AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES OF COUNSELING CONSULTANT (SCHOOL-BASED COUNSELING SERVICES)

THIS AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made and entered into this 9th of September, 2021 between San Leandro Unified School District, 835 E. Street Suite 200, San Leandro, CA 94577, Alameda County, (hereinafter “District”) and Wellness Together, Inc., a California nonprofit corporation, 5701 Lonetree Boulevard, Suite 210, Rocklin, California, 95765 (hereinafter “Consultant"). The term of this Agreement shall be from October 4th, 2021 to June 9th, 2022.

RECITALS

A. District provides educational and educationally related counseling to school-age children and their families, and in the conduct of that business desires to have certain services, as a consultant, to be performed by Consultant.
B. Consultant agrees to perform these services for District under the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

AGREEMENT

In consideration of the mutual promises set forth in this Agreement, it is agreed by and between District and Consultant as follows:

1.0 Engagement of Consultant as Independent Contractor

District hereby agrees to engage Consultant to support the overall counseling goals of District. In performance of this Agreement, Consultant is an independent contractor, the District being interested only in the result obtained. The manner and means of conducting the work will be under the sole control of Consultant. However, all work performed under this Agreement will be done in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and be subject to the continuing right of inspection by the District's representatives.

Consultant will be entirely and solely responsible for all acts and the acts of Consultant's agents and employees while engaged in the performance of the work contracted for. Consultant is not an employee of District and is not entitled to the benefits provided by District to its employees, including, but not limited to, District group insurance and pension plans. Consultant may practice its profession for others during those periods when Consultant is not performing work under this contract for the District. District may, during the term of this Agreement, engage other independent contractors to perform the same work that Consultant performs under this Agreement.

Consultant personally, and for all heirs, successors or assigns, covenants and agrees to indemnify and save harmless District, absolutely and without limit, against all claims, demands, suits, or judgments, asserted, made or recovered by any and all persons

whomsoever on account of the acts or omissions of Consultant, Consultant's agents or employees, arising out of and during the performance of the work contracted for under this Agreement. Similarly, Consultant agrees to indemnify District for loss or damage to any of District's property or equipment used or obtained in connection with the work to be performed under this Agreement.

2.0 Limitation on Delegation of Personal Services by Consultant

The work and services provided for in this Agreement shall be performed by Consultant, and no person other than regular associates or employees of Consultant shall be engaged in such work or services except on written approval of District, provided that this provision shall not apply to secretarial, clerical, routine mechanical, and similar incidental services needed by Consultant to assist in the performance of this Agreement.

3.0 Nature of Work

Consultant will perform consulting and advisory services on behalf of District with respect to all matters relating to or affecting the integration and implementation of supplementary counseling support services for District students in a safe, encouraging, and supportive manner in an individual and/or group setting, relevant and specific to the needs of the participating students. These services may be conducted in person or online if applicable.

Specific services may include, but will not necessarily be limited to, the following:

A. School-based services:
    1. Individual counseling sessions
    2. General psychosocial interventions
    3. Group counseling sessions

B. Community referrals

Upon discontinuation of School-based services, as set forth above, the student and/or family may be offered three (3) referrals to alternative community mental health providers. Students and/or families may also choose to obtain services through Consultant in an agency setting, by separate Agreement with Consultant, at their own expense.

C. Family engagement sessions

D. Classroom presentations

E. Collection, analysis, and provision of certain non-personally-identifying process data in aggregate to the District.

To the extent that the District desires Consultant to perform additional

work beyond the foregoing and/or in excess of the staffing requirements described in Paragraph 4.0, below, the District may request those additional services, in writing and will pay Consultant for those additional services.

4.0 Consultant Staffing

Consultant's staffing shall include, but will not necessarily be limited to, the following:

A. Any combination of Mental Health Specialist I positions (MHS I) and/or Mental Health Specialist II positions (MHS II) totaling 25 hours per week.

I) MHS I

1. Holds a bachelor degree and is currently enrolled in a graduate program for Marriage and Family Therapy, Counseling, Psychology, Social Work, or a closely related field and has completed a minimum of 12 units. Individuals enrolled in a Pupil Personnel Services Credential program in the state of California may also be eligible to hold this position.

II) MHS II

1. Registered Associate or licensed with either the California Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS) or the California Board of Psychology (BOP) in at least one of the following areas: Marriage and Family Therapy, Counseling, Psychology, Social Work, or a closely related field.

B. One (1) clinical supervisor, and

C. One (1) organizational leadership and support staff member.

5.0 Payment

District will pay Consultant the total sum of FIFTY ONE THOUSAND FIFTY ONE DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($51,051.00) for the work required to be performed pursuant to this Agreement, as follows:

Any combination of Mental Health Specialist I (MHS I) or Mental Health Specialist II (MHS II) positions.

$51,051.00	Total cost of Licensed Supervision, Program Administration, Program Costs and Wages for

	25MHS I or MHS II hours for 30.8 weeks during the 2021-2022 School Year.
-0-	0% 2021-2022 Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) based on Consumer Price Index, West Region - February 2021 - 2% based on 2021-2022
$51,051.00	**Total Cost of Contract**

Consultant shall be paid in accordance with monthly invoicing from Consultant. Up to four (4) of the days may be used as paid training days. Consultant shall invoice the District by the 5th of the month after services were rendered. The District shall pay Consultant within fifteen (15) calendar days of the invoice date. To the extent that this Agreement is terminated prior to Consultant performing the work for which the District has paid, Consultant shall refund any unearned fees upon termination.

The Consultant hires based on the needs of the District, regardless of previous agreement(s). Consultant hiring begins after this Agreement is fully executed. Any delay in executing the Agreement by the District may therefore delay the Consultant's completion of the hiring process. If the start date of Services falls after the start date of this Agreement due to hiring and training, hours will be prorated and Services will not be billed until Services begin on campus or online.

If the start date of Services falls after the start date of this Agreement due to delay in communication on behalf of the District to the Consultant after the full execution of this Agreement, including but not limited to communication regarding school site assignments, scheduling, and introduction meetings, Services will be billed according to the start date of this Agreement, regardless of when Services begin on campus or online.

However invoiced, Consultant shall not be entitled to more than $51,051.00 for the 2021-2022 school year for the basic services described in Paragraphs 3.0 & 4.0, above. Any additional work specifically requested by the District as set forth in Paragraph 3.0, above shall be in addition to this amount.

6.0 Communications to District

From the time this agreement commences until its termination, Consultant shall communicate and channel to District all knowledge, business, and service contacts, and any other matters of information that could concern or be in any way beneficial to the business of District, whether acquired by Consultant before or during the term of this agreement; provided, however, that nothing shall be construed as requiring such communications where the information is lawfully

protected from disclosure as a matter of law.

Any such information communicated to District as mentioned shall be, and remain, the property of District notwithstanding the subsequent termination of this agreement.

Consultant will work and coordinate with one designated administrator as a point of contact for each school site for purposes of referral processes, location of counseling services, office space, and data collection and sharing.

Consultant will provide District with documentation and processes that ensure parent/guardian permissions and attention to student privacy as may be required by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), as appropriate.

7.0 Control of Work and Workers by Consultant

Consultant shall have sole control of the manner and means of performing this Agreement and shall complete it according to Consultant's own means and methods of work. Consultant shall direct the performance of Consultant's agents and employees.

8.0 Furnishing of Materials and Equipment

All materials and equipment needed by Consultant to carry out the work to be performed by Consultant under this Agreement shall be furnished by Consultant at Consultant's expense. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the District shall at its expense provide Consultant with a confidential, safe, furnished office with secure WiFi/Internet (recommended speed of 50 Mb/s), adequate student supervision during transitions, reasonable technical assistance, and other standard utilities, at each campus location from which Consultant may perform in-person or telehealth services.

9.0 Place of Performance of Services

The services to be performed under this Agreement shall be performed at the District's place of business at the address set forth above and other District locations as District may determine or online.

10.0 Hiring of Employees

Consultant shall have full authority to employ qualified and experienced workers in carrying out the terms of this Agreement and shall be responsible for, and in full control of, such workers. Persons hired by Consultant shall be employees of Consultant and are to be paid by Consultant alone at such compensation as Consultant deems proper, subject to applicable law. Consultant alone shall have the right to discharge workers in Consultant's employment.

11.0 Supervision by Consultant

Consultant shall superintend, either personally or through a job supervisor, representative or employee, as the case may be, the execution of all work covered by this Agreement. If Consultant uses a job supervisor, representative or employee, as the case may be, Consultant agrees that such individual shall be competent and qualified and shall give his or her personal attention to the work under this Agreement at all times, and shall represent Consultant with full power to act on matters pertaining to this Agreement.

12.0 Right of District to Supervise and Inspect

Consultant, as an independent contractor, shall have the authority to control and direct the performance of the work done under this Agreement. However, the work shall be subject to District's general right of inspection and supervision to secure the satisfactory completion of it in accordance with generally accepted counseling standards and principles.

District shall designate a representative or representatives who shall have access at all reasonable and appropriate times for the purpose of observing or inspecting the work performed by Consultant to judge whether such work is being performed by Consultant in accordance with this Agreement. However, the actual performance and superintendence of all work shall be by Consultant. Such representative or representatives shall be empowered to act for the District in all matters relating to Consultant's performance of work under this Agreement. Any and all of District's foregoing right to observe and supervise Consultant’s work is subject to and conditioned on any applicable privacy laws, and the reasonably accepted privacy and confidentiality concerns of patients for whom Consultant is providing services. To the extent there is any conflict or question between District's right to supervise or observe and the privacy rights of patients, the latter will control.

13.0 Clearances

All clearances required to provide service in a public school district in the State of California will be arranged and executed by and at the expense of Consultant. To the extent possible, District will reasonably assist and inform Consultant of such required clearances.

14.0 Additional Compensation

Except for the provision allowing the District to request Consultant perform additional counseling work described in Paragraph 3.0, above, the parties agree that work performed during the term of this Agreement shall be deemed to be performed under the provisions of this

Agreement and shall not entitle Consultant to any additional compensation. If, during the term of this Agreement, District desires to retain Consultant to perform work or services determined by the Parties to be new work or services not covered by this Agreement (except as stated in Paragraph 3.0), then a separate written Agreement for the new work or services must be executed between the parties prior to performance of the new work or services.

15.0 Insurance

Consultant will carry and maintain throughout the period of this Agreement, at Consultant's sole cost, workers' compensation liability insurance in an approved company or companies, to cover all classifications of work contemplated by this Agreement, and also will carry and maintain throughout the period of this Agreement:

1. Public liability insurance in an approved company or companies, within the limits of one million dollars ($1,000,000.00) for each person, and three million dollars ($3,000,000.00) for each incident. Certificates of insurance coverage shall be furnished when requested by District within thirty (30) days.
2. State workers compensation coverage as required by law. Employees liability with a limit of not less than $1,000,000.00.

This insurance shall be adequate to protect both Consultant and District from all liability on account of injury or damage done to the persons or property of any and all persons during or in consequence of the performance of the services contracted for. The maintenance of such insurance will not in any manner affect Consultant's obligation to indemnify company, as provided herein, but maintenance of the approved insurance shall be a condition precedent to the payment to Consultant of compensation for the work and services provided for in this Agreement.

All consultant policies shall contain an endorsement providing that written notice shall be given to District at least thirty (30) days prior to termination, cancellation or reduction of coverage in the policy.

16.0 Compliance with Laws and Regulations

In the performance of work provided for in this Agreement, Consultant agrees that it shall be conducted in full compliance with any and all applicable laws, rules, and regulations adopted or promulgated by any governmental agency or regulatory body, both state and federal. Consultant assumes full responsibility for the payment of all contributions, payroll taxes, or assessments, state or federal, as to all its employees engaged in the performance of work under this Agreement. Consultant further agrees to meet all requirements that may be specified under regulations of administrative officials or bodies charged with the enforcement of any state or federal laws on this subject.

Consultant further agrees to furnish District, on request, a certificate or other evidence of compliance with state or federal laws covering contributions, taxes, and assessments on payrolls. Consultant assumes and agrees to pay any and all gross receipts, compensation, use, transaction, sales, or other taxes or assessments of whatever nature or kind levied or assessed as a consequence of the work to be performed or on the compensation to be paid under this Agreement.

17.0 Duration

1. This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties, but the obligations therein shall commence on October 4th, 2021, and shall remain in effect for the duration of this Agreement as provided, unless terminated for breach.
2. Upon mutual agreement of the Parties, this Agreement may be extended up to 3 years with an annual Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) applied for each extension year. The Parties shall negotiate a reasonable COLA, and may use the “Consumer Price Index, West Region” as created by the Bureau of Labor Statistics , with February 2020 to February 2021 as the term of increase.

18.0 Assignment

This Agreement is personal to the parties and may not be assigned by Consultant, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the District.

19.0 Representative's Authority

Consultant shall have no right or authority, either express or implied, to assume or create, on behalf of the District, any obligation or responsibility of whatsoever kind or nature.

20.0 Indemnification

Consultant agrees to indemnify District, its officers, agents, board, representatives, and employees, against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including reasonable attorney fees arising out of performance of Consultant's work under this Agreement that are caused in whole or in part by Consultant’s negligent act or omission, or that of anyone employed by Consultant for whose acts Consultant may be liable. For any action, proceeding, or special proceeding under this Agreement, venue shall be in the County and/or federal judicial district in which Consultant’s principal administrative office is located.

21.0 Contract Governed by Law of State of California

The parties agree that it is their intention and covenant that this Agreement and performance under this Agreement and all suits and

special proceedings under this Agreement be construed in accordance with and under and pursuant to the laws of the State of California and that in any action, special proceeding, or other proceeding that may be brought arising out of, in connection with, or by reason of this Agreement, the laws of the State of California shall be applicable and shall govern, to the exclusion of the law of any other forum, without regard to the jurisdiction in which any action or special proceeding may be instituted.

22.0 Waiver or Modification Ineffective Unless in Writing

No waiver, alteration, or modification of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be binding unless it is in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative of both parties to this Agreement.

23.0 Written Notice

1. All communications regarding this Agreement should be sent to Consultant at the address set forth above unless notified to the contrary.
2. Any written notice under this Agreement shall become effective as of the date of mailing by registered or certified mail and shall be deemed sufficiently given if sent to the address stated in this Agreement or such other address as may hereafter be specified by notice in writing.

24.0 District's Obligation on Termination of Agreement by Consultant

If, during the term of this Agreement, Consultant should fail or refuse to perform the services contemplated, or be unable to perform these services, District's obligation to make any payments shall cease, except that District shall pay Consultant for all work actually performed through the effective date of termination.

25.0 Mediation

Any differences, claims, or matters in dispute arising between the parties out of this Agreement or connected with this Agreement shall be submitted by them to mediation (the cost of which shall be split equally) prior to either Party commencing litigation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the dates designated below.

DISTRICT

_____ _____

Superintendent or Designee Date

San Leandro Unified School District

CONSULTANT

_____ _____

Jacob Vallejo, Director of Operations Date

Wellness Together, Inc.

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