

**AFTER - SCHOOL YOUTH ENRICHMENT PROGRAM
SERVICES AGREEMENT**

Agreement made this 31st day of December, 2015, by and between **After-School Youth Enrichment Program**, hereinafter referred to as **AYEP**, and **PANOLA COUNTY, TEXAS**, hereinafter referred to as the County.

SERVICES

1. **AYEP** is youth based services provided to Panola County youth on the terms and conditions provided herein (see attached **EXHIBIT "A"**).

TERM

2. The initial term shall be for a period of one (1) year and shall commence on January 1, 2016 and end on December 31, 2016.

This agreement shall automatically renew for successive one year terms of duration equal to the Initial Term ("Renewal Term") unless either party notifies the other party in writing not later than ninety (90) days before the end of the Initial Term or the then-current Renewal Term, as applicable, either (a) that the Agreement shall terminate at the end of the said applicable Term instead of being renewed; or (b) requesting a Renewal Term of lesser duration, which request shall be subject to the agreement of the other Party.

NOTICES

3. Any notice required to be given hereunder shall be in writing, and shall be deemed delivered (i) three (3) business days after deposit in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, sent by registered mail, (ii) one (1) business day after being sent for overnight delivery by a reputable commercial courier capable of tracking shipment and delivery, or

(iii) upon hand delivery or receipt of facsimile transmission, to the address or facsimile number designated in this Agreement and to the attention of the person named herein as designated for receipt of notice by the receiving party, or to such other address, facsimile number or person as the receiving party may designate in writing to the sending party from time to time.

If to AYEP:

Isha Brown
Executive Director
P. O. Box 1141
Carthage, Texas 75633
Phone 903-693-3351

If to County

Panola County Judge
Panola County Courthouse
110 S. Sycamore, Room 216-A
Carthage, Texas 75633
Fax. (903) 693-2726

EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

4 The County shall not provide an office, equipment, and supplies for use by **AYEP**. **AYEP** shall furnish its own office, equipment, and supplies required to perform its services under this Agreement. However, the County may reimburse **AYEP** for such expenses incurred up to the limit as described in the Compensation section.

COMPENSATION

5 For services rendered hereunder, **AYEP** shall be entitled to the budgeted amount by the Panola County Commissioners' Court payable each year upon written request made by **AYEP** and providing documentation showing expenses incurred as meeting a public purpose according to laws governing Texas counties.

NECESSITY OF FUNDING APPROPRIATION

6. Except as provided in this Agreement for earlier termination, this Agreement shall continue in force for its normal Initial Term and any Renewal Term as set forth in

Section 2.00, subject to the following limitation: The term of this Agreement is subject to annual appropriation by Panola County, Texas in its budget of sufficient funds to make the payments called for herein

In the event funds for this Agreement are or become unavailable due to non-appropriation, this Agreement will thereupon terminate without penalty to or further obligation hereunder of either Party, as of the last date for which funds have been appropriated

INDEMNITY

7. **AYEP** defend, indemnify, and save harmless Panola County and all its officers, agents and employees from all suits, actions, or other claims of any character, name and description brought for or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons or property on account of any negligent act or fault of **AYEP**, or of any agent, employee, subcontractor or supplier in the execution of, or performance under, any Agreement **AYEP** indemnifies and will indemnify and save harmless Panola County from liability, claim or demand on their part, agents, servants, customers, and/or employees whether such liability, claim or demand arise from event or casualty happening or within the occupied premises themselves or happening upon or in any of the halls, elevators, entrances, stairways or approaches of or to the facilities within which the occupied premises are located.

GOVERNING LAW

8. The validity of this agreement and of any of its terms or provisions, as well as the rights and duties of the parties hereunder, shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

ADOPTED in Open Court this 31st day of December, 2015 WITNESS OUR
HANDS this 31st day of December, 2015.



ISHA BROWN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



LEE ANN JONES, COUNTY JUDGE

Services Provided to Panola County Youth

The Summer Enrichment Program for Youth (SEPY) is a full-day learning experience that combines academic instruction with fun and hands-on enrichment activities in science, technology, creative arts and fitness and health. The program is designed to help participants gain new academic skills and prepare to enter school in the fall ready to excel. The program brings the classroom into the community, and the community into the classroom, by incorporating learning expeditions, service projects and parent engagement.

A day at SEPY starts with a healthy breakfast and community-building events. Students then transition into classrooms, where trained tutors/teaching assistants lead small-group instruction rich in literacy and math. AYEP staff use the school research-based curricula aligned to standards, and apply data from computer adaptive assessments to differentiate instruction according to each student's unique learning needs.

After lunch, students rotate through a series of enrichment courses and activities focused on topics such as STEM (science, technology, engineering and Math), creative arts, culture exploration, mentoring, and health and exercise. Weekly program time is divided between community field experiences, learning expeditions, projects, service learning and classroom time. Strong partnerships with local school districts, community-based organizations, libraries, museums, and other community assets help AYEP to provide engaging summer experiences

Fridays at SEPY are "Mentor Fridays," which include field trips to local museums, colleges, parks, or other fun destinations, as well as guest speakers and community service projects.

Learning Expeditions

In-depth studies offer real-world connections that inspire students toward higher levels of academic achievement, and build character along with academic skills. All learning expeditions explicitly focus on building literacy skills in students.

Service Learning

An integral part of academic work – it teaches students that the skills they are learning can be put to use to make a better community. Service learning goes beyond charitable volunteer work to include projects that address important academic skills and provide a real benefit to the community.

Student Exhibitions

At the end of the program, students share a presentation with their peers about their SEPY camp experience. This presentation also serves to measure the SEPY youth outcomes, which include stemming summer learning loss, high engagement in learning, improved problem solving, team work and confidence as a learner.

Should you have any further questions or need additional information, please contact me.


Isha Brown
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After — School Youth Enrichment Program

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About Us

AYEP is an innovative year-round out-of-school time program that combines academic support, enrichment and leadership opportunities to cultivate student success. The program also gives students a safe haven during the “danger zone” hours of 3pm-6pm – the time of day when youth are most likely to be exposed to violence, drug use, and other negative influences. We are committed to providing a program of the highest quality.

We believe in the tremendous potential of all children to excel and are inspired by the opportunity to transform children's lives. Recognizing that many students face obstacles beyond their control, we are committed to delivering a pipeline of transformative learning opportunities for students who need them the most. This is critical to narrowing the ever widening opportunity and achievement gaps and helping students succeed in school and beyond.

Our after school and summer programs increase access to learning supports and enrichment opportunities, boost student achievement, strengthen kids social skills and self-esteem, and help them do better in school.

AYEP operates as a local, community-based (501c)(3) non-profit organization.

Our Vision

We have a very bold vision. AYES is not just another “program.” We’ve put all our energy into empowering young people to reach their full potential as learners and leaders who ignite transformation in their families, communities and the world.

Our Mission

The Afterschool Youth Enrichment Program (AYEP) believes in the power of education to radically change young people’s lives. We are passionate in our belief that every child can succeed beyond their circumstances. We are committed to provide a pipeline of support systems critical to helping young people reach their full potential and succeed in the classroom and beyond. These components include academic support, continued learning opportunities in the summer, and a strong network of friends and mentors.

Core Values

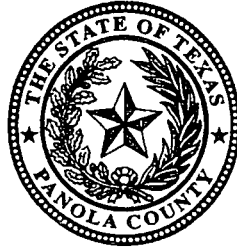
Expectations for our program are enumerated in our core values of Integrity, Kindness, Courage, Respect, Responsibility and Scholarship. The core values of AYEP set forth a standard of conduct that is the foundation of a productive life.

Our Program Model

At AYEP, we recognize that many of students face obstacles to success. All of our programs are designed to expand and create, when necessary, opportunities to develop and strengthen the skills and habits young people need to succeed in life.

Our Cornerstones lay the foundation for our unique, effective after-school programming.

- **Learn** We believe students should find joy in learning. Driven by the belief that every minute of every day provides an opportunity for students to learn, AYEP fulfills its mission by converting the significant time that students spend away from school—that is, evenings, weekends, vacations, and summer break—into valuable learning opportunities. The after-school hours provide a uniquely creative and entrepreneurial time to cultivate student success. By teaming up with principal and faculty at each school, we're able to identify each student's specific needs and tailor programming to supplement the existing efforts at school. Our school-year program provides afterschool and/or weekend academic support sessions such as tutoring and homework assistance, focusing on the academic subjects that are most challenging for the students. Students also attend enrichment classes characterized by small class sizes, inspired instruction and supportive peers. Extracurricular activities are planned that expand students' horizon, connect their learning to real life issues, and provide exposure to excellent educational opportunities. Students also gather for special activities such as field trips and community service. The program also gives students a safe haven during the "danger zone" hours of 3pm-6pm – the time of day when youth are most likely to be exposed to negative influences. Our summer program is an exciting six-week, full-time camp that is both academically rigorous and fun. Summer becomes a learning adventure for students.
- **Lead** We believe that people given the opportunity to do great things will do great things. Young leaders look at leadership through the lens of individual character development, hands-on personal service to the community, taking active roles in their schools and communities, meeting real needs among their peers, their families and their neighborhoods. Students engage their families and communities in their learning and plan and produce high-profile culminating events where they are able to shine in front of their peers, families and communities.
- **Change the World** We believe that young people can and will make great things happen. We believe young people have the power to change things. Nurturing their creativity, intelligence and passion are needed for them to make their mark on this world and leave it a better place than when they found it. Community connection projects, mentoring and learning expeditions allow opportunities for students to unlock their potential, create solutions to challenging problems faced in their classrooms and communities and lead others to implement solutions that will have a lasting impact. The design of this project is to empower young people as individual leaders to catalyze the actions of large groups of people and unleash massive positive change in their local communities and the world.



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December 21, 2015

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Panola County Courthouse
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RE: After-School Youth Enrichment Program Services Agreement

Dear Sidney:

I hereby acknowledge receipt of your letter dated December 3, 2014 and oral request December 21, 2015.

I have reviewed your letter, the revised contract and the enclosures and would issue the following legal opinion concerning same:

1. Yes, the enclosed contract does meet all requirements of Texas County Law and the Panola County Commissioners' Court does have the legal authority to approve the contract and approve payments Upon submission of appropriate documentation.

The issue of liability remains up in the air and according to our insurance carrier, they will consider each liability issue on a case by case basis regarding coverage.

Please advise if you should have any questions in this matter.

Sincerely,


Danny Buck Davidson

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