SCHOOL BOARD OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

CONTRACTED SERVICES FOR

FAMILY EMPOWERMENT AND FLORIDA TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP

RECIPIENTS

THIS IS A LEGALLY BINDING CONTRACT.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

Services are only available to residents of St. Johns County, FL

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THIS CONTRACT is entered into by _____ **(print *parent/guardian's name, or eligible student's name if 18 years of age or older*)** hereinafter the "Registrant", on behalf of _____**(print students full legal name),** hereinafter the "Student", to register and enroll the Student for "Services" (collectively referring to all contracted services, courses, and programs offered by The School Board of St. Johns County, Florida ("SJCSD") through the Compass Program). These Services are eligible for reimbursement pursuant to § 1002.394, Florida Statutes, the "Family Empowerment Scholarship Program," and § 1002.395, Florida Statutes, the "Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program' (collectively, "FTC/FES Scholarships").

By signing this contract, the Registrant agrees to pay SJCSD the designated tuition and fees as set forth herein, as well as any additional fees incurred as a direct result of engaging in Services with SJCSD. The Registrant's signature and/or initials on this contract constitute acknowledgement and acceptance of all terms contained herein.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Registrant hereby agrees to the following:

1. TERM

Except as otherwise expressly provided, the term of this contract for the SJCSD 2026-2027 academic school year.

2. SERVICES

The Registrant acknowledges and agrees that pursuant to §§ 1002.394 and 1002.395, Florida Statutes, SJCSD is not obligated to provide the Student with a Free Appropriate Public

Education (FAPE) under state and federal disability laws. **Accordingly, Exceptional Student Education (ESE) and Section 504 accommodations shall not be provided**.
If the Student requires services or accommodations under these laws, the Registrant may use scholarship funds to procure such services outside of SJCSD, or alternatively, may enroll the Student full-time with SJCSD. Accommodations for physical access to school district property will be provided as it pertains to the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

3. ENROLLMENT AND ELIGIBILITY

A. The Student must have been awarded an FTC/FES Scholarship to participate in Compass and to qualify for enrollment in courses or programs under this Contract. This requirement means the Student is not enrolled full-time in a public school and is not participating in any of the programs listed in §§ 1002.394(6) and 1002.395(4), Florida Statutes.

B. The Student must meet all eligibility requirements for the entire term of this Contract.

C. The Registrant agrees to register the Student for the Services – courses, programs, and contracted services made available by SJCSD. Upon registration, the Registrant must make the initial payment and continue making all required payments by the deadlines established in Addendum "A".

D. Enrollment and participation in any Service is **subject to availability.** SJCSD reserves the right to deny or reject registration for any Service. No guarantee is made regarding the enrollment or participation in any specific Service.

E. A Student may be approved by SJCSD for **no more than three (3) courses**, subject to availability.

F. The Registrant understands and acknowledges that eligibility and participation under this Contract is limited to Students residing in St. Johns County only.

G. Students taking courses under this contract are not eligible to earn their high school diploma from any SJCSD school.

H. The Student will **not be considered** a full-time public school student by registering for Services under this Contract. However, the Registrant acknowledges and agrees that the Student's enrollment and participation will be subject to all applicable SJCSD policies, including but not limited to, school immunization requirements. SJCSD policies are available at: https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/policies/

I. The Controlled Open Enrollment (COE) plan is not applicable to Student's receiving contracted services through this Contract.

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J. Registration for Services will be facilitated by the SJCSD Choice Coordinator.

K. The Registrant must grant SJCSD access to the Student's educational records. The Student's information may be shared for legitimate educational purposes.

L. The SJCSD will not provide transportation or school food services for Students under this contract, except for educationally related field trips or trips approved and provided by the school.

M. Parking opportunities for Students who drive may not be available. The Student must work with the individual school providing the Service and is subject to additional fees related to parking.

N. Students who have been suspended or expelled within or from an out-of-county school district or non-SJCSD school, such as a private school, shall not be permitted to enroll in any service under this Contract. This prohibition remains in effect for the duration of the suspension or expulsion imposed by SJCSD or the out-of-county or non-SJCSD school.

4. **TUITION AND RELATED FEES**

A. The Registrant agrees to pay the fees for the Services identified in Addendum "A".

B. The Registrant is required to pay all applicable fees set forth in Addendum "A", prior to the Student's first day of Services for which fees are charged.

C. Payments are non-refundable (outside of the refund period) and non-transferrable and must be made before the Student participates in any course in accordance with the deadlines established in Addendum A.

D. After initial registration, the Registrant must continue making payments for the Services by the applicable deadline set forth in Addendum "A". Failure to do so will result in the Student not being registered for the Courses or Services, which, in the case of a course, may result in the Student not receiving a passing grade.

E. Fees for Services must be paid directly to the SJCSD through either Step Up for Student- Educational Market Assistant (EMA), or in person, at the SJCSD, Yates Building, Department of School Counseling, Choice, and Enrollment, located at 47 Orange Street St. Augustine, Florida 32084.

F. If payment is not received by the deadlines established in Addendum "A", the Student will be withdrawn from the course or Services for which payment was not received.

G. SJCSD shall only provide Services expressly identified under this Contract.

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5. ATTENDANCE AND CONDUCT

A. The Student must report physically to the course/program unless the course is provided by the St. Johns Virtual School ("SJVS").

B. If the Student is registered for virtual instruction through SJVS, the Student must remain actively engaged in the virtual instruction coursework, maintain adequate pace, and demonstrate academic integrity at all times.

C. The Registrant is responsible for ensuring the Student meets all attendance, participation, and course requirements applicable to the Services.

D. The Registrant and Student agree to familiarize themselves with the applicable SJCSD Student Code of Conduct (Elementary or Secondary) available at: **https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/schoolservices/conduct/.** Compliance with the Student Code of Conduct and all School Board rules is required for participation in any Service.

E. Students who commit a Level 1 infraction will receive a warning with the first violation and will be subject to immediate withdrawal upon a second Level 1 infraction. Students who commit one Level 2, 3, or 4 infraction are subject to immediate withdrawal from any Service. The SJCSD reserves the right to withdraw the Student for discipline infractions at any time, with no rebate or refund.

F. The Registrant agrees to drop off the Student for all courses or services at the designated location no earlier than 10 minutes prior to the scheduled start time and to pick up the student no later than 10 minutes following the scheduled conclusion. Failure to comply with this requirement may, at the sole discretion of SJCSD, result in the Student's immediate withdrawal from the course or service, without refund and without further notice.

6. ACADEMIC GRADES AND RECORDS

A. The Student will receive an academic grade for each grading period of any course or program the Student successfully completes under this Contract.

B. The Student will not be permitted to continue attending any course or program nor will the Student be allowed to sit for examinations, unless all required tuition and fees are paid by the deadlines stated in Addendum "A".

C. All accounts must be paid in full before records or transcripts reflecting completion of a course or program will be released or transferred to another school or institution (upon request).

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7. NOTICES

A. The Registrant agrees to receive all notices under this contract via the e-mail address provided by the Registrant in the Compass registration process.

B. Any notices to the SJCSD under this contract must be submitted to: **Compass@stjohns.k12.fl.us**

8. CANCELLATION OPTION/ EARLY TERMINATION

A. The Registrant may cancel this contract at any time before the applicable payment deadline specified in Addendum "A". Cancellation notices must be submitted to SJCSD at Compass@stjohns.k12.fl.us, in accordance with the NOTICES section. Upon cancellation, no refund will be provided, and the Student may not receive a passing grade. SJCSD may terminate this Contract before the expiration of its term if the Student no longer meets the criteria to receive a FTC/FES Scholarship, if payment is not made in accordance with this Contract, if the Student or Registrant fail to comply with the applicable conduct requirements, or for any other reason in which it is not reasonable or prudent for SJCSD to continue providing the Services. No refunds or rebates will be issued upon early termination.

B. In the event that, after prepayment, SJCSD determines that space is no longer available for a future Service, SJCSD may terminate this Contract and will refund any prepaid fees as the sole remedy.

9. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS

A. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Registrant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless SJCSD from and against all claims, liabilities, losses, costs, damages, judgments, penalties, fines, reasonable attorneys' fees, expenses, court costs, and all other reasonable expenses, damages, or liabilities arising from the Services provided in accordance with this contract.

B. The Registrant also acknowledges that the Student may be injured while attending a course or while engaging in Student activities, and hereby releases and holds harmless SJCSD, its agents, and its employees from all claims, damages, and other liability for injury or illness to the Student or damages to the Student's property where such claims, damages, or other liability are not the result of gross negligence by SJCSD, its agents, or its employees.

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10. **GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE**

This contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, without regard to conflicts of law principles. With respect to any action arising out of this contract, the Parent accepts the exclusive jurisdiction of the state courts in Florida and agrees that venue shall lie exclusively in St. Johns County, Florida. Except as otherwise provided in this contract, each party shall be responsible for its own attorney fees and costs. The parties expressly waive all rights to a trial by jury.

11. **FORCE AND MAJEURE**

SJCSD's duties and obligations under this contract shall be suspended immediately without notice during all periods that SJCSD is closed because of force majeure events including, but not limited to, any fire, act of God, weather disaster, war, governmental action, act of terrorism, epidemic, pandemic or any other event beyond SJCSD control. If such an event occurs, SJCSD's duties and obligations in this contract will be postponed until such time as SJCSD, in its sole discretion may safely resume services. In the event that SJCSD cannot resume services due to an event under this clause, SJCSD is under no obligation to cancel or refund any portion of the tuition of fees paid.

12. **ENTIRE CONTRACT AND MODIFICATION**

This contract constitutes the entire understanding of the parties with respect to the matters covered herein, and supersedes any prior or contemporaneous agreements, representations or discussions, whether written or oral. This contract may only be altered, amended, or modified by a written instrument duly signed by the parties. No custom or course of dealing between the parties shall in any way vary or alter the terms and conditions of this contract. If any provision of this contract is invalid, illegal or incapable of being enforced by reason of any rule of law, administrative order, or judicial decision, all other conditions and provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

13. **SURVIVAL**

The terms in the TUITION AND RELATED FEES, INDEMNIFICATION, AND HOLD-HARMLESS, and GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE shall survive the expiration and termination of this contract for any reason.

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14. **AUTHORITY**

The Registrant represents and warrants that he or she has the authority to sign on behalf of the Student and acknowledges that this contract is a legal, valid, and binding obligation, enforceable in accordance with its terms. No separate agreement or court order, including but not limited to agreements or court orders governing unmarried, divorced, or separated parents, shall excuse performance under this contract.

15. ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES

The parties agree that this agreement may be executed electronically and that such signatures shall have the same legal effect as original, hand-written signatures pursuant to Chapter 668, Florida Statutes.

BY SIGNING BELOW, THE REGISTRANT AGREES TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT:

BY TYPING MY NAME BELOW OR SIGNING ELECTRONICALLY, I AFFIRM THAT THIS CONSTITUTES MY LEGAL SIGNATURES UNDER FLORIDA STATUTES §§ 668.001-668.006.

_____ _____

REGISTRANT SIGNATURE *DATE*

_____

PRINT REGISTRANTS NAME

_____

PRINT STUDENT'S FULL NAME

☐ By checking this box, I agree to use an electronic signature and understand this constitutes a legal signature.

ATTACHMENT:

Addendum "A": ST. JOHNS COMPASS Payment Information and Course/Services Tuition

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ADDENDUM "A"

ST. JOHNS COMPASS
Payment Information and Course/ Services Tuition
2026-2027 state scholarship recipients

St. Johns County School District supports families who choose to educate their children at home. St. Johns Compass supports Personalized Education Program (PEP) and Unique Abilities (UA) recipients who choose to participate by contract, on a pay-for-service basis.

Course/ Service Tuition

- Service fees are charged each quarter and consistent with this Addendum.
- Payment is due before a student can participate in a Service.
- The payment due date is defined in the Scholarship Payment Schedule below. These due dates allow processing time to ensure payment is posted prior to the listed start date.

Payment Information

The Registrant will receive an e-mail from Compass@stjohns.k12.fl.us containing details and information regarding the selected courses or services and applicable fees. The Registrant may elect to pay with scholarship funds, if funds are available, or by utilizing a Money Order.

Payment with Scholarship Funds:

- Funds must be available in the student's scholarship account.
- To check the status of available funds, the legal account holder can log into the account provided by the Scholarship Funding Organization (SFO).
- If scholarship funds are available, follow the instructions provided by your SFO to submit a direct payment to the St. Johns County School District.

Payment by Money Order:

- Payment can be made directly to the St. Johns County School District if the Registrant would prefer not to use scholarship funds or if scholarship funds have been depleted.
- Payments can be made via Money Order, payable to St. Johns County School District.
- In-person Money Orders drop offs are accepted at the St. Johns County School District, Yates Building, 47 Orange Street St. Augustine 32084, on days in which the school district is open, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Refund Policy- Refunds may be approved only if a refund request is submitted within the first five days of each quarter, in accordance with the deadline outlined in the payment schedule below. Funds are non-transferrable.

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PAYMENT INFORMATION

	SJCSD 2026 - 2027 SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT SCHEDULE		
	COURSE/SERVICE DATES	**PAYMENT DUE BY** *(Payment must be made 5 days prior to the start of the quarter *except for quarter 3)*	**REFUND REQUEST MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5PM ET**
QUARTER 1	8/10/2026-10/9/2026	8/3/2026	8/14/2026
QUARTER 2	10/13/2026/12/18/2026	10/5/2026	10/19/2026
QUARTER 3	1/5/2027-3/11/2027	*12/18/2026	1/11/2027
QUARTER 4	3/22/2027-5/28/2027	3/15/2027	3/26/2027

**Payment is required 5 school days prior to the start of each quarter, except for quarter 3, in which case payment is required prior to the SJCSD closing for Winter Break.*

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COURSE/ SERVICES TUITION

ST. JOHNS COMPASS FEE STRUCTURE 2026-2027				
ACADEMIC COURSE OPTIONS	**PER QUARTER**	**PER SEMESTER**	**FULL YEAR**	**OTHER INFO**
St. Johns Virtual School, K-12, all courses	N/A	$375	Not Available	NA
Elementary Social Studies (K-5)	$200.00	$400.00	$800.00	30 minutes
Elementary Science (K-3)	$200.00	$400.00	$800.00	30 minutes
Elementary Science (4-5)	$400.00	$800.00	$1,600.00	60 minutes
Elementary Math (K-5)	$400.00	$800.00	$1,600.00	60 minutes
Elementary ELA (K-5)	$600.00	$1,200.00	$2,400.00	90 minutes
Elementary (K-5) elective course (Music, Art, PE) -Resource	$200.00	$400.00	$800.00	30 minutes of whatever resource is offered during the time alotted
Middle core courses (6-8) ELA, Math, Science, Soc Stud	$275	$550	$1,100	45 minutes
Middle elective courses (6-8) Art, Band, Computers	$275	$550	$1,100	45 minutes
High (9-12) core course (ELA, Math, Science, Soc Stud)	$270	$540	$1,080	45 minutes
High (9-12) elective course	$270	$540	$1,080	45 minutes
High (9-12) FCTC secondary elective course	$270	$540	$1,080	Course times are available from FCTC directly.

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COURSE/ SERVICES TUITION CONTINUED

ANNUAL ENROLLMENT FEE	PER QUARTER	PER SEMESTER	PER COURSE	OTHER
Annual Enrollment Fee	NA	NA	NA	Charged annually. Fee is $50 per student.
ATHLETICS	**PER QUARTER**	**PER SEMESTER**	**PER COURSE**	**OTHER**
One time Participation Fee	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
BAND	**PER QUARTER**	**PER SEMESTER**	**PER COURSE**	**OTHER**
Band Fees	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
FINE ARTS/ LAB/ SUPPLY FEES	**PER QUARTER**	**PER SEMESTER**	**PER COURSE**	**OTHER**
Varies by course, if applicable	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
TESTING SERVICES (Advanced registration required) Register at stjohnscompass.com	**PER QUARTER**	**PER SEMESTER**	**PER COURSE**	**OTHER**
ACT/PSAT/ SAT (In-school)	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	$150 per assessment
AICE/AP/IB/CTE Testing Fee	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	$250 per test, includes the cost of the exam for on time registration (Add additional $40 for late order fee)
Cambium/FAST ELA,- Writing and Reading- 3-10, Math 3-8	Not Available	Not Available	$75.00 per assessment	This option is only available during the Spring Assessment Window
End of Course Exams (EOC) Algebra 1, Biology, Civics, Geometry, U.S. History	Not available	Not Available	$75.00 per assessment	This option is available during each State Assessment Window. See registration website for available testing dates.

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