ATTACHMENT IV

WESTERN WAYNE SCHOOL DISTRICT 1970C EASTON TURNPIKE LAKE ARIEL, PENNSYLVANIA 18436

CONTRACT FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL STUDENTS

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- 17) Governing Law: This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in effect at the time of the execution of the Agreement. The parties hereby agree with regard to any dispute arising under this Agreement to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of courts sitting in Wayne County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
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- 19) Discrimination Prohibited: In accordance with Pennsylvania laws and regulations the Contractor agrees that in the hiring of employees for the performance of work under this Agreement, Contractor, and no person acting on behalf of the Contractor, shall by reason of gender, race, creed or color discriminate against any citizen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates. Contractor, and no person acting on

behalf of Contractor, shall in any manner discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this Agreement on account of gender, race, creed or color.

The provisions of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, Act 222 prohibit discrimination because of race, religious creed, ancestry, age, sex, national origin, handicap or disability by employers, employment agencies, labor organizations, Contractors and others. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the act as amended.

Notice: All notices required or sought to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been made if (i) delivered personally, (ii) sent by certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, or (iii) sent by nationally recognized overnight courier, addressed as shown on the first page of this Agreement. Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, notices, consents or other communications will be deemed received (a) on the date delivered, if delivered personally; (b) on the next business day after mailing or deposit with an overnight air courier; or (c) three business days after being sent, if sent by registered or certified mail.

Any Party may at any time, in the manner set forth for giving notices to the other Party, designate a different name and/or address to which notices to it shall be sent. If the address of either Party shall change, notice shall immediately be made upon the other Party.

21) **Entire Agreement:** The Contract Documents contain the entire agreement and understanding between the Contractor and District. There are no additional promises or terms other than as contained in the Contract Documents. This Contract may not be modified except in writing signed by the parties or by their authorized representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties above named have hereto set their hands and seals the day and year aforesaid.

By Contractor's Signature	FOR THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS OF WESTERN WAYNE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Address	
Date	
RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:	1970A Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel PA 18436
	Date
Date:	

Appendix A

- 1. When the same vehicle is serving more than one school, the District shall make efforts to reconcile the school calendars of the schools served.
- 2. The Contractor agrees to furnish such reports as may be required by the District or its designated representatives.
- 3. The Services rendered under this Agreement shall be as indicated on the attached schedule.
- 4. Routes and stops shall be determined by the District and may be modified by the District as occasion demands. The operator shall not deviate from the designated route except by written consent of the District or, in the case of an emergency, which shall be reported promptly to the District or the District's designated representative. Where a Contractor or Driver believes a particular bus route/stop to be unsafe or in violation of Pennsylvania law, such Contractor or Driver shall notify the Superintendent or his/her designee.
- 5. The Contractor shall prepare an operating time schedule to conform with the start and dismissal times established by District administration. This schedule shall designate the time and place of all stops, both morning and evening, and shall be posted in the vehicle and at the school. The time schedule may be modified by the District as occasion demands but only after due notice has been given to parents and operator.
- Students shall be taken on and discharged from the vehicle only at the designated stops and at extreme right of the road. No students shall be permitted to get on or off the vehicle while it is in motion. No school bus operator shall start his bus, or signal the driver of any vehicle, who has stopped in compliance with the provisions of Section 3208 of the School Laws of Pennsylvania, to proceed until after each student who may have alighted there from shall have reached a place of safety. Drivers shall be responsible for conducting a walk-through and visual sweep of the bus or van after each run to ensure that no students remain on the vehicle.
- 7. No person other than a student shall be transported in a school vehicle except that a teacher or other school official may ride when designated by the District. Nothing except passengers and their belongings shall be transported in the school vehicle while it is engaged in transporting students to and from school.
- 8. The vehicle shall come to a complete stop immediately before traversing railway or trolley grade crossings and shall make a complete stop at all highway intersections protected by a "stop" sign.
- 9. No vehicle used in the provision of services hereunder shall be loaded beyond the seating capacity as set forth in minimum standards. All other public conveyances when transporting school children under contract shall provide adequate seating for each student, **including child safety seats**, with no standees permitted.
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- 34) **Independent Contractor:** It is understood and agreed by the Parties hereto that Contractor, and its employees, agents, or representatives, while engaged in carrying out and complying with any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, are independent contractors and are not officers, agents, or employees of the District. As such, Contractor and its employees, agents, or representatives are not entitled to the benefits provided by District to its employees, including, but not limited to, group insurance, state pension plan enrollment, vacations, and leaves of absence, workers' compensation insurance or unemployment compensation insurance. District is interested only in the results obtained under this Agreement; the manner and means of conducting the work are under the sole control of Contractor. Contractor agrees, however, to comply with all Pennsylvania and federal laws and regulations which apply to the District or to the Services to be performed by Contractor and any internal policies or procedures of District enacted to comply with said state and federal laws and regulations.
- 35) **Taxes:** Contractor for the compensation specified herein, also hereby agrees that it is responsible for paying and shall hold District harmless against the payment of all taxes, contributions, or premiums which may be payable under federal, state, or local laws arising out of the performance of the work to be performed by the Contractor and its employees, agents, or representatives hereunder.
- 36) Immunity: Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to waive or reduce the immunities from civil liability granted by or to enlarge the limitations on immunity imposed by the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act.
- 37) Governing Law: This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in effect at the time of the execution of the Agreement.. The parties hereby agree with regard to any dispute arising under this Agreement to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of courts sitting in Wayne County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 38) Attorneys' Fees: In the event that either Party brings an action against the other to enforce any condition or covenant of this Agreement, the prevailing Party in such action shall be entitled to recover the court costs and reasonable attorney fees in the judgment rendered in such action.
- 39) Discrimination Prohibited: In accordance with Pennsylvania laws and regulations the Contractor agrees that in the hiring of employees for the performance of work under this Agreement, Contractor, and no person acting on behalf of the Contractor, shall by reason of gender, race, creed or color discriminate against any citizen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates. Contractor, and no person acting on

behalf of Contractor, shall in any manner discriminate against or intimidate any employee hired for the performance of work under this Agreement on account of gender, race, creed or color.

The provisions of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, Act 222 prohibit discrimination because of race, religious creed, ancestry, age, sex, national origin, handicap or disability by employers, employment agencies, labor organizations, Contractors and others. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the act as amended.

Notice: All notices required or sought to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been made if (i) delivered personally, (ii) sent by certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, or (iii) sent by nationally recognized overnight courier, addressed as shown on the first page of this Agreement. Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, notices, consents or other communications will be deemed received (a) on the date delivered, if delivered personally; (b) on the next business day after mailing or deposit with an overnight air courier; or (c) three business days after being sent, if sent by registered or certified mail.

Any Party may at any time, in the manner set forth for giving notices to the other Party, designate a different name and/or address to which notices to it shall be sent. If the address of either Party shall change, notice shall immediately be made upon the other Party.

41) **Entire Agreement:** The Contract Documents contain the entire agreement and understanding between the Contractor and District. There are no additional promises or terms other than as contained in the Contract Documents. This Contract may not be modified except in writing signed by the parties or by their authorized representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties above named have hereto set their hands and seals the day and year aforesaid.

By Contractor's Signature	FOR THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS OF WESTERN WAYNE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Address	
Date	
RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:	1970A Easton Turnpike, Lake Ariel PA 18436
	Date
Date:	

Appendix A

- 1. When the same vehicle is serving more than one school, the District shall make efforts to reconcile the school calendars of the schools served.
- 6. The Contractor agrees to furnish such reports as may be required by the District or its designated representatives.
- 7. The Services rendered under this Agreement shall be as indicated on the attached schedule.
- 8. Routes and stops shall be determined by the District and may be modified by the District as occasion demands. The operator shall not deviate from the designated route except by written consent of the District or, in the case of an emergency, which shall be reported promptly to the District or the District's designated representative. Where a Contractor or Driver believes a particular bus route/stop to be unsafe or in violation of Pennsylvania law, such Contractor or Driver shall notify the Superintendent or his/her designee.
- 9. The Contractor shall prepare an operating time schedule to conform with the start and dismissal times established by District administration. This schedule shall designate the time and place of all stops, both morning and evening, and shall be posted in the vehicle and at the school. The time schedule may be modified by the District as occasion demands but only after due notice has been given to parents and operator.
- Students shall be taken on and discharged from the vehicle only at the designated stops and at extreme right of the road. No students shall be permitted to get on or off the vehicle while it is in motion. No school bus operator shall start his bus, or signal the driver of any vehicle, who has stopped in compliance with the provisions of Section 3208 of the School Laws of Pennsylvania, to proceed until after each student who may have alighted there from shall have reached a place of safety. Drivers shall be responsible for conducting a walk-through and visual sweep of the bus or van after each run to ensure that no students remain on the vehicle.
- 10. No person other than a student shall be transported in a school vehicle except that a teacher or other school official may ride when designated by the District. Nothing except passengers and their belongings shall be transported in the school vehicle while it is engaged in transporting students to and from school.
- 11. The vehicle shall come to a complete stop immediately before traversing railway or trolley grade crossings and shall make a complete stop at all highway intersections protected by a "stop" sign.
- 12. No vehicle used in the provision of services hereunder shall be loaded beyond the seating capacity as set forth in minimum standards. All other public conveyances when transporting school children under contract shall provide adequate seating for each student, **including child safety seats**, with no standees permitted.
- 10. The speed of a vehicle shall be at all times consistent with the safety of the passengers and shall at no time exceed the speed Limit as set forth in the minimum standards of the Bureau of Traffic Safety, PennDot, as promulgated from the Vehicle Code.

- 24. Another school vehicle which has been lawfully certified for current use in Pennsylvania and/or another properly certified driver may be substituted in emergencies upon prior written consent of the DISTRICT or the designated representative, but only for the duration of the emergency.
- 25. The District shall have the right to act on all matters relating to this Agreement not specifically provided for therein.
- 26. All Contractors and drivers shall operate their vehicles in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the regulations of the Department of Transportation and the Department of Education as applicable. Violation of any such laws or regulations by a driver or Contractor may, at the option of the District, operate as cause for the District to temporarily or permanently prohibit such driver from performing services for the District pursuant to this Agreement or terminate this Agreement in its entirety.
- 27. Contractor is responsible for the behavior and actions of their employees, particularly with regard to adherence to the transportation policies and regulations of the School District. Violations of those policies and/or regulations by drivers shall be considered violation of those policies and/or regulations by the Contractor who employs the driver. Such violation of policies and/or regulations may, at the option of the District, operate as cause for the District to temporarily or permanently prohibit such driver from performing services for the District pursuant to this Agreement or terminate this Agreement in its entirety.
- 28. Contractor shall provide sufficient and adequate tire chains for all contracted buses and that these chains be used by all Contractors on all buses as the Contractor deems necessary for safety purposes or at the discretion and direction of the Superintendent or his/her designee.
- 29. Student population changes may necessitate modification of bus routes. Necessary adjustments will be based upon State Formula. All transportation van routes are contingent upon enrollment and District needs.
- 30. All contracted routes will be with buses and vans owned by the Contractor and sub-contracting shall not be allowed without prior written consent of the Board of Education.
- 31. All vehicles shall have a cellular phone provided by the Contractor and pay airtime in order to provide efficient communication to designated School District Transportation Personnel and Contractor shall provide cell numbers to Transportation Officers of the District. Drivers are prohibited from utilizing cellular phones while operating vehicles pursuant to this Agreement.
- 32. The Contractor for cars and vans shall limit the maximum number of assigned students to one less than the manufacturer's original seat belt capacity.
- 33. All contracted vans, wagons, cars and other vehicles other than school buses shall be no older than twelve (12) years from the date of registration at the start of the ESY Session. The exception being, handicapped accessible vans and nine (9) passenger vans shall be no older

than seventeen (17) years from the date of registration at the the start of the school year.

- 34. All Contractors must have an alternate vehicle for back-up or another verified Contractor who will provide this service.
- 35. **Digital video cameras.** All buses shall be required to have digital video cameras that are operable at all times. The District will provide said system, shall install the system, and arrange for maintenance of the system. Ownership of the digital video camera systems will remain with the District. The systems will be installed so that they are wired into the ignition with the result that the camera will be operable when the ignition is engaged. Any issues or problems will be immediately reported to the District Superintendent or his/her designee. All Cameras must be available for inspection upon request of the District. Upon termination of this Agreement, selling or deactivation of the bus, Contractor must return all video equipment to the District within 45 days. If not, Contractor will be required to pay replacement cost of the camera system. In the alternative, at the District's discretion, the District may provide the Contractor with the option to purchase the equipment at a price set by the District.
- 36. All vans, wagons, cars and other vehicles must be marked with an identification number, the contractor's name, and Western Wayne in at least two (2") inch high lettering. In addition, the vehicles must be clearly marked with School Students in accordance with PA State Regulations.