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**Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon
Technology Academy High School**

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***South Los Angeles Community*
Los Angeles Unified School District**

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

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Assurances, Affirmations, and Declarations

Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School (also referred to herein as ("Simon Tech" 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 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 measurable 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.

<u>GENERAL INFORMATION</u>	
The contact person for Charter School is:	Chris Carr, Principal
The contact address for Charter School is:	Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology Academy High School 10720 Wilmington Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90059
The contact phone number for Charter School is:	(323) 744-2122
The proposed address or ZIP Code of the target community to be served by Charter School is:	90059
This location is in LAUSD Board District:	7
This location is in LAUSD Local District:	South
The grade configuration of Charter School is:	9 - 12
The number of students in the first year will be:	525
The grade level(s) of the students in the first year will be:	9 -12
Charter School's scheduled first day of instruction in 2019-2020 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.)	525
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 3:30 pm

The term of this Charter shall be from:

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2025

Academic Accountability Summ...

School Info Overview

Select a School: Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology Academy High (Los Angeles) 0121285

School meets CCSA's Accountability Criteria and qualifies for renewal support based on academics.

Above

CCSA Academic Accountability Report 2017-2018

Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology Academy High (Los Angeles Unified)

Open Status 2019: Active
DASS Status: Non-DASS

Charter Renewal Date: June 30, 2020

PERCENTILE:
Schools must be above the 5th percentile on the DFS measure.

Above

Percentile

The selected school has a percentile above 5 in 3 of the last 3 years.

INITIAL FILTERS:

To meet CCSA's initial filters of accountability, a school must be above the bottom 5 percentile in two out of three years and above on at least one of the three filters below. See the **School Info Overview** tab above for more details.

Above

State Rank



Target: 4 out of 10

This school was at/above the target

3 out of 3 year(s),

meeting the standard for this metric for 2018.

Above

Similar Students Rank



Target: 4 out of 10

This school was at/above the target

3 out of 3 year(s),

meeting the standard for this metric for 2018.

Above

% A-G Completion



Target: 75%

This school was at/above the target

3 out of 3 year(s),

meeting the standard for this metric for 2018.

MULTIPLE MEASURE REVIEW:

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:

Not Required

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 Cindy & Bill Simon Technology High School (Simon Tech) was opened in August 2010 as a blended learning campus to provide opportunities for a college-preparatory educational program to a community that experienced decades of low-performing high schools and high student dropout rates. Simon Tech was founded around the values of a personalized and caring school environment, with the goal of preparing students for the challenges of the 21st century. In November 2012, we became Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology Academy. Many students living in Watts are now graduating from Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology Academy High School and attending colleges and universities. According to the California Department of Education (CDE), 100% of our students graduated in both 2016-17 and 2017-18.

Simon Tech was placed in the Watts community to offer an alternative to the continual systemic educational failure in the community. Census data supports this statement, as only 51% percent of community members have a high school diploma and 6.6% have a bachelor's degree or higher. As a direct result of the lack of opportunities for educational achievement, 31% of the community members live below the poverty line. This is more than double the poverty rate in the state of California. The geographic location of Simon Tech is centrally located between three separate housing projects (Nickerson Gardens, Imperial Courts, and Jordan Downs). Unfortunately, because of the scarcity of educational and economic opportunities, these housing projects have been claimed by different gangs. Many of our students live within these housing projects or the immediate surrounding areas. Our students are directly impacted by gang violence, poverty, and drug abuse because of these environmental conditions. According to our internal Adverse Childhood Experiences Survey (ACES), 26% of our students reported a household member had been incarcerated and 22% of our students reported that they had experienced the abandonment of a biological parent. All of these systemic failures have created a community that is plagued by trauma and poverty.

Simon Tech is a comprehensive high school, offering A-G requirements, 13 AP courses, internship opportunities, and dual enrollment options at local Community Colleges, such as East Los Angeles College and Los Angeles Trade and Technical College. During the 2018-19 school year, Simon Tech served students in grades 9-12, with a total enrollment of 508 students. Simon Tech offers a variety of extracurricular activities such as Associated Student Body, various clubs, basketball, soccer, and a partnership with After School All-Stars. The school population is representative of the surrounding community. 97% of our students are identified as socio-economically disadvantaged, 10% African American, and 89% Latino (CDE DataQuest).

As a result of our student-centered and social justice mission, we have been able to create a school that performs at a high-level and positively impacts the surrounding community. Below are a few of the awards and recognition Simon Tech has received over the years:

- 2019 US News & World Report Rankings-Best High Schools List
- 2019 Top Los Angeles County Public Schools for Underserved Students Award
- 2018 US News & World Report Rankings-Best High Schools List
- 2018 Girls Build LA Competition-First Place
- 2017 US News & World Report Rankings-Best High Schools List
- 2015 Educators for Excellence-True Grit Recognition
- 2014 Get Schooled-Attendance Recognition Award
- 2014 Audubon YES-Watts Community Inspiration Award

School Performance Over the Charter Term

Over the term of the charter, Simon Tech has seen growth in meeting the academic and socio-emotional needs of the students of the Watts community. This growth is evident in our students continued CAASPP performance growth, 100% of students graduating high school, 0% suspension and expulsion rates, and 0% cohort dropout rate (CDE California School Dashboard). We are proud to highlight these successes and look forward to continually improving towards reaching our aspirational goal of a 100% graduation rate from college.

Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) Analysis

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS SBAC						
	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	Simon	Resident	Simon	Resident	Simon	Resident
All Students	52%	41%	61.7%	35.2%	62.9%	39.5%
English Learners	15%	3%	27.3%	0.0%	21.4%	0.0%
Students with Disabilities	9%	5%	18.2%	0.0%	*	7.7%
Hispanic or Latino	54%	41%	61.3%	34.9%	63.9%	41.0%
Black/African American	*	22%	*	20.0%	50.0%	12.5%
Economically Disadvantaged	52%	40%	62.2%	34.7%	63.0%	40.0%

Source: Los Angeles Unified School District, *Data Set - November 30, 2018*; California Department of Education (CDE) DataQuest

The resident schools referenced in this petition include Animo College Preparatory Academy, David Starr Jordan Senior High, Alain Leroy Locke College Preparatory Academy, Academy for Multilingual Arts and Science at Mervyn M. Dymally High, Communication and Technology at Diego Rivera Learning Complex, Diego Rivera Learning Complex Green Design STEAM Academy, Performing Arts Community at Diego Rivera Learning Complex, John C. Fremont Senior High, and Public Service Community at Diego Rivera Learning Complex.

Between the administrations of the ELA CAASPP from 2016-2018, we have experienced growth every year in overall student performance. Additionally, each subgroup demonstrated growth between the 2015-2016 and 2017-2018 CAASPP assessments. In 2018, 63% of our students met or exceeded the standard. This achievement data suggests that we are helping the majority of our students towards reaching college-readiness in ELA.

There has been an 11% increase in students that met or exceeded the standard since the administration of the ELA CAASPP 2015-2016. In 2018, 63% of students scored a 3 or 4 on the ELA CAASPP. This is about 20% higher than the resident schools in the area. Our numerically significant subgroups (Latino and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged) have demonstrated nearly a 10% increase in students meeting and exceeding the standards since the 2015-2016 school year. Although we saw a slight decrease in the performance of our EL students in 2018, the percentage of EL students meeting and exceeding the standard performance was more than 7 times the percentage of EL students at resident schools.

These successes can be attributed to our school-wide instructional focus area for Simon Tech which has been consistent incorporation of complex text, short writing justification tasks, and Data-Driven Instruction across all content-areas. In addition to these strategies we have implemented and will continue to implement the following practices to consistently assist

students' growth:

Implementation of HMH Curriculum with EL and struggling reader scaffolds-ELA teachers in grades 9-12 fully adopted the HMH Collections curriculum in 2017. This curriculum is closely aligned with the rigor required to be successful on the CAASPP. The curriculum provides supplementary strategies to help EL and struggling readers access the text.

CAASPP Aligned Complex Text-Over the last several years grade-level teams were trained on evaluating text for complexity through a common rubric from Achieve the Core. Across the grade-level teams, the text used for interim assessments and Claim-Evidence-Reasoning (CER) paragraphs is aligned to the complexity experienced on the CAASPP.

Text Dependent Questions (TDQ) and Task Planning-In order to add a layer of depth to teacher planning with complex text, we have required teachers to plan at least one central writing task per week. The central task must be aligned to college-level rigor/CAASPP and be connected to at least one complex text. Teachers have been provided a "Criteria for Success" (CFS) rubric to determine the appropriateness of the task. In addition to planning the central task connected to a complex text, teachers are also required to develop a sequence of text-dependent questions that will lead to student success on the writing task. The "Criteria for Success" rubrics have been developed to ensure the questions are high-quality, and teachers use these CFSs to provide each other meaningful feedback.

Instructional Leadership Team (ILT) Progress Monitoring and Feedback of Instructional Focus Areas-The capacity of the ILT to support teacher growth for the instructional focus areas improved greatly during the 2017-2018 school year. The ILT meets twice per week to review lesson plans, complete observations of their Professional Learning Community (PLC) members, and use teacher performance data to create responsive professional development opportunities. ILT members have begun to record their professional development (PD) sessions so that they can reflect on their own performance and create an archive for current and future teachers to reference. On a weekly basis, ILT members provide their Professional Learning Community (PLC) members feedback on their lesson plans by using the different CFS for text complexity, tasks, and text-dependent questions. In addition to reviewing the lesson plans, ILT members facilitate weekly instructional walkthroughs focused on teachers' growth with executing the instructional focus areas. After completing the walkthroughs, ILT members develop school-wide and individual action steps to improve teachers' practice.

CAASPP Skills Acceleration- During the spring semesters of the 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years, we implemented our CAASPP support program called the CAASPP Skills Acceleration program. Students were placed in ELA and Math groups based on interim assessment data and student needs. The purpose of this program is to provide students the final supports needed to meet or exceed the standards for college-readiness. Teachers provided English Learner (EL) students and Students with Disabilities (SWD) targeted interventions based on data in specific skills and students were programmed according to their need for additional support in mastering those skills.

California Association of Bilingual Educators (CABE) Professional Development-Our ELA teachers have participated in a three-day training for bilingual education. They attended

content-specific sessions to meet the needs of students at different levels of language proficiency. The sessions ranged from developing dual language skills in ELA courses to increasing key college skills for EL students. The teachers that attended the conference presented the best-practices to the ELA and Social Science Professional Learning Communities, and developed an implementation plan based on student data. Additionally, these strategies were integrated into the CAASPP Skills Acceleration for the 11th graders.

Dual Language Grade Level English Courses in 9-11th grade-Parents of English Learners have the choice of enrolling their scholars in Dual Language English Courses in these grades. Students have the opportunity to build their skills in English and Spanish. The program goal is bilingualism and biliteracy. The Dual Language program is aligned to the CDE's English Language Arts/English Language Development Framework for California's Public Schools. Our program mirrors some of the key tenets of the framework, such as the cross-language transfer of language and literacy skills and an understanding of the metalinguistic benefits of bilingualism.

High-Quality Interim Assessment Cycle-ELA teachers (9-11) have administered vetted Alliance ELA and Math interim assessments that are aligned to the demands of the CAASPP. All of the other content-areas developed interim assessments that are aligned to the AP or college entrance exams. Students were assessed approximately every 6 weeks.

Data-Driven Instruction (DDI)-DDI was implemented as a school-wide practice based on the UnCommon Schools framework. Teachers were engaged in praxis (theory, action, analysis, reflection, action) through interim assessments and bi-weekly data meetings. The interim assessments required teachers to develop a 4-6-week action plan to respond to the student data through an equity lens. The interims for mathematics, science, and ELA were vetted for alignment with the cognitive demands of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). The bi-weekly Claim-Evidence-Reasoning (CER) paragraph/DDI meetings were used to assess students' conceptual understanding and ability to comprehend complex text. As a PLC, teachers deeply analyzed student work samples and developed an action plan to close any gaps in students' understanding.

There is much to celebrate about the systems and supports that have been implemented at Simon Tech. Although our overall performance has been improving, the performance of some of our student subgroups needs additional growth. Even though our EL students' and Students with Disabilities performances have been above the District average, these students still need additional support. As a social justice organization, we have responded to this data in the following ways:

Co-Teaching and Collaboration (Resource and General Education Teacher)-We continued to refine our push-in model, Resource Lab, and inclusion of additional support from our instructional aides (Academic Coaches). Between the 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years, we strengthened the collaboration between our Resource Teachers and General Education teachers. The result of this work has been a co-teaching model to further support students' success and the inclusion of an assigned Resource Teacher in the ELA PLC. For the co-teaching model, we have integrated small group teaching, whole group direct instruction, and

close reading with both of the educators. This allows the teachers to differentiate their instructional strategies to help best meet the needs of Students with Disabilities and general education students in reaching the college-readiness proficiency levels on the CAASPP.

EL and SWDs Instructional Aides-As a result of our LCAP stakeholder input, we hired instructional aides to help support our EL students and Students with Disabilities. The instructional aides are given specific instructional strategies to help target both our EL students and Students with Disabilities. They also are assigned target students within the ELA class periods they support. These aides also participated in the CAASPP Skills Acceleration program for our 11th grade students.

EL/LTEL Fluency Intervention 9th-12th-Based on student Lexile performance, ELA and ELD class performance, and EL status, students were placed into grade-level fluency support groups with their teachers. Fluency support occurred once a week for an hour after school over 18 weeks. All teachers 9-12, follow the same lesson structure for the intervention sessions. Data is collected after each session to provide feedback to teachers and track student progress.

MATHEMATICS SBAC						
	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	Simon	Resident	Simon	Resident	Simon	Resident
All Students	16%	10%	18.3%	7.6%	18.9%	11.0%
English Learners	0%	0%	3.0%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%
Students with Disabilities	0%	0%	9.1%	0.0%	*	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	17%	13%	17.9%	8.9%	21.0%	11.8%
Black/African American	*	0%	*	1.4%	0.0%	2.9%
Economically Disadvantaged	17%	11%	18.9%	7.7%	19.7%	11.8%

Source: Los Angeles Unified School District, *Data Set - November 30, 2018*; California Department of Education (CDE) DataQuest

Between 2016-2018 we have experienced growth every year in overall student performance in math. Additionally, each of the numerically significant subgroups demonstrated growth between the 2016 and 2018 CAASPP assessments.

The 2018 CAASPP assessment showed continued growth in students' achievement. Simon Tech is currently outperforming the resident schools by almost 8%. Our numerically significant subgroups (Latino and Socio-Economically Disadvantaged) have demonstrated growth each year as well. The percentage of EL students meeting and exceeding the standard has increased by 14% since 2016, and this is nearly 5 times the District average.

We can attribute the growth that our students have experienced in math achievement to several practices that we have implemented and are continuing to implement:

CCSS Aligned Curriculum-Starting in 2016-17, to help improve our students' achievement in Math we purchased the College Preparatory Mathematics (CPM) curriculum. Our teachers found that curriculum was much more aligned with the academic demands of the CCSS. We are

using the curriculum in Integrated Math (IM) 1 through Integrated Math (IM) 3.

Vertical Alignment IM1-IM3-In order to improve student achievement on the Math component of the CAASPP several key steps were taken. During the summers of 2016-2018, the Math Department reviewed the CPM curriculum and discussed the needed adjustments in pacing to better vertically align all math courses from IM1 to IM3. Additionally, historical performance data was used to help inform the pacing and unit planning.

CAASPP Skills Acceleration-Since 2017, the final six weeks leading up to the CAASPP 11th grade students have participated in a CAASPP Skills Acceleration program on Saturdays and after school at Simon Tech. The CAASPP Skills Acceleration Math program was based on interim assessments and historical data trends. Students were strategically programmed into support groups according to their need for additional support in mastering skills.

Writing Tasks-All math teachers regularly implemented Claim-Evidence-Reasoning (CER) paragraphs with performance task-style questions in order to ensure students explained their conceptual understanding of a problem.

Although our Math program has steadily been improving there is still much room for growth. In order to improve subgroup performance and our overall performance the following actions have been taken:

Exit Slip Alignment-In the past teachers used teacher-created exit slips. There was a gap in these teacher-created exit slips at times because they did not fully assess the standard. Teachers now use *Illuminateed.com* to create CAASPP-aligned exit slips to ensure that they are fully assessing the standard and collecting meaningful student data.

Data-Driven Instruction (DDI) and Reteaching Cycle-Since the Math Department has focused on developing appropriate exit slips they can now use the data through *Illuminateed.com* to monitor student performance. Teachers use this online platform to identify high-priority standards to reteach, and are required to complete at least one reteach lesson per week in response to student data.

EL and SWDs Instructional Aides-As a result of our LCAP stakeholder input and our data, we hired instructional aides to help support our EL students and Students with Disabilities. The instructional aides are given specific instructional strategies to help target both our EL students and Students with Disabilities. These aides also supported Students with Disabilities in the CAASPP Skills Acceleration program for Math and ELA.

Co-Teaching with a Resource Specialist-Our current model for supporting Students with Disabilities is a push-in model, with additional support from instructional aides. To further target students' success with Mathematics we have begun a co-teaching model within our Math and ELA courses. For the Math courses, we have integrated a model of small group teaching. Both the Math teacher and the Resource Specialist work with small groups of students during the independent practice component of the lesson sequence. This allows the teachers to differentiate their instructional strategies to meet the needs of the Students with Disabilities, so

they can reach the proficiency levels of college-readiness on the CAASPP.

Internal Assessment: English/Language Arts and Mathematics

In Fall 2017, Simon Tech implemented new interim assessments, created by the Alliance Home Office Academic Team, in ELA and Math in grades 9 through 12, three times a year. The interims are strongly aligned to Common Core State Standards in ELA and Math and 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 for future instruction.

2018-19 Interim Assessment – English/Language Arts									
	All Students			English Learners			Students with Disabilities		
Grade	Interim 1	Interim 2	Interim 3	Interim 1	Interim 2	Interim 3	Interim 1	Interim 2	Interim 3
9	33%	43%	44%	27%	35%	34%	20%	37%	44%
10	33%	54%	52%	28%	44%	49%	28%	48%	55%

Source: Schoolzilla, *Illuminate Data Platform*

2018-19 Interim Assessment - Mathematics									
	All Students			English Learners			Students with Disabilities		
Grade	Interim 1	Interim 2	Interim 3	Interim 1	Interim 2	Interim 3	Interim 1	Interim 2	Interim 3
9	52%	39%	38%	42%	33%	28%	49%	54%	41%
10	44%	63%	59%	36%	49%	53%	36%	51%	46%

Source: Schoolzilla, *Illuminate Data Platform*

During the 2018-19 school year, our students completed three interim assessments in ELA 9th and 10th grade. These assessments have been a combination of multiple choice and writing tasks connected to the analysis of a complex text. For 9th grade there has been an overall 11% increase between interim 1 and interim 3, with students performing at 44% overall correct on the third interim. Much of this increase was due to the strategic shifts made by the 9th grade Instructional Focus Team after Data Day. The 9th grade Instructional Focus Team committed to explicitly teaching complex academic vocabulary (Tier 2 and Tier 3 words) and teaching students how to evaluate evidence with an emphasis on context clues to determine meaning.

For the 10th grade students there was an increase by 19% in students' scores for the overall percent correct between interim 1 and interim 3. This increase was caused by the key adjustments completed by the 10th grade Instructional Focus Team after Data Day. The 10th grade team committed to teaching how to determine explicit and/or implicit from the details of a text, modeled reading and thinking (metacognitive thinking skills) activities, student analysis of an exemplar writing response, and the sequencing of TDQs to help students in making inferences and discovering hidden meaning in complex texts.

All 9th grade student subgroups showed growth between ELA interim 1 and interim 3 (average 18% increase). The highest amount of growth was a 27% increase in the percent of questions answered correctly by our Students with Disabilities. The largest gap in performance was with the EL student subgroup, which performed 10% lower than the overall score on interim 3.

All of our 10th grade student subgroups showed growth between ELA interim 1 and interim 3 (average 23.5% increase). The highest amount of growth was a 27% increase in the percent of questions answered correctly by our Students with Disabilities. The EL student subgroup performed 3% lower than the overall score on interim 3. EL students did demonstrate an overall increase in performance by 21%.

In response to this data, moving forward the Instructional Focus Teams will be analyzing the performance of EL students through DDI meetings and tracking student achievement leading up to the next set of interims. There will also be professional development trainings on EL specific strategies to help students successfully navigating complex text.

During the 2018-19 school year, our students completed three interim assessments in IM1 and IM2. For 9th grade there has been a 14% decrease between interim 1 and interim 3, with students performing at 38% overall correct on the third interim. This difference in performance is mostly due to teacher pacing between interim 2 and interim 3. We anticipate that on the summative assessment student performance will increase.

For the 10th grade students there was an increase of 15% for students' overall percentage correct between interim 1 and interim 3. This increase was caused by teachers identifying the "knows" and "dos" of the standards on interim 3, consistent instructional support from the Math Coach using the Common Core Companion Guide, use of rigorous exit slips aligned to the high priority standards on interim 3, and consistent reteaching based on student performance data.

For the 9th grade student subgroups the EL students underperformed in comparison to the "all students" category. Conversely, our Students with Disabilities outperformed the general education students on interims 2 and 3. This student subgroup outperformed the overall average for questions answered correctly by 15% on interim 2. This suggests that the collaboration between the Resource teachers and general education teachers has had a positive impact on students' achievement.

Within the 10th grade all student subgroups showed growth between interim 1 and interim 3. The highest amount of growth was a 17% increase in the percent of questions answered correctly by our EL students. The largest gap in performance was with the Students with Disabilities subgroup, which performed 13% lower than the overall score on interim 3.

In response to the interim data in mathematics, we have implemented the following:

EL Specific Math Strategies-The Math Leadership team members at Simon Tech received training at the National Association of Bilingual Educators (NABE) on strategies to best support the success of EL students in Math. Starting in the spring of 2019, we piloted several strategies on our EL 9th and 10th students End of Year Summative Assessments. Based on the effectiveness of these strategies, we will determine whether or not to implement these strategies in our upper-classes.

Resource Lab Support for Students with Disabilities and Target Students-To increase student success the Resource Lab was structured to provide Math instruction that reviewed the interim data for the students enrolled in IM2. Students were given individual interventions to close as many content/skills gaps as possible. Some of the interventions were provided through online platforms such as IXL, and also students received explicit direct instruction on key concepts. Additionally, collaboration was increased to identify “bubble” students to provide the IM2 teacher additional support leading up to the summative assessment.

English Learner Assessment

Reclassification of English Learners

Reclassification

Reclassification of English Learners				
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Simon Tech	22.9%	12.8%	35.9%	24.4%
Resident School Median	7.9%	11.6%	11.1%	13.6%
LAUSD	12.1%	16.8%	20.1%	22.8%
California	11.2%	13.3%	14.6%	13.8%

Source: CA Department of Education *DataQuest* and Los Angeles Unified School District, *Data Set - November 30, 2018*

Between the 2016 and 2018 school year we have seen an overall increase in the number of our students that were reclassified. The reclassification rates from 2016-2018 were the following 22.9% (2016), 12.80% (2017), and 35.9% (2018). Our highest reclassification in the last three years occurred in 2018.

The reclassification data from 2016-2018 suggests that the impact of our EL strategies and interventions is effectively helping students obtain English language skills. In 2018 our reclassification rate increased by 23%, and this was 25% above our students’ resident school. The following actions and strategies below have attributed to this success:

ELD Coordinator-Our ELD Coordinator was consistently monitoring student data and progress. The ELD Coordinator selected small groups of students to support based on need. These individual and small group supports have successfully helped our students grow. Our ELD Coordinator also provided the staff professional development on how to best support our EL students.

Course Placement-All EL students despite grade level are dual enrolled in grade-level English as well as English Language Development. All EL students are fully integrated into grade-level English.

ELD course placement-Scholars are placed in the appropriate ELD course based on their language proficiency levels (emerging, expanding, bridging) in order to ensure that scholars are receiving the instruction and support that is appropriate for their level. This is especially important for our Long-Term English Learners (LTEL) who need additional support in rigorous reading and writing instruction and for our newcomers who need foundational language skills.

LTEL Professional Learning Community-The LTEL team developed common grammar and language acquisition practices.

9th Grade Placement-All 9th graders that were not proficient in 4 out of 4 indicators on the English Acquisition Assessment and are more than four grade levels behind in reading were assigned both Dual Language English 9 and ELD.

Fluency Intervention-After school Fluency interventions for EL students were provided by grade-level English teachers. Teachers would use course content to complete the Reading for Fluency process in small groups, focusing on vocabulary, prosody, and tone.

Our reclassification rate was strong last year, but there is still much room for growth. In order to continue to best support our students' English language acquisition we will complete the following actions:

Targeted Tutoring-Based on Lexile level data, EL students receive one-on-one support during Achieve Reading Cycles to ensure proficiency on the first read of the article. During the 2018-19 school year, 11 different EL/LTEL students participated in the program. These students were selected based on their academic needs. Targeted tutoring was offered during school hours (advisory period, once week). We utilized this period to support students' language acquisition and literacy skill development.

LTEL Support-All LTEL students are enrolled in the appropriate grade level ELD class. Fluency reading cycles using literary texts are implemented in ELD classes with LTEL students to improve their grade level fluency as ELPAC scores indicated reading proficiency as the biggest barrier to success faced by LTEL students.

Staffing-Given that our EL student population from 2016 to 2018 has consistently ranged from 15%-20%, we are committed to ensuring that students requiring English as a second language are supported by staff members with these skills. As a response to this need Simon Tech continues to work to recruit teachers who have a credential as well as bilingual or ESL endorsements (state authorization to teach EL's such as BCLAD, CLAD, SB 1969), and who not only have training in second language pedagogy but also have experience teaching second language learners and sheltered English classes.

College-Readiness Outcomes

Cohort Graduation Rate			
All Students	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Simon	98%	100%	100%
Resident Schools Median	76%	78%	79%
LAUSD	77%	76%	77%
State	84%	83%	83%
English Learners	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Simon	100%	100%	100%
LAUSD	57%	56%	55%
State	73%	67%	68%

Students with Disabilities	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Simon	100%	100%	100%
LAUSD	55%	60%	63%
State	66%	65%	66%

Source: CDE/EdSource/FCMAT *Ed-Data Education Data Partnership* and Los Angeles Unified School District, *Data Set - November 30, 2018*

Over the last three years (2016-17 to 2018-19), our high school graduation rate has increased 2% to 100% of our students graduating. The graduation rate over the last three years has been 98% (2016), 100% (2017), and 100% (2018). This means that in the last two years (2017-18 to 2018-19), all of our student subgroups have also graduated.

In comparison to the District average, Simon Tech has consistently been performing 20% above the District and around 25% higher than the resident schools in our area. These successes can be attributed to the actions that will be continued below:

Bi-Weekly Counseling Team Meetings-The principal and the counselors meet every two weeks to review student GPA data, discuss opportunities to make students more competitive for colleges/universities admissions, and further move the counseling program forward. Intervention strategies for at-risk students were also a central focus of these meetings.

High School Graduation Advisory Presentations-At the beginning of the year, every grade level receives a presentation during advisory. In this presentation, the counselor reviews high school graduation requirements and college competitiveness. Students are also given an opportunity to review their transcripts, so they are aware of their high school graduation progress and their college GPA.

Grade-level Meetings-The grade-level teams meet every 5 weeks to discuss struggling students and review grade-level GPA data. Based on this data teachers identify strategies and supports for individual students. The goal of these meetings is to make sure students do not fail their courses, and reach their full academic potential.

Consistent Access/Tracking of A-G Courses-Each student meets with their counselor at least twice during the school year to review their graduation progress and completion of their A-G courses. The counselors also notify parents of this progress. We are able to provide targeted support for students that were struggling with math classes by having them meet with the counseling intern. The counseling interns provide academic and socio-emotional services as a part of their graduation requirements through Loyola-Marymount University.

Summer School Registration-Counselors ensure students and parents are aware if the student needs to attend summer school to recover credits/classes for high school graduation. Students are notified in person and each parent receives a phone call and letter home, which provides information about summer school registration and the importance of attending summer school.

3-Week Non-Proficient (NP) Reports-Every three weeks a NP report is generated to identify the students that are failing courses. Parents are contacted and the most at-risk students have a one-on-one meeting with their counselor or a counseling intern. During the meeting students develop an action plan with their counselor to determine their next steps towards academic success. The counseling interns provide academic and socio-emotional services as a part of their graduation requirements through Loyola-Marymount University.

Apex Credit Recovery-Students that receive an NP in a class required for graduation are provided the opportunity to retake the course after school through an online program to recover credits. This coursework normally takes place 2-3 times per week depending on the content. Students are supported through this process by a credentialed teacher. The parents of students needing credit recovery are notified about this program each semester by phone and a letter is sent home.

In order to maintain a 100% high school graduation rate, we will continue the actions described above such as offering students opportunities to recover missing credits, monitoring students' academic progress, and providing students the information and skills necessary to navigate high school successfully. Our shift will be around tracking students' GPA to ensure that they are not just in position to graduate high school, but also in position to attend college. In order to continue to moving in this direction we will implement the action described below:

Student GPA Understanding and Awareness-Our staff will continue to receive extensive training on the impact of GPA on students' college success chances. It is even more important that students understand the importance of their GPA on their college acceptance opportunities. In order to increase student awareness, students have been tracking their GPA through a journal and connecting this to their college goals.

Cohort Dropout Rate			
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Simon Tech	2.3%	0.0%	0.0%
LAUSD	13.7%	12.5%	13.3%
California	9.7%	9.1%	9.6%

Source: CA Department of Education *DataQuest*

In addition to the supports described in the high school graduation summary, we have also built a robust series of academic and socio-emotional interventions. Each of these interventions provides students personalized supports such as group or individual counseling, weekly tutoring, and mentorship from a staff member or community member. These socio-emotional supports are described more in-depth in the section on suspension and expulsion data.

Graduates meeting UC/CSU Requirements

Graduates Meeting UC/CSU Requirements		
	2016-17	2017-18
Simon Tech	100%	100%
LAUSD	59.8%	61.9%
California	49.9%	49.9%

Source: CA Department of Education *DataQuest*

The academic supports provided at Simon Tech are focused not only on guaranteeing students meet the high school diploma requirements, but also ensuring students are completing the admission requirements for UCs/CSUs. One way this is accomplished is through graduation progress checks completed by our counseling team. These progress checks are one-on-one meetings that allow the counselor and student to review the students' academic progress through their transcripts and current GPA progress. The counselors are also in consistent communication with students and families about their progress and the requirements for admission to UCs and CSUs. This communication occurs through individual calls, targeted meetings, and information sessions that are structured as a part of our LCAP. In addition to this communication the counselors work with teachers and guardians to find solutions for students that are struggling. The counselors are able to identify students that are struggling through the data provided from Pinnacle and PowerSchool. These programs allow teachers, counselors, and students to collaboratively action plan to respond to areas of growth around a students' UC/CSU eligibility. For student subgroups, we also have developed the leadership capacity to directly monitor students' progress towards meeting UC/CSU requirements. Our SPED Coordinator reviews the students' with disabilities GPA data each week and communicates with students and teachers to provide additional academic support. One of our administrators (Assistant Principal) also completes a similar review of academic performance for our EL students. This student subgroup is also provided additional academic interventions based on the GPA data. Lastly, we have a robust offering of Advanced Placement, Honors, and Elective courses that students can complete to meet the UC/CSU requirements.

College Admissions Testing

SAT

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) Results - % Meeting Benchmarks				
	2016-17		2017-18	
	ELA	Math	ELA	Math
Simon Tech	32.7%	13.9%	24.5%	5.9%
LAUSD	55.7%	31.5%	55.6%	31.4%
California	72.3%	50.8%	71.0%	50.7%

Source: CA Department of Education *DataQuest*

Historically, the SAT has not been a primary instructional focus for our school and because of this students have underperformed. Additionally, we have had almost all of our juniors take the assessment each year in order to collect baseline data and provide equitable opportunities to

participate in this college-readiness benchmark. We have been transitioning to using this assessment to evaluate the impact of our instructional program on students' college-readiness. To improve our students' college-readiness as measured by the SAT we will do the following:

Study Smart Tutors-During the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years we piloted two cohorts of students for participation in test preparation courses. We will be evaluating the data to determine the effectiveness of this program. The analysis of the data includes comparing the performance of students that received the course to students that did not receive this support, and also tracking the percentage of students that met the college-readiness benchmark.

Instructional Shifts-Additionally, as we continue to improve the critical thinking components of our instructional program through complex text and conceptual Mathematics. We anticipate this will positively move student performance forward on this assessment.

ACT

ACT Results			
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
	% Scores ≥ 21	% Scores ≥ 21	% Scores ≥ 21
Simon	13.8%	8.0%	4.4%
LAUSD	31.2%	32.3%	29.5%
State	57.4%	58.1%	56.6%

Source: CA Department of Education *DataQuest*

The ACT scores at Simon Tech have fluctuated over the last few years. The ACT has not been a major focus area for our instructional program. At the completion of the 2016-2017 school year we began to shift away from using the ACT as a metric to measure students' college-readiness. Moving forward we will be focusing on the PSAT and SAT because of the critical thinking skills assessed through the SAT as well as the overlap between the SAT and SBAC assessments. Lastly, because the SAT writing components are more aligned to the writing required for students in college, we believe that we will be better able to use data from this assessment to improve our writing program.

Advanced Placement

Advanced Placement (AP) Results			
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
	% 3 or Above	% 3 or Above	% 3 or Above
Simon	19%	26%	30%
LAUSD	41%	40%	41%
State	56%	56%	58%

Source: CA Department of Education *DataQuest*

The AP passage rate decreased slightly in the 2017 school year. Since the 2015-2016 school year, we have added multiple AP courses each year.

The number of AP course offerings is broad enough to appeal to students' interests ranging from AP World History to AP Computer Science. Additionally, our AP Calculus program has been strong over the last few years with 100% of the students passing the exam in 2016. The actions below contributed to student success and will be continued to ensure we move our program forward:

Summer Vertical Alignment Workshops-Four out of the five departments met during the summer to create vertical alignment between the entry-level courses and the AP courses. The goal was to backwards map the coursework at each grade level to ensure students were prepared to pass the AP courses.

College-Board AP Trainings-All of our AP teachers have completed College Board AP Trainings. By the end of the 2018 summer, all of our AP teachers had completed at least one AP coursework training. This resource has helped teachers structure their curriculum to meet the rigor of Advanced Placement courses.

AP Summer Boot Camp and Assignments-All of the AP teachers assigned students enrolled in their courses summer course work, and three teachers held week long boot camps with their students in July of 2018.

Our overall AP passage rates are an area of improvement for the school. There are only a few courses that have had more than 20% of the students pass the exams. In order to improve our AP passage rates we have completed the following actions below:

Common Expectations for AP Courses-In the spring of 2019, all AP teachers met to develop common AP expectations. These common expectations allow for lateral and vertical alignment within all AP courses.

AP Course Interest and Selection-One of the major indications of student success on AP exams is their interest in the content. To ensure that students are taking the appropriate and high-interest AP courses, we have developed Google Forms that are used each year by the students. Students are able to sign-up for the AP courses of their choosing. After selecting their course preferences, students meet with the AP teachers to learn about their courses. Lastly, students meet with their counselors to discuss to review their preferences and determine which courses most appeal to their interests and college aspirations.

School Climate & Culture

Average Daily Attendance			
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Simon Tech	96%	95%	94%

Source: PowerSchool Attendance Reports

The Simon Tech team has implemented a variety of strategies to support students' attendance. These strategies have been centered around providing students positive incentives, addressing students' socio-emotional needs, and setting school-wide goals with all stakeholders.

The attendance rate at Simon Tech has been consistently between 94%-95%. In order to maintain our attendance rate, we completed and will continue the following actions:

Attendance Clerk-During the 2015-2016 school year we formalized the Attendance Clerk role at our school site. The Attendance Clerk collaborates with one of the administrators and our Social Worker. Most of the clerk's time is focused on daily monitoring and meeting with families of students who are chronically absent, and communicating timely with parents/families about attendance issues.

Administrator and Social Worker-Attendance-Currently, we have an administrator that works directly with our most at-risk students and families in regards to attendance. This administrator collaborates with the Social Worker to assign the appropriate supports for families and conducts home visits.

Although our attendance rate has been consistent, we have aspirational goals for students' attendance (98% Average Daily Attendance). In order to further improve our students' attendance, the following actions will be taken:

Positive Behaviors Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Launch-In 2019 we will be launching year zero of implementation for PBIS. PBIS is a series of tiered supports and reward systems focused on increasing students' positive behaviors. A component of our program will be targeting our most vulnerable students' attendance. The PBIS team will be composed of an administrator, Social Worker, Psychologist, and teaching staff.

Out-Of-School Suspension Event Percentages						
	2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	Simon	Resident	Simon	Resident	Simon	Resident
Suspensions	0.2%	1.8%	0%	0.6%	0%	0.2%

Source: Los Angeles Unified School District, *embar 13, 2018* and California Department of Education (CDE)

It is one of our core beliefs that given the appropriate supports ALL students can be successful. During the 2014-2015 school year we changed our discipline policy to Restorative Justice. This philosophy shift resulted in changes in the preventative supports we provided students, a rearrangement of the required staffing to execute these practices, and extensive training for the team members. In order to reach this achievement we completed the actions below, and these actions will be maintained moving forward.

Student Support Systems/Student Wellness Team-We have further expanded our Student Support System (RTI) to address the trauma students have experienced. These actions are grounded within our framework for restorative practices. During the summer of 2016 we hired a Social Worker to join our Mental Health Team. The Social Worker, School Psychologist, and Resource Coordinator, now work together to collect mental health data, develop counseling services based on need, conduct home visits, and provide socio-emotional support for our students. As a result of these support systems, we have not suspended a student since the conclusion of 15-16 school year, and we have seen a decrease in student discipline referrals.

Grade-Level Lead Teachers-To provide teachers additional behavioral support we have developed the Grade-Level Lead teacher (GLT) position. The GLT is the first line of support for teachers in regards to student behavior. The GLTs also facilitate grade-level meetings in preparation for Student Support and Progress Teams (SSPT), and provide ongoing professional development for classroom management.

Student Support and Progress Team Meetings-Grade-Level Teams meet twice per quarter to intervene with students underperforming academically. They gather academic data, create intervention plans for general students, and meet individually with the highest-risk students and their families to co-create an action plan that is mutually agreed upon. Those students are assigned to a teacher that will serve as their check-in coach.

Peer Jury-This program is a student-led Enrichment class, which is used as another avenue to resolve conflicts. If issues persist, behavior support meetings are held with parents and behavior contracts outline specific student expectations.

Parent Engagement & Stakeholder Satisfaction

Annual Stakeholder Satisfaction Surveys			
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Scholar Satisfaction	92%	91%	87%
Staff Satisfaction	99%	97%	93%
Parent Satisfaction	91%	86%	85%

Source: Alliance Annual Parent, Student, and Staff Satisfaction Surveys

Each year we collect stakeholder satisfaction data through multiple surveys. We analyze this data with stakeholder groups and collaboratively determine next steps. Some examples of the stakeholder groups we work with to improve Simon Tech are the Associated Student Body and Grade-Level Committees, Teacher Focus Groups, Instructional Leadership Teams, Parent Focus Groups, School Coordinating Council, and English Learner Advisory Council. Several areas of strength have emerged from this data:

Stakeholder Relationships with the Administrative Team-Throughout each of the surveys stakeholders consistently affirmed that they felt respected by the administrators, and that the administrators communicated effectively. The administrative team is a constant presence at school events and throughout the school day, focuses on building relationships with all stakeholders, creating spaces to receive feedback, and responding to concerns and challenges in a timely manner.

College-Going Culture and College Preparation-Students, parents, and staff members indicated that Simon Tech is developing a college-going culture and providing students the skills

necessary to be successful in college. Students and families receive advisory presentations on college tiers and matching, participate in multiple field trips, interact with Simon Tech alumni, and are informed about the importance of college-readiness indicators.

Recommending School to Others-An additional area of consistent strength was stakeholders recommending Simon Tech to other students or families. This can be attributed to the relationships between staff members and families, the personal attention students receive, and the family-like atmosphere of our small school.

We attribute some of our decreases in stakeholder satisfaction to staff turnover, changes in expectations from the newer leadership team, and updates to school-wide policies. As a result of stakeholder feedback, we have identified areas of growth and responded in the following ways:

Increased Extracurricular Activities-Through our partnerships with After School All-Stars (ASAS) we have been able to extend our clubs and sports offering based on student interest. This year ASAS has sponsored a career day event, college field trips, and the creation of clubs ranging from the arts to video games.

Staff Voice for Celebration and Policies-We used staff feedback to design celebratory events and redesigned uniform policies.

Supports for Parent/Guardian Involvement-After reviewing the Parent Satisfaction data and conducting a focus group in the fall of 2018, we learned that parents and families were in need of child-care and that they wanted to receive communication earlier about our parent events. Based on this feedback, we offered childcare on-site through a Childcare provider. Additionally, we provided dinner at these meetings for guardians and children.

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.

The school embraces parents as partners in the education of their children. Representatives from multiple stakeholder groups are engaged in the decision-making process at the school which includes quarterly school board meetings, monthly school coordinating council meetings and monthly town hall meetings to inform the school community, including all parents, of the academic and cultural events and successes at the school.

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 Simon Tech website with online copies of materials for parents including agendas and notes from the Simon Tech 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 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 town hall 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 town hall 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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School is an independent charter high school that serves students in grades 9-12, providing an alternative choice of quality education in the Watts community.

Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School 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. Simon Tech seeks to recruit middle and high school students in the following school communities to improve academic performance as a priority:

David Starr Jordan Senior High
Alain Leroy Locke College Preparatory Academy
Academy for Multilingual Arts and Science at Mervyn M. Dymally High
Communication and Technology at Diego Rivera Learning Complex
Diego Rivera Learning Complex Green Design STEAM Academy
Performing Arts Community at Diego Rivera Learning Complex
John C. Fremont Senior High
Public Service Community at Diego Rivera Learning Complex

Enrollment by Grade-Level

5 Year Enrollment Roll-Out Plan					
Grade	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
9	140	140	140	140	140
10	130	135	135	135	135
11	129	125	125	125	125
12	126	125	125	125	125
Total	525	525	525	525	525

Goals and Philosophy

Mission

The mission of Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech 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.

Vision

The vision of Simon Tech 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.

Simon Tech 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

Simon Tech 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 college¹. 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

¹ Doug Lemov, *Teach Like a Champion*, March 2010

classrooms, like those at Simon Tech, 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 achievement²
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 21st Century must be highly proficient in a rigorous set of competencies in language, reasoning/problem solving, reading, writing, computation, 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.³

The Simon Tech 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

² Massachusetts 2020, *More Time for Learning: Promising Practices and Lessons Learned*, 2010.

³ Douglas Kellner, *New Media and New Literacies: Reconstructing Education for the New Millennium*, UCLA, 2000

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 Simon Tech, 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.

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. 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 LCAP. As such, the LCFF table below reflects the targets available through Year 3 (2019-20).

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.

LCFF STATE PRIORITIES	
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.	<div>Related State Priorities:</div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6 </div> <div>Local Priorities:</div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/>: <input type="checkbox"/>: </div>
Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal	
<p>Action/Service 1: Continue budgeting for maintenance and repair of existing computers and classroom devices.</p> <p>Action/Service 2: Maintain extra math and ELA teaching positions (2) to reduce class size.</p> <p>Action/Service 3: Provide adequate facilities to create a safe and effective learning environment to meet the needs of all students.</p> <p>Action/Service 4: Provide adequate administrative support to ensure a safe and orderly environment that supports instruction of rigorous academic standards.</p> <p>Action/Service 5: Alliance Home Office will provide professional support services (Human Resources, IT, Fiscal Accounting, Instructional and facilities)</p> <p>Action/Service 6: Retain highly qualified teachers by providing additional compensation (stipends for extra duties). For hard-to-staff areas such as Special Ed, Math, and Science a signing bonus can be provided for year one at the school site.</p> <p>Action/Service 7: Instructional leads to support all teachers in effective content pedagogy to support all learners.</p> <p>Action/Service 8: Maintain 2 full-time custodial staff to maintain a clean and safe campus, and adequate administrative support to maintain a safe and orderly learning environment that supports rigorous instruction.</p>	
Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes	
Outcome #1: ELA, Math, and Science teachers utilize standards-aligned resources & curriculum in all A-G courses	

Metric/Method for Measuring: % of Curricular areas with standards-aligned curriculum						
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
English Learners	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
African American Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Outcome #2: 100% of teachers are effective or better per the GROW rubric						
Metric/Method for Measuring: % of Effective Teachers						
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
English Learners	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
African American Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #3: 100% of classes are outfitted for a 1 to 1 ratio of laptops per student

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of classes outfitted with a 1:1 technology ratio

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
English Learners	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
African American Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #4: Federal, state, local and organization facility inspections passed as required by law 100%.

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of facility inspections passed (Federal, state, local and organization) as required by law

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
English Learners	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
African American Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #5: 100% of teaching staff ESSA-compliant

Metric/Method for Measuring: ESSA-Compliant Teachers

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
English Learners	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
African American Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

GOAL #2

All students will have equitable access to rigorous, standards-aligned curricula and technology, assuring readiness for a full range of college and career options.

Related State Priorities:

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Local Priorities:

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Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal

Action/Service 1: Continue employing ELD teacher for more focus on English Learners and Long Term English Learners (LTEL).

Action/Service 2: Professional development to all staff regarding the English language development standards, integrated and designated ELD.

Action/Service 3: System of supports for English Learners (i.e. EL coordinator to ensure English learners are receiving access to all educational programs, Instructional assistants to support access to the core, bilingual staff and classes, additional staff for small class size, supplemental materials that support acquisition/mastery of English).

Action/Service 4: Professional development for all content teachers and leaders to improve outcomes for all students.

Action/Service 5: Continue providing year-long supports for AP students to master content. Expand support to include purchasing printed materials and digital content.

Action/Service 6: Develop individual graduation/college/career plans for all students.

Action/Service 7: Provide Summer Bridge for all incoming students to support the transition to (MS/HS), and introduces ELA/math for ensuring college-going culture.

Action/Service 8: Continue to purchase common core aligned instructional materials.

Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes

Outcome #1: AP Exam passage rate

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Passing at least one AP exam with a score of 3 or higher

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	29%	31%	33%	35%	36%	38%
English Learners	TBD	BL+2%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%	BL+9%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	TBD	BL+2%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%	BL+9%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	TBD	BL+2%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%	BL+9%
African American Students	TBD	BL+2%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%	BL+9%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	TBD	BL+2%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%	BL+9%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #2: Redesignation (reclassification) rate

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of English Learners who redesignate as Fluent English Proficient

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Learners	36%	38%	40%	42%	43%	44%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	36%	38%	40%	42%	43%	44%

Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
African American Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #3: Increased language proficiency

Metric/Method for Measuring: ELPAC language proficiency increase

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
English Learners	19%	21%	23%	25%	27%	29%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
African American Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #4: EL enrollment in A-G coursework

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of students enrolled in A-G courses

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
English Learners	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

GOAL #3	
<p>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.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Related State Priorities:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div><input type="checkbox"/> 1</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div><input type="checkbox"/> 3</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> 6</div> </div> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Local Priorities:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div><input type="checkbox"/>:</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/>:</div> </div>
Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal	
<p>Action/Service 1: Ensure a coherent system of professional development for math teachers which includes instructional strategies to support all learners and increase student achievement.</p> <p>Action/Service 2: Afterschool, Saturday workshops and/or bootcamps to support students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses.</p> <p>Action/Service 3: Professional development for counselors on college admissions with particular focus on UC and CSU systems.</p> <p>Action/Service 4: Provide a variety 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).</p> <p>Action/Service 5: Provide targeted interventions for English/Language Arts and Math (CAASPP Boot Camp and tutoring) to targeted students not meeting grade-level standards.</p> <p>Action/Service 6: Online literacy supports and Incentive-based program to encourage students to improve Lexile scores.</p> <p>Action/Service 7: Targeted curriculum/supports for English Learners (i.e. ELD program, targeted ELD tutoring for English Learners).</p> <p>Action/Service 8: Services/programs/supports for Special Education specific personnel to support students.</p> <p>Action/Service 9: Director of Instruction/Teacher coaching position with a specialty in math to coordinate math-specific professional development and provide consistent coaching support to all math teachers.</p>	
Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes	
<p>Outcome #1: CAASPP ELA</p> <p>Metric/Method for Measuring: % Meet/Exceed standard CAASPP ELA</p>	

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	63%	65%	67%	69%	71%	73%
English Learners	21%	23%	25%	27%	29%	31%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	63%	65%	67%	69%	71%	73%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	50%	52%	53%	55%	57%	59%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	63%	65%	67%	69%	71%	73%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #2:CAASPP Math

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Meet/Exceed standard

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	19%	21%	25%	28%	30%	34%
English Learners	14%	16%	18%	20%	22%	24%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	20%	22%	26%	29%	32%	34%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	0%	2%	5%	7%	9%	10%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	21%	23%	27%	30%	33%	35%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #3: Lexile level growth

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Meet/Exceed Lexile growth target

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	66%	70%	73%	77%	80%	82%
English Learners	50%	55%	60%	65%	70%	75%

Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	66%	70%	73%	77%	80%	82%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	64%	67%	70%	73%	76%	79%
African American Students	56%	61%	66%	71%	76%	79%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	68%	71%	74%	77%	79%	81%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #4: EAP College-Preparedness ELA

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of students Ready or Conditionally Ready on EAP ELA

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	63%	65%	67%	69%	71%	73%
English Learners	*	*	*	*	*	*
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	63%	65%	67%	69%	71%	73%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	50%	52%	53%	55%	57%	59%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	63%	65%	67%	69%	71%	73%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #4: EAP College-Preparedness Math

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of students Ready or Conditionally Ready on EAP Math

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	19%	21%	25%	28%	30%	34%
English Learners	*	*	*	*	*	*
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	20%	22%	26%	29%	32%	34%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	21%	23%	27%	30%	33%	35%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

GOAL #4						
All students will be provided a safe, and healthy learning environment to achieve social, emotional and academic success.	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; padding-bottom: 5px;"> Related State Priorities: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8 </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 </div> </div> <div style="padding-top: 5px;"> Local Priorities: <input type="checkbox"/>: <input type="checkbox"/>: </div>					
Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal						
Action/Service 1: Employ full time Behavior Support team to focus on alternatives to suspension. Action/Service 2: System of awards and incentives for students who meet established goals in the area of academic achievement. Action/Service 3: Professional development for staff on strategies to prevent bullying and provide opportunities for students to engage in activities focused on bullying-prevention (i.e. counseling presentations, peer mediation/conflict resolution, schoolwide assemblies, grade-level assemblies). Action/Service 4: Transportation stipend for social worker doing home visits and teachers driving students to school on attendance contracts. Action/Service 5: Provide adequate resources and services to maintain and operate the physical plant.						
Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes						
Outcome #1: Graduation rate Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of students graduating						
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
English Learners	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #2: Dropout rate

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of students that dropout

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	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #3: Suspension rate

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of students that are suspended

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	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
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	*	*	*	*	*	*
Outcome #4: Expulsion rate						
Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of students that are expelled						
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	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
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	*	*	*	*	*	*
Outcome #5: 4-Year College acceptance rate						
Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of students accepted to a 4-year college						
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	78%	79%	80%	82%	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	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

GOAL #5						
Provide meaningful involvement opportunities for all parents that support student success in becoming college and career ready.	<div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; padding-bottom: 5px;"> Related State Priorities: <div style="display: flex; flex-wrap: wrap;"> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> 1</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> 4</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> 7</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> 2</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> 5</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> 8</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> 6</div> </div> </div> <div style="padding-top: 5px;"> Local Priorities: <input type="checkbox"/> : <input type="checkbox"/> : </div>					
Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal						
Action/Service 1: Continue employing full time Bilingual Parent Coordinator. Action/Service 2: Continue advertising in English and Spanish parent events, workshops, Town Hall meetings, conferences, and other volunteer opportunities through Teleparent, School Website, and Flyers. Provide all meeting materials in English and Spanish. Purchase electronic message board. Action/Service 3: Continue budgeting for parent recognition. Action/Service 4: Continue efforts to identify and purchase parent enrichment workshops. Action/Service 5: Continue providing transportation for parents to attend school related off campus events and expand opportunities to include college campus tours. Action/Service 6: Increase efforts to obtain parent suggestions and participation throughout the school year. Action/Service 7: Maintain Coffee with the Counselors, Dean and Administrators events.						
Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes						
Outcome #1: Parent Satisfaction Survey Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of parents completing the Satisfaction Survey with a rating of 3 or 4.						
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	93%	94%	95%	96%	97%	98%
English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

Outcome #2: Parent attendance at Parent Engagement events**Metric/Method for Measuring:** % Of parents attending 2 or more parent engagement events

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	20%	25%	30%	35%	37%	40%
English Learners	20%	25%	30%	35%	37%	40%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	20%	25%	30%	35%	37%	40%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	20%	25%	30%	35%	37%	40%
African American Students	20%	25%	30%	35%	37%	40%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	20%	25%	30%	35%	37%	40%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

GOAL #_6__

All students will be provided an engaging learning environment that will support rigorous learning opportunities.

Related State Priorities:

- ☐ 1 ☐ 4 ☒ 7
☐ 2 ☒ 5 ☐ 8
☐ 3 ☐ 6

Local Priorities:

- ☐:
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Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal

Action/Service 1: Continue to maintain a focus on regular school attendance through attendance clerks and staff; daily monitoring and meeting with families of students who are chronically absent; timely communication with parents about attendance issues.

Action/Service 2: Access to online content for credit recovery throughout the school year and during summer break as needed.

Action/Service 3: Provide monthly and annual incentives for student attendance.

Action/Service 4: Provide life and study skills training for all students in grades 9-12, such as: relationship building; completing tax forms; job applications; internship opportunities.

Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes

Outcome #1: Attendance rate**Metric/Method for Measuring:** Daily attendance rate

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	94%	95%	95.5%	96%	96.5%	97%
English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes**Outcome #2: Chronic Absenteeism****Metric/Method for Measuring:** Chronic Absenteeism rate

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	12.2%	10%	9%	9.5%	8%	7%
English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes

Outcome #3: Graduation rate**Metric/Method for Measuring:** % Of students graduating

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
English Learners	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

GOAL #7

All students will have the opportunity to experience a range of courses that support career and college readiness.

Related State Priorities:

- ☐ 1 ☐ 4 x 7
☐ 2 ☐ 5 x 8
☐ 3 ☐ 6

Local Priorities:

- ☐:
☐:

Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal

Action/Service 1: Provide a tutoring program across all curricular areas.

Action/Service 2: Continue to provide a wide range of academic options such as Advanced Placement, Honors; provide the necessary support tools such as software/online subscriptions to promote success, and ensure teachers receive AP professional development.

Action/Service 3: Provide students with access to college courses at local educational institutions, through online courses, and support students as they transition to college.

Action/Service 4: Expenditures for college courses.

Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes

Outcome #1: AP Passage rates**Metric/Method for Measuring:** % Of students that will pass at least one AP exam with a score of 3 or higher

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	29%	31%	33%	35%	36%	38%
English Learners	TBD	BL+2%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%	BL+9%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	TBD	BL+2%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%	BL+9%
African American Students	TBD	BL+2%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%	BL+9%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	TBD	BL+2%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%	BL+9%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes**Outcome #2: Dual Enrollment completion****Metric/Method for Measuring:** # Of students completing dual enrollment courses

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	51	60	65	70	75	80
English Learners	TBD	BL+5%	BL+10%	BL+15%	BL+20%	BL+25%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	TBD	BL+5%	BL+10%	BL+15%	BL+20%	BL+25%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	TBD	BL+5%	BL+10%	BL+15%	BL+20%	BL+25%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	TBD	BL+5%	BL+10%	BL+15%	BL+20%	BL+25%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes						
Outcome #3: Four-year college acceptance						
Metric/Method for Measuring: 4-Year college acceptance rate						
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	78%	79%	80%	82%	84%	85%
English Learners	TBD	BL+2%	BL+3%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	TBD	BL+2%	BL+3%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	TBD	BL+2%	BL+3%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%
American Indian/Alaska Native Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Asian Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Filipino Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latino Students	TBD	BL+2%	BL+3%	BL+4%	BL+6%	BL+7%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Students	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students of Two or More Races	*	*	*	*	*	*
White Students	*	*	*	*	*	*

GOAL #8						
All staff and students will be provided a school environment of hope and resilience through extensive culture building and extracurricular opportunities.	Related State Priorities:					
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 7			
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8			
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6				
Local Priorities:						
<input type="checkbox"/> :Hope and well-being survey						
<input type="checkbox"/> :						
Specific Annual Actions to Achieve Goal						
Action/Service 1: Cultural and celebratory events to boost staff and student morale.						
Action/Service 2: Hope/well-being data collection and monitoring system.						
Action/Service 3: Create intervention groups for students with specialized social/emotional needs.						
Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes						
Outcome #1:Staff Satisfaction Survey						
Metric/Method for Measuring:% Of staff highly-satisfied						
APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	94%	95%	96%	97%	98%	99%

English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes

Outcome #2: Student Satisfaction Survey

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of students highly-satisfied

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	32%	37%	40%	43%	47%	50%
English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

Expected Annual Measurable Outcomes

Outcome #3: Hope and Well-Being-Stakeholders with high hope levels

Metric/Method for Measuring: % Of stakeholders with high hope levels

APPLICABLE STUDENT GROUPS	Baseline	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
All Students (Schoolwide)	61%	66%	70%	72%	75%	80%

English Learners	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Socioecon. Disadv./Low Income Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foster Youth	*	*	*	*	*	*
Students with Disabilities	*	*	*	*	*	*
African American Students	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
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	*	*	*	*	*	*

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.	This goal is supported by actions and services such as teacher and administrator salaries, technology and facilities maintenance, Home Office professional support services, and curriculum. By hiring high-quality teachers coupled with a supportive administrative team, and challenging curriculum, we are creating the conditions for students to be successful through college. We are hoping to instill a desire for students to learn throughout their lives, and this love of learning should assist students in reaching college success. These actions and services support Alliance's core values of <i>High Expectations for All Students</i> and <i>Highly Qualified Educators</i> . The impact of this work has led to the majority of teachers

	<p>performing at a highly-effective level per our teacher effectiveness rubric, all of our classrooms being equipped with a 1:1 student to laptop ratio, and our facilities being compliant with federal and state requirements.</p>
<p>Goal 2: All students will have equitable access to rigorous, standards-aligned curricula and technology, assuring readiness for a full range of college and career options.</p>	<p>One of Simon Tech's core values is to provide all students an equitable educational experience, particularly our most vulnerable populations. By starting with the most vulnerable students in mind first, we are able to allocate the appropriate support services for students to enjoy learning and develop academic competencies. As a part of the implementation of this goal, we have completed actions and services like supporting EL students through an ELD teacher, EL-specific instructional aides, and professional development for staff members with targeted strategies for EL students. The results of these actions and services have been a 36% reclassification rate and 100% of EL students being enrolled in A-G courses. These actions highlight the Alliance core values of <i>Highly Qualified Educators</i> that are equipped with the tools to support historically underserved students.</p>
<p>Goal 3: 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.</p>	<p>The focus of Simon Tech's mission is to help students develop the academic and socio-emotional skills to be successful through college graduation. We are accomplishing this goal through actions and services such as professional development for Math teachers, opportunities for students to receive tutoring and support outside of the school day, targeted support for Students with Disabilities, reading support programs, and college exposure (dual enrollment, test preparation, and college visits). These actions and services have increased student performance on the CAASPP, driven over 70% of our students to meet or exceed their</p>

	<p>Lexile growth targets, and supported our most vulnerable students' performance on CAASPP. These actions and services are aligned to the Alliance core values <i>High Expectations for All Students</i> and <i>Highly Qualified Educators</i>, as we are providing teachers the professional development in the highest need areas, and hiring the correct personnel to support our most vulnerable students reach high expectations.</p>
<p>Goal 4: All students will be provided a safe, and healthy learning environment to achieve social, emotional and academic success.</p>	<p>Due to the environmental factors that impact our school community, we have had to develop behavioral supports to respond to students' traumas and socio-emotional well-being. The actions and services to support this goal range from the Behavior Support Team (Social Worker, School Psychologist, and SPED Coordinator) to positive incentives for students that meet behavioral goals. These actions and services have decreased our suspension and expulsion rates (0%) and increased graduation rates (100%). Much of this work is aligned to the Alliance core value of <i>Small Personalized Learning Environments</i>, because students' socio-emotional learning is dependent on the relationships between students and staff members.</p>
<p>Goal 5: Provide meaningful involvement opportunities for all parents that support student success in becoming college and career ready.</p>	<p>Parental and family support of students, is one of the key factors impacting student success. In order to build this partnership and accomplish this goal, we have implemented actions and services such as employing a full-time Bilingual Parent Coordinator, provided funding for parent recognition, and allocated funds for transportation for events like college tours. The impact of these actions and services have been increases in parent/guardian attendance at Town Hall events and increases in the Parent Satisfaction rates on our stakeholder survey. These actions and</p>

	<p>services are aligned to the Alliance core value of <i>Parents as Partners</i> because the different trainings we offer strengthen the relationship between the school and the families. We have provided parents trainings such as technology classes, sex and health education, and learning how to navigate the FAFSA process.</p>
<p>Goal 6: All students will be provided an engaging learning environment that will support rigorous learning opportunities.</p>	<p>The purpose of this goal is two-fold; ensuring students attend school and that they are on track to graduate high school. The actions and services implemented to support this goal are providing students online credit recovery courses, offering students attendance incentives, and the employment of staff members to monitor students' attendance. The results of these actions and services have been a 100% graduation rate for the last three years and an average attendance rate of 94%. There is a clear connection between the actions and services with this goal and the Alliance core value of <i>High Expectations for All Students</i> because students are provided proper supports academically and emotionally in order to attend school and be on track to graduate high school.</p>
<p>Goal 7: All students will have the opportunity to experience a range of courses that support career and college readiness.</p>	<p>The purpose of this goal is to ensure that students receive the academic tutoring and dual enrollment opportunities to be successful in college. This goal is supported by actions and services like offering tutoring for general and Advanced Placement courses and paying for the expenditures for dual enrollment courses. These actions and services have increased our acceptance rates to 4-year universities (78%) and the amount of students completing dual enrollment courses in the 18-19 school year. This goal is representative of the Alliance core value of <i>High Expectations for All Students</i> as we are exposing students to the skills needed for college success, while they are enrolled in high school.</p>

Goal 8: All staff and students will be provided a school environment of hope and resilience through extensive culture building and extracurricular opportunities.	The purpose of this goal is to create a school culture that fully supports the emotional well-being of all stakeholders, celebrates cultural awareness, and provides specialized supports for at-risk students. The actions and services connected to this goal are the creation of intervention groups for our most vulnerable populations, and funding for cultural and celebratory events to boost morale for staff and students. The impact of these actions and services have been increases in the amount of students reporting that they are highly-satisfied with the school and positive growth with students' hope levels through our internal survey. The actions and services are aligned to the Alliance core value of a <i>Small Personalized Learning Environment</i> because of the positive impact on the relationships between all stakeholders in the school community.
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Instructional Design

Curriculum and Instruction

The educational model for curriculum and instruction at Simon Tech is guided by our key program elements, our beliefs about how learning best occurs and by ⁴ 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 Simon Tech'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 Simon Tech. 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, Simon Tech employs a standards-aligned curriculum that prepares students to excel academically, with increased focus on Math and English scores. Research from ACT's

⁴G. Sue Shannon, *Nine Characteristics of High Performing High Schools*, 2001

seminal study⁵ 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^{6,7,8}.

Given this strong body of research, Simon Tech 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 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 Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), as well as the ELD Standards/Framework⁹.

Simon Tech 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^{10,11} 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 Simon Tech'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 CCSS instructional shifts in English Language Arts, a variety of genres and text types are used, with the majority of

⁵ ACT (2006). Reading between the lines: What the ACT reveals about college readiness in reading. Iowa City, IA

⁶ 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), 363

⁷ 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

⁸ 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.

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

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

¹¹ https://www.brookings.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/0410_curriculum_chingos_whitehurst.pdf

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:

Simon Tech 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									
	Subject(s)					Grade Level			
Publisher	Math	English	Science	Social Studies	English Language Development	9	10	11	12
Achieve 3000		X				X	X	X	X
NewsELA		X					X	X	X

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
Math	9, 10, 11	Integrated Math 1, 2, and 3	CPM
English	9, 10, 11, 12	CA Collections	HMH
AP Biology	9	Principles of Life, Second Edition with Launch Pad Access	MacMillan Learning
AP World History	10	Ways of the World Third Edition	MacMillan Learning
ELD	9, 10, 11	English 3D Issues Course II	English 3D
AP US History	11	Give me Liberty! An American History AP Edition	W. W. Norton & Company
Spanish 1-3	9,10, 11, 12	Descubre 2017 Level 1, Descubre 2017 Level 2, Descubre 2017 Level 3	Vista Higher Learning
AP Psychology	10, 11, 12	Psychology, 12th ed.	Worth Publishing, 2017).

Textbooks			
Subject	Grade(s)	Title	Publisher
Chemistry	10,11,12	CA NGSS Science Textbook Experience High School Chemistry in the Earth Course	Discovery Education

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 Simon Tech. Those with an asterisk indicate courses which meet A-G and graduation requirements.

Comprehensive Course List								
Subject Area	9 th Grade		10 th Grade		11 th Grade		12 th Grade	
	1 st Semester	2 nd Semester	1 st Semester	2 nd Semester	1 st Semester	2 nd Semester	1 st Semester	2 nd Semester
English/ Language Arts (4 years required – 40 credits)	*CC English 9A	*CC English 9B	*CC English 10A	*CC English 10B	*CC English 11A	*CC English 11B	*CC English 12A	*CC English 12B
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	Resource Lab A	Resource Lab B	Resource Lab A	Resource Lab B	Resource Lab A	Resource Lab B	Resource Lab A	Resource Lab 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 *Statistics A	*CC Integrated Math 3B *Pre-Calculus B *Statistics B	*AP Calculus A *Pre-Calculus A *Statistics A	*AP Calculus B *Pre-Calculus B *Statistics B
History/Social Science (2 years required – 20 credits)			*World History A *AP World History A	*World History B *AP World History B	*US History A *AP US History A	*US History B *AP 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 *Anatomy and Physiology A	*Chemistry in the Earth Systems B *Anatomy and Physiology B	*Physics of the Universe A *AP Biology A *AP Physics A *AP Chemistry A	*Physics of the Universe B *AP Biology B *AP Physics B *AP Chemistry B	*Physics of the Universe A *STEM Applied Science and Engineering A *AP Biology A *AP Physics A *AP Chemistry A	*Physics of the Universe B *STEM Applied Science and Engineering B *AP Biology B *AP Physics B *AP Chemistry B
Visual & Performing Arts (1 year required – 10 credits)	*Commercial Art A	*Commercial Art B	*Commercial Art A	*Commercial Art B	*AP Studio Art A *Commercial Art A	*AP Studio Art B *Commercial Art B	*AP Studio Art A *Commercial Art A	*AP Studio Art B *Commercial Art B

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May not be offered online					Yearbook A	Yearbook B	Yearbook A	Yearbook B
Language Other Than English (2 years required – 20 credits)	*Spanish Native Speakers 1A	*Spanish Native Speakers 1B	*AP Spanish Language A	*AP Spanish Language B	*AP Spanish Language A	*AP Spanish Language B	*AP Spanish Language A	*AP Spanish Language B
	*Spanish 1A	*Spanish 1B	*Spanish Native Speakers 1A	*Spanish Native Speakers 1B	*Spanish Native Speakers 2A	*Spanish Native Speakers 2B	*AP Spanish Literature A	*AP Spanish Literature B
	*Spanish Native Speakers 2A	*Spanish Native Speakers 2B	*Spanish 1A	*Spanish 1B	*Spanish 2A	*Spanish 2B	*Spanish 3A Native Speakers	*Spanish 3B Native Speakers
	*Spanish 2A	*Spanish 2B	*Spanish Native Speakers 2A	*Spanish Native Speakers 2B	*Spanish 3A Native Speakers	*Spanish 3B Native Speakers	*Spanish 3A	*Spanish 3B
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	*Introduction to Kinesiology A	*Introduction to Kinesiology B	*Introduction to Kinesiology A	*Introduction to Kinesiology B	*AP Computer Science A	*AP Computer Science B	*AP Computer Science A	*AP Computer Science B
	*Exploring Computer Science A	*Exploring Computer Science B	*AP Computer Science Principles A	*AP Computer Science Principles B	*AP Computer Science Principles A	*AP Computer Science Principles B	*AP Computer Science Principles A	*AP Computer Science Principles B
	*Drama A	*Drama B	*Drama A	*Drama B	*Exploring Computer Science A	*Exploring Computer Science B	*Exploring Computer Science A	*Exploring Computer Science B
	CC Integrated Math 1 Support A	CC Integrated Math 1 Support B	*Exploring Computer Science A	*Exploring Computer Science B	*Sociology A	*Sociology B	*Sociology A	*Sociology B
	*Human Geography 1A	*Human Geography 1B			*Criminal Justice A	*Criminal Justice B	*Criminal Justice A	*Criminal Justice B
							*Leadership A	*Leadership B

* 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:

- **College-Readiness**-Beginning in 2017, we have shifted our focus to move beyond just college-readiness to college graduation. To address the college-

readiness component of our program we have continued to offer ACT tutoring through Study Smart Tutors to 11th and 12th grade students, offered a robust selection of AP course offerings, and provided CAASPP success supports such as Boot Camps. In order to increase students' success through college, we have expanded our dual enrollment and internship programs to develop students' confidence and the real-world experiences to navigate college and career settings. Currently students take college courses at ELAC, WLAC, LATTTC, LACC, and Los Angeles Southwest College. Our Student Transition Coordinator has also strengthened our students' college persistence by working with alumni to support them as they navigate college matriculation.

- **Parents as Partners**-Authentic and meaningful guardian involvement and community engagement are critical factors for student success at Simon Tech. Parents/guardians are valuable stakeholders and are given the voice to contribute to our school's decision-making process through our Town Hall Meetings, Parent Academies, School Coordinating Council, and School Board of Directors. Parents/guardians were able to receive adult education courses in health education, reading, English, and computer courses through Los Angeles Trade Technical College. Our program parent program is also a space for grassroots community action. Given the current political climate, we have expanded our community program to include immigrant advocacy/rights, charter school advocacy, health fairs, and community beautification projects. Our goal is to collaboratively improve the school and community *with* our students' families.

- **Blended Learning**-All students have access to laptops in their courses at a 1:1 ratio. The implementation of blended learning has expanded to a variety of online programs to support student learning such as Kahoot, Achieve 3000, Apex, Khan Academy, Versal, Socrative, RevPrep K12, Kudo, and Duo Lingo. Students also are able to use technology to create and have the opportunity to do this through platforms like Scratch, Java, Weebly, and Google Apps. Starting in 2017, we developed a Computer Science program that includes AP course work. This purposeful integration of technology prepares students to participate in the global economy.

- **Literacy Focus**- In 2015, we started a four year partnership with CSU-Dominguez Hills. Through this grant we received professional development based on our school's most critical need, the development of literacy skills in adolescent readers. We have been able to include research-based instructional strategies from *Visible Learning*, and structure our Professional Learning Communities to implement collaborative strategies from *The Adaptive School*. All of these trainings have been codified as a part of our instructional practices and structures. Our focus on literacy has deepened to include teaching complex text in all literacy-based content areas. Teaching students to navigate complex text will assist students in meeting the challenge of CAASPP and college-level text.

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

Simon Tech 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.

Simon Tech 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 21st 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.¹² 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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School 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
(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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School 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.
- Starting with the class of 2012, UC’s undergraduate admissions requirements mandate students complete 11 out of 15 A-G courses by the end of the 11th grade.

¹² US Department of Education, *Evaluation of Evidence-Based Practices in Online Learning*, 2010

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 during 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 4th year, are welcomed to attend a 5th 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 9th, 10th and 11th 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 11th grade.

Finally, Simon Tech 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 different AP courses. All AP teachers have been certified to teach the course and develop curricula that meets the needs of their students. In addition, during the 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

Simon Tech is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges through June 30, 2023.

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

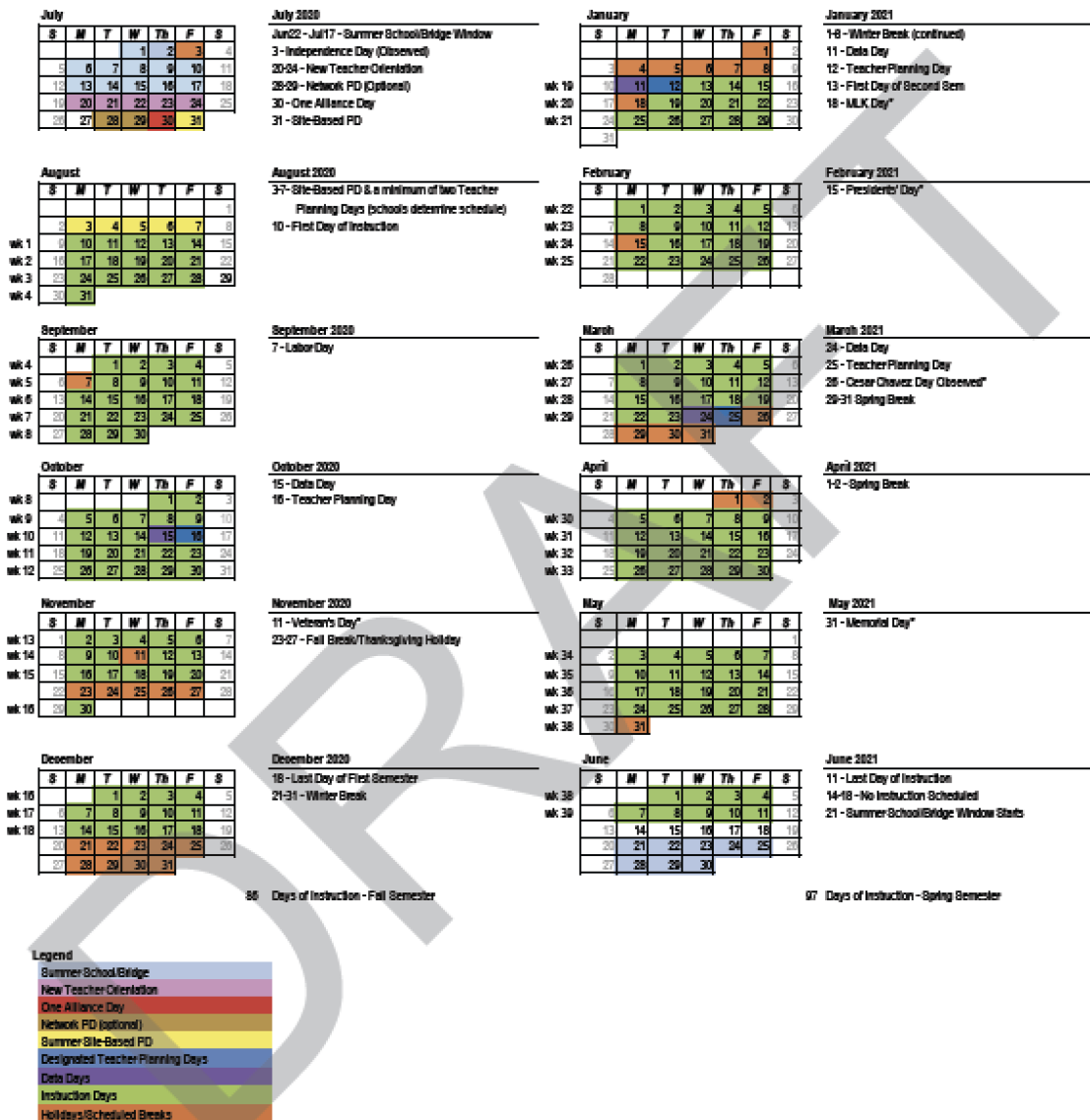
All A-G courses are transferable to other public schools, and meet the rigorous requirements for admission to both the UC and state university systems. Parents receive notification of course transferability in student recruitment and student enrollment materials, which are available in both English and Spanish. Simon Tech college counselors also work closely with students and families to ensure that they are well aware of the 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.



School Calendar 2020-21



Bell Schedules

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

2019-20 Regular Day

Mondays/Thursdays (Odd Periods) Tuesdays/Fridays (Even Periods)	Start and End Times	Instructional Minutes
Period 1/2	7:45AM-9:45AM	120 minutes
Nutrition	9:45AM-10:05AM	20 minutes
Advisory	10:10AM-10:50AM	40 minutes
Period 3/4	10:55AM-12:55PM	120 minutes
Lunch	12:55PM-1:25PM	30 minutes
Period 5/6	1:30PM-3:30PM	120 minutes

2019-20 Early Dismissal Day

Wednesdays	Start and End Times	Instructional Minutes
Period 1	7:45AM-8:35AM	50 minutes
Period 2	8:38AM-9:28AM	50 minutes
Period 3	9:31AM-10:21AM	50 minutes
Period 4	10:24AM-11:14AM	50 minutes
Lunch	11:14AM-11:44AM	30 minutes
Period 5	11:47AM-12:37PM	50 minutes
Period 6	12:40PM-1:30PM	50 minutes

2019-20 Wednesday (Short Week – even OR odd classes)

Mondays/Thursdays (Odd Periods) Tuesdays/Fridays (Even Periods)	Start and End Times	Instructional Minutes
Period 1/2	7:45AM-9:28AM	103 minutes
Period 3/4	9:31AM-11:14AM	103 minutes
Lunch	11:14AM-11:44AM	30 minutes
Period 5/6	11:47AM-1:30PM	103 minutes

Sample Daily Student Course Schedules

9th Grade

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

10th Grade

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

11th Grade

Advisory	
Period 1 / 2	Period 1 Exploring Computer Science / Period 2 CC English 11
Period 3 / 4	Period 3 Physics of the Universe/ Period 4 CC Integrated Math 3/Period 4 ELD
Period 5 / 6	Period 5 United States History/ Period 6 Spanish 3

12th Grade

Advisory	
Period 1 / 2	Period 1 Pre-Calculus/ Period 2 Commercial 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 AP Spanish Literature/Period 6 ELD

Instructional Days and Minutes Calculator

Grades	Grades Offered	Number of Regular Days	Number of Instr. Minutes Per Regular Day	Number of Early Dismissal Days	Number of Instr. Minutes Per Early Dismissal Day	Number of Minimum Days	Number of Instr. Minutes Per Minimum Day	Number of [Other] Days	Number of Instr. Minutes Per [Other] Day	Total Number of Instr. Days	Minutes Req'd Per State Law	Total Number of Instr. Minutes	Number of Instr. Minutes Above/Below State 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	No									0	54000	0	-54000
7	No									0	54000	0	-54000
8	No									0	54000	0	-54000
9	Yes	137	400	46	300	0	0	0	0	183	64800	68600	3800
10	Yes	137	400	46	300	0	0	0	0	183	64800	68600	3800
11	Yes	137	400	46	300	0	0	0	0	183	64800	68600	3800
12	Yes	137	400	46	300	0	0	0	0	183	64800	68600	3800

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. Simon Tech, 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	Topic
August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Culture Teams and Logistics • Instructional Focus Teams • Grade-Level Teams • Teacher Planning and Professional Learning Community Meetings
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Culture Teams and Logistics • Instructional Focus Teams • Grade-Level Teams • SSTs
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim 1 Scoring and Analysis • Teacher Planning and Professional Learning Community Meetings • Instructional Focus Teams • Grade-Level Teams
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructional Focus Teams • Grade-Level Teams
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim 2 Scoring and Analysis • SSTs

SPRING SEMESTER	
Month	Topic
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Culture Teams and Logistics • Instructional Focus Teams
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructional Focus Teams • Grade-Level Teams • Teacher Planning and Professional Learning Community Meetings
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim 3 Scoring and Analysis • Instructional Focus Teams • Grade-Level Teams • SSTs
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructional Focus Teams • Grade-Level Teams • Teacher Planning and Professional Learning Community Meetings
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Culture Teams and Logistics • SSTs • State Testing Protocols and Trainings
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of Year Reflections • Teacher Planning and Professional Learning Community Meetings

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

Simon Tech 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, Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech 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
3. 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

Simon Tech 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, parent meetings, etc.

Staffing EL Programs

Recruiting, developing, and retaining excellent educators is essential to the success of our EL scholars. Simon Tech 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."^[1] 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																		
Definition: Scholars without an IEP	Definition: Scholars with an IEP who are designated to take CAASPP	Definition: Scholars who are on the alternate curriculum and designated to take CAA, per their IEP																		
1. Assessment of Language Proficiency: ELPAC : Score of 4	1. Assessment of Language Proficiency: ELPAC : Score of 3 or 4	1. Assessment of Language Proficiency: VCCALPS : Score of Basic or higher																		
2. Teacher Evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELA Grade of C (2.0) or higher (Fall Reclass Cycle – semester 1 or 2 of 2019-2020 school year Spring Reclass Cycle – Semester 1 (Fall 2020) 	2. Teacher Evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELA Grade of C (2.0) or higher (Fall Reclass Cycle – semester 1 or 2 of 2019-2020 school year Spring Reclass Cycle – Semester 1 (Fall 2020) 	2. Teacher Evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher Recommendation 																		
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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)	4. Parent Opinion and Consultation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent must participate in IEP meeting • Parent must sign IEP • 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) 																		

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 Simon Tech 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). Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech'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)		
<i>EL Program Goal</i>	<i>Evaluation Questions</i>	<i>Measures/Scores</i>
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 style="list-style-type: none"> Master Schedule Observations of Home Language Survey administration and communications Staff Moodle Training Initial ELPAC EL Passports Student Schedules
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 style="list-style-type: none"> Referrals Student Support and Progress Team (SSPT) documentation IEP review

English Language Development Program Goals, Evaluation Questions & Measures (by Goal)		
<i>EL Program Goal</i>	<i>Evaluation Questions</i>	<i>Measures/Scores</i>
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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Grow Observation Rubric • Classroom Walkthrough tool • Curriculum Review • IP Documents • Student work analysis
High quality integrated ELD content instruction is provided	a. To what extent are ELs provided with differentiated supports in academic content areas?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grow Observation Rubric • Classroom Walkthrough • ELD PD presentations and sign-in • IP Documents • Student work analysis
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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment in AP and Honors • Pass rates in AP and • Early college courses • College information/data: applications, enrollment without remediation, and completion data
Parent outreach is consistent, culturally sensitive and communication is available in the home language	a. What types of orientation and training opportunities are parents offered? b. What measures are used to ensure that parents of ELs are knowledgeable about EL program placement and their academic progress? c. To what extent are parents participating in and consistently supporting students' academic development? d. What evidence is there that suggests that ELAC recommendations are implemented at the school?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent orientations/trainings offered and attended regarding <i>English Learner Master Plan</i>, EL instructional program options, advanced academic opportunities • ELAC agendas, sign-in and needs assessment • Parent Satisfaction surveys

English Language Development Program Goals, Evaluation Questions & Measures (by Goal)		
<i>EL Program Goal</i>	<i>Evaluation Questions</i>	<i>Measures/Scores</i>
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 style="list-style-type: none"> Reclassification rates Lexile growth averages for ELs ELA CAASPP
School and classroom environments are safe and positive.	a. Does the school have a welcoming school climate for ELs? b. Does the school provide EL parents with a welcoming tool-kit? c. Are classrooms reflective of the culturally diverse students it serves?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom walkthrough tool Student satisfaction survey Parent satisfaction survey

[1] "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, Simon Tech will not offer a formal, separate gifted and talented program. Instead Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech 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, Simon Tech 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, approximately 97% of the students enrolled at Simon Tech have qualified for this program. As such, the overwhelming majority of all students enrolled at Simon Tech 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 SED/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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School”

A visitor to Simon Tech will be able to observe and experience the school’s mission, core beliefs, and values in practice on a typical day by “shadowing” any randomly selected student. Students arrive by 7:30 a.m., all in compliance with the school’s dress-code. Scholars come from various directions with most students walking to school from a close by neighborhood, commuting on the dash and metro, and some students are dropped off by parents.

The office staff and school administrators greet and supervise students as they arrive. Students gather on campus in a safe, calm, welcoming atmosphere that reflects the diversity of the community and the school’s focus on community transformation through college success. Starting at 7:30 qualified scholars have the opportunity to participate in the nutrition meal 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 their first 112 minute instructional period of the day.

As students transition to their first period of the day scholars are exposed to a college-going culture as college pennants or bulletin boards are displayed throughout the hallways and classrooms. Teachers also have a college wall present in their classroom with information about the colleges they attended.

On regular schedule days, students are seated in their classrooms ready to begin their first period by 8:04 a.m. During a typical block period, scholars experience an average class size of around 25 students. Class-sizes are kept small purposefully to promote positive relationship development amongst students and staff members. 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 by an office team member. 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 impactful and effective instruction facilitated through the use of a variety of instructional materials, department-wide and school-wide strategies and best-practices. During instruction scholars are engaged in learning through reading complex text, writing tasks, engaging discussions, completing challenging Math tasks, collaborative work, explicit direct instruction, and project-based learning. Before the lesson teachers have identified possible student errors and misconceptions, planned supports to access grade-level content, written exemplar responses to tasks in order to ensure that all scholars are moving towards mastery of the standards. This type of planning leads to effective and consistent checks for understanding of student work and responses that will support possible readjustments of instruction or the re-teaching of key concepts. A further layer to this planning is the intentional incorporation of supports and differentiated instructional strategies for English Language Learners and Students with Disabilities. Additionally, technology is purposefully integrated in many classes through the one to one technology initiative. Scholars are in A-G, Advanced Placement, and Honor courses as well as academic electives that provide intervention to accelerate learning for students underperforming and enrichment for students exceeding the standard. At the end of the period students will transition to their next class period with a 4-minute passing period.

At the conclusion of two periods scholars will participate in a 32-minute advisory period or lunch. 9th-10th grade students participate in the first lunch, while the 11th-12th grade students are in their advisory classes. The grade-levels then switch between lunch and advisory when the bell rings. Advisory teachers and their small group of advisees are grouped together in 9th grade and stay together until graduation. The teacher serves as the scholars’ advisor for their entire high school experience so that scholars are connected to a consistent adult for guidance with studies, student relationships, and planning for college. The advisory course serves multiple purposes. Firstly, the program 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, discussions, or advisory competition games. The second purpose of advisory is to increase students’ awareness about

college expectations and policies. Students create Dream Boards about their college aspirations, complete virtual tours of colleges, and receive college presentations. Lastly, twice a week, advisory is used as a space for a literacy intervention with the Achieve 3000 programs. The 4 years of advisory concludes with the advisory teachers getting the joy of reading their students' names as they receive their diplomas.

After the advisory period students transition to their last period of the day. At the closure of the Quiet Block students begin the instructional activities.

When the final bell rings students calmly exit the campus and return to their homes. Scholars that stay on campus have the opportunity to participate in tutoring based on their individual needs. There are also a variety of clubs for students to participate in such as a Black Student Union, video games, Art, and music production. Scholars can also be observed practicing with their different sports teams like basketball, soccer, and flag football. All scholars are encouraged to participate in these activities to build an effective college resume.

Any Simon Tech student will proudly be able to explain the school's mission and desired community impact. Most Simon Tech 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

Simon Tech 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, Simon Tech will employ high-quality, purposeful, actionable and strategically-sequenced assessments for learning and of learning.

Using the Common Core and CA Standards where applicable, Simon Tech 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, Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech 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	Grade 9, 10, 11, 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

Assessment Type	Frequency	Grades/Content	Description
			performance on reading comprehension skills.
Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments	1x per year	Grade 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 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 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

Simon Tech tests independently of LAUSD. Assessments and standardized testing of Students with Disabilities is conducted using state and District guidelines for modifications and adaptations.

The assessment structure includes, in addition to other standards-based and performance-based 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 Simon Tech 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

Simon Tech 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

Simon Tech 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.¹³

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.

¹³The 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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School 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-to-day 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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School 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 interest¹⁴, (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 quorum 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

¹⁴ To clarify, any such approval must otherwise be consistent with all applicable conflict of interest and ethics requirements.

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 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.

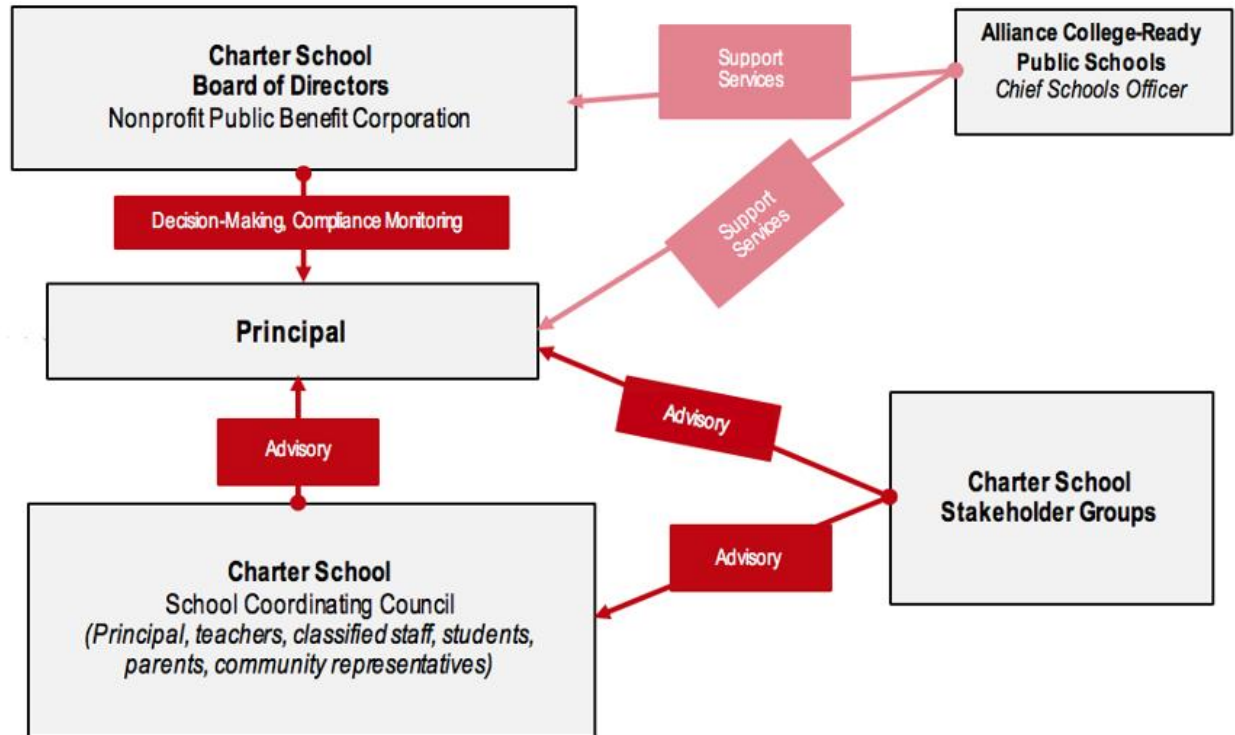
Charter School makes every effort to fully inform parents as to the curriculum offered and their child's progress. In addition to representation on the School Coordinating Council, Parent/Community Town Hall Meetings are held to address school related issues, including, but not limited to, parent/teacher/student 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(l). 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 21st 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 college-readiness.
- 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 high-functioning 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.
- 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 9th graders and students new to the school.
- 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.

Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- 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.

Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- 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

Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- 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
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written.
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- Understanding of the nuances of urban school environments and school culture.

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.

Skills, Beliefs, and Mindset:

- 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, Simon Tech 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

Simon Tech 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. Simon Tech 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 “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 initial 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) compared 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 Simon Tech to communities in Los Angeles Unified School District, including those that serve diverse populations.
- Publicize Simon Tech 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.

Simon Tech 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.

Simon Tech 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.

Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech 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:

David Starr Jordan Senior High
Alain Leroy Locke College Preparatory Academy
Academy for Multilingual Arts and Science at Mervyn M. Dymally High
Communication and Technology at Diego Rivera Learning Complex
Diego Rivera Learning Complex Green Design STEAM Academy
Performing Arts Community at Diego Rivera Learning Complex
John C. Fremont Senior High
Public Service Community at Diego Rivera Learning Complex

Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech. (Siblings must share at least one biological parent or legal guardian.)
- Children of current Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech together and they do not have any other siblings currently attending Simon Tech, 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 Simon Tech'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)(l) 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 any 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.

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 Simon Tech. 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 seq. 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.

Simon Tech 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.

Simon Tech 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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School 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 No Principal Discretion (except as otherwise precluded by law)	Category II* Student Offenses with Limited Principal Discretion	Category III* Student Offenses with Broad Principal Discretion
Principal shall immediately suspend and recommend expulsion when the following occur <u>at school or at a school activity off campus</u> . [E.C. 48915(c)]	Principal must recommend expulsion when the following occur <u>at school or at a school activity off campus</u> unless the principal determines that the expulsion is inappropriate. [E.C. 48915(a)(1)]	Principal may recommend expulsion when the following occur at any time, including, but not limited to, <u>while on school 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</u> . [E.C. 48915(b) and (e)]
1. Possessing, selling, or furnishing a firearm. E.C. 48915(c)(1); 48900(b)	1. 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)	1. 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) 2. First offense of possession of marijuana of not more than one ounce, or alcohol. E.C. 48900(c); 48915(b) 3. Sold, furnished, or offered a substitute substance represented as a controlled substance. E.C. 48900(d); 48915(b)
2. Brandishing a knife at another person. E.C. 48915(c)(2); 48900(a)(1) and 48900(b)	2. Possession of any knife, explosive, or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil. E.C. 48915(a)(1)(B); 48900(b)	4. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school or private property. E.C. 48900(f); 48915(e) 5. Stole or attempted to steal school or private property. E.C. 48900(g); 48915(e) 6. Possessed or used tobacco. E.C. 48900(h); 48915(e) 7. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity. E.C. 48900(i); 48915(e)
3. Unlawfully selling a controlled substance. E.C. 48915(c)(3); 48900(c)	3. Unlawful possession of any controlled substance (except for the first offense of no more than an ounce of marijuana, and over-the-counter and prescribed medication) E.C. 48915(a)(1)(C); 48900(c)	8. Possessed, offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug paraphernalia. E.C. 48900(j); 48915(e) 9. Disrupted school activities (school-wide activities; issued only by an administrator) E.C. 48900(k); 48915(e) 10. Knowingly received stolen school or private property. E.C. 48900(l); 48915(e) 11. Possessed an imitation firearm. E.C. 48900(m); 48915(e) 12. Engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation against a pupil or group of pupils or school district personnel. E.C. 48900.4**; 48915(e)
4. Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault or committing a sexual battery (as defined in 48900(n)). E.C. 48915(c)(4); 48900(n)	4. Robbery or extortion. E.C. 48915(a)(1)(D); 48900(e)	13. Engaged in sexual harassment. E.C. 48900.2**; 48915(e) 14. Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of hate violence. E.C. 48900.3**; 48915(e) 15. Made terrorist threats against school officials or school property, or both. E.C. 48900.7; 48915(e) 16. Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except in self-defense. E.C. 48900(a)(2); 48915(b)
5. Possession of an explosive E.C. 48915(c)(5); 48900 (b)	5. Assault or battery upon any school employee. E.C. 48915(a)(1)(E); 48900(a)(1) and 48900(a)(2)	17. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a pupil who is a complaining witness or witness in a disciplinary action. E.C. 48900(o); 48915(e) 18. 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 school activity off campus. E.C. 48915(b) 19. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma. E.C. 48900(p); 48915(e) 20. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in, hazing. E.C. 48900(q); 48915(e) 21. 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) 22. Aided or abetted the infliction of physical injury to another person (suspension only). E.C. 48900(t); 48915(e)

* For Categories II and III, 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.

** 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

Simon Tech'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, Simon Tech 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 Simon Tech 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 cross-examination 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 (CalSTRS). Eligible certificated employees deposit a percentage of their pre-tax creditable earnings in CalSTRS and the School matches this contribution. As of 7/01/2017, certificated employees contribute 9.205% (if subject to PEPPRA) or 10.25% (if not subject to PEPPRA) and Simon Tech 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 (CalPERS). Eligible classified employees deposit a percentage of their pre-tax creditable earnings in CalPERS and that the School matches this contribution. As of 7/01/2017, employees contribute 6% (if subject to PEPPRA) or 7% (if not subject to PEPPRA) and Simon Tech 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 - Simon Tech participates in Old Age Survivor Disability Insurance (OASDI) for non-PERS/STRS eligible part-time employees. The Simon Tech 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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School 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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School 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:

- 1) 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, 20th Floor
Los Angeles, California 90017

Director/Principal
Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School
10720 Wilmington Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90059

- 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, the 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 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, 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:

- 1) 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, the 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:

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 certified 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.

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.

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 as a condition of the approval of the charter petition. 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 prior to occupancy and commencing use. 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 1st 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 30th 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:

- Use: 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.
- Furnishings and Equipment: 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.
- Leasing; 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) Pro Rata Share: 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) Taxes; Assessments: 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.
- Maintenance & Operations Services: 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) **Co-Location:** 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) **Sole Occupant:** 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.
- **Real Property Insurance:** 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 **not** 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 self-insured 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:

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/\$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, 28th Floor, Los Angeles CA 90017 within 30 calendar days of all new policies, inception, 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 Cindy and Bill Simon Technology High School (also referred to herein as “Simon Tech” 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 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.

Element 2 – Measurable Pupil Outcomes and

which Pupil Progress Toward Outcomes will be Measured

Element 3 – Method by

“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.¹⁵

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.

¹⁵The 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 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.

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.

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(l). 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 initial 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) compared 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)(I).)

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 any 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:

- 1) 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, 20th Floor
Los Angeles, California 90017

Director/Principal
Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology Academy High School
10720 Wilmington Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90059

- 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, the 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 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, 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:

- 1) 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:

Director
Charter Schools Division
Los Angeles Unified School District
333 South Beaudry Avenue, 20th Floor
Los Angeles, California 90017

Director/Principal
Alliance Cindy and Bill Simon Technology Academy High School
10720 Wilmington Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90059

- 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, the 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:

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 certified 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 as a condition of the approval of the charter petition. 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 prior to occupancy and commencing use. 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 1st 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 30th 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:

- Use: 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.
- Furnishings and Equipment: 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.
- Leasing; 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) Pro Rata Share: 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) Taxes; Assessments: 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.

- Maintenance & Operations Services: 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) Co-Location: 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) Sole Occupant: 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.

- Real Property Insurance: 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 **not** 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 self-insured 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:

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/\$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, 28th 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).)