

NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR: ARTE INC AMENDMENT #:3

GRANT # if applicable: _____ AGREEMENT #: 96363157

ATTACH COPY OF FULLY EXECUTED AGREEMENT

GRANT NAME: 21st Century DATE: 5/15/2023

FUNDING SOURCE FOR AGREEMENT: 21st Century

ACCT # FOR AGREEMENT: 2579-6396-56694-0041

ORIGINAL AMOUNT OF AGREEMENT: \$6,000.00

AMOUNT OF AGREEMENT PRIOR TO THIS AMENDMENT: \$35,200.00

 X ACTUAL OR ESTIMATE

AMOUNT OF THIS AMENDMENT: \$ 3,500.00

 X INCREASE OR DECREASE

AMOUNT OF AGREEMENT INCLUDING THIS AMENDMENT: \$ 38,700.00

FUNDING SOURCE & ACCT # FOR AMENDMENT:

- 21st Century: 2579-6396-56694-0041 (FAME) (\$6,000)
- ARP ESSER III C/O: 2553-6399-56697-0000 (\$10,800.00)
- Extended School Hours: 2579-5326-56694-0444 (18,400.00)
- **State After School Grant: 2579-6389-56800-0020 (L. Bassett) (\$1,172)**
- **State After School Grant: 2579-6389-56800-0042 (R. Clemente) (\$1,172)**
- **State After School Grant: 2579-6389-56800-0008 (J. Martinez) (\$1,156)**

DESCRIPTION AND NEED FOR AMENDMENT:

- Expanding the scope of service to provide students and families programming during the second annual STREAM Carnival on June 4th, 2023 at Clinton Avenue School. The contractor will engage families in attendance with a petting zoo and art activities! from 1 pm-4 pm on the day of the event. Increasing original funding of \$35,200.00 by \$3,500.00 for a new total of \$38,700.00.

ALL OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ORIGINAL AGREEMENT REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT

CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ 5/15/2023
(Name) (Date)
Director

(Title)

NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION:

President (Date)



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May 11, 2023

Gemma Lumpkin
Director of Youth, Family & Community Engagement.
New Haven Public Schools
54 Meadow Street
New Haven, CT 06519

Dear Gemma:

Per your request ARTE is submitting this proposal for the STREAM Carnival on Sunday June 4 at Clinton Avenue School. An amendment will be done to our contract for the following programs.

Scope of Services:

- Hire and coordinate a “**Petting Zoo**” for kids and families to enjoy.
- Petting Zoo will include baby sheep, goats, chickens, rabbits and a miniature horse.
- Hire and coordinate **Face Painting** for kids
- Coordinate and set-up **2 DIY Arts Activity** for kids and families.
- Purchase supplies that are needed for activities.
- Finalize all details with providers.
- Hire Student Helpers to execute programs.
- Work with NHPS and Clinton school on tables, chairs, and tents.
- Rent tables, chairs, and tents if needed.

Cost: \$3,500

Please let us know if you have any questions or need further details.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David S. Greco", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David S. Greco
Cofounder / Executive Director

**NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT**

CONTRACTOR: ARTE INC

AMENDMENT #: 2

GRANT # if applicable: _____

AGREEMENT #: ~~96368157~~ **96396157**

ATTACH COPY OF FULLY EXECUTED AGREEMENT

GRANT NAME: 21st Century

DATE: 3/16/2023

FUNDING SOURCE FOR AGREEMENT: 21st Century

ACCT # FOR AGREEMENT: 2579-6396-56694-0041

ORIGINAL AMOUNT OF AGREEMENT: \$6,000.00

AMOUNT OF AGREEMENT PRIOR TO THIS AMENDMENT: \$16,800.00

 X ACTUAL OR _____ ESTIMATE

AMOUNT OF THIS AMENDMENT: \$ 18,400.00

 X INCREASE OR _____ DECREASE

AMOUNT OF AGREEMENT INCLUDING THIS AMENDMENT: \$ 35,200.00

FUNDING SOURCE & ACCT # FOR AMENDMENT:

- 21st Century: 2579-6396-56694-0041 (FAME) (\$6,000)
- ARP ESSER III C/O: 2553-6399-56697-0000 (\$10,800.00)
- Extended School Hours: 2579-5326-56694-0444 (\$18,400.00)

DESCRIPTION AND NEED FOR AMENDMENT:

- Expanding the scope of service to provide (31) sessions of After School Activities Programs to 50 students ages 7 to 12, (7) sessions of Saturday Arts Academy for 100 students ages 6 to 12, and (8) total sessions for Spring Fun Club programming serving 20 students per session, ages 6 to 13. Compensation for services will be a total of \$400 per session, for a total of 46 combined sessions. Increasing original funding of \$16,800.00 by \$18,400.00 for a new total of \$35,200.00.

ALL OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ORIGINAL AGREEMENT REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT

CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE: _____



(Name)

3/17/2023

(Date)

Director

(Title)

NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION:



President

4/10/2023

(Date)



65 Pope St. New Haven, CT 06513 203-804-9175 www.arte-inc.com

March 9, 2023

Gemma Lumpkin
Director of Youth, Family & Community Engagement.
New Haven Public Schools
54 Meadow Street
New Haven, CT 06519

Dear Gemma:

ARTE is seeking a contract to support NHPS student involvement in the following programs. These programs and activities engage students in purposeful, supportive, and meaningful learning experiences. They improve critical thinking, analytical skills, cognitive development and dexterity. The activities engage multiple skills and abilities and develop imaginations.

ASAP - After School Activities Program - FREE

- Monday – Thursday
- 2:15 pm - 5:15 pm
- Ages 7 to 12
- Atwater Center
- Tutoring & Homework help
- Various hands-on activities like Arts, Crafts, Cooking, Poetry, Reading, Educational Games, and Interactive Activities.
- High School students are hired as helpers and tutors.
- Snacks Provided.
- Bus Transportation has been arranged from NHPS schools to Atwater.
- Goal 45 - 50 students

ASA - Saturday Arts Academy - FREE

- Saturdays
- 10:00 am – 12:15 pm
- Ages 6 – 17
- Atwater Center
- Classes in Guitar, Piano, Clarinet, Recorder, Ukulele, Signing, Acting, Art, and Dance.
- General Session "Show & Tell" where students share out what they have learned and display new skills, building student confidence and abilities.
- Guest Speakers & Presentations
- Instructors are accomplished NHPS high school students.
- Academy Directors are NHPS Music/Band teachers.
- Snacks Provided.
- Goal 100 students

April Break Programs – FREE

- Monday – Friday
- 9:00 am – 11:30 am
- Ages 6 – 13
- Fair Haven School – Instrumental Music
- FAME – Physical Fitness and Sports
- Instructors are NHPS teachers

ASAP and ASA programs take place at the Atwater Center. The other programs take place at the schools either independently or in conjunction with other programs. All instruments, materials and supplies are included.

These learning opportunities enhance academics and social-emotional development of students. They reduce absenteeism, negative behavior and coherently support the district’s plan and priorities.

DATES: April 11 – June 10, 2023

ASAP - After School Activities Program	31 sessions (April 17 – June 8)
ASA - Saturday Arts Academy	7 sessions (April 22 – June 10)
April Break Fair Haven School	4 sessions (April 10 – April 14)*
April Break FAME	4 sessions (April 10 – April 14)*

*ARTE will run April 10th sessions pro-bono

TOTAL 46 @ \$400 = \$18,400

Thank you in advance for your consideration. ARTE appreciates the continued relationship and is committed to serving NHPS children and families.

Respectfully,



David S. Greco
Cofounder / Executive Director
203-804-9175

NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR: ARTE INC AMENDMENT #: 1

GRANT # if applicable: _____ AGREEMENT #: 96363035

ATTACH COPY OF FULLY EXECUTED AGREEMENT

GRANT NAME: 21st Century DATE: 2/13/2023

FUNDING SOURCE FOR AGREEMENT: 21st Century

ACCT # FOR AGREEMENT: 2579-6396-56694-0041

ORIGINAL AMOUNT OF AGREEMENT: \$6,000.00

AMOUNT OF AGREEMENT PRIOR TO THIS AMENDMENT: \$6,000.00

ACTUAL OR ESTIMATE

AMOUNT OF THIS AMENDMENT: \$ 9,000.00

INCREASE OR DECREASE

AMOUNT OF AGREEMENT INCLUDING THIS AMENDMENT: \$ 15,000.00

FUNDING SOURCE & ACCT # FOR AMENDMENT:

- 21st Century: 2579-6396-56694-0041 (FAME) (\$6,000)
- ARP ESSER III C/O: 2553-6399-56697-0000 (\$9,000.00)

DESCRIPTION AND NEED FOR AMENDMENT:

- An expansion of the scope of service to support the Youth, Family, and Community Engagement department in providing outreach and case management to (20) identified Chronically Absent students within the district. With implementation of the States Learner Engagement and Attendance Program (LEAP), support personnel will go directly to homes, to engage with families and students, help return them to a more regular form of school attendance, and assist with placement in programs within the community. Enabling NHPS staff to aid in other critical student needs, including behavioral and mental health issues, housing, childcare, lack of technology, and other educational needs. ARTE Inc. will provide (1) hour of grassroots efforts each week, per student, at \$30 per hour, for (15) weeks for a total of \$9,000.00. Increasing funding from \$6,000.00 by \$9,000.00 for a new total of \$15,000.00

ALL OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ORIGINAL AGREEMENT REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT

CONTRACTOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ 02/14/2023
(Name) (Date)

Director
(Title)

NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION:

President
3/14/2023
(Date)

Office of Youth Family and Community Engagement

Youth Connect- Chronic Absenteeism Community Partnership Outreach Compensation (WAVE 2)

Studies show that increasing family and community involvement in student schooling can positively impact student attendance. We need your help with the following:

- Youth Connect Partners will invest 1 hour of grassroots effort each week per student to understand student and family needs and why student is severely and extremely chronically absent
- It is up to the agency to determine the student capacity they can work with to assist the district in reaching students identified as Chronically Absent.
- Service per student will consist of Outreach: Home visits, Phone calls, Virtual contacts and Case Management: Referrals, Documenting notes, Communication with the YFCE team.
- The following engagement scale is available for our community partners

<u>Total Students per Week</u>	<u>Weekly Rate of Pay per Student</u>	<u>Weekly Hours per Student</u>	<u>Total Weekly Hours per Caseload</u>	<u>Total weeks (March 14th- June 23th)</u>	<u>Total Compensation</u>
10	\$30	1	10	15	\$4,500.00
20	\$30	1	20	15	\$9,000.00
40	\$30	1	40	15	\$18,000.00
80	\$30	1	80	15	\$36,000.00
100	\$30	1	100	15	\$45,000.00

Community partners are selected given the following criteria:

1. Trusted partner with history of NHPS relationship
2. Evidence of effective work
3. Evidence of capacity to complete work
4. Commitment to training in family engagement model
5. Commitment to NHPS Accountability model- including timestamped documentation of work and status
6. Commitment to Youth Connect Meetings and provision of field notes of out reach efforts.

Community partners will inform NHPS of their capacity to conduct these outreach efforts. We appreciate the continued support of our partners as they work to positively impact the students across the district.

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AGREEMENT COVER SHEET

Cover Sheet is an Internal Document for Business Office Use

Please Type

Contractor full name: ARTE Inc.

Doing Business As, if applicable: N/A

Business Address: 26 Atwater Street, New Haven CT, 06513

Business Phone: 203-469-4536

Business email: arteinc@comcast.net

Funding Source & Acct # including location code:

- 21st Century: 2579-6396-56694-0041 (\$6,000.00)

Principal or Supervisor: Gemma Joseph Lumpkin

Agreement Effective Dates: From 12/13/2022. To 06/30/2023

Hourly rate or per session rate or per day rate.

- 24 sessions at \$250.00 a session

Total amount: \$6,000.00

Description of Service: Please provide a one or two sentence description of the service.

Please do not write "see attached."

- ARTE will provide after school programming for up to (30) students from Family Academy of Multilingual Exploration (FAME). ARTE will be providing 24 sessions, servicing up to from December 13, 2022 until June 30, 2023. Activities will vary from Arts & Crafts projects, Cultural Dance instruction, Sport and Physical Fitness, Language Arts, and various game that encourage active thinking. ARTE's programming will provide opportunities for students to enhance their critical thinking skills. The Arts program will consistently engage multiple skills and abilities that develop the student's imagination, and judgement while enhancing their academic progression.

Submitted by: Gemma Joseph Lumpkin Phone: 475-220-1060

AGREEMENT# 96396157



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**AGREEMENT
By And Between
The New Haven Board of Education
AND**

ARTE Inc.

FOR DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM:

Youth Family and Community Engagement

This Agreement entered into on the 22 day of November 2022, effective (no sooner than the day after Board of Education Approval), the 13 day of December 2022, by and between the New Haven Board of Education (herein referred to as the "Board" and, ARTE Inc. located at, 26 Atwater Street, New Haven, CT, 06513 (herein referred to as the "Contractor").

Compensation: The Board shall pay the contractor for satisfactory performance of services required the amount of \$250 per session, for a total of 24 sessions.

The maximum amount the contractor shall be paid under this agreement: Six Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$6,000.00). Compensation will be made upon submission of an itemized invoice which includes a detailed description of work performed and date of service.

Fiscal support for this Agreement shall be by 21st Century Program of the New Haven Board of Education, Account Number: 2579-6396-56694 Location Code: 0041.

This agreement shall remain in effect from 12/13/2022 to 06/30/2023.

SCOPE OF SERVICE: *In the space below, please provide brief summary of service.*

- ARTE will provide after school programming for up to (30) students from Family Academy of Multilingual Exploration (FAME). ARTE will be providing 24 sessions, servicing from December 13, 2022 until June 30, 2023. Activities will vary from Arts & Crafts projects, Cultural Dance instruction, Sport and Physical Fitness, Language Arts, and various game that encourage active thinking. ARTE's programming will provide opportunities for students to enhance their critical thinking skills. The Arts program will consistently engage multiple skills and abilities that develop the student's imagination, and judgement while enhancing their academic progression.

Exhibit A: Scope of Service: Please attach contractor's detailed Scope of Service on contractor letterhead with all costs for services including travel and supplies, if applicable.

Exhibit B: Student Data Privacy - attached

Exhibit C: Contractor's Declaration Attesting to Compliance with Executive Order No. 13G – form must be completed by the contractor. See attached form for contractors who are working with students or staff in school or in after school programs, regardless of location.

APPROVAL: This Agreement must be approved by the New Haven Board of Education *prior to service start date*. Contractors may begin service no sooner than the day after Board of Education approval.

HOLD HARMLESS: The Contractor shall insure and/or indemnify the Board and its members, employees and agents against all claims, suits, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in connection with loss of life, bodily injury or property damage arising from any neglect act or omission of the Contractor or its employees or agents. Further, the Contractor covenants and agrees that it shall hold the Board and its members, employees and agents harmless against any and all claims, suits judgments of any description whatsoever caused by the Contractor' breach of this agreement or based upon the conduct of the Contractor, or its agents or its employees or arising out of in connection with their activities under this agreement.

TERMINATION: The Board may cancel this agreement for any reason upon thirty (30) days' written notice sent to the Contractor by certified U.S. mail, return receipt requested; provided however, that the Board shall be responsible to the Contractor for all services rendered by the Contractor through the last day of thirty (30) day notice period, as long as the Agreement was approved by the Board prior to the start date of service.



Contractor Signature

11/21/2022

Date

David Greco / Director

Contractor Printed Name & Title

Revised: 9-27-21



President
New Haven Board of Education

12/12/2022

Date



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EXHIBIT B

**STUDENT DATA PRIVACY AGREEMENT
SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

For the purposes of this Exhibit B "directory information," "de-identified student information," "school purposes," "student information," "student records," "student-generated content," and "targeted advertising" shall be as defined by Conn. Gen. Stat. §10-234aa.

1. All student records, student information, and student-generated content (collectively, "student data") provided or accessed pursuant this Agreement or any other services agreement between the Parties are not the property of, or under the control of, the Contractor.
2. The Board shall have access to and the ability to delete student data in the possession of the Contractor except in instances where such data is (A) otherwise prohibited from deletion or required to be retained under state or federal law, or (B) stored as a copy as part of a disaster recovery storage system and that is (i) inaccessible to the public, and (ii) unable to be used in the normal course of business by the Contractor. The Board may request the deletion of any such student information, student records or student-generated content if such copy has been used by the operator to repopulate accessible data following a disaster recovery. The Board may request the deletion of student data by the contractor within two (2) business days of receiving such a request and provide to the Board confirmation via electronic mail that the student data has been deleted in accordance with the request, the date of its deletion, and the manner in which it has been deleted. The confirmation shall contain a written assurance from the Contractor that proper disposal of the data has occurred in order to prevent the unauthorized access or use of student data and that deletion has occurred in accordance with industry standards/practices/protocols.
3. The Contractor shall not use student data for any purposes other than those authorized pursuant to this Agreement.
4. A student, parent or legal guardian of a student may review personally identifiable information contained in student data and correct any erroneous information, if any, in such student data. If the Contractor receives a request to review student data in the Contractor's possession directly from a student, parent, or guardian, the Contractor agrees to refer that individual to the Board and to notify the Board within two (2) business days of receiving such a request. The Contractor agrees to work cooperatively with the Board to permit a student, parent, or guardian to review personally identifiable information in student data that has been shared with the Contractor, and correct any erroneous information therein.



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5. The Contractor shall take actions designed to ensure the security and confidentiality of student data.
6. The Contractor will notify the Board, in accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-234dd, when there has been an unauthorized release, disclosure or acquisition of student data. Such notification will include the following steps:

Upon discovery by the Contractor of a breach of student data, the Contractor shall conduct an investigation and restore the integrity of its data systems and, without unreasonable delay, but not more than thirty (30) days after such discovery, shall provide the Board with a more detailed notice of the breach, including but not limited to the date and time of the breach; name(s) of the student(s) whose student data was released, disclosed or acquired; nature of and extent of the breach; and measures taken to ensure that such a breach does not occur in the future.

7. Student data shall not be retained or available to the Contractor upon expiration of the contract between the Contractor and Board, except a student, parent or legal guardian of a student may choose independently to establish or maintain an electronic account with the Contractor after the expiration of such contract for the purpose of storing student-generated content.
8. The Contractor and Board shall each ensure their own compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, as amended from time to time.
9. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees to comply with the above and all other applicable aspects of Connecticut's Student Data Privacy law according to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 10-234aa through 10-234dd.
10. The Parties agree that this Agreement controls over any inconsistent terms or conditions contained within any other agreement entered into by the Parties concerning student data.

Revised: 10/2/18



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November 16, 2022

Gemma Lumpkin
Director of Youth, Family & Community Engagement.
New Haven Public Schools
54 Meadow Street
New Haven, CT 06519

Dear Gemma:

ARTE would like to partner with NHPS to offer after-school and Saturday Academy programs for the 2022 – 2023 school year. As you know ARTE has provided top-quality programs with measurable, positive results. Our surveys speak for themselves. ARTE has been collaborating with New Haven Public Schools since 2004 and we have served thousands of New Haven youth.

Arte's in-kind contributions for the 2021 - 2022 school year were valued at over \$139,000!

Arte Inc. activities engage all students in purposeful, supportive, and meaningful learning experiences that coherently support the district's plan and priorities. ARTE's learning opportunities enhance academic and social-emotional development as well as reduce absenteeism and behavioral issues.

Programming has begun at Truman, Troup, FAME, and Daniels and will run through the entire school year. All programs prior to contracts are pro-bono as well as after completion of the contract. These programs include homework help, tutoring, Arts & Crafts, and Physical Fitness.

ARTE would like to secure contracts and expand after-school programs at the following schools FAME, Clinton, Martinez, Fair Haven, Clemente, Jepson, Troup, Nathan Hale, Hill Central, and any other schools we can contract with. ARTE has secured funding and will extend all NHPS contracts with pro-bono sessions. ARTE has a long history of providing pro-bono programs to NHPS. Additionally we have secured a grant to offer tutoring and homework help to NHPS students.

The first agreement we are seeking is for \$6,000 with FAME School. ARTE will offer 24 contracted sessions at \$250 each. ARTE will offer 50 or more free sessions with this agreement.

PROPOSAL DOES NOT INLCUDE:

- Materials or supplies in addition to those required for these programs.
- Delivery of supplies for virtual classes
- Building staff or support staff (ie: Janitors, Coordinators)
- Other costs or inclusions not specifically outlined.

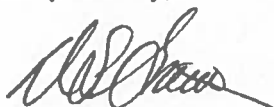
Schools are responsible for populating all class and assuring strong attendance.

SUPPLIES: ARTE will provide all supplies necessary for all workshops and classes.

FAME 24 sessions at \$250 per session for \$6,000

We look forward to another successful year working with NHPS students. ARTE appreciates the continued relationship and is committed to serving children and families. Please let me know if you need further details.

Respectfully,



David S. Greco
Cofounder / Executive Director
203-804-9175

IMPACT STATEMENTS

Research Supporting the Impact of Arts Programming

In the report, *Champions of Change: The Impact of the Arts on Learning*, published jointly by the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities and the Arts Education Partnership, several independent researchers concluded that engagement in the arts nurtures the development of cognitive, social and personal competencies. Arts programs can increase academic achievement, help decrease youth involvement in delinquent behavior and improve youth attitudes about themselves and the future.

Specifically, researchers found that learning in and through the arts:

- Contributes significantly to improve critical thinking, problem-solving and decision-making.
- Fosters higher-order thinking skills of analysis, synthesis, and evaluation.
- Regularly engages multiple skills and abilities.
- Develops a person's imagination and judgment.

Learning in and through the arts can even help students overcome the obstacles of disadvantaged backgrounds. For example, one of the *Champions of Change* reports, using data from a study that followed over 25,000 students for 10 years, found that students consistently involved in the arts show significantly higher levels of mathematics proficiency by grade 12 - regardless of their socioeconomic status. (Source: NEA: Publication - "How the arts can enhance after school programs.")

Research Supporting the Impact of Exercise & Physical Fitness Programming

One in three kids in the United States is overweight or obese. Obesity can also have serious ramifications for kids' cognitive development. Further, both childhood obesity and poor academic performance tend to be clustered in schools with a high percentage of lower-income, minority students, creating a student health issue that is especially problematic in those communities.

There is a growing body of evidence indicating that physical activity and fitness can benefit both the health and academic performance of children, both immediate and long-term. Over time, as children engage in physical activity, they can have additional positive effects on academics in mathematics, reading, and writing. A research project conducted with 24 elementary schools, showed that adding sessions of physical activity could have long-term benefits, such as improved academic performance. (Source: Active Living Research)