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# Memo

To

Board of Education

From

Jan Puccetti

Jacqueline Minor, General Counsel

**Board Meeting** 

Date Subject November 20, 2013

RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN SANTA CLARA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION (SCCOE) AND OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WALDEN WEST OUTDOOR SCIENCE SCHOOL PROGRAM

**Action Requested** 

Ratification of Agreement between Oakland Unified School District and SANTA CLARA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION (SCCOE) from February 23, 2014 – March 1, 2014.

**Background** 

A one paragraph explanation of the the MOU.

This Agreement will cover field trip to WALDEN WEST CENTER OUTDOOR SCIENCE SCHOOL by Encompass Academy February 23, 2014 – March 1, 2014.

Discussion

One paragraph summary of the MOU.

This Agreement includes lodging, meals and hands on outdoor education camp led by trained educators located in Saratoga, CA. WALDEN WEST SCIENCE CENTER sessions span four days and three nights during which students, accompanied by classroom teachers live and learn in an outdoor environment. The program is operated on the premise that students learn best through hands-on activities. Lessons in the natural sciences are brought to life so students will develop an understanding and sense of appreciation for the environment. In addition to learning about the outdoors, WALDEN WEST OUTDOOR SCIENCE SCHOOL also develops a child's social skills. Throughout the week, in field classes and cabin groups, the children interact with students from other schools and cultures. Ratification of Agreement between Oakland Unified School District and

Recommendation

Ratification of Agreement between Oakland Unified School District and SANTA CLARA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION (SCCOE) from February 23, 2014 – March 1, 2014.

**Fiscal Impact** 

Funding resource name: (GP) not to exceed \$20,000 per school year.

**Attachments** 

Walden West Center Outdoor Science School Agreement



Walden West Center

# WALDEN WEST CENTER OUTDOOR SCIENCE SCHOOL AGREEMENT

(Saratoga Site - Out-of-District School)

This is an Agreement between the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) and Oakland Unified School District (Contractor) for the implementation of a Walden West Outdoor Science School Program involving the schools as set forth in Exhibit I (page 7).

### IT IS AGREED BETWEEN THE PARTIES AS FOLLOWS:

- Facilities to be provided. The SCCOE shall provide the facilities and property known as the Walden West Center, located at 15555 Sanborn Road, Saratoga, California 95070.
- 2. Services to be provided. The SCCOE shall provide services as follows:
  - A. An instructional program known as Walden West Outdoor Science School.
  - B. Meals and food services on days specified as follows:
    - Day 1 Dinner meal
    - Day 2 Breakfast, lunch, and dinner meals
    - Day 3 Breakfast, lunch, and dinner meals
    - Day 4 Breakfast, lunch, and dinner meals\*
    - Day 5 Breakfast
    - \* Participants of a 4 day program receive only breakfast on day 4 and no meals on day 5.
  - C. All electricity, lights, heat, and water.
  - D. Facilities that are in good repair and in safe and habitable condition.
  - E. Personnel and resources necessary to implement the Walden West Program in a safe and effective manner. All personnel and agents of SCCOE who may come in contact with Contractor's pupils have received TB clearance and fingerprint clearance from the California Department of Justice.

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- F. Student accident insurance per student participant to maximum amount of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500).
- 3. Contractor's Responsibilities. Contractor agrees to the following:
  - A. The Contractor agrees to participate with a minimum number of students as set forth In Exhibit I and further agrees to pay the amount due as listed in Section 4. Payment is due upon receipt of invoice. It is delinquent after 30 days. A Purchase Order number or other appropriate authorization from the Contractor is to be attached to the signed contract.
  - B. In the event of cancellation, the Contractor shall give the Program Director at least thirty (30) days prior written notice for cancellation. Otherwise, the Contractor shall be liable and billed for the program costs.
  - C. In the event that 10%-20% of students will not show up for the program, the Contractor shall give the program director at least thirty (30) days prior written notice. Otherwise, the Contractor shall be liable and will be billed for those program costs for each non-attending student if not notified as indicated above. If more than 20% of the students are absent, the District shall be liable and be billed for the program costs.
  - D. The Contractor shall provide one (1) teacher for each class unit of thirty-six (36) students or less.
  - E. The Contractor shall provide Walden West Outdoor Science School with an original signed Walden West health form and copy of a field trip release form for each child participant.
  - F. The Contractor shall provide emergency phone numbers including school principal, contact person for Superintendent, and a completed emergency phone tree listing parent participants and school officials who must be notified in the event of an emergency.
  - G. The Contractor shall provide transportation to and from the Walden West Center for all students, teachers, and other personnel from the school participating in the program, including transportation of students needing medical treatment or disciplinary action.
  - H. See Addendum.

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- I. The Contractor shall observe the regulations and responsibilities as set forth in Attachments "A" and "B".
- 4. Fees and Charges. Contractor agrees to pay the Santa Clara County Office of Education the following amounts:

# STUDENTS:

OPTION 1: Attending school does not provide cabin leaders.

- •5 Day Program: \$265.00 times the number of student participants.
- •4 Day Program: \$245.00 times the number of student participants.

OPTION 2: Attending school <u>provides high school or college cabin leaders</u> at the ratio of one cabin leader per twelve students. The number of cabin leaders may not exceed the one per twelve ratio unless arrangements have been made with Walden West.

- •5 Day Program: \$260.00 times the number of student participants.
- •4 Day Program: \$240.00 times the number of student participants.

OPTION 3: Attending school provides high school or college cabin leaders at less than the one to twelve ratio.

•\$50.00 will be deducted from the attending schools invoice for each cabin leader provided, regardless of program length.

## TEACHERS/SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES:

- •5 Day Program: \$155.00 times the number of adult participants.
- •4 Day Program: \$145.00 times the number of adult participants.

No refunds will be given after a student's arrival at outdoor science school without the authorization of the Director of Walden West. Any child sent home for discipline reasons will not receive a refund.

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5.	See Addendum.		
6.	Amendments. This Agreement may be amended or extended by mutual agreement.		
	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement		
	CONTRACTOR: OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DI  By  Superintendent or designee  And	STRICT  Date 11-21-13	
	SANTA CLARA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION		
	By Anita Parsons, Director	Date 6-18-13	
	Return signed Outdoor Science School Agreement to:  11-21-13  David Kakishi ya	Walden West Center 15555 Sanborn Road Saratoga, California 95070 (408) 573-3050	
	President, Board of Education		
	SUBSTANCE SUBSTANCE Attorney at Law		

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# WALDEN WEST CENTER

## **Outdoor Science School Agreement**

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# ATTACHMENT "A"

#### REGULATIONS FOR USE OF THE WALDEN WEST CENTER

The aesthetic beauty and educational values of the Walden West Center are due to its relatively undamaged natural area. Please use pathways and avoid walking on grass or plants. All visitors to the Walden West Center are requested to observe the following regulations in order that this facility may be enjoyed for years to come.

# Alcohol/Drugs

The possession or use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs and narcotics is prohibited.

#### Firearms/Fireworks

The possession of firearms, knives, air guns, and fireworks is prohibited.

### **Smoking**

Smoking is not permitted on Walden West Center grounds at any time.

# Plants

The mutilation, destruction, or removal of any plant material is prohibited.

#### Animals

The destruction or removal of any animal is prohibited.

#### Geological and Archaeological Features

The removal of geological, paleoecological (fossil), archaeological or historical features or objects is prohibited.

## Hunting/Fishing

Hunting and fishing are prohibited.

#### **Trails**

Hikers are required to confine their hiking to trails provided for that purpose.

## Vehicles

The speed limit is 5 miles per hour on all facility roads. Vehicles can be operated only on designated roads and must be parked only in designated areas.

#### Dogs

No dogs are permitted.

#### Waste Disposal

Trash and recyclables must be put in proper containers.

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# ATTACHMENT "B"

#### SCHOOL POLICIES REGARDING CLASSROOM TEACHERS

- 1. A classroom teacher shall accompany each class of students in attendance at the Outdoor Science School. One (1) teacher for each class unit of thirty-six (36) students or less.
- 2. The classroom teacher shall be subject to the following regulations during the period of time that his/her class is in attendance at the Outdoor Science School.
  - A. The classroom teacher shall be available on a 24-hour per day basis for consultations involving his/her class except in the following situations:
    - 1. Family emergency:

Classroom teachers may be absent for short periods of time in case of unforeseen emergencies involving family members. In this event, the teacher shall notify the Outdoor School Director of the nature of the emergency and where he/she may be reached if needed. The principal shall be notified of the teacher's absence.

2. Professional Responsibilities:

If a teacher is to be absent for professional responsibilities at any time, the principal of his/her school shall notify the Outdoor Science School Director of this in writing, indicating the nature of the absence and the person who will substitute in that teacher's absence.

- B. The classroom teacher shall actively participate in the Walden West Outdoor Education School program to the best of his/her abilities.
- C. Family members of the classroom teacher are not permitted to accompany him/her unless it is an exceptional situation, and it has been approved by the Santa Clara County Office of Education in advance of the attendance date.
- Smoking as well as possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs of all types on the Outdoor School campus is prohibited.
- 4. The Director of the Outdoor Science School shall inform the school in writing regarding any deviations from these policies by classroom teachers.

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# WALDEN WEST OUTDOOR SCIENCE SCHOOL EXHIBIT I

SCHOOL ATTENDING	DATE/S ATTENDING	MINIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS
EnCompass Academy	Feb. 24-28, 2014	40