

## STUDENT CONTRACT ADDENDUM

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### **Protection of Student Personally Identifiable Information**

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### 2. Definitions

- "Protected Information", as applied to student data, means "personally identifiable information" as defined in 34 CFR Section 99.3 implementing the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) where that information is received by Vendor from DISTRICT or is created by the Vendor's product or service in the course of being used by DISTRICT.
- 22 "Vendor" means ExploreLearning, LLC
- 23 "Educational Agency" means a school district, board of cooperative educational services, school, or the New York State Education Department; and for purposes of this Contract specifically includes DISTRICT.
- 24 DISTRICT" means the Auburn Enlarged City School Distr
- 25 "Parent" means a parent, legal guardian, or person in parental relation to a Student.
- 26 "Student" means any person attending or seeking to enroll in an educational agency.
- 27 "Eligible Student" means a student eighteen years or older.
- 28 "Assignee" and "Subcontractor" shall each mean any person or entity that receives, stores, or processes Protected Information covered by this Contract from Vendor for the purpose of enabling or assisting Vendor to deliver the product or services covered by this Contract.
- 29 "This Contract" means the underlying contract as modified by this Addendum.

### 3. Vendor Status

Vendor acknowledges that for purposes of New York State Education Law Section 2-d it is a third-party contractor, and that for purposes of any Protected Information that constitutes education records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) it is a school official with a legitimate educational interest in the educational records.

### 4. Confidentiality of Protected Information

Vendor agrees that the confidentiality of Protected Information that it receives, processes, or stores will be handled in accordance with all state and federal laws that protect the confidentiality of Protected Information, and in accordance with the DISTRICT Policy on Data Security and Privacy, a copy of which is Attachment B to this Addendum.



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### 5. Vendor Employee Training

Vendor agrees that any of its officers or employees, and any officers or employees of any Assignee of Vendor, who have access to Protected Information will receive training on the federal and state law governing confidentiality of such information prior to receiving access to that information.

### 6. No Use of Protected Information for Commercial or Marketing Purposes

Vendor warrants that Protected Information received by Vendor from DISTRICT or by any Assignee of Vendor, shall not be sold or used for any commercial or marketing purposes; shall not be used by Vendor or its Assignees for purposes of receiving remuneration, directly or indirectly; shall not be used by Vendor or its Assignees for advertising purposes; shall not be used by Vendor or its Assignees to develop or improve a product or service; and shall not be used by Vendor or its Assignees to market products or services to students.

### 7. Ownership and Location of Protected Information

- 7.1 Ownership of all Protected Information that is disclosed to or held by Vendor shall remain with DISTRICT. Vendor shall acquire no ownership interest in education records or Protected Information.
- 72 DISTRICT shall have access to the DISTRICT's Protected Information at all times through the term of this Contract. DISTRICT shall have the right to import or export Protected Information in piecemeal or in its entirety at their discretion, without interference from Vendor.
- Vendor is prohibited from data mining, cross tabulating, and monitoring data usage and access by DISTRICT or its authorized users, or performing any other data analytics other than those required to provide the Product to DISTRICT. Vendor is allowed to perform industry standard back-ups of Protected Information. Documentation of back-up must be provided to DISTRICT upon request.
- All Protected Information shall remain in the continental United States (CONUS) or Canada. Any Protected Information stored, or acted upon, must be located solely in data centers in CONUS or Canada. Services which directly or indirectly access Protected Information may only be performed from locations within CONUS or Canada. All helpdesk, online, and support services which access any Protected Information must be performed from within CONUS or Canada.

### 8. Purpose for Sharing Protected Information

The exclusive purpose for which Vendor is being provided access to Protected Information is to provide the product or services that are the subject of this Contract to DISTRICT. Vendor may use de-identified data for purposes of research, the improvement of Vendor's products and services, and/or the development of new products and services. In no event shall Vendor or subcontractors re-identify or attempt to re-identify any de-identified data or use de-identified data in combination with other data elements or de-identified data in the possession of a third-party affiliate, thereby posing risks of re-identification.

#### 9. Downstream Protections

Vendor agrees that, in the event that Vendor subcontracts with or otherwise engages another entity in order to fulfill its obligations under this Contract, including the purchase, lease, or sharing of server space owned by another entity, that entity shall be deemed to be an "Assignee" of Vendor for purposes of Education Law Section 2-d, and Vendor will only share Protected Information with such entities if those entities are contractually bound to observe the same or substantially similar obligations to maintain the privacy and security of Protected Information as are required of Vendor under this Contract and all applicable New York State and federal laws.

#### 10. Protected Information and Contract Termination

10.1 The expiration date of this Contract is defined by the underlying contract.

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- Upon expiration of this Contract without a successor agreement in place, Vendor shall assist DISTRICT in exporting all Protected Information previously received from, or then owned by, DISTRICT.
- 10.3 Vendor shall thereafter securely delete and overwrite any and all Protected Information remaining in the possession of Vendor or its assignees or subcontractors (including all hard copies, archived copies, electronic versions or electronic imaging of hard copies of shared data) as well as any and all Protected Information maintained on behalf of Vendor in secure data center facilities.
- 10.4 Vendor shall ensure that no copy, summary or extract of the Protected Information or any related work papers are retained on any storage medium whatsoever by Vendor, its subcontractors or assignees, or the aforementioned secure data center facilities.
- To the extent that Vendor and/or its subcontractors or assignees may continue to be in possession of any de-identified data (data that has had all direct and indirect identifiers removed) derived from Protected Information, they agree not to attempt to re-identify de-identified data and not to transfer de-identified data to any party.
- 10.6 Upon request, Vendor and/or its subcontractors or assignees will provide a certification to DISTRICT from an appropriate officer that the requirements of this paragraph have been satisfied in full.

### 11. Data Subject Request to Amend Protected Information

- In the event that a parent, student, or eligible student wishes to challenge the accuracy of Protected Information that qualifies as student data for purposes of Education Law Section 2-d, that challenge shall be processed through the procedures provided by the DISTRICT for amendment of education records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- 112 Vendor will cooperate with DISTRICT in retrieving and revising Protected Information, but shall not be responsible for responding directly to the data subject.

### 12. Vendor Data Security and Privacy Plan

- Vendor agrees that for the life of this Contract the Vendor will maintain the administrative, technical, and physical safeguards described in the Data Security and Privacy Plan set forth in Attachment C to this Contract and made a part of this Contract.
- Vendor warrants that the conditions, measures, and practices described in the Vendor's Data Security and Privacy Plan:
  - a. align with the NIST Cybersecurity Framework 1.0;
  - b. equal industry best practices including, but not necessarily limited to, disk encryption, file encryption, firewalls, and password protection;
  - c. outline how the Vendor will implement all state, federal, and local data security and privacy contract requirements over the life of the contract, consistent with the DISTRICT data security and privacy policy (Attachment B);
  - d. specify the administrative, operational and technical safeguards and practices it has in place to protect Protected Information that it will receive under this Contract;
  - e. demonstrate that it complies with the requirements of Section 121.3(c) of this Part;

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- f. specify how officers or employees of the Vendor and its assignees who have access to Protected Information receive or will receive training on the federal and state laws governing confidentiality of such data prior to receiving access;
- g. specify if the Vendor will utilize sub-contractors and how it will manage those relationships and contracts to ensure Protected Information is protected;
- specify how the Vendor will manage data security and privacy incidents that implicate Protected Information including specifying any plans to identify breaches and unauthorized disclosures, and to promptly notify DISTRICT; and
- describe whether, how and when data will be returned to DISTRICT, transitioned to a successor contractor, at DISTRICT's option and direction, deleted or destroyed by the Vendor when the contract is terminated or expires.

### 13. Additional Vendor Responsibilities

Vendor acknowledges that under Education Law Section 2-d and related regulations it has the following obligations with respect to any Protected Information, and any failure to fulfill one of these statutory obligations shall be a breach of this Contract:

- 13.1 Vendor shall limit internal access to Protected Information to those individuals and Assignees or subcontractors that need access to provide the contracted services;
- 132 Vendor will not use Protected Information for any purpose other than those explicitly authorized in this Contract;
- Vendor will not disclose any Protected Information to any party who is not an authorized representative of the Vendor using the information to carry out Vendor's obligations under this Contract or to the DISTRICT unless (1) Vendor has the prior written consent of the parent or eligible student to disclose the information to that party, or (ii) the disclosure is required by statute or court order, and notice of the disclosure is provided to DISTRICT no later than the time of disclosure, unless such notice is expressly prohibited by the statute or court order;
- 13.4 Vendor will maintain reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of Protected Information in its custody;
- Vendor will use encryption technology to protect data while in motion or in its custody from unauthorized disclosure using a technology or methodology specified by the secretary of the U.S. Department of HHS in guidance issued under P.L. 111-5, Section 13402(H)(2);
- Vendor will notify the DISTRICT of any breach of security resulting in an unauthorized release of student data by the Vendor or its Assignees in violation of state or federal law, or of contractual obligations relating to data privacy and security in the most expedient way possible and without unreasonable delay but no more than seven calendar days after the discovery of the breach; and
- 13.7 Where a breach or unauthorized disclosure of Protected Information is attributed to the Vendor, the Vendor shall pay for or promptly reimburse DISTRICT for the full cost incurred by DISTRICT to send notifications required by Education Law Section 2-d.

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For Auburn Enlarged City School District	For ExploreLearning, LLC							
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President of the Board of Education	VP Finance							
Date: 8/27/24	Date:							
Attachment A – Parents' Bill of Rights for Data Security and Privacy								
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For Auburn Enlarged City School District	For ExploreLearning, LLC							
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Superintendent	VP Finance							
Date: 8/15/2024	Date:							

**Supplemental Information About this Contract** 

Attachment B - District Policy

Signatures

Attachment C - Vendor's Data Security and Privacy Plan

The DISTRICT Parents Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security, a signed copy of which is included as Attachment B to this Addendum, is incorporated into and made a part of this Data Security and Privacy Plan.

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# EXHIBIT [ ] DATA SHARING AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

Including

Auburn Enlarged City School District Bill of Rights for Data Security and Privacy and Supplemental Information about a Master Agreement between Auburn Enlarged City School District and Explore Learning.

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### 1. Purpose

- (a) Auburn Enlarged City School District (hereinafter "District") and ExploreLearning.

  LC (hereinafter "Vendor") are parties to a contract or other written agreement pursuant to which Vendor will receive student data and/or teacher or principal data that is protected under New York Education Law Section 2-d and Part 121 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education (collectively referred to as "Section 2-d") from the District for purposes of providing certain products or services to the District (the "Master Agreement").
- (b) This Exhibit supplements the Master Agreement to which it is attached, to ensure that the Master Agreement conforms to the requirements of Section 2-d. This Exhibit consists of a Data Sharing and Confidentiality Agreement, a copy of the District's Bill of Rights for Data Security and Privacy signed by Vendor, and the Supplemental Information about the Master Agreement between Auburn Enlarged City School District and ExploreLearning, LLC that the District is required by Section 2-d to post on its website.
- (c) In consideration of the mutual promises set forth in the Master Agreement, Vendor agrees that it will comply with all terms set forth in the Master Agreement and this Exhibit. To the extent that any terms contained in the Master Agreement, or any terms contained in any other Exhibit(s) attached to and made a part of the Master Agreement, conflict with the terms of this Exhibit, the terms of this Exhibit will apply and be given effect. In addition, in the event that Vendor has online or written Privacy Policies or Terms of Service (collectively, "TOS") that would otherwise be applicable to its customers or users of the products or services that are the subject of the Master Agreement between the District and Vendor, to the extent that any terms of the TOS, that are or may be in effect at any time during the term of the Master Agreement, conflict with the terms of this Exhibit, the terms of this Exhibit will apply and be given effect.

### 2. Definitions

As used in this Exhibit:

- (a) "Student Data" means personally identifiable information, as defined in Section 2-d, from student records that Vendor may receive from the District pursuant to the Master Agreement.
- (b) "Teacher or Principal Data" means personally identifiable information, as defined in Section 2-d, relating to the annual professional performance reviews of classroom teachers or principals that Vendor may receive from the District pursuant to the Master Agreement.

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- (c) "Protected Data" means Student Data and/or Teacher or Principal Data, to the extent applicable to the product or service actually being provided to the District by Vendor pursuant to the Master Agreement.
- (d) "NIST Cybersecurity Framework" means the U.S. Department of Commerce National Institute for Standards and Technology Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity (Version 1.1).

### 3. Confidentiality of Protected Data

- (a) Vendor acknowledges that the Protected Data it receives pursuant to the Master Agreement originates from the District and that this Protected Data belongs to and is owned by the District.
- (b) Vendor will maintain the confidentiality of the Protected Data it receives in accordance with federal and state law (including but not limited to Section 2-d) and the District's policy on data security and privacy. The District will provide Vendor with a copy of its policy on data security and privacy upon request.

### 4. Data Security and Privacy Plan

As more fully described herein, throughout the term of the Master Agreement, Vendor will have a Data Security and Privacy Plan in place to protect the confidentiality, privacy and security of the Protected Data it receives from the District.

Vendor's Plan for protecting the District's Protected Data includes, but is not limited to, its agreement to comply with the terms of the District's Bill of Rights for Data Security and Privacy, a copy of which is set forth below and has been signed by the Vendor.

Additional components of Vendor's Data Security and Privacy Plan for protection of the District's Protected Data throughout the term of the Master Agreement are as follows:

- (a) Vendor will implement all state, federal, and local data security and privacy requirements including those contained within the Master Agreement and this Data Sharing and Confidentiality Agreement, consistent with the District's data security and privacy policy.
- (b) Vendor will have specific administrative, operational and technical safeguards and practices in place to protect Protected Data that it receives from the District under the Master Agreement.
- - (i) its obligation to require subcontractors or other authorized persons or entities to whom it may disclose Protected Data (if any) to execute written agreements acknowledging terms substantilly similar to the that the data protection obligations imposed on Vendor by state and federal law and the Master Agreement-shall apply to the subcontractor, and

- (ii) its obligation to follow certain procedures for the return, transition, deletion and/or destruction of Protected Data upon termination, expiration or assignment (to the extent authorized) of the Master Agreement.
- (d) Vendor has provided or will provide training on the federal and state laws governing confidentiality of Protected Data for any of its officers or employees (or officers or employees of any of its subcontractors or assignees) who will have access to Protected Data, prior to their receiving access.
- (e) Vendor will manage data security and privacy incidents that are attributable to the Venodr and that implicate Protected Data and will develop and implement plans to identify breaches and unauthorized disclosures. Vendor will provide prompt notification to the District of any breaches or unauthorized disclosures of Protected Data in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of this Data Sharing and Confidentiality Agreement.

### 5. Notification of Breach and Unauthorized Release

- (a) Vendor will promptly notify the District of any breach or unauthorized release of Protected Data it has received from the District in the most expedient way possible and without unreasonable delay, but no more than seven (7) calendar days after Vendor has discovered or been informed of the breach or unauthorized release.
- (b) Vendor will provide such notification to the District by contacting Thomas Bunn directly by email at <a href="mailto:thomasbunn@aecsd.education">thomasbunn@aecsd.education</a> or by calling 315-255-8834.
- (c) Vendor will cooperate with the District and provide as much information as possible directly to Thomas Bunn or his/her designee about the incident, including but not limited to: a description of the incident, the date of the incident, the date Vendor discovered or was informed of the incident, a description of the types of Protected Data involved, an estimate of the number of records affected, the schools within the District affected, what the Vendor has done or plans to do to investigate the incident, stop the breach and mitigate any further unauthorized access or release of Protected Data, and contact information for Vendor representatives who can assist affected individuals that may have additional questions.
- (d) Vendor acknowledges that upon initial notification from Vendor, the District, as the educational agency with which Vendor contracts, has an obligation under Section 2-d to in turn notify the Chief Privacy Officer in the New York State Education Department ("CPO"). Vendor agrees not to provide this notification to the CPO directly unless requested by the District or otherwise required by law. In the event the CPO contacts Vendor directly or requests more information from Vendor regarding the incident after having been initially informed of the incident by the District, Vendor will promptly inform Thomas Bunn or his/her designee.

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### 6. Additional Statutory and Regulatory Obligations 1

- Vendor acknowledges that it has the following additional obligations under Section 2-d with respect to any Protected Data received from the District, and that any failure to fulfill one or more of these statutory or regulatory obligations will be deemed a breach of the Master Agreement and the terms of this Data Sharing and Confidentiality Agreement:
  - (a) To limit internal access to Protected Data to only those employees or subcontractors that are determined to have legitimate educational interests within the meaning of Section 2-d and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA); i.e., they need access in order to assist Vendor in fulfilling one or more of its obligations to the District under the Master Agreement.
  - (b) To not use Protected Data for any purposes other than those explicitly authorized in this Data Sharing and Confidentiality Agreement and the Master Agreement to which this Exhibit is attached.
  - (c) To not disclose any Protected Data to any other party, except for authorized representatives of Vendor using the information to carry out Vendor's obligations to the District and in compliance with state and federal law, regulations and the terms of the Master Agreement, unless:
    - (i) the parent or eligible student has provided prior written consent; or
    - (ii) the disclosure is required by statute or court order and notice of the disclosure is provided to the District no later than the time of disclosure, unless such notice is expressly prohibited by the statute or court order.
  - (d) To maintain reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of Protected Data in its custody.
  - (e) To use encryption technology to protect Protected Data in its custody while in motion or at rest, using a technology or methodology specified by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in guidance issued under Section 13402(H)(2) of Public Law 111-5.
  - (f) To adopt technologies, safeguards and practices that align with the NIST Cybersecurity Framework.
  - (g) To comply with the District's policy on data security and privacy, Section 2-d and Part 121.
  - (h) To not sell Protected Data nor use or disclose it for any marketing or commercial purpose or facilitate its use or disclosure by any other party for any marketing or commercial purpose or permit another party to do so.
  - (i) To notify the District, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of this Data Sharing and Confidentiality Agreement, of any breach of security resulting in an unauthorized release of Protected Data by Vendor or its assignees or subcontractors in violation of applicable state or federal law, the District's Bill of Rights for Data Security and Privacy, the District's policies on data security and privacy, or other binding obligations relating to data privacy and security contained in the Master Agreement and this Exhibit.
  - (j) To cooperate with the District and law enforcement to protect the integrity of investigations into the breach or unauthorized release of Protected Data.
  - (k) To pay for or promptly reimburse the District for the full cost of notification, in the event the District is required under Section 2-d to notify affected parents, students, teachers or principals of a breach or unauthorized release of Protected Data attributed to Vendor or its subcontractors or assignees.

BY THE VENDOR: Explored earning, LLC

EXHIBIT [A] (CONTINUED)
Bill of Rights for Data Security and Privacy
Auburn Enlarged City School District]

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LLC, which govern	s the availability to the District of the following products or services:
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**Exclusive Purposes for which Protected Data will be Used:** The exclusive purpose for which Vendor is receiving Protected Data from the District is to provide the District with the functionality of the products or services listed above. Vendor will not use the Protected Data for any other purposes not explicitly authorized above or within the Master Agreement.

principals that is protected by Section 2-d of the New York Education Law ("Protected Data").

Pursuant to the Master Agreement (which includes a Data Sharing and Confidentiality Agreement), the District may provide to Vendor, and Vendor will receive, personally identifiable information about students and/or teachers and



Oversight of Subcontractors: In the event that Vendor engages subcontractors or other authorized persons or entities to perform one or more of its obligations under the Master Agreement (including subcontracting hosting of the Protected Data to a hosting service provider), it will require those subcontractors or other authorized persons or entities to whom it will disclose the Protected Data to execute legally binding agreements acknowledging restrictions at least as stringent as their obligation under Section 2-d of the New York Education Law to comply with all applicable data protection, privacy and security requirements required of Vendor under the Master Agreement and applicable state and federal law and regulations.

### **Duration of Agreement and Protected Data Upon Termination or Expiration:**

- The Master Agreement commences on a date to be determined.
- Upon expiration of the Master Agreement without renewal, or upon termination of the Master Agreement prior
  to its expiration, Vendor will securely delete or otherwise destroy any and all Protected Data remaining in the
  possession of Vendor or any of its subcontractors or other authorized persons or entities to whom it has
  disclosed Protected Data. If requested by the District, Vendor will assist the District in exporting all Protected
  Data previously received back to the District for its own use, prior to deletion, in such formats as may be
  requested by the District.
- In the event the Master Agreement is assigned to a successor Vendor (to the extent authorized by the Master Agreement), the Vendor will cooperate with the District as necessary to transition Protected Data to the successor Vendor prior to deletion.
- Neither Vendor nor any of its subcontractors or other authorized persons or entities to whom it has disclosed
  Protected Data will retain any Protected Data, copies, summaries or extracts of the Protected Data, or any deidentified Protected Data, on any storage medium whatsoever. Upon request, Vendor and/or its subcontractors
  or other authorized persons or entities to whom it has disclosed Protected Data, as applicable, will provide the
  District with a certification from an appropriate officer that these requirements have been satisfied in full.

Challenging Accuracy of Protected Data: Parents or eligible students can challenge the accuracy of any Protected Data provided by the District to Vendor, by contacting the District regarding procedures for requesting amendment of education records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Teachers or principals may request to challenge the accuracy of APPR data provided to Vendor by following the appeal process in the District's applicable APPR Plan.

**Data Storage and Security Protections:** Any Protected Data that Vendor receives will be stored on systems maintained by Vendor, or by a subcontractor under the direct control of Vendor, in a secure data center facility located within the United States. The measures that Vendor (and, if applicable, its subcontractors) will take to protect Protected Data include adoption of technologies, safeguards and practices that align with the NIST Cybersecurity Framework, and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices including, but not limited to, disk encryption, fi le encryption, firewalls, and password protection.

**Encryption of Protected Data:** Vendor (and, if applicable, its subcontractors) will protect Protected Data in its custody from unauthorized disclosure while in motion or at rest, using a technology or methodology that complies with Section 2-d of the New York Education Law.

- Nothing in Education Law Section 2-d or Part 121 specifically requires an educational agency to include within its contracts with third-party contractors this list of obligations that are imposed on third-party contractors by the statute and/or its implementing regulations. However, many school districts and other educational agencies have considered it a best practice to include these statutory and regulatory obligations within their third-party contracts.
- Each educational agency, including a school district, is required to publish a "Bill of Rights for Data Security and Privacy" on its website. See, Education Law Section 2-d(3)(a) and Part 121.3(a). The Bill of Rights [that is posted on a district's website] must also include "supplemental information" for each contract that the school district enters into with a third-party contractor where the third-party contractor receives student data or teacher or principal data [protected by Education Law Section 2-d]. See, Education Law Section 2-d(3)(c) and Part 121.3(c).
  - Nothing in Education Law Section 2-d or Part 121 requires an educational agency to post its third-party contracts on its website in their entirety. In addition, nothing in Education Law Section 2-d or Part 121 requires an educational agency to include the "supplemental information" about each contract, within the contract itself.

However, many school districts and other educational agencies have considered it a best practice to include most or all of the required elements of "supplemental information" within each applicable contract, and have complied with the obligation to include the "supplemental information" for each applicable contract with their Bill of Rights, by posting the text from this page of this Exhibit from each applicable contract (or a link to this text) on their website in proximity to their Bill of Rights.

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