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Agora Cyber Charter School

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GRADUATION AND DROPOUT RATES POLICY

The Agora Cyber Charter School (“Charter School”) recognizes the problem of school dropouts and the resulting negative impact of school dropouts on students as well as the community and directs the Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) or his/her designee to implement policies and procedures aimed to:

- Verify the accuracy of graduation and dropout data;
- Develop, maintain, implement and participate in effective dropout prevention programs;
- Ensure that highly mobile, migrant students receive comparable special education services, credit and partial credit for courses completed in other schools, in accordance with law;
- Use data collected and maintained to improve graduation rates and drop-out prevention efforts at the Charter School;
- Ensure that the dropout rate of the charter school’s students with disabilities is comparable to the state dropout rate;

- Have in effect established goals for the performance of children with disabilities that address graduation rates and dropout rates, as well as such other factors as the State may determine and are consistent, to the extent appropriate, with any other goals and academic standards for children established by the State;
- Report to the Board information regarding graduation and dropout rates and any programs that may be available to assist Administration in fulfilling Administration's responsibilities under this policy and promoting effective graduation efforts.

The Pennsylvania Department of Education provides the following definitions in this regard:

Dropout - A student who, for any reason other than death, leaves school before graduation without transferring to another school/institution.

Dropout Rate - An annual or "event" rate that measures the proportion of students enrolled who drop out during a single school year. The total number of dropouts for the school year is divided by the fall enrollment for the same year.

TO THE EXTENT THAT ANYTHING IN THIS POLICY COULD BE CONSTRUED TO CONFLICT WITH THE SCHOOL'S CHARTER OR APPLICABLE STATE AND/OR FEDERAL LAWS, THE APPLICABLE STATE AND/OR FEDERAL LAWS AND/OR CHARTER CONTROL.