Exhibit B – Flexibility Component of Contract

For the Rome City School District

Under O.C.G.A. § 20-2-80 and SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.33, The Rome City School District is seeking flexibility for all its schools from the following state statutes and associated rules in exchange for greater accountability (as outlined in the IE2 Partnership Contract) over the life of a five-year contract which allows for seven years of flexibility between the Rome City School District Board of Education and the Georgia State Board of Education, except as prohibited in O.C.G.A. § 20-2-82(e).

- Class-size and Reporting requirements (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-182)
- Direct Classroom Expenditures and Expenditure Controls (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-167, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-171, and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-411 except as prohibited by the Georgia Constitution and provided that funds are used exclusively for educational purposes)
- Scheduling for Instruction/Program Enrollment and Appropriation (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-160 except to the extent it relates to funding, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-168(c) and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-168(d) as it relates to the salary schedule)
- QBE Financing (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-161 except cannot be used to augment funding)
- Personnel Required (SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.22)
- Organization of Schools; Middle School Programs; Schedule (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-290)
- Competencies and Core Curriculum, Online Learning (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-140.1, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-142)
- Promotion and Retention (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-283, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-284)
- Graduation Requirements for the purpose of substitution of equivalent or higher level requirements which will assist students in acquiring the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful as they continue their education at the postsecondary level and/or enter the workforce (SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.48)
- Health and Physical Education Program (SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.12 except as prohibited by O.C.G.A. § 20-2-82(e))
• Categorical Allotment requirements, Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-167, O.C.G.A. § 20-2-183 to 20-2-186)
• Employment / Conditions of Employment as it relates to Duty Free Lunch (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-218)
• Awarding Credit for the purpose of substitution of equivalent or higher level requirements which will assist students in acquiring the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful as they continue their education at the postsecondary level and/or enter the workforce (SBOE Rule 160-5-1-.15)
• Use of Counselors (SBOE Rule 160-4-8-.05)
• Statewide Passing Score (SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.13 (a) and (c))
• Programs for Gifted Students (SBOE Rule 160-4-2-.38)
• Instructional Extension (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-184.1)
  • School Attendance, Compulsory Attendance (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-690.2)
  • Public School Choice (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-2131)
  • School Councils (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-85 and O.C.G.A. § 20-2-86)
  • Instruction in social graces and etiquette may be waived (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-187(b))
  • School Day and Year for Students and Employees (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-160(a))
  • Media Programs (SBOE Rule § 160-4-4-.01)
  • Multi-year Contracts (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-211)
  • Flexibility with regards to Substitute Teachers (to the extent it allows for the employment of teachers certified by another state) (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-216)
  • Common Minimum Facility Requirements to the extent that square footage requirements are not waived in situations where the health and safety of students is jeopardized and only after consultation with Georgia Department of Education Director of Facilities Services, and to the extent that the waiver does not affect capital outlay funding determinations (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-260)

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