

# Agenda Request Form

Cherokee County School District

<b>Meeting Date</b>
August 17, 2017

<b>Agenda Item Number</b>
A-13

<b>Title</b>
Renewal of Partnership Agreements with Six Partners
<b>Requested Action</b>
School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Renew Partnership Agreements with Six Partners
<b>Summary Explanation and Background</b>
<p>One of the School Board's Major System Priorities is increasing parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process.</p> <p>The School Board is requested to consider the Superintendent's recommendation to renew Partnership Agreements with the Cherokee Tribune, City of Waleska, Delta Kappa Gamma - Gamma ETA Chapter, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service and Upper Etowah River Alliance.</p>
<b>Major System Priority</b>
Increasing parental and community involvement
<b>Financial Impact</b>
N/A
<b>Exhibits: (List)</b>
Draft Agreements Attached

<b>Board Action</b>
<i>(For Official School Board Records Only)</i>

<b>Source of Additional Information</b>	
Dr. Brian V. Hightower	770.479.1871
Barbara Jacoby	770.479.1871

**OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Approved in Open Board Meeting on: \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

By: \_\_\_\_\_ (School Board Chairman)

*Initialized: 3/3/99  
Revised: 2/1/16*

# PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AND

THE CHEROKEE TRIBUNE

This agreement entered into on ~~18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011~~ 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017 by and between the Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board" and the Cherokee Tribune, hereinafter referred to as "Tribune."

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to ~~enable all students to become contributing citizens who can communicate effectively, gather and use information, make responsible decisions and adapt to the challenges of the future~~ educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process, and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Tribune is to provide Cherokee County readers with essential information, comprehensive coverage and informed opinion showcased in a daily newspaper that meets the highest standards in layout, design and reproduction and while operating as efficiently and profitably as possible, provide our readers and advertisers superb service and our employees a safe, clean environment which fosters personal growth.

Now therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference

#### ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Promote Tribune programs/announcements through existing communication channels, as permitted by School Board policy.

#### ARTICLE III

The Tribune will:

- ~~1. Grant a free subscription to every school's media center.~~
- ~~2. Begin a discount subscription program called "The Tribune Can Teach." Businesses and residents can sponsor classrooms through the program. Sponsors can purchase 30 Wednesday papers for a classroom at a discounted price of \$7.50 a week (that equals 25 cents a paper - half the newsstand price).~~
3. Grant the school system permission to use articles and photographs from the Tribune for its website and in school system publications provided that the Tribune is credited.
5. The Tribune's staff members will serve as career day speakers at schools and as resources for news and journalism courses.

6. Hold a luncheon with its staff for all principals, School Board Members and the Superintendent of Schools every fall in order to inform them of opportunities for schools to be a part of the Tribune and to hear their input.

7. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, the Tribune must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

#### ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is ~~August 18, 2011 through August 18, 2012~~ August 17, 2017 through August 17, 2018. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

#### ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at 110 Academy Street, Canton, GA 30114, and to the News Editor, Cherokee Tribune, 521 East Main Street at Canton, GA 30114.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

CHEROKEE TRIBUNE

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF  
EDUCATION

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By: Otis A. Brumby III, Publisher

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By: Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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By: Rebecca Johnston, Managing Editor

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By: Dr. Brian V. Hightower  
Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Tom Roach, Esquire

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AND  
THE CITY OF WALESKA

This agreement entered into on this ~~17th day of March, 2011~~ 17<sup>th</sup> of August, 2017, by and between

The Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board"

And

The City of Waleska hereinafter referred to as "Waleska."

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to ~~enable all students to become contributing citizens who can communicate effectively, gather and use information, make responsible decisions and adapt to the challenges of the future~~ educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process; and,

WHEREAS, Waleska officials wish to continue to be an integral provider/partner as it relates to the public school district in Cherokee County.

Now therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference:

ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. ~~Shall~~ Assess no costs to the other party in cases of easement granting.
2. ~~Shall~~ Share information and facilities in emergency situations, such as natural disasters and inclement weather; and share information concerning road conditions, especially in inclement weather.
3. ~~Shall~~ Allow the City use of R.M. Moore ES's facility for Waleska-sponsored events.
4. ~~Shall correspond the needs of future school sites with other planned city land uses, such as parks, fire stations, law enforcement precincts and public libraries, in order to purchase larger tracts of land, share infrastructure costs and provide for joint use of public facilities.~~
5. ~~Shall grant a City representative staff status at School Board meetings, so that school system recommendations and decisions in this regard are routinely considered by Waleska in that forum, as need be.~~
6. ~~Shall~~ Provide regular opportunities for Waleska representatives to inspect surplus property in order to determine if there may be a need for such property (first right of refusal).

ARTICLE III

Waleska will:

1. ~~Shall~~ Assess no costs to the other party in cases of easement granting of Waleska-controlled property.

2. ~~Shall~~ Share information and facilities in emergency situations, such as natural disasters and inclement weather; and share information concerning road conditions, especially in inclement weather
3. ~~Shall coordinate needs determinations and future Waleska construction projects with the School Board's Department of Planning and Forecasting.~~
4. ~~Shall~~ Correspond the needs of planned Waleska land uses, such as parks, fire stations, law enforcement precincts and public libraries, with future school sites in order to purchase larger tracts of land, share infrastructure costs and provide for joint use of public facilities.
5. ~~Shall~~ Develop methods to work in conjunction with the School Board in their zoning process, so that developers are routinely expected to mitigate the financial impact on the school system and City.
6. ~~Shall~~ Grant a school district representative staff-status at City Council meetings, so that school system analysis and recommendations in this regard are routinely considered in that forum.
7. Provide City of Waleska employees as judges for the School System Science Fair, Young Authors Fair, Governors Honors, Speech Contests and other related functions.
8. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, Waleska must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

#### ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is ~~March 17, 2011 through March 16, 2012~~ August 17, 2017 through August 17, 2018. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.



ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at 110 Academy Street, Canton, Georgia 30114, and to the Mayor of The City of Waleska, P.O. Box 3, Waleska, Georgia 30183.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

CITY OF WALESKA

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD  
OF EDUCATION

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Doris Jones, Mayor

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Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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Dr. Brian V. Hightower  
Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Tom Roach, Esquire

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AND

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL  
GAMMA ETA CHAPTER

This agreement entered into on this ~~18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011~~ 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017, by and between the Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board" and Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Gamma ETA Chapter, hereinafter referred to as "Delta Kappa Gamma."

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to ~~enable all students to become contributing citizens who can communicate effectively, gather and use information, make responsible decisions and adapt to the challenges of the future~~ educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of Delta Kappa Gamma is to promote professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education; and,

WHEREAS, the purposes of Delta Kappa Gamma are:

- To unite women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship;
- To honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education;
- To advance the professional interest and position of women in education;
- To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interest of education and of women educators;
- To endow scholarships and aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowship to women educators from other countries;
- To stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action; and,
- To inform the members of current economic, social, political and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society.

WHEREAS, the Gamma ETA Chapter wishes to support Cherokee County Schools, both students and educators, by providing a scholarship, recognition, and support for literacy projects.

Now therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference:

#### ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Distribute information to school principals regarding Delta Kappa Gamma's "Outstanding Educator Award."

2. Allow use of appropriate technology for a member to maintain a website linked to the Delta Kappa Gamma homepage.

3. Endorse Delta Kappa Gamma sponsored activities and provide the use of system facilities for quarterly meetings and the "Outstanding Educator Award Ceremony."

4. Allow use of copier for Delta Kappa Gamma materials. The society will provide the paper.

### ARTICLE III

Delta Kappa Gamma will:

1. Abide by the rules and regulations contained in the Community Use of System Facilities Policy (KG), including custodial and supervisory fees when applicable.

~~2. Hold an "Outstanding Educators Award Ceremony" each year to recognize 10 teachers annually. Honorees are selected from schools on a rotating schedule. CCSD teachers are selected by their peers each year to be honored by the Gamma ETA Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma at the Golden Apple Award Ceremony. Every third year, each CCSD school selects an honoree based upon exemplary characteristics and excellence in teaching.~~

~~3. Provide a one-time scholarship for one Cherokee County female senior who plans to enter the field of education each year. The scholarship will rotate among the high schools in alphabetical order. Annually, one CCSD high school senior is awarded a monetary scholarship from Gamma ETA Chapter. The student, who is an aspiring educator, is selected by the school's faculty based upon the student's promise in the field of education. (A rotation is in place to determine the high school each year.)~~

4. Provide judges for school system events such as the Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl, Science Fair, Social Science Fair and Young Georgia Writing Exposition.

5. Support literacy projects in the schools.

6. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, Delta Kappa Gamma must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

#### ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is ~~August 18, 2011 through August 18, 2012~~ August 17, 2017 through August 17, 2018. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

#### ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at 110 Academy Street, Canton, GA 30114; and to Delta Kappa Gamma, P.O. Box 142, Canton, GA 30169.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF  
EDUCATION

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By: Dr. Pat Kearns, President, Gamma  
ETA Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma  
Society International

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By: Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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By: Dr. Brian V. Hightower  
Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Tom Roach, Esquire

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AND

JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL

This agreement entered into this ~~18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011~~ 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017 by and between the Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board" and Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International, hereinafter referred to as "JDRF."

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to ~~enable all students to become contributing citizens who can communicate effectively, gather and use information, make responsible decisions and adapt to the challenges of the future~~ educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, business, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process, and;

WHEREAS, the mission of JDRF is to find a cure for diabetes and its complications through the support of research. In America, 35 Children are diagnosed with diabetes every day. To stay alive, kids with Juvenile Diabetes must get at least two insulin shots a day or wear an insulin pump. They must also check their blood sugar by pricking their fingers for blood six or more times a day.

Now, therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree to as follows.

#### ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

#### ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Encourage all Cherokee County schools to participate in JDRF programs.
2. Provide a school coordinator at each interested school site to work in conjunction with JDRF employees to implement aforementioned programs.

#### ARTICLE III

JDRF will:

1. Conduct an interview with the principal of each interested school prior to and after the use of the program (JDRF Staff or Volunteer).
2. Abide by the rules and regulations contained in the School Board's SOLICITATION BY STUDENTS Policy (JK3/KEBB), that prohibits students in grades eight or lower from participating in door-to-door sales.



3. Deliver all materials to participating school sites – This includes a “how-to kit”, paper sneakers, balloons, posters, etc.
4. Provide an in-service to coordinators, teachers and administrators on how to incorporate all areas of the curriculum to make the program a school-wide event (JDRF Staff or Volunteer).
5. Provide sample incentives to be displayed several weeks before the event and additional brochures and posters to use in the classroom.
6. Provide all materials and incentives to ensure a successful event.
7. Provide an on-call representative to assist with any questions or concerns.
8. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, JDRF must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

#### ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is ~~August 18, 2011 through August 18, 2012~~ August 17, 2017 through August 17, 2018. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

#### ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at 110 Academy Street,

Canton, GA 30114, and to JDRF, Georgia Chapter, 400 Perimeter Center Terrace, Suite 750, Atlanta, GA 30346.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

JDRF

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF  
EDUCATION

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By:  
Director of Development

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By: Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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By: Dr. Brian V. Hightower  
Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Tom Roach, Esquire

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AND

THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA COOPERATIVE  
EXTENSION SERVICE/4-H ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

This agreement entered into on this ~~18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011~~ 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017, by and between the Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board" and The University of Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, hereinafter referred to as "UGA Cooperative Extension."

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to ~~enable all students to become contributing citizens who can communicate effectively, gather and use information, make responsible decisions and adapt to the challenges of the future~~ educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the University of Georgia 4-H Environmental Education program is to utilize the "out of doors" as a dynamic living laboratory for academic study, and

WHEREAS, the primary core of the program is the residential experience where school groups, typically third through eighth grades, come to the center to extend the walls of their classroom by studying a variety of interdisciplinary subjects including, math, science, language arts, history, physical education and social studies in the outdoor classroom, and

WHEREAS, curricula designed for the program are research based and keyed to the Georgia State Department of Education Quality Core Curriculum (QCC), and WHEREAS, testing of program participants reveals higher student achievement and a student more responsive to learning. Findings show that students retain 40% of material presented during field study experiences.

Now therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference:

#### ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Identify and communicate, as permitted by School Board policy, resources available through the UGA Cooperative Extension Service and recognize residential environmental education experiences.
2. Encourage and support participation in the program offerings.
3. Provide a school sponsor at each facility to assist with communication and program materials distribution.
4. Provide the opportunity to present program information to teachers and administrators at selected meetings annually.

### ARTICLE III

UGA Cooperative Extension Service will:

1. Provide residential environmental education experiences for a variety of school groups and outreach programs for younger audiences and during winter months.
2. Provide a program overview for teachers and administrators for appropriate grade levels as requested.
3. Provide field observation opportunities for teachers and administrators on professional development days.
4. Pursue grant opportunities, in conjunction with the School Board's Office of Advanced Academic Programs/Grants Management, that would serve to enrich both parties' programs.
5. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, UGA Cooperative Extension Service must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

### ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is ~~August 18, 2011 through August 18, 2012~~ August 17, 2017 through August 17, 2018. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

### ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at 110 Academy Street, Canton, GA 30114, and to the Educational Program Specialist, University of Georgia College and Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Cooperative Extension Service, 350 Rock Eagle Road, Eatonton, GA 31024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

UGA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION  
SERVICE

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF  
EDUCATION

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By: Ashley Witcher, Cherokee County 4-  
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By: Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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By: Dr. Brian V. Hightower  
Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Tom Roach, Esquire



# PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AND

UPPER ETOWAH RIVER ALLIANCE

This agreement entered into on this ~~18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2011~~ 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017, by and between the Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board," and Upper Etowah River Alliance hereinafter referred to as "The Alliance,"

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to ~~enable all students to become contributing citizens who can communicate effectively, gather and use information, make responsible decisions and adapt to the challenges of the future~~ educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process; and,

WHEREAS, the Alliance is a non-profit organization, founded in 1998, dedicated to the protection of the Etowah River watershed through education and assistance and is composed of local citizens who care about their streams and rivers, conservation groups and representatives from local, State and Federal governments; and,

WHEREAS, the Etowah River basin and watershed courses through five north Georgia counties and is home to 76 different species of freshwater fish and numerous species of freshwater snails, insects, crayfish and more; and,

WHEREAS, the Alliance and, The Nature Conservancy's Georgia Chapter, World Wildlife Fund and other partners are working closely in the Etowah watershed to protect natural resources; and,

WHEREAS, the Alliance is working to involve students by disseminating information and knowledge about the river basin and providing training to enable many to monitor the quality of our streams within the watershed through the Georgia Adopt-A-Stream program.

Now therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

#### ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Give the Alliance the means to disseminate literature relative to its programs (Adopt A Stream and Clean Water Week) to the schools through existing communication channels, as permitted by School Board policy.
2. Pursue joint grant opportunities in both parties' best interests.
3. Discuss the feasibility and advisability of implementing projects, such as streambank restoration, vegetated bioswales, porous pavement, bioretention areas in parking lots and/or constructed wetlands to treat stormwater runoff that

could be designed to also function as an outdoor classroom, with The Alliance and the other above-listed partners.

### ARTICLE III

The Alliance will:

1. Provide hands-on programs to interested Cherokee County School District (CCSD) teachers and students relative to watershed protection efforts along the Etowah River (including the history of the Etowah River, the importance of clean water, biological diversity and pollution prevention).
  
2. Provide training workshops with interested teachers and students relative to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division's Adopt-A-Stream program (including, but not limited to: delineating the watershed, threats that can degrade water resources, chemical monitoring of a stream or other water body and biological monitoring of waters).
  
3. Discuss the feasibility and advisability of implementing projects, such as streambank restoration, vegetated bioswales, porous pavement, bioretention areas in parking lots and/or a constructed wetland to treat stormwater runoff that could be designed to also function as an outdoor classroom, with the Office of Support Services and Facilities/Construction Management.
  
4. Abide by School Board Policy KIB Special Interests Materials Distribution and guidelines in this regard when requesting dissemination of program information.
  
5. Pursue joint grant opportunities in both parties' best interests.
  
6. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the

partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, the Alliance must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

#### ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is ~~August 18, 2011 through August 18, 2012~~ August 17, 2017 through August 17, 2018. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

#### ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at 110 Academy Street, Canton, GA 30114 and to the Program Manager at 180 McClure St., Canton GA 30114.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

UPPER ETOWAH RIVER ALLIANCE

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF  
EDUCATION

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By: Diane Minick, Director

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By: Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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By: Lori Forrester, Chairwoman

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By: Dr. Brian V. Hightower  
Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Tom Roach, Esquire