

Assurances Form and Signature Sheet

The law requires school systems to provide assurances that it will do certain things and comply with certain laws. This Assurance Form enumerates all of these requirements and, when you submit this signed Signature Sheet with this Assurance Form as part of your IE2 System Application Package, you are providing the legal assurance that your IE2 system understands and will do these things.

This form must be signed by a duly authorized representative of the school system. As the authorized representative of the applicant, I hereby certify that the information submitted in this application for SWSS/IE2 partnership contract for Clinch County School System in Clinch County is true to the best of my knowledge and belief; I also certify that if awarded a SWSS/IE2 contract Clinch County School System:

1. Shall be nonsectarian in its programs, admissions policies, employment practices, and all other operations;
2. Shall not discriminate against any student or employee on the basis of race, color, ethnic background, national origin, gender, disability or age;
3. Shall be subject to all federal, state, and local rules, regulations, court orders, and statutes relating to civil rights; insurance; the protection of the physical health and safety of school students, employees, and visitors; conflicting interest transactions; and the prevention of unlawful conduct;
4. Shall be subject to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 20-2- 1050 requiring a brief period of quiet reflection;
5. Shall ensure that the SWSS/IE2 system is subject to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. and O.C.G.A. § 50-18-70 et seq.;
6. Shall ensure that all teachers will be certified or highly qualified in compliance with No Child Left Behind;
7. Shall comply with the accountability provisions of O.C.G.A. §20-14-30 through §20-14-41 and federal accountability requirements, and participate in statewide assessments;
8. Shall adhere to all provisions of federal law relating to students with disabilities, including the IDEA, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1974, and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as applicable;
9. Shall provide state and federally mandated services for English Language Learners, as applicable;
10. Shall provide for supplemental educational services as required by federal law and pursuant to SBOE Rule 160-4-5-03, and for remediation in required cases pursuant to SBOE Rule 160-4-5-.01;
11. Shall notify the state of any intent to contract with a for-profit entity for education management services;
12. Shall be subject to the requirement that it shall not charge tuition or fees to its students except as may be authorized by local boards by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-133;
13. Shall comply with federal due process procedures regarding student discipline and dismissal;
14. Shall be subject to all laws relating to unlawful conduct in or near a public school;
15. Shall have a written grievance procedure to resolve student, parent, and teacher complaints;
16. Shall comply with the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 20-2-211.1 relating to fingerprinting and criminal background checks;
17. Shall ensure that if transportation is provided for its students, the system shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws;
18. Shall ensure that if the IE2 system participates in federal school meals programs, then each participating system IE2 school shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws;
19. Shall prepare a safety plan in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 20-2-1185 and submit and obtain approval from the Georgia Emergency Management Agency;
20. Shall comply with the state facility requirements regarding site codes, facility codes, the submission of architectural plans for any new facility that the system may build or occupy during the SWSS/IE2 term and all other facility requirements as established by the Department;

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21. Shall be subject to all reporting requirements of O.C.G.A. § 20-2-160, subsection (e) of O.C.G.A. § 20-2-161, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-320, and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-740;
22. Shall be subject to an annual financial audit conducted by the state auditor or, if specified in the SWSS/IE2 contract, by an independent certified public accountant licensed in this state;
23. Shall acknowledge that all criteria used to calculate QBE funding may not be waived;
24. Shall follow any and all other federal, state, and local laws and regulations that pertain to the applicant or the operation of the SWSS/IE2 system; and
25. Shall ensure that all new principals and other school leaders, central office staff, superintendents, and Board of Education members receive a detailed orientation session on their SWSS/IE2 system commitments as part of their “on-boarding” process.

This SWSS/IE2 System Application, Assurance Form, and attached Exhibits were approved by the Clinch County School System Board of Education on the 10th day of September, 2015.

Superintendent, Clinch County Schools

Date

Chair, Clinch County Board of Education

Date

If an IE2 contract is granted, all Petitioners assure that the proposed IE2 system programs, services, and activities will operate in accordance with the terms of the IE2 contract and all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations.

Superintendent, Clinch County Schools

Date

Chair, Clinch County Board of Education

Date

Version that is signed in blue ink will be provided upon board approval September 10, 2015