



**WHATCOM COUNTY:**  
Recommended for Approval:

[Signature] 11/30/22  
Department Administrator Date

Approved as to form:  
[Signature] 12/2/22  
Prosecuting Attorney Date

**Approved:**

Accepted for Whatcom County:

By: [Signature] FOE SS  
Satpal Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive

STATE OF WASHINGTON )  
  ) ss  
COUNTY OF WHATCOM )

Tyler Schroeder Deputy

On this 2nd day of December, 2022, before me personally appeared Satpal Sidhu, to me known to be the Executive of Whatcom County, who executed the above instrument and who acknowledged to me the act of signing and sealing thereof.

[Signature]  
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of Washington, residing at  
[Signature] My commission expires 12-31-26.



**CONTRACTOR INFORMATION:**

Northwest Educational Services District 189  
Larry Francois, Superintendent

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1601 R Avenue  
Anacortes, WA 98221

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## GENERAL CONDITIONS

### **Series 00-09: Provisions Related to Scope and Nature of Services**

#### 1.0 Scope of Services:

The Contractor agrees to provide to the County services and any materials as set forth in the project narrative identified as Exhibit "A", during the agreement period. No material, labor, or facilities will be furnished by the County, unless otherwise provided for in the Agreement.

### **Series 10-19: Provisions Related to Term and Termination**

#### 10.1 Term:

Services provided by Contractor prior to or after the term of this contract shall be performed at the expense of Contractor and are not compensable under this contract unless both parties hereto agree to such provision in writing. The term of this Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties; provided, however, that the Agreement is in writing and signed by both parties.

#### 10.2 Extension: Not Applicable

#### 11.1 Termination for Default:

If the Contractor defaults by failing to perform any of the obligations of the contract or becomes insolvent or is declared bankrupt or commits any act of bankruptcy or insolvency or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, the County may, by depositing written notice to the Contractor in the U.S. mail, first class postage prepaid, terminate the contract, and at the County's option, obtain performance of the work elsewhere. Termination shall be effective upon Contractor's receipt of the written notice, or within thirty (30) days of the mailing of the notice, whichever occurs first. If the contract is terminated for default, the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payments under the contract until all work called for has been fully performed. Any extra cost or damage to the County resulting from such default(s) shall be deducted from any money due or coming due to the Contractor. The Contractor shall bear any extra expenses incurred by the County in completing the work, including all increased costs for completing the work, and all damage sustained, or which may be sustained by the County by reason of such default.

#### Force Majeure:

A party to this Contract is not liable to the other party for failing to perform its obligations if such failure is a result of Acts of God (including fire, flood, earthquake or other natural disaster), war, government sanction/order/regulation, riot, terrorist attack, labor dispute, or other similar contingency beyond the reasonable control of the parties. Force Majeure does not include computer events, such as denial of service attacks or those that may occur as a result of a third party. Each party shall have backup computer systems to allow it to continue to perform its obligations under the Contract. If a party asserts Force Majeure as an excuse for failure to perform its contractual obligations, then it must prove that it took reasonable steps to minimize delay or damages caused by foreseeable events, that it substantially fulfilled all non-excused obligations and that the other party was timely notified of the likelihood of or actual occurrence of such an event

### **Series 20-29: Provisions Related to Consideration and Payments**

#### 22.1 Withholding Payment: Not Applicable

#### 23.1 Labor Standards: Not Applicable

### **Series 30-39: Provisions Related to Administration of Agreement**

#### 30.1 Independent Contractor:

The Contractor's services shall be furnished by the Contractor as an independent contractor, and nothing herein contained shall be construed to create a relationship of employer-employee or master-servant, but all services performed shall be made and performed pursuant to this Agreement by the Contractor as an independent contractor.

The Contractor is not entitled to any benefits including, but not limited to: vacation pay, holiday pay, sick leave pay, medical, dental, or other insurance benefits, or any other rights or privileges afforded to employees of the County. The Contractor represents that he/she/it maintains a separate place of business, serves clients other than the County, will report all income and expense accrued under this contract to the Internal Revenue Service on a Schedule C, and has a tax account with the State of Washington Department of Revenue for payment of all sales and use and Business and Occupation taxes collected by the State of Washington.

Contractor will defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its officers, agents or employees from any loss or expense, including, but not limited to, settlements, judgments, setoffs, attorneys' fees or costs incurred by reason of claims or demands because of breach of the provisions of this paragraph.

30.2 Assignment and Subcontracting:

The performance of all activities contemplated by this agreement shall be accomplished by the Contractor. No portion of this contract may be assigned or subcontracted to any other individual, firm or entity without the express and prior written approval of the County.

30.3 No Guarantee of Employment:

The performance of all or part of this contract by the Contractor shall not operate to vest any employment rights whatsoever and shall not be deemed to guarantee any employment of the Contractor or any employee of the Contractor or any subcontractor or any employee of any subcontractor by the County at the present time or in the future.

31.1 Ownership of Items Produced:

All writings, programs, data, public records or other materials prepared by the Contractor and/or its consultants or subcontractors, in connection with performance of this Agreement, shall be the sole and absolute property of the County.

31.2 Patent/Copyright Infringement: Not Applicable

32.1 Confidentiality:

The Contractor, its employees, subcontractors, and their employees shall maintain the confidentiality of all information provided by the County or acquired by the Contractor in performance of this Agreement, except upon the prior written consent of the County or an order entered by a court after having acquired jurisdiction over the County. Contractor shall immediately give to the County notice of any judicial proceeding seeking disclosure of such information. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County, its officials, agents or employees from all loss or expense, including, but not limited to, settlements, judgments, setoffs, attorneys' fees and costs resulting from Contractor's breach of this provision.

Background Checks: By executing this Contract with the NWESD, the Contractor represents and warrants that each of its employees or agents shall have a record check through the Washington state patrol criminal identification system in compliance with RCW 43.43.830 through 43.43.834, 10.97.030, and 10.97.050 and through the Federal Bureau of Investigation before she or he has unsupervised access to any child. The record check shall include a fingerprint check using a complete Washington state criminal identification fingerprint card. If the applicant has had a record check within the previous two (2) years, Contractor may waive the requirement. NWESD may request documentation of record checks at any time during the term of the Contract.

Crimes Against Children:

In accordance with RCW 26A.400.330, employees, agents, and contractors of the Contractor are prohibited from working at the Whatcom County Juvenile Detention Center- Educational Program if they have or may have contact with children during the course of their employment and have pleaded guilty to or been convicted of the crimes identified in RCW 26A.400.322. Any failure to comply with this section shall be grounds for immediate termination of this Agreement.

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA): Contractor agrees that it may create, have access to, or receive from or on behalf of the NWESD, records or record systems that are subject to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA"), 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g (collectively, the "FERPA Records"). Contractor represents, warrants, and agrees that it will: (1) hold the FERPA Records in strict confidence and will not use or disclose the FERPA Records except as (a) permitted or required by this Contract, (b) required by law, or (c) otherwise authorized by the NWESD in writing; (2) safeguard the FERPA Records according to commercially reasonable administrative, physical and technical standards that are no less rigorous than the standards by which the Contractor protects its own confidential information; and (3) continually monitor its operations and take any action reasonably necessary to assure that the FERPA Records are safeguarded in accordance with the terms of this Contract.

33.1 Right to Review:

This contract is subject to review by any Federal, State or County auditor. The County or its designee shall have the right to review and monitor the financial and service components of this program by whatever means are deemed expedient by the Administrative Officer or by the County Auditor's Office. Such review may occur with or without notice and may include, but is not limited to, on-site inspection by County agents or employees, inspection of all records or other materials which the County deems pertinent to the Agreement and its performance, and any and all communications with or evaluations by service recipients under this Agreement. The Contractor shall preserve and maintain all financial records and records relating to the performance of work under this Agreement for three (3) years after contract termination, and shall make them available for such review, within Whatcom County, State of Washington, upon request. Contractor also agrees to notify the Administrative Officer in advance of any inspections, audits, or program review by any individual, agency, or governmental unit whose purpose is to review the services provided within the terms of this Agreement. If no advance notice is given to the Contractor, then the Contractor agrees to notify the Administrative Officer as soon as it is practical.

- 34.1 Proof of Insurance: During the term of the Contract, the NWESD and the County shall maintain in force at their own expense, the following insurance with an insurance company rated at least A-VIII or better in Best's Insurance Reports:

Commercial General Liability insurance written on an occurrence basis with limits of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit per occurrence and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate for personal injury, bodily injury and property damage. Coverage shall include, but not be limited to, blanket contractual; products/completed operations; broad form property damage; explosion, collapse and underground (XCU) if applicable; and employer's liability.

- 34.2 Industrial Insurance Waiver: Not Applicable

- 34.3 Mutual Indemnity:

To the extent of its comparative liability, each party agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the other party, its elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and volunteers, harmless from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including but not limited to court costs, attorney's fees and alternative dispute resolution costs, for any personal injury, for any bodily injury, sickness, disease or death and for any damage to or destruction of any property (including the loss of use resulting therefrom) which are alleged or proven to be caused by an act or omission, negligent or otherwise, of its elected and appointed officials, employees, agents or volunteers.

In the event of any concurrent act or omission of the parties, each party shall pay its proportionate share of any damages awarded. The parties agree to maintain a consolidated defense to claims made against them and to reserve all indemnity claims against each other until after liability to the claimant and damages, if any, are adjudicated. If any claim is resolved by voluntary settlement and the parties cannot agree upon apportionment of damages and defense costs, they shall submit apportionment to binding arbitration.

The parties agree all indemnity obligations shall survive the completion, expiration or termination of this Agreement.

- 35.1 Non-Discrimination in Employment:

The County's policy is to provide equal opportunity in all terms, conditions and privileges of employment for all qualified applicants and employees without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation (including gender identity), age, marital status, disability, or veteran status. The Contractor shall comply with all laws prohibiting discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment on the grounds of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation (including gender identity), age, marital status, disability, political affiliation, or veteran status, except where such constitutes a bona fide occupational qualification.

Furthermore, in those cases in which the Contractor is governed by such laws, the Contractor shall take affirmative action to insure that applicants are employed, and treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation (including gender identity), disability, or veteran status, except where such constitutes a bona fide occupational qualification. Such action shall include, but not be limited to: advertising, hiring, promotions, layoffs or terminations, rate of pay or other forms of compensation benefits, selection for training including apprenticeship, and participation in recreational and educational activities. In all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by them or on their behalf, the Contractor shall state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

The foregoing provisions shall also be binding upon any subcontractor, provided that the foregoing provision shall not apply to contracts or subcontractors for standard commercial supplies or raw materials, or to sole proprietorships with no employees.

- 35.2 Non-Discrimination in Client Services:

The Contractor shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation (including gender identity), disability, or veteran status; or deny an individual or business any service or benefits under this Agreement unless otherwise allowed by applicable law; or subject an individual or business to segregation or separate treatment in any manner related to his/her/its receipt any service or services or other benefits provided under this Agreement unless otherwise allowed by applicable law; or deny an individual or business an opportunity to participate in any program provided by this Agreement unless otherwise allowed by applicable law.

- 36.1 Waiver of Noncompetition: Not Applicable

- 36.2 Conflict of Interest:

If at any time prior to commencement of, or during the term of this Agreement, Contractor or any of its employees involved in the performance of this Agreement shall have or develop an interest in the subject matter of this Agreement that is potentially in conflict

with the County's interest, then Contractor shall immediately notify the County of the same. The notification of the County shall be made with sufficient specificity to enable the County to make an informed judgment as to whether or not the County's interest may be compromised in any manner by the existence of the conflict, actual or potential. Thereafter, the County may require the Contractor to take reasonable steps to remove the conflict of interest. The County may also terminate this contract according to the provisions herein for termination.

37.1 Administration of Contract:

This Agreement shall be subject to all laws, rules, and regulations of the United States of America, the State of Washington, and political subdivisions of the State of Washington. The Contractor also agrees to comply with applicable federal, state, county or municipal standards for licensing, certification and operation of facilities and programs, and accreditation and licensing of individuals.

The County hereby appoints, and the Contractor hereby accepts, the Whatcom County Executive, and his or her designee, as the County's representative, hereinafter referred to as the Administrative Officer, for the purposes of administering the provisions of this Agreement, including the County's right to receive and act on all reports and documents, and any auditing performed by the County related to this Agreement. The Administrative Officer for purposes of this agreement is:

David Reynolds, Administrator  
Juvenile Court Administration  
Whatcom County Courthouse, Suite 501  
311 Grand Avenue  
Bellingham, WA 98225

37.2 Notice:

Except as set forth elsewhere in the Agreement, for all purposes under this Agreement except service of process, notice shall be given by the Contractor to the County's Administrative Officer under this Agreement. Notice to the Contractor for all purposes under this Agreement shall be given to the address provided by the Contractor herein above in the "Contractor Information" section. Notice may be given by delivery or by depositing in the US Mail, first class, postage prepaid.

38.1 Suspension and Debarment. The parties to the Agreement certify, and each relies thereon in execution of this Agreement, that their entity nor its Principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded for the award of contracts by any Federal governmental agency or department. "Principals", for the purposes of this certification, mean officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of subsidiary, division, or business segment; and similar positions). Further, each party agrees to provide the other(s) immediate written notice if, at any time during the term of this Agreement, including any renewals hereof, it learns that its certification was erroneous when made or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. Each party's certification via the execution of this Agreement is a material representation of fact upon which each party has relied in entering into this Agreement. Should either party determine, at any time during this Agreement, including any renewals hereof, that this certification is false, or should it become false due to changed circumstances, it may terminate this Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions therein.

***Series 40-49: Provisions Related to Interpretation of Agreement and Resolution of Disputes***

40.1 Modifications:

Either party may request changes in the Agreement. Any and all agreed modifications, to be valid and binding upon either party, shall be in writing and signed by both of the parties.

40.2 Contractor Commitments, Warranties and Representations: Not Applicable

Safety Requirements:

All materials or equipment furnished by NWESD will be required to satisfy any applicable requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act ("OSHA") and/or the Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act ("WISHA") in effect at the time of delivery. It shall be the responsibility of NWESD to comply with this requirement.

41.1 Severability:

If any term or condition of this contract or the application thereof to any person(s) or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other terms, conditions or applications which can be given effect without the invalid term, condition or application. To this end, the terms and conditions of this contract are declared severable.

41.2 Waiver:

Waiver of any breach or condition of this contract shall not be deemed a waiver of any prior or subsequent breach. No term or condition of this contract shall be held to be waived, modified or deleted except by an instrument, in writing, signed by the parties hereto. The failure of the County to insist upon strict performance of any of the covenants and agreements of this Agreement, or to exercise any option herein conferred in any one or more instances, shall not be construed to be a waiver or relinquishment of any such, or any other covenants or agreements, but the same shall be and remain in full force and effect.

42.1 Disputes:

a. General:

Differences between the Contractor and the County, arising under and by virtue of the Contract Documents, shall be brought to the attention of the County at the earliest possible time in order that such matters may be settled or other appropriate action promptly taken. Except for such objections as are made of record in the manner hereinafter specified and within the time limits stated, the records, orders, rulings, instructions, and decisions of the Administrative Officer shall be final and conclusive.

b. Notice of Potential Claims:

The Contractor shall not be entitled to additional compensation which otherwise may be payable, or to extension of time for (1) any act or failure to act by the Administrative Officer or the County, or (2) the happening of any event or occurrence, unless the Contractor has given the County a written Notice of Potential Claim within ten (10) days of the commencement of the act, failure, or event giving rise to the claim, and before final payment by the County. The written Notice of Potential Claim shall set forth the reasons for which the Contractor believes additional compensation or extension of time is due, the nature of the cost involved, and insofar as possible, the amount of the potential claim. Contractor shall keep full and complete daily records of the work performed, labor and material used, and all costs and additional time claimed to be additional.

c. Detailed Claim:

The Contractor shall not be entitled to claim any such additional compensation, or extension of time, unless within thirty (30) days of the accomplishment of the portion of the work from which the claim arose, and before final payment by the County, the Contractor has given the County a detailed written statement of each element of cost or other compensation requested and of all elements of additional time required, and copies of any supporting documents evidencing the amount or the extension of time claimed to be due.

d. Arbitration: Not Applicable

43.1 Venue and Choice of Law:

In the event that any litigation should arise concerning the construction or interpretation of any of the terms of this Agreement, the venue of such action of litigation shall be in the courts of the State of Washington in and for the County of Whatcom. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Washington.

44.1 Survival:

The provisions of paragraphs 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 21.1, 22.1, 30.1, 31.1, 31.2, 32.1, 33.1, 34.2, 34.3, 36.1, 40.2, 41.2, 42.1, and 43.1, if utilized, shall survive, notwithstanding the termination or invalidity of this Agreement for any reason.

45.1 Entire Agreement:

This written Agreement, comprised of the writings signed or otherwise identified and attached hereto, represents the entire Agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior oral statements, discussions or understandings between the parties.

Headings: The headings of each section of this Contract are provided only to aid the reader. If there is any inconsistency between the heading and the content of the paragraph or the context of the contract, the content or context will prevail.

## EXHIBIT "A"

Educational services provided by the NWESD for Whatcom Juvenile Detention (aka WJD), include a Washington state certified teacher and part time administration, whose responsibilities shall include the following:

- 1) Fiscal responsibility (in accordance with state and federal guidelines) for all educational program costs, including staffing curriculum, instructional supplies and equipment, and technology;
- 2) Recruitment, employment and supervision of educational staff to adequately operate the educational program;
- 3) Ensuring that education staff are subject to the policies and rules and regulations of NWESD, including teacher certification as required by the State of Washington and Title 1, Part D funding;
- 4) Providing and maintaining equipment sufficient for internet capacity for student use, in cooperation with WJD safety and security policies, which restrict internet contact to educational sites, while protecting youth from accessing social media or other sites where they may incriminate themselves;
- 5) Assuring students receive an appropriate education, including services and timely initial evaluations or re-evaluations while they are detained at the county detention center, as specified in Chapter 392-172A WAC, rules for the provision of special education services;
- 6) Coordinating the exchange of educationally relevant student information between NWESD, the receiving district, and the student's last known school of attendance to promote learning consistent with each student's learning continuum;
- 7) Maintaining student data (demographics, entry/withdraw dates, courses provided, and credits earned, etc.) in a secure online student information system;
- 8) Establishing appropriate instructional levels in major content areas through informal curriculum-based evaluations and formal evaluations as necessary;
- 9) Utilizing administrative technology to identify appropriate coursework aligned with Washington state grade level standards for each student through Skyward, CEDARS, email and other on-line systems, to make contact with the student's resident school and/or through existing standardized assessment and/or site assessment of student knowledge and skills in major content areas;
- 10) Obtaining appropriate educational materials to assist students in maintaining and developing educational skills during detention;
- 11) Provision of state required aspect of educational services (e.g., student assessment, development of instructional program services, educational support services, record-keeping, yearly reports to OSPI);
- 12) Providing data based instructional programs for WJD students in basic skills, including reading, math, language arts and to the extent practical, prevocational programs, social and behavioral skills;
- 13) Providing written reports to OSPI administration as requested;
- 14) Supervising instructional assistance in teaching/learning activities;
- 15) Contracting or subcontracting with other entities, as needed to provide educational program services (e.g. GED preparation, pre-employment and vocational preparation, counseling and services) which;
  - a) Build partnerships with local school districts, businesses, social services, families, Juvenile Detention Education Program personnel and probation to provide youth with assistance in the areas of education and employment, acknowledging special education services and alternative placements,
  - b) Provide students with the opportunity to build educational and/or vocational goals,
  - c) Instruct students in pro-social skills, and
  - d) Inform students about educational and career opportunities prior to their transition;
- 16) Maintaining liaison relationship with WJD, Whatcom County school districts, NWESD, and other agency representatives in providing educational services; and,
- 17) Cooperating with WJD correction officers in counseling services, crisis intervention, and physical safety and security procedures as defined in the Whatcom County, WJD Policy Manual.



**Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension,  
Proposed Debarment and Other Responsibility Matters**

Northwest Educational Service District #189 (NWESD 189) certifies, and the District relies thereon in execution of this Agreement, that neither the NWESD 189 nor its Principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded for the award of contracts by any Federal governmental agency or department;

"Principals", for the purposes of this certification, mean officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of subsidiary, division, or business segment; and similar positions).

NWESD 189 shall provide immediate written notice to District if, at any time during the term of this Agreement, including any renewals hereof, NWESD 189 learns that its certification was erroneous when made or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

NWESD 189's certification is a material representation of fact upon which the District has relied in entering into this Agreement. Should District determine, at any time during this Agreement, including any renewals hereof, that this certification is false, or should it become false due to changed circumstances, the District may terminate this Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions therein.

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Larry Francois, Superintendent  
Northwest ESD 189

Skagit County, City of Anacortes, Washington State

