

**SECOND MODIFICATION
TO THE CHARTER CONTRACT BETWEEN
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA
AND THE ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY, INC.**

Pursuant to Part I. 1.4 of the Charter Contract between THE SCHOOL BOARD OF POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA, hereinafter Sponsor, and THE ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY, INC., hereinafter School, dated July 1, 2004, this second modification to the Charter Contract was presented to and approved by the School Board at its meeting on July 24, 2007 and agreed to by The Achievement Academy's governing board as follows:

PART I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. TERM

(1) This Contract shall become effective as of the date first above written upon signing by both parties, and the term shall cover fifteen (15) years commencing on the first day of the 2007 school year, and ending on June 30, 2022.

PART III. STUDENTS

A. DEFINITION OF STUDENTS

(2) Following is the student enrollment projection:

Year 1 through 15: 2007-2022 – Grades Pre-K – Kg up to 200 students

All other provisions of the Charter Contract shall remain in full force and effect.

**THE ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY,
INC.**

By *[Signature]*
Chairperson

Attest *[Signature]*
Secretary

Date: 9-5-07

(SEAL)

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF POLK
COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By *[Signature]*
Margaret Lofton, Board Chair

Attest *[Signature]*
Gail McKinzie, Secretary

Date: July 24, 2007

(SEAL)



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Achievement Academy

formerly known as Child Development Center of Polk County, Inc.

June 5, 2007

Carolyn Finch, Senior Director of Choice, Charter and Magnet Schools
Polk County School District
P.O. Box 391
Bartow, FL 33830

Dear Carolyn:

The Achievement Academy would like to request that our current contract be amended to add an additional eight years to our current contract and to increase the number of students we could serve each year from 150 to 200. In 2004 when our charter contract was renewed, the law did not permit non-profit entities to have 15 year contracts, only 10 years which is what we received. The law has now changed and non-profits can be granted 15 year contracts and so we are requesting that our contract be amended to a 15 year contract. As we both understand, our charter is reviewed each year by your office and the Polk County School Board and can be revoked at any time we are not meeting the requirement of our charter.

We have been looking for a new building/land for our Lakeland facility for over 5 years and we are very close to making this dream become a reality. This has been an extensive search trying to find a suitable location that is environmentally appropriate for a school, large enough to meet current and future needs and within our projected budget. The extended contract would help us as we look for long term financing for purchasing land and building a new school. In planning for a new building, we have talked with banks and lending agencies and we could receive a better loan rate with a longer charter. Any money we can save in interest can then be spent on providing additional educational and therapeutic services, as well as equipment and classroom supplies for our students.

The following items are used to justify our request for the amended contract:

1. Our current contract allows us to serve up to 150 students, but we do not have any more space in our current buildings to increase our enrollment. We have served between 86 and 89 students each of the 10 years that we have been a charter school. We currently have 61 students on our waiting list, so we would not have any difficulty filling additional classrooms with more space.



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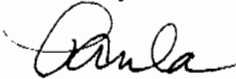
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2. We have fiscal stability as we currently have \$701,000 in reserves.
3. We are now completing our 10th successful year as a charter school. We have a positive relationship with our students and their families, the Polk County School District and the communities we serve.
4. Since 1998, we have had a satisfaction rate averaging 90% on our annual parent surveys and we have had only one parent complaint reported to Charter office. Since 2001, we have had a satisfaction rate averaging 81% on our annual staff surveys.
5. We met 9 out of 10 goals on our Accountability Plan last year, which was the first year of reporting on this Plan.
6. We have been accredited by SACS (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) since 2001 and we are in the final steps of renewing our next five year accreditation.
7. Our paperwork is completed in a timely manner for all district, state and federal requirements.
8. We have positive Quarterly and Pre-Opening site visits from the Charter School office.

We also invite you to visit our website at achievementacademy.com to learn more about our school and our activities.

Thank you for your help and we would appreciate your putting our request on the School Board Work Session as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Paula Sullivan
Executive Director



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September 6, 2007

Carla McMullen, School Choice Specialist
Office of School Choice
Polk County School Board
P.O. Box 391
Bartow, FL 33830

Dear Carla,

Enclosed are two signed copies of our contract amendment and a corrected copy of the 2006-07 audit.

Thanks,



Paula Sullivan
Executive Director



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Ms. Paula Sullivan
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Re: Second Modification for Achievement Academy

Dear Ms. Sullivan:

Enclosed please find three (3) original Second Modifications for Achievement Academy that was approved by the School Board on July 24, 2007. Please have your officers sign the originals, keep an original for your files, and return the other two originals to us.

If you have any questions feel free to call our office at 534-0625.

Thank you,

Carla McMullen
School Choice Specialist
Office of Magnet, Choice and Charter Schools

Enclosure

cc: Wes Bridges

