

Lawrence County Schools

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To: VENDORS, CONTRACTORS AND GRANTEES From: Suzy Berryman, Chief School Financial Officer

Date: April 2, 2014

Re: H.B. 56 - Alabama Immigration Law Compliance

Lawrence County Board of Education (the Board) is required to comply with the provisions of the new Alabama Immigration Law (the Act). Compliance requirements for boards of education in Alabama became effective January 1, 2012. The requirements flow down to all contractors, vendors, and grantees doing business with the Board and employing one or more employees in Alabama. If you wish to become a new vendor of the Board (or any of our schools) or if you wish to continue to do business with the Board or receive funds from the Board, you must complete and submit the following:

If your organization/entity does NOT employ one or more employees in the State of Alabama, you must submit the following:

- 1. Submit an updated W-9 Form (form attached).
- 2. Affidavit of Immigration Law Compliance (complete **Part I** copy attached).

If your organization/entity DOES employ one or more employees in the State of Alabama, you must submit the following:

- 1. Submit an updated W-9 Form (form attached).
- **2.** Affidavit of Immigration Law Compliance (complete **Part II**, sign and have notarized) (copy attached).
- 3. Submit to the Board an E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding. If required to comply, you must go to the following web site to enroll in E-Verify which is a federal program that verifies the employment eligibility of all newly hired employees. http://www.uscis.gov/portal/site/uscis. Go to the E-Verify Home Page to initiate enrollment. Once you go through the steps to enroll, the program will print the requested *E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding*. This is the document, a copy of which you must submit along with the Affidavit attached to this memo.
- **4.** Execute and submit to the Board the attached <u>Alabama Immigration Law Compliance Law Contract</u> in the attached "Notice" form provided.

If you have subcontractors, provide your subcontractors notice of their compliance obligations and OBTAIN from each a notarized *Affidavit of Immigration Law Compliance- SUBCONTRACTOR*. (SAMPLE COPY ATTACHED). You may provide copies of this memo to your subcontractors as an explanation of this mandatory requirement. You are not required to submit the subcontractor affidavits; just maintain on file. A customizable version of this Affidavit is also available at www.alsde.edu.

These requirements imposed by the new Law <u>are a condition for doing business with the Board and receiving any funds from the Board (or any of the schools).</u> Maintain ALL documents for audit purposes.

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If you contract with more than one school system, you will only need to have one affidavit completed and notarized, and then provide a copy to the requesting Boards.

If you do <u>NOT employ one or more employees</u> in the State of Alabama, submit an updated W-9 and complete Part I of the attached Affidavit. If you <u>DO employ one or more employees in the State of Alabama</u>, please submit the four documents identified.

Please submit the requested documentation to the specific school or department that requested the documents from your organization. The specific school or department should provide you a fax number or email address!

We regret any inconvenience or burden that these new requirements place on you and your business or organization. However, all public school systems in Alabama are mandated to comply with the new Alabama Immigration Law. If you wish to do business with the Board, you must comply and submit the requested documents. If we can assist in any way, please contact the requesting school or departmental contact or call us 256-905-2500.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation regarding this matter.

AFFIDAVIT OF ALABAMA IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE

In compliance with Sections 31-13-9 (a) and (b) of the Alabama Code, this Affidavit of Alabama Immigration Compliance must be completed and signed by an officer or owner of a contractor or grantee and notarized, as a condition for the award of any contract by **Lawrence County Board of Education** ("the Board") or by the Alabama Department of Education (ALSDE) to an employer that employs one or more employees in the State of Alabama and is a recipient of funds from the State of Alabama Department of Education, or funds from any political subdivision of the State of Alabama, or any public funded entity (including a local school board). Please complete Part I (if you do NOT employ one or more employees in the State of Alabama) or Part II (if you DO employ one or more employees in the State of Alabama). The Part II Affidavit must be notarized.

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County of:						
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I certify in my capacity as (your position) for (name of contractor or grantee) that Contractor or Grantee does not employ one or more employees in the State						
of Alabama. I further certify that should my status change and I am required to comply that I will submit all						
required documents to the Board. I have read this Affidavit and swear and affirm that it is true and correct.						
Signature of Affiant						
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PART II – (Complete if you DO employ one or more employees in Alabama) State of :						
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Before me, a notary public, personally appeared (print name) who, is duly						
Before me, a notary public, personally appeared (print_name) who, is duly authorized by the business entity/employer which appears below, being sworn, says as follows:						
As a condition for being a contractor or grantee on a project paid for by contract, grant, or incentive by the State of Alabama, or any political subdivision thereof, or any state-funded entity, I hereby attest that in my capacity as						
(your position) for(name of contractor or grantee), said Contractor or Grantee does not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue						
to employ an unauthorized alien. Further, Contractor or Grantee affirms that it is providing notice to its						
subcontractors of their Alabama Immigration Compliance obligations. I further attest that said Contractor or						
Grantee is enrolled in the E-Verify program and attached to this Affidavit is our E-Verify Memorandum of						
Understanding confirming such program enrollment. I have read this Affidavit and swear and affirm that it is						
true and correct.						
Signature of Affiant						
Sworn to and subscribed before me thisday of						
Sworn to and subscribed before me thisday of, 2 I certify that the affiant is known (or made known) to me to be the identical party he or she claims to be.						
Signature and Seal of Notary Public						

Please execute and return to the Lawrence County Board of Education.

Lawrence County Board of Education 14131 Market St. Moulton, Al 256-905-2400

Notice of Alabama Immigration Law Compliance Requirements to all Contractors of LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION

As a Contractor, as defined in the Act, to the **LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION** ("Board"), it is critical to your relationship (future or continuing) with the Board that you comply with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, as amended by the Immigration Act of 1990, and the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act. Accordingly, please provide your Affidavit of Immigration Compliance with attached E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding, as requested in the attached memorandum. If you do not believe these obligations apply to you, please notify the Board immediately.

Every contract entered into by the Board from this point forward with a contractor will contain the following clause or one substantially similar:

Alabama Immigration Law Compliance Contract: Contractor agrees that it will fully comply with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, as amended by the Immigration Act of 1990, and the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act, which makes it unlawful for an employer in Alabama to knowingly hire or continue to employ an alien who is or has become unauthorized with respect to such employment or to fail to comply with the I-9 requirements or fails to use E-Verify to verify the eligibility to legally work in the United States for all of its new hires who are employed to work in the State of Alabama. Without limiting the foregoing, Contractor shall not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien, and shall have an officer or other managerial employee who is personally familiar with the Contractor's hiring practices to execute an affidavit to this effect on the form supplied by the Board and return the same to the Board. Contractor shall also enroll in the E-Verify Program prior to performing any work, or continuing to perform any ongoing work, and shall remain enrolled throughout the entire course of its performance hereunder, and shall attach to its affidavit the E-Verify Program for Employment Verification and Memorandum of Understanding and such other documentation as the Board may require to confirm Contractor's enrollment in the E-Verify Program. Contractor agrees not to knowingly allow any of its subcontractors, or any other party with whom it has a contract, to employ in the State of Alabama any illegal or undocumented aliens to perform any work in connection with the Project, and shall include in all of its contracts a provision substantially similar to this paragraph. If Contractor receives *actual knowledge* of the unauthorized status of one of its employees in the State of Alabama, it will remove that employee from the project, jobsite or premises of the Board and shall comply with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, as amended by the Immigration Act of 1990, and the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act. Contractor shall require each of its

subcontractors, or other parties with whom it has a contract, to act in a similar fashion. If Contractor violates any term of this provision, this Agreement will be subject to immediate termination by the Board. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Board from any and all losses, consequential damages, expenses (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees), claims, suits, liabilities, fines, penalties, and any other costs arising out of or in any way related to Contractor's failure to fulfill its obligations contained in this paragraph.

To the extent that there is no formal written contract between the Board and the Contractor, such as where business is conducted by purchase order, this document shall serve as the Alabama Immigration Compliance Contract.

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Please execute and return to Lawrence County Board of Education.

(This is only to be completed for any SUBCONTRACTORS and maintained on file. NOT REOUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED!)

AFFIDAVIT OF ALABAMA IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE BY A SUBCONTRACTOR TO LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA AND/ OR THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In compliance with SECTIONS 9 (a) and (b) BEASON-HAMMON ALABAMA TAXPAYER AND CITIZEN PROTECTION ACT (the "Act"); CODE OF ALABAMA, SECTIONS 31-13-9 (a) and (b), this Affidavit of Alabama Immigration Compliance is to be completed and signed by an officer or owner of a subcontractor and notarized, as a condition for the award of any contract by a local school board ("the Board") or by the Alabama Department of Education (ALSDE) to a Contractor that employs one or more employees in the State of Alabama and is a recipient of funds from the State of Alabama Department of Education, or funds from any political subdivision of the State of Alabama, or any public funded entity. As determined by the Superintendent of the Alabama Department of Education, a notarized Subcontractor Affidavit in this format shall be acceptable by all Contractors to local school boards in the State of Alabama and the ALSDE in compliance with the Act. Subcontractors are to provide notice to their Subcontractors of their Alabama Immigration Compliance obligations.

State of Alabama: County of:
Before me, a notary public, personally appeared (print name) who, is duly authorized by the business entity/employer which appears below, being sworn, says as follows:
As a condition for being a subcontractor to a contractor or grantee on a project paid for by contract, grant, or incentive by the State of Alabama, or any political subdivision thereof, or any state-funded entity, I hereby attest that in my capacity as (your position) for (name of subcontractor), said subcontractor does not knowingly
employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien. Further, subcontractor affirms that it is providing notice to its subcontractors of their Alabama Immigration Compliance obligations.
I further attest that said subcontractor is enrolled in the E-Verify program and attached to this Affidavit is our E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding confirming such program enrollment. Further, as a direct subcontractor, for those current employees for whom the E-Verify system may not be used in accordance with applicable federal rules and regulations, subcontractor has reviewed, or had reviewed, the Form I-9s for each of its current employees and has a good faith belief that it has complied with ALA. CODE § 31-13-9(c) and (d).
I have read this Affidavit and swear and affirm that it is true and correct.
Signature of Affiant
Sworn to and subscribed before me thisday of, 2 I certify that the affiant is known (or made known) to me to be the identical party he or she claims to be.
Signature and Seal of Notary Public

To be returned to the **Contractor or Grantee** of Lawrence County Board of Education. (NOT REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OR ANY OF THE BOARD'S SCHOOLS!)

(Rev. January 2011) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

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2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and										
3. I an	n a U.S	S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).								
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- 1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
 - 2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- 3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien.
- · A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- · An estate (other than a foreign estate), or

• A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received. a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.