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# BYLAWs OF <br> JACKSON PREPARATORY \& EARLY COLLEGE 

ARTICLE 1


#### Abstract

NAME This organization shall be called the Jackson Preparatory \& Early College (the "Academy" or the "corporation").


## ARTICLE II

## FORM OF ACADEMY

The Academy is organized as a non-profit, non-stock, directorship corporation.

## ARTICLE III

## OFFICES

Section 1. Principal Office. The principal office of the Academy shall be located in the State of Michigan.

Section 2. Registered Office. The registered office of the Academy may be the same as the principal office of the Academy, but in any event must be located in the State of Michigan, and be the business office of the resident agent, as required by the Michigan Non-Profit Corporation Act. Changes in the resident agent and registered address of the Academy must be reported to the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs and to the College Board or College President or designee.

## ARTICLE IV

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. General Powers. The business, property and affairs of the Academy shall be managed by the Academy Board of Directors, also referred to as the Academy Board of Governors ("Academy Board"). The Academy Board may exercise any and all of the powers granted to it under the Michigan Non-Profit Corporation Act or pursuant to Part 6A of the Revised School Code ("Code"). The Academy

Board may delegate such powers to the officers and committees of the Academy Board as it deems necessary, so long as such delegation is consistent with the Articles, these Bylaws, the Contract and Applicable Law.

Section 2. Method of Selection and Appointment. The Jackson College Board of Trustees ("Board") shall prescribe the method of appointment for members of an Academy's Board. The College Board's designee is authorized to develop and administer an academy board selection and appointment process that includes an Application for Public School Academy Board Appointment and is in accord with these policies:
a. The College Board shall appoint the initial and subsequent Academy Board by resolution, except as prescribed by subparagraph d. The College President or designee shall recommend qualified individuals to the College Board.
b. The academy board of directors, by resolution and majority vote, shall nominate its subsequent members, except as provided otherwise. The academy board of directors shall recommend to College President or designee at least one nominee for each vacancy. Nominees shall submit the Application for Public School Academy Board Appointment for review by the College President or designee. The College President or designee may or may not recommend the appointment of a nominee submitted by the academy board. If the College President or designee does not recommend the appointment of a nominee submitted by the academy board, he/she may select and recommend another nominee or may request the academy board submit a new nominee for consideration.
c. An individual appointed to fill a vacancy created other than by the expiration of a term shall be appointed for the unexpired term of that vacant position.
d. Under exigent conditions, and with the approval of the College Board's chair, the College President or designee may appoint a qualified individual to an academy's board of directors. All appointments made under this provision must be presented to the College Board for final determination at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The College Board reserves the right to review, rescind, modify, ratify, or approve any appointments made under this provision

Section 3. Length of Term. The Director of an Academy Board shall serve at the pleasure of the College Board. Subsequent appointments shall be for a term of office not to exceed three (3) years, and no director shall serve for more than three terms.

Section 4. Number of Director Positions. The number of director positions on the Academy Board shall not be less than five (5) nor more than nine (9). If the Academy Board fails to maintain its full membership by making appropriate and timely nominations, College Board or College President or designee may deem that failure an exigent condition.

Section 5. Qualifications of Academy Board Members. To be qualified to serve on an Academy's Board, a person shall, among other things: (a) be a citizen of the United States; (b) be a resident of the State of Michigan; (c) submit all materials requested by the College Board or College President or designee including, but not limited to, the Application for Public School Academy Board Appointment which must include authorization to process a criminal background check; and (d) annually submit a conflict of interest disclosure as prescribed by College Board or College President or designee.

The members of an Academy Board shall not include (a) employees of the academy; (b) any director, officer, or employee of a service provider or management company that contracts with the Academy; (c) a Jackson College official or employee, serving in an acting role as a representative of Jackson College.

Section 6. Oath of Public Office. All members of the Academy Board must take the constitutional oath of office and sign the Oath of Public Office before beginning their service. The Oath of Public Office shall be filed with College Board or College President or designee.

Section 7. Tenure. Each Director shall hold office for no more than three terms of three years, or until the Director's replacement, death, resignation, removal, whichever occurs first.

Section 8. Removal and Suspension. If the College Board or College President determines that an academy board member's service in office is no longer necessary, then the College Board may remove an academy board member with or without cause and shall specify the date when the academy board member's service ends. An academy board member may also be removed from office by a twothirds (2/3) vote of the Academy's Board for cause.

With the approval of the College Board's chair, College President or designee may suspend an academy board member's service, if in his/her judgment the person's continued presence would constitute a risk to persons or property, or would seriously impair the operation of the Academy. Any suspension made under this provision must be presented to the College Board for final determination at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The College Board reserves the right to review, rescind, modify, ratify, or approve any suspensions made under this provision.

Section 9. Resignation. Any Director may resign at any time by providing written notice to the corporation or by communicating such intention (orally or in writing) to College Board or its designee. Notice of resignation will be effective upon receipt or at a subsequent time if designated in a written notice. A successor shall be appointed as provided in Section 2 of this Article.

Section 10. Board Vacancies. A Board of Director vacancy shall occur because of death, resignation, removal, failure to maintain residency in the State of Michigan, disqualification or as otherwise specified in the Code. Any vacancy shall be filled as provided in Section 2 of this Article.

Section 11. Compensation. A Director of the Academy shall serve as a volunteer Director. By resolution of the Board, the Directors may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incident to their duties.

## ARTICLE V

## MEETINGS

Section 1. Annual and Regular Meetings. The Academy Board shall hold an annual meeting each year. The Academy Board must provide, by resolution, the time and place, within the State of Michigan, for the holding of regular monthly meetings. The Academy Board shall provide notice of the annual and all regular meetings as required by the Open Meetings Act.

Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Academy Board may be called by or at the request of any Director. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Academy Board may fix the place within the State of Michigan for holding any special meeting of the Academy Board called by them, and, if no other place is fixed, the place of meeting shall be the principal business office of the corporation in the State of Michigan. The corporation shall provide notice of all special meetings as required by the Open Meetings Act.

Section 3. Notice; Waiver. The Academy Board must comply with the notice provisions of the Open Meetings Act. In addition, notice of any meeting shall be given to each Director stating the time and place of the meeting, delivered personally, mailed, sent by facsimile or electronic mail to the Director's business address. Any Director may waive notice of any meeting by written statement, facsimile or electronic mail sent by the Director, signed before or after the holding of the meeting. The attendance of a Director at a meeting constitutes a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

Section 4. Quorum. In order to legally transact business, the Academy Board shall have a quorum physically present at a duly called meeting of the Academy Board. A "quorum" shall be defined as follows:

| \# of Academy Board Positions | \# Required for Quorum |
| :---: | :---: |
| Five (5) | Three (3) |
| Seven (7) | Four (4) |
| Nine $(9)$ | Five (5) |

Section 5. Manner of Acting. The act of the majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Academy Board. No member of the Board of Directors may vote by proxy, by way of a telephone conference or any other electronic means of communication.

Section 6. Open Meetings Act. All meetings of the Academy Board, shall at all times be in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Section 7. Presumption of Assent. A Director of the Academy Board who is present at a meeting of the Academy Board at which action on any corporate matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless that Director's dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting or unless that Director shall file a written dissent to such action with the person acting as the Secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or shall forward such dissent by registered mail to the Secretary of the corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. This right to dissent shall not apply to a Director who voted in favor of such action.

## ARTICLE VI

## COMMITTEES

Section 1. Committees. The Academy Board, by resolution, may designate one or more committees. Each committee is to consist of one or more Directors selected by the Academy Board. As provided in the resolution as initially adopted, and as thereafter supplemented or amended by further resolution, the committees shall have such powers as delegated by the Academy Board, except (i) filling of vacancies in the officers of the Academy Board or committees created pursuant to this Section; (ii) amending the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; or (iii) any action the Academy Board cannot lawfully delegate under the Articles, Bylaws or Applicable Law. All committee meetings shall at all times be in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Each committee shall fix its own rules governing the conduct of its activities and shall make such reports to the Academy Board of its activities as the Academy Board may request.

## ARTICLE VII

## OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

Section 1. Number. The officers of the Academy shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such assistant Treasurers and assistant Secretaries as may be selected by the Academy Board.

Section 2. Election and Term of Office. The Academy Board shall elect the initial officers at its first duly noticed meeting. Thereafter, the officers of the Academy shall be elected annually by the Academy Board. If the election of officers is not held at the annual meeting, the election shall be held as soon thereafter as may be convenient. Each officer shall hold office while qualified or until the officer resigns or is removed in the manner provided in Section 3.

Section 3. Removal. Any officer or agent elected or appointed by the Academy Board may be removed by the Academy Board whenever in its judgment the best interests of the corporation would be served thereby.

Section 4. Vacancies. A vacancy in any office shall be filled by appointment by the Academy Board for the unexpired portion of the term.

Section 5. President. The President (Chair) of the Academy shall be a member of the Academy Board. The President of the corporation shall preside at all meetings of the Academy Board. If there is not a President, or if the President is absent, then the Vice-President shall preside. If the Vice President is absent, then a temporary chair, chosen by the members of the Academy Board attending the meeting shall preside. The President shall, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of President of the Board as may be prescribed by the Academy Board from time to time.

Section 6. Vice President. The Vice President (Vice Chair) of the Academy shall be a member of the Academy Board. In the absence of the President or in the event of the President's death, inability or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Vice President by the President or by the Academy Board.

Section 7. Secretary. The Secretary of the Academy shall be a member of the Academy Board. The Secretary shall: (a) keep the minutes of the Academy Board meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices, including those notices required under the Open Meetings Act, are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the corporation and see that the seal of the corporation is affixed to all authorized documents; (d) keep a register of the post office address of each Director; and (e) perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and other duties assigned by the President or the Academy

Section 8. Treasurer. The Treasurer of the Academy shall be a member of the Academy Board. The Treasurer shall: (a) have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; (b) keep accurate books and records of corporate receipts and disbursements; (c) deposit all moneys and securities received by the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected by the Board; (d) complete all required corporate filings; (e) assure that the responsibilities of the fiscal agent to the corporation are properly carried out; and (f) in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President or by the Academy Board.

Section 9. Assistants and Acting Officers. The Assistants to the officers, if any, selected by the Academy Board, shall perform such duties and have such authority as shall from time to time be delegated or assigned to them by the Secretary or Treasurer or by the Academy Board. The Academy Board shall have the power to appoint any member of the Academy Board to perform the duties of an officer whenever, for any reason, it is impractical for such officer to act personally. Such acting officer so appointed shall have the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the officer to whose office the acting officer is so appointed except as the Academy Board may by resolution otherwise determine.

Section 10. Salaries. Officers of the Board, as Directors of the corporation, may not be compensated for their services. By resolution of the Academy Board, officers may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incident to their duties.

Section 11. Filling More Than One Office. Subject to the statute concerning the Incompatible Public Offices, Act No. 566 of the Public Acts of 1978, being Sections 15.181 to 15.185 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, any two offices of the corporation except those of President and Vice President may be held by the same person, but no officer shall execute, acknowledge or verify any instrument in more than one capacity.

## ARTICLE VIII

## CONTRACTS, LOANS, CHECKS AND

 DEPOSITS; SPECIAL CORPORATE ACTSSection 1. Contracts. The Academy Board may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract, to execute and deliver any instrument, or to acknowledge any instrument required by law to be acknowledged in the name of and on behalf of the corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances, but the appointment of any person other than an officer to acknowledge an instrument required by law to be acknowledged should be made by instrument in writing. When the Academy Board authorizes the execution of a contract or of any other instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, without specifying the executing officers, the President or Vice President, and the Secretary or Treasurer may execute the same and may affix the corporate seal thereto. No contract entered into, by or on behalf of the Academy Board, shall in any way bind Jackson College or impose any liability on Jackson College, its trustees, officers, employees or agents.

Section 2. Loans. No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the Academy and no evidences of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a prior resolution of the Academy Board. Such authority shall be confined to specific instances. No loan, advance, overdraft or withdrawal by an officer or Director of the corporation, shall be made or permitted unless approved by the Academy Board. No loan entered into, by or on behalf of the Academy Board, shall in any way be considered a debt or obligation of Jackson College or impose any liability on Jackson College, its trustees, officers, employees or agents.

Section 3. Checks, Drafts, etc. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money,
notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Academy, shall be signed by such officer or officers of the corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Academy Board.

Section 4. Deposits. All funds of the Academy shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Academy Board may select, provided that such financial institution is eligible to be a depository of surplus funds under Section 1221 of the Revised School Code, being Section 380.1221 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

Section 5. Voting of Gifted, Bequested or Transferred Securities Owned by this Corporation. Subject always to the specific directions of the Academy Board, any shares or other securities issued by any other corporation and owned or controlled by this corporation may be voted at any meeting of security holders of such other corporation by the President of this corporation or by proxy appointed by the President, or in the absence of the President and the President's proxy, by the Secretary or Treasurer of this corporation or by proxy appointed by the Secretary or Treasurer. Such proxy or consent in respect to any shares or other securities issued by any other corporation and owned by this corporation shall be executed in the name of this corporation by the President, the Secretary or the Treasurer of this corporation without necessity of any authorization by the Academy Board, affixation of corporate seal or countersignature or attestation by another officer. Any person or persons designated in the manner above stated as the proxy or proxies of this corporation shall have full right, power and authority to vote the shares or other securities issued by such other corporation and owned by this corporation the same as such shares or other securities might be voted by this corporation. This section shall in no way be interpreted to permit the corporation to invest any of its surplus funds in any shares or other securities issued by any other corporation. This section is intended to apply, however, to all gifts, bequests or other transfers of shares or other securities issued by any other corporation which are received by the corporation.

Section 6. Contracts Between Corporation and Related Persons. As required by Applicable Law, any Director, officer or employee of the Academy, who enters into a contract with the Academy, that meets the definition of contract under the statute on Contracts of Public Servants with Public Entities, Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1968, being sections 15.321 to 15.330 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, shall comply with the public disclosure requirements set forth in Section 3 of the statute.

The College Board authorizes the Academy Board to employ or contract for personnel according to the position information outlined in Schedule 5. However, the Academy Board shall prohibit any individual from being employed by the Academy, an educational service provider or an employee leasing company involved in the operation of the Academy, in more than one (1) full-time position and simultaneously being compensated at a full-time rate for each of these positions. An employee hired by the Academy shall be an employee of the Academy for all purposes and not an employee of the College for any purpose. With respect to Academy employees, the Academy shall have the power and responsibility to (i) select and engage employees; (ii) pay their wages, benefits, and applicable taxes; (iii) dismiss employees; and (iv) control the employees' conduct, including the method by which the employee carries out his or her work. The Academy Board shall be responsible for carrying workers' compensation insurance and unemployment insurance for its employees. The Academy Board may contract with an educational service provider or an employee leasing company to provide services or to provide personnel to perform services or work at the Academy. Before entering into an agreement with an educational service provider or an employee leasing company to perform services or to provide personnel to perform services or work at the Academy, the Academy Board must first comply with the Educational Service Provider Policies issued by the College Board. A copy of the agreement between the
Academy Board and the educational service provider or employee leasing company shall be included as part of Schedule 5.

The Academy shall comply with the Incompatible Public Offices statute, Act No. 566 of the Public Acts of 1978, being MCL 15.181 to 15.185 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and the Contracts of Public Servants With Public Entities statute, Act No. 371 of the Public Acts of 1968, being MCL 15.321 to 15.330 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. The Academy Board shall ensure compliance with Applicable Law
relating to conflicts of interest. The following shall be deemed prohibited conflicts of interest:
(a) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and an owner, officer, director, employee or consultant of an educational service provider or an employee leasing company that has an agreement with the Academy;
(b) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and an Academy employee;
(c) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and an independent contractor to the Academy;
(d) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and a member of the governing board of another public school; and
(e) An individual simultaneously serving as an Academy Board member and a College official, employee, or paid consultant, as a representative of the College.

No person shall be appointed or reappointed to serve as an Academy Board member if the person's mother, mother-in-law, father, father-in-law, son, son-in-law, daughter, daughter-in-law, sister, sister-in- law, brother, brother-in-law, spouse or same-sex domestic partner:
(a) Employed by the Academy;
(b) Works at or is assigned to the Academy;
(c) Has an ownership, officer, policymaking, managerial, administrative non-clerical or other significant role with the Academy's educational service provider or employee leasing company.

## ARTICLE IX

## INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent permitted by Applicable Law, each person who is or was a Director, officer or member of a committee of the Academy and each person who serves or has served at the request of the Academy as a trustee, director, officer, partner, employee or agent of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, may be indemnified by the Academy. The corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any such person against any liability asserted against and incurred by such person in any such capacity or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the corporation would have power to indemnify such person against such liability under the preceding sentence. The corporation may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Academy Board, grant rights to indemnification to any employee or agent of the corporation.

## ARTICLE X

## FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the first day of July in each year.

## ARTICLE XI

## AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed and new Amended Bylaws may be adopted by obtaining (a) the affirmative vote of a majority of the Academy Board at any regular or special meeting of the Academy Board, if a notice setting forth the terms of the proposal has been given in accordance with the notice requirements of these Bylaws and applicable law, and (b) the written approval of the changes or amendments by the College Board's designee. In the event that a proposed change is not accepted by College President or designee, the College Board may consider and vote upon a change proposed by the corporation following an opportunity for a written presentation to the College Board by the Academy Board. These Bylaws and any amendments to them take effect only after they have been approved by both the Academy Board and by College President or designee or the College Board.

## ARTICLE XII

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS DEFINITIONS

The definitions set forth in the Terms and Conditions incorporated as part of the Contract shall have the same meaning in these Bylaws.

The Board certifies that these Bylaws are the Bylaws of a Michigan corporation.
The Board further certifies that these Bylaws were provided to the Academy Board by the College Board and that a copy of the executed Bylaws is being presented to the College President or designee for approval.


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