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SERVICES AGREEMENT 2021-2022

This Services Agreement (“Agreement”) is a legally binding contract entered into between the Oakland Unified School District (“OUSD”) and the below named entity or individual (“VENDOR,” together with OUSD, “PARTIES”):

Full Name of Vendor **Eide Bailly LLP**

The PARTIES hereby agree as follows:

1. **Term.**

- a. This Agreement shall start on the below date (“Start Date”):

Start Date **May 12, 2022**

If no Start Date is entered, then the Start Date shall be the latest of the dates on which each of the PARTIES signed this Agreement.

- b. The work shall be completed no later than the below date (“End Date”):

End Date **June 30, 2023**

If no End Date is entered, then the End Date shall be the first June 30 after the Start Date. If the term set forth above would cause the Agreement to exceed the term limits set forth in Education Code section 17596, the Agreement shall instead automatically terminate upon reaching said term limit.

2. **Services.** VENDOR shall provide the services (“Services”) as described in #1A and #1B of **Exhibit A**, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. To the extent that there may be a school closure (e.g., due to poor air quality, planned loss of power, COVID-19) or similar event in which school sites and/or District offices may be closed or otherwise inaccessible, VENDOR shall describe in #1B of **Exhibit A** whether and how its services would be able to continue.

3. **Alignment and Evaluation.**

- a. VENDOR agrees to work and communicate with OUSD staff, both formally and informally, to ensure that the Services are aligned with OUSD’s mission and are meeting the needs of students as determined by OUSD.

- b. OUSD may evaluate VENDOR in any manner which is permissible under the law. OUSD's evaluation may include, without limitation: (i) requesting that OUSD employee(s) evaluate the performance of VENDOR, each of VENDOR's employees, and each of VENDOR's subcontractors, and (ii) announced and unannounced observance of VENDOR, VENDOR's employee(s), and VENDOR's subcontractor(s).
4. **Inspection and Approval.** [Intentionally omitted.]
5. **Data and Information Requests.** [Intentionally omitted.]
6. **Confidentiality and Data Privacy.**
 - a. OUSD may share information with VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement in order to further the purposes thereof. VENDOR and all VENDOR's agents, personnel, employee(s), and/or subcontractor(s) shall maintain the confidentiality of all information received in the course of performing the Services, provided such information is (i) marked or identified as "confidential" or "privileged," or (ii) reasonably understood to be confidential or privileged.
 - b. VENDOR understands that student data is confidential.
 - c. All confidentiality requirements, including those set forth in the separate data sharing agreement, extend beyond the termination of this Agreement.
7. **Copyright/Trademark/Patent/Ownership.** VENDOR understands and agrees that documents prepared specifically by VENDOR for OUSD and that are required to be delivered by VENDOR to OUSD, excluding any intellectual property that existed prior to execution of this Agreement, shall be works for hire as defined under Title 17 of the United States Code, and all copyrights in those works are the property of OUSD.
8. **Compensation.** OUSD agrees to pay VENDOR for performing Services in accordance with this Paragraph, Paragraph 10 (Invoicing), and #1C in **Exhibit A**.
 - a. The compensation under this Agreement shall not exceed:
\$ Not-to-Exceed Amount (**Amount(s) specified in Exhibit A**).

This sum shall be for full performance of this Agreement and includes all fees, costs, and expenses incurred by VENDOR including, but not limited to, labor, materials, taxes, profit, overhead, travel, insurance, permitted subcontractor costs, and other costs.

- b. OUSD shall not pay and shall not be liable to VENDOR for any costs or expenses paid or incurred by VENDOR not described in **Exhibit A**.
 - c. Payment for Services shall be made for all undisputed amounts no more frequently than in monthly installment payments within sixty (60) days after VENDOR submits an invoice to OUSD, in accordance with Paragraph 10 (Invoicing), for Services actually performed and after OUSD's written approval that Services were actually performed. The granting of any payment by OUSD, or the receipt thereof by VENDOR, shall in no way lessen the liability of VENDOR to correct performance of Services. If OUSD determines that VENDOR's performance does not conform to the requirements of this Agreement, VENDOR agrees to correct its performance without delay.
 - d. Compensation for any Services performed prior to the Start Date or after the End Date shall be at OUSD's sole discretion and in an amount solely determined by OUSD. VENDOR agrees that it shall not expect or demand payment for the performance of such services.
 - e. VENDOR acknowledges and agrees not to expect or demand payment for any Services performed prior to the PARTIES, particularly OUSD, validly and properly executing this Agreement until this Agreement is validly and properly executed and shall not rely on verbal or written communication from any individual, other than the President of the OUSD Governing Board, the OUSD Superintendent, or the OUSD General Counsel, stating that OUSD has validly and properly executed this Agreement.
9. **Equipment and Materials.** VENDOR shall provide all equipment, materials, and supplies necessary for the performance of this Agreement.
 10. **Invoicing.** Invoices furnished by VENDOR under this Agreement must be in a form acceptable to OUSD.

- a. Invoices shall include, without limitation: VENDOR name, VENDOR address, invoice date, invoice number, purchase order number, name of school or department to which Services were provided, name(s) of the person(s) performing Services, date(s) Services were performed, brief description of Services provided on each date, the total invoice amount, and the basis for the total invoice amount (e.g., if hour rate, the number of hours on each date and the rate for those hours).
- b. If OUSD, at its sole discretion, determines an invoice fails to include the required elements, OUSD will not pay the invoice and will inform VENDOR of the missing items; VENDOR shall resubmit an invoice that includes the required elements before OUSD will pay the invoice.
- c. Invoices may be submitted monthly, and within 30 days of the conclusion of the applicable billing period, unless otherwise agreed. OUSD reserves the right to refuse to pay invoices received more than 30 days after the End Date.
- d. OUSD reserves the right to add or change invoicing requirements. If OUSD does add or change invoicing requirements, it shall notify VENDOR in writing and the new or modified requirements shall be mandatory upon receipt by VENDOR of such notice.
- e. To the extent that VENDOR has described how the Services may be provided both in-person and not in-person, VENDOR's invoices shall—in addition to any invoice requirement added or changed under subparagraph (c)—indicate whether the Services are provided in-person or not.
- f. All invoices furnished by VENDOR under this Agreement shall be delivered to OUSD via email unless OUSD requests, in writing, a different method of delivery.

11. **Termination.**

- a. For Convenience by OUSD. OUSD may at any time terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to VENDOR. OUSD shall compensate VENDOR for Services provided through the date of termination. Upon approval by OUSD legal counsel, the OUSD Superintendent or an OUSD Chief or Deputy may issue the termination notice without approval by the OUSD Governing Board, in which case this Agreement would terminate upon ratification of the termination

- by the OUSD Governing Board or thirty (30) days after the notice was provided, whichever is later.
- b. For Cause. Either PARTY may terminate this Agreement by giving written notice of its intention to terminate for cause to the other PARTY. Written notice shall contain the reasons for such intention to terminate. Cause shall include (i) material violation of this Agreement or (ii) if either PARTY is adjudged bankrupt, makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or a receiver is appointed on account of its insolvency. Upon approval by OUSD legal counsel, the OUSD Superintendent or an OUSD Chief or Deputy may issue the termination notice without approval by the OUSD Governing Board, in which case this Agreement would terminate upon ratification of the termination by the OUSD Governing Board or three (3) days after the notice was provided, whichever is later, unless the condition or violation ceases or satisfactory arrangements for the correction are made.
 - c. Upon termination, VENDOR shall provide OUSD with all deliverables required under this Agreement, whether or not such materials are complete or incomplete or are in final or draft form.
12. **Legal Notices.** All legal notices provided for under this Agreement shall be sent via email to the email address set forth below and shall be either (i) personally delivered during normal business hours or (ii) sent by U.S. Mail (certified, return receipt requested) with postage prepaid to the other PARTY at the address set forth below.

OUSD

Name: Joshua R. Daniels
Site/Dept: Office of General Counsel
Address: 1000 Broadway, Suite 300
City, ST Zip: Oakland, CA 94607
Phone: 510-879-8535
Email: ousdlegal@ousd.org

VENDOR

Name: Name **(Nathaniel Edelman)**
Title: Title **(Partner)**
Address: Address **(4040 Campbell Ave., Ste. 200)**
City, ST Zip: City, ST Zip **(Menlo Park, CA 94025)**
Phone: Phone **(650-522-3400)**
Email: Email **(nedelman@eidebailly.com)**

Notice shall be effective when received if personally served or emailed or, if mailed, three days after mailing. Either PARTY must give written notice of a change of mailing address or email.

13. Status.

- a. This is not an employment contract. VENDOR, in the performance of this Agreement, shall be and act as an independent contractor. VENDOR understands and agrees that it and any and all of its employees shall not be considered employees of OUSD, and are not entitled to benefits of any kind or nature normally provided employees of OUSD and/or to which OUSD's employees are normally entitled, including, but not limited to, State Unemployment Compensation or Worker's Compensation. VENDOR shall assume full responsibility for payment of all Federal, State, and local taxes or contributions, including unemployment insurance, social security and income taxes with respect to VENDOR's employees.
- b. If VENDOR is a natural person, VENDOR verifies all of the following:
 - (i) VENDOR is free from the control and direction of OUSD in connection with VENDOR's work;
 - (ii) VENDOR's work is outside the usual course of OUSD's business; and
 - (iii) VENDOR is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business of the same nature as that involved in the work performed for OUSD.
- c. If VENDOR is a business entity, VENDOR verifies all of the following:
 - (i) VENDOR is free from the control and direction of OUSD in

- connection with the performance of the work;
- (ii) VENDOR is providing services directly to OUSD rather than to customers of OUSD;
- (iii) the contract between OUSD and VENDOR is in writing;
- (iv) VENDOR has the required business license or business tax registration, if the work is performed in a jurisdiction that requires VENDOR to have a business license or business tax registration;
- (v) VENDOR maintains a business location that is separate from the business or work location of OUSD;
- (vi) VENDOR is customarily engaged in an independently established business of the same nature as that involved in the work performed;
- (vii) VENDOR actually contracts with other businesses to provide the same or similar services and maintains a clientele without restrictions from OUSD;
- (viii) VENDOR advertises and holds itself out to the public as available to provide the same or similar services;
- (ix) VENDOR provides its own tools, vehicles, and equipment to perform the services;
- (x) VENDOR can negotiate its own rates;
- (xi) VENDOR can set its own hours and location of work; and
- (xii) VENDOR is not performing the type of work for which a license from the Contractor's State License Board is required, pursuant to Chapter 9 (commencing with section 7000) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code.

14. Qualifications and Training.

- a. VENDOR represents and warrants that VENDOR has the qualifications and ability to perform the Services in a professional manner, without the advice, control or supervision of OUSD. VENDOR will performed the Services in accordance with generally and currently accepted principles and practices of its profession for services to California school districts and in accordance with applicable laws, codes, rules, regulations, and/or ordinances. All VENDOR employees and agents shall have sufficient skill and experience to perform the work assigned to them.
- b. VENDOR represents and warrants that its employees and agents are specially trained, experienced, competent and fully

licensed to provide the Services identified in this Agreement in conformity with the laws and regulations of the State of California, the United States of America, and all local laws, ordinances and/or regulations, as they may apply, if VENDOR was selected, at least in part, on such representations and warrants.

15. **Certificates/Permits/Licenses/Registration.** VENDOR's employees or agents shall secure and maintain in force such certificates, permits, licenses and registration as are required by law in connection with the furnishing of Services pursuant to this Agreement.

16. **Insurance.**
 - a. **Commercial General Liability Insurance.** Unless specifically waived by OUSD as noted in **Exhibit A**, VENDOR shall maintain Commercial General Liability Insurance, including automobile coverage, with limits of at least one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for corporal punishment, sexual misconduct, harassment, bodily injury and property damage. The coverage shall be primary as to OUSD and shall name OUSD as an additional insured with the additional insured endorsement provided to OUSD within 15 days of effective date of this Agreement (and within 15 days of each new policy year thereafter during the term of this Agreement). Evidence of insurance shall be attached to this Agreement or otherwise provided to OUSD upon request. Endorsement of OUSD as an additional insured shall not affect OUSD's rights to any claim, demand, suit or judgment made, brought or recovered against VENDOR. The policy shall protect VENDOR and OUSD in the same manner as though each were separately issued. Nothing in said policy shall operate to increase the Insurer's liability as set forth in the policy beyond the amount or amounts shown or to which the Insurer would have been liable if only one interest were named as an insured.
 - b. **Workers' Compensation Insurance.** Unless specifically waived by OUSD as noted in **Exhibit A**, VENDOR shall procure and maintain at all times during the performance of such work, Workers' Compensation Insurance in conformance with the laws of the State of California (including, but not limited to, Labor Code section 3700) and Federal laws when applicable. Employers'

Liability Insurance shall not be less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per accident or disease.

17. **Testing and Screening.**

- a. Tuberculosis Screening. Unless specifically waived by OUSD as noted in **Exhibit A**, VENDOR is required to screen employees who will be working at OUSD sites for more than six hours. VENDOR agents who work with students must submit to a tuberculosis risk assessment as required by Education Code section 49406 within the prior 60 days. If tuberculosis risk factors are identified, VENDOR agents must submit to an intradermal or other approved tuberculosis examination to determine that he/she is free of infectious tuberculosis. If the results of the examination are positive, VENDOR shall obtain an x-ray of the lungs. VENDOR, at its discretion, may choose to submit the agent to the examination instead of the risk assessment.
- b. Fingerprinting/Criminal Background Investigation. Unless specifically waived by OUSD as noted in **Exhibit A**, for all VENDOR employees, subcontractors, volunteers, and agents providing the Services, VENDOR shall ensure completion of fingerprinting and criminal background investigation, and shall request and regularly review subsequent arrest records. VENDOR confirms that no employee, subcontractor, volunteer, or agent providing the Services has been convicted of a felony, as that term is defined in Education Code section 45122.1. VENDOR shall provide the results of the investigations and subsequent arrest notifications to OUSD.

Waivers are not available for VENDORS whose employees, subcontractors, volunteers, and agents will have any contact with OUSD students.

- c. VENDOR shall use either California Department of Justice or Be A Mentor, Inc. (<http://beamentor.org/OUSDPartner>) fingerprinting and subsequent arrest notification services.
- d. VENDOR agrees to immediately remove or cause the removal of any employee, representative, agent, or person under VENDOR's control person from OUSD property upon receiving notice from OUSD of such desire. OUSD is not required to provide VENDOR with a basis or explanation for the removal

request.

18. **Incident/Accident/Mandated Reporting.** VENDOR shall notify OUSD, via email pursuant to Paragraph 12 (Legal Notices), within twelve (12) hours of learning of any significant accident or incident related to OUSD or the performance by VENDOR under this Agreement. Examples of a significant accident or incident include, without limitation, an accident or incident that involves law enforcement activity related to OUSD or the Services, possible or alleged criminal activity related to OUSD or the Services, or possible or actual exposure of OUSD students, families, employees, contractors, or other individuals connect to OUSD to a communicable disease such as COVID-19. VENDOR shall properly submit required accident or incident reports within one business day pursuant to the procedures specified by OUSD. VENDOR shall bear all costs of compliance with this Paragraph.
19. **Coronavirus/COVID-19.**
 - a. Through its execution of this Agreement, VENDOR declares that it is able to meet its obligations and perform the Services required pursuant to this Agreement in accordance with any shelter-in-place (or similar) order or curfew (or similar) order (“Orders”) issued by local or state authorities and with any social distancing/hygiene (or similar) requirements.
 - b. To the extent that VENDOR provides Services in person and consistent with the requirements of Paragraph 10 (Invoicing), VENDOR agrees to include additional information in its invoices as required by OUSD if any Orders are issued by local or state authorities that would prevent VENDOR from providing Services in person.
 - c. Consistent with the requirements of Paragraph 18 (Incident/Accident/Mandated Reporting), VENDOR agrees to notify OUSD, via email pursuant to Paragraph 12 (Legal Notices), within twelve (12) hours if VENDOR or any employee, subcontractor, agent, or representative of VENDOR tests positive for COVID-19, shows or reports symptoms consistent with COVID-19, or reports to VENDOR possible COVID-19 exposure.
 - d. VENDOR agrees to immediately adhere to and follow any OUSD directives regards health and safety protocols including, but not

- limited to, providing OUSD with information regarding possible exposure of OUSD employees to VENDOR or any employee, subcontractor, agent, or representative of VENDOR and information necessary to perform contact tracing, as well as complying with any OUSD testing and vaccination requirements.
- e. VENDOR shall bear all costs of compliance with this Paragraph, including but not limited to those imposed by this Agreement.
20. **Assignment.** The obligations of VENDOR under this Agreement shall not be assigned by VENDOR without the express prior written consent of OUSD and any assignment without the express prior written consent of OUSD shall be null and void.
21. **Non-Discrimination.** It is the policy of OUSD that in connection with all work performed under Contracts there be no discrimination because of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religious creed, physical disability, medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation, gender, or age; therefore, VENDOR agrees to comply with applicable Federal and California laws including, but not limited to, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act beginning with Government Code section 12900 and Labor Code section 1735 and OUSD policy. In addition, VENDOR agrees to require like compliance by all its subcontractor (s). VENDOR shall not engage in unlawful discrimination in employment on the basis of actual or perceived; race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, age, marital status, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, medical condition, veteran status, gender, sex, sexual orientation, or other legally protected class.
22. **Drug-Free/Smoke Free Policy.** No drugs, alcohol, and/or smoking are allowed at any time in any buildings and/or grounds on OUSD property. No students, staff, visitors, VENDORS, or subcontractors are to use controlled substances, alcohol or tobacco on these sites.
23. **Waiver.** No delay or omission by either PARTY in exercising any right under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver of that or any other right or prevent a subsequent act from constituting a violation of this Agreement.
24. **No Rights in Third Parties.** This Agreement does not create any rights in, or inure to the benefit of, any third party except as expressly

provided herein.

25. **Conflict of Interest.**

- a. VENDOR shall abide by and be subject to all applicable, regulations, statutes, or other laws regarding conflict of interest. VENDOR shall not hire any officer or employee of OUSD to perform any service by this Agreement without the prior approval of OUSD Human Resources.
- b. VENDOR affirms to the best of his/her/its knowledge, there exists no actual or potential conflict of interest between VENDOR's family, business or financial interest and the services provided under this Agreement, and in the event of change in either private interest or services under this Agreement, any question regarding possible conflict of interest which may arise as a result of such change will be brought to OUSD's attention in writing.
- c. Through its execution of this Agreement, VENDOR acknowledges that it is familiar with the provisions of section 1090 *et seq.* and section 87100 *et seq.* of the Government Code, and certifies that it does not know of any facts which constitute a violation of said provisions. In the event VENDOR receives any information subsequent to execution of this Agreement which might constitute a violation of said provisions, VENDOR agrees it shall notify OUSD in writing.

26. **Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion.** Through its execution of this Agreement, VENDOR certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency according to Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 9.4, and by signing this contract, certifies that this vendor does not appear on the Excluded Parties List (<https://www.sam.gov/>).

27. **Limitation of OUSD Liability.** Other than as provided in this Agreement, OUSD's financial obligations under this Agreement shall be limited to the payment of the compensation described in Paragraph 8 (Compensation). Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in no event shall OUSD be liable, regardless of whether any claim is based on contract or tort, for any special, consequential,

indirect or incidental damages, including, but not limited to, lost profits or revenue, arising out of, or in connection with, this Agreement for the Services performed in connection with this Agreement.

28. Indemnification.

- a. If Vendor does not perform in accordance with professional standards in all material respects, VENDOR shall indemnify and hold harmless OUSD, its Governing Board, agents, representatives, officers, consultants, employees, trustees, and volunteers (“OUSD Indemnified Parties”) from claims or losses accruing or resulting from injury, damage, or death of any person or entity arising out of VENDOR’s performance of this Agreement. VENDOR also agrees to hold harmless and indemnify OUSD Indemnified Parties from any and all claims or losses incurred by any supplier, VENDOR, or subcontractor furnishing work, services, or materials to VENDOR arising out of the performance of this Agreement.
- b. To the furthest extent permitted by California law, OUSD shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless VENDOR, its Board, agents, representatives, officers, consultants, employees, trustees, and volunteers (“VENDOR Indemnified Parties”) from any and all claims or losses accruing or resulting from injury, damage, or death of any person or entity arising out of OUSD’s performance of this Agreement. OUSD shall, to the fullest extent permitted by California law, defend VENDOR Indemnified Parties at OUSD’s own expense, including attorneys’ fees and costs.

- 29. Audit.** VENDOR shall establish and maintain books, records, and systems of account, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, reflecting all business operations of VENDOR transacted under this Agreement. VENDOR shall retain these books, records, and systems of account during the term of this Agreement and for three (3) years after the End Date. VENDOR shall permit OUSD, its agent, other representatives, or an independent auditor to audit, examine, and make excerpts, copies, and transcripts from all books and records, and to make audit(s) of all billing statements, invoices, and records reasonably related to VENDOR’s compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Audit(s) may be performed at any time, provided that OUSD shall give reasonable prior notice to VENDOR and shall conduct

audit(s) during VENDOR'S normal business hours, unless VENDOR otherwise consents. Notwithstanding the forgoing, VENDOR's audit working papers are not subject to audit by OUSD.

30. **Litigation.** This Agreement shall be deemed to be performed in Oakland, California and is governed by the laws of the State of California, but without resort to California's principles and laws regarding conflict of laws. The Alameda County Superior Court shall have jurisdiction over any litigation initiated to enforce or interpret this Agreement.
31. **Incorporation of Recitals and Exhibits.** Any recitals and exhibits attached to this Agreement are incorporated herein by reference. VENDOR agrees that to the extent any recital or document incorporated herein conflicts with any term or provision of this Agreement, the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall govern.
32. **Integration/Entire Agreement of Parties.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the PARTIES and supersedes all prior discussions, negotiations, and agreements, whether oral or written. This Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument executed by both PARTIES.
33. **Severability.** If any term, condition or provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remaining provisions will nevertheless continue in full force and effect, and shall not be affected, impaired or invalidated in any way.
34. **Provisions Required By Law Deemed Inserted.** Each and every provision of law and clause required by law to be inserted in this Agreement shall be deemed to be inserted herein and this Agreement shall be read and enforced as though it were included therein.
35. **Captions and Interpretations.** Section and paragraph headings in this Agreement are used solely for convenience, and shall be wholly disregarded in the construction of this Agreement. No provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted for or against a PARTY because that PARTY or its legal representative drafted such provision, and this Agreement shall be construed as if jointly prepared by the PARTIES.

36. **Calculation of Time.** For the purposes of this Agreement, “days” refers to calendar days unless otherwise specified and “hours” refers to hours regardless of whether it is a work day, weekend, or holiday.
37. **Counterparts and Electronic Signature.** This Agreement, and all amendments, addenda, and supplements to this Agreement, may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which shall constitute one and the same amendment. Any counterpart may be executed and delivered by facsimile or other electronic signature (including portable document format) by either PARTY and, notwithstanding any statute or regulations to the contrary (including, but not limited to, Government Code section 16.5 and the regulations promulgated therefrom), the counterpart shall legally bind the signing PARTY and the receiving PARTY may rely on the receipt of such document so executed and delivered electronically or by facsimile as if the original had been received. Through its execution of this Agreement, each PARTY waives the requirements and constraints on electronic signatures found in statute and regulations including, but not limited to, Government Code section 16.5 and the regulations promulgated therefrom.
38. **W-9 Form.** If VENDOR is doing business with OUSD for the first time, VENDOR acknowledges that it must complete and return a signed W-9 form to OUSD.
39. **Agreement Publicly Posted.** This Agreement, its contents, and all incorporated documents are public documents and will be made available by OUSD to the public online via the Internet.
40. **Signature Authority.**
 - a. Each PARTY has the full power and authority to enter into and perform this Agreement, and the person(s) signing this Agreement on behalf of each PARTY has been given the proper authority and empowered to enter into this Agreement.
 - b. Notwithstanding subparagraph (a), only the Superintendent, Chiefs, Deputy Chiefs, and the General Counsel have been delegated the authority to sign contracts for OUSD, and only under limited circumstances, which require ratification by the OUSD Governing Board. VENDOR agrees not to accept the

signature of another other OUSD employee as having the proper authority and empowered to enter into this Agreement or as legally binding in any way.

- c. Notwithstanding Paragraph 11, if this Agreement is executed by the signature of the Superintendent, Chiefs, Deputy Chiefs, or General Counsel under their delegated authority, and the Board thereafter declines to ratify the Agreement, the Agreement shall automatically terminate on the date that the Board declines to ratify it. OUSD shall compensate VENDOR for Services satisfactorily provided through the date of termination. Upon termination, VENDOR shall provide OUSD with all materials produced, maintained, or collected by VENDOR pursuant to this Agreement, whether or not such materials are complete or incomplete or are in final or draft form.

41. **Contract Contingent on Governing Board Approval.** OUSD shall not be bound by the terms of this Agreement unless and until it has been (i) formally approved by OUSD's Governing Board or (ii) validly and properly executed by the OUSD Superintendent, the General Counsel, or a Chief or Deputy Chief authorized by the Education Code or Board Policy, and no payment shall be owed or made to VENDOR absent such formal approval or valid and proper execution.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the PARTIES hereto agree and execute this Agreement and to be bound by its terms and conditions:

VENDOR

Name: Nathaniel Edelman Signature: 

Position: Partner of Eide Bailly LLP Date: May 3, 2022

One of the terms and conditions to which VENDOR agrees by its signature is subparagraph (e) of Paragraph 8 (Compensation), which states that VENDOR acknowledges and agrees not to expect or demand payment for any Services performed prior to the PARTIES, particularly OUSD, validly and properly executing this Agreement until this Agreement is validly and properly executed and shall not rely on verbal or written communication from any individual, other than the President of the OUSD Governing Board, the OUSD Superintendent, or the OUSD General Counsel, stating that OUSD has validly and properly executed this Agreement. VENDOR specifically acknowledges and agrees to this term/condition on the above date.

OUSD

Name: Gary Yee Signature: 

Position: President, Board of Education Date: 5/12/2022

- Board President
- Superintendent
- Chief/Deputy Chief/Executive Director

Name: Kyla Johnson-Trammell Signature: 

Position: Secretary, Board of Education Date: 5/12/2022

Approved as to form by OUSD Office of the General Counsel

EXHIBIT A

- 1A. **General Description of Services to be Provided:** *Provide a description of the service(s) VENDOR will provide.*

See the two attached audit engagement letters.

- 1B. **Description of Services to be Provided During School Closure or Similar Event:** *If there is a school closure (e.g., due to poor air quality, planned loss of power, COVID-19) or similar event in which school sites and/or District offices may be closed or otherwise inaccessible, would services be able to continue?*

No, services would not be able to continue.

Yes, services would be able to continue as described in 1A.

Yes, but services would be different than described in 1A. Please briefly describe how the services would be different.

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- 1C. **Rate of Compensation:** *Please describe the basis by which compensation will be paid to VENDOR:*

Hourly Rate: \$ **Click or tap here to enter text.** per hour

Daily Rate: \$ **Click or tap here to enter text.** per day

Weekly Rate: \$ **Click or tap here to enter text.** per week

Monthly Rate: \$ **Click or tap here to enter text.** per month

Per Student Served Rate: \$ **Click or tap here to enter text.** per student served

Performance/Deliverable Payments: Describe the performance and/or deliverable(s) as well as the associated rate(s) below:

See the two audit engagement letters

2. **Waivers:** *OUSD has waived the following. Confirmation of the waiver is attached herewith:*

- Commercial General Liability Insurance (Waiver only available, at OUSD's sole discretion, if VENDOR's employees, subcontractors, volunteers, and agents will have no contact (in-person ***or virtual***) with OUSD students, and the compensation not-to-exceed amount is \$25,000 or less.)
- Workers' Compensation Insurance (Waiver only available, at OUSD's sole discretion, if VENDOR has no employees.)
- Tuberculosis Screening (Waiver only available, at OUSD's sole discretion, if VENDOR's employees, subcontractors, volunteers, and agents will have no in-person contact with OUSD students.)
- Fingerprinting/Criminal Background Investigation (Waiver only available, at OUSD's sole discretion, if VENDOR's employees, subcontractors, volunteers, and agents will have no contact (in-person ***or virtual***) with OUSD students.)



April 22, 2022

To the Board of Education, Management, and the
Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee of the
Oakland Unified School District
Oakland, California

You have requested that we audit the financial statements of the 2006 Measure B, 2012 Measure J, and the 2020 Measure Y General Obligation Bond Funds of the Oakland Unified School District (Fund) as of June 30, 2022, and for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Fund's basic financial statements.

We will perform the required annual financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the general obligation bonds (Proposition 39) and the required performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the specific projects listed for the period of July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, in accordance with the compliance requirements of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution.

Our audits will be conducted with the objectives of our expressing an opinion on each opinion unit and reporting on compliance in accordance with the compliance requirements of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution. The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Audit of the Financial Statements

We will conduct our audits in accordance with GAAS, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America, and the Appendix A contained in the *2021-2022 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting* issued by the California Education Audit Appeals Panel. As part of an audit of financial statements in accordance with GAAS and in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing concerning any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements or noncompliance may not be detected exists, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* of the Comptroller General of the United States of America.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any other periods.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of Fund's basic financial statements. Our report will be addressed to the governing body of the District. Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph(s) to our auditor's report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions on the basic financial statements are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the audit or are unable to form or have not formed opinions, we may decline to express opinions or to issue a report as a result of this engagement.

In accordance with the requirements of *Government Auditing Standards*, we will also issue a written report describing the scope of our testing over internal control over financial reporting and over compliance with laws, regulations, and provisions of grants and contracts, including the results of that testing. However, providing an opinion on internal control and compliance over financial reporting will not be an objective of the audit and, therefore, no such opinion will be expressed.

Management Responsibilities

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance, acknowledge and understand that they have responsibility:

1. For the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America;
2. For the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error;
3. For identifying, in its accounts, all bond funds received and expended during the period;

4. For maintaining records that adequately identify the source and application of funds for bond funded activities;
5. For designing, implementing, and maintaining effective internal control over bond funds that provides reasonable assurance that the entity is managing funds in compliance with statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of Measure B and Measure J;
6. For disclosing accurately, currently, and completely, the financial results of each bond fund in accordance with requirements;
7. For identifying and providing report copies of previous audits, attestation engagements, or other studies that directly relate to the objectives of the audit, including whether related recommendations have been implemented;
8. For taking prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified;
9. For addressing the findings and recommendations of auditors, for establishing and maintaining a process to track the status of such findings and recommendations and taking corrective action on reported audit findings from prior periods and preparing a summary schedule of prior audit findings;
10. For following up and taking corrective action on current year audit findings and preparing a corrective action plan for such findings;
11. For making the auditor aware of any significant contractor relationships where the contractor is responsible for bond compliance;
12. To provide us with:
 - a. Access to all information of which management is aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements including disclosures, and relevant to federal award programs, such as records, documentation, and other matters;
 - b. Additional information that we may request from management for the purpose of the audit; and
 - c. Unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
13. For adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the current year period(s) under audit are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements as a whole;
14. For acceptance of nonattest services, including identifying the proper party to oversee nonattest work;
15. For maintaining adequate records, selecting and applying accounting principles, and safeguarding assets;
16. For informing us of any known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving management, employees with significant role in internal control and others where fraud could have a material effect on compliance;
17. For the accuracy and completeness of all information provided;
18. For taking reasonable measures to safeguard protected personally identifiable and other sensitive information; and
19. For confirming your understanding of your responsibilities as defined in this letter to us in your management representation letter.

As part of our audit process, we will request from management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance, written confirmation concerning representations made to us in connection with the audit.

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing.

If you intend to publish or otherwise reproduce the financial statements and make reference to our firm, you agree to provide us with printers' proofs or masters for our review and approval before printing. You also agree to provide us with a copy of the final reproduced material for our approval before it is distributed.

Performance Audit

The purpose of the Performance Audit is to meet the Proposition 39 requirement for the Bond proceeds to ensure compliance with Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution. This includes that the Proposition 39 Bond proceeds are expended only on the specific projects listed in the bond language approved by the voters, and no Bond proceeds are being spent on administrative salaries or any other expenses that would otherwise be the obligation of the District's General Fund. The Performance Audit will be conducted in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards.

Management of the District is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance to meet the Proposition 39 requirement for the Bond proceeds to ensure compliance with Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution.

Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards requires that we obtain an understanding of those internal controls that are significant to our audit objectives. Our consideration of internal controls is limited to those controls considered significant to meet the objectives of this performance audit. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*. A performance audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify significant deficiencies. However, during the audit, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance internal control related matters that are required to be communicated under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Our procedures for the Performance Audit for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, will be as follows:

- Audit the receipt of proceeds of the General Obligation Bonds and ensure the full proceeds have been segregated and deposited in the Bond fund as required by Proposition 39.
- Determine District procedures for disbursement of funds related to the voter approved general obligation bonds were applied in accordance with laws and regulations, as well as policies approved by the Board of Trustees. This will be accomplished through the inspection of specified documents evidencing certain types of transactions and detailed attributes thereof. Included, but not limited to, the specific documents related to bid procedures for contracts and services, invoices for services rendered, and other appropriate documents deemed necessary to provide a basis for the results of our objective. We will visually inspect projects in process, as well as completed projects during the year to verify the State progress toward completion.
- Review compliance with administrative provision of Article XII A of the California Constitution, including the formation of, and meetings with, the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee.
- Review the detailed accounting of expenditures to determine if proceeds are being spent on administrative salaries or any other expense that would otherwise be the obligation of the District's General Fund.

- From a sample of construction expenditures from the detailed accounting of expenditures, review expenditures to determine if proceeds expended are for specific projects as listed in the voter approved bond language. Expenditures from all projects will be included in the sample.
- We will examine bid documents and procedures, as well as project change orders to ensure compliance with District policies, public law provisions, and other related statutes.
- We will review minutes of the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee for compliance with the committee's stated purpose.
- We will meet with the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee and the District Board of Trustees to report the results of our procedures.
- A performance audit report will be issued to the Bond Oversight Committee and the District Board of Trustees.

As part of our audit process, we will request from management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance, written confirmation concerning representations made to us in connection with the audit.

Nonattest Services

With respect to any nonattest services we perform, we agree to perform the following:

- Prepare financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles based on information provided by you.

We will not assume management responsibilities on behalf of the District. The District's management understands and agrees that any advice or recommendation we may provide in connection with our audit engagement are solely to assist management in performing its responsibilities.

The District's management is responsible for (a) making all management decisions and performing all management functions; (b) assigning a competent individual to oversee the services; (c) evaluating the adequacy of the services performed; (d) evaluating and accepting responsibility for the results of the services performed; and (e) establishing and maintaining internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities.

Our responsibilities and limitations of the nonattest services are as follows:

- We will perform the services in accordance with applicable professional standards.
- The nonattest services are limited to the services previously outlined above. Our firm, in its sole professional judgment, reserves the right to refuse to do any procedure or take any action that could be construed as making management decisions or assuming management responsibilities.

Fees and Timing

Nathaniel Edelman, CPA, is the engagement partner for the audit services specified in this letter. Responsibilities include supervising services performed as part of this engagement and signing or authorizing another qualified firm representative to sign the audit report. We expect to begin our audit as soon as feasible upon execution of this agreement.

Our fees are based on the amount of time required at various levels of responsibility, plus actual out-of-pocket expenses, including administrative charges. Invoices are payable upon presentation. We estimate that our fee for the bond fund financial audits and proposition 39 bond performance audit will be \$157,000. Included in the

audit fee for the District's audit is our attendance at meetings of the District's Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee and Governing Board once at the beginning of the audit and again once at the conclusion of the audit. We will attend additional meetings, subject to scheduling availability, at our standard hourly rates. We will also be compensated at our standard hourly rate for responding to any requests from the California State Controller or other regulator directly related to this agreement.

We will notify you immediately of any circumstances we encounter that could significantly affect this initial fee estimate. Whenever possible, we will attempt to use the District's personnel to assist in the preparation of schedules and analyses of accounts. This effort could substantially reduce our time requirements and facilitate the timely conclusion of the audit. Further, we will be available during the year to consult with you on financial management and accounting matters of a routine nature.

The ability to perform and complete our engagement consistent with the estimated fee included above depends upon the quality of your underlying accounting records and the timeliness of your personnel in providing information and responding to our requests. To assist with this process, we will provide you with a Prepared-by-Client (PBC) request that identifies the information required to perform our engagement, as well as a planned timeline for the engagement. A failure to provide this information in an accurate and timely manner may result in an increase in our fees and/or a delay in the completion of our engagement.

We may be requested to make certain audit documentation available to outside parties, including regulators, pursuant to authority provided by law or regulation or applicable professional standards. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of Eide Bailly LLP's personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected audit documentation to the outside party, who may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies of information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies. We will be compensated for any time and expenses, including time and expenses of legal counsel, we may incur in making such audit documentation available or in conducting or responding to discovery requests or participating as a witness or otherwise in any legal, regulatory, or other proceedings as a result of our Firm's performance of these services. You and your attorney will receive, if lawful, a copy of every subpoena we are asked to respond to on your behalf and will have the ability to control the extent of the discovery process to control the costs you may incur.

Should our relationship terminate before our audit procedures are completed and a report issued, you will be billed for services to the date of termination. All bills are payable upon receipt.

A service charge of 1% per month, which is an annual rate of 12%, will be added to all accounts unpaid 30 days after billing date. If collection action is necessary, expenses and reasonable attorney's fees will be added to the amount due.

Other Matters

During the course of the engagement, we will only provide confidential engagement documentation to you via Eide Bailly's secure portal or other secure methods, and request that you use the same or similar tools in providing information to us. Should you choose not to utilize secure communication applications, you acknowledge that such communication contains a risk of the information being made available to unintended third parties. Similarly, we may communicate with you or your personnel via e-mail or other electronic methods, and you acknowledge that communication in those mediums contains a risk of misdirected or intercepted communications.

Should you provide us with remote access to your information technology environment, including but not limited to your financial reporting system, you agree to (1) assign unique usernames and passwords for use by our personnel in accessing the system and to provide this information in a secure manner; (2) limit access to “read only” to prevent any unintentional deletion or alteration of your data; (3) limit access to the areas of your technology environment necessary to perform the procedures agreed upon; and (4) disable all usernames and passwords provided to us upon the completion of procedures for which access was provided. We agree to only access your technology environment to the extent necessary to perform the identified procedures.

Regarding the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or elsewhere, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in these sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

Professional standards prohibit us from being the sole host and/or the sole storage for your financial and non-financial data. As such, it is your responsibility to maintain your original data and records and we cannot be responsible to maintain such original information. By signing this engagement letter, you affirm that you have all the data and records required to make your books and records complete.

We may use third party service providers and/or affiliated entities (including Eide Bailly Shared Services Private Limited) (collectively, “service providers”) in order to facilitate delivering our services to you. Our use of service providers may require access to client information by the service provider. We will take reasonable precautions to determine that they have the appropriate procedures in place to prevent the unauthorized release of confidential information to others. We will remain responsible for the confidentiality of client information accessed by such service provider and any work performed by such service provider.

We agree to retain our audit documentation or work papers for a period of at least eight years from the date of our report.

Further, we will be available during the year to consult with you on financial management and accounting matters of a routine nature.

Neither of us may use or disclose the other’s confidential information for any purpose except as permitted under this engagement letter or as otherwise necessary for Eide Bailly to provide the services. Your confidential information is defined as any information you provide to us that is not available to the public. Eide Bailly’s confidential information includes our audit documentation for this engagement. Our audit documentation shall at all times remain the property of Eide Bailly LLP. The confidentiality obligations described in this paragraph shall supersede and replace any and all prior confidentiality and/or nondisclosure agreements (NDAs) between us.

You agree to share all facts that may affect your financial statements, even if you first become aware of those facts after the date of the auditor’s report but before the date your financial statements are issued.

At the conclusion of our audit engagement, we will communicate to Management and the Board of Education the following significant findings from the audit:

- Our view about the qualitative aspects of the entity’s significant accounting practices;
- Significant difficulties, if any, encountered during the audit;
- Uncorrected misstatements, other than those we believe are trivial, if any;
- Disagreements with management, if any;

- Other findings or issues, if any, arising from the audit that are, in our professional judgment, significant and relevant to those charged with governance regarding their oversight of the financial reporting process;
- Material, corrected misstatements that were brought to the attention of management as a result of our audit procedures;
- Representations we requested from management;
- Management’s consultations with other accountants, if any; and
- Significant issues, if any, arising from the audit that were discussed, or the subject of correspondence, with management.

Government Auditing Standards require that we provide, upon request, a copy of our most recent external peer review report and any subsequent review reports to the party contracting for the audit. Accordingly, we will provide a copy of our most recent peer review report at your request.

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Eide Bailly LLP formed The Eide Bailly Alliance Network, a network for small to mid-sized CPA firms across the nation. Each member firm of The Eide Bailly Alliance, including Eide Bailly LLP, is a separate and independent legal entity and is not owned or controlled by any other member of The Eide Bailly Alliance. Each member firm of The Eide Bailly Alliance is solely responsible for its own acts and omissions and no other member assumes any liability for such acts or omissions. Neither Eide Bailly LLP, nor any of its affiliates, are responsible or liable for any acts or omission of The Eide Bailly Alliance or any other member firm of The Eide Bailly Alliance and hereby specifically disclaim any and all responsibility, even if Eide Bailly LLP, or any of its affiliates are aware of such acts or omissions of another member of The Eide Bailly Alliance.

Eide Bailly, LLP has owners that are not licensed as certified public accountants as permitted under Section 5079 of the California Business Code. It is not anticipated that any of the non-licensee owners will be performing services for the District.

MEDIATION

Any disagreement, controversy or claim arising out of or related to any aspect of our services or relationship with you (hereafter a “Dispute”) shall, as a precondition to litigation in court, first be submitted to mediation. In mediation, the parties attempt to reach an amicable resolution of the Dispute with the aid of an impartial mediator. Mediation shall begin by service of a written demand. The mediator will be selected by mutual agreement. If we cannot agree on a mediator, one shall be designated by the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”). Mediation shall be conducted with the parties in person in Oakland, California. Each party will bear its own costs in the mediation. The fees and expenses of the mediator will be shared equally by the parties. Neither party may commence a lawsuit until the mediator declares an impasse.

LIMITED INDEMNITY

Eide Bailly LLP and its partners, affiliates, officers and employees (collectively “Eide Bailly”) shall not be responsible for any misstatements in your financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of

misrepresentations or concealment of information by any of your owners, directors, officers or employees. You shall indemnify and hold Eide Bailly harmless from any claims, losses, settlements, judgments, awards, damages and attorneys' fees arising from any such misstatement or concealment of information.

If through no fault of Eide Bailly we are named as a party to a dispute between you and a third party, you shall indemnify and hold Eide Bailly harmless against any losses, damages, settlements, judgments, awards, and the costs of litigation (including attorneys' fees) we incur in connection with the dispute.

Eide Bailly shall not be entitled to indemnification under this agreement unless the services were performed in accordance with professional standards in all material respects.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The exclusive remedy available to you for any alleged loss or damages arising from or related to Eide Bailly's services or relationship with you shall be the right to pursue claims for actual damages that are directly caused by Eide Bailly's breach of this agreement or Eide Bailly's violation of applicable professional standards. In no event shall Eide Bailly's aggregate liability to you exceed two times fees paid under this agreement, nor shall Eide Bailly ever be liable to you for incidental, consequential, punitive or exemplary damages, or attorneys' fees.

TIME LIMITATION

You may not bring any legal proceeding against Eide Bailly unless it is commenced within twenty-four (24) months ("Limitation Period") after the date when we delivered our report, return, or other deliverable under this agreement to you, regardless of whether we do other services for you or that may relate to the audit. The Limitation Period applies and begins to run even if you have not suffered any damage or loss, or have not become aware of a possible Dispute.

GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE

Any Dispute between us, including any Dispute related to the engagement contemplated by this agreement, shall be governed by California law. Any unresolved Dispute shall be submitted to a federal or state court located in Alameda County, California.

ASSIGNMENTS PROHIBITED

You shall not assign, sell, barter or transfer any legal rights, causes of actions, claims or Disputes you may have against Eide Bailly to any person.

Please sign and return the attached copy of this letter to indicate your acknowledgment of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of the financial statements including our respective responsibilities.

We appreciate the opportunity to be your certified public accountants and look forward to working with you and your staff.

Respectfully,



Nathaniel Edelman, CPA
Partner of Eide Bailly LLP

RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth our understanding.

Acknowledged and agreed on behalf of Oakland Unified School District by:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____



April 22, 2022

Board of Education, Audit Committee, and Management of the
Oakland Unified School District
Oakland, California

You have requested that we audit the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Oakland Unified School District (District) as of June 30, 2022, and for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. In addition, we will audit the entity's compliance over major federal award programs for the year ended June 30, 2022. We are pleased to confirm our acceptance and our understanding of this audit engagement by means of this letter. Our audits will be conducted with the objectives of our expressing an opinion on each opinion unit and an opinion on compliance regarding the entity's major federal award programs.

The objectives of our audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS), in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and the audit requirements of the *2021-2022 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP), as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) require that certain information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the GASB, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. As part of our engagement, we will apply certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information (RSI) in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. These limited procedures will consist primarily of inquiries of management regarding their methods of measurement and presentation and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries. We will not express an opinion or provide any form of assurance on the RSI. The following RSI is required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This RSI will be subjected to certain limited procedures but will not be audited:

- Management's Discussion and Analysis
- GASB Required Budgetary Comparison Schedules
- Schedule of Changes in the District's Net pension Liability and Related Ratios
- Schedule of District's Pension Contributions
- Note to Required Supplementary Information

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Supplementary information other than RSI will accompany the District's basic financial statements. We will subject the following supplementary information to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling the supplementary information to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. We intend to provide an opinion on the following supplementary information in relation to the financial statements as a whole:

- Local Education Agency Organization Structure
- Schedule of Instructional Time
- Schedule of Charter Schools
- Reconciliation of Annual Financial and Budget Report with Audited Financial Statements
- Schedule of Financial Trends and Analysis
- Combining Schedules of Nonmajor Governmental Funds
- Combining Schedule of the Unrestricted and Restricted General Fund
- Notes to Supplementary Information

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We will subject the schedule of expenditures of federal awards to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling the schedule to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. We intend to provide an opinion on whether the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented fairly in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Data Collection Form

Prior to the completion of our engagement, we will complete the sections of the Data Collection Form that are our responsibility. The form will summarize our audit findings, amounts and conclusions. It is management's responsibility to submit a reporting package including financial statements, schedule of expenditure of federal awards, summary schedule of prior audit findings and corrective action plan along with the Data Collection Form to the federal audit clearinghouse. The financial reporting package must be text searchable, unencrypted, and unlocked. Otherwise, the reporting package will not be accepted by the federal audit clearinghouse. We will assist you in the electronic submission and certification. You may request from us copies of our report for you to include with the reporting package submitted to pass-through entities.

The Data Collection Form is required to be submitted within the *earlier* of 30 days after receipt of our auditors' reports or nine months after the end of the audit period, unless specifically waived by a federal cognizant or oversight agency for audits. Data Collection Forms submitted untimely are one of the factors in assessing programs at a higher risk.

Audit of the Financial Statements

We will conduct our audit in accordance with GAAS, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America; the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and in accordance with the *2021-2022 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting*. As part of

an audit in accordance with these standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing concerning any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements or noncompliance may not be detected exists, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* of the Comptroller General of the United States of America and/or state or regulatory audit requirements. Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any other periods.

Reporting

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of the District's basic financial statements. Our report will be addressed to the governing body of the District. Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph(s), to our auditor's report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions on the basic financial statements are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the audit or are unable to form or have not formed opinions, we may decline to express opinions or to issue a report as a result of this engagement.

In accordance with the requirements of *Government Auditing Standards*, we will also issue a written report describing the scope of our testing over internal control over financial reporting and over compliance with laws, regulations, and provisions of grants and contracts, including the results of that testing. However, providing an opinion on internal control and compliance over financial reporting will not be an objective of the audit and, therefore, no such opinion will be expressed. We also will issue a written report on the District's compliance with the provisions of the *2021-2022 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting* upon completion of our audit.

Annual Report – Form and Content, Delivery

The form and content of the annual audit shall be in conformity, to the extent practicable, with such form and content as may be prescribed by the State of California under Section 41020 of the Education Code, including the required compliance audit provisions of the Uniform Guidance, Audits of State of Local Governments, issued by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget, as issued pursuant to the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and Title 2 U.S. CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Costs Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance).

The audit shall be completed and the audit report shall be delivered in accordance with time requirements as specified in the current Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting, issued by Educational Audit Appeals Panel, unless delayed by circumstances beyond the control of the Auditors. Twenty bound copies of the audit report may be rendered to the District, in addition to the copies required to be filed with the applicable governmental units. Copies in excess of the contract amount may be billed for an additional fee.

Audit of Major Program Compliance

Our audit of the District's major federal award program(s) compliance will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Single Audit Act, as amended; and the Uniform Guidance and will include tests of accounting records, a determination of major programs in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinion on major federal award program compliance and to render the required reports. We cannot provide assurance that an unmodified opinion on compliance will be expressed. Circumstances may arise in which it is necessary for us to modify our opinion or withdraw from the engagement.

The Uniform Guidance requires that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the entity has complied with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements applicable to major federal award programs. Our procedures will consist of determining major federal programs and performing the applicable procedures described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget *OMB Compliance Supplement* for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs. The purpose of those procedures will be to express an opinion on the entity's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major programs in our report on compliance issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

Also, as required by the Uniform Guidance, we will perform tests of controls to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each of the entity's major federal award programs. However, our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on these controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report.

We will issue a report on compliance that will include an opinion or disclaimer of opinion regarding the entity's major federal award programs, and a report on internal controls over compliance that will report any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses identified; however, such report will not express an opinion on internal control.

Audit of Parcel Tax Compliance

You have requested that we audit the requirements described in District Wide Teacher Retention and Middle School Improvement Act (Measure G1) and the August 27, 2008 Measure G of the Oakland Unified School

District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. We cannot provide assurance that an unmodified opinion on compliance will be expressed. Circumstances may arise in which it is necessary for us to modify our opinion or withdraw from the engagement.

We will conduct our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether has complied with the compliance requirements as specified in Measure G and Measure G1.

We will issue a report on compliance that will include an opinion or disclaimer of opinion regarding the entity's Measure G and Measure G1 compliance, and a report on internal controls over compliance that will report any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses identified; however, such report will not express an opinion on internal control.

Management Responsibilities

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance, acknowledge and understand that they have responsibility:

1. For the preparation and fair presentation of the basic financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America;
2. For the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of basic financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error;
3. For identifying, in its accounts, all federal awards received and expended during the period and the federal programs under which they were received, including federal awards and funding increments received prior to December 26, 2014 (if any), and those received in accordance with the Uniform Guidance (generally received after December 26, 2014);
4. For maintaining records that adequately identify the source and application of funds for federally funded activities; For preparing the schedule of expenditures of federal awards (including notes and noncash assistance received) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance;
5. For the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control over federal awards;
6. For establishing and maintaining effective internal control over federal awards that provides reasonable assurance that the nonfederal entity is managing federal awards in compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the federal awards;
7. For identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal award programs and implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal award programs;
8. For disclosing accurately, currently, and completely, the financial results of each federal award in accordance with the requirements of the award;
9. For identifying and providing report copies of previous audits, attestation engagements, or other studies that directly relate to the objectives of the audit, including whether related recommendations have been implemented;
10. For taking prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified;
11. For addressing the findings and recommendations of auditors, for establishing and maintaining a process to track the status of such findings and recommendations and taking corrective action on reported audit findings from prior periods and preparing a summary schedule of prior audit findings;
12. For following up and taking corrective action on current year audit findings and preparing a corrective action plan for such findings;

13. For submitting the reporting package and data collection form to the appropriate parties;
14. For making the auditor aware of any significant contractor relationships where the contractor is responsible for program compliance;
15. To provide us with:
 - a. Access to all information of which management is aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, and relevant to federal award programs, such as records, documentation, and other matters;
 - b. Additional information that we may request from management for the purpose of the audit;
 - c. Unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
16. For adjusting the basic financial statements to correct material misstatements and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the current period under audit are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the basic financial statements as a whole;
17. For acceptance of nonattest services, including identifying the proper party to oversee nonattest work;
18. For maintaining adequate records, selecting and applying accounting principles, and safeguarding assets;
19. For informing us of any known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving management, employees with significant role in internal control and others where fraud could have a material effect on compliance;
20. For the accuracy and completeness of all information provided;
21. For taking reasonable measures to safeguard protected personally identifiable and other sensitive information; and
22. For confirming your understanding of your responsibilities as defined in this letter to us in your management representation letter.

With regard to the schedule of expenditures of federal awards referred to above, you acknowledge and understand your responsibility (a) for the preparation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, (b) to provide us with the appropriate written representations regarding the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, (c) to include our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in any document that contains the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and that indicates that we have reported on such schedule, and (d) to present the schedule of expenditures of federal awards with the audited financial statements, or if the schedule will not be presented with the audited financial statements, to make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards no later than the date of issuance by you of the schedule and our report thereon.

With regard to the supplementary information referred to above, you acknowledge and understand your responsibility (a) for the preparation of the supplementary information in accordance with the applicable criteria, (b) to provide us with the appropriate written representations regarding supplementary information, (c) to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains the supplementary information and that indicates that we have reported on such supplementary information, and (d) to present the supplementary information with the audited financial statements, or if the supplementary information will not be presented with the audited financial statements, to make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the supplementary information no later than the date of issuance by you of the supplementary information and our report thereon.

As part of our audit process, we will request from management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance, written confirmation concerning representations made to us in connection with the audit.

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing.

If you intend to publish or otherwise reproduce the financial statements and make reference to our firm, you agree to provide us with printers' proofs or masters for our review and approval before printing. You also agree to provide us with a copy of the final reproduced material for our approval before it is distributed.

Nonattest Services

With respect to any nonattest services we perform, we agree to perform the following:

- Prepare or assist with preparing financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles based on information provided by you.
- Propose cash-to-accrual (conversion) journal entries to be reviewed and approved by management, based on documentation prepared by the District.

We will not assume management responsibilities on behalf of the District. The District's management understands and agrees that any advice or recommendation we may provide in connection with our audit engagement are solely to assist management in performing its responsibilities.

The District's management is responsible for (a) making all management decisions and performing all management functions; (b) assigning a competent individual to oversee the services; (c) evaluating the adequacy of the services performed; (d) evaluating and accepting responsibility for the results of the services performed; and (e) establishing and maintaining internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities.

Our responsibilities and limitations of the nonattest services are as follows:

- We will perform the services in accordance with applicable professional standards.
- The nonattest services are limited to the services previously outlined above. Our firm, in its sole professional judgment, reserves the right to refuse to do any procedure or take any action that could be construed as making management decisions or assuming management responsibilities.

Fees and Timing

Nathaniel Edelman, CPA, is the engagement partner for the audit services specified in this letter. Responsibilities include supervising services performed as part of this engagement and signing or authorizing another qualified firm representative to sign the audit report. We expect to begin our audit as soon as feasible upon execution of this agreement.

Our fees are based on the amount of time required at various levels of responsibility, plus actual out-of-pocket expenses, including administrative charges. Invoices are payable upon presentation. **We estimate that our fees will be as follows: \$218,000 for the District's audit, \$9,100 for the Measure G compliance Audit and \$14,200 for the Measure G1 compliance audit.** Included in the audit fee for the District's audit is our attendance at meetings of the District's Audit Committee and Governing Board once at the beginning of the audit and again once at the conclusion of the audit. We will attend additional meetings, subject to scheduling availability, at our standard hourly rates. We will also be separately compensated at our standard hourly rates for responding to any requests of the California State Controller or other regulator directly related to this agreement.

The final installment will represent the 10 percent withheld amount pursuant to Education Code 14505 and will be presented for payment upon certification by the Controller that the audit report conforms to the reporting

provisions of the Audit Guide. All billings for additional audit fees or services will be billed as these services are provided. In accordance with Education Code Section 14505 (b), the District shall withhold 50 percent of the audit fee for any subsequent year of a multi-year contract if the prior year's audit report was not certified as conforming to reporting provisions of the Audit Guide. This contract shall be null and void if a firm or individual is declared ineligible pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 41020.5. The withheld amount shall not be payable unless payment is ordered by the State Board of Accountancy or the audit report for that subsequent year is certified by the Controller as conforming to reporting provisions of the Audit Guide.

We will notify you immediately of any circumstances we encounter that could significantly affect this initial fee estimate. Whenever possible, we will attempt to use the District's personnel to assist in the preparation of schedules and analyses of accounts. This effort could substantially reduce our time requirements and facilitate the timely conclusion of the audit. Further, we will be available during the year to consult with you on financial management and accounting matters of a routine nature.

The ability to perform and complete our engagement consistent with the estimated fee included above depends upon the quality of your underlying accounting records and the timeliness of your personnel in providing information and responding to our requests. To assist with this process, we will provide you with a Prepared-by-Client (PBC) request that identifies the information required to perform our engagement, as well as a planned timeline for the engagement. A failure to provide this information in an accurate and timely manner may result in an increase in our fees and/or a delay in the completion of our engagement.

We may be requested to make certain audit documentation available to outside parties, including regulators, pursuant to authority provided by law or regulation or applicable professional standards. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of Eide Bailly LLP's personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected audit documentation to the outside party, who may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies of information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies. We will be compensated for any time and expenses, including time and expenses of legal counsel, we may incur in making such audit documentation available or in conducting or responding to discovery requests or participating as a witness or otherwise in any legal, regulatory, or other proceedings as a result of our Firm's performance of these services. You and your attorney will receive, if lawful, a copy of every subpoena we are asked to respond to on your behalf and will have the ability to control the extent of the discovery process to control the costs you may incur.

Should our relationship terminate before our audit procedures are completed and a report issued, you will be billed for services to the date of termination. All bills are payable upon receipt.

A service charge of 1% per month, which is an annual rate of 12%, will be added to all accounts unpaid 30 days after billing date. If collection action is necessary, expenses and reasonable attorney's fees will be added to the amount due.

Other Matters

During the course of the engagement, we will only provide confidential engagement documentation to you via Eide Bailly's secure portal or other secure methods, and request that you use the same or similar tools in providing information to us. Should you choose not to utilize secure communication applications, you acknowledge that such communication contains a risk of the information being made available to unintended third parties. Similarly, we may communicate with you or your personnel via e-mail or other electronic methods, and you acknowledge that communication in those mediums contains a risk of misdirected or intercepted communications.

Should you provide us with remote access to your information technology environment, including but not limited to your financial reporting system, you agree to (1) assign unique usernames and passwords for use by our personnel in accessing the system and to provide this information in a secure manner; (2) limit access to “read only” to prevent any unintentional deletion or alteration of your data; (3) limit access to the areas of your technology environment necessary to perform the procedures agreed upon; and (4) disable all usernames and passwords provided to us upon the completion of procedures for which access was provided. We agree to only access your technology environment to the extent necessary to perform the identified procedures.

Regarding the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or elsewhere, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in these sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

Professional standards prohibit us from being the sole host and/or the sole storage for your financial and non-financial data. As such, it is your responsibility to maintain your original data and records and we cannot be responsible to maintain such original information. By signing this engagement letter, you affirm that you have all the data and records required to make your books and records complete.

We may use third party service providers and/or affiliated entities (including Eide Bailly Shared Services Private Limited) (collectively, “service providers”) in order to facilitate delivering our services to you. Our use of service providers may require access to client information by the service provider. We will take reasonable precautions to determine that they have the appropriate procedures in place to prevent the unauthorized release of confidential information to others. We will remain responsible for the confidentiality of client information accessed by such service provider and any work performed by such service provider.

We agree to retain our audit documentation or work papers for a period of at least eight years from the date of our report.

Further, we will be available during the year to consult with you on financial management and accounting matters of a routine nature.

Neither of us may use or disclose the other’s confidential information for any purpose except as permitted under this engagement letter or as otherwise necessary for Eide Bailly to provide the services. Your confidential information is defined as any information you provide to us that is not available to the public. Eide Bailly’s confidential information includes our audit documentation for this engagement. Our audit documentation shall at all times remain the property of Eide Bailly LLP. The confidentiality obligations described in this paragraph shall supersede and replace any and all prior confidentiality and/or nondisclosure agreements (NDAs) between us.

You agree to share all facts that may affect your financial statements, even if you first become aware of those facts after the date of the auditor’s report but before the date your financial statements are issued.

At the conclusion of our audit engagement, we will communicate to Management and the Board of Education the following significant findings from the audit:

- Our view about the qualitative aspects of the entity’s significant accounting practices;
- Significant difficulties, if any, encountered during the audit;
- Uncorrected misstatements, other than those we believe are trivial, if any;
- Disagreements with management, if any;

- Other findings or issues, if any, arising from the audit that are, in our professional judgment, significant and relevant to those charged with governance regarding their oversight of the financial reporting process;
- Material, corrected misstatements that were brought to the attention of management as a result of our audit procedures;
- Representations we requested from management;
- Management’s consultations with other accountants, if any; and
- Significant issues, if any, arising from the audit that were discussed, or the subject of correspondence, with management.

Government Auditing Standards require that we provide, upon request, a copy of our most recent external peer review report and any subsequent review reports to the party contracting for the audit. Accordingly, we will provide a copy of our most recent peer review report at your request.

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Eide Bailly LLP formed The Eide Bailly Alliance Network, a network for small to mid-sized CPA firms across the nation. Each member firm of The Eide Bailly Alliance, including Eide Bailly LLP, is a separate and independent legal entity and is not owned or controlled by any other member of The Eide Bailly Alliance. Each member firm of The Eide Bailly Alliance is solely responsible for its own acts and omissions and no other member assumes any liability for such acts or omissions. Neither Eide Bailly LLP, nor any of its affiliates, are responsible or liable for any acts or omission of The Eide Bailly Alliance or any other member firm of The Eide Bailly Alliance and hereby specifically disclaim any and all responsibility, even if Eide Bailly LLP, or any of its affiliates are aware of such acts or omissions of another member of The Eide Bailly Alliance.

Eide Bailly, LLP has owners that are not licensed as certified public accountants as permitted under Section 5079 of the California Business Code. It is not anticipated that any of the non-licensee owners will be performing services for the District.

MEDIATION

Any disagreement, controversy or claim arising out of or related to any aspect of our services or relationship with you (hereafter a “Dispute”) shall, as a precondition to litigation in court, first be submitted to mediation. In mediation, the parties attempt to reach an amicable resolution of the Dispute with the aid of an impartial mediator. Mediation shall begin by service of a written demand. The mediator will be selected by mutual agreement. If we cannot agree on a mediator, one shall be designated by the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”). Mediation shall be conducted with the parties in person in Oakland, California. Each party will bear its own costs in the mediation. The fees and expenses of the mediator will be shared equally by the parties. Neither party may commence a lawsuit until the mediator declares an impasse.

LIMITED INDEMNITY

Eide Bailly LLP and its partners, affiliates, officers and employees (collectively “Eide Bailly”) shall not be responsible for any misstatements in your financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of

misrepresentations or concealment of information by any of your owners, directors, officers or employees. You shall indemnify and hold Eide Bailly harmless from any claims, losses, settlements, judgments, awards, damages and attorneys' fees arising from any such misstatement or concealment of information.

If through no fault of Eide Bailly we are named as a party to a dispute between you and a third party, you shall indemnify and hold Eide Bailly harmless against any losses, damages, settlements, judgments, awards, and the costs of litigation (including attorneys' fees) we incur in connection with the dispute.

Eide Bailly shall not be entitled to indemnification under this agreement unless the services were performed in accordance with professional standards in all material respects.

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The exclusive remedy available to you for any alleged loss or damages arising from or related to Eide Bailly's services or relationship with you shall be the right to pursue claims for actual damages that are directly caused by Eide Bailly's breach of this agreement or Eide Bailly's violation of applicable professional standards. In no event shall Eide Bailly's aggregate liability to you exceed two times fees paid under this agreement, nor shall Eide Bailly ever be liable to you for incidental, consequential, punitive or exemplary damages, or attorneys' fees.

TIME LIMITATION

You may not bring any legal proceeding against Eide Bailly unless it is commenced within twenty-four (24) months ("Limitation Period") after the date when we delivered our report, return, or other deliverable under this agreement to you, regardless of whether we do other services for you or that may relate to the audit. The Limitation Period applies and begins to run even if you have not suffered any damage or loss, or have not become aware of a possible Dispute.

GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE

Any Dispute between us, including any Dispute related to the engagement contemplated by this agreement, shall be governed by California law. Any unresolved Dispute shall be submitted to a federal or state court located in Alameda County, California.

ASSIGNMENTS PROHIBITED

You shall not assign, sell, barter or transfer any legal rights, causes of actions, claims or Disputes you may have against Eide Bailly to any person.

Please sign and return the attached copy of this letter to indicate your acknowledgment of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of the financial statements including our respective responsibilities.

We appreciate the opportunity to be your certified public accountants and look forward to working with you and your staff.

Respectfully,

Nathaniel Edelman
Nathaniel Edelman, CPA
Partner of Eide Bailly LLP

RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth our understanding.

Acknowledged and agreed on behalf of Oakland Unified School District by:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____