## Element Education Conflict of Interest Code

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## Procedure:

Governing Board members and candidates, as well as employee positions that participate in the making of decisions that may foreseeably have a material effect on any financial interest, as set forth in subdivision (a) of section 87302 of the Government Code shall file statements of economic interests (Form 700) with the County of San Diego within 30 days of the assumed office date, annually by April $1^{\text {st }}$, and within 30 days of the leaving office date. All statements will be retained by Element Education and the County of San Diego and will be available for public inspection and reproduction (Government Code § 81008).

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APPENDIX

| Designated Positions | Disclosure Category |
| :--- | :--- |
| Members of the Governing Board \& Alternates | 1,2 |
| Candidates for Members of the Governing Board | 1,2 |
| Executive Director | 1,2 |
| Chief Officers | 3 |
| School Directors | 3 |
| Consultants/New Positions (as determined by Executive Director, or designee) | $1,2,3$ |

## Policy/Disclosure Categories:

## Category 1

Designated positions assigned to this category must report:
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## Disclosures for Consultants

Consultants are designated employees who must disclose financial interests as determined on a case-bycase basis by the Director or designee. The Director or designee's written determination shall include a description of the consultant's duties and a statement of the extent of disclosure requirements based upon that description. All such determinations are public records and shall be retained for public inspection along with this conflict of interest code.

A consultant is an individual who, pursuant to a contract with the charter school, makes a governmental decision whether to: (2 CCR 18700.3)

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3. Issue, deny, suspend, or revoke any permit, license, application, certificate, approval, order, or similar authorization or entitlement
4. Authorize the charter school to enter into, modify, or renew a contract that requires charter school approval
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## RESOLUTION for Adopting Conflict of Interest Code and Appendix

WHEREAS, the Political Reform Act, Government Code sections 87300-87313, requires each public agency in California to adopt a conflict of interest code; and

WHEREAS, Education Code section 47604.1, now requires charter schools in California to adopt a conflict of interest code; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the Element Education, Inc. has not previously adopted a local conflict of interest code; and

WHEREAS, past and future amendments to the Political Reform Act and implementing regulations may require conforming amendments to be made to the charter schools conflict of interest code; and

WHEREAS, a regulation adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission, Title 2, Section 18730, of the California Code of Regulations provides that incorporation by reference of the terms of that regulation, along with an agency-specific appendix designating positions and disclosure categories shall constitute the adoption and amendment of a conflict of interest code in conformance with Government Code sections 87300 and 87306; and

WHEREAS, Element Education, Inc. has recently reviewed its positions, and the duties of each position, and has determined the conflict of interest code as set forth in the attached Appendix is current and necessary; and

WHEREAS, any earlier resolutions, bylaws, and/or appendices containing the charter school's conflict of interest code shall be rescinded and superseded by this resolution and Appendix; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Element Education, Inc.'s Governing Board adopts the following Conflict of Interest Code including its Appendix of Designated Employees and Disclosure Categories.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS $2^{\text {nd }}$ day of March, 2022 at a meeting, by the following vote:

AYES:
6 $\qquad$ NOES:_0 $\qquad$ ABSENT:__0_
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March 8, 2022

To the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors,

Please find attached the amended Element Education Conflict of Interest Code for your approval.

Sincerely,
Terri Novacek
Executive Director

