

PROJECT SAFE

LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY

PART A: APPLICATION COVER SHEET

LEA: Alachua

CFDA Number: 84.184N

Legal Name: School Board of Alachua County

DUNS Number: 156470163

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, all the information and data in this application are true and correct. I acknowledge and agree that the failure to comply with all Assurances and commitments in this application, and any other applicable law or regulation may result in liability under the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3729, *et seq.*; OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) in 2 CFR part 180, as adopted and amended as regulations of the Department in 2 CFR part 3485; and 18 USC § 1001, as appropriate.

LEA Superintendent/chief executive officer (CEO) or Authorized Representative (Typed Name):

Carlee Simon, PhD., Superintendent

Telephone: **352-955-7546**

Signature of LEA Superintendent/chief executive officer (CEO) or Authorized Representative:

Date: **9/17/21**



PART B: REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION AND RELATED ASSURANCES

The [LEA Superintendent/chief executive officer (CEO) or their authorized representative] assures that it is submitting with this Application an electronic copy of the following documents and certifies that they are accurate and complete:

- The enacted LEA policy that demonstrates that the LEA has adopted one or more strategies as recommended in the CDC’s Guidance for COVID-19 Prevention in K-12 Schools, as listed in the eligibility requirements;
- The SEA or other State entity notification of a financial penalty levied due to the LEA’s adoption of such strategy or strategies, which includes the amount and duration of such penalty (to the extent available); and
- Any other documentation necessary to describe the amount of the financial penalty specified in the notification from the SEA or other State entity that has already been levied at the time of the application and the anticipated amount of any future financial penalty that will be levied during the 12-month period beginning on the date of application.

By signing this document, the LEA Superintendent/chief executive officer (CEO) attests that the LEA has implemented such prevention strategy(ies) and that it will continue implementing the prevention strategy(ies) to the extent consistent with CDC guidance for the duration of the 2021-2022 school year.

By signing this document, the LEA superintendent/CEO assures that the LEA will not draw down any Project SAFE grant funds until such time as the LEA incurs the above referenced financial penalty imposed by the State.

By signing this document, the LEA superintendent/CEO assures that the LEA will not provide reimbursement for any individual salary in an amount greater than the reduction to that individual salary.

LEA Superintendent/chief executive officer (CEO) or Authorized Representative (Printed Name):

Signature: 	Date: 9/17/2021
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Commissioner Richard Corcoran Announces the Withholding of Funds in Alachua and Broward Counties for their Continued Violation of State Law

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~ State will continue to fight for parent rights ~

Tallahassee, Fla., August 30, 2021 – Today, Commissioner of Education Richard Corcoran announced that the Florida Department of Education has withheld the monthly school board member salaries in Alachua and Broward County, as directed by the State Board of Education. Each district has implemented a mandatory face mask policy that violates parental rights by not allowing a parent or legal guardian to opt-out their child, as required by Florida Department of Health Emergency Rule 64DER21-12. The withholding of funds will continue monthly until each school board complies with state law and rule.

“We’re going to fight to protect parent’s rights to make health care decisions for their children. They know what is best for their children. What’s unacceptable is the politicians who have raised their right hands and pledged, under oath, to uphold the Constitution but are not doing so. Simply said, elected officials cannot pick and choose what laws they want to follow,” **said Commissioner of Education Corcoran.**

On August 20, 2021, the State Board of Education issued the Alachua and Broward County school districts with an Order demanding that they comply with state statute and rule; however, both districts refuse to comply. Each county is also prohibited from reducing any expenditures other than those related to compensation for school board members, and clearly states each district may not permit the reduction of funds to impact student services or teacher pay.

The Commissioner of Education and State Board of Education retain the right and duty to impose additional sanctions and take additional enforcement action to bring each school district into compliance with state law and rule.

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ALACHUA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD,
STUDENT OPT-OUT REQUIREMENTS.

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**ORDER OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION UNDER ITS OVERSIGHT AND
ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY**

After having considered the determination of probable cause made by the Commissioner of Education, Richard Corcoran, along with an independent review of the documentary support for that determination, as well as public comment and discussions provided at the August 17, 2021, State Board of Education meeting, the State Board of Education implements its oversight authority under section 1008.32, Florida Statutes, as follows:

1. The State Board of Education authorized the Commissioner of Education to further investigate this matter and to take any and all action necessary to ensure that the State Board of Education satisfies its enforcement and other obligations under, among other things, chapters 1001 and 1008, Florida Statutes. These laws prevent the State Board of Education from ignoring intentional violations of state law or rules and compel action to enforce such violations.
2. As an initial finding, the State Board of Education finds that the School Board of Alachua County's requirement for medical documentation to opt-out of masking does not comply with Florida Department of Health Emergency Rule 64DER21-12, Protocols for Controlling COVID-19 in School Settings. That rule requires public schools to "allow for a parent or legal guardian of the student to opt-out the student from wearing a face covering or mask."

3. The State Board of Education finds that the School Board of Alachua County's noncompliance and knowing failure to follow the law unlawfully denies Alachua County parents and legal guardians of their right to make fundamental healthcare and educational decisions for their children by choosing whether their children should be masked in public schools.
4. Based on these findings, it is hereby ordered that the School Board of Alachua County must document compliance with Florida Department of Health Emergency Rule 64DER21-12 by allowing a parent or legal guardian of a student to opt-out the student from wearing a face covering or mask, without requiring a medical reason, approval from a medical professional or any additional requirement to support the request.
5. The School Board of Alachua County has 48 hours from receipt of this order to document compliance as set forth in this order. If the School Board of Alachua County demonstrates compliance by this deadline, then no further action is needed.
6. If the School Board of Alachua County fails to timely document compliance within 48 hours from receipt of this order, the School Board of Alachua County must provide to the Commissioner of Education, no later than 48 hours after receipt of this order, information confirming the current annual compensation provided to all school board members.
7. Upon receipt of the annual compensation information for the School Board of Alachua County members mentioned above, and continuing until the School Board of Alachua County demonstrates compliance with the law, the Florida Department of Education is directed to begin withholding from state funds, on a monthly basis, an amount equal to 1/12 of the total annual compensation of the school board, as an initial step. Monthly withholding must continue until the School Board of Alachua County demonstrates

compliance, the State Board of Education withdraws this order, or when the rule expires or is withdrawn. If the School Board of Alachua County fails to provide the requested compensation information within the 48 hour period, the Florida Department of Education shall withhold state funds based on the most recent appropriations estimate until the School Board of Alachua County provides the current estimate. The Alachua County School Board members who voted to impose the unlawful mask mandate are:

Dr. Leanetta McNealy

Tina Certain

Dr. Gunnar F. Paulson

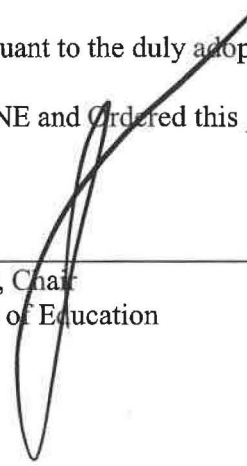
Robert P. Hyatt

8. In complying with this order, the School District of Alachua County may not reduce any expenditures other than those related to compensation for school board members. Further, the School District of Alachua County may not permit the reduction of funds based upon this order to impact student services or teacher pay.
9. Upon the School Board of Alachua County's failure to timely document compliance within 48 hours of receipt of this order, the Alachua County School Superintendent shall certify, upon request of the Commissioner of Education, an updated report documenting any instance of the School District of Alachua County's enforcement of the unlawful face covering mandate policy against a student, including, but not limited to, instances of a student being sent home, reassigned, disciplined, suspended, isolated, stigmatized, warned or harassed because of the student's failure to comply with the School Board of Alachua County's unlawful face covering mandate policy. Such report shall include the student's name and grade, parent's name(s) and home address. If the School District of Alachua


County does not have any instances of enforcement to report, the Alachua County School Superintendent shall submit a certified report asserting such fact. This request from the Commissioner of Education shall be continuous in nature until the Alachua County School Superintendent can certify and establish full compliance.

10. Upon the School Board of Alachua County's failure to timely document compliance within 48 hours of receipt of this order, the Commissioner of Education shall monitor and report at each subsequent meeting of the State Board of Education as to the School Board of Alachua County's compliance with Florida Department of Health Emergency Rule 64DER21-12 and this order, and provide recommendations to the State Board of Education as necessary to mandate further reporting related to noncompliance or further withholding of state funds due to continued noncompliance, pursuant to the State Board of Education's oversight and enforcement authority within section 1008.32, Florida Statutes.
11. The State Board of Education may continue to review findings of the Commissioner of Education as he continues his investigation, and retains the right and duty to impose additional sanctions, and take additional enforcement action, as necessary, to bring the School Board of Alachua County into compliance and better serve Florida's families pursuant to the duly adopted resolutions of that date.

DONE and Ordered this 20th day of August, 2021.



Tom Grady, Chair
State Board of Education



Ben Gibson, Vice Chair
State Board of Education

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on August 20, 2021, the foregoing was filed with the Agency Clerk of the Florida Department of Education, and that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via email and U.S. Mail to:

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Book	Policy Manual
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8450.01 - **PROTECTIVE FACIAL COVERINGS DURING PANDEMIC/EPIDEMIC EVENTS**

During times of elevated communicable disease community spread (pandemic or epidemic), the Superintendent will issue periodic guidance through School Board plans/resolution(s) in alignment with public health officials and/or in accordance with government edicts and including any Pandemic Plan developed by the District's Pandemic Response Team. (See also Policy 8420.01 - *Epidemics and Pandemics*.)

School settings can be a source of community spread. Wearing face masks/coverings is especially important during these times and can help mitigate the risk of exposure from person to person.

As such, during times of elevated communicable disease community spread, the Superintendent may activate this policy by notifying the school community, requiring all school staff, volunteers and visitors (including vendors) to wear appropriate face masks/coverings on school grounds unless it is unsafe to do so or where doing so would significantly interfere with the Districts educational or operational processes.

Face masks/coverings will be provided by the District to employees and students, as necessary. Individuals may elect to wear their own face coverings if they meet the requirements of this policy as well as any requirements issued by State or local health departments.

In addition, **the Board may require students to wear a face mask** unless they are unable to do so for a health, sensory, or developmental reason. Efforts will be made to reduce any social stigma for a student who, for medical or developmental reasons, cannot and should not wear a mask. Children in kindergarten and below will be educated, encouraged and expected to wear face coverings, but failure to wear a face covering will not prohibit their attendance if they are unable to wear a face covering at all times.

If face masks/coverings are required, and no exception is applicable, students who refuse to wear a face mask/covering, in accordance with policies of the Board, may be reassigned by the Superintendent to an online/virtual learning environment if the Superintendent determines that reassignment is necessary to protect the health and safety of the student or others.

All students and staff are required to wear masks while being transported on District school buses or other modes of school transportation.

School nurses or staff who care for individuals with symptoms consistent with those of a communicable disease must use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), provided by the school, in accordance with OSHA standards.

When facial masks/coverings are required by the Board, and no exception has been applied, staff members who violate this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with policies of the Board or applicable collective bargaining agreement.

Use of Mask/Face Covering

Face coverings/mask should:

- A. fully cover the mouth, nose, and chin;

D. for individuals who have difficulty wearing a face mask/covering for documented health, sensory, or developmental reasons.

If employees receive approval from the District administration after discussing their request not to wear a face mask/covering/shield due to a physical, mental or developmental health condition, and/or if wearing a mask/covering/shield would lead to a medical emergency or would introduce significant safety concerns, the District administration may also discuss other possible accommodations for the staff member. Such discussion shall follow Board policies and guidelines under the ADA.

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Legal	F.S. 120.54(4)
	F.S. 120.81
	F.S. 286.011
	F.S. 286.0114
	F.S. 1001.32
	F.S. 1001.33
	F.S. 1001.41
	F.S. 1001.42
	F.S. 1001.43

Last Modified by Tammy R Shroyer on December 9, 2020

	<p>Mrs. Certain-What is being recommended in the plan for students? Cowles responded</p> <p>Mrs. Certain asked Mr. Hyatt-Masking at the start of the school for some period of time.</p> <p>Mr. Hyatt- No need to get political and we have to respect that the Governor has executive authority but we can start out by responding the facts to the people who are living this everyday. At the end of two weeks we can see what the numbers are as Dr. McNealy stated.</p> <p>Mr. Hyatt, Moved that we accept the plan as written with the addition of mandating masks for students for the first two weeks of school revisit it during the august 17th meeting. Mrs. Certain seconded.</p> <p>Certain-yes Paulson-yes Hyatt-yes McNealy-yes</p> <p>Motion passed 4-0</p> <p>Dr. McNealy with an evaluation for moving forward.</p>
<p>CITIZEN INPUT</p>	<p>Kristen Thompson-wants a mask mandate Anna Prizzia- Thank you for adding the mask mandate and we support you Crystal Tessman-in favor of mask mandate read a statement being sent to Desantis on behalf of ACEA. Brittany bregaman-alacua county medical society Dr.-favor of the mask mandate and ask that we mask for a month David Kaplan-in favor of mask mandate Carmen Ward ACEA President-want to thank the educators for surviving the pandemic last year. Megan- more time than two weeks and in favor of the mask mandate Tahari-not in favor of masks Dr. Rasmussen-in favor of mask mandate more than two weeks though Tracy Amberbride- in favor of mask mandate Molly-not in favor of masks Mary Benedict-safe return without a mask mandate Tina Days- in favor of masks Sarah Rockwell-in favor mask mandate Austin- in favor of masks Daughter of Curry-in favor of masks Isaac Steinberg-in favor of masks Mother of four sons-not in favor of masks Megan Mansell- not in favor of masks Nicole Carlisle-not in favor of masks Laura Beck-in favor of the mask mandate</p>

	<p>Meredith-in favor of the mask mandate and more than two weeks Taylor Novak-in favor of masks</p>
<p>BOARD DISCUSSION</p>	<p>Mrs. Certain-Thank you for all the medical experts for coming out. Wants to have a safe work and learning environment. We need to continue our current methods and feels strongly we should extend this out to Sept. 17. Asked Dr. Simon if a teacher goes out does the whole class have to be quarantined? Simon responded.</p> <p>Dr. Paulson-Does not want to waste the two weeks we have. Whether we like it or not we are dealing with a political governor. In favor of the bargaining unit. We need to have a plan and get to work. Can eSchool be more like digital academy? Requested a committee be established to work on finding solutions/options for the mask situation. In addition we need to look at what since last spring has happened with our eSchool and how we can work with the state to solve the masking problem.</p> <p>Mr. Hyatt-This is big for everybody I'd love to extend time but we have real things happening in Tallahassee. Use this time to find further mitigation.</p> <p>Dr. McNealy-Thank you to the scientist and the medical doctors and that you stayed the whole time if you have an hour a week to come into the schools to help us. Kudos to Prescott for getting this plan together.</p> <p>Mr. Delaney- explore additional options and see what is going on within the district and what is happening in the community.</p> <p>Mr. Cowles-Clarified the motion that was on the floor</p> <p>Dr. Mark Atkinson-in favor of mask mandate</p>
<p>BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT REQUESTS</p>	<p>Dr. Simon-Canvas courses are up to date for quarantine period. students spots will be held in the magnet program if you chose eschool until there is a vaccine for under 12. Invited the medical providers back to the August 17th meeting. Thank you to the staff for making it through the year and summer and working hard. Thank you to the students who will be masking for the next two weeks.</p>
<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.</p>

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA
 APPROVED MINUTES OF
 REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

August 17, 2021

The School Board of Alachua County, Florida, met in regular session, duly called at 6:00 p.m. at the Alachua County Administration Building, 12 SE 1st Street, Gainesville, Florida Present were: Leanetta McNealy, Chairman; Tina Certain, Vice-Chairman; Rob Hyatt, and Gunnar Paulson, members; Carlee Simon, Superintendent and Board Attorney David Delaney.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman McNealy along with the Pledge of Allegiance.

<p>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</p>	<p><u>Motion by Mr. Hyatt</u> <u>Seconded by Mrs. Certain</u></p> <p><u>Moved to</u> approve the agenda for the August 17 2021, Board meeting.</p> <p>The question was called. <u>Upon Vote:</u> Motion passed 4-0</p>
<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p>	<p><u>Motion by Mrs. Certain</u> <u>Seconded by Mr. Hyatt</u></p> <p><u>Moved to</u> approve minutes for the August 3, 2021, Special School Board meeting and public hearing for tentative budget and millage.</p> <p>The question was called. <u>Upon Vote:</u> Motion passed 4-0</p> <p><u>Motion by Mrs. Certain</u> <u>Seconded by Dr. Paulson</u></p> <p>Dr. Paulson requested a statement be included from the August 3 2021 meeting.</p> <p><u>Moved to</u> approve minutes for the August 3, 2021, Regular School Board Meeting.</p> <p>The question was called. <u>Upon Vote:</u> Motion passed 4-0</p> <p><u>Motion by Dr. Paulson</u> <u>Seconded by Mr. Hyatt</u></p> <p><u>Moved to</u> approve minutes for the August 4, 2021, Regular school board workshop.</p> <p>The question was called. <u>Upon Vote:</u> Motion passed 4-0</p>
<p>BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS</p>	<p>Dr. Simon- Congratulated Eastside’s Pam Bedford who was named the 2021 educator of the year by the American Culinary Foundation.</p> <p>Mrs. Certain-Thanked Facilities in reference to getting Metcalfe open for the first day of school.</p>

	<p>Dr. McNealy-Congratulated the board members and the superintendent for all of the work that has been done with all the news broadcast and being able to get the necessary message out.</p>
CITIZEN INPUT	<p>Dr. Tessman-Spoke on behalf of transportation stating they need to be paid appropriately</p> <p>Jana Reichert-Represented transportation as an employee and spoke about issues transportation employees are dealing with</p> <p>Debbie Martinez-spoke about the open container issue that the city commission will be voting on August 19</p> <p>Ms. Ford-Terwilliger elementary grandparent Covid concern</p> <p>Shanice Tate-spoke on behalf of transportation regarding pay grades</p>
CONSENT AGENDA	<p>The Superintendent recommends that the School Board approve the Consent Agenda as described in items 2-8.</p> <p><u>Motion by Mr. Hyatt</u> <u>Seconded by Mrs. Certain</u></p> <p><u>Moved to</u> approve the consent agenda for the August 17 2021, Board meeting.</p> <p>The question was called. <u>Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0</u></p>
CHANGE ORDER NUMBER THREE FOR PROJECT SBAC 1904-SANTA FE HIGH AUDITORIUM RENOVATIONS	<p>The superintendent recommends that the school board approve change order number three, in the amount of \$34, 574.45.</p> <p><u>Motion by Mr. Hyatt</u> <u>Seconded by Mrs. Certain</u></p> <p>Mr. Hyatt-This is important as he recalled a time when he was band director and his band had to play in the auditorium which was not up to par. Glad for the students and school for their upgrades and thank you to the facilities dept.</p> <p>The question was called. <u>Upon Vote: Motion passed 4-0</u></p>
REVIEW OF MANDATORY MASK POLICY AND COVID DATA	<p>Mr. Cowles with a presentation regarding Covid with medical experts.. Medical experts included...</p> <p>Dr. Mott-Young from UF Health Mr. Edward Jimenez the CEO of UF Health Dr. Desmond Schatz Dr. William Bortcosh Dr. Kathleen Ryan Dr. Amit Rawal along with Commissioner Ken Cornell</p>

	<p>Dr. Paulson- What was the state of emergency. Commissioner Cornell responded.</p> <p>Mrs. Certain-asked was it 42 days total or 42 days at any given time and Commissioner Cornell responded 42 days in total.</p> <p>Dr. McNealy-After the 42 days if we are still in an emergency state would you be able to extend the emergency order. Commissioner Cornell stated no not under the current legislation.</p> <p>Prescott Cowles went over current school COVID data.</p> <p>Paulson- It would be interesting if you could give us information where the spikes are and where the vaccines are? What's the quarantine timeline? If you get a test done it's either 5 or 7 days for quarantine? Cowles responded.</p> <p>Dr. Simon we are concerned with parent choices as we have had parents test positive and send their kids to school. We appreciated that the masks were there to reduce the contagion and the quarantines. Addressed families who were watching and or listening and asked that if you are positive please don't send your children to school or if they are exhibiting symptoms please don't send them to school either.</p> <p>Mr. Hyatt moved that we extend the current mask mandate for Alachua County Public Schools for students K-12 for an additional 8 weeks.</p> <p>Seconded by Mrs. Certain</p>
CITIZEN INPUT	Citizens shared input in person and over the phone regarding whether or not they were in favor of the mask mandate, parents having the right to choose for their children and transportation pay.
BOARD DISCUSSION	<p>Mr. Hyatt-We received two weeks ago compelling testimonies about the conditions we face in Alachua County. We should be laser focused on what is happening here and what we can do to mitigate the spread of the virus right here.</p> <p>Dr. Paulson-What I said August 3 is we should have got together and got a plan and see what we can do. There are different ways to look at freedom. We're elected to run our schools, so why did the Governor make things so hard that we couldn't do it example taking Digital Academy option away</p> <p>Mrs. Certain-Thanked all the citizens who called and emailed and those who came out to the meeting and the medical community with their support. I feel that this decision is a public health issue. Shared some stories regarding COVID positive cases. This issue is life or death and I will lose my salary over that.</p>

	<p>Dr. McNealy- Thank you to the medical experts in the audience my heart beats for all of you because you have set through all of this with us. Asked for staff to be able to be late the next day due to staying late at the meeting. We've already lost a child and I can't fathom another child getting ill. They can have this little bit of money and I heard they want to unseat us. If they do, I hope the next board will have as much guts as we have. Thank you for all the comments as citizens of this community and we are here to serve you.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote</p> <p>Certain-Yes Hyatt- Yes Paulson- Yes McNealy-Yes</p> <p>The question was called. <u>Upon Vote:</u> Motion passed 4-0</p>
BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT REQUESTS	None
ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

PART C: BUDGET

1. Amount of financial penalty incurred as of 9/17/2021:

Salaries: **\$13,429**

This amount does not include benefits. Benefits are not affected by the penalty. It is for 4 Board Member salaries @ \$3,357.25 each per month x 11 months. The first month was not affected by the penalty.

2. Anticipated amount of financial penalty for 12 month period after application:

Salaries: **\$134,290**

3. The Alachua County School District has attached documentation as required in Part B the following:

- The notice from the State of Florida the type and amount of penalty to be withheld from Alachua County School Board salaries for upholding a mask mandate for students attending public schools in the County.
- The Board Policy from 2020 for a mask mandate. The mask mandate policy references both employees and students. The mandate for students is approved by the Board, whereas the mandate for employees is approved by the Superintendent.
- Board meeting minutes from two meetings –

8/3/21 where the Board approved the mask mandate for students effective through 8/17; and

8/17/21 where the Board approved to extend the mask mandate for students for 8 weeks whereas they will revisit the mask mandate and whether to extend further.

4. The total amount requested by the LEA: **\$147,719**
5. The proposed project budget enables the LEA to maintain compensation that would otherwise be negatively impacted/reduced due to financial penalties levied on the LEA for Implementing strategies aligned with CDC guidance (reduction in salaries for school board members).

PART D: OTHER ASSURANCES AND CERTIFICATIONS

The [LEA Superintendent/chief executive officer (CEO) or their authorized representative] assures or certifies the following:

1. The LEA will comply with all applicable assurances in OMB Standard Forms 424B (Assurances for Non-Construction Programs), including the assurances relating to the legal authority to apply for assistance; access to records; conflict of interest; merit systems; nondiscrimination; Hatch Act provisions; labor standards; flood hazards; historic preservation; protection of human subjects; animal welfare; lead-based paint; Single Audit Act; and the general agreement to comply with all applicable Federal laws, executive orders and regulations.
2. With respect to the certification regarding lobbying in Department Form 80-0013, no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making or renewal of Federal grants under this program; the LEA will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," when required (34 C.F.R. Part 82, Appendix B).
3. The LEA will comply with the *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) requirements in Subpart D—Post-Federal Award Requirements (2 CFR §§200.300-345) and Subpart E—Cost Principles (2 CFR §§200.400-475).
4. The LEA will comply with the provisions of all applicable acts, regulations and assurances; the following provisions of Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) 34 CFR parts 75, 77, 81, 82, 84, 97, 98, and 99; the OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) in 2 CFR part 180, as adopted and amended as regulations of the Department in 2 CFR part 3485; and the Uniform Guidance in 2 CFR part 200, as adopted and amended as regulations of the Department in 2 CFR part 3474.

LEA Superintendent/chief executive officer (CEO) or Authorized Representative (Printed Name):

Signature: 	Date: 9/17/2021
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