

# CONTRACT

**THIS CONTRACT** made and entered into this **1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2014** by and between the **SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**, hereinafter referred to as the "Board," and **CARLTON PALMS EDUCATIONAL CENTER, INCORPORATED**, hereinafter referred to as the "Contracted School."

## WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS**, the Contracted School is approved by the Board as a school conducting programs of education, training and related services for exceptional students;

and

**WHEREAS**, the Board agrees to support the educational services as outlined in the Individualized Education Program in residential placement.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is a resident of Clay County, Florida, and eligible for enrollment in Clay County Schools.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ has been appropriately classified as an exceptional student by Clay County Schools in compliance with State of Florida Statutes and all pertinent state and local School Board rules, regulations, and criteria.
3. An Individualized Education Program, hereinafter referred to as "IEP", has been established for this student based on assessment results, which indicates specific educational needs and such plan and needs are determined by the IEP team.
4. The parents of the student and the Florida Department of Children and Families Developmental Services Program have placed the student in the Contracted School for residential care. The Board is providing the educational component for the students via contractual agreement with the Contracted School; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board believes that the Contracted School can meet the educational and training needs of the student as outlined in the IEP and the Contracted School has provided documentation demonstrating compliance with the requirements of **6A-6.0361, FAC**;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the Contracted School and the Board agree as follows:

1. The Contracted School shall accept the enrollment of the student, who has been evaluated by the Board as an exceptional student, in an appropriate educational program to fit the students' special needs.
2. The contract period will commence on **July 1, 2014** and will terminate on **June 30, 2015**. This contract can be terminated for any reason by either the Board, the funding agencies, or the Contracted School at any time after giving thirty (30) days written notice. The contract will automatically terminate if the student is released from the Contracted School for any reason.
3. The Board agrees to pay only the educational expenses of the student for the contract period. This sum shall be billed to the Board at the end of each month for the educational program provided the exceptional student. The Board will not pay for costs of the student's residence at the Contracted School.
5. The parties to this contract concur the student is eligible for special education services as a student who is Autistic and Mentally Handicapped (Intellectual Disability). The IEP for this student to be rendered by the Contracted School is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference and is designated as Exhibit A. The program contemplated by this contract shall be instructional only. The program will comply with all provisions of the current Board approved Special Programs and Procedures for Exceptional Students.
5. The Contracted School shall provide instructional personnel for the student who is certified in accordance with **Rules 6-A-1.0503 and 6A-4.002, FAC**. The Contracted School will assure that all instructional personnel hold a professional or temporary Florida certificate in Exceptional Education. Speech/language therapy will be provided by a licensed speech pathologist. The Contracted School shall provide copies of teacher certification and therapist licensure to the Board. If changes in instructional personnel are made, the Board will be notified and copies of certification and licensure provided within ten (10) days.
6. The Contracted School shall provide an educational program consisting of six hours per day of instruction, five days per week, excluding school holidays. The Contracted School shall provide a monthly attendance record to the Board. This attendance record shall accompany the monthly voucher. In addition, a monthly report of the students' progress toward his IEP annual goals and short-term objectives shall be submitted to the Board.

- A periodic evaluation of the student's progress, including grades, course credits, and progress toward Special Diploma Sunshine State Standards shall be submitted to the Board by the Contracted School at the end of each school semester and the summer term.
7. Meetings to review or revise the student's IEP may be initiated by either the Contracted School or the School Board. Prior to initiating any change in the IEP, the Board shall provide permission for said change. The Board and Contracted School shall ensure that the parents and Board representative(s) are involved in any decision about the students' IEP.
  8. The Contracted School hereby assures that it complies with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1974, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act and related regulations. The Contracted School assures that it does not and will not discriminate against any student because of race, color, creed, sex, national origin, sexual orientation or disability. The Contracted School will, at all times, comply with local and state standards for health and safety of the student, whichever are more stringent.
  9. The Contracted School agrees to enroll in E-Verify. All new employees assigned by the Contracting School to perform work pursuant to this contract shall have their citizenship verified through E-Verify and shall be verified as employment eligible within 3 business days after the date of hire. Said verification shall be supplied to Board upon receipt.
  10. The staff of the Board will be permitted to review the program provided by the Contracted School and visit and confer with staff of the Contracted School and the parents upon reasonable request of any party to this agreement and at reasonable times.
  11. This is a fixed-fee for term, non-cost based contract.
  12. The Board shall pay a total of current FTE funding specific to Matrix for student (254: approximately \$14,207.45 which amount is payable in twelve (12) monthly installments. Should the student be absent for more than ten (10) consecutive school days, the Contracted School will contact the Board to negotiate an adjusted payment. The student's placement at the Contracted School is co-funded by the Board and the Department of Children and Families. The Board provides funding for a 30 hour/week educational program and the Department of Children and Families provides funding for the residential placement. The educational costs are for six hours of instruction for a 248-day school year, which includes the traditional 180 days and 68 days of extended school year instruction, as determined by the IEP team. Should the Department of Children and Families cease funding; the Contracted School will notify the Board prior to discharge. This discharge shall not be a default of this contract.

13. Under circumstances of co-funding under separate contracts with co-funding agencies, discharge of the student because of default by a co-funding Agency shall not be a default of this contract. However, Agency as described in this contract shall be reimbursed for all unearned tuition received by Contracted School. Prior to discharge because of co-funding Agency's default, Contracted School will give notice to Board.
14. **Rule 6A-6.0361 FAC** is incorporated into this contract by reference and all parties agree to abide by all the terms and conditions as set forth in this rule.
15. The Contracted School does hereby agree to indemnify, save harmless and defend the Board from any and all claims, suits, actions, damages or causes of action which may arise out of the performance or non-performance of this agreement, and any finding that it has failed to administer all or any portion of the student's Individualized Education Program. The Contracted School agrees to pay all claims and losses of any nature whatsoever; including attorney fees, in connection herewith and shall defend all suits in the name of the Board, its employees and agents, when applicable, and shall pay all costs and judgments, which may issue thereon.
16. The Contracted School shall provide the Board with proof of general liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 and name the District as additionally insured only on the general liability insurance. A copy of this policy will be filed with the District's Risk Manager.
16. The Contracted School shall maintain the confidentiality of student Records pursuant to Federal and State Law.
17. The Contracting School represents and warrants to the School Board that the Contracting School has read and is familiar with Florida Statute Sections 1012.32, 1012.321, 1012.465, 1012.467, 1012.468 and 1012.56(9) regarding background investigations. Contracting School covenants to comply with all requirements of the above cited statutes and shall provide School Board with proof of compliance upon request. Contracting School agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the SCHOOL BOARD, its officers, agents and employees from any liability in the form of physical injury, death, or property damage resulting from the CONTRACTOR'S failure to comply with the requirements of this paragraph or Florida Statute Sections 1012.32, 1012.321, 1012.465, 1012.467 and 1012.468 and 1012.56(9).
18. The parties agree that the provisions of this contract, as set out herein above, constitute the entire agreement of the parties and may be amended in the same manner as the execution of this contract.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this agreement the day and year first above written.

WITNESSES:

**CARLTON PALMS EDUCATIONAL  
CENTER, INCORPORATED**

\_\_\_\_\_ BY \_\_\_\_\_  
State Director

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESSES:

**SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAY  
COUNTY, FLORIDA**

\_\_\_\_\_ BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Studdard, Chairman of the Board

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_