



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
**AGREEMENT COVER SHEET**

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Contractor full name: Gateway Community College Early Learning Center

Doing Business As, if applicable:

Business Address: 20 Church Street, New Haven, CT 06510

Business Phone: 203-285-2130

Business email: schambers@gwcc.commnet.edu

SS# OR Tax ID #:

Funding Source & Acct # including location code: CT Office of Early Childhood  
2523-5384-56697 Loc Code 0442

Principal or Supervisor: Denise Duclos, School Readiness Project Director

Agreement Effective Dates: 09/15/20 TO 06/30/21

Hourly rate or per session rate or per day rate.

<u>Rate set by State</u>	<u>Spaces approved for this Contractor</u>	<u>Totals</u>
School Day/School Year: \$6,000/child	40	\$ 240,000
		<hr/> Contract total \$240,000

Description of Service: Please provide a one or two sentence description of the service. *Please do not write "see attached."*

To provide an early care and education program for New Haven children between the ages of 3-4years old as stated in the policies and procedures outlined by the CT Office of Early Childhood and the New Haven School Readiness Council.

Submitted by:

Denise Duclos, School Readiness Project Director Phone: 475-220-1470



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## AGREEMENT

By And Between  
The New Haven Board of Education  
AND

GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

FOR DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM:

**Early Childhood Department**

This Agreement entered into on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020, effective (*no sooner than the day after Board of Education Approval*), the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020, by and between the New Haven Board of Education (herein referred to as the “Board” and, Gateway Community College located at, 20 Church Street, New Haven, CT 06510 (herein referred to as the “Contractor”).

### **Compensation:**

The Board will provide funding to the Contractor pending receipt of State Award an amount not to exceed \$240,000 for the provision of services at the following locations:

Early Learning Center, 20 Church Street, New Haven, CT 06510.

40 “Spaces” for school day/school year services to be paid at the rate not to exceed  
TOTAL \$6,000 per child/year or, \$600 per month, for a total not to exceed \$ 240,000

**Fiscal support** for this Agreement shall be by School Readiness Program of the New Haven Board of Education, **Account Number:** 2 5 2 3--5 3 8 4--5 6 6 9 7 **Location Code:** 0 4 4 2  
This agreement shall remain in effect from September 15, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

### **SCOPE OF SERVICE:** *Please provide brief summary of service to be provided.*

The Contractor will provide an early care and education program to New Haven children ages 3 and 4 years old in a location licensed by the CT Office of Early Childhood or, exempt from licensing by the CT State Department of Education, utilizing fully staffed classrooms with personnel who are qualified by experience, training and as required by the CT Office of Early Childhood and the National Association for the Education of Young Children or the Head Start program.

***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 and Privacy Agreement:*** Attached

**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.

**A. Modification of Terms**

This Agreement may not be modified or amended except by written agreement signed by the parties. We the undersigned agree to the terms and conditions outline herein.

Executive Orders

(a) Executive Order No. 3: Nondiscrimination. This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Three of Governor Thomas J. Meskill promulgated June 16, 1971, and, as such, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended by the State Labor Commissioner for violation of or noncompliance with said Executive Order No. Three, or any State or federal law concerning nondiscrimination, notwithstanding that the Labor Commissioner is not a party to this agreement. The parties to this contract, as part of the consideration hereof, agree that said Executive Order No. Three is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof. The parties agree to abide by said Executive Order and agree that the State Labor Commissioner shall have continuing jurisdiction in respect to contract performance in regard to nondiscrimination until the agreement is completed or terminated prior to completion. The Contractor agrees, as part consideration hereof, that this contract is subject to the Guidelines and Rules issued by the State Labor Commissioner to implement Executive Order No. Three, and that it will not discriminate in its employment practices or policies, will file all reports as required, and will fully cooperate with the State of Connecticut and the State Labor Commissioner.

(b) Executive Order No. 17: Connecticut State Employment Service Listings. This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Seventeen of Governor Thomas J. Meskill promulgated February 15, 1973, and, as such, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended by the Contracting Agency or the State Labor Commissioner for violation of or noncompliance with said Executive Order No. Seventeen, notwithstanding that the Labor Commissioner may not be party to this Agreement. The parties to this contract, as part of the consideration hereof, agree that Executive Order No. Seventeen is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof. The parties agree to abide by said Executive Order and agree that the Contracting Agency and the State Labor Commissioner shall have joint and several

continuing jurisdiction in respect to contract performance in regard to listing all employment openings with the Connecticut State Employment Service.

(c) Executive Order No. 16: Violence in the Workplace Prevention Policy. This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. Sixteen of Governor John G. Rowland promulgated August 4, 1999 and, as such, the contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended by the State for violation of or noncompliance with said Executive Order No. Sixteen. The parties to this contract, as part of the consideration hereof, agree: (1) The Contractor shall prohibit employees from bringing into the state work site, except as may be required as a condition of employment, any weapon or dangerous instrument as defined herein. (2) "Weapon" means any firearm, including a BB gun, whether loaded or unloaded, any knife (excluding a small pen or pocket knife), including a switchblade or other knife having an automatic spring release device, a stiletto, any police baton or nightstick or any martial arts weapon or electronic defense weapon. "Dangerous instrument" means any instrument, article, or substance that, under the circumstances, is capable of causing death or serious physical injury. (3) The Contractor shall prohibit employees from attempting to use, or threaten to use, any such weapon or dangerous instrument in the state work site and employees shall be prohibited from causing, or threatening to cause, physical injury or death to any individual in the state work site. (4) The Contractor shall adopt the above prohibitions as work rules, violations of which shall subject the employee to disciplinary action up to and including discharge. The Contractor shall insure and require that all employees are aware of such work rules. (5) The Contractor further agrees that any subcontract it enters into in the furtherance of work to be performed under this contract, shall contain provisions (1) through (4) of this section.

(d) Executive Order No. 7C: Integrity in State Contracting. This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. 7C of Governor M. Jodi Rell, promulgated on July 13, 2006 and, as such, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended by the State for violation of or noncompliance with said Executive Order No. 7C. The parties to this contract, as part of the consideration hereof, agree: (1) The State Contracting Standards Board ("Board") may review this contract and recommend to the State Contracting Agency, termination of this contract for cause. The State Contracting Agency shall consider the recommendations and act as required or permitted in accordance with the contract and applicable law. The Board shall provide the results of its review, together with its recommendations, to the State Contracting Agency and any other affected party in accordance with the notice provisions in the contract no later than fifteen (15) days after the Board finalizes its recommendation. For the purpose of this sub-section, "for cause" means a violation of the State Ethics Code (Connecticut General Statutes Chapter 10) or section 4a-100 of the general statutes, or wanton or reckless disregard of any state contracting and procurement process by any person substantially involved in this Contract or State Contracting Agency. (2) For purpose of the section, "contract" shall not include real property transactions involving less than a fee simple interest or financial assistance comprised of state or federal funds, the form of which may include but is not limited to grants, loans, loan guarantees, and participation interests in loans, equity investments and tax credit programs. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board shall not have any authority to recommend the termination of a contract for the sale or purchase of a fee simple interest in real estate following transfer of title. (3) Notwithstanding the contract value listed in Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.) sections 4-250 and 4-252, and section 8 of Executive Order No. 1, all state contracts between state agencies and private entities with a value of \$50,000 (fifty thousand dollars) or more in a calendar or fiscal year shall comply with the gift affidavit requirements of said sections and section 8 of Executive Order No. 1. For purposes of this section, the term "certification" shall include the campaign contribution and annual gift affidavits required by section 8 of Executive Order No. 1.

#### Laws and Regulations

The Contractor agrees that the sole and exclusive means for the presentation of any claims against the State, the Board of Regents for Higher Education, or Gateway Community, arising from this contract shall be in accordance with Chapter 53 of the Connecticut General Statutes (Claims Against the State) and the Contractor further agrees not to initiate legal proceedings in any state or federal court in addition to, or in lieu of, said Chapter 53 proceedings.

#### Governing Law

The validity, construction, performance and effect of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws, and an question arising under of this Agreement shall be construed or determined according to such laws, except to the extent preempted by federal law.

Indemnification

Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State, its agencies, its officers, and its employees from and against any and all suits, actions, legal or administrative proceedings, claims, demands, damages, liabilities, monetary loss, interest, attorney's fees, costs and expenses of whatsoever kind or nature arising out of the performance of this contract, in any manner directly or indirectly caused, occasioned or contributed to in whole or in part, by reason of any act, omission, fault, willful misconduct or negligence of Contractor or its employees, agents or subcontractors.

**SEEC FORM 11**

**NOTICE TO EXECUTIVE BRANCH STATE CONTRACTORS AND PROSPECTIVE STATE CONTRACTORS OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION BAN**

For all state contracts as defined in Connecticut General Statutes §9-612(g)(2), as amended by P.A. 10-1 having a value in a calendar year of \$50,000 or more or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of \$100,000 or more, the authorized signatory to this Agreement expressly acknowledges receipt of the State Election Enforcement Commission's notice advising state contractors of state campaign contribution and solicitation prohibitions, and will inform its principals of the contents of the notice. See Notice below.

**NOTICE TO EXECUTIVE BRANCH STATE CONTRACTORS AND PROSPECTIVE STATE CONTRACTORS OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION LIMITATIONS**

This notice is provided under the authority of Connecticut General Statutes §9-612(g)(2), as amended by P.A. 10-1, and is for the purpose of informing state contractors and prospective state contractors of the following law (italicized words are defined below):

**CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION AND SOLICITATION LIMITATIONS**

*No state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor, with regard to a state contract or state contract solicitation with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee (which includes town committees).*

In addition, no holder or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall make a contribution to (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of State senator or State representative, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

On and after January 1, 2011, no state contractor, prospective state contractor, principal of a state contractor or principal of a prospective state contractor, with regard to a state contract or state contract solicitation with or from a state agency in the executive branch or a quasi-public agency or a holder, or principal of a holder of a valid prequalification certificate, shall **knowingly solicit** contributions from the state contractor's or prospective

state contractor's employees or from a *subcontractor* or *principals of the subcontractor* on behalf of (i) an exploratory committee or candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) a political committee authorized to make contributions or expenditures to or for the benefit of such candidates, or (iii) a party committee.

## **DUTY TO INFORM**

State contractors and prospective state contractors are required to inform their principals of the above prohibitions, as applicable, and the possible penalties and other consequences of any violation thereof.

## **PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS**

Contributions or solicitations of contributions made in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the following civil and criminal penalties:

Civil penalties: Up to \$2,000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contribution, whichever is greater, against a principal or a contractor. Any state contractor or prospective state contractor which fails to make reasonable efforts to comply with the provisions requiring notice to its principals of these prohibitions and the possible consequences of their violations may also be subject to civil penalties of up to \$2,000 or twice the amount of the prohibited contributions made by their principals.

Criminal penalties: Any knowing and willful violation of the prohibition is a Class D felony, which may subject the violator to imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or not more than \$5,000 in fines, or both.

## **CONTRACT CONSEQUENCES**

In the case of a state contractor, contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions may result in the contract being voided.

In the case of a prospective state contractor, contributions made or solicited in violation of the above prohibitions shall result in the contract described in the state contract solicitation not being awarded to the prospective state contractor, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

The State shall not award any other state contract to anyone found in violation of the above prohibitions for a period of one year after the election for which such contribution is made or solicited, unless the State Elections Enforcement Commission determines that mitigating circumstances exist concerning such violation.

Additional information may be found on the website of the State Elections Enforcement Commission, [www.ct.gov/seec](http://www.ct.gov/seec). Click on the link to "Lobbyist/Contractor Limitations."

## **DEFINITIONS**

"State contractor" means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that enters into a state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a state contractor until December thirty-first of the year in which such contract terminates. "State contractor" does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the

classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

“Prospective state contractor” means a person, business entity or nonprofit organization that (i) submits a response to a state contract solicitation by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, or a proposal in response to a request for proposals by the state, a state agency or a quasi-public agency, until the contract has been entered into, or (ii) holds a valid prequalification certificate issued by the Commissioner of Administrative Services under section 4a-100. “Prospective state contractor” does not include a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

“Principal of a state contractor or prospective state contractor” means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a state contractor or prospective state contractor, which is not a business entity, or if a state contractor or prospective state contractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any state contractor or prospective state contractor who has *managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract*, (v) the spouse or a *dependent child* who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the state contractor or prospective state contractor.

“State contract” means an agreement or contract with the state or any state agency or any quasi-public agency, let through a procurement process or otherwise, having a value of fifty thousand dollars or more, or a combination or series of such agreements or contracts having a value of one hundred thousand dollars or more in a calendar year, for (i) the rendition of services, (ii) the furnishing of any goods, material, supplies, equipment or any items of any kind, (iii) the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work, (iv) the acquisition, sale or lease of any land or building, (v) a licensing arrangement, or (vi) a grant, loan or loan guarantee. “State contract” does not include any agreement or contract with the state, any state agency or any quasi-public agency that is exclusively federally funded, an education loan, a loan to an individual for other than commercial purposes or any agreement or contract between the state or any state agency and the United States Department of the Navy or the United States Department of Defense.

“State contract solicitation” means a request by a state agency or quasi-public agency, in whatever form issued, including, but not limited to, an invitation to bid, request for proposals, request for information or request for quotes, inviting bids, quotes or other types of submittals, through a competitive procurement process or another process authorized by law waiving competitive procurement.

“Managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a state contract” means having direct, extensive and substantive responsibilities with respect to the negotiation of the state contract and not peripheral, clerical or ministerial responsibilities.

“Dependent child” means a child residing in an individual’s household who may legally be claimed as a dependent on the federal income tax of such individual.

“Solicit” means (A) requesting that a contribution be made, (B) participating in any fund-raising activities for a candidate committee, exploratory committee, political committee or party committee, including, but not limited to, forwarding tickets to potential contributors, receiving contributions for transmission to any such committee or bundling contributions, (C) serving as chairperson, treasurer or deputy treasurer of any such committee, or (D) establishing a political committee for the sole purpose of soliciting or receiving contributions for any

committee. Solicit does not include: (i) making a contribution that is otherwise permitted by Chapter 155 of the Connecticut General Statutes; (ii) informing any person of a position taken by a candidate for public office or a public official, (iii) notifying the person of any activities of, or contact information for, any candidate for public office; or (iv) serving as a member in any party committee or as an officer of such committee that is not otherwise prohibited in this section.

“Subcontractor” means any person, business entity or nonprofit organization that contracts to perform part or all of the obligations of a state contractor's state contract. Such person, business entity or nonprofit organization shall be deemed to be a subcontractor until December thirty first of the year in which the subcontract terminates. “Subcontractor” does not include (i) a municipality or any other political subdivision of the state, including any entities or associations duly created by the municipality or political subdivision exclusively amongst themselves to further any purpose authorized by statute or charter, or (ii) an employee in the executive or legislative branch of state government or a quasi-public agency, whether in the classified or unclassified service and full or part-time, and only in such person's capacity as a state or quasi-public agency employee.

“Principal of a subcontractor” means (i) any individual who is a member of the board of directors of, or has an ownership interest of five per cent or more in, a subcontractor, which is a business entity, except for an individual who is a member of the board of directors of a nonprofit organization, (ii) an individual who is employed by a subcontractor, which is a business entity, as president, treasurer or executive vice president, (iii) an individual who is the chief executive officer of a subcontractor, which is not a business entity, or if a subcontractor has no such officer, then the officer who duly possesses comparable powers and duties, (iv) an officer or an employee of any subcontractor who has managerial or discretionary responsibilities with respect to a subcontract with a state contractor, (v) the spouse or a dependent child who is eighteen years of age or older of an individual described in this subparagraph, or (vi) a political committee established or controlled by an individual described in this subparagraph or the business entity or nonprofit organization that is the subcontractor

**PROVIDER: GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

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**Signature:**

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**Print Name and Title per Statutory Authority 4a-52a, 10a-151b**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name: President**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Revised: 11/27/19



## **EXHIBIT A**

### **DETAILED SCOPE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR SCHOOL READINESS PROVIDERS (referred to as the “Contractor”)**

#### **Overview of School Readiness**

The School Readiness Program was established in 1997 under P.A. 97-259, An Act Concerning School Readiness and Child Day Care and codified in the CT General Statutes (CGS) 10-16p–10-16u. This legislation established a state grant program to provide spaces for eligible children in priority school districts and competitive grant municipalities in high-quality programs either accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) or Head Start approved. The School Readiness Grant Program is administered by the CT Office of Early Childhood (OEC).

The New Haven School Readiness grant provides over 1,000 spaces for three and four year olds in preschool programs across the city including community-based centers and classrooms within the New Haven Public Schools and Gateway Community College. New Haven Board of Education is the fiscal agent for the grant. The School Readiness Office (SRO), located in the New Haven Public Schools’ Early Childhood Department is the Board’s designee for the grant. The New Haven Early Childhood Council (NHECC), whose members are appointed by the Mayor and Superintendent, is responsible for making recommendations on issues related to the School Readiness Grant Program, including the application for School Readiness grants.

The School Readiness Contractor will provide an early care and education program for New Haven children ages 3 and 4 years old including the services listed below and as outlined in the OEC’s General Policies for State-funded Programs and its Licensing Unit, as the Policies and Procedures of the New Haven Early Childhood Council (NHECC).

#### **SECTION 1: REQUIRED SERVICES and STAFFING**

##### **A. OUTREACH SERVICES AND RECRUITMENT OF FAMILIES**

1. The Contractor is responsible for recruitment and enrollment of eligible children. Eligibility criteria, as determined by the NHECC includes the New Haven residency requirement and allotting 75% of the total School Readiness funded spaces for families who are at or below 75% of the State Median Income as determined by the OEC.
2. Any SR space that becomes vacant will be filled within 15 business days.
3. Contractors are to keep documentation of their outreach efforts. Outreach should include contacts with the organizations that have Memoranda of Understanding with the NHECC as well as businesses and other organizations within the vicinity of the center.
4. Contractors that are not at full capacity by October 31<sup>st</sup> must submit a recruitment plan by November 15<sup>th</sup> for approval by the NHECC. At the recommendation of the NHECC, the Board may amend the Agreement to reduce the Contractor’s grant allocation.
5. Contractors who are at capacity must share their waitlist with the School Readiness Office.

## **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

1. Learning environment, curriculum and assessment
  - a. The Contractor will provide a developmentally appropriate, play-based early care and education program for children age 3 to 4 years and eligible 5 year olds. ,
  - b. For each classroom, weekly Learning Experience Plans will be developed, followed and archived. The content of each plan will be based on children's interests and the CT Early Learning and Development Standards (ELDS). Curriculum standards that have been cross-walked with the ELDS may also be used.
  - c. A developmental screening tool will be used within the first 45 days of a child's entry into the program. Acceptable screening tools include: the Ages and Stages Questionnaire and the Ages and Stages Social/Emotional Questionnaire (ASQ); the Gesell Institute Developmental Screen, Early Screening Inventory (ESI) and Temperament and Atypical Behavior Scale TABS).
  - d. Classroom staff will document children's growth, understanding and skill in the areas of: cognition; social; emotional; physical health; language and literacy; creative arts; mathematics; science; and, social studies. Documentation should include teacher observations, work samples and parent input. Teachers will document how children's ideas are incorporated into the curriculum.
2. Family participation
  - a. Ongoing documentation will culminate in two annual assessment periods. Teachers will share the assessment with parents at 2 parent-teacher conferences annually. At least 80% of parents will attend 2 annual conferences. Documentation will include conference times and length, the comments and signature of parents.

## **B. QUALITY COMPONENTS**

As outlined in CT General Statutes **Sections 10-16o through 10-16u**, each program will:

1. Develop a plan for collaboration with other community programs, including public libraries. Coordinate resources to facilitate full-day and full-year child care and education programs for children of working parents and parents in education or training programs;
2. Encourage family involvement, parenting education and outreach;
3. Provide referrals for health services, including referrals for appropriate immunizations and screenings;
4. Provide nutrition services;
5. Provide referrals to family literacy programs that incorporate adult basic education and provide for the promotion of literacy through access to public library services;
6. Develop admission policies that promote enrollment of children from different racial, ethnic and economic backgrounds and from other communities;
7. Develop a transition plan for children moving from the School Readiness program to kindergarten. This includes provisions for the transfer of records from the program to the kindergarten program;

8. Develop a plan for professional development for staff; including, but not limited to, training in pre-literacy skills development, and designed to assure respect for racial and ethnic diversity;
9. Use the OEC designated sliding fee scale for families participating in the program;
10. Implement an annual evaluation of the effectiveness of the program; and
11. Develop a plan to ensure that children with disabilities are integrated into programs with children who are not disabled

## **C. STAFFING**

### **1. HIRING AND STAFFING LEVELS**

- a. Contractors will maintain adequate teacher: child ratios that at minimum, adhere to the OEC Day Care Licensing Regulations.
- b. Any staff changes will be reported to the School Readiness Office on the Staffing Coverage Form and added to the CT Registry.

### **2. EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

Each classroom will meet the following:

- a. OEC Day Care Licensing regulations
- b. OEC Quality Staff Member education requirements
- c. NAEYC or Head Start requirements

### **3. STAFF ORIENTATION, STAFF DEVELOPMENT**

All staff will have:

- a. The understanding, skills & experience to work with preschool children and families.
- b. An orientation within the first two weeks of hire. This must include an overview of the School Readiness Program policies, procedures and expectations.
- c. A staff development plan that includes the education requirements set forth by OEC's Bureau of Early Care and Education and its Licensing Unit, NAEYC and NHECC. Staff training will be documented in each staff members file. First year full time staff will complete all required trainings by May of their first year. Part time staff will complete trainings required for the position by all regulatory agencies including the School Readiness professional development areas of language and literacy, diversity, and working with children with special needs.
- d. Staff development plans will also include training in the CT ELDS, CT DOTS or similar systems. Regular observations, at minimum quarterly and preferably once a month, by the program leader and/or education consultant will be included in the staff member's professional development plan and annual evaluation.
- e. A program-wide staff development plan with proper documentation as required by NAEYC.

### **4. SUPERVISION**

- a. All staff will be supervised by the program's education leader or designee with the skills and knowledge to support their professional learning. Supervision will include classroom observations, regular meetings with staff and a plan of goals, action steps and measures of progress as well as the strengths observed and contributions made to the program. The plan must be updated at least twice a year.
- b.1 Contractors are required to report any alleged act of commission or omission, suspicion of child abuse or neglect to all regulatory agencies within 24 hours, the

School Readiness Office (SRO), the OEC, NAEYC and/or Head Start. Notification must include the date and time of the alleged act and the nature of the complaint. The Contractor must also notify the SRO of the results of any investigation and any actions taken by the Contractor to correct the situation.

b.2 Contractors will also inform the SRO of any notification to DCF against a parent or non-employee of a SR funded child.

#### **D. CONSULTATION**

As required by NHECC Policies, all Contractors must have an education consultant who provides consultation to teachers and program leaders for a minimum of 2 hours per month. This may be the education consultant on the Contractor's OEC License, or may be another qualified consultant with expertise in curriculum, assessment, classroom management and supervision. The Contractor will notify the SRO of the education consultant selected. The consultant's time and focus will be recorded monthly.

### **SECTION 2: REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND RECORD KEEPING**

#### **A. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

1. All reports are to be submitted by the due date. The monthly reporting periods and due dates are listed on the chart below. Monthly Reports include:  
Priority School Readiness Monthly Report  
Site Data Report  
Withdrawal Report  
Financial Report, including accounting for the collection and use of parent fees and Care for Kids funds consistent with the terms of this Contract.
2. All Contractors are to update their program's information on the CT Registry and the ECIS systems on a monthly basis.
3. Any staff changes are to be reported to the SRO within 5 business days, by updating the Staffing Coverage Plan.
4. Using the protocol established by the OEC, all state funded programs are to email the SRO the required NAEYC, OEC and DCF documents.
5. Annual evaluations, surveys or other documents requested by OEC or by the SRO on behalf of the New Haven Board of Education and/or the New Haven Early Childhood Council.

#### **B. RECORD KEEPING**

1. Staff files contain a cover sheet listing completion dates of professional development training, staff self-evaluation, annual PD goals, annual evaluations with supporting documentation on file. Staff in programs that are exempt from licensing must have a minimum of 15 hours of professional development. Notes of education leaders' and/or their designees' classroom observations, meetings with individual teachers, teaching teams and full staff are documented and outline next steps and a timeline.
2. Child files Enrollment: contain a checklist listing all the documents required by OEC Licensing Unit and the SRO, with supporting documents on file. Records of daily family sign in/out sheets and daily attendance are kept on file and agree with the data submitted on the Site Data Report and in the ECIS.

Child files Assessment: there is a system to track teachers' observation notes and assessments to ensure that all domains are assessed with ample supporting documentation. Assessments should be completed at least twice a year.

3. The Contractor will maintain books, records, documents, program and individual service records, evidence of its accounting and billing procedures and practices for a period of 3 years.

### **SECTION 3: PROGRAM MONITORING**

The Contractor will make all records and documents required under this Agreement as outlined here, in OEC Policies and NHECC Policies available to the SRO or its designee, the SR Fiscal Officer or their designee and the OEC. Scheduled monitoring visits will take place twice a year. The SRO and OEC reserve the right to make unannounced visits.

### **SECTION 4**

Provision against assignment: The contractor may not at any time assign any responsibilities of this contract to any other person, persons or agency without prior approval by SRO.

Access: The information shall be available during the hours of the Contractor's program operation and at all other reasonable times for monitoring, inspection, review or audit by employees or agents of the Board and/or the supervising state agencies. The Board reserves the right to conduct unannounced visits to funded sites to confirm reported data.

Complaints: The Contractor will ensure that all families funded through the School Readiness Grant are aware of their rights to have their concerns/complaints addressed. The Contractor will inform families in writing of the steps to follow to have a complaint/concern resolved. This will include the contact information for the SRO. NHECC Policies and Procedures make clear the steps the SRO will take to help resolve the complaint.

Suspension and/or Expulsion: No child should be expelled or suspended from a program. In the rare instances when a child's behavior jeopardizes the safety of themselves or others, the Contractor will immediately notify the SRO in writing of the situation and the actions taken to date to remedy the concern. The Board and the NHECC reserve the right to eliminate the funded spaces in cases where it deems the termination is not in keeping with the intent of the School Readiness Program.

Insurance: the Contractor is required to provide proof of liability coverage.

Statement of Non-Discrimination: the Contractor agrees that in the performance of this Agreement and in the composition of its staff, governing bodies and families it will not discriminate against any person or group of persons on the basis of race, color, religious creed, age, sex, marital status, national origin, ancestry, present or past history of mental disorder, sexual orientation, learning disability or on any other unlawful grounds.

Non-Renewal: in the event that this agreement is canceled or if the Board does not offer the Contractor a new Agreement of the same or similar service upon its expiration, the Contractor will assist in the orderly transfer of clients served under this Agreement to a new program and will assist in the orderly cessation of the operations under this Agreement and return of all property purchased with School Readiness funds.

Termination and Default: if the Contractor fails to fulfill its obligations under this contract, the Board, in consultation with the New Haven Early Childhood Council may:

- Temporarily Withhold payments until the obligation is fulfilled to the satisfaction of the Board;
- Temporarily or permanently discontinue services under the Agreement;
- Require that unexpended funds be returned to the Board;
- Assign appropriate personnel to execute the Agreement until such time as corrections have been made to the satisfaction of the Board;
- Require that this contract be assigned to an agency or person designated by the Board to bring the program into contractual compliance.
- Terminate this Agreement; or
- Take such other action, as the Board believes necessary.

**SECTION 5: COMPENSATION FOR SCHOOL READINESS FUNDED PROGRAMS**

Compensation for services is based on the approved maximum number of children served each reporting period (see below for report periods) where each child is in attendance at least one day during the reporting period. For each child served, programs will be reimbursed at the rates established by the CT Office of Early Childhood.

Compensation will be made upon the submission of an invoice and is contingent on the timely receipt of expenditure reports, invoices and all program and service reports outlined in this Contract. In the event that reports have not been submitted by the deadlines stipulated in the Contract, the Board will delay payment until such time the report(s) are submitted and approved. The current rates are:

**Full day/full year** services will be paid at the rate of \$743.66 per month not to exceed \$8,924 per child per year. Full day/full year is defined as 10 hours/day, 50 weeks/year, legal holidays excluded, where children regularly attend 5 days/week for at least 6 hours/day.

**School day/school year** services will be paid at the rate of \$600.00 per month, not to exceed \$6,000 per child per year. School day/school year is defined as 6 hours/day, 10 months/year, where children regularly attend 5 days/week for a minimum of 6 hours/day.

**Part day/school year** services to be paid at the rate of \$450.00 per month, not to exceed \$4,500 per child, per year. Part day/school years is defined as a minimum of 2.5 hours/day, 10 months/year, where children regularly attend 5 days/week.

**SECTION 6: OUTCOME MEASURES**

OUTCOMES	MEASURES
Improve access to and utilization of School Readiness Preschool Programs for New Haven 3 & 4 year olds.	SR monthly utilization rate of 95% to 100% will be maintained from September to June 30.

	<p>Programs have a detailed recruitment plan to reach out to New Haven families including families in underserved neighborhoods.</p> <p>Spaces that become vacant will be filled within 15 business days.</p>
Reduce the chronic absenteeism rate.	<p>Chronic absenteeism is defined as a monthly attendance rate of less than 85%.</p> <p>When attendance falls below 85%, families will be contacted, reasons for the absences and a plan to improve attendance will document progress.</p>
Increase the quality of early childhood programs by recruiting and maintaining the current OEC education requirement: at least one teacher in every classroom with a minimum of a CDA and 12 early childhood credits.	100% classrooms, including non-funded rooms will meet the education requirement.
By July 1, 2029, SR funded programs will hire teachers who meet the OEC's increased education standards. All Lead Teachers will have Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education or equivalent degree approved by the Office of Early Childhood Education.	<p>SR programs have individual education plans for each staff member that includes meeting the OEC July 1, 2029 goal.</p> <p>Education plans are updated every six months and show progress toward the goal.</p>
Children's growth in all developmental domains	<p>Classroom environments and weekly Learning Experience Plans will align and consistently include strategies to support children's development as outlined in the OEC's Early Learning Development Standards (ELDS).</p> <p>Assessment documentation will show 95% of all children have made progress in each developmental domain.</p>

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## 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 to 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.



**PROVIDER: GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Statutory Authority 4a-52a, 10a-151b**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** Board President

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Office of the Attorney General**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_