

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES CONTRACT
Education Law § 4401(2)(b)

This Agreement is entered into this _____ day of October, 2013 by and between the Board of Education of the Malverne Union Free School District (hereinafter the "SENDING DISTRICT"), having its principal place of business for the purpose of this Agreement at 301 Wicks Lane, Malverne, NY 11565, and the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Central High School District (hereinafter the "RECEIVING DISTRICT"), having its principal place of business for the purpose of this Agreement at One Kent Road, Valley Stream, NY 11580.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS the SENDING DISTRICT is authorized under the Education Law to contract with other public school districts within the State of New York for the instruction of students with disabilities in those situations where the SENDING DISTRICT is unable to provide for the education of such students with disabilities in special classes in the schools of the SENDING DISTRICT; and

WHEREAS, the RECEIVING DISTRICT is a public school district within the State of New York authorized to provide special education and related services to students with disabilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties mutually agree as follows:

A. TERM

The term of this Agreement shall be from October 9, 2013 through June 30, 2014, inclusive, unless terminated early as provided for in this Agreement. It is understood that the SENDING DISTRICT is under no obligation to renew this Agreement upon its expiration.

B. SERVICES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. During the term of this Agreement, the services to be provided by the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall include, but not be limited to the following:
 - Instructional Services
 - Special Education and Related Services as set forth in each student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP).
2. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall provide the services set forth in this Agreement to those student(s) listed in Confidential Schedule "A".
3. All services provided by the RECEIVING DISTRICT to students under this Agreement shall be in accordance with each student's Individualized Education

Program (IEP), as it may be modified from time to time. Prompt written notice shall be given by the SENDING DISTRICT to the RECEIVING DISTRICT upon any modification of a student's IEP.

4. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall perform all services under this Agreement in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, and regulations, as well as established policy guidance from the New York State Education Department.
5. Services provided pursuant to this Agreement shall be provided without regard to race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age, disability, or sponsorship.
6. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) Act, including, but not limited to background checks and fingerprinting of all staff directly providing services to students. All persons providing services to the SENDING DISTRICT pursuant to this Agreement must receive clearance for employment by the New York State Education Department prior to the provision of such services.
7. The RECEIVING DISTRICT represents that services under this Agreement shall be provided by qualified individuals of good character and in good professional standing. The RECEIVING DISTRICT represents that no individuals providing services under this Agreement are currently charged, nor in the past have been charged with any relevant criminal or professional misconduct or incompetence.
8. Upon the execution of this Agreement, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall provide copies of required licenses/certifications of all professionals providing services to student(s) under this Agreement. In the event that the required license/certification of any agent or employee of the RECEIVING DISTRICT providing services under this Agreement is revoked, terminated, suspended, or otherwise impaired, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall immediately notify the SENDING DISTRICT in accordance with the requirements for all notices pursuant to this Agreement set forth below.
9. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall comply will all applicable policies of the RECEIVING DISTRICT while providing services pursuant to this Agreement.
10. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall provide all services pursuant to this Agreement in a competent, professional and timely manner.
11. The RECEIVING DISTRICT will work cooperatively with the SENDING DISTRICT'S Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE). The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall make relevant personnel available to participate in meetings of the SENDING

DISTRICT's Committee on Special Education (CSE), where appropriate, upon reasonable prior notice to the RECEIVING DISTRICT of such meetings.

12. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall maintain records, logs and/or reports in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, requirements of the New York State Education Department or Health Department. The SENDING DISTRICT shall have the right to examine any or all records or accounts maintained and/or created by the RECEIVING DISTRICT in connection with this Agreement, and upon request shall be entitled to copies of same.
13. Both parties to this Agreement understand that they may receive and/or come into contact with protected health information as defined by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). The parties hereby acknowledge their respective responsibilities pursuant to HIPAA and shall comply with said Regulations, if applicable.
14. Both parties, their employees, and/or agents agree that all information obtained in connection with the services performed pursuant to this Agreement is deemed confidential information. Both parties, their employees, and/or agents shall not use, publish, discuss, disclose or communicate the contents of such information, directly or indirectly with third parties, except as provided for in this Agreement. Both parties further agree that any information received by either party's employees and/or agents in connection with this Agreement which concerns the personal, financial, or other affairs of the parties, their employees, agents, and/or students will be treated as confidential and will not be revealed to any other persons, firms, organizations, or third parties. In addition, both parties agree that information concerning any student covered by the terms of this Agreement shall not be released except as provided for by applicable law, rule, or regulation, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
15. The SENDING DISTRICT shall obtain whatever releases, prescriptions, or other legal documents that are necessary for the RECEIVING DISTRICT to provide services pursuant to this Agreement.
16. The SENDING DISTRICT shall obtain releases or other legal documents necessary for the RECEIVING DISTRICT to render full reports concerning the education and progress of the student(s) to the SENDING DISTRICT at the same time that such reports are made to the parent(s) of student(s) covered by the terms of this Agreement.
17. Upon reasonable prior written notice, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall be subject to visitation by the SENDING DISTRICT and/or its designated representatives during the normal business hours of the RECEIVING DISTRICT.

18. In the event that the parent or person in parental relation to a student(s) receiving services pursuant to this Agreement files a request for an impartial hearing or administrative complaint or initiates litigation in connection with such services, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall promptly give written notice of same to the SENDING DISTRICT.

19. Insurance

- a. The RECEIVING DISTRICT, at its sole expense, shall procure and maintain such policies of commercial general liability, malpractice and other insurance as shall be necessary to insure the RECEIVING DISTRICT and the SENDING DISTRICT, including the Board of Education, employees and volunteers, as additional insured, against any claim for liability, personal injury, or death occasioned directly or indirectly by the RECEIVING DISTRICT in connection with the performance of the RECEIVING DISTRICT's responsibilities under this Agreement; each such policy shall provide a minimum coverage of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence subject to an annual aggregate of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000).
- b. The insurance is to be underwritten by a licensed and/or admitted New York State Insurer with a minimum Bests rating of A-minus.
- c. In the event any of the aforementioned insurance policies are cancelled or not renewed, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall notify the SENDING DISTRICT in writing within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or non-renewal.
- d. Upon the execution of this Agreement, the RECEIVING DISTRICT will supply the SENDING DISTRICT with a Certificate of Insurance including the SENDING DISTRICT, Board of Education, Employees and Volunteers as Additional Insured, a copy of the Declaration pages of the policies, and a copy of the additional insured endorsement.

C. COMPENSATION:

1. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall be entitled to recover the cost of tuition and related services from the SENDING DISTRICT in an amount to be determined by the State Education Department when available, for services from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, for each student receiving services pursuant to this Agreement.

a. The parties understand that these rates are subject to change by the State Education Department. In the event that the tuition and one to one aide rates are changed for the term of this Agreement, the total amount of tuition which the SENDING DISTRICT is required to pay shall be

increased or decreased to reflect the adjusted tuition rate for the relevant period of each student's attendance.

2. Requests for payment by the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall be made by submission of a detailed written invoice to the SENDING DISTRICT which references the time period for which payment is being requested, and a breakdown of the total amount due for the period specified.
3. The SENDING DISTRICT shall pay the RECEIVING DISTRICT within thirty (30) days of receipt of each invoice by the SENDING DISTRICT.
4. The SENDING DISTRICT shall give the RECEIVING DISTRICT notice of any invoice disputes within twenty (20) days of its receipt of the invoice, and reserves the right to withhold payment pending the resolution of the dispute.

D. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Termination

- a. Either the SENDING DISTRICT or the RECEIVING DISTRICT may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. Such notice shall be given in accordance with the requirements for all notices pursuant to this Agreement set forth below.
- b. The parties agree that either party's failure to comply with any terms or conditions of this Agreement will provide a basis for the other party to immediately terminate this Agreement without any further liability to the party which violated the Agreement.
- c. In the event the SENDING DISTRICT or the RECEIVING DISTRICT terminates this Agreement with or without cause, such termination of the Agreement shall not discharge the parties' existing obligations to each other as of the effective date of termination.

2. Independent Contractor:

- a. RECEIVING DISTRICT will be engaged as an independent Contractor, and therefore be solely responsible for the payment of federal and state income taxes applicable to this Agreement.
- b. Neither RECEIVING DISTRICT nor any of its employees, agents, or assigns will be eligible for any employee benefits whatsoever relative to this contract including, but not limited to, Social Security, New York State Worker's Compensation, unemployment insurance, New York State Employee's Retirement System, health or dental insurance, or malpractice insurance, or the like.

- c. SENDING DISTRICT, if required by Federal or State requirements, will submit a Form 1099 and IT 2102.1 respectively at year-end to the Federal Government for all individuals having a gross income exceeding \$600, which thereupon will be reported for income tax purposes.

3. Defense / Indemnification

- a. RECEIVING DISTRICT agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the SENDING DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents, or employees against all claims, demands, actions, lawsuits, costs, damages and expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts arising from any willful act, omission, error, recklessness or negligence of the RECEIVING DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents or employees in connection with the performance of services pursuant to this Agreement. The obligations pursuant to this provision shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- b. SENDING DISTRICT agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the RECEIVING DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents, or employees against all claims, demands, actions, lawsuits, costs, damages and expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts arising from any willful act, omission, error, recklessness or negligence of the SENDING DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents or employees in connection with the performance of services pursuant to this Agreement. The obligations pursuant to this provision shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

4. Notices: All notices which are required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be deemed to have been given if delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, addressed as follows:

To Sending District: [insert name], Superintendent of Schools
Malverne Union Free School District
301 Wicks Lane
Malverne, New York 11565

To Receiving District: [insert name and title]
Valley Stream Central High School District
One Kent Road
Valley Stream, New York 11582

5. Assignment: It is expressly understood that this Agreement shall not be assigned or transferred without prior written consent of the other party.

6. **No Waiver:** The failure of either party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right to subsequently enforce every provision of this Agreement.
7. **Severability:** Should any provision of this Agreement, for any reason, be declared invalid and/or unenforceable, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Agreement. Such remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect as if this Agreement had been executed with the invalid provision(s) eliminated.
8. **Governing Law:** This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws and regulations of the State of New York and applicable Federal laws and regulations.
9. **Venue:** Any dispute arising under this Agreement shall be litigated in the Courts of Suffolk County, New York.
10. **Entire Agreement:** This Agreement is the complete and exclusive statement of the Agreement between the parties, and supercedes all prior or contemporaneous, oral or written: agreements, proposals, understandings, representations, conditions or covenants between the parties relating to the subject matter of the Agreement.
11. **Amendment:** This Agreement may not be changed orally, but only by an agreement, in writing, signed by authorized representatives of both parties.
12. **Execution:** This Agreement, and any amendments to this Agreement, will not be in effect until agreed to in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

Malverne UFSD

Valley Stream CHSD

By:

President, Board of Education

By:

President, Board of Education