

Exhibit 1a: Statement of Assurances

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The charter school and New Jersey Department of Education (NJ DOE) agree to comply to all of the following provisions: (*Read and check*)

1. Will not charge tuition, fees or other mandatory payments for attendance at the charter school or for participation in programs that are required for students.
2. Will enroll any eligible student who submits a timely and complete application, unless the school receives a greater number of applications than there are spaces for students, in which case a lottery will take place in accordance with New Jersey charter laws and regulations and will comply with all provisions of the Non regulatory Guidance—Public Charter Schools Program of the U.S. Department of Education, which includes the use of a lottery for enrollment if the charter school is oversubscribed.
3. Will be open to all students, on a space-available basis, and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, creed, sex, ethnicity, sexual orientation, mental or physical disability, age, ancestry, athletic performance, special need, proficiency in the English language or a foreign language, or academic achievement.
4. Will adhere to all applicable provisions of federal law relating to students with disabilities, including *IDEA 2004; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1974;* and the *Americans with Disabilities Act* and appropriately employ/contract a child study team and special education service provider(s).
5. Will adhere to all applicable provisions of federal law relating to students who are English language learners, including *Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964;* the *Equal Educational Opportunities Act of 1974;* MGL c. 76 § 5; and MGL c. 89, 71 § (f) and (l).
6. Will comply with all federal and State laws, including the New Jersey Charter School Program Act of 1995, as well as all applicable regulations, including New Jersey Administrative Code, Charter Schools.
7. Will employ highly qualified administrators and teachers who hold appropriate New Jersey certificates.
8. Will obtain all necessary permits, licenses, and certifications related to occupancy, fire, health, and safety within the building(s) and on school property.
9. Will provide enrollment and demographic data to the NJDOE as required by *N.J.A.C. 6A:11-2.1(i).*
10. Will ensure an annual audit of the charter school pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:23-1 et seq.*
11. Will ensure the utilization of a certified school business administrator (SBA).
12. Will establish the full implementation of a uniform system of double-entry bookkeeping in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) that is organized on a fund basis pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:4-14.*
13. Will ensure adoption of Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-22.14,* including a plan for internal controls for the accounts payable/voucher system including Public School Contract Guidelines pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A.*
14. Will ensure the recording of student attendance in the school register pursuant to

N.J.A.C. 6A:32-8 and recording of student enrollment in the Charter School Enrollment System for the two required enrollment counts.

15. Will provide provisions for insurance coverage pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:36A-14(a). Including health benefits; general liability; property, officer and employee liability, including any performance surety; and vehicle liability for pupil transportation.
16. Acknowledge request for and receipt of the waivers documented in the RFA, unless otherwise indicated in the contract between the charter school and NJ DOE.
17. Will comply with Open Meetings and Open Public Records Act laws.
18. Will, for the life of the charter, participate in all data reporting and evaluation activities as requested by the U.S. Department of Education and the New Jersey Department of Education; this includes participation in any federal or state funded charter school evaluations or studies, final grant report documentation and financial statements.
19. Will comply with all provisions of the *No Child Left Behind Act*, including but not limited to, provisions on school prayer, the Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act, the Armed Forces Recruiter Access to Students and Student Recruiting Information, the Unsafe School Choice Option, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and assessments [P.L. 107-110].
20. Shall maintain accounting records and other evidence pertaining to costs incurred, with the provision that the records shall be kept available by the grantee during the grant period and thereafter for five full years from the date of final payment. NJ DOE must be permitted to audit, review, and inspect the grantee's activities, books, documents, papers and other records relating to the expenditures of grant proceeds. The recipient further agrees to comply with all federal and state audit requirements and ensures that arrangements have been made to finance those mandatory audits
21. Will keep and maintain all equipment purchased with grant funds in accordance with federal law and regulation.
22. Will insure equitable program participation, as required under section 427 of the *General Education Provision Act*.
23. Will comply with the lower-tier certification covering lobbying and debarment/suspension in 34 CFR Parts 82 and 85.
24. Understand that if any findings of misuse of funds are discovered the said funds must be returned to NJ DOE and NJ DOE may revoke the charter if it deems that the recipient is not fulfilling the academic goals and fiscal management outlined in the charter.
25. Will conduct an open RFP process to select an education service provider, if applicable.
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Patricia Bombelyn, Esq.

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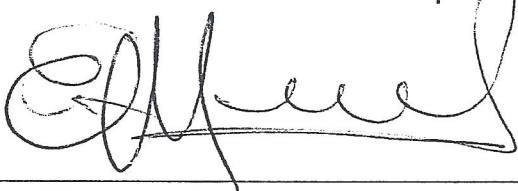
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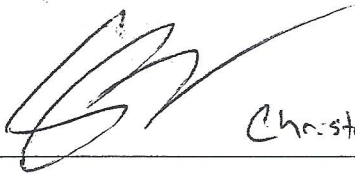
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