meet the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) criteria, and are committed to the school's key program elements and beliefs. Recruitment of qualified candidates begins in December and is conducted via exposure at recruitment events at targeted colleges and universities with strong programs in the areas of focus; partnerships with university and non-university teacher pipeline programs; use of relevant online tools such as EdJoin and social media; and referrals from current staff within the school/Alliance. Applicants are carefully assessed through a rigorous selection process conducted by both the Alliance Recruitment, Selection, and Pipelines Team and school administrators. Once selected, teachers participate in professional development before the opening of school and throughout the school year.

## **Ongoing Professional Development**

During school level professional development, teachers are supported by their principal and the school's instructional leadership team to develop their practice. Professional development agendas include content-based sessions, site-based sessions, and a variety of instructional workshops designed to address needs evidenced by data.

In addition, Alliance-wide PD events and supplementary trainings provide targeted supports in a variety of ways. Below is a sample of current professional development opportunities available

to teachers. These opportunities are subject to change as, in order to be most effective, professional development must be adaptable to address the needs of teachers and students.

Alliance-wide Summer Conference – Held prior to the start of the school year, this annual conference is made up of general, site based and content-alike sessions that are organized by Alliance and school instructional leaders and include all teachers. Teachers select sessions that best align to their content area and professional interests. Topics may include:

- Data-driven instruction
- Workshops focused on the Alliance Commitments for Exceptional Teaching (Spark, Challenge, Scholar to Scholar, Personalize)
- Sharing research, resources and best practices
- Effective strategies to meet individual student needs

Alliance-wide Data & Planning Days – Held immediately following each interim assessment, these days offer an opportunity teachers and leaders to deeply analyze interim data and plan for future instruction. Data days are held network-wide and/or at school-sites with network support. During Data Days, teachers and leaders:

- Understand the expectations of the interim assessment (e.g. standards, texts, problems)
- Analyze student performance and student work
- Create an action plan to address student performance data
- Adjust future unit and lesson plans to better meet the needs of students

**Ongoing School Site PD Sessions** – Regular, targeted and relevant professional development is led by the school principal and site-based instructional leadership team on the designated Professional Development Early Dismissal Day. The draft professional development calendar below serves as a sample of topics to be covered:

### **Professional Development Calendar 2020-21**

	FALL SEMESTER
Month	Торіс
July	General <ul> <li>Common Core planning and instruction</li> <li>Pacing/instructional guides</li> <li>Digital curriculum training and guidance</li> <li>Lesson and unit planning</li> <li>Reviewing assessment tools</li> <li>Relay Getting Better Faster</li> <li>Routines and Procedures 101</li> <li>Strong Voice</li> <li>Develop Effective Lesson Plans</li> <li>Internalize Existing Lesson Plans</li> </ul>
August	General <ul> <li>Grow Framework for Effective Teaching</li> <li>PBIS/Alternatives to Suspension</li> <li>Blended Learning (BLAST)</li> <li>Instructional technology policies, procedures, and best practices</li> </ul>

	FALL SEMESTER
Month	Торіс
	Special Education Accommodations vs. Modifications
	IEP Passports
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	What to Do
	Routines and Procedures 201
	Teacher Radar
	Whole Class Reset
	Write the Exemplar: Set the bar for excellence
	Independent Practice
	Monitor Aggressively
September	General
	WASC certification process
	<ul> <li>Instructional technology policies, procedures, and best practices</li> </ul>
	Classroom environment and culture building
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	Build the Momentum
	Pacing
	Engage All Students
	Narrate the Positive
	Individual Student Corrections
	Habit of Evidence
	Check for Whole-Group Understanding
	Re-teaching 101- Model
October	General
	Interim Assessment Data Analysis and Planning
	Data systems
	Blended Learning Signature Practices
	Parent Conferences Preparation
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	Engaged Small Group Work
	Re-teaching 201- Guided Discourse
November	General
	Using Instructional Rounds
	Reading strategies to improve Lexile Levels
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	Universal Prompts
<u> </u>	Habits of Discussion
December	General
	Final Exam Preparation
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	Strategic Prompts
	Go Conceptual

	SPRING SEMESTER
Month	Торіс
January	General
	<ul> <li>Interim Assessment Data Analysis and Planning</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Classroom Management Reflection and Improvement</li> </ul>
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	<ul> <li>Routines and Procedures 101 Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Strong Voice Review/Best Practices
	<ul> <li>Develop Effective Lesson Plans Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Internalize Existing Lesson Plans Review/Best Practices
February	General
	Blended Learning Best Practices
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	What to Do Review/Best Practices
	<ul> <li>Routines and Procedures 201 Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Teacher Radar Review/Best Practices
	<ul> <li>Whole Class Reset Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Write the Exemplar: Set the bar for excellence Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Independent Practice Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Monitor Aggressively Review/Best Practices
March	General
	<ul> <li>Interim Assessment Data Analysis and Planning</li> </ul>
	Parent Conferences Preparation
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	<ul> <li>Build the Momentum Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Pacing Review/Best Practices
	<ul> <li>Engage All Students Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Narrate the Positive Review/Best Practices
	<ul> <li>Individual Student Corrections Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Habit of Evidence Review/Best Practices
	<ul> <li>Check for Whole-Group Understanding Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Re-teaching 101- Model Review/Best Practices
April	General
	<ul> <li>Best Practices for Reviewing/Reteaching Standards</li> </ul>
	Engaged Small Group Work
	Re-teaching 201- Guided Discourse
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	<ul> <li>Universal Prompts Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Habits of Discussion Review/Best Practices
Мау	General
	<ul> <li>Best Practices for Reviewing/Reteaching Standards</li> </ul>
	Relay Getting Better Faster
	<ul> <li>Strategic Prompts Review/Best Practices</li> </ul>
	Go Conceptual Review/Best Practices
June	General
	Final Exam Preparation
	Culmination/Graduation Planning
	Relay Getting Better Faster

SPRING SEMESTER				
Month	Торіс			
	End-of-Year Celebrations and Reflections			

**Supplementary Alliance-wide PD** – Held throughout the year, the Alliance Academic Team and schools provide targeted professional development to teachers that support their ongoing development. PD sessions target specific content-areas or subset of teachers such as:

- Special Education Coordinators and teachers
- ELD teachers
- New teachers
- Teacher leaders

**New Teacher Professional Development** – Alliance College Ready Public Schools builds on its investment in leader and teacher development through its New Teacher Support (NTS) program. New Teacher Support provides initial and continuous professional development support for approximately 40% of all early career Alliance teachers (0-2 years of teaching experience). Network level supports provided by NTS focus on supplying early career teachers with resources and tools to strengthen their classroom management and instructional planning skills. Supports include:

- Designing and implementing a week-long New Teacher Orientation (NTO),
- Providing a year-long professional learning series (6 full days) for new teachers that build off their NTO experience and provide more immediate support for identified areas of need and,
- Providing comprehensive Induction program support to general education and education specialist teachers clearing their preliminary credentials in partnership with our recommending agency Green Dot Public Schools.

### Meeting the Needs of All Students

#### English Learners

MIT believes that every student brings assets that enrich our classrooms and our school community, regardless of race, language, learning needs, and culture. To ensure each student's success, MIT will provide guidance, resources, training and support to teachers, staff and parents to build an equitable, rigorous learning environment for our English Learner Scholars. Our practices are grounded on guidelines established by our Board-approved EL Masterplan.

Proper identification of ELs helps ensure that the school is meeting scholar's academic needs. State and federal regulations require that if the student's Home Language Survey indicates a language other than English is used at home, the student's English language proficiency level must be assessed.

State and federal guidelines require each English learner to be assessed annually to determine their progress in acquiring English language proficiency. This assessment is given within 30 calendar days of the beginning of the school year, or within 30 days of enrollment if the student enrolls later in the school year as prescribed by California *Education Code*. Alliance ensures that each English Learner is assessed annually within the prescribed timeline.

### English Language Development Program

The California Department of Education (CDE) defines English Language Development (ELD) as a specialized program of English language instruction appropriate for the English Learners' (ELs) identified level of language proficiency. The ELD program at MIT designed to promote second language acquisition of listening, speaking, reading, and writing in academic English. A broad range of instructional practices and strategies should be employed in supporting ELs to learn content area concepts as they learn the English language. All English Learners will be placed in ELD based on year and proficiency level. All English Learners will receive Designated ELD and Integrated ELD in their content classes. All scholars classified as EL will:

- Be enrolled in daily Designated ELD instruction, Monday through Friday (time equivalent in secondary block scheduled sites)
- Will not be removed from other core content instruction in order to receive designated ELD instruction
- Can be placed in an Advisory class focused on supporting ELs but this advisory cannot replace an ELD course
- Will have full access to grade-level content in all disciplines, as well as access to Honors and AP courses
- Will be enrolled in grade-level ELA unless they are a Newcomer with less than one year of schooling in the US

## Designated ELD

Designated English Language Development (ELD) courses are protected time during the regular school day that teachers are able to strategically target scholars' language needs. Designated ELD courses are based on ELD year (ELD 1,2,3,4) and placement is based on a scholar's proficiency level (Emerging, Expanding and Bridging). Instruction in these courses is designed, implemented and scaffolded to meet the needs of the group (emerging, expanding, bridging). These courses are aligned to the California English Language Development Standards (2012) and are University of California Office of the President (UCOP) approved.

Designated ELD instruction must reflect the California ELA/ELD Framework. Because secondary EL scholars are a diverse group of learners in terms of their educational backgrounds, native language literacy, and socioeconomic status, acquiring English proficiency requires the use of a variety of strategies. Designated ELD courses integrate all four language domains (listening, speaking, reading and writing) into instruction

### Integrated ELD

The mastery of content requires that teachers of ELs use appropriate ELD strategies to make content comprehensible and accessible. It requires instruction to be organized to support scholars while teaching cognitively demanding, grade-level content. Instruction in Integrated ELD is based on content Common Core State Standards and other content standards (i.e. NGSS and California History Standards) and is provided by content teachers utilizing appropriate strategies to ensure comprehensibility of instruction:

· All ELs will receive Integrated ELD in all content classes throughout their school day

• Integrated ELD teachers will receive professional development that focuses on topics such as ELD Standards, key features of Integrated ELD, the ELA/ELD Framework and strategies that support scholars to develop proficiency in reading, writing, listening and speaking within the content area

• Integrated ELD content courses are taught by teachers with the appropriate state authorizations

To maximize opportunities for language uses and content mastery teachers need to create a safe environment that promotes academic risk taking. Classroom instruction focuses on both language acquisition and helping scholars attain the knowledge outlined in the content area standards. Improvement of language and literacy are at the heart of instruction. Integrated classrooms are comprised of ELs with mixed levels and abilities; but, the common goal is to promote Academic language. Classrooms that foster language acquisition include:

- 1. Explicit instruction and use of language structures and vocabulary that are comprehensible to scholars
- 2. Integration of listening, speaking, reading and writing skills
- Use of scaffolds in the learning environment (such as response frames, word banks, graphic organizers) in order to maximize the number of scholars able to access the content
- 4. Providing multiple opportunities in every class period for academic discourse using structured group roles, precision partnering and response frames.
- 5. Frequent checks for understanding and purposefully monitoring class during independent and or group work
- 6. Weekly scholar work analysis (formative assessments)
- 7. Literature within the scholar's appropriate Lexile level range, available in classroom and school libraries

### Interventions

MIT monitors and regularly assess the progress of all ELs, including those who have exited the program and or reclassified, in both English language proficiency and content knowledge throughout the school year by closely tracking student progress report grades and Lexile growth. Students that are not meeting grade-level expectations will be provided with additional supports including but not limited to after-school tutoring, additional accommodations in content courses, additional support classes such as math and ELA support, review of ELD course placement, and parent meetings.

### Staffing EL Programs

Recruiting, developing, and retaining excellent educators is essential to the success of our EL scholars. MIT will hire teachers that are qualified to provide EL services, and core-content teachers who are highly qualified in their field as well as trained to support EL scholars. These teachers must meet state requirements and have mastered the skills necessary to effectively teach in the EL program.

Per the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing: "California statute requires that every teacher who provides instructional services to an English Learner be authorized to provide specialized instruction for those learners."<sup>[1]</sup> To provide scholars with teaching personnel who hold appropriate credentials necessary to instruct English Learners, Alliance College-Ready Public Schools actively recruits and hires teachers who are fully EL Authorized. If candidates who hold an EL Authorization are not available, the Human Resources Department obtains the necessary documents from qualified candidates to apply for an Emergency EL Authorization Permit. These permit holders must hold either an active permit or full EL Authorization to continue in their assignment. Failure to take timely action may result in a change of employment status. Teachers who are new to Alliance and do not have the required EL Authorization are

required to sign an EL Authorization Agreement indicating their intentions to complete the requirement. Annual progress toward the EL Authorization is monitored by the Credential Analyst, but it is the teacher's responsibility to earn the authorization.

### Identification and Assessment

The English Language Proficiency Assessment for California (ELPAC) is the assessment is given to all new students whose home language survey indicates that a language other than English is spoken in the home. The ELPAC is used to determine how well scholars speak, listen, read and write in English when it is not their primary language. There are two exams:

Initial ELPAC: initial identification of scholars as English Learners

**Summative ELPAC:** an annual summative assessment to measure an English Learner's progress and determine their English language proficiency

ELPAC results are used to identify each scholar's proficiency level and to assess progress in acquiring English Proficiency according to the CA ELD standards. The ELPAC results are used to properly place ELs in the appropriate ELD course. The overall score and the domain specific scores are analyzed to determine the scholar's instructional needs to support and accelerate progress toward English proficiency.

### Reclassification

The EL Master Plan reclassification criteria below is a draft for the 2019-20 school year. Differentiated criteria for students with disabilities was added. The EL Master Plan and reclassification criteria provided here will be revised based on input from various stakeholder groups and is subject to Board approval.

Scholars Without a Disability	Scholars With a Mild/Moderate Disability	Scholars With a Moderate/Severe Disability
<b>Definition:</b> Scholars without an IEP	<b>Definition:</b> Scholars with an IEP who are designated to take CAASPP	<b>Definition:</b> Scholars who are on the alternate curriculum and designated to take CAA, per their IEP
<ol> <li>Assessment of Language Proficiency: ELPAC : Score of 4</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Assessment of Language Proficiency: ELPAC : Score of 3 or 4</li> </ol>	<b>1. Assessment of Language Proficiency:</b> VCCALPS : Score of Basic or higher
<ul> <li><b>2. Teacher Evaluation:</b></li> <li>ELA Grade of C ( 2.0)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><b>2. Teacher Evaluation:</b></li> <li>ELA Grade of C (2.0) or</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Teacher Evaluation:</li> <li>Teacher Recommendation</li> </ul>
or higher (Fall Reclass Cycle – semester 1 or 2 of 2019-2020 school year	<ul> <li>higher</li> <li>(Fall Reclass Cycle – semester 1 or</li> <li>2 of 2019-2020 school year</li> </ul>	

Scholars Without a Disability			Scholars With a Mild/Moderate Disability		bility	Scholars With a Moderate/Severe Disability	
Spring Reclass Cycle – Semester 1 (Fall 2020)		Spring Reclass Cycle – Semester 1 (Fall 2020)		Semester 1			
<ul> <li>Basic Skills Assessment:</li> <li>Lexile OR CAASPP</li> </ul>		<ul><li>3. Basic Skills Assessment:</li><li>Lexile OR CAASPP</li></ul>			<ul> <li><b>3. Basic Skills Assessment:</b></li> <li>Score of Basic or higher on CAA</li> </ul>		
	MS	HS		MS	HS		
Lexile CAASPP	740	830	Lexile740830CAASPP2				
4. Parent Opinion and Consultation: Once the student meets the Reclassification criteria, the parent/guardian is sent the Notification of Reclassification letter and acknowledges student's change in language classification to Reclassified Fluent English Proficient (RFEP)			4. Parent Opinion and Consultation: Once the student meets the Reclassification criteria, the parent/guardian is sent the Notification of Reclassification letter and acknowledges student's change in language classification to Reclassified Fluent English Proficient (RFEP)		eets the ria, the ent the ssification lges anguage assified	<ul> <li>4. Parent Opinion and Consultation:</li> <li>Parent must participate in IEP meeting</li> <li>Parent must sign IEP</li> <li>Once the student meets the Reclassification criteria, the parent/guardian is sent the Notification of Reclassification letter and acknowledges student's change in language classification to Reclassified Fluent English Proficient (RFEP)</li> </ul>	

If a scholar has an Individualized Education Program (IEP), is on an alternative curriculum, has been receiving instruction in ELD and meets all of the criteria in Column 3 of the table above, then reclassification can be addressed through an annual IEP or amendment meeting following the Alliance procedures for reclassifying scholars with moderate-severe disabilities.

The Alliance Home office works closely with schools on ensuring an efficient and successful reclassification cycle. The reclassification cycle happens twice per year (Fall reclassification (August) and Spring Reclassification (February).

### **Monitoring Reclassified Students**

After scholars have been Reclassified Fluent English Proficient (RFEP), the school will continue to monitor their progress for 3 years. If an exited EL is not progressing academically and monitoring suggests a persistent language need the school will provide additional supports including but not limited to tutoring, accommodations, and support classes.

Student progress is monitored and based on ELA grade, scholar Lexile and State-mandated assessments (CAASPP). These assessments are used to evaluate scholars' academic performance in ELA. The Reclassification Monitor Tool used to track scholar's grade in ELA, and scores on Lexile and CAASPP. EL Coordinators/Designee with the support of the Counselors will track scholars' progress every 5 weeks to ensure that there is plenty of time to intervene. Progress report grades are uploaded (by the Alliance Home Office) as are the most recent Lexile and CAASPP scores. Scholars who are failing in spite of additional interventions (tutoring, accommodations, support classes) will be referred to the school's School Study Team or its equivalent.

Assessment results are maintained in electronic form in Illuminate and/or Schoolzilla. This allows for rapid access to results in a variety of formats. This information is issued for a variety of purposes, including (but not limited to) information that relates to reclassification.

#### Non-standard English Speakers

Recognizing that many students at MIT may not be Standard English speakers, many of the same guidelines and programs listed above are followed to support their acquisition of Academic Standard English. The school's objectives are to have all students achieve proficient/advance performance in reading and writing as assessed by the English Language Arts California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP). MIT school leaders and teachers engage in professional development to support struggling students. Specific strategies include:

- 1. Modeling Academic English
- 2. Explicit instruction and use of language structures and vocabulary that are comprehensible to scholars
- 3. Integration of listening, speaking, reading and writing skills
- 4. Use of scaffolds in the learning environment (such as response frames, word banks, graphic organizers) in order to maximize the number of scholars able to access the content
- 5. Providing multiple opportunities in every class period for academic discourse using structured group roles, precision partnering and response frames.
- 6. Frequent checks for understanding and purposefully monitoring class during independent and or group work
- 7. Weekly scholar work analysis (formative assessments)

In addition, the Alliance Home Office Data team provides data reports and analysis of (MIT's student progress including improvement in English proficiency level, progress in English language arts and Alliance Interim data disaggregated by subgroups. Progress of Long-term English Learners (LTELs) and students At-Risk of becoming LTEL is monitored by the School's Leadership Team. At least once per semester, the School Leadership Team reviews the performance, progress, program placement and goals for meeting the reclassification criteria of LTELs and for students At-Risk of becoming LTEL to determine the effectiveness of the ELD supports in place.

Grade-level counselors continue to track all EL progress and identify obstacles to reclassification. Counselors then works with the school's Leadership Team to communicate student needs. The Leadership Team provides targeted and ongoing professional development based on differentiated and scaffolded practices for supporting all ELs including LTELs and students At-Risk of becoming LTEL.

### **Program Evaluation**

Evaluating EL program, practices and procedures involves systematic planning and implementation, aggregating and synthesizing various types of data, to learn about program success. Both formative and summative evaluation should be applied to questions about practices, services and procedures. The following chart outlines the EL program goals, evaluation questions and measures used to assess overall effectiveness of the EL program:

English Language Development Program Goals, Evaluation Questions & Measures (by Goal)						
EL Program Goal	Evaluation Questions	Measures/Scores				
ELs are identified and placed in appropriate ELD course based on English Proficiency	a. Are all ELs identified in the prescribed time frame? b. Are all ELs placed in their ELD course based on proficiency level?	<ul> <li>Master Schedule</li> <li>Observations of Home Language Survey administration and communications</li> <li>Staff Moodle Training</li> <li>Initial ELPAC</li> <li>EL Passports</li> <li>Student Schedules</li> </ul>				
ELs with disabilities are accurately identified	a. What proportion of ELs are referred to Special Education services? b. How many ELs are identified as having learning disabilities? Of this group how many are LTELs?	<ul> <li>Referrals</li> <li>Student Support and Progress Team</li> <li>(SSPT)documentation</li> <li>IEP review</li> </ul>				
High quality ELD instruction is provided	a. Are ELs progressing academically per expectations? b. Is there high quality, standards- aligned ELD curriculum available consistently? c. Is instruction for ELs with disability high quality?	<ul> <li>Grow Observation Rubric</li> <li>Classroom Walkthrough tool</li> <li>Curriculum Review</li> <li>IP Documents</li> <li>Student work analysis</li> </ul>				
High quality integrated ELD content instruction is provided	a. To what extent are ELs provided with differentiated supports in academic content areas?	<ul> <li>Grow Observation Rubric</li> <li>Classroom Walkthrough</li> <li>ELD PD presentations and sign-in</li> <li>IP Documents</li> <li>Student work analysis</li> </ul>				

English Language Development Program Goals, Evaluation Questions & Measures (by Goal)						
EL Program Goal	Evaluation Questions	Measures/Scores				
ELs and RFEP students have access to Honors and Advanced Placement (AP) courses	a. What percentage of ELs take part in AP and honors courses. b. How does EL participation in AP and Honors compare to the general population? c. What are the AP Passage rates for ELs?	<ul> <li>Enrollment in AP and Honors</li> <li>Pass rates in AP and</li> <li>Early college courses</li> <li>College information/data: applications, enrollment without remediation, and completion data</li> </ul>				
Parent outreach is consistent, culturally sensitive and communication is available in the home language	that parents of ELs are knowledgeable	<ul> <li>Parent orientations/trainings offered and attended regarding <i>English Learner Master</i> <i>Plan</i>, EL instructional program options, advanced academic opportunities</li> <li>ELAC agendas, sign-in and needs assessment</li> <li>Parent Satisfaction surveys</li> </ul>				
ELs achieve English Proficiency	a. Are ELs making progress towards English language proficiency b. Did the number of students being reclassified increase by at least 1%?	<ul> <li>Reclassification rates</li> <li>Lexile growth averages for ELs</li> <li>ELA CAASPP</li> </ul>				
School and classroom environments are safe and positive.	<ul> <li>a. Does the school have a welcoming school climate for ELs?</li> <li>b. Does the school provide EL parents with a welcoming tool-kit?</li> <li>c. Are classrooms reflective of the culturally diverse students it serves?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Classroom walkthrough tool</li> <li>Student satisfaction survey</li> <li>Parent satisfaction survey</li> </ul>				

<sup>[1] &</sup>quot;English Learner Authorization," CCTC, https://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/ela, (March 2, 2018).

### Gifted and Talented Students and Students Achieving Above Grade-Level

As all students are challenged to reach their intellectual potential within the instructional program, MIT will not offer a formal, separate gifted and talented program. Instead MIT will continue to identify students who are outstanding performers as measured through, but not limited to, college prep exams (such as the PSAT) and GPA. When reviewing college prep exams students must be considered college ready as indicated by the PSAT (traditionally the ACT) in both math and English starting in their grade 9 year. When reviewing GPA, students are identified as high achievers by achieving a 4.0 GPA or higher starting in their grade 9 year.

As students transition from grade level to grade level, their level of achievement is continuously monitored by counselors, teachers, and the school administrative team using grade level checks for GPA, and by reviewing their data each time they are provided with opportunities to participate in a college ready level assessment.

To support these students throughout the day, the staff may differentiate instruction based upon the individual needs of the students and will provide an opportunity to excel for those students who are achieving at high levels or demonstrate a specific ability or talent, as identified through student data or evidence of a pupil's capacity. Teachers will differentiate in the forms of acceleration, depth, complexity, and novelty and will differentiate the process, content, or product to meet the needs of gifted and talented students. Examples of instructional models which may be employed with gifted and talented students at MIT are, but not limited to:

- Access to advanced placement and honors courses from grades 9 to 12
- Utilizing higher levels of questioning and thinking skills
- Ensuring there is a wide variety of materials at different skill levels that engage a wide variety of interest
- Field trips, and participation in partnered programs and college courses, to broaden experience base and capacity to be accepted into elite colleges
- Ensuring that the curriculum is sufficiently challenging

By using data from core assessments, teachers will be able to make the necessary modifications and adjustments to best support students who require additional academic challenge. Teachers will utilize workshop time, as well as differentiated choices for gifted and talented students throughout the day to support them in continual growth. All students at MIT will be valued for their individualism and their interests and passions will be cultivated. Further, the teachers will work together to develop plans to best support students in driving forward their academic achievement and pursuits in relation to the students' learning profiles and specific talents. In order to ensure that the needs of all students are being met, the staff has utilized the Student Support and Progress Team (SSPT) process (monitored and led by the Principal or his or her designee) for students who have been identified as consistently achieving well above the norms (as measured by formative, summative, and standardized tests, as well as other measures, including teacher, staff or administrator-identified concerns) just as they would use the process for identifying students who struggle.

## Students Achieving Below Grade-Level

In an effort to improve the performance for all students including low achieving or at risk of retention, MIT monitors student performance and progress of these students throughout the year. Data is accessible at the student- and subgroup-levels; through school leaders, school leadership teams, which consist of department and grade level chairs, and classroom teachers monitor standards and student achievement in order to identify all students earning below a

grade of C, flagging students at risk based on interim assessments, grades, and/or credit deficiencies. Advisory teachers review student data/progress reports of each of their advisory students. Parents review and sign 5-week progress and 10 week-report cards. The following takes place for those specifically identified as low achieving:

- To identify low-achieving students, all incoming students are given diagnostic tests upon entry to the school, in addition to establishing baseline Lexile score. State assessment results and grades showing students who are not meeting or nearly meeting standards are also used to assess student achievement levels.
- Where additional supports and/or interventions are required, the school's academic team will consult with the parent/guardian to share results and develop a plan to support and ensure growth
- Within three weeks of identification, a conference is scheduled between the student, parent, teachers, and a member of the administrative leadership team to develop an action plan. The action plan has specific responsibilities for the student, parent, and teachers.
- The student receives supplemental support through remediation support classes in ELA and math in addition to regular courses. In the areas where the student is struggling most, the classroom teacher may employ the use of online digital content providers to support one-on-one instruction targeted to specific individual needs.

In order to ensure that the needs of all students are being met, the staff has utilized the Student Support and Progress Team (SSPT) process (monitored and led by the principal or his or her designee) for students who have been identified as consistently achieving below the norms (as measured by formative, summative and standardized tests, as well as other measures, including teacher, staff or administrator-identified concerns), just as they would use the process for identifying students who struggle.

### Socioeconomically Disadvantaged/Low Income Students

Low-income students will be identified by eligibility for the federal lunch program. Between 2016-17 and 2018-19, over 88%% of the students enrolled at MIT each year have qualified for this program each year. As such, the overwhelming majority of all students enrolled at MIT meet this subgroup identification. Our school program is designed to meet their needs of traditionally coming in behind grade levels through various supports and systems including, but not limited to the, use of standards-based grading, scaffolded and differentiated learning, support classes, and after school tutoring. We believe all students can learn at high levels regardless of economic status. These students progress is monitored through a variety of ways including through interim assessments, college ready exams and state exams. In general, due to the large population of socioeconomically disadvantaged/low income students, their level of performance mirrors the overall school level outcomes.

## Students with Disabilities

Please refer to the District Required Language included at the beginning of Element 1.

## Students in Other Subgroups

Foster youth, and related subgroups such as homeless students, are identified by school personnel through the registration and enrollment process, and supported through coordinated activities with other entities/agencies, identified according to the needs of the specific situation. Once students have been identified, students will be indicated in PowerSchool, and the Alliance Home Office will work with the school staff (usually the School Operations Manager) to locate

additional support services on a case by case basis. The students will be provided with tutoring, counseling, transportation and coordination of services as needed to best meet their individual needs using the COST Process (Coordination of Services Team) made up of an administrator, counselors, school psychologist, and other certificated personnel as relevant, such as a classroom teacher. A quarterly evaluation of academic performance for all students in this subgroup will be implemented by the administration and counselor to assess the level of response to services, and adjustments to curriculum will be made as necessary to nurture a positive environment.

# "A Typical Day at Alliance Marine-Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex"

A visitor to the school will observe the school's core beliefs and values in practice on a typical day by "shadowing" any randomly selected student. High school students arrive by 7:30 a.m. and middle school students arrive by 7:45 a.m., all wearing the Alliance MIT logo uniform. Scholars come from various directions with some students walking to school from the neighborhood, commuting via school-provided bus transportation, and some students are dropped off by parents.

The counselors and a school administrator greet students asking if they are "READY," to which the students respond, "Always READY!" Staff then supervise students as they wait in the MPR and quad areas for the staff of school. Students gather on campus in a safe, calm, welcoming atmosphere that reflects the diversity of the community and the school's focus on getting ready for college. Scholars are exposed to a college going environment as college pennants or bulletin boards are displayed throughout classrooms and in the hallways.

On regular schedule days, high school students are seated in their classrooms ready to begin their first period by 7:45 a.m and middle school students ready to start their day by 8:00 am. During a typical block period, scholars experience a two-hour period with an average class size of 25 to 30 students, small enough to ensure teachers know their names and are able to build positive relationships with them. The smaller class sizes also allow teachers to provide individual attention to each student when needed. Upon entering class scholars are greeted by teachers at the door by a simple "good morning" or "good afternoon" with the exchange of a hand shake. After greeting their teacher, scholars are required to grab materials for the day, sit down and start their do now. Teachers begin each period by recording attendance on their laptop computer using Pinnacle, the school's data management system. Daily attendance information is sent to the office and parents of scholars who are absent or tardy are called. The emphasis in all classes is on rigorous grade appropriate standards-based instruction with high expectations for all scholars. After teachers complete the attendance and scholars complete the *do now*, teachers start the day with the objective, tasks, and standards students will gain mastery in for the day.

Teachers provide quality instruction facilitated through the use of a variety of instructional materials, department-wide and school-wide strategies and resources. In classrooms scholars will engaged in learning through our BLAST "Pick 6" station-rotation model. Students will engage in 1 of 3 different stations (Direct Instruction, Collaborative Learning, and Independent) where students will learn through reading, writing, active discussion, group work, direct instruction, and inquiry-based learning. Prior to the lesson teachers have anticipated possible student errors and misconceptions, planning for the smallest details to ensure that all scholars are moving towards mastery of the standards. Such planning leads to effective and constant checks for understanding of student work and responses that will support possible readjustments of instruction and re-teach moments. In addition, Integrated technology is used in

many classes through the one to one technology program. Scholars are in A-G and Advanced Placement courses as well as academic electives that provide intervention to accelerate learning for students performing below proficient levels or enrichment for students performing at proficient and advanced levels.

Qualified scholars have the opportunity to participate in the nutrition meal program following the first two-hour period through our "Fast Break: Grab N Go" nutrition program. Nutrition is part of the federal meal program and service is provided by the school's selected vendor for students eligible for full, reduced or free meals. Following nutrition, all scholars begin the second two-hour instructional period of the day. Because of the small size of the campus, passing from period to period throughout the campus and hallways takes place within 5 minutes. Scholars are self-directed and show respect for each other and their school. Scholars see examples of quality student work aligned with California Common Core Content State Standards displayed inside and outside their classrooms. English learners are supported in developing English proficiency through English as a Second Language and in content classes through differentiated instructional strategies based on individual needs.

All scholars participate in a 35-minute lunch period before the last instructional period of the day and/or advisory (depending on grade level span). Students receive individual tutoring based on their individual learning plan. At least once during the week ASB engages the school community in music and competitive games between grade levels, advisories, and or staff. After school, scholars participate in tutoring or extracurricular activities that include student interest clubs, organizations, and sports. All scholars are encouraged to participate in such activities so to build an effective college resume.

Scholars will participate in a 40-minute advisory period which is used to continue to build community amongst scholars and teachers, counselors and administration on campus. During advisory, teachers and counselors engage scholars in a variety of activities such as community circles, civic discussions, rallies and college presentations and research. Advisory teachers and their small group of advisory scholars will be grouped together for a total of four years in high school, from freshman to senior year. Middle school students will loop from 6th to 7th grades and will have a new advisor for 8th grade. The teacher serves as the scholars" advisor for four years in high school so that scholars are connected to a consistent adult for guidance with studies, student relationships, and planning for college. The proudest moment for many teachers is the opportunity to read their scholars' advisory names during their middle school culmination ceremony and/or graduation ceremony.

Any student interviewed will proudly tell visitors that though the school is small it offers their best opportunity to attend a 4-year college. Our students are "Always READY." Most MIT scholars are likely to be the first in their family to have the expectation and the opportunity to attend a 4-year college or university.

#### ELEMENT 2: Measurable Pupil Outcomes and ELEMENT 3: Method by which Pupil Progress Toward Outcomes will be Measured

"The measurable pupil outcomes identified for use by the charter school. "Pupil outcomes," for purposes of this part, means the extent to which all pupils of the school demonstrate that they have attained the skills, knowledge, and attitudes specified as goals in the school's educational program. Pupil outcomes shall include outcomes that address increases in pupil academic achievement both schoolwide and for all groups of pupils served by the charter school, as that term is defined in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 47607. The pupil outcomes shall align with the state priorities, as described in subdivision (d) of Section 52060, that apply for the grade levels served, or the nature of the program operated, by the charter school." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(B).)

"The method by which pupil progress in meeting those pupil outcomes is to be measured. To the extent practicable, the method for measuring pupil outcomes for state priorities shall be consistent with the way information is reported on a school accountability report card." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(C).)

#### MEASURABLE GOALS OF THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Charter School shall meet all statewide content and performance standards and targets. (Ed. Code §§ 47605(c)(1), 60605.)

Charter School shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations related to AB 97 (2013) (Local Control Funding Formula) and AB 484 (2013), as they may be amended from time to time, including all requirements pertaining to pupil outcomes.

#### STANDARDIZED TESTING

Charter School agrees to comply with state requirements for participation and administration of all state-mandated tests, including computer-based assessments. Charter School shall submit and maintain complete, accurate, and up-to-date California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) data in accordance with the requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 861. Charter School hereby grants authority to the State of California to provide a copy of all test results directly to the District as well as Charter School. Upon request, Charter School shall submit, in the requested format (e.g., CD), a copy of the results of all state-mandated tests to the District.

#### Measurable Goals of the Educational Program

MIT is committed to providing a consistent educational environment and experience for students that prepares them with the skills, experience, and knowledge to enter and succeed in college.

Annual goals set as a means of achieving this objective are outlined in the school's Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP). For further information on these goals, actions and performance targets, please see the LCFF State Priorities table provided in Element 1.

#### Measurable Pupil Outcomes: Summative Assessment Performance Targets

Performance Targets Aligned to State Priorities

# Specific Performance Targets for all pupils and for each subgroup

Please see the LCFF State Priorities table provided in Element 1.

# **Other Performance Targets**

For all other measurable goals, please see the LCFF State Priorities table provided in Element 1.

#### Method for Measuring Pupil Progress Toward Outcomes: Formative Assessment

Assessments are a foundational component of the teaching and learning process. To ensure that all students have access to the learning experiences necessary for college persistence and career success, MIT will employ high-quality, purposeful, actionable and strategically-sequenced assessments for learning and of learning.

Using the Common Core and CA Standards where applicable, MIT has clearly defined what students should know in each core subject at each grade/course level. We will monitor the progress of all subgroups against target goals by disaggregating data for all assessments and grades through Illuminate, Schoolzilla and PowerSchool, our student information systems.

Up to three times a year in English, Mathematics and Science, MIT implements standards aligned interim assessments. These assessments are built by the Alliance Home Office Academic Team in partnership with outside assessment vendors, and are aligned to the Common Core State Standards and NGSS standards. The interims are built off of the assessment blueprints and item specifications for the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) and the released items from the yet-to-be operational new California Science Assessment (CAST). Data from each interim is immediately available to MIT staff and broken down at the student, item and standard level. Data is then used to identify common misconceptions and student supports. After each interim, teachers use the data to re-teach standards through daily instruction. The expectation is that students will improve in their mastery of standards over the course of the year to best position them to fully meet the performance expectations of Smarter Balance.

Below is the current list of assessments used to monitor student progress towards college and career readiness standards. These assessments are subject to pending any changes in state-mandated assessments.

Assessment Type	Frequency	Grades/Content	Description
Interim Assessments	3x per year	Grades 6 through 12, ELA, math, science	Interim Assessments at Alliance align to the standards covered and suggested pacing in each grade/content. These assessments are aligned with the CCSS and SBAC and provide important information to teachers for planning, instruction and supports for students.
Lexile Level-Set Assessment	3x per year	All grades	Achieve 3000 Level-Set assessments measures students' progress and performance on reading comprehension skills.

Assessment Type	Frequency	Grades/Content	Description	
Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments	1x per year	Grades 6-8, 11, ELA and Math	The Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments are comprehensive end of year assessments in English language arts/literacy (ELA) and Math that are aligned with the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) for English language arts/literacy (ELA) Mathematics.	
California Adaptive Assessment (CAA)	1x per year	Grades 6-8, 10/11, identified students only	Students with cognitive disabilities take the CAA Instead of the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment. This test is modified to appropriately assess the ELA/Literacy and mathematics progress and performance of specific students designated to engage in a modified curriculum as specified in their IEP.	
California Science Assessment Test (CAST)	1x per year	Grades 6-8, 10/11	CA NGSS Summative assessment. Administered in the spring for grades 8	
English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC)	Initial and Annual; varies by student	All grades, English learners	The ELPAC measures provides both initial and annual assessment of an English Learner's proficiency in Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking. This test will be the main assessment tool used to measure growth and progress for reclassification.	
Physical Education Test	1x per year	Grade 10	Students in grade 10 participate in this State required assessment on basic components of CA Physical Education Standards.	

\* All grade levels unless otherwise denoted

MIT tests independently of LAUSD. Assessments and standardized testing of students with disabilities is conducted using state and District guidelines for modifications and accommodations.

The assessment structure includes, in addition to other standards-based and performancebased assessment tools, comprehensive final exams in each of the core academic subjects, quizzes and tests, homework assignments, essays and research reports, and teacher evaluation of in class performance. These measurements are weighted and combined into a comprehensive educational program assessment to determine student achievement and promotion to the next grade level. The aggregate results are issued as a report card to the community evaluating the measurable goals and terms outlined in the charter.

Alliance interim benchmark assessments are administered online in order to prepare students for SBAC online assessments and represent the level of rigor required for students to meet the proficiency level (3 or 4) as measured on Smarter Balanced assessments. Every student has an SBAC ready computing device.

# Data Analysis and Reporting

Ongoing data gathering and analysis guides and informs decisions for determining successful progress or the need for program adjustments. School staff and the school's governing board work collaboratively to analyze data and discuss ways to improve student performance throughout the year. Below is a sample of data gathered and its use.

Type of Data Gathered	Role & Use of Data	Frequency
Formal and informal classroom observations	To measure effectiveness of instruction. Data is used to inform professional development needs and provide teachers with actionable feedback. Data from observations is individually shared with teachers.	Every other week
Classroom curriculum and instruction walk-throughs	To measure the degree of and consistency with which grade appropriate standards- based instruction is taking place. Data is used to identify trends to inform professional development and share best practices.	Multiple times a month
Student data and work analysis	To identify student misunderstandings and misconceptions. Data is used to adjust unit and lesson plans and regularly discussed at staff meetings, department meetings and/or individual meetings with teachers.	Ongoing as part of professional development; following each interim assessment cycle
Analyzing the results of network and/or state assessments	To measure the degree to which students meet state and/or network expectations for proficiency. Data is used by staff to adjust instruction, intervention and the overall instructional program. Data is shared with the school's governing board.	Varies depending on assessment
Analyzing the results of parent and student surveys	To measure the degree to which parents and students are satisfied that our school is meeting their needs and addressing the goals of our charter.	Annual

Data gathered is used to measure progress towards stated goals and to determine the effectiveness of our instructional program. Multiple opportunities for data analysis are available at MIT including the following:

- Regular assessments and common planning time provides consistent opportunities for teachers to work together to analyze student work and share classroom practices as they relate to student achievement.
- Programs used to support blended learning provide regular real-time performance data that teachers can use to structure classroom rotations, differentiate individual and group tasks, and provide more adapted options for students to demonstrate their learning.
- Professional development provides opportunities for teachers and school leaders both within their school and across the Alliance Network of schools - to work with

each other and with the Alliance Academic Team to analyze data on a school, classroom and individual student basis.

At each level, data informs our decisions regarding the need to continue, modify, improve, add to or discontinue instructional strategies to best meet the needs of our students and provide the necessary supports to help accelerate their progress. Furthermore, data is regularly shared with stakeholders throughout the year to inform them of school performance.

# Grading, Progress Reporting, and Promotion/Retention

MIT issues student progress reports every ten weeks based on student proficiency on grade level/subject standards and expectations designated for the quarter. The student progress report is based on multiple measures including teacher assessments, portfolio/exhibits, and specific assessments to quantify student performance. Student progress reports reflect their progress towards advanced, proficient, basic or below proficient performance. Formative and summative assignments and assessments are used to determine student performance.

Student course grades to meet graduation requirements including A-G are A, B, C or NP (Not Proficient) grades. Student reports are issued and recorded through our data system. Parents of students performing below/far below proficient performance participate in a scheduled parent conference to discuss the parents' and the teachers' plan to improve their child's performance. Teachers and advisors meet together to analyze these reports and to make necessary adjustments in the program being offered to students who are showing a lack of progress.

# Promotion and Retention of Students

MIT is committed to helping students achieve the necessary skills to progress from grade to grade yearly and does not endorse social promotion. Because of the linguistic and socioeconomic barriers this student population may have faced, readiness to move to the next grade level is examined on an individual basis. Each student is assessed individually according to his/her total needs.

The school has clearly defined expectations for what students should know and be able to do at each grade level in each subject in an effort to equip all students with the academic skills that enable them to be ready for entrance to and success in college. Promotion and retention of students is based on multiple indicators of academic achievement that are laid out in the parent-student handbook, including:

- Assessment measures to determine if the student is advanced, proficient, partially proficient, or not proficient - assessment measures include the student progress report, degree of proficiency and teacher recommendations. Students whose average rubric score classification is "not proficient" on the final student progress report for the academic year are eligible for retention.
- Attendance students with excessive absences (15 or more) may be eligible for retention.

The principal or administrative designee, in conjunction with school teaching and counseling staff, prepares a written determination to specify the reasons for retention. The written determination includes recommendations for interventions that are necessary to assist the student to attain acceptable levels of academic achievement. The written determination is provided to and discussed in a meeting with the student's parents/guardians, teachers, and principal.

Students identified for retention will work closely with the counselor and are encouraged to participate in a remediation program that includes after-school activities, tutoring, and summer school. All students, are also provided additional in-class support, which ensures that students who cannot participate outside of school hours are also supported. The student's academic performance is reassessed at the end of the remediation program, and the decision to retain or promote the student is reevaluated at that time.

# Appeals Process for Retention

The retention of a student is at the discretion of the principal or administrative designee. Parent/guardians shall be notified in advance of the enactment of the retention and can appeal a student's retention. A retention appeal shall be submitted in writing to the school's designated support team, and shall be heard if requested within five (5) school days of the notification of retention by the school. Upon consideration, the designated support team's decision shall be final. The decision regarding the appeal will be made within five (5) school days of the appeal submission to the school's designated support team. Parents/guardians will be notified of the decision in writing within three (3) school days following the decision.

#### **ELEMENT 4: Governance**

# "The governance structure of the charter school, including, but not limited to, the process to be followed by the charter school to ensure parental involvement." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(D).)"

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

As an independent charter school, Charter School, operated as or by its nonprofit public benefit corporation, is a separate legal entity and shall be solely responsible for the debts and obligations of Charter School.

Charter School shall ensure that, at all times throughout the term of the Charter, the bylaws of its governing board and/or nonprofit corporation are and remain consistent with the provisions of this Charter. In the event that the governing board and/or nonprofit corporation operating Charter School amends the bylaws, Charter School shall provide a copy of the amended bylaws to CSD within 30 days of adoption.

Charter School shall send to the CSD copies of all governing board meeting agendas at the same time that they are posted in accordance with the Brown Act. Charter School shall also send to the CSD copies of all board meeting minutes within one week of governing board approval of the minutes. Timely posting of agendas and minutes on Charter School's website will satisfy this requirement.

The District reserves the right to appoint a single representative to the Charter School governing board pursuant to Education Code section 47604(b).

#### LEGAL AND POLICY COMPLIANCE

Charter School shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, and District policies as it relates to charter schools adopted through Board action.<sup>13</sup>

Charter School shall comply with all applicable federal and state reporting requirements, including but not limited to the requirements of CBEDS, CALPADS, the Public Schools Accountability Act of 1999, and Education Code section 47604.33.

Charter School shall comply with the Brown Act and the Public Records Act.

Charter School and all employees and representatives of Charter School, including members of Charter School's governing board, members of Charter School or governing board committees and councils, Charter School administrators, and managers, shall comply with federal and state laws, nonprofit integrity standards, and LAUSD charter school policy, regarding ethics and conflicts of interest. Charter School shall enter into all transactions and conduct business with all persons and entities at arm's length or, in the case of otherwise permissible related party transactions, in a manner equivalent to arm's length.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>The District is in the process of compiling a list of LAUSD policies that apply to its authorized charter schools. The list will be finalized by April 1, 2018. Charter Schools Division staff will annually review District policies and make recommendations to the LAUSD Board of Education on continued application to charter schools.

Charter School shall notify parents, guardians, and teachers in writing within 72 hours of the issuance of a Notice of Violation, Notice of Intent to Revoke, Final Decision to Revoke, Notice of Non-Renewal, or equivalent notice, by the LAUSD Board of Education.

# TITLE IX, SECTION 504, AND UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Charter School shall designate at least one employee to coordinate its efforts to comply with and carry out its responsibilities under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 ("Section 504"), including any investigation of any complaint filed with Charter School alleging its noncompliance with these laws or alleging any actions which would be prohibited by these laws. Charter School shall notify all of its students and employees of the name, office address, and telephone number of the designated employee or employees.

Charter School shall adopt and publish complaint procedures providing for prompt and equitable resolution of student and employee complaints alleging any action that would be prohibited by Title IX or Section 504.

Charter School shall adopt and implement specific and continuing procedures for notifying applicants for admission and employment, students and parents of elementary and secondary school students, employees, sources of referral of applicants for admission and employment, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with Charter School, that Charter School does not discriminate on the basis of sex or mental or physical disability in the educational programs or activities which it operates, and that it is required by Title IX and Section 504 not to discriminate on any such basis.

Charter School shall establish and provide a uniform complaint procedure in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations, including but not limited to all applicable requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 4600 et seq.

Charter School shall adhere to all applicable federal and state laws and regulations regarding pupil fees, including Education Code sections 49010 - 49013, and extend its uniform complaint procedure to complaints filed pursuant to Education Code section 49013.

Charter School shall extend its uniform complaint procedure to complaints filed pursuant to the Local Control Funding Formula legislation provisions set forth in Education Code section 52075.

# **RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES**

Charter School, including its nonprofit corporation shall promptly respond to all reasonable inquiries, including but not limited to inquiries regarding financial records from the District, and shall cooperate with the District regarding any inquiries. Charter School acknowledges that Charter School, including but not limited to its nonprofit corporation, is subject to audit by LAUSD, including, without limitation, audit by the District Office of the Inspector General. Charter School shall provide the District with current, complete, and accurate contact information for Charter School, Charter School administrators, and Board members.

If an allegation or other evidence of waste, fraud, abuse, or other material violation of law related to Charter School's operations, or breach of the Charter, is received or discovered by the District, Charter School, including but not limited to its nonprofit corporation, employees, and

representatives, shall cooperate with any resulting inquiry and/or investigation undertaken by the District and/or the Office of the Inspector General Investigations Unit.

Charter School acknowledges and agrees that persons and entities that directly exercise control over the expenditure of Charter School's public funds shall be subject to all necessary and appropriate District charter school oversight.

### NOTIFICATION OF THE DISTRICT

Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division (CSD) in writing of any citations or notices of workplace hazards, investigations by outside governmental regulatory or investigative agencies, lawsuits, changes in corporate or legal status (e.g., loss of IRS 501(c)(3) status), or other formal complaints or notices, within one week of receipt of such notices by Charter School. Unless prohibited by law, Charter School shall notify the CSD in writing of any internal investigations within one week of commencing investigation. Charter School shall notify the CSD within 24 hours of any dire emergency or serious threat to the health and safety of students or staff.

#### STUDENT RECORDS

Upon receipt of a student records request from a receiving school/school district, Charter School shall transfer a copy of the student's complete cumulative record within ten (10) school days in accordance with Education Code section 49068. Charter School shall comply with the requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 3024, regarding the transfer of student special education records. In the event Charter School closes, Charter School shall comply with the student records transfer provisions in Element 15. Charter School shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49060 et seq., which include provisions regarding rights to access student records and transfer of records for youth in foster care.

# PARENT ENGAGEMENT

Charter School shall not require a parent or legal guardian of a prospective or enrolled student to perform volunteer service hours, or make payment of fees or other monies, goods, or services in lieu of performing volunteer service, as a condition of his/her child's admission, continued enrollment, attendance, or participation in the school's educational activities, or otherwise discriminate against a student in any manner because his/her parent cannot, has not, or will not provide volunteer service to Charter School.

#### FEDERAL PROGRAM COMPLIANCE

As a recipient of federal funds, Charter School has agreed to meet all applicable programmatic, fiscal and other regulatory requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA, also known as Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)) and other applicable federal programs. Charter School understands that it is a local educational agency (LEA) for purposes of federal compliance and reporting purposes. Charter School agrees that it will keep and make available to the District any documentation necessary to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of ESEA and other applicable federal programs. Charter School also acknowledges that, as part of its oversight of Charter School, the District may conduct program review for federal as well as state compliance.

# **Governance Structure**

Alliance Marine-Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex is incorporated as a nonprofit corporation and such corporation is the corporate entity operating the Charter School. Charter School constitutes one of several nonprofit corporations associated with Alliance College-Ready Public Schools ("Alliance"), a charter management organization. Alliance provides fundraising and other support of the charter schools associated with it, which includes but is not limited to Charter School. Alliance, to achieve economies of scale, also provides back-office support to Charter School through an administrative services agreement. See discussion under "Business and Operations Assistance" below. The administrative services agreement and associated transactions between the Charter School and Alliance are deemed to be permissible related party transactions, made in a manner equivalent to arm's length.

#### Alliance

Alliance, itself a nonprofit corporation, is submitting this renewal petition on behalf of Charter School. Alliance has assembled an impressive leadership team that has a clear vision and experience in launching and managing new schools, as well as critical operational and financial expertise.

Alliance Chief Schools Officer: Employed by the Alliance, the CSO supervises and supports school leadership in implementing measurable and achievable goals focused on student academic growth.

#### Requirements

Education and Experience:

- Master's degree or higher from an accredited college or university is preferred.
- Minimum of 10 combined years of school administrative experience and leadership experience in a large educational organization or urban school system.
- Proven record of increasing student achievement and improving educator effectiveness.
- Expertise in leadership development, building effective teams, executive-level coaching, and ensuring professional growth for team members.
- Proven strategic planning and project management skills with the ability to translate strategies to action.

#### Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- Comfort in and enthusiasm for using large amounts of data to drive decisions at multiple levels.
- Possess strong interpersonal skills, with the ability to develop strong relationships with a variety of stakeholders and constituent groups, including external partners.
- Superior communication skills with an ability to articulate a clear and compelling vision and lead others to implement it.
- Unyielding belief that all students can achieve at high levels.
- Belief in and alignment with Alliance's core beliefs and educational philosophy
- Entrepreneurial spirit to thrive in a fast-paced and achievement-oriented environment
- Willingness to go above and beyond to contribute to the success of a dynamic team committed to a new future for urban education
- Understanding of the nuances of urban school environments and school culture

Alliance Chief Business Officer and Controller: Employed by the Alliance, the CFO and Controller set up the school financial system, school accounts for receipt of funds and work directly with the principal on managing and providing data for input into the system.

# **Requirements:**

# Education and Experience:

- Bachelor's degree in finance, accounting or a related field from an accredited college or university. A master's degree in business administration or a Certified Public Accountant desired.
- Five to seven years of financial experience and management experience with the day-today financial operations of an organization. Experience in a senior financial-management role, partnering with executive staff, resulting in the development and implementation of creative financial management strategies.

#### Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- Generally accepted accounting practices, procedures and standards.
- Policy and procedure development techniques.
- Principles of cost/benefit analysis.
- Fiscal monitoring and control mechanisms.
- Functions of revenue, expenditures and collections.
- Not-for-profit accounting, including fund and grant accounting, compliance, and reporting.
- General office software, particularly the Microsoft Office Suite and MIP software (or other similar not-for-profit general ledger software) and use of databases.
- Federal, state, and local laws, codes, ordinances and regulations as they pertain to charter schools is a plus.
- Create and assess financial statements and budget documents.
- Demonstrate leadership ability, team management, and interpersonal skills.
- Demonstrate analytical and abstract reasoning skills, plus excellent organization skills
- Respond to all financial and accounting related inquiries, including requests from funding organizations, the School Board of Directors, local, state, and federal agencies.

# **Charter School**

Alliance Marine-Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex is an independent nonprofit public benefit corporation. Alliance is the statutory member of the corporation. Its role as statutory member in the organization is limited to the authority of a member under the California Corporations Code. In that regard, the Alliance Board appoints five of the members of the Charter School Board of Directors. The affairs of Charter School, however, are managed and its powers are exercised solely under the authority of the Charter School Board of Directors, whose ultimate responsibility for key operational matters include but are not limited to: (1) the selection, hiring, compensation, supervision and evaluation of the Charter School's principal; (2) the governance and operation of Charter School in compliance with applicable law and the Charter; and (3) Charter School's financial management, viability, and accountability, including but not limited to expenditures and accounting of all public funds received by the Charter School.

Charter School operates under the charter authorization of Los Angeles Unified School District. Charter School abides by the current published, communicated and defined LAUSD policy for charter schools.

#### **School Board of Directors**

The nine directors of the Charter School Board of Directors include five members selected by Alliance College-Ready Public Schools, two teachers and two parents of Charter School students. The school principal recommends teacher and parent nominees, and membership is subject to

confirmation by the members of the Charter School Board of Directors. The Board meets quarterly, operating in accordance with the Brown Act, its Articles of Incorporation and its Bylaws.

Each director selected and confirmed shall serve a two-year term. A director designated by the District shall serve for such term of office as is specified by the District. The Alliance Board considerations and qualifications for appointing 5 members includes: candidate commitment to participate in no fewer than 75% of school board meetings; candidate knowledge of effective organizations and fiscal systems; candidate commitment to visit and be knowledgeable of Alliance schools; candidate background and experience as a successful leader of a school, company or other organization.

The School Board of Directors, the Charter School administrative staff, and their respective representatives are responsible for all aspects of the day-to-day operations of Charter School, including, but not limited to, making necessary provisions for accounting, budgeting, payroll, purchasing, liability, insurance, and the like. In accordance with California law applicable to nonprofit public benefit corporations, some of the responsibilities of the School Board of Directors may be delegated to committees of the Board or officers of the corporation.

A quorum of the School Board of Directors for the transaction of business is the presence of a majority of current board members present in accordance with the Brown Act. All board voting action is taken by roll call vote. An act or decision made by majority vote of the directors then in office at a meeting duly held at which a quorum is present is the act of the Board, unless a different number, or the same number after disqualifying one or more directors from voting, is required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by the Bylaws, including but not limited to those provisions relating to (i) approval of contracts or transactions in which a director has a direct or indirect material financial interest<sup>14</sup>, (ii) appointment of committees, and (iii) indemnification of directors.

The School Board of Directors will use teleconferencing in connection with any meeting of the Board whenever required by and in compliance with SB 126 (2019-2020). If the Board elects to use teleconferencing, it shall post agendas at all teleconference locations and conduct teleconference meetings in a manner compliant with the Brown Act. Each teleconference location shall be identified in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and each teleconference location shall be accessible to the public. The agenda shall provide an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board directly at each teleconference location. During the teleconference, at least a guorum of the members of the Board shall participate from locations within the boundaries of the Los Angeles Unified School District. Participation in a meeting through use of teleconferencing pursuant to this subsection constitutes presence in person at that meeting as long as all members participating in the meeting are able to hear one another. All votes taken during a teleconferenced meeting shall be by roll call. Any abstention from a board vote will be noted in the board minutes. For the purposes of this subsection (i), "teleconference" means a meeting of the Board, the members of which are in different locations, connected by electronic means, through either audio or video, or both. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit the corporation from providing the public with additional teleconference locations.

The School Board of Directors is responsible for providing fiscal accountability by approving and monitoring the budget, which is initially reviewed and provided to the charter school board by the Charter School staff and Alliance as the back-office provider. The School Board of Directors

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> To clarify, any such approval must otherwise be consistent with all applicable conflict of interest and ethics requirements.

helps ensure effective organizational planning by approving long-range goals and annual objectives, monitoring the general policies including but not limited to: compliance mandates, health and safety, use and maintenance of facilities, and overseeing that Charter School resources are managed effectively. The day-to-day operations and management of Charter School are provided by the officers of the corporation, management staff responsible for school services and supervision and the administrative staff of Charter School.

The members of the School Board of Directors are required to annually sign a statement acknowledging any conflicts of interest. Members of the School Board of Directors shall comply with the law as it pertains to conflicts of interests and prohibited transactions.

The LAUSD representative, if LAUSD opts to exercise its statutory right to have a representative on the board, has the opportunity to facilitate communications and mutual understanding between Charter School and LAUSD. As the entity with ultimate oversight responsibility, LAUSD is provided with an annual programmatic and fiscal audit. The programmatic audit includes a summary of major decisions and policies established by the School Board of Directors during the year. The annual audit abides by current audit guidelines established by the State of California for K-12 public schools.

Charter School has provided the LAUSD Charter Office with a copy of the articles of incorporation, bylaws and names of board members of Charter School. Any changes made to these documents that materially alter the charter must first be approved through the District's charter material revision process in order to be effective.

Charter School complies with the Brown Act. Prior to the start of each school year, or as soon thereafter as is practicable, the board will adopt an annual calendar of governing board and committee meetings. The school posts its Charter School Board of Directors schedule of quarterly meetings at the school site; it posts notices and agendas of regular meetings at least 72 hours in advance; and it records and posts actions of the Board. Postings occur by email and in a visible location in the Charter School office as well as on the Charter School's website in English and Spanish or other dominant language as needed by the community served. Charter School maintains for its Board a record book of meeting agendas and minutes. Agendas and minutes are provided in English and Spanish. For easier access, Charter School posts the agendas and minutes on its website. The law requires no less than one meeting annually; however, the School Board of Directors meets at least quarterly to conduct business plus special meetings, see pages 3-4 of Bylaws. All meetings of the Charter School Board are open to the public, excluding closed sessions as permitted by the Brown Act. The governing body will meet within the physical boundaries of Los Angeles County and establish a two-way teleconference location at each school-site.

# **School Coordinating Council**

The School Coordinating Council (SCC) with a membership of 10 to 20 stakeholders representing various stakeholder groups, will be an advisory body to the Principal on the management of the school, including, but not limited to, school policies, the academic performance, and annual development of the LCAP and the budget. This council shall be composed of a majority of teacher and parent members, and include a classified employee and certificated administrator. Members of the SCC are representatives from various stakeholder groups, with the majority being made up of teachers and parents who self-nominate to serve on the council. The SCC will help guide the decisions that best serve the families. Based on suggestions and recommendations from the SCC, the Principal will reflect this feedback in their

decisions and operations. The SCC will meet at the Charter School site a minimum of four times per year. Should topics or recommendations warrant a discussion with the Charter School Board of Directors, directors will attend SCC meetings. The SCC will strive to create a collaborative and transparent decision-making process that includes the input all stakeholder groups. The School Board of Directors shall have final authority on all school related matters.

# Parent/Community Town Hall Meetings

Approximately once a month, Charter School holds meetings in a Town Hall Meeting format that all parents, community and staff members are welcome to attend. Topics for discussion or presentation include school-wide topics of interest related to achieving the goals of Charter School and its students. Meetings are generally attended by the principal and administrative staff of Charter School and, if the subjects to be discussed warrant it, members of the Charter School Board.

The school also maintains a website to keep parents and members of the community abreast of its events. All meetings are calendared in advance, with the goal of engaging all parents.

# **Business and Operations Assistance**

Alliance provides for Charter School certain back-office services, including budgeting/forecasting, accounts set up (insurance, benefits, attendance tracking), payroll, compliance, required reporting, vendor management and select service vendor contract negotiations, and purchasing. Alliance also supports the Charter School's board in its role of providing oversight and monitoring adherence to the Charter School's fiscal policies and any applicable law. The Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) receives and forwards public funds for Charter School directly to the Charter school's operating account. Alliance maintains separate financial records for Charter School and assures that all accounting complies with generally accepted accounting principles.

# Parent Engagement

Parents have a right to choose to send their children to excellent high-performing schools and have a right and the responsibility to participate actively in insuring the success of their child and the school. Charter School understands the importance of active parent involvement in the education of their children.

Parents of Charter School students are meaningfully and actively engaged in their children's education. Parents are responsible and accountable for supporting their children's learning at school and at home through their participation in understanding what it takes for children to achieve college-readiness, and by their active voice in achieving the goals of the school through volunteering. At Charter School, it is anticipated that:

- Parents are actively engaged as members of the ongoing School Coordinating Council.
- Parents of participating Title 1 students participate in an Annual Charter School Title 1 meeting. Charter School applied for and obtained the status Schoolwide Program.
- Parents are guaranteed access to the school, school leaders and classroom teachers to support their children's education.
- After the enrollment of a student, each parent and each student meet with the principal.
- Parents are provided multiple opportunities to develop awareness of college readiness benchmarks and what their children must achieve to be successful.

Parents are supported in their participation in monitoring their child's individual learning plan towards college readiness.

- Parents are encouraged to participate in a minimum of four Parent Education Academies each year.
- Each parent, their child and school leadership participate in annually developing and signing a Parent/Student/School Compact acknowledging their understanding, responsibility and commitment to support student learning and the academic goals of Charter School.
- Parents are encouraged to accept responsibility and accountability for committing to support the Charter School and to participate as parent mentors.
- Charter School seeks to establish partnerships with effective parent engagement leaders such as *Families in Schools* which has a proven track record of meaningfully engaging the voice of parents and the community as partners in schools.
- Meetings are arranged with individual classroom teachers, with the student's instructional team and with the student's advisor.
- Parent-teacher conferences are held quarterly to share and discuss the progress and needs of each individual student.
- Parents are encouraged to participate in town hall meetings, training opportunities, coordinating council, so that each parent feels part of the school and understands their responsibility to the school.

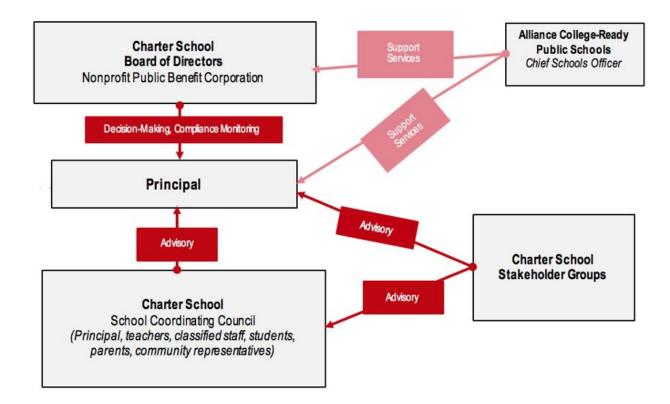
Charter School makes every effort to fully inform parents as to the curriculum offered and their child's progress. In addition to representation on the School Coordinating Council, Parent/Community Town Hall Meetings are held to address school related issues, including, but not limited to, parent/teacher/student relations. While we strongly encourage parents and guardians to engage in supporting the school, parent/guardian participation is not required and has no effect on a student's enrollment, grades, credits or ability to graduate.

# **Community Engagement**

Charter School also understands that if Charter School is to be effective, it must be part of the community. To that end, the school employs a Parent Engagement Specialist who supports the leadership in representing the interests of the community.

- Members of the community at large are solicited to support the school in various functions
- Community resources, such as parks, libraries, athletic and classroom facilities are part of the Charter School. Charter School believes that by using community facilities, it becomes an integral member of the community in which it is located.

# **Organizational Chart**



### **ELEMENT 5: Employee Qualifications**

# "The qualifications to be met by individuals to be employed by the charter school." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(E).)

#### EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Charter School acknowledges and agrees that all persons are entitled to equal employment opportunity. Charter School shall not discriminate against applicants or employees on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation, pregnancy, national origin, ancestry, citizenship, age, marital status, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, military and veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by California or federal law. Equal employment opportunity shall be extended to all aspects of the employer-employee relationship, including but not limited to recruitment, selection, hiring, upgrading, training, promotion, transfer, discipline, layoff, recall, and dismissal from employment.

#### ESEA/ESSA AND CREDENTIALING REQUIREMENTS

Charter School shall adhere to all requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA, also known as Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)) that are applicable to teachers and paraprofessional employees. Charter School shall ensure that all teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in accordance with applicable state requirements for certificated employment, including but not limited to the provisions of Education Code section 47605(I). Charter School shall maintain current copies of all teacher credentials and make them readily available for inspection.

All employees must furnish or be able to provide:

• Legal documents establishing identity and employment authorization

# **Administrative Structure**

The principal and assistant principal are the primary school site administrators. The chairman of the Charter School Board of Directors and the principal confer regularly to address planning and management issues, student progress, and progress with the implementation of the educational program.

**Principal (certificated staff):** Provides instructional, administrative, and technological leadership to the professional staff and students. Demonstrates hands-on use of technology competencies in all aspects of leadership and management of the educational program. Understands that leadership has a responsibility to ensure digital equity. Acknowledges the need for alignment as technology is integrated across the curriculum and shares the Alliance's vision for technology consistent to the overall educational vision for academic student success.

Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Facilitates the development of a shared vision involving all stakeholders for the use of instructional technology and widely communicates that vision.
- Maintains an inclusive and cohesive process to develop, implement, and monitor dynamic, long-range, and systemic educational programs that are infused with 21<sup>st</sup> century instructional technology standards.

- Uses data in making leadership decisions and advocates evidence-based effective practices to ensure instructional programs and courses are implemented consistent with CCSS.
- Identifies uses, evaluates and promotes appropriate technologies to enhance and support instruction and standards-based curriculum leading to high levels of student achievement.
- Facilitates and supports a collaborative, technology-rich learning environment conducive to innovation for improved learning.
- Provides for learner-centered environments that include the purposeful use of technology to meet the needs of individual and diverse learners.
- Facilitates the use of technologies to support and enhance instructional methods that develop higher-level thinking, decision-making, and problem-solving skills.
- Provides for and ensures that faculty and staff take advantage of quality professional learning opportunities for improved learning and teaching with technology.

# **Requirements:**

Education and Experience:

- A graduate degree in education, educational leadership, public administration or a related field from an accredited college or university.
- Two or more years of extensive, directly related and progressive experience.

Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- Articulates a vision, strategy and a set of goals that align with the mission of Alliance College-Public Schools.
- Leads a culture of high expectations for ALL and a relentless focus on collegereadiness.
- Uses meaningful data and statistics to make informed decisions on school improvement.
- Has expertise in and values instructional technology as an educational tool.
- Possesses a working knowledge of small school reform, elements of 21st Century learning environments, and distributive leadership models.
- Ensures there is effective instruction occurring every minute, every period, every day.
- Has a commitment to knowledge of and competences in inclusion of all students.
- Attracts hires, supervises, and develops all school staff members to create a highfunctioning team focused on student success.
- Builds and maintains a positive and supportive staff culture based on trust, risk-taking, respect, reflective learning and collaboration.
- Builds strong relationships with parents.
- Embraces and fosters a culture of innovation and creativity.
- Collaborates actively with other colleagues.

The principal hires an assistant principal, dean of students, and/or director of instruction depending on their desired program structure.

**Assistant Principal (certificated staff):** In supervising and providing education and administrative leadership to the professional staff and students; plans, directs, assists and supervises the work performed by teachers, clerical, and facilities staff; provides responsible and professional staff assistance in the supervision of the assigned educational program.

Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

• Projects and encourages a positive, cooperative atmosphere within the school and seeks to motivate all staff toward the fulfillment of the school's mission statement.

- Promotes curriculum improvement and ensures that instructional programs and courses are implemented within California Standards.
- Works constructively in securing staff involvement and support for the development and implementation of instructional changes.
- Prepares all students to attend college
- Maintains a positive school climate in which students can mature and develop a sense of responsibility, self-worth, and good citizenship.
- Enforces rules consistent with the approved Charter petition, the school's philosophy and current law.
- Maintains communication with the student body in regular meetings and interactions.
- Develops a program of orientation and acclimation for all new students.
- Promotes the general health, safety and welfare of the student body, guiding, supervising and/or coordinating all student activities to include school related activities outside of regular school hours, e.g. career exploration, field trips, service learning, etc.
- Coordinates student enrollment, programming, and maintenance of cumulative records.
- Maintains effective relations with parents and parent groups; interprets the goals, objectives and programs of the school to parents.
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- Maintains communications with Alliance College-Ready Public Schools.
- Evaluates the general condition and needs of the school facilities.
- Supervises and evaluates assigned teachers, counselors, and staff.
- Other duties as assigned.

#### Requirements:

Education and Experience:

- A graduate degree in education, educational leadership, public administration or a related field from an accredited college or university.
- Two or more years of extensive, directly related and progressive experience.

#### Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- Experience with differentiated instruction and alternative assessments.
- A track record as a successful and progressive educator.
- Entrepreneurial spirit.
- Experience with diverse student populations in urban settings.
- Strong computer skills; e.g. Microsoft Office Suite, school information systems.
- Spanish speaker (preferred).
- Ability to be flexible and be a team player.
- Belief in and alignment with Alliance's core beliefs and educational philosophy.
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written.
- Entrepreneurial spirit to thrive in a fast-paced and achievement-oriented environment.
- Strong interpersonal skills and ability to build and cultivate relationships with teachers, coaches, school leaders and other Alliance home office departments.
- Willingness to go above and beyond to contribute to the success of a dynamic team committed to a new future for urban education.
- Understanding of the nuances of urban school environments and school culture.

**Director of Instruction (certificated staff):** Assists the principal in leading the implementation of the Alliance educational model and its key program elements; ensures that the school's academic achievement goals are met; ensures classrooms consistently reflect rigorous standards-based instruction.

Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Projects and encourages a positive, cooperative atmosphere within the school and seeks to motivate all staff toward the fulfillment of the school's mission statement.
- Shares responsibility for the improvement of instruction within the school.
- Promotes curriculum improvement and insures that instructional programs and courses are implemented consistent with the State standards.
- Assists principal with organizing and coordinating in-service activities for the staff.
- Works constructively in securing staff involvement and support for the development and implementation of instructional changes.
- Keeps informed and up to date regarding new developments in curriculum, instruction and administration, i.e. workshops, meetings, credit classes, etc.
- Assists the principal in the planning for all aspects of instruction, including all types of scheduling, registration of students, and the development of a master schedule.
- Helps coordinate and conduct faculty meetings/professional development on a weekly basis.
- Participates in the review and selection of new equipment and instructional supplies.
- Manages an adequate system of teacher and pupil records.
- Maintains effective relations with parents and parent groups; interprets the goals, objectives and programs of the school to parents.
- Maintains communications with all appropriate Alliance College-Ready Public Schools.

#### **Requirements:**

Education and Experience:

- A degree in teaching, curriculum and instruction or a related field from an accredited college or university is required
- Three or more years of successful secondary teaching experience.

#### Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- Principles, theories, practices, methods, and techniques used in classroom instruction.
- Methods and approaches to planning specialized instructional programs.
- Evaluation and assessment techniques used in determining proper teaching and instructional methods.
- Federal, state, and local laws, codes, ordinances and regulations as they pertain to charter schools.
- Personnel management principles and practices, including selection, training, supervision, and performance evaluation.
- Assume responsibility for the administration of a school.
- Provide effective education leadership to assigned teachers and instruction support staff.
- Identify, plan, and articulate future educational programs, approaches, and methods to meet student needs.
- Participate in the process of staff development and teacher training.
- Communicate, effectively, orally and in writing.

**Dean of Students (certificated staff):** Is responsible for facilitating the development and support of a school community that encourages a culture of high student achievement, individual accountability and collective responsibility.

Essential functions included, but not limited to:

- Strive to attain a positive school climate in which students can mature and develop a sense of responsibility, self-worth, and good citizenship.
- Coordinate and supervise student activities to include school related activities outside of regular school hours, i.e. career exploration, field trips, service learning, etc.
- Assume responsibility for the overall safety and well-being of all students.
- Follow procedures designed to protect and enhance the safety of students and staff and to promote the security of property and equipment.
- Monitors attendance, develops and/or updates administrative procedures to comply with legal mandates and helps update and distribute student/parent handbooks.
- Develop and implement appropriate student programs that promote positive behavior.
- Assist staff and parents in developing student behavioral expectations.
- Assist in the planning, developing and implementing of individual student behavior plans.
- Serve as a resource to teachers and staff in dealing with classroom management issues.
- Counsel students and their families about the school's policies.
- Confer appropriate consequences for behavior including detention, in school suspension and out of school suspension.
- Conduct parent conferences for behavior/attendance related issues as needed.
- Monitor student academic and behavioral progress.
- Uphold and follow school policies and procedures.
- Other duties as assigned by the Principal.
- Requirements:
- Education and Experience:
  - A graduate degree in teaching, curriculum and instruction, or administration or a related field from an accredited college or university is required
  - Three or more years of successful secondary teaching experience.

#### Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset.

- Effective approaches to addressing student attendance and/or behavioral issues.
- Appropriate discipline techniques for secondary school level students.
- Federal, state, and local laws, codes, ordinances and regulations as they pertain to charter schools.
- Demonstrate commitment to accomplishing the school's mission and academic goals.
- Keep and maintain accurate records.
- Communicate, effectively, orally and in writing

**Counselor (certificated staff):** Development and support students to be prepared for, admitted to, and successful through college. The counselor develops strategies and implements activities to address the needs of the students to meet this goal; consults and collaborates with school staff; and works with parents/guardians to support students' success.

Essential functions included, but not limited to:

- Provide orientation activities for incoming students
- Participate in orientation programs for parent/guardians and students.

- Inform students and their parents/guardians of test results and their implication for educational planning.
- Provide resources and information to assist students to develop a rigorous academic course schedule, aligned with students' skills and interests.
- Evaluate students' graduation status and inform students of their status for graduation
- Assist in registration and schedule changes/conflicts for all students.
- As necessary, develop or support development of 504 plans, participate in Individual Education Plan meetings, and contribute in the development of the Student's Individual Transition Plan (ITP).
- Facilitate and/or participate in Student Support and Progress Team (SSPT) meetings
- Counsel, motivate and work with students who are underachieving or performing poorly academically.
- Coordinate at-risk programs.

# **Requirements:**

# Education and Experience

- A Master's Degree in School Counseling, Education, Psychology, Social Work, or another related field.
- Possess a valid California Pupil Personnel Services Credential (PPS) with an authorization in School Counseling.
- Two years of high school counseling experience.

# Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset

- Ability to learn quickly and effectively function in a fast-paced and dynamic environment.
- Willingness to go above and beyond to contribute to the success of a dynamic team.
- Flexible, optimistic approach, and comfort with change and ambiguity.
- Commitment to the success of all Alliance students and specifically to raising the academic achievement of children in high-poverty communities.

# Teaching Staff (certificated staff): Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Drives outstanding student achievement for all students in the classroom and supports colleagues in driving student achievement school-wide.
- Creates a culture of high expectations and continuous improvement with a relentless focus on student achievement and college and career readiness.
- Creates a positive, achievement-oriented, and supportive learning environment that excites and invests students in learning.
- Leverages Alliance resources and supports to develop and implement powerfully
  engaging curriculum and lessons designed to prepare all students to succeed in college
  and beyond.
- Utilizes a wide variety of teaching methods to create differentiated opportunities for deep understanding for all learners, including students with special needs.
- Utilizes a variety of data to drive instruction and intervention.
- Utilizes technology to support student learning.
- Works collaboratively with families and Alliance colleagues to support the achievement of all students and the mission and vision of the school.

# Requirements:

# Education and Experience

• Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university.

• Valid California Teaching Credential in the assigned subject area(s) and a valid English Learner authorization (e.g. CLAD, BCLAD).

# Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- Strong instructional and classroom management skills, as well as content expertise.
- Deep knowledge of effective evaluation and assessment techniques to drive student learning.
- Strong interpersonal, communication, and relationship-building skills with both children and adults.
- Passion for and commitment to the success of all Alliance students, and specifically to raising the academic achievement of children from high-poverty communities.
- Willingness to go above and beyond to contribute to the success of a dynamic team
- Flexible, optimistic, and comfortable with change and ambiguity.
- Ability to learn quickly, open to feedback and eager to develop professionally as a master educator.
- Entrepreneurial spirit to thrive in a fast-paced and achievement-oriented environment.
- Understanding of the nuances of urban school environments and school culture.

# **School Operations Manager (classified staff):** Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Hires, manages, coaches, and develops school operations team members (including front office staff and vendors) to meet established goals and objectives
- Ensures all district, state and federal compliance requirements are completed on time
- Supports school audits and inspections from regulatory agencies and/or charter authorizers
- Collaborates with Alliance Home Office Operations Department to manage the implementation of and training on the school's operational procedures with all stakeholders to ensure efficient, effective, and compliant execution
- On-boards and manages payroll and time reporting for all school employees
- Oversees procurement and purchasing for the school including placing orders, inventorying items received, and handling returns/exchanges
- Manages cash receipts, deposits, and staff reimbursement forms. Ensures effective implementation of Alliance's financial policies and procedures
- Manages student recruitment strategy (i.e. lottery, waitlist management, and enrollment)
- Manages student information system and attendance reporting process; ensures accuracy and security of files and all information pertaining to students, parents, staff, and community
- Oversees the school nutrition program, including managing servers, coordinating with vendor, placing orders, ensuring compliance, conducting food safety audits, and ensuring the program's financial health
- Coordinates supervision of students during arrival, breakfast, nutrition, lunch and after school
- Manages school health, safety and compliance processes, including: administering trainings, coordinating drills and safety audits, assisting in emergency responses, and preparing/ submitting incident reports
- Acts as School Testing Coordinator for state testing assessments (as needed) and supports set-up and accounts maintenance for school
- Manages routine maintenance requests for school, ensuring maintenance, janitorial and pest control services are properly carried out; oversees the upkeep of the school's

facilities and coordinates with Alliance Home Office team to implement school facility projects

- Manages school calendar and plans/coordinates logistics (including transportation) for school field trips, events, and activities such as: Back-to-School Night, Open House, parent conferences, recruitment/enrollment fairs, student orientations, graduation, staff celebrations
- Prepares correspondence, reports, bulletins, and memorandums in relation to assigned projects and may review and edit material prepared by others
- Maintains and distributes up-to-date parent/student and staff handbook
- Serves as the school's point person for special services including foster and homeless youth
- Participates in/leads cross-network school operations initiatives, pilots, and projects; promotes best practice sharing within and across schools
- Oversees other tasks or special projects as needed.

# **Requirements:**

# Education and Experience:

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college/university or equivalent, relevant experience required. MBA or Masters in a related field preferred.
- Minimum two years of professional experience; four preferred with at least one year experience managing others and leading multiple large-scale projects.

# Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- Demonstrated management and leadership skills; ability to lead, influence, and hold others accountable to upholding high standards of operational excellence.
- Strong project and time management skills; ability to set priorities and manage multiple projects while meeting customer expectations.
- Strong analytical, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills; aptitude for proactively building systems.
- Strong customer service mindset with sense of humility; demonstrated sense of urgency and ability to make timely decisions.
- Acute attention to detail.
- Highly proficient in Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel and Outlook and Google Apps.
- Ability to remain calm under pressure, especially in difficult conversations with parents/staff.
- Ability to treat sensitive issues with respect and empathy, and maintain confidentiality where required.
- Team player with demonstrated ability to successfully build trusting relationships with staff and stakeholders.
- Commitment to Alliance's mission and a passion for improving urban public education.
- Strong sense of integrity, ethics, and drive to achieve and grow.
- Spanish language fluency is a plus.

# Office Manager (classified staff): Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Maintains a welcoming atmosphere in the school office for parents, students, staff, and visitors.
- Maintains employee time reporting and student attendance records.
- Responsible for school bookkeeping, equipment and textbook inventory systems.

- Develops and recommends procedures for the compilation, maintenance, and presentation of data and maintains data used to assist in the determination of school policies, procedures, and programs.
- Supervises the installation and maintenance of complex clerical procedures, including the preparation of instructions, dissemination of information, and functional supervision of the implementation of the procedures.
- Maintains clerical procedures, performance standards, office records, and related matters in order to advise the principal.
- Explains school policies and procedures and speaks for an administrator in personal and telephone contacts and meetings.
- Prepares correspondence, reports, bulletins, and memorandums in relation to assigned projects and may review and edit material prepared by others.
- Searches records and obtains information from other schools, offices and agencies.
- Acts as the office resource in technology-related matters.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

Education and Experience:

• BA or AA and/or 4-5 years applicable work experience is preferred.

Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- Experience with Microsoft Office (ex. Word, Excel, PowerPoint) advanced experience with Excel.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and demonstrated success building trusting relationships with teachers and school site administrators.
- Ability to set priorities and manage multiple projects simultaneously while meeting customer expectations.
- Strong customer service orientation, responding to customer needs in a timely manner
- Analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Strong oral and writing skills.
- Ability to learn quickly.
- Flexibility to adapt to constantly changing environments.
- Passion for improving urban public education and a willingness to make a long-term commitment to K-12 education.

# **Office Clerk (classified staff):** Essential functions of office personnel include, but are not limited to:

- Receives calls and inquires, provides information, and makes proper referrals.
- Greets the public, guests and directs them to proper destinations.
- Processes incoming and outgoing mail.
- Prepares and maintains files.
- Photocopies correspondence, memos, reports, etc.
- Maintains adequate office supplies.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

# Requirements:

Education and Experience:

- Completion of high school or the equivalent.
- 6-12 months of relevant experience.

# Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

• Operate telephone equipment.

- Maintain accurate and orderly records.
- Develop and maintain effective working relationships.
- Friendly outgoing personality.
- Ability to multi-task and collaborate in a fast-paced environment.
- Proficient in Microsoft Suite, including Word, Excel, Outlook.
- Prior school office experience desired.
- Knowledge and familiarity of PowerSchool, Global Scholar Pinnacle, and TeleParent desired.
- Typing of 45+ words per minute.
- Bilingual, fluent English-Spanish speaker preferred.
- Belief in and alignment with Alliance's core beliefs and educational philosophy.
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written.
- Willingness to go above and beyond to contribute to the success of a dynamic team committed to a new future for urban education

**Technology Assistant (classified staff):** Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Work cooperatively with school staff and faculty in assisting and resolving user technical problems.
- Provide technical support to users regarding hardware, software, and network related problems.
- Provide hardware and software installation, configuration, maintenance, and upgrades to both computers (Windows & Mac) and networks (Windows).
- Document technical and network related problems.
- Prepare hardware, software, and procedural documentation.
- Maintain records and prepare reports related to equipment inventory, maintenance, installations, warranties and system defects.
- Assist administration in educating staff on usage of technology through regularly scheduled professional development.
- Participate in discussions involving vendors, suppliers and Alliance personnel regarding parts, equipment and program operations and new technology.
- Maintain current knowledge of technological advances in computers and peripheral equipment, software, operating systems, and networks.
- Collaborate with Director of Information Technology to ensure proper maintenance of hardware, software, and other technical equipment.
- Cross training with other technicians.
- Perform other related job duties as assigned.

# Requirements:

# Education and Experience

- A High School diploma is required. An Associate's Degree in computer science, information systems, or a related field from an accredited college or university is preferred.
- One to three years of experience in the maintenance, installation, configuration, upgrades of hardware, software, and operating systems of computers and local area networks.

- Experience with Microsoft Office (ex. Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Mac OS, iOS, Windows OS, MacBooks, iPads and PC laptops.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and demonstrated success building trusting relationships with teachers and school site administrators.

- Ability to set priorities and manage multiple projects simultaneously while meeting customer expectations.
- · Strong customer service orientation, responding to customer needs in a timely manner
- Analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Strong oral and writing skills.
- Ability to learn quickly.
- Experience with PowerSchool and Illuminate or equivalent assessment platform
- Flexibility to adapt to constantly changing environments.
- Passion for improving urban public education and a willingness to make a long-term commitment to K-12 education.

**Parent Engagement Specialist (classified staff):** Primary job duties include organizing the school's parent volunteer program to secure active and meaningful parent engagement at school and at home; educating parents to support learning and college-readiness; supporting recruitment and fundraising activities.

Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Plan, carryout, and evaluate parent engagement activities in partnership with school staff members and community partners
- Establish a regular workshop series and serve as the school's parent educator
- Identify and promote parent volunteer activities
- Create a welcoming school environment
- Establish and staff the school's parent center
- · Refer families to school and/or community resources
- Train parent leaders to support charter advocacy activities
- Support school recruitment activities
- Support school fundraising activities
- Participate in professional development
- Satisfy reporting requirements
- Provide translation services when needed
- Perform related duties as assigned

#### **Requirements:**

Education and Experience:

- A Bachelor's Degree or currently enrolled as an undergraduate at an accredited college or university.
- 2 years of related experience.

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- Parent engagement strategies to support learning and college-readiness.
- K-12 instructional and assessment strategies.
- Competent oral and written English usage.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office.
- Oral and written Spanish language usage preferred.
- Lead planning efforts and implement and evaluate parent engagement programming.
- Serve as the school's parent educator and facilitate educational workshops.
- Train parent leaders.
- Collaborate with school leaders, teachers, staff, parents and community members.
- Promote the school and recruit new students and families.
- Fundraise
- Speak in front of large groups of school and community stakeholders.

- Prepare annual reports.
- Record and maintain various written records.
- Follow verbal and written instructions

# Instructional Assistants (classified staff): Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Works with individual students or small groups to reinforce learning material or skills introduced by the teacher.
- Operates and cares for equipment or instructional materials used in the classroom for instructional purposes.
- Helps student master equipment or instructional materials assigned by the teacher.
- Distributes and collects workbooks, papers, and/or instructional materials as directed by the teacher.
- Guides independent study, enrichment work, and remedial work as assigned by the teacher.
- Assists with the supervision of students during meals, emergency drills, assemblies, break periods, or field trips.
- Assists with the supervision of daily routines and schedules.
- Provides information and assistance to a substitute teacher should one be assigned.
- Participates in appropriate staff development as required to ensure professional growth.
- Participates in staff meetings as required by the job assignment.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

# Requirements:

Education and Experience:

- Completion of at least 48 college semester units or 60 college quarter units. Associate's degree preferred
- 0-2 years of experience developing caring relationships with students in a school setting

- Knowledge of appropriate and effective approaches to discipline.
- Knowledge of school objectives, policies and regulations.
- Ability to work with students and staff in maintaining a safe and welcoming school campus.
- Ability to establish and maintain cooperative relationships with all members of the school community.
- Follow verbal and written instructions.
- Ability to work cooperatively with others and maintain a positive attitude in the work environment.
- Ability to use good judgment in problem-solving and decision-making
- Use time productively.
- Ability to follow district policies and procedures.
- Ability to accept supervisory direction and desire to improve job skills.
- Ability to demonstrate tact, courtesy and helpfulness in dealing with staff, students, parents, and visitors to the school.
- Belief in and alignment with Alliance's core beliefs and educational philosophy.
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written.
- Willingness to go above and beyond to contribute to the success of a dynamic team committed to a new future for urban education.
- Belief in and alignment with Alliance's core beliefs and educational philosophy.
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written.
- Entrepreneurial spirit to thrive in a fast-paced and achievement-oriented environment.

- Strong interpersonal skills and ability to build and cultivate relationships with teachers, coaches, school leaders and other Alliance home office departments.
- Willingness to go above and beyond to contribute to the success of a dynamic team committed to a new future for urban education.
- Understanding of the nuances of urban school environments and school culture.

Campus Assistants (classified staff): Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Develops appropriate interpersonal relationships with students in order to earn their respect and cooperation in following directions and school rules.
- Assists in supervising student activity areas during the break and lunch periods.
- Assists in general supervision of the campus as directed by the principal.
- Communicates and enforces school policies and procedures regarding student behavior and discipline; reports incidents to administrators where appropriately.
- Intervenes to deter and modify inappropriate student behaviors of a relatively minor nature; reports serious infractions to administration for possible disciplinary action.
- Positively interacts with parents and other members of the school community.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

#### **Requirements:**

Education and Experience:

- High School Diploma or equivalent.
- 0-2 years of related experience.

#### Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- Knowledge of appropriate and effective approaches to discipline.
- Knowledge of school objectives, policies and regulations.
- Work with students and staff in maintaining a safe and welcoming school campus.
- Establish and maintain cooperative relationships with all members of the school community.
- Follow verbal and written instructions.
- Belief in and alignment with Alliance's core beliefs and educational philosophy
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#### Custodian (classified staff): Essential functions include, but are not limited to:

- Ensures classrooms, restrooms, and common areas are cleaned and maintained.
- Cleans, dusts, and wipes furniture; empties waste receptacles, replaces light bulbs.
- Sweeps, scrubs, mops, seals, waxes, and polishes floors and stairways.
- Cleans and sanitizes restrooms using established practices and procedures, and replenishes supplies.
- Vacuums and shampoos carpets, and strips, cleans, buffs and applies floor sealer and floor finish to hard surface floors.

- · Washes windows.
- Secures the building in the evening.
- Performs small painting jobs and minor building, yard, and outdoor maintenance.
- · Cleans lunch area daily.
- Arranges chairs and tables daily.
- Orders cleaning products and maintains stock.
- Cleans vents, light fixtures, walls, and ceilings.
- Assists with the setup of facilities for meetings, classrooms, conferences, events, etc.
- Uses and maintains assigned power equipment and hand tools; buffers, auto scrubbers, extractors, high pressure washers, high speed buffers and vacuums, brooms, mops, and squeegees for the cleaning and general maintenance of floors, walls, carpets, furniture, etc.
- Performs related duties as required.

#### **Requirements:**

Education and Experience:

• No requirement.

- Ability to read, write and comprehend Basic English.
- Ability to operate floor polishers, buffers and shampooers.
- Belief in and alignment with Alliance's core beliefs and educational philosophy.
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written.
- Entrepreneurial spirit to thrive in a fast-paced and achievement-oriented environment.
- Strong interpersonal skills and ability to build and cultivate relationships with teachers, coaches, school leaders and other Alliance home office departments.
- Willingness to go above and beyond to contribute to the success of a dynamic team committed to a new future for urban education.
- Understanding of the nuances of urban school environments and school culture.

### **ELEMENT 6: Health and Safety Procedures**

"The procedures that the charter school will follow to ensure the health and safety of pupils and staff. These procedures shall include the requirement that each employee of the charter school furnish it with a criminal record summary as described in Section 44237." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(F).)

#### HEALTH, SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN

Charter School shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local requirements related to school and student health, safety, and emergency preparedness.

If Charter School occupies and/or operates on a District facility, Charter School shall comply with all District health, safety, and emergency procedures and requirements applicable to District facilities and related operations, and shall be subject to inspection by the District's Facilities Services Division, Office of Environmental Health and Safety, and other District offices in the same manner as other LAUSD campuses.

Charter School shall adopt, implement, and maintain at all times a current, comprehensive, and site-specific Health, Safety, and Emergency Preparedness Plan ("Plan"), which must include but is not limited to provisions for building and site emergency evacuation, the acquisition and maintenance of adequate onsite emergency supplies. The Plan must include Charter School's requirements and procedures for protecting student health and safety during off-campus school-sponsored activities, including but not limited to field trips and transportation. Charter School shall ensure that all staff members receive annual training on Charter School's health, safety, and emergency procedures, including but not limited to training on bloodborne pathogens, and shall maintain a calendar for, and conduct, emergency response drills for students and staff.

Charter School shall provide all employees, and other persons working on behalf of Charter School who are mandated reporters, with annual training on child abuse detection and reporting, which shall occur within the first six weeks of each school year, or within the first six weeks of a person's employment if employed after the beginning of the school year, in accordance with the requirements of AB 1432 (2014).

Charter School shall stock and maintain the required number and type of emergency epinephrine auto-injectors onsite and provide training to employee volunteers in the storage and use of the epinephrine auto-injector as required by Education Code section 49414 and section 4119.2 of the Business and Professions Code, as they may be amended from time to time.

Charter School shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49475, with respect to any athletic program (as defined in Education Code § 49475) offered by or on behalf of Charter School.

Charter School shall periodically review, and update and/or modify as necessary, its Health, Safety, and Emergency Preparedness Plan, and keep it readily available for on-site use. Charter School shall provide a copy of the Health, Safety, and Emergency Preparedness Plan for review upon CSD request.

# FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

Charter School, including its employees, officers, and representatives, shall comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and Education Code section 49060 et seq. at all times.

### CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CLEARANCES AND FINGERPRINTING

Charter School shall comply with all requirements of Education Code sections 44237 and 45125.1. Charter School shall designate and maintain at all times at least one Custodian of Records duly authorized by the California Department of Justice.

Charter School shall maintain on file and available for inspection evidence that (1) Charter School has performed criminal background checks and cleared for employment all employees prior to employment; (2) Charter School has obtained certification from each of its contracting entities/independent contractors that the entity/contractor has conducted required criminal background clearances for its employees prior to provision of schoolsite services and/or any contact with students, and has requested subsequent arrest notification service; and (3) Charter School has performed criminal background checks and cleared for service all volunteers not directly supervised by staff and who may have contact with students. Charter School shall also ensure that it requests and receives subsequent arrest notifications from the California Department of Justice for all employees and volunteers not directly supervised by staff. Upon request, Charter School shall provide a copy of Department of Justice confirmation of Custodian of Records status for each Custodian of Records. Charter School, including its administrators and officers, shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 44030.5.

# IMMUNIZATION AND HEALTH SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

Charter School shall require all employees, and any volunteer or vendor/contracting entity employee who may have frequent or prolonged contact with students, to undergo a risk assessment and/or be examined and determined to be free of active tuberculosis (TB) within the period of 60 days prior to employment/service, or otherwise meet the requirements of Education Code section 49406. Charter School shall maintain TB clearance records and certificates on file.

Charter School shall comply with all federal and state legal requirements, including but not limited to the requirements of SB 277 (2015), related to student immunization, health examination, and health screening, including but not limited to screening for vision, hearing, and scoliosis, to the same extent as would be required if the students were attending a non-charter public school. Charter School shall maintain student immunization, health examination, and health screening records on file.

# SAFE PLACE TO LEARN ACT

Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code section 234 et seq.

# SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICY

If Charter School serves students in grades 7-12, Charter School shall comply with the requirements of AB 2246 (2016), codified in Education Code section 215, including but not limited to the requirement that the school's pupil suicide prevention policy shall be developed in

consultation with school and community stakeholders, school-employed mental health professionals, and suicide prevention experts. Charter School shall provide the CSD with a copy of its pupil suicide prevention policy for review upon request.

# **Policies and Guidelines**

Each Alliance school has a School Safety Plan that describes the safety procedures specific for the school. Our school develops its School Safety Plan with the guidance of local law enforcement, school administration, and classified staff in order to prepare for natural disasters and emergency situations on the school campus (e.g., fire, earthquake, lockdown, terrorist threats, power outages, responses to criminal incidences, and gun-related incidents). Training on the School Safety Plan is provided to all school staff members annually. All schools and classrooms are equipped with emergency supplies.

An evacuation map is posted in every classroom. Emergency drills (e.g., earthquake drills, fire drills, lockdown drills), are conducted throughout the school year so that all staff and students will be prepared should an emergency occur.

In addition, in order to provide for the safety of all students and staff, MIT has adopted and shall implement student health and safety guidelines and policies that are reviewed regularly with staff and that address the following:

- How the school will maintain campus safety;
- Emergency response (including natural disasters and emergencies, including fires and earthquakes;
- Child abuse identification and reporting as mandated by federal, state, and local agencies;
- CPR/first aid training in emergency response, including "first responder" training or its equivalent as appropriate;
- The administration of prescription drugs and other medicines;
- Blood borne pathogens;
- Immunization requirements that all enrolling students provide records documenting immunizations to the extent required for enrollment in non-charter public schools;
- Student health screenings for vision, hearing and scoliosis, as applicable under CA Ed Code section 49450 et seq.;
- The school is functioning as a drug, alcohol and tobacco-free workplace;
- Compliance with all health and safety laws and regulations that apply to non-charter public schools, including those regarding auxiliary services (e.g., food services, transportation) and those required by CAL/OSHA, the California Health and Safety Code, and EPA.

In addition, Charter School will adhere to the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment on separation of Church and State. Any lease arrangement with a church may not advance or inhibit religion, nor give rise to excessive government entanglement with religion.

# **Custodian of Records**

Alliance's Vice President of Human Resources, Human Resources Director, and Human Resources Manager serve as the Custodian of Records per California Department of Justice requirements. The Alliance Human Resources department maintains all School employee records.

### Health and Wellness

MIT is committed to establishing a positive school environment that promotes students' health, well-being, and ability to learn by supporting healthy eating and physical activity. The school participates in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), a federally-assisted meal program operating in public and nonprofit private schools and residential child care institutions. The NSLP provides nutritionally balanced, low-cost or free lunches to children each school day. MIT and its food vendor comply with the federal and state regulations/requirements of the program.

#### ELEMENT 7: Means to Achieve Racial and Ethnic Balance

# "The means by which the school will achieve a racial and ethnic balance among its pupils that is reflective of the general population residing within the territorial jurisdiction of the school district to which the charter petition is submitted." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(G).)

#### **COURT-ORDERED INTEGRATION**

Charter School shall comply with all requirements of the *Crawford v. Board of Education, City of Los Angeles* court order and the LAUSD Integration Policy adopted and maintained pursuant to the Crawford court order by the District's Student Integration Services (collectively the "Courtordered Integration Program"). The Court-ordered Integration Program applies to all schools within or chartered through LAUSD.

Charter School has set forth below its <u>initial</u> plan for achieving and maintaining the LAUSD's Racial and Ethnic Balance goal of a 70:30 or 60:40 ratio. (*Ratio represents the percentage of Predominantly Hispanic Black Asian Other (PHBAO) <u>compared</u> to Other White (OW)). The written plan lists specific dates and locations of recruitment activities that Charter School will undertake in order to achieve the District's Racial and Ethnic Balance goal. Charter School shall monitor the implementation and outcomes of the initial plan, and modify it as necessary throughout the term of the Charter to achieve the District's goal. Upon request, Charter School shall provide the District with a copy of its current written plan.* 

The District receives neither average daily attendance allocations nor Court-ordered Integration Program cost reimbursements for charter school students. The District may receive the Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant (TIIBG) for its Court-ordered Integration Program. The District retains sole discretion over the allocation of TIIBG funding, where available, and cannot guarantee the availability of this funding.

#### Written Plan to Achieve and Maintain LAUSD Ethnic Balance Goal

- Distribute notification about enrollment opportunities at MIT to communities in Los Angeles Unified School District, including those that serve diverse populations.
- Publicize MIT through flyers, the Alliance website, the school website and notices to neighborhood schools and families about available openings.
- Target a diverse set of students throughout the student recruitment process in order to achieve and maintain the LAUSD ethnic balance goal upon enrollment.

MIT will make every effort to recruit students of various racial and ethnic groups to achieve a balance that is reflective of the general population residing within the territorial jurisdiction of LAUSD.

#### Schedule of Events

- School tours: October, December, February, April
- School information sessions: October July
- Student orientation session: July first week of August

Information sessions and school tours will be advertised on the school's website and through direct mail to the parents of students who attend elementary, middle and high schools in the

target community, and using postcards and flyers (printed in English and Spanish) distributed at local businesses and community organizations, youth organizations, social service providers, faith-based organizations, grocery stores, public libraries and other local schools. Information sessions will be conducted in English and in Spanish and held at different venues throughout the community.

MIT will conduct annual student orientation sessions in English and in Spanish prior to the opening of school. The typical schedule for this orientation session is one weekday and/or one Saturday in July or August.

#### **Outreach Materials**

Annual outreach will include:

- Posting banners in front of the school announcing, "now enrolling"
- Distributing printed flyers announcing major activities such as: the enrollment period, deadline for applications, dates and times of information sessions.
- Information sessions and school tours will include information on the school's performance track record, the Alliance school mission, Alliance and school goals, what it means to be an Alliance school, school policies and procedures, and school calendar.

MIT will make every effort to recruit and maintain students of various racial and ethnic groups to achieve a balance that is reflective of the general population residing within the territorial jurisdiction of LAUSD by targeting enrollment and marketing efforts to surrounding communities. Information with regard to race and ethnicity of students is not, however, gathered until students have been enrolled.

#### **ELEMENT 8: Admission Requirements**

#### "Admission requirements, if applicable." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(H).)

#### DOCUMENTATION OF ADMISSIONS AND ENROLLMENT PROCESSES

Charter School shall maintain complete and accurate records of its annual admissions and enrollment processes, including but not limited to documentation of implementation of lottery and waitlist criteria and procedures in accordance with the terms of the Charter. These records shall be made available to the District upon request.

#### HOMELESS AND FOSTER YOUTH

Charter School shall adhere to the provisions of the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and ensure that each child of a homeless individual and each homeless youth has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education as provided to other children and youths. Charter School shall provide specific information, in its outreach materials, websites, at community meetings, open forums, and regional center meetings, that notifies parents that Charter School is open to enroll and provide services for all students, and provides a standard District contact number for access to additional information regarding enrollment.

Charter School shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws regarding homeless and foster youth, including but not limited to the provisions of AB 379 (2015) and Chapter 5.5 (commencing with Section 48850) of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Education Code, as amended from time to time. Charter School shall extend its uniform complaint procedure to complaints filed pursuant to the applicable provisions of AB 379.

#### Non-DISCRIMINATION

Charter School shall not require a parent/legal guardian/student to provide information regarding a student's disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, legal or economic status, primary language or English Learner status, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in section 422.55 of the Penal Code, or any other information that would violate federal or state law, prior to admission, participation in any admissions or attendance lottery, or pre-enrollment event or process, or as a condition of admission or enrollment. Charter School may request, at the time of, and as part of, conducting its lottery process, the provision of information necessary to apply specific admissions preferences set forth in this Charter.

Charter School shall not request or require submission of a student's IEP, Section 504 Plan, or any other record or related information prior to admission, participation in any admissions or attendance lottery, or pre-enrollment event or process, or as a condition of admission or enrollment.

#### **Admission Requirements**

Each student interested in enrolling at MIT must be a resident of California and submit an application form to the school. If the number of interested students exceeds the number of seats available by the application deadline, admittance shall be determined by a public random drawing.

#### **Student Recruitment**

The intent of MIT is to serve students living in and attending schools within a 4-mile radius of the campus. As such, the school's marketing efforts will be targeted to students residing in the community or attending schools in the community served, which includes primarily students within LAUSD.

Neighboring schools and communities targeted include, but are not limited to the areas served by the following schools:

Charles Maclay Middle		
Richard E. Byrd Middle		
Sun Valley Magnet		
Mt. Gleason Middle		
Pacoima Middle		
Sun Valley High		
San Fernando Institute of Applied		
Media		
Olive Vista Middle		
John H. Francis Polytechnic		
Sylmar Biotech Health Academy		

Francisco Sepulveda Middle Verdugo Hills Senior High San Fernando Middle Cesar E. Chavez Learning Academies-Social Justice Humanitas Academy Cesar E. Chavez Learning Academies-Academy of Scientific Exploration (ASE) San Fernando Senior High Sylmar Charter High Cesar E. Chavez Learning Academies-Technology Preparatory Academy

MIT is committed to serving all students. As detailed in Element 7, the Outreach Plan includes targeted efforts to recruit all students regardless of their disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in Section 422.55 of the Penal Code, including immigration status, equal rights, and opportunities in admission. This includes students who are at risk of low achievement, economically disadvantaged students, and students with disabilities.

Methods of recruiting students may include:

- Announcements mailed to families attending neighboring elementary, middle and high schools
- Marketing brochures and flyers (in English and Spanish) distributed throughout the local community
- Local newspaper announcements
- Open houses and information sessions at the school site
- Open House at the school site prior to the opening of school
- The use of English and Spanish collateral and materials.

#### Lottery Preferences and Procedures

Existing students are guaranteed admission in the following school year and are exempt from the public random drawing (lottery).

During the lottery, the following preferences shall be extended:

- Siblings currently attending MIT. (Siblings must share at least one biological parent or legal guardian.)
- Children of current MIT staff members not to exceed 10% of total enrollment.
- Students living within the boundaries of the Los Angeles Unified School District.

In an effort to keep families together, in situations where siblings apply to MIT together and they do not have any other siblings currently attending MIT, if one of the children gains admission, he/she will automatically be considered a currently enrolled student and lottery preferences would apply.

#### **Application Form**

Each student interested in enrolling at an Alliance school must submit an application form to the school before the application deadline. There must be one application for each child. Applications received after the deadline shall be placed on the waitlist in the order they are received.

#### **Open Enrollment Period**

The open enrollment period for the upcoming school year will start at the beginning of October of the current school year and last until the lottery takes place (as needed), and no later than May 30. Parents/guardians of students who submitted applications and interested parties will be provided information about the timeline and procedures to be followed during the open enrollment and lottery process upon request. This information will be made available verbally, online and in print form.

#### **Lottery Procedures**

The lottery will be held on MIT's campus unless a larger venue is required. If needed, the lottery will take place on a weekday afternoon or evening or during the weekend to help ensure all interested parties can attend. The specific date, time and location will be determined one week following the application due date, and will be communicated to families and interested parties verbally or through written communications (e.g., text messages, emails, postings in school main office) as needed. Lottery procedures will be followed and related materials will be made available upon request. Interested parties are welcome to observe the random public drawing should one be necessary.

If the number of applicants exceeds the number of available seats on the application due date, a lottery will be hosted and the applicants will be randomly drawn to fill the available seats. The lottery will follow the school's lottery preferences. Applicants that are not accepted during the lottery will be placed on the waitlist in the order their names are drawn. All applications and a record of the order in which they are drawn will be kept on file at the Charter School. The Charter School may choose to conduct the lottery using an online enrollment system. The online enrollment system allows families to apply online and allows the school to run the lottery using a secure computer algorithm so that rules and lottery preferences are followed every time and families can be assured of an equitable process.

After the offered list is set, a waitlist shall be created and maintained. Should vacancies occur, admission will be offered to applicants on the waitlist in the order their names appear. The school can utilize the online enrollment system to manage the waitlist to ensure seats are offered to students in the order they appear on the waitlist.

#### Communication

The offered list and waitlist will be made available following the lottery (if needed) and upon request. Parents/guardians of applicants on the offered list and waitlist will be contacted by designated school office staff via phone and/or in writing. Multiple communications on different days will be attempted. Communication attempts will be logged by school staff.

Parents/guardians of applicants will have 5 school days from initial contact to respond to the designated contact person. The parents can respond via phone, in writing or by accepting the seat through the online enrollment system. If parents do not respond within the timeline, the applicant will be removed from the waitlist and the next applicant's parents/guardians on the waitlist will be contacted. We use an enrollment database system to log and document the fair execution of our lottery and waitlist.

#### **ELEMENT 9: Annual Financial Audits**

#### "The manner in which annual, independent financial audits shall be conducted, which shall employ generally accepted accounting principles, and the manner in which audit exceptions and deficiencies shall be resolved to the satisfaction of the chartering authority." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(l).)

Charter School shall provide for an annual audit that shall be conducted in compliance with applicable state and federal laws, including but not limited to the requirements of Education Code sections 47605(b)(5)(I) and 41020 as they may be amended from time to time. Charter School shall ensure compliance with the requirements of section 41020(f)(2), which makes it unlawful, absent an Education Audits Appeal Panel waiver, for a public accounting firm to provide audit services to a local educational agency if the lead audit partner, or coordinating audit partner, having primary responsibility for the audit, or the audit partner responsible for reviewing the audit, has performed audit services for that local educational agency in each of the six previous years.

The following reports will be submitted to LAUSD, in the required format and within timelines to be specified by LAUSD, each year:

- a. Provisional Budget Spring prior to operating fiscal year
- b. Final Budget July of the budget fiscal year
- c. First Interim Projections November of operating fiscal year
- d. Second Interim Projections February of operating fiscal year
- e. Unaudited Actuals July following the end of the fiscal year
- f. Audited Actuals December 15 following the end of the fiscal year
- g. Classification Report monthly according to Charter School's Calendar
- h. Statistical Report monthly according to Charter School's Calendar of Reports In addition:
  - P1, first week of January
  - P2, first week of April
- i. Instructional Calendar annually five weeks prior to first day of instruction
- j. Other reports as requested by the District

As per the Administrative Services Agreement with the Alliance College-Ready Public Schools, the Alliance Home Office Chief Business Officer, in coordination with the Alliance Audit Committee, is responsible for the selection of a qualified independent auditor to conduct the required annual financial audit. The auditor is retained by the Alliance accounting team, led by its Controller and Chief Business Officer, to coordinate the completion of an annual audit of the school's financial books and records.

The selection process will include confirmation that any recommended firm be on the State Controller's list of approved auditors to conduct charter school audits. The Charter School Board of Directors considers a resolution annually providing the Alliance Audit Committee the authority to select the financial auditor. This audit will be conducted in accordance with the applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. To the extent required by law, the scope of this audit will be expanded to include any relevant items or processes identified by the Office Management and Budget such as Circular A-133. All audit services are handled centrally by the Alliance Accounting Team, as per the school's Administrative Services Agreement with the Alliance. Any deficiencies, findings, material weaknesses, or audit exceptions are reported to Alliance Audit Committee. The Alliance Accounting Team, led by its Controller, will work with the school's leadership and Charter School Board of Directors, to immediately develop and implement a corrective action plan. Any such exception, as well as the corrective action plan, will be reviewed at the December Charter School Board of Directors meeting.

The Controller ensures that the auditor sends the completed audit to the required agencies by the statutory deadline. As per relevant requirements, the school's audit is submitted to the State Controller, County Office of Education, California Department of Education and LAUSD.

As outlined in prior sections, the Alliance provides specific back-office services to the Charter School, including budgeting/forecasting, accounts set up (insurance, benefits, attendance tracking), payroll, compliance, required reporting, service vendor contract negotiations and management, and purchasing. The Alliance also provides oversight and monitors adherence by the Charter School Board of Directors to the charter process and any applicable law. The Alliance maintains separate financial records for Charter School and assures that all accounting complies with generally accepted accounting principles.

#### ELEMENT 10: Suspension and Expulsion Procedures

## "The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(J).)

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Charter School shall provide due process for all students, including adequate and timely notice to parents/guardians and students of the grounds for all suspension and expulsion recommendations and decisions and their due process rights regarding suspension and expulsion, including rights of appeal.

Charter School shall ensure that its policies and procedures regarding suspension and expulsion will be periodically reviewed, and modified as necessary, in order to conform to changes in state law.

Charter School shall ensure that its staff is knowledgeable about and complies with the District's Discipline Foundation Policy and/or current equivalent policy, as required by the Modified Consent Decree. Charter School shall comply with the terms of the School Discipline Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights resolution adopted by the LAUSD Board of Education on May 6, 2013.

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall document and implement the alternatives to suspension and expulsion that Charter School utilizes in response to attendance-related concerns, e.g. truancy or excessive tardiness.

#### STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Charter School shall establish and implement policies and procedures to ensure full compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, pending the completion of the expulsion process, Charter School shall identify and provide special education programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement determined in coordination with the LAUSD Division of Special Education.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program ("IEP"), or a student who has a Section 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District's Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a Section 504 Plan, Charter School's administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student's disability?

B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School's failure to implement Section 504?

#### NOTIFICATION OF THE DISTRICT

Upon expelling <u>any</u> student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- Completed "Notification of Charter School Expulsion" [form available from the CSD website or office], including attachments as required on the form
- Documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School's policies and procedures were followed
- Copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing
- Copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student's compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
- If the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the preexpulsion IEP
- If the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:
  - A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student's disability?
  - B. Was the misconduct a direct result of Charter School's failure to implement Section 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding and apart from the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the superintendent of the student's district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion. Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code section 49068 (a) and (b).

#### OUTCOME DATA

Charter School shall gather and maintain all data related to placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

#### **REHABILITATION PLANS**

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by Charter School's governing board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

#### READMISSION

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School's governing board shall readmit the pupil, unless Charter School's governing board makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

#### REINSTATEMENT

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

#### GUN-FREE SCHOOLS ACT

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun-Free Schools Act.

#### Involuntary Removal – General Provisions

No student shall be involuntarily removed (i.e., disenrolled, dismissed, transferred, or terminated) by the Charter School for any reason unless the parent or guardian of the student has been provided written notice of intent to remove the student no less than five schooldays before the effective date of the action. The written notice shall be in the native language of the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian or, if the pupil is a foster child or youth or a homeless child or youth, the pupil's educational rights holder. For all involuntary removals, including dismissals for non-disciplinary reasons, parents must be informed of their right to a hearing before the effective date of the removal. If the student's parent or guardian initiates the hearing procedures, the student must remain enrolled until the charter school issues a final decision.

As further described later in Element 10, for involuntary removals for disciplinary reasons, the Charter School shall follow the following procedures:

- For suspensions of fewer than 10 days, the Charter School will provide oral or written notice of the charges against the pupil and, if the pupil denies the charges, an explanation of the evidence that supports the charges and an opportunity for the pupil to present his or her side of the story.
- For suspensions of 10 days or more, the Charter School will provide timely, written notice of the charges against the pupil and an explanation of the pupil's basic rights. Additionally, the Charter School will provide a hearing adjudicated by a neutral panel. The pupil and pupil's parent/guardian shall be notified within a reasonable number of days at which the pupil has a fair opportunity to present testimony, evidence, and witnesses and confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, and at which the pupil has the right to bring legal counsel or an advocate.

#### Student Discipline System

The Student Suspension and Expulsion Policy has been established in order to promote learning and protect the safety and well-being of all students at MIT. Although the Charter School is exempt from Education Code section 48900 et seq., the policy, procedures and grounds for suspension/expulsion are based on Education Code 48900 et seg. As required by the Modified Consent Decree (MCD), Alliance schools also follow the District's Discipline Foundation Policy, including the school-wide positive behavior supports, alternatives to suspension (e.g., behavioral contracts, student detention, parent conferences, counseling), and restorative justice. At the beginning of each school year, the principal or administrative designee (e.g., assistant principal, dean of students) will provide professional development to school staff in order to communicate and model the school's discipline policy to the school community. The focus of the training will be around ensuring school practices are consistently applied and may address topics such as: school-wide behavior expectations, the school's philosophy around positive behavioral intervention & supports and/or restorative justice, and procedures for addressing student behavior issues in classrooms. Throughout the school year, administrators and staff will regularly review school-wide and subgroup discipline data to identify areas to improve upon its practices and provide additional training and support as needed to prevent and mitigate the need for future disciplinary measures.

MIT develops, maintains, and implements a comprehensive student discipline policy. The discipline policy is not biased or discriminatory, and follows the principles of due process. In the case of a student who has an IEP, or a student who has a 504 Plan, the school will ensure that it follows the correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of applicable state and federal laws.

By signing the school's Parent-Student Handbook, students and parents acknowledge their understanding of and their responsibility to the standards set forth in the discipline policy. The discipline policy will define student responsibilities, unacceptable behavior, and the consequences for noncompliance.

MIT believes in a student discipline philosophy that is progressive in nature, but also emphasizes positive behavior supports to provide students with opportunities to improve. These include, but are not limited to: positive recognition, restorative practices (e.g., restorative circles, mediation, regular conferencing), increased family and community collaboration, acknowledgement and reinforcement of appropriate behavior, clear definition of expectations, team-based implementation, and data-based decision making. The school will have access to a student discipline dashboard to track and monitor student suspensions and expulsions on a regular basis.

Students who violate the school rules are subject to, but not limited to the following progressive actions:

- Verbal warning
- Phone call to parent/guardian
- Loss of privileges (e.g. attending afterschool activities, interscholastic sports, special non-instructional activities held during the school day, one-to-one assigned technology)
- Detention
- Conference with student and parent/guardian
- Suspension
- Expulsion

#### **Grounds for Suspension and Expulsion**

Alliance MIT has adopted the Los Angeles Unified School District Suspension and Expulsion *Matrix* as identified below. As such, a student may be suspended or expelled for prohibited misconduct, as outlined in the matrix, if the act occurs:

- 1) While on school grounds,
- 2) While going to or coming from school,
- 3) During the lunch period whether on or off the school campus,
- 4) During, or while going to or coming from, a school-sponsored activity.

Suspended students and students in in-school suspension shall be excluded from participating in all school and school-related activities unless otherwise agreed upon by the principal or administrative designee (e.g., assistant principal, dean of students) and the parent/guardian during the period of suspension. The maximum number of days for out-of-school or in-school suspensions will not exceed five (5) school days per incident and ten (10) school days in one academic year for students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) or twenty (20) school days in one academic year for general education students.

Expelled students shall be excluded from participating in all school and school-related activities. *LAUSD Suspension and Expulsion Matrix* 

Category I Student Offenses with <u>No</u> Principal Discretion (except as otherwise precluded by law)	Category II* Student Offenses with Limited Principal Discretion	Category III* Student Offenses with <u>Broad</u> Principal Discretion
Principal <u>shall immediately</u> suspend and recommend expulsion when the following occur at <u>school or at a school activity off</u> <u>campus</u> . [E.C. 48915(c)]	Principal <u>must</u> recommend expulsion when the following occur <u>at school or at a school</u> <u>activity off campus</u> <b>unless</b> the principal determines that the expulsion is inappropriate. [E.C. 48915(a)(1)]	Principal <u>may</u> recommend expulsion when the following occur at any time, including, but not limited to, <u>while on school</u> grounds; while going to or coming from school; during the lunch period, whether on or off the campus; or during, or while going to or coming from, a school-sponsored activity. [E.C. 48915(b) and (e)]
<ol> <li>Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm. E.C. 48915(c)(1); 48900(b)</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Causing serious physical injury to another person, except in self-defense. E.C. 48915(a)(1)(A); 48900(a)(1), maybe also 48900(a)(2)</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person. (Unless, in the case of "caused," the injury is serious. [See II.1]) E.C. 48900(a)(1); 48915(b)</li> <li>First offense of possession of marijuana of not more than one ounce, or alcohol. E.C. 48900(c); 48915(b)</li> <li>Sold, furnished, or offered a substitute substance represented as a controlled substance. E.C. 48900(d); 48915(b)</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Brandishing a knife at another person.</li> <li>E.C. 48915(c)(2); 48900(a)(1) and 48900(b)</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Possession of any knife, explosive, or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil. E.C. 48915(a)(1)(B); 48900(b)</li> </ol>	Caused or attempted to cause damage to school or private property. E.C. 48900(f); 48915(e)     Stole or attempted to steal school or private property. E.C. 48900(g); 48915(e)     Possessed or used tobacco. E.C. 48900(h); 48915(e)     Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity. E.C. 48900(i); 48915(e)
<ol> <li>Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3); 48900(c)</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Unlawful possession of any controlled substance (except for the first offense of no more than an onuce of marijuana, and over-the-counter and prescribed medication)</li> <li>E.C. 49915(a)(1)(C); 48900(c)</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Possessed, offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia. E.C. 48900(j); 48915(e)</li> <li>Disrupted school activities (school-wide activities; issued only by an administrator) E.C. 48900(k); 48915(e)</li> <li>Knowingly received stolen school or private property. E.C. 48900(l); 48915(e)</li> <li>Possessed an imitiation firearm. E.C. 48900(m); 48915(e)</li> <li>Engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or group of pupils or school district personnel. E.C. 48900.4**, 48915(e)</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery (as defined in 48900(n)).</li> <li>E.C. 48915(c)(4); 48900(n)</li> </ol>	4. Robbery or extortion. E.C. 48915(a)(1)(D); 48900(e)	<ol> <li>Engaged in sexual harassment. E.C. 48900.2**; 48915(e)</li> <li>Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence. E.C. 48900.3**; 48915(e)</li> <li>Made terrorist threats against school officials or school property, or both. E.C. 48900.7; 48915(e)</li> <li>Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except in self-defense. E.C. 48900(a)(2); 48915(b)</li> </ol>
<ol> <li>Possession of an explosive E.C. 48915(c)(5); 48900 (b)</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Assault or battery upon any school employee.</li> <li>E.C. 48915(a)(1)(E); 48900(a)(1) and 48900(a)(2)</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a pupil who is a complaining witness or witness in a disciplinary action. E.C. 48900(0); 48915(e)</li> <li>Any behavior listed in Category I or II that is related to school activity or school attendance but that did not occur on campus or at a <u>school activity</u> off campus. E.C. 48915(b)</li> <li>Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma. E.C. 4990(0); 48915(e)</li> <li>Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of electronic act directed specifically toward a pupil or school personnel. E.C. 48900(r); 48915(e)</li> <li>Anded or abetted the infliction of physical injury to another person (suspension only). E.C. 48901(t); 48915(e)</li> <li>Aided or abetted the infliction of physical injury to another person sent on the pasible or have repeatedly failed</li> </ol>

to bring about proper conduct, (2) Due to the nature of the act, the student's presence causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the \*\* Grades 4 through 12 inclusive.

Source: Los Angeles Unified School District Student Discipline & Expulsion Support Unit (August 14, 2014)

As used in this section, "school property" includes, but is not limited to, electronic files and databases.

The offenses noted above are annotated excerpts from Education Code Section 48900. The school will use the above referenced grounds and procedures in determining suspension and expulsion.

#### Not Grounds for Suspension/Expulsion

MIT's policy prohibits suspension and expulsion from being used as corrective measures in response to student misconduct of willful defiance as described in Education Code section 48900(k).

#### **Suspension Procedures**

#### **Rules and Procedures**

The process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence for suspensions and expulsions will be fair and thorough. Suspension is preceded by a conference conducted by the principal or administrative designee (e.g., assistant principal, dean of students) with the student and the student's parent/guardian. The conference may be omitted if the administrative staff determines that an emergency situation exists. An "emergency situation" involves a clear and present danger to the lives, safety or health of students or school personnel. If the student is suspended without a conference, the parent/guardian is notified of the suspension, a request for a conference is to be made as soon as possible, and the conference is to be held as soon as possible.

#### Notice to Parents/Guardians

At the time of suspension (both out-of-school and in-school), the principal or administrative designee will contact the parent/guardian by telephone or in person. Whenever a student is suspended, the parent/guardian shall be notified in writing of the suspension and the date of return following suspension in the primary language of the guardian. This notice shall state the specific offense(s) committed by the student. In addition, the notice shall also state the date and time the student may return to school. The principal or administrative designee shall request to confer with the parent/guardian regarding matters pertinent to the suspension; parents/guardians are strongly encouraged to respond without delay as student violations of school rules may result in student expulsion from the school.

In-school suspensions will be served in either the school's main office or in an open classroom and will be supervised by a credentialed staff member. During in-school suspensions, the student's teachers will provide coursework to be completed in the in-school suspension setting.

#### Length of Suspension

Suspensions (both out-of-school and in-school), when not including a recommendation for expulsion, shall not exceed five (5) consecutive school days per suspension. Students with IEPs shall not be suspended for more than a total of ten (10) school days in a school year unless a suspension has been extended pending an expulsion hearing, post a Manifestation Determination Review (MDR).

During the term of the suspension, MIT shall provide the student with meaningful access to education. Missed assignments can be accessed virtually through class websites or arranged for pick-up or delivery with the parent/guardian. The student shall also be given the opportunity to take make-up tests if they were missed during the term of the suspension.

Upon a recommendation of expulsion by the principal or administrative designee, the pupil and the pupil's guardian or representative will be invited to a conference to determine if the

suspension for the pupil should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. This determination will be made by the principal or administrative designee upon either of the following: 1) the pupil's presence will be disruptive to the education process; or 2) the pupil poses a threat or danger to others. Upon either determination, the pupil's suspension will be extended pending the results of an expulsion hearing. Students who receive an extended suspension may be offered an interim placement at an LAUSD school, another Alliance school, or coursework from the attending school. Students shall not be suspended for more than a total of twenty (20) school days in a school year, unless a suspension has been extended up to 30 school days pending an expulsion hearing.

#### **Suspension Appeals**

The suspension of a student is at the discretion of the principal or administrative designee. Parents/guardians shall be notified in advance of the enactment of the suspension and can appeal a student's suspension. A suspension appeal shall be submitted in writing to the Alliance Home Office Chief Schools Officer, and shall be heard if requested within five (5) school days of the notification of suspension by the principal or administrative designee. Upon consideration of the evidence presented in the appeal, the Chief Schools Officer's decision shall be final. The student shall be considered suspended until a meeting is convened to hear the appeal. The decision regarding the appeal will be made within one (1) school day of the appeal hearing. Parents/guardians will be notified of the decision in writing within three (3) school days. For students who are recommended for expulsion, any appeal of the suspension will be considered concurrently with the expulsion process.

#### **Expulsion Procedures**

#### **Rules and Procedures**

The process for investigating incidents and collecting evidence for suspensions and expulsions will be fair and thorough. Upon a recommendation of expulsion by the principal or administrative designee, the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian or representative will be invited, by letter or by phone, to a pre-expulsion conference within five (5) school days. During the conference, they will have the right to respond to the allegation. If necessary, they will be given three (3) additional school days after the conference to respond. This conference will also provide an opportunity to determine if the suspension for the pupil should be extended pending an expulsion hearing. This determination will be made by the principal or administrative designee.

#### Authority to Expel

A student may be expelled by a three (3) member panel, known as the Expulsion Panel that is designated by the MIT School Board of Directors ("School Board"). The Expulsion Panel shall be selected by the Board Chair and will consist of Alliance College-Ready Public Schools and Alliance's affiliated schools' staff. The members of the Expulsion Panel shall meet the following criteria:

- 1) The members shall have no knowledge or previous familiarity of the student or situation, and
- 2) The members are not school employees.

#### **Expulsion Hearing**

A hearing to determine whether the student should be expelled is required for recommendation for expulsion. The hearing shall be held within 30 school days after the principal makes his/her expulsion recommendation. The hearing shall be presided over by the Expulsion Panel described above.

The principal or administrative designee provides written notice of the hearing to the student and the student's parent/guardian within ten (10) calendar days before the date of the hearing. The notice shall be in the primary language of the guardian. The notice will include information regarding reasonable accommodations and language support, presentation and crossexamination of witnesses and other evidence, representation by counsel or other advocates, and other due process protections and rights. As necessary, the notice will also provide special rules and procedures for incidents involving sexual assault and/or battery (e.g., provide complaining witness with a copy of applicable disciplinary rules and advisement of rights, postponement of expulsion hearing for one school day to accommodate the special physical, mental and emotional needs of complaining witness, provide a nonthreatening environment for complaining witness to speak freely and accurately of his/her experiences, breaks during testimony as needed, advisement of complaining witness and accused pupil to refrain from personal or telephonic contact). The documentary evidence packet shall be made available to the student and/or parents/guardians upon request.

An audio recording of the hearing and proceedings will be created and retained.

#### Presentation of Evidence

While technical rules of evidence do not apply to expulsion hearings, evidence may be admitted and used as proof only if it is the kind of evidence on which reasonable persons can rely in the conduct of serious affairs. A determination by the panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence that the student committed an expellable offense. Also, in accordance to the LAUSD Suspension and Expulsion Matrix, for Category II and II offenses, the school must provide evidence of one or both of the following additional findings: (1) Other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct, (2) Due to the nature of the act, the student's presence causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others.

Findings of fact shall be based solely on the evidence at the hearing. While hearsay evidence is admissible, no decision to expel shall be based solely on hearsay. Sworn declarations may be admitted as testimony from witnesses of whom the Expulsion Panel determines that disclosure of their identity or testimony at the hearing may subject them to an unreasonable risk of physical or psychological harm. The decision of the panel to expel must be supported by substantial evidence presented at the hearing that the student committed an expellable offense. Also, in accordance to the LAUSD Suspension and Expulsion Matrix, for Category II and II offenses, the school must provide evidence of one or both of the following additional findings: (1) Other means of correction are not feasible or have repeatedly failed to bring about proper conduct, (2) Due to the nature of the act, the student's presence causes a continuing danger to the physical safety of the pupil or others.

The decision of the Expulsion Panel shall be in the form of written findings of fact. The final decision by the panel shall be made within three (3) school days following the conclusion of the hearing.

If the Expulsion Panel decides not to expel and the student is still enrolled, the pupil shall immediately be returned to his/her educational program or be given the opportunity to transfer to another Alliance school with mutual agreement of the parent and the other Alliance school.

#### Written Notice to Expel

Following a decision of the Expulsion Panel to expel, the principal or administrative designee shall send to the student and parent/guardian written notice of the decision to expel. The notice shall be in the primary language of the guardian. This notice will include the findings of fact, recommendations, referral to alternative placement, recommended rehabilitation plan, recommended expulsion order and appeal procedures. This notice to expel a student will be sent by certified U.S. mail. Records of the proceeding will be made available at anytime upon request to the Principal.

#### Appeal of Expulsion

An expulsion decision may be appealed within 30 calendar days of the date of the Expulsion Panel's written decision to expel. The parent/guardian must submit the appeal in writing to the principal who will inform the School Board Chair. An Expulsion Appeal Panel shall be convened within 30 school days of receipt of the written appeal, at which time the student's parent/guardian must attend to present his/her appeal either verbally or in writing. Language support shall be provided upon request. The Expulsion Appeal Panel shall have three (3) members. The panel shall be selected by the School Board Chair. Panel members shall not be school employees (they may be Alliance Home Office employees or staff members from other Alliance schools), shall have no familiarity of the incident or student, and shall not be the same individuals that served on the Expulsion Panel. The scope of review of the panel shall be limited to whether there is relevant and material evidence which, in the exercise of reasonable diligence, could not have been produced or which was improperly excluded at the expulsion hearing. The decision of the Expulsion Appeal Panel shall be final. Parents will be notified of the Expulsion Appeal Panel's decision, in writing, within two (2) school days of the hearing. The notice shall be in the primary language of the guardian. In the event that Expulsion Appeal Panel reverses the expulsion, the student shall be immediately reinstated.

#### Alternative Placement

In the event of a decision to expel a student, the school will work cooperatively with student's home school district, the county and/or other schools to find alternative placement for the student.

#### **Rehabilitation Plans**

Pupils who are expelled from an Alliance school shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by the Expulsion Panel at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. The rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may reapply to the Alliance school for readmission.

#### Readmission

The school shall receive the documentary evidence from parents/guardians or LAUSD as per the student's rehabilitation plan in the findings of fact. This evidence will be reviewed to determine if the plan's requirements have been met to allow for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process and pending the availability of open seats, the school shall readmit the pupil, unless the school's principal makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the school, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

#### Reinstatement

Upon completion of the readmission process and a determination that the student has met the terms of the rehabilitation plan, the school shall reinstate the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner pending the availability of open seats.

#### **ELEMENT 11: Employee Retirement Systems**

#### "The manner by which staff members of the charter schools will be covered by the State Teachers' Retirement System, the Public Employees' Retirement System, or federal social security." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(K).)

Charter School shall comply in a timely manner with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations, as they may change from time to time, including but not limited to Internal Revenue Code section 414(d) and related regulations, governing Charter School's participation in, and/or coverage of its staff members by, the State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS), the Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS), and/or federal social security.

If Charter School participates in, or otherwise covers its staff members by enrolling or continuing their enrollment in, a "government plan" governed by section 414(d) (e.g., CalPERS), upon dissolution or final liquidation of Charter School, and/or its nonprofit public benefit corporation, notwithstanding any provision in Element 15 to the contrary, Charter School shall distribute its net assets in accordance with section 414(d), related regulations, and the government plan's requirements.

If Charter School participates in CalSTRS and/or CalPERS, Charter School shall continue such participation for the duration of Charter School's existence under the same CDS code, if mandated by applicable legal and retirement plan requirements.

#### **Retirement Benefits**

CalSTRS and CalPERS contributions are reported through the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE). The Charter School will continue its participation (under its existing County-District-School (CDS) code) in these programs for the duration of its existence and operation.

**STRS** - All certificated employees who are eligible participate in the State Teachers Retirement System (CaISTRS). Eligible certificated employees deposit a percentage of their pre-tax creditable earnings in CaISTRS and the School matches this contribution. As of 7/01/2017, certificated employees contribute 9.205% (if subject to PEPRA) or 10.25% (if not subject to PEPRA) and MIT contributes 14.43%. All withholdings from employees and the Charter School are forwarded to the STRS Fund as required. Employees accumulate service credit years in the same manner as all other members of STRS.

**PERS -** All classified employees who are eligible participate in the Public Employees Retirement System (CaIPERS). Eligible classified employees deposit a percentage of their pre-tax creditable earnings in CaIPERS and that the School matches this contribution. As of 7/01/2017, employees contribute 6% (if subject to PEPRA) or 7% (if not subject to PEPRA) and MIT contributes 16.60%. All withholdings from employees and the charter school are forwarded to the PERS Fund as required. Employees accumulate service credit years in the same manner as all other members of PERS. Social Security payments are contributed for all qualifying PERS members.

**OASDI, PARS and Others -** MIT participates in Old Age Survivor Disability Insurance (OASDI) for non-PERS/STRS eligible part-time employees. The MIT School Board of Directors retains the option to consider any other public or private retirement plans, such as the Public Agency Retirement System (PARS), and to coordinate such participation with existing programs as it deems appropriate.

#### **ELEMENT 12: Public School Attendance Alternatives**

## "The public school attendance alternatives for pupils residing within the school district who choose not to attend charter schools." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(L).)

Pupils of Charter School do not have or gain any right to admission in a particular school of any school district, or program of any school district, as a consequence of applying to or enrolling in Charter School, except to the extent that such a right is extended by the school district.

A pupil who chooses not to attend Charter School may attend a public school within the pupil's school district of residence in accordance with applicable law and that school district's policies and procedures. The pupil alternatively may seek to enroll in another charter school in accordance with applicable law and the terms of the school's charter. If LAUSD is the pupil's school district of residence, an eligible pupil may pursue an inter-district transfer, if available, in accordance with the admission, enrollment, and transfer policies and procedures of the District, as they may change from time to time.

As a public charter school authorized to operate within the boundaries of the Los Angeles Unified School District, Alliance MIT provides a quality alternative to attending District schools. Students may choose to attend other public schools in the district of residence or pursue an inter-district transfer in accordance with existing enrollment and transfer policies of LAUSD.

Alliance MIT is a school of choice; no student is required to attend. This information is communicated to families through informational meetings.

#### **ELEMENT 13: Rights of District Employees**

## "The rights of an employee of the school district upon leaving the employment of the school district to work in a charter school, and of any rights of return to the school district after employment at a charter school." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(M).)

Employees of the District who choose to leave the employment of the District to work at Charter School shall have no automatic rights of return to the District after employment at Charter School unless specifically granted by the District through a leave of absence or other agreement or policy of the District as aligned with the collective bargaining agreements of the District. Leave and return rights for District union-represented employees and former employees who accept employment with Charter School will be administered in accordance with applicable collective bargaining agreements and any applicable judicial rulings.

#### **ELEMENT 14: Mandatory Dispute Resolution**

## "The procedures to be followed by the charter school and the entity granting the charter to resolve disputes relating to provisions of the charter." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(N).)

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Any claim, controversy or dispute between the District and Charter School arising out of or relating to this Charter, except for any claim, controversy or dispute related to the authorization (non-renewal, revision and/or revocation) of this Charter, ("Dispute") shall be resolved pursuant to the terms of this Element 14.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each party shall bear and be solely responsible for all of its own attorneys' fees, costs and expenses associated with any Dispute, including, but not limited to, any written/oral communication, meeting, Issues Conference, mediation, arbitration, administrative and/or civil action (including all levels of appeal), and no party shall be ordered to pay, or be awarded, any other party's attorneys' fees, costs or expenses in connection therewith, regardless of who may be deemed the prevailing party. Any fees, costs and expenses charged by a mediator or arbitrator (including all associated administration fees, costs and expenses) shall be shared equally by the parties regardless of the outcome or award. To that effect, any order or award of attorneys' fees, costs and/or expenses, or mediator's or arbitrator's fees, costs or expenses (including any associated administration fees, costs and expenses), issued by a mediator, arbitrator, judicial officer (including all levels of appeal) or jury in any Dispute shall be deemed invalid as a matter of law and unenforceable by one party against the other party.

#### **PROPOSITION 39 DISPUTES**

Any Dispute related to or arising out of Education Code §47614 and/or its implementing regulations set forth in California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 11969 *et seq*. ("Proposition 39"), shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures set forth below:

 Any Dispute shall be communicated in writing ("Written Notification"). The Written Notification must identify the nature of the Dispute and all supporting facts. The Written Notification shall be tendered to the other party by personal delivery, by facsimile or email, or by certified mail. The Written Notification shall be deemed received (a) if personally delivered, upon date of delivery to the address of the person to receive such notice if delivered by 5:00 p.m., or otherwise on the business day following personal delivery; (b) if by facsimile or e-mail, upon electronic confirmation of receipt; or (c) if by certified mail, two (2) business days after deposit in the U.S. Mail.

Unless directed otherwise, all Written Notifications to the District and Charter School shall be addressed respectively as follows:

Director Charter Schools Division Los Angeles Unified School District 333 South Beaudry Avenue, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor Los Angeles, California 90017 Director/Principal Alliance Marine-Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex 11933 Allegheny Street Sun Valley, CA 91352

- 2) A written response ("Written Response") shall be tendered to the other party within fifteen (15) business days from the date of receipt of the Written Notification or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties. The Written Response shall be tendered to the other party by personal delivery, by facsimile or e-mail, or by certified mail. The Written Response shall be deemed received (a) if personally delivered, upon date of delivery to the address of the person to receive such communication if delivered by 5:00 p.m., or otherwise on the business day following personal delivery; (b) if by facsimile or e-mail, upon electronic confirmation of receipt; or (c) if by certified mail, two (2) business days after deposit in the U.S. Mail.
- 3) If the Dispute has not been resolved by mutual agreement from the Written Response, the parties agree to schedule a conference to discuss the Dispute identified in the Written Notice ("Issue Conference"). The Issue Conference shall take place within fifteen (15) business days from the date on which the Written Response is received by the other party or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties.
- 4) If the Dispute has not been resolved by mutual agreement at the Issue Conference, either party may then request that the Dispute be resolved by mediation. Within fifteen (15) business days of the date of the request for mediation or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties, the parties shall mutually agree upon the selection of a mediator. If the parties are unable to mutually agree upon the selection of a mediator shall be selected from a list of mediators prepared and provided by the American Arbitration Association. Mediation proceedings shall commence within thirty (30) business days of the date of the request for mediation or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties, and conclude within forty (40) business days of the date of the request for mediation proceedings shall be administered in accordance with the commercial mediation procedures of the American Arbitration Arbitration.
- 5) If the mediation is not successful, either party may then initiate a civil action. Venue for any civil action between the parties shall be the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

#### NON-PROPOSITION 39 DISPUTES

Any Dispute not related to or arising out of Proposition 39 shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures set forth below:

 Any Dispute shall be communicated in writing ("Written Notification"). The Written Notification must identify the nature of the Dispute and any supporting facts. The Written Notification shall be tendered to the other party by personal delivery, by facsimile, or by certified mail. The Written Notification shall be deemed received (a) if personally delivered, upon date of delivery to the address of the person to receive such notice if delivered by 5:00 p.m., or otherwise on the business day following personal delivery; (b) if by facsimile, upon electronic confirmation of receipt; or (c) if by mail, two (2) business days after deposit in the U.S. Mail. Unless directed otherwise all Written Notifications to the District and Charter School shall be addressed respectively as follows:

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- 2) A written response ("Written Response") shall be tendered to the other party within twenty (20) business days from the date of receipt of the Written Notification or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties. The Written Response shall be tendered to the other party by personal delivery, by facsimile or e-mail, or by certified mail. The Written Response shall be deemed received (a) if personally delivered, upon date of delivery to the address of the person to receive such communication if delivered by 5:00 p.m., or otherwise on the business day following personal delivery; (b) if by facsimile or email, upon electronic confirmation of receipt; or (c) if by certified mail, two (2) business days after deposit in the U.S. Mail.
- 3) If the Dispute has not been otherwise resolved by mutual agreement, the parties agree to schedule a conference to discuss the Dispute identified in the Written Notice ("Issue Conference"). The Issue Conference shall take place within fifteen (15) business days from the date from the date on which the Written Response is received by the other party or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties.
- 4) If the Dispute has not been resolved by mutual agreement at the Issue Conference, either party may then request that the Dispute be resolved by mediation. Within fifteen (15) business days of the date of the request for mediation or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties, the parties shall mutually agree upon the selection of a mediator. If the parties are unable to mutually agree upon the selection of a mediator shall be selected from a list of mediators prepared and provided by the American Arbitration Association. Mediation proceedings shall commence within thirty (30) business days of the date of the request for mediation or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties. Unless the parties mutually agree otherwise, mediation proceedings shall be administered in accordance with the commercial mediation procedures of the American Arbitration Association.
- 5) If the mediation is not successful, then the parties agree to resolve the Dispute by binding arbitration conducted by a single arbitrator. Unless the parties mutually agree otherwise, arbitration proceedings shall be administered in accordance with the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association. The arbitrator must be an active member of the State Bar of California or a retired judge of the state or federal judiciary of California.

#### **ELEMENT 15: Charter School Closure Procedures**

"The procedures to be used if the charter school closes. The procedures shall ensure a final audit of the charter school to determine the disposition of all assets and liabilities of the charter school, including plans for disposing of any net assets and for the maintenance and transfer of pupil records." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(O).)

#### **REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER**

The District may revoke the Charter pursuant to the provisions set forth in the Charter Schools Act of 1992, as they may be amended from time to time. The District may revoke the Charter of Charter School if the District finds, through a showing of substantial evidence, that Charter School did any of the following:

- Charter School committed a material violation of any of the conditions, standards, or procedures set forth in the Charter.
- Charter School failed to meet or pursue any of the pupil outcomes identified in the Charter.
- Charter School failed to meet generally accepted accounting principles, or engaged in fiscal mismanagement.
- Charter School violated any provision of law.

Prior to revocation, and in accordance with Education Code section 47607(d) and state regulations, the LAUSD Board of Education will notify Charter School in writing of the specific violation, and give Charter School a reasonable opportunity to cure the violation, unless the LAUSD Board of Education determines, in writing, that the violation constitutes a severe and imminent threat to the health or safety of the pupils. Revocation proceedings are not subject to the dispute resolution provisions set forth in this Charter.

Pursuant to AB 97, charter schools may be identified for assistance based on state evaluation rubrics and be subject to revocation pursuant to Education Code section 47607.3.

#### **CLOSURE** ACTION

The decision to close Charter School, by the governing board of Charter School must be documented in a "Closure Action". A Closure Action shall be deemed to have been automatically taken when any of the following occur: the Charter is revoked (subject to the provisions of Education Code section 47607(i)) or non-renewed by the LAUSD Board of Education and Charter School has exhausted its revocation or non-renewal administrative appeal rights pursuant to Education Code sections 47605(j)(1) and 47607(f), or its administrative appeal rights have lapsed, or the charter school voluntarily closes at any stage of the administrative appeal process;; the governing board of Charter School votes to close Charter School; or the Charter lapses.

#### **CLOSURE PROCEDURES**

The procedures for charter school closure set forth below are guided by Education Code sections 47604.32, 47605, and 47607 as well as California Code of Regulations, title 5, sections

11962 and 11962.1, and are based on "Charter School Closure Requirements and Recommendations (Revised 08/2009)" posted on the California Department of Education website. All references to "Charter School" apply to Charter School, including its nonprofit corporation and governing board.

#### Designation of Responsible Person(s) and Funding of Closure

Prior to or at the time of the taking of a Closure Action by either the governing board of Charter School or the LAUSD Board of Education, the governing board of Charter School shall designate a person or persons responsible for conducting and overseeing all closure-related procedures and activities, and allocate sufficient funding for, or otherwise determine how Charter School will fund, these activities.

#### Notification of Closure Action

Upon the taking of a Closure Action, Charter School shall send written notice of its closure to:

- The LAUSD Charter Schools Division (CSD). Charter School shall provide the CSD with written notice of (1) the person(s) designated to be responsible for conducting and overseeing all closure activities, and (2) the source, location, and management of the funding for such activities. If the Closure Action is an act of Charter School, Charter School shall provide the CSD with a copy of the governing board resolution or minutes that documents its Closure Action.
- 2. Parents/guardians of all students, and all majority age and emancipated minor students, currently enrolled in Charter School within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall simultaneously provide a copy of the written parent notification to the CSD.
- Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE). Charter School shall send written notification of the Closure Action to LACOE by registered mail within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall simultaneously provide a copy of this notification to the CSD.
- 4. The Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) in which Charter School participates. Charter School shall send written notification of the Closure Action to the SELPA in which Charter School participates by registered mail within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall simultaneously provide a copy of this notification to the CSD.
- 5. The retirement systems in which Charter School's employees participate. Within fourteen (14) calendar days of the Closure Action, Charter School shall notify, as applicable, the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS), Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), the Social Security Administration, and the Los Angeles County Office of Education of the Closure Action, and follow their respective procedures for dissolving contracts and reporting. Charter School shall provide a copy of these notifications and correspondence to the CSD.
- 6. The California Department of Education (CDE). Charter School shall send written notification of the Closure Action to the CDE by registered mail within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall provide a copy of this notification to the CSD.
- 7. Any school district that may be responsible for providing education services to the former students of Charter School. Charter School shall send written notification of the Closure

Action within 72 hours of the Closure Action. This notice must include a list of potentially returning students and their home schools based on student residence. Charter School shall provide a copy of these notifications, if any, to the CSD.

 All Charter School employees and vendors within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall simultaneously provide a copy of the written employee and vendor notification, with any attachments, to the CSD.

Notification of all the parties above, with the exception of employees and vendors, must include but is not limited to the following information:

- 1. The effective date of the closure of Charter School
- 2. The name(s) and contact information for the person(s) handling inquiries regarding the closure
- 3. The students' school districts of residence
- 4. How parents/guardians of all students, and all majority age and emancipated minor students, may obtain copies of student records and transcripts, including specific information on completed courses and credits that meet graduation requirements

In addition to the four required items above, notification of the CDE shall also include:

- 1. A description of the circumstances of the closure
- 2. The location of student and personnel records

In addition to the four required items above, notification of parents/guardians of all students, and all majority age and emancipated minor students, shall also include:

- 1. Information on how to enroll or transfer the student to an appropriate school
- 2. A <u>certified</u> packet of student information that includes closure notice, a copy of the student's cumulative record and other records, including but not limited to grade reports, discipline records, immunization records, completed coursework, credits that meet graduation requirements, a transcript, and state testing results
- 3. Information on student completion of college entrance requirements, for all high school students affected by the closure

Notification of employees and vendors shall include:

- 1. The effective date of the closure of Charter School
- 2. The name(s) and contact information for the person(s) handling inquiries regarding the closure
- The date and manner, which shall be no later than 30 days from the effective date of the closure of Charter School, by which Charter School shall provide employees with written verification of employment

Within 30 calendar days of the effective date of closure, Charter School shall provide all employees with written verification of employment. Charter School shall send copies of all such employee verification letters to the CSD.

#### **Records Retention and Transfer**

Charter School shall comply with all applicable laws as well as District policies and procedures, as they may change from time to time, regarding the transfer and maintenance of Charter School records, including student records. These requirements include:

- 1. Charter School shall provide the District with all original student cumulative files and behavior records, pursuant to District policy and applicable District handbook(s) regarding cumulative records for secondary and elementary schools, for all students, both active and inactive, of Charter School. Transfer of the complete and organized original student records to the District, in accordance with District procedures applicable at the time of closure, shall occur within seven (7) calendar days of the effective date of closure.
- Charter School's process for transferring copies of student records to receiving schools shall be in accordance with applicable law and LAUSD procedures for students moving from one school to another.
- 3. Charter School shall prepare and provide an electronic master list of all students to the Charter Schools Division in accordance with the District procedures applicable at the time of closure. This list shall include the student's identification number, Statewide Student Identifier (SSID), birthdate, grade, full name, address, home school/school district, enrollment date, exit code, exit date, parent/guardian name(s), and phone number(s). If the Charter School closure occurs before the end of the school year, the list also shall indicate the name of the school to which each student is transferring, if known. This electronic master list shall be delivered to the CSD in the form of a CD or otherwise in accordance with District procedures.
- 4. Charter School must organize the original cumulative files for delivery to the District in two categories: active students and inactive students. Charter School will coordinate with the CSD for the delivery and/or pickup of student records.
- 5. Charter School must update all student records in the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) prior to closing.
- Charter School must provide to the CSD a copy of student attendance records, teacher gradebooks, and Title I records (if applicable).
- 7. Charter School must provide to the CSD the name, title, and contact information of the person designated to maintain all Charter School personnel records after the closure. Personnel records to be transferred to and maintained by the designee must include any and all employee records, including but not limited to, records related to performance and grievance. Charter School must provide to the CSD and the designee a list of all active and inactive employees and their periods of service. Both Charter School and the designee, individually and separately, shall inform the CSD immediately upon the transfer of Charter School's employee records to the designee.

- Charter School shall ensure that all records are boxed and clearly labeled by classification of documents and the required duration of storage in accordance with District procedures.
- Charter School shall provide to the responsible person(s) designated by the governing board of Charter School to conduct all closure-related activities a list of students in each grade level and, for each student, a list of classes completed and the student's district of residence.

#### Financial Close-Out

After receiving notification of closure, the California Department of Education (CDE) will notify Charter School and the authorizing entity of any liabilities Charter School owes the state, which may include overpayment of apportionments, unpaid revolving fund loans or grants, and/or similar liabilities. The CDE may ask the county office of education to conduct an audit of the charter school if it has reason to believe that the school received state funding for which it was not eligible.

Charter School shall ensure completion of an independent final audit within six months after the closure of Charter School that includes:

- 1. An accounting of all financial assets. These may include cash and accounts receivable and an inventory of property, equipment, and other items of material value.
- An accounting of all liabilities. These may include accounts payable or reduction in apportionments due to loans, unpaid staff compensation, audit findings, or other investigations.
- 3. An assessment of the disposition of any restricted funds received by or due to Charter School.

This audit may serve as Charter School's annual audit if it meets all of the requirements of the annual audit.

Charter School shall pay for the financial closeout audit of Charter School. This audit will be conducted by a neutral, independent licensed CPA who will employ generally accepted accounting principles. Any liability or debt incurred by Charter School will be the responsibility of Charter School and not LAUSD. Charter School understands and acknowledges that Charter School will cover the outstanding debts or liabilities of Charter School. Any unused monies at the time of the audit will be returned to the appropriate funding source. Charter School understands and acknowledges that only unrestricted funds will be used to pay creditors. Any unused AB 602 funds will be returned to the District SELPA or the SELPA in which Charter School participates, and other categorical funds will be returned to the source of funds.

Charter School shall ensure the completion and filing of any annual reports required. These reports include but are not necessarily limited to:

- 1. Preliminary budgets
- 2. Interim financial reports
- 3. Second interim financial reports

#### 4. Final unaudited reports

These reports must be submitted to the CDE and the authorizing entity in the form required. These reports should be submitted as soon as possible after the Closure Action, but no later than the required deadline for reporting for the fiscal year.

For apportionment of categorical programs, the CDE will count the prior year average daily attendance (ADA) or enrollment data of the closed Charter School with the data of the authorizing entity. This practice will occur in the first year after the closure and will continue until CDE data collection processes reflect ADA or enrollment adjustments for all affected LEAs due to the charter closure.

#### **Disposition of Liabilities and Assets**

The closeout audit must identify the disposition of all liabilities of Charter School. Charter School closure procedures must also ensure appropriate disposal, in accordance with the District Required Language provisions in Element 11 of this Charter, Charter School's governing board bylaws, fiscal procedures, and any other applicable laws and regulations, of any net assets remaining after all liabilities of Charter School have been paid or otherwise addressed. Such disposal includes, but is not limited to:

- Charter School, at its cost and expense, shall return to the District any and all property, furniture, equipment, supplies, and other assets provided to Charter School by or on behalf of the District. The District discloses that the California Education Code sets forth the requirements for the disposition of the District's personal property and Charter School shall bear responsibility and liability for any disposition in violation of statutory requirements.
- 2. The return of any donated materials and property in accordance with any terms and conditions set when the donations were accepted.
- 3. The return of any grant and restricted categorical funds to their sources according to the terms of the grant or state and federal law.
- 4. The submission of final expenditure reports for any entitlement grants and the filing of Final Expenditure Reports and Final Performance Reports, as appropriate.

If Charter School is operated as or by a nonprofit corporation, and if the corporation does not have any functions other than operation of Charter School, the corporation shall be dissolved according to its bylaws.

Charter School shall retain sufficient staff, as deemed appropriate by the Charter School governing board to complete all necessary tasks and procedures required to close the school and transfer records in accordance with these closure procedures.

Charter School's governing board shall adopt a plan for wind-up of Charter School and, if necessary, the corporation, in accordance with the requirements of the Corporations Code.

Charter School shall provide LAUSD within fourteen (14) calendar days of the Closure Action with written notice of any outstanding payments due to staff and the time frame and method by which Charter School will make the payments.

Prior to final close-out, Charter School shall complete all actions required by applicable law, including but not limited to the following:

- a. File all final federal, state, and local employer payroll tax returns and issue final W-2s and Form 1099s by the statutory deadlines.
- b. Make final federal tax payments (employee taxes, etc.)
- c. Complete and submit all required federal and state filings and notices to the State of California, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Department of the Treasury, including but not limited to final tax returns and forms (e.g., Form 990 and related Schedules).

This Element 15 shall survive the revocation, expiration, termination, cancellation of this Charter, or any other act or event that would end Charter School's authorization to operate as a charter school or cause Charter School to cease operation. Charter School agrees that, due to the nature of the property and activities that are the subject of this Charter, the District and public shall suffer irreparable harm should Charter School breach any obligation under this Element 15. The District therefore reserves the right to seek equitable relief to enforce any right arising under this Element 15 or any provision of this Element 15 or to prevent or cure any breach of any obligation undertaken, without in any way prejudicing any other legal remedy available to the District. Such legal relief shall include, without limitation, the seeking of a temporary or permanent injunction, restraining order, or order for specific performance, and may be sought in any appropriate court.

In the event that the Charter School closes, the Alliance Home Office Chief Business Officer, supported by the Alliance Charter Management Organization's (CMO) Controller, will serve as the Charter School's closure agent.

#### FACILITIES

Charter School shall comply with all geographic and site limitations and related requirements set forth in Education Code sections 47605.1, 47602(a), and 47605(a).

#### **District-Owned Facilities**

If Charter School is using District facilities as of the date of the submission of this charter petition or takes occupancy of District facilities prior to the approval of this charter petition, Charter School shall execute an agreement provided by the District for the use of the District facilities <u>as a condition of the approval of the charter petition</u>. If at any time after the approval of this charter petition Charter School will occupy and use any District facilities, Charter School shall execute an agreement provided by the District facilities, Charter School shall execute an agreement provided by the District for the use of the District facilities <u>prior to occupancy and commencing use</u>. Charter School shall implement and otherwise comply with the terms of any and all applicable facilities use agreements between Charter School and the District.

The circumstances of Charter School's occupancy of District facilities may change over time such as, but not limited to, enrollment, programs, and the conditions of facilities, and the District has a vested interest in having an agreement that is appropriate for the situation. For a Sole Occupant Agreement or any other use agreement that is not a Proposition 39 Single Year Co-location Use Agreement or a lease issued through the Notice of Intent and bid process, the term may be co-terminous with the approved Charter, as permitted by law. Charter School and the District shall negotiate any modifications of the agreement with the goal of such amendment or new agreement being considered by the LAUSD Board of Education with the renewal of the charter petition. If Charter School and the District cannot execute an agreement in time for such to be considered by the Board of Education with the renewal of the charter petition, the approval of the renewal of the charter petition shall be conditioned upon Charter School and the District executing an amendment to the existing use agreement or a new agreement no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> or within nine (9) months of the date of the Board of Education's approval of the renewal of the charter petition. During such time period Charter School shall be permitted to remain in occupancy of the District facilities under the terms and conditions of the immediately preceding, executed use agreement; provided, that if Charter School and the District cannot agree upon and execute an amendment or new use agreement by said deadline, Charter School shall vacate the District facilities on or before June 30<sup>th</sup> of said school year.

Charter School acknowledges and agrees that occupancy and use of District facilities shall be in compliance with applicable laws and District policies for the operation and maintenance of District facilities and furnishings and equipment. Charter School shall comply with all District health, safety, and emergency procedures and requirements and shall be subject to inspection by the District's Facilities Services Division, OEHS, and other District offices in the same manner as other LAUSD campuses. All District facilities (i.e., schools) will remain subject to those laws applicable to public schools.

In the event of an emergency, all District facilities (i.e., schools) are available for use by the American Red Cross and public agencies as emergency locations, which may disrupt or prevent Charter School from conducting its educational programs. If Charter School will share the use of District facilities with other District user groups, Charter School agrees that it will participate in and observe all District safety policies (e.g., emergency chain of information and participation in safety drills).

The use agreements provided by the District for District facilities shall contain terms and conditions addressing issues such as, but not limited to, the following:

- <u>Use</u>: Charter School will be restricted to using the District facilities for the operation of a
  public school providing educational instruction to public school students consistent with the
  terms of the Charter and incidental related uses. Separate and apart from its right as
  authorizer to observe and inspect any part of the charter school at any time pursuant to
  Education Code 47607(a)(1), the District shall have and reserves the right to inspect District
  facilities upon reasonable notice to Charter School.
- <u>Furnishings and Equipment</u>: The District shall retain ownership of any furnishings and equipment, including technology, ("F&E") that it provides to Charter School for use. Charter School, at its sole cost and expense, shall provide maintenance and other services for the good and safe operation of the F&E.
- <u>Leasing; Licensing</u>: Use of the District facilities by any person or entity other than Charter School shall be administered by the District. The parties may agree to an alternative arrangement in the use agreement.
- Programs, Services, and Activities Outside Instructional Program; Third Party Vendors
  - (i) Any program, service, or activity provided outside the instructional program shall be subject to the terms and provisions of the use agreement, and, additionally, may require a license, permit, or additional agreement issued by the District. The term "instructional program" is defined, per Education Code section 47612 and 5 CCR section 11960, as those required educational activities that generate funding based on "average daily attendance" and includes those extracurricular programs, services, and/or activities that students are required to participate in and do not require the payment of any consideration or fee.
  - (ii) Any program, service, or activity requiring the payment of any consideration or fee or provided by a third party vendor (defined as any person or entity other than Charter School), whether paid or volunteer and regardless of whether such may be within the instructional program, shall be subject to the terms and provisions of the use agreement and such third party vendor shall be required to obtain a license, permit, or additional agreement from the District.
- Minimum Payments or Charges to be Paid to District Arising From the Facilities:
  - (i) <u>Pro Rata Share</u>: The District shall collect and Charter School shall pay a Pro Rata Share for facilities costs as provided in the Charter Schools Act of 1992 and its regulations. The parties may agree to an alternative arrangement regarding facilities costs in the use agreement; and
  - (ii) <u>Taxes; Assessments</u>: Generally, Charter School shall pay any assessment or fee imposed upon or levied on the LAUSD facilities that it is occupying or Charter School's legal or equitable interest created by the use agreement.
- <u>Maintenance & Operations Services</u>: In the event the District agrees to allow Charter School to perform any of the operation and maintenance services, the District shall have the right to inspect the District facilities, and the costs incurred in such inspection shall be paid by Charter School.

- (i) <u>Co-Location</u>: If Charter School is co-locating or sharing the District facilities with another user, the District shall provide the operations and maintenance services for the District facilities and Charter School shall pay the Pro Rata Share. The parties may agree to an alternative arrangement regarding performance of the operations and maintenance services and payment for such in the use agreement.
- (ii) <u>Sole Occupant</u>: If Charter School is a sole occupant of District facilities, the District shall allow Charter School, at its sole cost and expense, to provide some operations and maintenance services for the District facilities in accordance with applicable laws and LAUSD's policies on operations and maintenance services for facilities and F&E. NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, the District shall provide all services for regulatory inspections which as the owner of the real property it is required to submit, and deferred maintenance, and Charter School shall pay LAUSD for the cost and expense of providing those services. The parties may agree to an alternative arrangement regarding performance of the operations and maintenance services and payment for such services in the use agreement.
- <u>Real Property Insurance</u>: Prior to occupancy, Charter School shall satisfy requirements to participate in LAUSD's property insurance or, if Charter School is the sole occupant of LAUSD facilities, obtain and maintain separate property insurance for the LAUSD facilities. Charter School shall <u>not</u> have the option of obtaining and maintaining separate property insurance for the LAUSD facility IF Charter School is co-locating or sharing the LAUSD facility with another user.

#### Non-District-Owned Facilities

**Occupancy and Use of the Site:** Prior to occupancy or use of any school site or facility, Charter School shall provide the CSD with a current Certificate of Occupancy or equivalent document issued by the applicable permitting agency that allows Charter School to use and occupy the site as a charter school. Charter School shall not exceed the operating capacity of the site and shall operate within any limitations or requirements provided by the Certificate of Occupancy and any applicable permit. Charter School may not open or operate without providing a copy of an appropriate Certificate of Occupancy to the CSD. If Charter School intends to move or expand to another facility during the term of this Charter, Charter School shall adhere to any and all District policies and procedures regarding charter material revision and non-material amendment. Prior to occupancy or use of any such additional or changed school site, Charter School shall provide an appropriate Certificate of Occupancy to the CSD for such facility. Notwithstanding any language to the contrary in this Charter, the interpretation, application, and enforcement of this provision are not subject to the Dispute Resolution Process outlined in Element 14.

**Facility Compliance**: Prior to occupancy or use of any non-District-owned school site and/or facility, Charter School shall ensure that the site and/or facility complies with all applicable building codes, standards and regulations adopted by the city and/or county agencies responsible for building and safety standards for the city in which Charter School is to be located, federal and state accessibility requirements (including the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504), and all other applicable fire, health, and structural safety and access requirements. This requirement shall also apply to the construction, reconstruction, alteration of or addition to the facility. Charter School shall resolve in a timely manner any and

all corrective actions, orders to comply, and notices issued by any authorized building and safety agency. Charter School cannot exempt itself from applicable building and zoning codes, ordinances, and ADA/Section 504 requirements. Charter School shall maintain on file readily accessible records that document facilities compliance and shall promptly provide such documentation to the CSD upon request.

**Pest Management:** Charter School shall comply with the Healthy Schools Act, Education Code section 17608, which details pest management requirements for schools.

Asbestos Management: Charter School shall comply with the asbestos requirement as cited in the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), 40 C.F.R. part 763. AHERA requires that any building leased or acquired that is to be used as a school or administrative building shall maintain an asbestos management plan.

#### INSURANCE

#### Insurance Requirements

No coverage shall be provided to Charter School by the District under any of the District's selfinsured programs or commercial insurance policies. Charter School shall secure and maintain, at a minimum, insurance as set forth below with insurance companies acceptable to the District [A.M. Best A-, VII or better] or the equivalent provided through a California Joint Powers Authority self-insurance program to protect Charter School from claims which may arise from its operations. Each Charter School location shall meet the below insurance requirements individually.

It shall be Charter School's responsibility, not the District's, to monitor its vendors, contractors, partners, and/or sponsors for compliance with the insurance requirements.

The following insurance policies are required:

- Commercial General Liability, including Fire Legal Liability, coverage of \$5,000,000 per Occurrence and in the Aggregate. The policy shall be endorsed to name the Los Angeles Unified School District and the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by the District which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and Charter School's insurance shall be primary despite any conflicting provisions in Charter School's policy. Coverage shall be maintained with no Self-Insured Retention above \$15,000 without the prior written approval of the Division of Risk Management and Insurance Services for the LAUSD.
- Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with provisions of the California Labor Code adequate to protect Charter School from claims that may arise from its operations pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act (Statutory Coverage). The Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage must also include Employers Liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000/\$1,000,000.
- Commercial Auto Liability, including Owned, Leased, Hired, and Non-owned, coverage with limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if Charter School does not operate a student transportation service. If Charter School provides student transportation services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.

- 4. Crime Insurance or Fidelity Bond coverage shall be maintained by Charter School to cover all Charter School employees who handle, process or otherwise have responsibility for Charter School funds, supplies, equipment, or other assets. Minimum amount of coverage shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$1,000,000 aggregate, with deductible that is acceptable to the Los Angeles Unified School District.
- 5. Cyber Liability insurance coverage with minimum limits of \$500,000 per occurrence and \$500,000 general aggregate.
- 6. Professional Educators Errors and Omissions liability coverage with minimum limits of \$5,000,000 per occurrence and \$5,000,000 general aggregate.
- Sexual Molestation and Abuse coverage with minimum limits of \$5,000,000 per occurrence and \$5,000,000 general aggregate. Coverage may be held as a separate policy or included by endorsement in the Commercial General Liability or the Errors and Omissions Policy.
- 8. Employment Practices Legal Liability coverage with limits of \$5,000,000 per occurrence and \$5,000,000 general aggregate.
- Excess/Umbrella Liability insurance with limits of not less than \$10,000,000 is required of all high schools and any other school that participates in competitive interscholastic or intramural sports programs.

Coverages and limits of insurance may be accomplished through individual primary policies or through a combination of primary and excess policies and alternative methods of coverage as approved by the District. The policy shall be endorsed to name the Los Angeles Unified School District and Its Board of Education as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by the District which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and Charter School's insurance shall be primary despite any conflicting provisions in Charter School's policy.

#### Evidence of Insurance

Charter School shall furnish to the District's Division of Risk Management and Insurance Services located at 333 S. Beaudry Ave, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Los Angeles CA 90017 within 30 calendar days of all new policies, inceptions, renewals or changes, certificates, or such insurance signed by authorized representatives of the insurance carrier. Certificates shall be endorsed as follows:

"Charter school shall be required to provide LAUSD with 30 days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, if the insurance afforded by this policy shall be suspended, cancelled, reduced in coverage limits or non-renewed."

Facsimile or reproduced signatures may be acceptable upon review by the Division of Risk Management and Insurance Services. However, the District reserves the right to require certified copies of any required insurance policies.

Should Charter School deem it prudent and/or desirable to have insurance coverage for damage or theft to Charter School, employee or student property, for student accident, or any other type of insurance coverage not listed above, such insurance shall not be provided by the District and its purchase shall be the responsibility of Charter School.

#### Hold Harmless/Indemnification Provision

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Charter School does hereby agree, at its own expense, to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the LAUSD and the Board of Education and their members, officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees and volunteers from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses including but not limited to attorneys' fees, brought by any person or entity whatsoever, arising out of, or relating to, this Charter agreement. Charter School further agrees to the fullest extent permitted by law, at its own expense, to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the LAUSD and the Board of Education and their members, officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees and volunteers from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses including but not limited to attorneys' fees, brought by any person or entity whatsoever for claims, damages, losses and expenses arising from or relating to acts or omission of acts committed by Charter School and/or its officers, directors, employees or volunteers. Moreover, Charter School agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless "the LAUSD and the Board of Education and their members. officers. directors, agents, representatives, employees and volunteers, for any contractual liability resulting from third party contracts with Charter School's vendors, contractors, partners or sponsors.

#### FISCAL MATTERS

#### **District Oversight Costs**

The District may charge for the actual costs of oversight of Charter School not to exceed 1% of Charter School's revenue, or the District may charge for the actual costs of oversight of Charter School not to exceed 3% if Charter School is able to obtain substantially rent free facilities from the District. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the District may charge the maximum oversight fee allowed under the law as it may change from time to time. The oversight fee provided herein is separate and distinct from the charges arising under charter school facilities use agreements.

#### Cash Reserves

Charter School acknowledges that the recommended cash reserve is 5% of expenditures, as provided in section 15450, title 5 of the California Code of Regulations.

#### Third Party Contracts

Charter School shall ensure that all third party contracts, whether oral or written, for supplies, equipment, goods and/or services, for the direct or indirect benefit of, or otherwise related to the operation of, Charter School, require compliance with and otherwise conform to all applicable local, state, and federal policies, regulations, laws, and guidelines, including but not limited to licensing and permit requirements as well as requirements related to protection of health and safety.

#### Special Education Revenue Adjustment/Payment for Services

In the event that Charter School owes funds to the District for the provision of agreed upon or fee for service or special education services or as a result of the State's adjustment to allocation of special education revenues from Charter School, Charter School authorizes the District to deduct any and all of the in lieu property taxes that Charter School otherwise would be eligible to receive under section 47635 of the Education Code to cover such owed amounts. Charter School further understands and agrees that the District shall make appropriate deductions from the in lieu property tax amounts otherwise owed to Charter School. Should this revenue stream be insufficient in any fiscal year to cover any such costs, Charter School agrees that it will

reimburse the District for the additional costs within forty-five (45) business days of being notified of the amounts owed.

#### Student Body Funds

Charter School shall supervise and manage any and all student body funds in a manner consistent with the provisions of Education Code sections 48930-48938. Charter School shall include and address student body funds in its financial reports, and ensure that such funds are included and addressed in Charter School's annual audit as a stand-alone item.

#### Audit and Inspection of Records

Charter School agrees to observe and abide by the following terms and conditions as a requirement for receiving and maintaining its charter authorization:

- Charter School is subject to District oversight.
- The District's statutory oversight responsibility continues throughout the life of the Charter and requires that the District, among other things, monitors the fiscal condition of Charter School.
- The District is authorized to revoke this Charter for, among other reasons, the failure of Charter School to meet generally accepted accounting principles or if Charter School engages in fiscal mismanagement.

Accordingly, the District hereby reserves the right, pursuant to its oversight responsibility, to audit Charter School books, records, data, processes and procedures through the District Office of the Inspector General or other means. The audit may include, but is not limited to, the following areas:

- Compliance with terms and conditions prescribed in the Charter agreement,
- Internal controls, both financial and operational in nature,
- The accuracy, recording and/or reporting of Charter School's financial information,
- Charter School's debt structure,
- Governance policies, procedures and history,
- The recording and reporting of attendance data,
- Charter School's enrollment process,
- Compliance with safety plans and procedures, and
- Compliance with applicable grant requirements.

Charter School shall cooperate fully with such audits and shall make available any and all records necessary for the performance of the audit upon 30 days notice to Charter School. When 30 days notice may defeat the purpose of the audit, the District may conduct the audit upon 24-hours notice.

#### Fiscal Policies and Procedures

Charter School shall establish, maintain, and implement sound fiscal policies and procedures, including but not limited to internal controls governing all financial and business-related activities.

#### Apportionment Eligibility for Students Over 19 Years of Age

Charter School acknowledges that, in order for a pupil over nineteen (19) years of age to remain eligible for generating charter school apportionment, the pupil shall be continuously enrolled in public school and make satisfactory progress toward award of a high school diploma. (Ed. Code § 47612(b).)

#### Local Control and Accountability Plan

In accordance with California Education Code sections 47604.33 and 47606.5, Charter School shall include in its annual update a "listing and description of the expenditures for the fiscal year implementing the specific actions included in the charter as a result of the reviews and assessment required by paragraph (1)" of section 47606.5(a). These expenditures shall be "classified using the California School Accounting Manual pursuant to Section 41010." (Ed. Code § 47606.5(b).)

# ADDENDUM

#### Assurances, Affirmations, and Declarations

Alliance Marine – Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex (also referred to herein as "[Alliance MIT]" and "Charter School") shall:

- Be nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations. (California Education Code (hereinafter "Ed. Code") § 47605(d)(1).)
- Not charge tuition. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(1).)
- Not discriminate against any pupil on the basis of disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in section 422.55 of the Penal Code. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(1); Ed. Code § 220.)
- Except as provided in Education Code section 47605(d)(2), admission to a charter school shall not be determined according to the place of residence of the pupil, or of his or her parent or legal guardian, within this state, except that an existing public school converting partially or entirely to a charter school under this part shall adopt and maintain a policy giving admission preference to pupils who reside within the former attendance area of that school. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(1).)
- Admit all pupils who wish to attend Charter School. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(2)(A).)
- Except for existing pupils of Charter School, determine attendance by a public random drawing if the number of pupils who wish to attend Charter School exceeds Charter School's capacity. Preference shall be extended to pupils currently attending Charter School and pupils who reside in the Los Angeles Unified School District (also referred to herein as "LAUSD" and "District"). (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(2)(B).)
- If a pupil is expelled or leaves Charter School without graduating or completing the school year for any reason, Charter School shall notify the superintendent of the school district of the pupil's last known address within 30 days, and shall, upon request, provide that school district with a copy of the cumulative record of the pupil, including a transcript of grades or report card, and health information. (Ed. Code § 47605(d)(3).)
- Meet all statewide standards and conduct the pupil assessments required pursuant to Education Code sections 60605 and 60851 and any other statewide standards authorized in statute or pupil assessments applicable to pupils in non-charter public schools. (Ed. Code § 47605(c)(1).)
- Consult, on a regular basis, with Charter School's parents, legal guardians, and teachers regarding the school's educational programs. (Ed. Code § 47605(c)(2).)

Charter School hereby declares that Charter School, operated as or by its nonprofit public benefit corporation, is and shall be the exclusive public school employer of Charter School's employees for the purposes of the Educational Employment Relations Act (EERA), Chapter 10.7 (commencing with

Section 3540) of Division 4 of Title I of the Government Code. Charter School shall comply with all provisions of the EERA and shall act independently from LAUSD for collective bargaining purposes. In accordance with the EERA, employees may join and be represented by an organization of their choice for collective bargaining purposes.

NOTE: This Charter contains specific "District Required Language" (DRL), including the *Assurances, Affirmations, and Declarations* section above. The DRL should be highlighted in gray within each Charter element or section. The final section of the Charter provides a consolidated addendum of the DRL. This intentional redundancy facilitates efficient charter petition review while ensuring ready access to the DRL for any given section of the Charter. To the extent that any inconsistency may exist between any provision contained within the body of the Charter and the DRL contained in the addendum, the provisions of the DRL addendum shall control.

### **Element 1 – The Educational Program**

"The educational program of the charter school, designed, among other things, to identify those whom the charter school is attempting to educate, what it means to be an "educated person" in the 21st century, and how learning best occurs. The goals identified in that program shall include the objective of enabling pupils to become self-motivated, competent, and lifelong learners." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(A)(i).)

"The annual goals for the charter school for all pupils and for each subgroup of pupils identified pursuant to Section 52052, to be achieved in the state priorities, as described in subdivision (d) of Section 52060, that apply for the grade levels served, or the nature of the program operated, by the charter school, and specific annual actions to achieve those goals. A charter petition may identify additional school priorities, the goals for the school priorities, and the specific annual actions to achieve those goals." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(A)(ii).)

"If the proposed charter school will serve high school pupils, a description of the manner in which the charter school will inform parents about the transferability of courses to other public high schools and the eligibility of courses to meet college entrance requirements. Courses offered by the charter school that are accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges may be considered transferable and courses approved by the University of California or the California State University as creditable under the "A" to "G" admissions criteria may be considered to meet college entrance requirements." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(A)(iii).)

# LOCAL CONTROL FUNDING FORMULA (LCFF) AND LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN (LCAP)

Charter School acknowledges and agrees that it must comply with all applicable laws and regulations related to AB 97 (2013) (Local Control Funding Formula), as they may be amended from time to time, which include the requirement that Charter School shall annually submit a Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)/annual update to the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools and the Charter Schools Division (CSD) on or before July 1. In accordance with Education Code sections 47604.33 and 47606.5, Charter School shall annually update its goals and annual actions to achieve those goals identified in the charter pursuant to Education Code section 47605(b)(5)(A)(ii), using the Local Control and Accountability Plan template adopted by the State Board of Education, as it may be changed from time to time. Charter School shall comply with all requirements of Education Code section 47606.5, including but not limited to the requirement that Charter School "shall consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, parents, and pupils in developing the local control and accountability plan and annual update to the local control and accountability plan." (Ed. Code § 47606.5(e).)

# ACADEMIC CALENDAR AND SCHEDULES

Charter School shall offer, at a minimum, the number of minutes of instruction set forth in Education Code section 47612.5, and the number of school days required by California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 11960.

# MATHEMATICS PLACEMENT

Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the California Mathematics Placement Act of 2015.

# TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN

Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements regarding transitional kindergarten. For purposes of admission to Charter School, transitional kindergarten shall be considered a part of kindergarten, and therefore students enrolled in transitional kindergarten at Charter School shall be considered existing students of Charter School for purposes of Charter School's admissions, enrollment, and lottery.

# HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAMINATION

Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of Education Code sections 60850 – 60859, including but not limited to the requirements of sections 60851.6 and 60852.3.

# WASC ACCREDITATION

If Charter School serves students in grades 9-12, before Charter School graduates its first class of students, Charter School shall obtain, and thereafter maintain, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation.

# **ENGLISH LEARNERS**

Charter School shall identify potential English Learners in a timely manner in accordance with all applicable legal requirements. Charter School must provide all English Learners with an effective English language acquisition program that also affords meaningful and equitable access to Charter School's core academic curriculum. Instructional plans for English Learners must be (1) based on sound educational theory; (2) adequately supported with trained teachers and appropriate materials and resources; and (3) periodically evaluated to make sure the program is successful and modified when the program is not successful.

On an annual basis, upon request, Charter School shall submit a certification to the LAUSD Charter Schools Division (CSD) that certifies that Charter School has adopted and is implementing either the LAUSD English Learner Master Plan *or* Charter School's own English Learner (EL)

Master Plan. If Charter School chooses to implement its own EL Master Plan, the plan shall provide a detailed description of Charter School's EL program, and shall address the following:

- How Charter School's EL Master Plan provides all of its English Learners, including but not limited to Long Term English Learners (LTELs) with an effective English language acquisition program as well as meaningful and equitable access to Charter School's core academic curriculum
- How English Learners' specific needs will be identified
- What services will be offered
- How, where, and by whom the services will be provided
- How Charter School will evaluate its EL program each year, and how the results of this evaluation will be used to improve the program, including the provision of EL services

Each year, Charter School shall provide to the CSD a report on its annual evaluation of the effectiveness of its EL program. Upon request, Charter School shall provide a copy of its current EL Master Plan to the CSD.

Charter School shall administer the CELDT/ELPAC annually in accordance with federal and state requirements.

Charter School shall reclassify English Learners in accordance with federal and state requirements.

Charter School shall provide parent outreach services and meaningfully inform parents with limited English proficiency of important information regarding Charter School matters to the same extent as other parents.

#### **STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

#### Federal Law Compliance

Charter School shall adhere to all provisions of federal law related to students with disabilities including, but not limited to, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004.

#### **Special Education Program**

Charter School shall ensure that no student otherwise eligible to enroll in Charter School shall be denied, directly or indirectly, admission due to a disability or to Charter School's inability to provide necessary services. Charter School acknowledges that policies and procedures are in place to ensure the recruitment, enrollment, service, and retention of students with disabilities at LAUSD-authorized charter schools, including Charter School.

Prior to LAUSD Board of Education approval of an initial Charter petition, and if a renewing Charter School intends to operate as a "school of the district" for special education services, Charter School shall execute a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") by and between LAUSD and Charter School regarding the provision and funding of special education services consistent with applicable state law and the LAUSD Special Education Local Plan Area ("SELPA") Local

Plan for Special Education and shall be considered a "public school of the District" for purposes of Special Education pursuant to Education Code Section 47641(b). However, Charter School reserves the right to make written verifiable assurances that it may become an independent local educational agency (LEA) and join a SELPA pursuant to Education Code Section 47641 (a) either on its own or with a grouping of charter school LEAs as a consortium following the requirements of Education Code section 56195.3(b).

# **SELPA Reorganization**

The Los Angeles Unified School District is approved to operate as a single-District SELPA under the provisions of Education Code section 56195.1(a). As a single-District SELPA, the District has created two charter school sections (District-operated Programs and Charter-operated Programs) under the administration of one single Administrative Unit pursuant to a reorganization plan approved by the Board of Education on January 4, 2011 (149/10-11). Full implementation of the reorganized LAUSD SELPA commenced in the 2013-2014 school year requiring all Districtauthorized charter schools to elect one of the three options available under the LAUSD SELPA. Prior to an option election, all District-authorized charter schools were required to participate as a school of the District under the District-Operated Programs Unit. Prior to the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year, all District-authorized charter schools, other than those that had previously executed an Option 3 Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"), were required to execute a new MOU setting forth the LAUSD SELPA option election for the remainder of the charter petition term. The Charter-operated Program schools do not have LEA status for the purposes of special education but will function in a similar role in that each charter school will be responsible for all special education requirements, including but not limited to services, placement, due process, related services, special education classes, and special education supports. Charter schools that have elected to participate in a District-operated programs option may apply for membership in the Charter-operated Program section of the SELPA. Charter schools accepted for participation in the Charter-operated Programs section receive support from a Special Education Director for the Charter-operated Programs.

# Modified Consent Decree Requirements

All charter schools approved by the LAUSD Board of Education are bound by and must adhere to the terms, conditions and requirements of the *Chanda Smith* Modified Consent Decree ("MCD") and other court orders imposed upon the District pertaining to special education. The MCD is a consent decree entered in a federal court class action lawsuit initially brought on behalf of students with disabilities in LAUSD. It is an agreement of the parties approved by the federal court and monitored by a court-appointed independent monitor. The MCD includes nineteen statistically measureable outcomes and facilities obligations that the District has to achieve to disengage from the MCD and federal court oversight. All charter schools are required to use the District's Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual and Welligent, the District-wide web-based software system used for online Individualized Education Programs ("IEPs") and tracking of related services provided to students during the course of their education.

As part of fulfilling the District's obligations under the MCD, student level data requests from District-operated and Charter-operated charter schools are made on a regular basis. The requested data must be submitted in the Office of the Independent Monitor's ("OIM") required format in accordance with the OIM's required timelines and as follows:

• End of Year Suspension

District ID, SSIS ID, last name, first name, date of birth, gender, grade, date of suspension, number of days suspended, and reason for suspension.

• Statewide Assessment Data

The standard file including District ID.

• Norm day

District ID, SSIS ID, last name, first name, date of birth, gender, grade, location code, school name and local district for all students enrolled on norm day.

- CBEDS
- All Students enrolled as of December 1 of each school year

District ID, SSIS ID, last name, first name, date of birth, gender, grade, location code, school name and local district for all students enrolled on norm day.

• Dropout

District ID, SSIS ID, last name, first name, middle name, date of birth, grade, last location, school name and local district

- Monthly SESAC and Suspension data
- Graduation roster from all charter schools with 12th grade students with disabilities

The MCD requires charter schools to implement the District's integrated student information system, which is currently referred to as My Integrated Student Information System (MiSiS). MiSiS is a suite of applications which is designed to capture all District student data. All charter schools are required to utilize MiSiS directly or interface with MiSiS via a web based Application Programming Interface (API) in compliance with the requirements of the MCD and applicable timelines. Upon charter school full utilization of MiSiS either directly or via a web based API, the list of required data above will automatically be captured within MiSiS.

# Element 2 – Measurable Pupil Outcomes and Element 3 – Method by which Pupil Progress Toward Outcomes will be Measured

"The measurable pupil outcomes identified for use by the charter school. "Pupil outcomes," for purposes of this part, means the extent to which all pupils of the school demonstrate that they have attained the skills, knowledge, and attitudes specified as goals in the school's educational program. Pupil outcomes shall include outcomes that address increases in pupil academic achievement both schoolwide and for all groups of pupils served by the charter school, as that term is defined in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 47607. The pupil

outcomes shall align with the state priorities, as described in subdivision (d) of Section 52060, that apply for the grade levels served, or the nature of the program operated, by the charter school." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(B).)

"The method by which pupil progress in meeting those pupil outcomes is to be measured. To the extent practicable, the method for measuring pupil outcomes for state priorities shall be consistent with the way information is reported on a school accountability report card." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(C).)

### MEASURABLE GOALS OF THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Charter School shall meet all statewide content and performance standards and targets. (Ed. Code §§ 47605(c)(1), 60605.)

Charter School shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations related to AB 97 (2013) (Local Control Funding Formula) and AB 484 (2013), as they may be amended from time to time, including all requirements pertaining to pupil outcomes.

### **STANDARDIZED TESTING**

Charter School agrees to comply with state requirements for participation and administration of all state-mandated tests, including computer-based assessments. Charter School shall submit and maintain complete, accurate, and up-to-date California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) data in accordance with the requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 861. Charter School hereby grants authority to the State of California to provide a copy of all test results directly to the District as well as Charter School. Upon request, Charter School shall submit, in the requested format (e.g., CD), a copy of the results of all state-mandated tests to the District.

#### **Element 4 – Governance**

"The governance structure of the charter school, including, but not limited to, the process to be followed by the charter school to ensure parental involvement." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(D).)

# **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

As an independent charter school, Charter School, operated as or by its nonprofit public benefit corporation, is a separate legal entity and shall be solely responsible for the debts and obligations of Charter School.

Charter School shall ensure that, at all times throughout the term of the Charter, the bylaws of its governing board and/or nonprofit corporation are and remain consistent with the provisions of this Charter. In the event that the governing board and/or nonprofit corporation operating Charter School amends the bylaws, Charter School shall provide a copy of the amended bylaws to CSD within 30 days of adoption.

Charter School shall send to the CSD copies of all governing board meeting agendas at the same time that they are posted in accordance with the Brown Act. Charter School shall also send to the CSD copies of all board meeting minutes within one week of governing board approval of the

minutes. Timely posting of agendas and minutes on Charter School's website will satisfy this requirement.

The District reserves the right to appoint a single representative to the Charter School governing board pursuant to Education Code section 47604(b).

# LEGAL AND POLICY COMPLIANCE

Charter School shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, and District policies as it relates to charter schools adopted through Board action.<sup>15</sup>

Charter School shall comply with all applicable federal and state reporting requirements, including but not limited to the requirements of CBEDS, CALPADS, the Public Schools Accountability Act of 1999, and Education Code section 47604.33.

Charter School shall comply with the Brown Act and the Public Records Act.

Charter School and all employees and representatives of Charter School, including members of Charter School's governing board, members of Charter School or governing board committees and councils, Charter School administrators, and managers, shall comply with federal and state laws, nonprofit integrity standards, and LAUSD charter school policy, regarding ethics and conflicts of interest. Charter School shall enter into all transactions and conduct business with all persons and entities at arm's length or, in the case of otherwise permissible related party transactions, in a manner equivalent to arm's length.

Charter School shall notify parents, guardians, and teachers in writing within 72 hours of the issuance of a Notice of Violation, Notice of Intent to Revoke, Final Decision to Revoke, Notice of Non-Renewal, or equivalent notice, by the LAUSD Board of Education.

# TITLE IX, SECTION 504, AND UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

Charter School shall designate at least one employee to coordinate its efforts to comply with and carry out its responsibilities under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 ("Section 504"), including any investigation of any complaint filed with Charter School alleging its noncompliance with these laws or alleging any actions which would be prohibited by these laws. Charter School shall notify all of its students and employees of the name, office address, and telephone number of the designated employee or employees.

Charter School shall adopt and publish complaint procedures providing for prompt and equitable resolution of student and employee complaints alleging any action that would be prohibited by Title IX or Section 504.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> The District is in the process of compiling a list of LAUSD policies that apply to its authorized charter schools. The list will be finalized by April 1, 2018. Charter Schools Division staff will annually review District policies and make recommendations to the LAUSD Board of Education on continued application to charter schools.

Charter School shall adopt and implement specific and continuing procedures for notifying applicants for admission and employment, students and parents of elementary and secondary school students, employees, sources of referral of applicants for admission and employment, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with Charter School, that Charter School does not discriminate on the basis of sex or mental or physical disability in the educational programs or activities which it operates, and that it is required by Title IX and Section 504 not to discriminate on any such basis.

Charter School shall establish and provide a uniform complaint procedure in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations, including but not limited to all applicable requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 4600 et seq.

Charter School shall adhere to all applicable federal and state laws and regulations regarding pupil fees, including Education Code sections 49010 - 49013, and extend its uniform complaint procedure to complaints filed pursuant to Education Code section 49013.

Charter School shall extend its uniform complaint procedure to complaints filed pursuant to the Local Control Funding Formula legislation provisions set forth in Education Code section 52075.

# **Responding to Inquiries**

Charter School, including its nonprofit corporation shall promptly respond to all reasonable inquiries, including but not limited to inquiries regarding financial records from the District, and shall cooperate with the District regarding any inquiries. Charter School acknowledges that Charter School, including but not limited to its nonprofit corporation, is subject to audit by LAUSD, including, without limitation, audit by the District Office of the Inspector General. Charter School shall provide the District with current, complete, and accurate contact information for Charter School, Charter School administrators, and Board members.

If an allegation or other evidence of waste, fraud, abuse, or other material violation of law related to Charter School's operations, or breach of the Charter, is received or discovered by the District, Charter School, including but not limited to its nonprofit corporation, employees, and representatives, shall cooperate with any resulting inquiry and/or investigation undertaken by the District and/or the Office of the Inspector General Investigations Unit.

Charter School acknowledges and agrees that persons and entities that directly exercise control over the expenditure of Charter School's public funds shall be subject to all necessary and appropriate District charter school oversight.

# NOTIFICATION OF THE DISTRICT

Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division (CSD) in writing of any citations or notices of workplace hazards, investigations by outside governmental regulatory or investigative agencies, lawsuits, changes in corporate or legal status (e.g., loss of IRS 501(c)(3) status), or other formal complaints or notices, within one week of receipt of such notices by Charter School. Unless prohibited by law, Charter School shall notify the CSD in writing of any internal investigations

within one week of commencing investigation. Charter School shall notify the CSD within 24 hours of any dire emergency or serious threat to the health and safety of students or staff.

# **STUDENT RECORDS**

Upon receipt of a student records request from a receiving school/school district, Charter School shall transfer a copy of the student's complete cumulative record within ten (10) school days in accordance with Education Code section 49068. Charter School shall comply with the requirements of California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 3024, regarding the transfer of student special education records. In the event Charter School closes, Charter School shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49060 et seq., which include provisions regarding rights to access student records and transfer of records for youth in foster care.

# PARENT ENGAGEMENT

Charter School shall not require a parent or legal guardian of a prospective or enrolled student to perform volunteer service hours, or make payment of fees or other monies, goods, or services in lieu of performing volunteer service, as a condition of his/her child's admission, continued enrollment, attendance, or participation in the school's educational activities, or otherwise discriminate against a student in any manner because his/her parent cannot, has not, or will not provide volunteer service to Charter School.

# FEDERAL PROGRAM COMPLIANCE

As a recipient of federal funds, Charter School has agreed to meet all applicable programmatic, fiscal and other regulatory requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA, also known as Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)) and other applicable federal programs. Charter School understands that it is a local educational agency (LEA) for purposes of federal compliance and reporting purposes. Charter School agrees that it will keep and make available to the District any documentation necessary to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of ESEA and other applicable federal programs. Charter School also acknowledges that, as part of its oversight of Charter School, the District may conduct program review for federal as well as state compliance.

# **Element 5 – Employee Qualifications**

"The qualifications to be met by individuals to be employed by the charter school." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(E).)

# EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Charter School acknowledges and agrees that all persons are entitled to equal employment opportunity. Charter School shall not discriminate against applicants or employees on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation, pregnancy, national origin, ancestry, citizenship, age, marital status, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, military and veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by California or federal law. Equal employment opportunity shall be extended to all aspects of the employer-employee relationship, including but not limited to recruitment, selection, hiring, upgrading, training, promotion, transfer, discipline, layoff, recall, and dismissal from employment.

### ESEA/ESSA AND CREDENTIALING REQUIREMENTS

Charter School shall adhere to all requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA, also known as Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)) that are applicable to teachers and paraprofessional employees. Charter School shall ensure that all teachers are appropriately assigned and fully credentialed in accordance with applicable state requirements for certificated employment, including but not limited to the provisions of Education Code section 47605(1). Charter School shall maintain current copies of all teacher credentials and make them readily available for inspection.

### **Element 6 – Health and Safety Procedures**

"The procedures that the charter school will follow to ensure the health and safety of pupils and staff. These procedures shall include the requirement that each employee of the charter school furnish it with a criminal record summary as described in Section 44237." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(F).)

# HEALTH, SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN

Charter School shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local requirements related to school and student health, safety, and emergency preparedness.

If Charter School occupies and/or operates on a District facility, Charter School shall comply with all District health, safety, and emergency procedures and requirements applicable to District facilities and related operations, and shall be subject to inspection by the District's Facilities Services Division, Office of Environmental Health and Safety, and other District offices in the same manner as other LAUSD campuses.

Charter School shall adopt, implement, and maintain at all times a current, comprehensive, and site-specific Health, Safety, and Emergency Preparedness Plan ("Plan"), which must include but is not limited to provisions for building and site emergency evacuation, the acquisition and maintenance of adequate onsite emergency supplies. The Plan must include Charter School's requirements and procedures for protecting student health and safety during off-campus school-sponsored activities, including but not limited to field trips and transportation. Charter School shall ensure that all staff members receive annual training on Charter School's health, safety, and emergency procedures, including but not limited to training on bloodborne pathogens, and shall maintain a calendar for, and conduct, emergency response drills for students and staff.

Charter School shall provide all employees, and other persons working on behalf of Charter School who are mandated reporters, with annual training on child abuse detection and reporting, which shall occur within the first six weeks of each school year, or within the first six weeks of a person's employment if employed after the beginning of the school year, in accordance with the requirements of AB 1432 (2014).

Charter School shall stock and maintain the required number and type of emergency epinephrine auto-injectors onsite and provide training to employee volunteers in the storage and use of the epinephrine auto-injector as required by Education Code section 49414 and section 4119.2 of the Business and Professions Code, as they may be amended from time to time.

Charter School shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 49475, with respect to any athletic program (as defined in Education Code § 49475) offered by or on behalf of Charter School.

Charter School shall periodically review, and update and/or modify as necessary, its Health, Safety, and Emergency Preparedness Plan, and keep it readily available for on-site use. Charter School shall provide a copy of the Health, Safety, and Emergency Preparedness Plan for review upon CSD request.

# FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

Charter School, including its employees, officers, and representatives, shall comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and Education Code section 49060 et seq. at all times.

# CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CLEARANCES AND FINGERPRINTING

Charter School shall comply with all requirements of Education Code sections 44237 and 45125.1. Charter School shall designate and maintain at all times at least one Custodian of Records duly authorized by the California Department of Justice.

Charter School shall maintain on file and available for inspection evidence that (1) Charter School has performed criminal background checks and cleared for employment all employees prior to employment; (2) Charter School has obtained certification from each of its contracting entities/independent contractors that the entity/contractor has conducted required criminal background clearances for its employees prior to provision of schoolsite services and/or any contact with students, and has requested subsequent arrest notification service; and (3) Charter School has performed criminal background checks and cleared for service all volunteers not directly supervised by staff and who may have contact with students. Charter School shall also ensure that it requests and receives subsequent arrest notifications from the California Department of Justice for all employees and volunteers not directly supervised by staff. Upon request, Charter School shall provide a copy of Department of Justice confirmation of Custodian of Records status for each Custodian of Records. Charter School, including its administrators and officers, shall comply with the requirements of Education Code section 44030.5.

# IMMUNIZATION AND HEALTH SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

Charter School shall require all employees, and any volunteer or vendor/contracting entity employee who may have frequent or prolonged contact with students, to undergo a risk assessment and/or be examined and determined to be free of active tuberculosis (TB) within the period of 60

days prior to employment/service, or otherwise meet the requirements of Education Code section 49406. Charter School shall maintain TB clearance records and certificates on file.

Charter School shall comply with all federal and state legal requirements, including but not limited to the requirements of SB 277 (2015), related to student immunization, health examination, and health screening, including but not limited to screening for vision, hearing, and scoliosis, to the same extent as would be required if the students were attending a non-charter public school. Charter School shall maintain student immunization, health examination, and health screening records on file.

# SAFE PLACE TO LEARN ACT

Charter School shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code section 234 et seq.

# **SUICIDE PREVENTION POLICY**

If Charter School serves students in grades 7-12, Charter School shall comply with the requirements of AB 2246 (2016), codified in Education Code section 215, including but not limited to the requirement that the school's pupil suicide prevention policy shall be developed in consultation with school and community stakeholders, school-employed mental health professionals, and suicide prevention experts. Charter School shall provide the CSD with a copy of its pupil suicide prevention policy for review upon request.

# Element 7 – Means to Achieve Racial and Ethnic Balance

"The means by which the school will achieve a racial and ethnic balance among its pupils that is reflective of the general population residing within the territorial jurisdiction of the school district to which the charter petition is submitted." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(G).)

# **COURT-ORDERED INTEGRATION**

Charter School shall comply with all requirements of the *Crawford v. Board of Education, City of Los Angeles* court order and the LAUSD Integration Policy adopted and maintained pursuant to the Crawford court order by the District's Student Integration Services (collectively the "Court-ordered Integration Program"). The Court-ordered Integration Program applies to all schools within or chartered through LAUSD.

Charter School has set forth below its <u>initial</u> plan for achieving and maintaining the LAUSD's Racial and Ethnic Balance goal of a 70:30 or 60:40 ratio. (*Ratio represents the percentage of Predominantly Hispanic Black Asian Other (PHBAO) <u>compared</u> to Other White (OW)). The written plan lists specific dates and locations of recruitment activities that Charter School will undertake in order to achieve the District's Racial and Ethnic Balance goal. Charter School shall monitor the implementation and outcomes of the initial plan, and modify it as necessary throughout the term of the Charter to achieve the District's goal. Upon request, Charter School shall provide the District with a copy of its current written plan.* 

The District receives neither average daily attendance allocations nor Court-ordered Integration Program cost reimbursements for charter school students. The District may receive the Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant (TIIBG) for its Court-ordered Integration Program. The District retains sole discretion over the allocation of TIIBG funding, where available, and cannot guarantee the availability of this funding.

### **Element 8 – Admission Requirements**

"Admission requirements, if applicable." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(H).)

#### **DOCUMENTATION OF ADMISSIONS AND ENROLLMENT PROCESSES**

Charter School shall maintain complete and accurate records of its annual admissions and enrollment processes, including but not limited to documentation of implementation of lottery and waitlist criteria and procedures in accordance with the terms of the Charter. These records shall be made available to the District upon request.

### **HOMELESS AND FOSTER YOUTH**

Charter School shall adhere to the provisions of the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and ensure that each child of a homeless individual and each homeless youth has equal access to the same free, appropriate public education as provided to other children and youths. Charter School shall provide specific information, in its outreach materials, websites, at community meetings, open forums, and regional center meetings, that notifies parents that Charter School is open to enroll and provide services for all students, and provides a standard District contact number for access to additional information regarding enrollment.

Charter School shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws regarding homeless and foster youth, including but not limited to the provisions of AB 379 (2015) and Chapter 5.5 (commencing with Section 48850) of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Education Code, as amended from time to time. Charter School shall extend its uniform complaint procedure to complaints filed pursuant to the applicable provisions of AB 379.

#### **NON-DISCRIMINATION**

Charter School shall not require a parent/legal guardian/student to provide information regarding a student's disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, legal or economic status, primary language or English Learner status, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in section 422.55 of the Penal Code, or any other information that would violate federal or state law, prior to admission, participation in any admissions or attendance lottery, or pre-enrollment event or process, or as a condition of admission or enrollment. Charter School may request, at the time of, and as part of, conducting its lottery process, the provision of information necessary to apply specific admissions preferences set forth in this Charter.

Charter School shall not request or require submission of a student's IEP, Section 504 Plan, or any other record or related information prior to admission, participation in any admissions or attendance lottery, or pre-enrollment event or process, or as a condition of admission or enrollment.

### **Element 9 – Annual Financial Audits**

"The manner in which annual, independent financial audits shall be conducted, which shall employ generally accepted accounting principles, and the manner in which audit exceptions and deficiencies shall be resolved to the satisfaction of the chartering authority." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(I).)

Charter School shall provide for an annual audit that shall be conducted in compliance with applicable state and federal laws, including but not limited to the requirements of Education Code sections 47605(b)(5)(I) and 41020 as they may be amended from time to time. Charter School shall ensure compliance with the requirements of section 41020(f)(2), which makes it unlawful, absent an Education Audits Appeal Panel waiver, for a public accounting firm to provide audit services to a local educational agency if the lead audit partner, or coordinating audit partner, having primary responsibility for the audit, or the audit partner responsible for reviewing the audit, has performed audit services for that local educational agency in each of the six previous years.

The following reports will be submitted to LAUSD, in the required format and within timelines to be specified by LAUSD, each year:

- a. Provisional Budget Spring prior to operating fiscal year
- b. Final Budget July of the budget fiscal year
- c. First Interim Projections November of operating fiscal year
- d. Second Interim Projections February of operating fiscal year
- e. Unaudited Actuals July following the end of the fiscal year
- f. Audited Actuals December 15 following the end of the fiscal year
- g. Classification Report monthly according to Charter School's Calendar
- h. Statistical Report monthly according to Charter School's Calendar of Reports In addition:
  - P1, first week of January
  - P2, first week of April
- i. Instructional Calendar annually five weeks prior to first day of instruction
- j. Other reports as requested by the District

# **Element 10 – Suspension and Expulsion Procedures**

"The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(J).)

# **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Charter School shall provide due process for all students, including adequate and timely notice to parents/guardians and students of the grounds for all suspension and expulsion recommendations and decisions and their due process rights regarding suspension and expulsion, including rights of appeal.

Charter School shall ensure that its policies and procedures regarding suspension and expulsion will be periodically reviewed, and modified as necessary, in order to conform to changes in state law.

Charter School shall ensure that its staff is knowledgeable about and complies with the District's Discipline Foundation Policy and/or current equivalent policy, as required by the Modified Consent Decree. Charter School shall comply with the terms of the School Discipline Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights resolution adopted by the LAUSD Board of Education on May 6, 2013.

Charter School shall be responsible for the appropriate interim placement of students during and pending the completion of Charter School's student expulsion process and shall facilitate the post-expulsion placement of expelled students.

Charter School shall document and implement the alternatives to suspension and expulsion that Charter School utilizes in response to attendance-related concerns, e.g. truancy or excessive tardiness.

# STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Charter School shall establish and implement policies and procedures to ensure full compliance with federal and state laws and regulations regarding the discipline of students with disabilities. If a student is recommended for expulsion and the student receives or is eligible for special education, pending the completion of the expulsion process, Charter School shall identify and provide special education programs and services at an appropriate interim educational placement determined in coordination with the LAUSD Division of Special Education.

In the case of a student who has an Individualized Education Program ("IEP"), or a student who has a Section 504 Plan, Charter School shall ensure that it follows correct disciplinary procedures to comply with the mandates of state and federal laws, including IDEA and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Plan of 1973. As set forth in the MOU regarding special education between the District and Charter School, an IEP team will meet to conduct a manifestation determination and to discuss alternative placement utilizing the District's Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual. Prior to recommending expulsion for a student with a Section 504 Plan, Charter School's administrator will convene a Link Determination meeting to ask the following two questions:

- A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student's disability?
- B. Was the misconduct a direct result of the Charter School's failure to implement Section 504?

# NOTIFICATION OF THE DISTRICT

Upon expelling <u>any</u> student, Charter School shall notify the Charter Schools Division by submitting an expulsion packet to the CSD immediately or as soon as practicable, which shall contain:

- Completed "Notification of Charter School Expulsion" [form available from the CSD website or office], including attachments as required on the form
- Documentation of the expulsion proceeding, including statement of specific facts supporting the expulsion and documentation that Charter School's policies and procedures were followed
  - Copy of parental notice of expulsion hearing
  - Copy of expulsion notice provided to parent stating reason for expulsion, term of expulsion, rehabilitation plan, reinstatement notice with eligibility date and instructions for providing proof of student's compliance for reinstatement, appeal process, and options for enrollment
  - If the student is eligible for Special Education, documentation related to expulsion in compliance with IDEA and the MCD, including the Expulsion Analysis page of the pre-expulsion IEP
  - If the student is eligible for Section 504 accommodations, documentation that Charter School conducted a Link Determination meeting to address two questions:
  - A. Was the misconduct caused by, or directly and substantially related to the student's disability?
  - B. Was the misconduct a direct result of Charter School's failure to implement Section 504 Plan?

Notwithstanding and apart from the documentation sent to the Charter Schools Division as indicated above, if the student is a resident of a school district other than LAUSD, Charter School must notify the superintendent of the student's district of residence within 30 days of the expulsion. Additionally, upon request of the receiving school district, Charter School shall forward student records no later than 10 school days from the date of the request as stated in Education Code section 49068 (a) and (b).

# **OUTCOME DATA**

Charter School shall gather and maintain all data related to placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements, and make such outcome data readily available to the District upon request.

# **REHABILITATION PLANS**

Pupils who are expelled from Charter School shall be given a rehabilitation plan upon expulsion as developed by Charter School's governing board at the time of the expulsion order, which may include, but is not limited to, periodic review as well as assessment at the time of review for readmission. Terms of expulsion should be reasonable and fair with the weight of the expelling offense taken into consideration when determining the length of expulsion. Therefore, the rehabilitation plan should include a date not later than one (1) year from the date of expulsion when the pupil may apply to Charter School for readmission. Charter School shall inform parents in writing of its processes for reinstatement and applying for expungement of the expulsion record.

# **READMISSION**

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for the filing and processing of requests for readmission and the process for the required review of all expelled pupils for readmission. Upon completion of the readmission process, Charter School's governing board shall readmit the pupil, unless Charter School's governing board makes a finding that the pupil has not met the conditions of the rehabilitation plan or continues to pose a danger to campus safety. A description of the procedure shall be made available to the pupil and the pupil's parent or guardian at the time the expulsion order is entered and the decision of the governing board, including any related findings, must be provided to the pupil and the pupil's parent/guardian within a reasonable time.

### **REINSTATEMENT**

Charter School's governing board shall adopt rules establishing a procedure for processing reinstatements, including the review of documents regarding the rehabilitation plan. Charter School is responsible for reinstating the student upon the conclusion of the expulsion period in a timely manner.

# **GUN-FREE SCHOOLS ACT**

Charter School shall comply with the federal Gun-Free Schools Act.

# **Element 11 – Employee Retirement Systems**

"The manner by which staff members of the charter schools will be covered by the State Teachers' Retirement System, the Public Employees' Retirement System, or federal social security." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(K).)

Charter School shall comply in a timely manner with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations, as they may change from time to time, including but not limited to Internal Revenue Code section 414(d) and related regulations, governing Charter School's participation in, and/or coverage of its staff members by, the State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS), the Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS), and/or federal social security.

If Charter School participates in, or otherwise covers its staff members by enrolling or continuing their enrollment in, a "government plan" governed by section 414(d) (e.g., CalPERS), upon dissolution or final liquidation of Charter School, and/or its nonprofit public benefit corporation, notwithstanding any provision in Element 15 to the contrary, Charter School shall distribute its net assets in accordance with section 414(d), related regulations, and the government plan's requirements.

If Charter School participates in CalSTRS and/or CalPERS, Charter School shall continue such participation for the duration of Charter School's existence under the same CDS code, if mandated by applicable legal and retirement plan requirements.

# **Element 12 – Public School Attendance Alternatives**

"The public school attendance alternatives for pupils residing within the school district who choose not to attend charter schools." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(L).)

Pupils of Charter School do not have or gain any right to admission in a particular school of any school district, or program of any school district, as a consequence of applying to or enrolling in Charter School, except to the extent that such a right is extended by the school district.

A pupil who chooses not to attend Charter School may attend a public school within the pupil's school district of residence in accordance with applicable law and that school district's policies and procedures. The pupil alternatively may seek to enroll in another charter school in accordance with applicable law and the terms of the school's charter. If LAUSD is the pupil's school district of residence, an eligible pupil may pursue an inter-district transfer, if available, in accordance with the admission, enrollment, and transfer policies and procedures of the District, as they may change from time to time.

# **Element 13 – Rights of District Employees**

"The rights of an employee of the school district upon leaving the employment of the school district to work in a charter school, and of any rights of return to the school district after employment at a charter school." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(M).)

Employees of the District who choose to leave the employment of the District to work at Charter School shall have no automatic rights of return to the District after employment at Charter School unless specifically granted by the District through a leave of absence or other agreement or policy of the District as aligned with the collective bargaining agreements of the District. Leave and return rights for District union-represented employees and former employees who accept employment with Charter School will be administered in accordance with applicable collective bargaining agreements and any applicable judicial rulings.

# **Element 14 – Mandatory Dispute Resolution**

*"The procedures to be followed by the charter school and the entity granting the charter to resolve disputes relating to provisions of the charter."* (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(N).)

# **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Any claim, controversy or dispute between the District and Charter School arising out of or relating to this Charter, except for any claim, controversy or dispute related to the authorization (non-renewal, revision and/or revocation) of this Charter, ("Dispute") shall be resolved pursuant to the terms of this Element 14.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each party shall bear and be solely responsible for all of its own attorneys' fees, costs and expenses associated with any Dispute, including, but not limited to, any written/oral communication, meeting, Issues Conference, mediation, arbitration, administrative and/or civil action (including all levels of appeal), and no party shall be ordered to

pay, or be awarded, any other party's attorneys' fees, costs or expenses in connection therewith, regardless of who may be deemed the prevailing party. Any fees, costs and expenses charged by a mediator or arbitrator (including all associated administration fees, costs and expenses) shall be shared equally by the parties regardless of the outcome or award. To that effect, any order or award of attorneys' fees, costs and/or expenses, or mediator's or arbitrator's fees, costs or expenses (including any associated administration fees, costs and expenses), issued by a mediator, arbitrator, judicial officer (including all levels of appeal) or jury in any Dispute shall be deemed invalid as a matter of law and unenforceable by one party against the other party.

# **PROPOSITION 39 DISPUTES**

Any Dispute related to or arising out of Education Code §47614 and/or its implementing regulations set forth in California Code of Regulations, title 5, section 11969 *et seq*. ("Proposition 39"), shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures set forth below:

 Any Dispute shall be communicated in writing ("Written Notification"). The Written Notification must identify the nature of the Dispute and all supporting facts. The Written Notification shall be tendered to the other party by personal delivery, by facsimile or e-mail, or by certified mail. The Written Notification shall be deemed received (a) if personally delivered, upon date of delivery to the address of the person to receive such notice if delivered by 5:00 p.m., or otherwise on the business day following personal delivery; (b) if by facsimile or e-mail, upon electronic confirmation of receipt; or (c) if by certified mail, two (2) business days after deposit in the U.S. Mail.

Unless directed otherwise, all Written Notifications to the District and Charter School shall be addressed respectively as follows:

Director Charter Schools Division Los Angeles Unified School District 333 South Beaudry Avenue, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor Los Angeles, California 90017

Director/Principal Alliance Marine – Innovation and Technology 6-12 Complex 11933 Allegheny Street Sun Valley, CA 91352

2) A written response ("Written Response") shall be tendered to the other party within fifteen (15) business days from the date of receipt of the Written Notification or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties. The Written Response shall be tendered to the other party by personal delivery, by facsimile or e-mail, or by certified mail. The Written Response shall be deemed received (a) if personally delivered, upon date of delivery to the address of the person to receive such communication if delivered by 5:00 p.m., or otherwise on the business day following personal delivery; (b) if by facsimile or e-mail, upon electronic

confirmation of receipt; or (c) if by certified mail, two (2) business days after deposit in the U.S. Mail.

- 3) If the Dispute has not been resolved by mutual agreement from the Written Response, the parties agree to schedule a conference to discuss the Dispute identified in the Written Notice ("Issue Conference"). The Issue Conference shall take place within fifteen (15) business days from the date on which the Written Response is received by the other party or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties.
- 4) If the Dispute has not been resolved by mutual agreement at the Issue Conference, either party may then request that the Dispute be resolved by mediation. Within fifteen (15) business days of the date of the request for mediation or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties, the parties shall mutually agree upon the selection of a mediator. If the parties are unable to mutually agree upon the selection of a mediator shall be selected from a list of mediators prepared and provided by the American Arbitration Association. Mediation proceedings shall commence within thirty (30) business days of the date of the request for mediation or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties, and conclude within forty (40) business days of the date of the request for mediation or other date as determined by mutual agree otherwise, mediation proceedings shall be administered in accordance with the commercial mediation procedures of the American Arbitration Association.
- 5) If the mediation is not successful, either party may then initiate a civil action. Venue for any civil action between the parties shall be the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

# NON-PROPOSITION 39 DISPUTES

Any Dispute not related to or arising out of Proposition 39 shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures set forth below:

 Any Dispute shall be communicated in writing ("Written Notification"). The Written Notification must identify the nature of the Dispute and any supporting facts. The Written Notification shall be tendered to the other party by personal delivery, by facsimile, or by certified mail. The Written Notification shall be deemed received (a) if personally delivered, upon date of delivery to the address of the person to receive such notice if delivered by 5:00 p.m., or otherwise on the business day following personal delivery; (b) if by facsimile, upon electronic confirmation of receipt; or (c) if by mail, two (2) business days after deposit in the U.S. Mail.

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- 2) A written response ("Written Response") shall be tendered to the other party within twenty (20) business days from the date of receipt of the Written Notification or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties. The Written Response shall be tendered to the other party by personal delivery, by facsimile or e-mail, or by certified mail. The Written Response shall be deemed received (a) if personally delivered, upon date of delivery to the address of the person to receive such communication if delivered by 5:00 p.m., or otherwise on the business day following personal delivery; (b) if by facsimile or e-mail, upon electronic confirmation of receipt; or (c) if by certified mail, two (2) business days after deposit in the U.S. Mail.
- 3) If the Dispute has not been otherwise resolved by mutual agreement, the parties agree to schedule a conference to discuss the Dispute identified in the Written Notice ("Issue Conference"). The Issue Conference shall take place within fifteen (15) business days from the date from the date on which the Written Response is received by the other party or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties.
- 4) If the Dispute has not been resolved by mutual agreement at the Issue Conference, either party may then request that the Dispute be resolved by mediation. Within fifteen (15) business days of the date of the request for mediation or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties, the parties shall mutually agree upon the selection of a mediator. If the parties are unable to mutually agree upon the selection of a mediator shall be selected from a list of mediators prepared and provided by the American Arbitration Association. Mediation proceedings shall commence within thirty (30) business days of the date of the request for mediation or other date as determined by mutual agreement of the parties. Unless the parties mutually agree otherwise, mediation proceedings shall be administered in accordance with the commercial mediation procedures of the American Arbitration Arbitration.
- 5) If the mediation is not successful, then the parties agree to resolve the Dispute by binding arbitration conducted by a single arbitrator. Unless the parties mutually agree otherwise, arbitration proceedings shall be administered in accordance with the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association. The arbitrator must be an active member of the State Bar of California or a retired judge of the state or federal judiciary of California.

# **Element 15 – Charter School Closure Procedures**

"The procedures to be used if the charter school closes. The procedures shall ensure a final audit of the charter school to determine the disposition of all assets and liabilities of the charter school, including plans for disposing of any net assets and for the maintenance and transfer of pupil records." (Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(O).)

# **REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER**

The District may revoke the Charter pursuant to the provisions set forth in the Charter Schools Act of 1992, as they may be amended from time to time. The District may revoke the Charter of Charter School if the District finds, through a showing of substantial evidence, that Charter School did any of the following:

- Charter School committed a material violation of any of the conditions, standards, or procedures set forth in the Charter.
- Charter School failed to meet or pursue any of the pupil outcomes identified in the Charter.
- Charter School failed to meet generally accepted accounting principles, or engaged in fiscal mismanagement.
- Charter School violated any provision of law.

Prior to revocation, and in accordance with Education Code section 47607(d) and state regulations, the LAUSD Board of Education will notify Charter School in writing of the specific violation, and give Charter School a reasonable opportunity to cure the violation, unless the LAUSD Board of Education determines, in writing, that the violation constitutes a severe and imminent threat to the health or safety of the pupils. Revocation proceedings are not subject to the dispute resolution provisions set forth in this Charter.

Pursuant to AB 97, charter schools may be identified for assistance based on state evaluation rubrics and be subject to revocation pursuant to Education Code section 47607.3.

#### **CLOSURE ACTION**

The decision to close Charter School, by the governing board of Charter School must be documented in a "Closure Action". A Closure Action shall be deemed to have been automatically taken when any of the following occur: the Charter is revoked (subject to the provisions of Education Code section 47607(i)) or non-renewed by the LAUSD Board of Education and Charter School has exhausted its revocation or non-renewal administrative appeal rights pursuant to Education Code sections 47605(j)(1) and 47607(f), or its administrative appeal rights have lapsed, or the charter school voluntarily closes at any stage of the administrative appeal process;; the governing board of Charter School votes to close Charter School; or the Charter lapses.

# **CLOSURE PROCEDURES**

The procedures for charter school closure set forth below are guided by Education Code sections 47604.32, 47605, and 47607 as well as California Code of Regulations, title 5, sections 11962 and 11962.1, and are based on "Charter School Closure Requirements and Recommendations (Revised 08/2009)" posted on the California Department of Education website. All references to "Charter School" apply to Charter School, including its nonprofit corporation and governing board.

#### Designation of Responsible Person(s) and Funding of Closure

Prior to or at the time of the taking of a Closure Action by either the governing board of Charter School or the LAUSD Board of Education, the governing board of Charter School shall designate a person or persons responsible for conducting and overseeing all closure-related procedures and activities, and allocate sufficient funding for, or otherwise determine how Charter School will fund, these activities.

#### **Notification of Closure Action**

Upon the taking of a Closure Action, Charter School shall send written notice of its closure to:

- 1. The LAUSD Charter Schools Division (CSD). Charter School shall provide the CSD with written notice of (1) the person(s) designated to be responsible for conducting and overseeing all closure activities, and (2) the source, location, and management of the funding for such activities. If the Closure Action is an act of Charter School, Charter School shall provide the CSD with a copy of the governing board resolution or minutes that documents its Closure Action.
- 2. Parents/guardians of all students, and all majority age and emancipated minor students, currently enrolled in Charter School within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall simultaneously provide a copy of the written parent notification to the CSD.
- 3. Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE). Charter School shall send written notification of the Closure Action to LACOE by registered mail within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall simultaneously provide a copy of this notification to the CSD.
- 4. The Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) in which Charter School participates. Charter School shall send written notification of the Closure Action to the SELPA in which Charter School participates by registered mail within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall simultaneously provide a copy of this notification to the CSD.
- 5. The retirement systems in which Charter School's employees participate. Within fourteen (14) calendar days of the Closure Action, Charter School shall notify, as applicable, the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS), Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), the Social Security Administration, and the Los Angeles County Office of Education of the Closure Action, and follow their respective procedures for dissolving contracts and reporting. Charter School shall provide a copy of these notifications and correspondence to the CSD.

- 6. The California Department of Education (CDE). Charter School shall send written notification of the Closure Action to the CDE by registered mail within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall provide a copy of this notification to the CSD.
- 7. Any school district that may be responsible for providing education services to the former students of Charter School. Charter School shall send written notification of the Closure Action within 72 hours of the Closure Action. This notice must include a list of potentially returning students and their home schools based on student residence. Charter School shall provide a copy of these notifications, if any, to the CSD.
- 8. All Charter School employees and vendors within 72 hours of the Closure Action. Charter School shall simultaneously provide a copy of the written employee and vendor notification, with any attachments, to the CSD.

Notification of all the parties above, with the exception of employees and vendors, must include but is not limited to the following information:

- 1. The effective date of the closure of Charter School
- 2. The name(s) and contact information for the person(s) handling inquiries regarding the closure
- 3. The students' school districts of residence
- 4. How parents/guardians of all students, and all majority age and emancipated minor students, may obtain copies of student records and transcripts, including specific information on completed courses and credits that meet graduation requirements

In addition to the four required items above, notification of the CDE shall also include:

- 1. A description of the circumstances of the closure
- 2. The location of student and personnel records

In addition to the four required items above, notification of parents/guardians of all students, and all majority age and emancipated minor students, shall also include:

- 1. Information on how to enroll or transfer the student to an appropriate school
- 2. A <u>certified</u> packet of student information that includes closure notice, a copy of the student's cumulative record and other records, including but not limited to grade reports, discipline records, immunization records, completed coursework, credits that meet graduation requirements, a transcript, and state testing results
- 3. Information on student completion of college entrance requirements, for all high school students affected by the closure

Notification of employees and vendors shall include:

- 1. The effective date of the closure of Charter School
- 2. The name(s) and contact information for the person(s) handling inquiries regarding the closure
- 3. The date and manner, which shall be no later than 30 days from the effective date of the closure of Charter School, by which Charter School shall provide employees with written verification of employment

Within 30 calendar days of the effective date of closure, Charter School shall provide all employees with written verification of employment. Charter School shall send copies of all such employee verification letters to the CSD.

#### **Records Retention and Transfer**

Charter School shall comply with all applicable laws as well as District policies and procedures, as they may change from time to time, regarding the transfer and maintenance of Charter School records, including student records. These requirements include:

- 1. Charter School shall provide the District with all original student cumulative files and behavior records, pursuant to District policy and applicable District handbook(s) regarding cumulative records for secondary and elementary schools, for all students, both active and inactive, of Charter School. Transfer of the complete and organized original student records to the District, in accordance with District procedures applicable at the time of closure, shall occur within seven (7) calendar days of the effective date of closure.
- 2. Charter School's process for transferring copies of student records to receiving schools shall be in accordance with applicable law and LAUSD procedures for students moving from one school to another.
- 3. Charter School shall prepare and provide an electronic master list of all students to the Charter Schools Division in accordance with the District procedures applicable at the time of closure. This list shall include the student's identification number, Statewide Student Identifier (SSID), birthdate, grade, full name, address, home school/school district, enrollment date, exit code, exit date, parent/guardian name(s), and phone number(s). If the Charter School closure occurs before the end of the school year, the list also shall indicate the name of the school to which each student is transferring, if known. This electronic master list shall be delivered to the CSD in the form of a CD or otherwise in accordance with District procedures.
- 4. Charter School must organize the original cumulative files for delivery to the District in two categories: active students and inactive students. Charter School will coordinate with the CSD for the delivery and/or pickup of student records.
- 5. Charter School must update all student records in the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) prior to closing.

- 6. Charter School must provide to the CSD a copy of student attendance records, teacher gradebooks, and Title I records (if applicable).
- 7. Charter School must provide to the CSD the name, title, and contact information of the person designated to maintain all Charter School personnel records after the closure. Personnel records to be transferred to and maintained by the designee must include any and all employee records, including but not limited to, records related to performance and grievance. Charter School must provide to the CSD and the designee a list of all active and inactive employees and their periods of service. Both Charter School and the designee, individually and separately, shall inform the CSD immediately upon the transfer of Charter School's employee records to the designee.
- 8. Charter School shall ensure that all records are boxed and clearly labeled by classification of documents and the required duration of storage in accordance with District procedures.
- 9. Charter School shall provide to the responsible person(s) designated by the governing board of Charter School to conduct all closure-related activities a list of students in each grade level and, for each student, a list of classes completed and the student's district of residence.

### **Financial Close-Out**

After receiving notification of closure, the California Department of Education (CDE) will notify Charter School and the authorizing entity of any liabilities Charter School owes the state, which may include overpayment of apportionments, unpaid revolving fund loans or grants, and/or similar liabilities. The CDE may ask the county office of education to conduct an audit of the charter school if it has reason to believe that the school received state funding for which it was not eligible.

Charter School shall ensure completion of an independent final audit within six months after the closure of Charter School that includes:

- 1. An accounting of all financial assets. These may include cash and accounts receivable and an inventory of property, equipment, and other items of material value.
- 2. An accounting of all liabilities. These may include accounts payable or reduction in apportionments due to loans, unpaid staff compensation, audit findings, or other investigations.
- 3. An assessment of the disposition of any restricted funds received by or due to Charter School.

This audit may serve as Charter School's annual audit if it meets all of the requirements of the annual audit.

Charter School shall pay for the financial closeout audit of Charter School. This audit will be conducted by a neutral, independent licensed CPA who will employ generally accepted accounting principles. Any liability or debt incurred by Charter School will be the responsibility of Charter

School and not LAUSD. Charter School understands and acknowledges that Charter School will cover the outstanding debts or liabilities of Charter School. Any unused monies at the time of the audit will be returned to the appropriate funding source. Charter School understands and acknowledges that only unrestricted funds will be used to pay creditors. Any unused AB 602 funds will be returned to the District SELPA or the SELPA in which Charter School participates, and other categorical funds will be returned to the source of funds.

Charter School shall ensure the completion and filing of any annual reports required. These reports include but are not necessarily limited to:

- 1. Preliminary budgets
- 2. Interim financial reports
- 3. Second interim financial reports
- 4. Final unaudited reports

These reports must be submitted to the CDE and the authorizing entity in the form required. These reports should be submitted as soon as possible after the Closure Action, but no later than the required deadline for reporting for the fiscal year.

For apportionment of categorical programs, the CDE will count the prior year average daily attendance (ADA) or enrollment data of the closed Charter School with the data of the authorizing entity. This practice will occur in the first year after the closure and will continue until CDE data collection processes reflect ADA or enrollment adjustments for all affected LEAs due to the charter closure.

#### **Disposition of Liabilities and Assets**

The closeout audit must identify the disposition of all liabilities of Charter School. Charter School closure procedures must also ensure appropriate disposal, in accordance with the District Required Language provisions in Element 11 of this Charter, Charter School's governing board bylaws, fiscal procedures, and any other applicable laws and regulations, of any net assets remaining after all liabilities of Charter School have been paid or otherwise addressed. Such disposal includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Charter School, at its cost and expense, shall return to the District any and all property, furniture, equipment, supplies, and other assets provided to Charter School by or on behalf of the District. The District discloses that the California Education Code sets forth the requirements for the disposition of the District's personal property and Charter School shall bear responsibility and liability for any disposition in violation of statutory requirements.
- 2. The return of any donated materials and property in accordance with any terms and conditions set when the donations were accepted.
- 3. The return of any grant and restricted categorical funds to their sources according to the terms of the grant or state and federal law.
- 4. The submission of final expenditure reports for any entitlement grants and the filing of Final Expenditure Reports and Final Performance Reports, as appropriate.

If Charter School is operated as or by a nonprofit corporation, and if the corporation does not have any functions other than operation of Charter School, the corporation shall be dissolved according to its bylaws.

Charter School shall retain sufficient staff, as deemed appropriate by the Charter School governing board to complete all necessary tasks and procedures required to close the school and transfer records in accordance with these closure procedures.

Charter School's governing board shall adopt a plan for wind-up of Charter School and, if necessary, the corporation, in accordance with the requirements of the Corporations Code.

Charter School shall provide LAUSD within fourteen (14) calendar days of the Closure Action with written notice of any outstanding payments due to staff and the time frame and method by which Charter School will make the payments.

Prior to final close-out, Charter School shall complete all actions required by applicable law, including but not limited to the following:

- a. File all final federal, state, and local employer payroll tax returns and issue final W-2s and Form 1099s by the statutory deadlines.
- b. Make final federal tax payments (employee taxes, etc.)
- c. Complete and submit all required federal and state filings and notices to the State of California, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Department of the Treasury, including but not limited to final tax returns and forms (e.g., Form 990 and related Schedules).

This Element 15 shall survive the revocation, expiration, termination, cancellation of this Charter, or any other act or event that would end Charter School's authorization to operate as a charter school or cause Charter School to cease operation. Charter School agrees that, due to the nature of the property and activities that are the subject of this Charter, the District and public shall suffer irreparable harm should Charter School breach any obligation under this Element 15. The District therefore reserves the right to seek equitable relief to enforce any right arising under this Element 15 or any provision of this Element 15 or to prevent or cure any breach of any obligation undertaken, without in any way prejudicing any other legal remedy available to the District. Such legal relief shall include, without limitation, the seeking of a temporary or permanent injunction, restraining order, or order for specific performance, and may be sought in any appropriate court.

# **Additional Provisions**

# FACILITIES

Charter School shall comply with all geographic and site limitations and related requirements set forth in Education Code sections 47605.1, 47602(a), and 47605(a).

#### **District-Owned Facilities**

If Charter School is using District facilities as of the date of the submission of this charter petition or takes occupancy of District facilities prior to the approval of this charter petition, Charter School shall execute an agreement provided by the District for the use of the District facilities <u>as a condition of the approval of the charter petition</u>. If at any time after the approval of this charter petition Charter School will occupy and use any District facilities, Charter School shall execute an agreement provided by the District for the use of the District facilities <u>prior to occupancy and commencing use</u>. Charter School shall implement and otherwise comply with the terms of any and all applicable facilities use agreements between Charter School and the District.

The circumstances of Charter School's occupancy of District facilities may change over time such as, but not limited to, enrollment, programs, and the conditions of facilities, and the District has a vested interest in having an agreement that is appropriate for the situation.

For a Sole Occupant Agreement or any other use agreement that is not a Proposition 39 Single Year Co-location Use Agreement or a lease issued through the Notice of Intent and bid process, the term may be co-terminous with the approved Charter, as permitted by law. Charter School and the District shall negotiate any modifications of the agreement with the goal of such amendment or new agreement being considered by the LAUSD Board of Education with the renewal of the charter petition. If Charter School and the District cannot execute an agreement in time for such to be considered by the Board of Education with the renewal of the charter petition, the approval of the renewal of the charter petition shall be conditioned upon Charter School and the District executing an amendment to the existing use agreement or a new agreement no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> or within nine (9) months of the date of the Board of Education's approval of the renewal of the charter petition. During such time period Charter School shall be permitted to remain in occupancy of the District facilities under the terms and conditions of the immediately preceding, executed use agreement; provided, that if Charter School and the District cannot agree upon and execute an amendment or new use agreement by said deadline, Charter School shall vacate the District facilities on or before June 30<sup>th</sup> of said school year.

Charter School acknowledges and agrees that occupancy and use of District facilities shall be in compliance with applicable laws and District policies for the operation and maintenance of District facilities and furnishings and equipment. Charter School shall comply with all District health, safety, and emergency procedures and requirements and shall be subject to inspection by the District's Facilities Services Division, OEHS, and other District offices in the same manner as other LAUSD campuses. All District facilities (i.e., schools) will remain subject to those laws applicable to public schools.

In the event of an emergency, all District facilities (i.e., schools) are available for use by the American Red Cross and public agencies as emergency locations, which may disrupt or prevent Charter School from conducting its educational programs. If Charter School will share the use of District facilities with other District user groups, Charter School agrees that it will participate in and observe all District safety policies (e.g., emergency chain of information and participation in safety drills).

The use agreements provided by the District for District facilities shall contain terms and conditions addressing issues such as, but not limited to, the following:

- <u>Use</u>: Charter School will be restricted to using the District facilities for the operation of a public school providing educational instruction to public school students consistent with the terms of the Charter and incidental related uses. Separate and apart from its right as authorizer to observe and inspect any part of the charter school at any time pursuant to Education Code 47607(a)(1), the District shall have and reserves the right to inspect District facilities upon reasonable notice to Charter School.
- <u>Furnishings and Equipment</u>: The District shall retain ownership of any furnishings and equipment, including technology, ("F&E") that it provides to Charter School for use. Charter School, at its sole cost and expense, shall provide maintenance and other services for the good and safe operation of the F&E.
- <u>Leasing</u>: Licensing: Use of the District facilities by any person or entity other than Charter School shall be administered by the District. The parties may agree to an alternative arrangement in the use agreement.
- Programs, Services, and Activities Outside Instructional Program; Third Party Vendors
  - (i) Any program, service, or activity provided outside the instructional program shall be subject to the terms and provisions of the use agreement, and, additionally, may require a license, permit, or additional agreement issued by the District. The term "instructional program" is defined, per Education Code section 47612 and 5 CCR section 11960, as those required educational activities that generate funding based on "average daily attendance" and includes those extracurricular programs, services, and/or activities that students are required to participate in and do not require the payment of any consideration or fee.
  - (ii) Any program, service, or activity requiring the payment of any consideration or fee or provided by a third party vendor (defined as any person or entity other than Charter School), whether paid or volunteer and regardless of whether such may be within the instructional program, shall be subject to the terms and provisions of the use agreement and such third party vendor shall be required to obtain a license, permit, or additional agreement from the District.
- Minimum Payments or Charges to be Paid to District Arising From the Facilities:
  - (i) <u>Pro Rata Share</u>: The District shall collect and Charter School shall pay a Pro Rata Share for facilities costs as provided in the Charter Schools Act of 1992 and its regulations. The parties may agree to an alternative arrangement regarding facilities costs in the use agreement; and
  - (ii) <u>Taxes</u>: <u>Assessments</u>: Generally, Charter School shall pay any assessment or fee imposed upon or levied on the LAUSD facilities that it is occupying or Charter School's legal or equitable interest created by the use agreement.
- <u>Maintenance & Operations Services</u>: In the event the District agrees to allow Charter School to perform any of the operation and maintenance services, the District shall have the right to inspect the District facilities, and the costs incurred in such inspection shall be paid by Charter School.

- (i) <u>Co-Location</u>: If Charter School is co-locating or sharing the District facilities with another user, the District shall provide the operations and maintenance services for the District facilities and Charter School shall pay the Pro Rata Share. The parties may agree to an alternative arrangement regarding performance of the operations and maintenance services and payment for such in the use agreement.
- (ii) <u>Sole Occupant</u>: If Charter School is a sole occupant of District facilities, the District shall allow Charter School, at its sole cost and expense, to provide some operations and maintenance services for the District facilities in accordance with applicable laws and LAUSD's policies on operations and maintenance services for facilities and F&E. NOTWITHSTANDING THE FOREGOING, the District shall provide all services for regulatory inspections which as the owner of the real property it is required to submit, and deferred maintenance, and Charter School shall pay LAUSD for the cost and expense of providing those services. The parties may agree to an alternative arrangement regarding performance of the operations and maintenance services and payment for such services in the use agreement.
- <u>Real Property Insurance</u>: Prior to occupancy, Charter School shall satisfy requirements to participate in LAUSD's property insurance or, if Charter School is the sole occupant of LAUSD facilities, obtain and maintain separate property insurance for the LAUSD facilities. Charter School shall <u>not</u> have the option of obtaining and maintaining separate property insurance for the LAUSD facility IF Charter School is co-locating or sharing the LAUSD facility with another user.

#### Non-District-Owned Facilities

**Occupancy and Use of the Site:** Prior to occupancy or use of any school site or facility, Charter School shall provide the CSD with a current Certificate of Occupancy or equivalent document issued by the applicable permitting agency that allows Charter School to use and occupy the site as a charter school. Charter School shall not exceed the operating capacity of the site and shall operate within any limitations or requirements provided by the Certificate of Occupancy and any applicable permit. Charter School may not open or operate without providing a copy of an appropriate Certificate of Occupancy to the CSD. If Charter School intends to move or expand to another facility during the term of this Charter, Charter School shall adhere to any and all District policies and procedures regarding charter material revision and non-material amendment. Prior to occupancy or use of any such additional or changed school site, Charter School shall provide an appropriate Certificate of Occupancy to the CSD for such facility. Notwithstanding any language to the contrary in this Charter, the interpretation, application, and enforcement of this provision are not subject to the Dispute Resolution Process outlined in Element 14.

**Facility Compliance**: Prior to occupancy or use of any non-District-owned school site and/or facility, Charter School shall ensure that the site and/or facility complies with all applicable building codes, standards and regulations adopted by the city and/or county agencies responsible for building and safety standards for the city in which Charter School is to be located, federal and state accessibility requirements (including the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section

504), and all other applicable fire, health, and structural safety and access requirements. This requirement shall also apply to the construction, reconstruction, alteration of or addition to the facility. Charter School shall resolve in a timely manner any and all corrective actions, orders to comply, and notices issued by any authorized building and safety agency. Charter School cannot exempt itself from applicable building and zoning codes, ordinances, and ADA/Section 504 requirements. Charter School shall maintain on file readily accessible records that document facilities compliance and shall promptly provide such documentation to the CSD upon request.

**Pest Management:** Charter School shall comply with the Healthy Schools Act, Education Code section 17608, which details pest management requirements for schools.

**Asbestos Management:** Charter School shall comply with the asbestos requirement as cited in the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), 40 C.F.R. part 763. AHERA requires that any building leased or acquired that is to be used as a school or administrative building shall maintain an asbestos management plan.

### INSURANCE

#### **Insurance Requirements**

No coverage shall be provided to Charter School by the District under any of the District's selfinsured programs or commercial insurance policies. Charter School shall secure and maintain, at a minimum, insurance as set forth below with insurance companies acceptable to the District [A.M. Best A-, VII or better] or the equivalent provided through a California Joint Powers Authority selfinsurance program to protect Charter School from claims which may arise from its operations. Each Charter School location shall meet the below insurance requirements individually.

It shall be Charter School's responsibility, not the District's, to monitor its vendors, contractors, partners, and/or sponsors for compliance with the insurance requirements.

The following insurance policies are required:

- 1. Commercial General Liability, including Fire Legal Liability, coverage of \$5,000,000 per Occurrence and in the Aggregate. The policy shall be endorsed to name the Los Angeles Unified School District and the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by the District which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and Charter School's insurance shall be primary despite any conflicting provisions in Charter School's policy. Coverage shall be maintained with no Self-Insured Retention above \$15,000 without the prior written approval of the Division of Risk Management and Insurance Services for the LAUSD.
- 2. Workers' Compensation Insurance in accordance with provisions of the California Labor Code adequate to protect Charter School from claims that may arise from its operations pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act (Statutory Coverage). The Workers'

Compensation Insurance coverage must also include Employers Liability coverage with limits of \$1,000,000/\$1,000,000.

- 3. Commercial Auto Liability, including Owned, Leased, Hired, and Non-owned, coverage with limits of \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence if Charter School does not operate a student transportation service. If Charter School provides student transportation services, the required coverage limit is \$5,000,000 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence.
- 4. Crime Insurance or Fidelity Bond coverage shall be maintained by Charter School to cover all Charter School employees who handle, process or otherwise have responsibility for Charter School funds, supplies, equipment, or other assets. Minimum amount of coverage shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$1,000,000 aggregate, with deductible that is acceptable to the Los Angeles Unified School District.
- 5. Cyber Liability insurance coverage with minimum limits of \$500,000 per occurrence and \$500,000 general aggregate.
- 6. Professional Educators Errors and Omissions liability coverage with minimum limits of \$5,000,000 per occurrence and \$5,000,000 general aggregate.
- 7. Sexual Molestation and Abuse coverage with minimum limits of \$5,000,000 per occurrence and \$5,000,000 general aggregate. Coverage may be held as a separate policy or included by endorsement in the Commercial General Liability or the Errors and Omissions Policy.
- 8. Employment Practices Legal Liability coverage with limits of \$5,000,000 per occurrence and \$5,000,000 general aggregate.
- 9. Excess/Umbrella Liability insurance with limits of not less than \$10,000,000 is required of all high schools and any other school that participates in competitive interscholastic or intramural sports programs.

Coverages and limits of insurance may be accomplished through individual primary policies or through a combination of primary and excess policies and alternative methods of coverage as approved by the District. *The policy shall be endorsed to name the Los Angeles Unified School District and Its Board of Education as named additional insureds and shall provide specifically that any insurance carried by the District which may be applicable to any claims or loss shall be deemed excess and Charter School's insurance shall be primary despite any conflicting provisions in Charter School's policy.* 

#### **Evidence of Insurance**

Charter School shall furnish to the District's Division of Risk Management and Insurance Services located at 333 S. Beaudry Ave, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor, Los Angeles CA 90017 within 30 calendar days of all new policies, inceptions, renewals or changes, certificates, or such insurance signed by authorized representatives of the insurance carrier. Certificates shall be endorsed as follows:

"Charter school shall be required to provide LAUSD with 30 days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, if the insurance afforded by this policy shall be suspended, cancelled, reduced in coverage limits or non-renewed."

Facsimile or reproduced signatures may be acceptable upon review by the Division of Risk Management and Insurance Services. However, the District reserves the right to require certified copies of any required insurance policies.

Should Charter School deem it prudent and/or desirable to have insurance coverage for damage or theft to Charter School, employee or student property, for student accident, or any other type of insurance coverage not listed above, such insurance shall not be provided by the District and its purchase shall be the responsibility of Charter School.

#### Hold Harmless/Indemnification Provision

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Charter School does hereby agree, at its own expense, to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the LAUSD and the Board of Education and their members, officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees and volunteers from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses including but not limited to attorneys' fees, brought by any person or entity whatsoever, arising out of, or relating to, this Charter agreement. Charter School further agrees to the fullest extent permitted by law, at its own expense, to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the LAUSD and the Board of Education and their members, officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees and volunteers from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses including but not limited to attorneys' fees, brought by any person or entity whatsoever for claims, damages, losses and expenses arising from or relating to acts or omission of acts committed by Charter School and/or its officers, directors, employees or volunteers. Moreover, Charter School agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless "the LAUSD and the Board of Education and their members, employees and volunteers, directors, employees or volunteers. Moreover, Charter School agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless "the LAUSD and the Board of Education and their members, officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees and volunteers, directors, employees or volunteers. Moreover, Charter School agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless "the LAUSD and the Board of Education and their members, officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees and volunteers, for any contractual liability resulting from third party contracts with Charter School's vendors, contractors, partners or sponsors.

# FISCAL MATTERS

#### **District Oversight Costs**

The District may charge for the actual costs of oversight of Charter School not to exceed 1% of Charter School's revenue, or the District may charge for the actual costs of oversight of Charter School not to exceed 3% if Charter School is able to obtain substantially rent free facilities from the District. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the District may charge the maximum oversight fee allowed under the law as it may change from time to time. The oversight fee provided herein is separate and distinct from the charges arising under charter school facilities use agreements.

#### Cash Reserves

Charter School acknowledges that the recommended cash reserve is 5% of expenditures, as provided in section 15450, title 5 of the California Code of Regulations.

#### **Third Party Contracts**

Charter School shall ensure that all third party contracts, whether oral or written, for supplies, equipment, goods and/or services, for the direct or indirect benefit of, or otherwise related to the operation of, Charter School, require compliance with and otherwise conform to all applicable local, state, and federal policies, regulations, laws, and guidelines, including but not limited to licensing and permit requirements as well as requirements related to protection of health and safety.

#### Special Education Revenue Adjustment/Payment for Services

In the event that Charter School owes funds to the District for the provision of agreed upon or fee for service or special education services or as a result of the State's adjustment to allocation of special education revenues from Charter School, Charter School authorizes the District to deduct any and all of the in lieu property taxes that Charter School otherwise would be eligible to receive under section 47635 of the Education Code to cover such owed amounts. Charter School further understands and agrees that the District shall make appropriate deductions from the in lieu property tax amounts otherwise owed to Charter School. Should this revenue stream be insufficient in any fiscal year to cover any such costs, Charter School agrees that it will reimburse the District for the additional costs within forty-five (45) business days of being notified of the amounts owed.

#### **Student Body Funds**

Charter School shall supervise and manage any and all student body funds in a manner consistent with the provisions of Education Code sections 48930-48938. Charter School shall include and address student body funds in its financial reports, and ensure that such funds are included and addressed in Charter School's annual audit as a stand-alone item.

#### Audit and Inspection of Records

Charter School agrees to observe and abide by the following terms and conditions as a requirement for receiving and maintaining its charter authorization:

- Charter School is subject to District oversight.
- The District's statutory oversight responsibility continues throughout the life of the Charter and requires that the District, among other things, monitors the fiscal condition of Charter School.
- The District is authorized to revoke this Charter for, among other reasons, the failure of Charter School to meet generally accepted accounting principles or if Charter School engages in fiscal mismanagement.

Accordingly, the District hereby reserves the right, pursuant to its oversight responsibility, to audit Charter School books, records, data, processes and procedures through the District Office of the Inspector General or other means. The audit may include, but is not limited to, the following areas:

- Compliance with terms and conditions prescribed in the Charter agreement,
- Internal controls, both financial and operational in nature,
- The accuracy, recording and/or reporting of Charter School's financial information,

- Charter School's debt structure,
- Governance policies, procedures and history,
- The recording and reporting of attendance data,
- Charter School's enrollment process,
- Compliance with safety plans and procedures, and
- Compliance with applicable grant requirements.

Charter School shall cooperate fully with such audits and shall make available any and all records necessary for the performance of the audit upon 30 days notice to Charter School. When 30 days notice may defeat the purpose of the audit, the District may conduct the audit upon 24- hours notice.

#### **Fiscal Policies and Procedures**

Charter School shall establish, maintain, and implement sound fiscal policies and procedures, including but not limited to internal controls governing all financial and business-related activities.

#### Apportionment Eligibility for Students Over 19 Years of Age

Charter School acknowledges that, in order for a pupil over nineteen (19) years of age to remain eligible for generating charter school apportionment, the pupil shall be continuously enrolled in public school and make satisfactory progress toward award of a high school diploma. (Ed. Code § 47612(b).)

#### Local Control and Accountability Plan

In accordance with California Education Code sections 47604.33 and 47606.5, Charter School shall include in its annual update a "listing and description of the expenditures for the fiscal year implementing the specific actions included in the charter as a result of the reviews and assessment required by paragraph (1)" of section 47606.5(a). These expenditures shall be "classified using the California School Accounting Manual pursuant to Section 41010." (Ed. Code § 47606.5(b).)