

**TRIDENT ACADEMY, INC.
INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT
ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES**



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Trident Academy, Inc. and the
South Carolina Secretary of State

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by Trident Academy, Inc. and the South Carolina Secretary of State solely to assist you with respect to the accounting records of Trident Academy, Inc. as of May 31, 2014. Trident Academy, Inc.'s management is responsible for the school's accounting records. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of those parties specified in the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Our procedures and findings are as follows:

- 1) Examine support for affirmative responses to a checklist provided by the South Carolina Secretary of State.
- 2) We examined the documents and determined they do provide support for the affirmative responses to the checklist provided by the South Carolina Secretary of State.

We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the accounting records. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Trident Academy, Inc. and the South Carolina Secretary of State and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

HYLAND RUDDY & GARBETT, CPAs, LLC
Mt. Pleasant, SC
June 2, 2015

**Agreed Upon Procedures for Eligible School Compliance Audit
As Recommended by the Advisory Committee
Created Pursuant to
Proviso 1.80. of Act 286 of 2014
Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children (ECENC) Program**

School Name: Trident Academy, Inc.
Address: 1755 Wabensaw Rd
Mt Pleasant, S.C. 29467

1. The school offers a general education to primary or secondary school students.
 Yes No
 Verification by See attachment

*Offering a general education to primary or secondary school students:
South Carolina Code of Regulations, 43-243. Special Education, Education of Students with Disabilities Identifies "general education curriculum" as "the same curriculum as for nondisabled children." Documentation for item six may be used to demonstrate compliance.*

2. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national origin.
 Yes No
 Verification by See attachment

*Nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin:
IRS Form 990 Schedule E, IRS Form 5578 or other similar federal filing demonstrates compliance.*

3. The school is located in this State.
 Yes No
 Verification by See attachment

Location within this State: Either a title or deed; or county property tax bill demonstrates compliance.

4. The school has an educational curriculum that includes courses set forth in the state's diploma requirements and where the students attending are administered national achievement or state standardized tests, or both, at progressive grade levels to determine student progress.
 Yes No
 Verification by See attachment

Educational curriculum that includes courses set forth in the state's diploma requirements and where the students attending are administered national achievement or state standardized tests, or both, at progressive grade levels to determine student progress:

Diploma Requirements (SC Code of Regulations 43-234) 1. Requirements for Earning a South Carolina High School Diploma, include courses in English language arts; mathematics; science; U.S. History and Constitution; economics; U.S. Government; other social studies; physical education or Junior ROTC; computer science, foreign language or career and; technology education; electives. A school course offering, course directory or blank report cards listing the inclusion of courses demonstrates compliance.

Assessment tools include the PSAT, SAT, ACT, Stanford Achievement Test, TerraNova, Iowa Test of Basic Skills, and other similar test. Copies of test scores or confirmation of test grading from contractors or associations demonstrate compliance.

5. The school has facilities that are subject to applicable federal, state, and local laws.
 Yes No
 Verification by See attachment

Facilities that are subject to applicable federal, state, and local laws: Please note if school is NOT subject to such laws.

6. The school is a member in good standing of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools or the South Carolina Independent Schools Association.

Yes No

Verification by See attachment

Good standing membership within Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS / AdvancedED), the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools (SCACS) or the South Carolina Independent Schools (SCISA) A letter or certificate or other document issued by the association or accreditation entity communicating current membership status demonstrates compliance.

7. The school documents all individual grants received from each nonprofit scholarship funding organization on behalf of qualifying students with exceptional needs.

Yes No

Verification by See attachment

8. The school has no knowledge or information suggesting that the grants awarded by each scholarship funding organization were contingent upon any prescribed conditions imposed by the scholarship funding organization upon the school.

Yes No

Verification by Signed statement from Trident Academy

9. The school documents that each individual grant received was in the form of a check in the name of the qualifying student.

Yes No

Verification by See attachment

10. The school documents that each individual grant received per qualifying child did not exceed \$10,000 per school year.

Yes No

Verification by See attachment

For issues 7. through 10. Grants received School should be able to provide copies of checks received from scholarship funding organizations for qualifying students with exceptional needs to document total revenues; to document that checks were properly prepared; and to document that no child received a grant in excess of \$10,000.

11. The school documents the enrollment dates for all qualifying children with exceptional needs who received a grant from a scholarship funding organization.

Yes No

Verification by See attachment

Enrollment data For all students receiving grants, a school should be able to document enrollment dates with copies of attendance records, letters of registration or withdrawal, etc.

12. Did any qualifying student who received a grant leave or withdraw from the school for any reason prior to the end of the semester or school year and did not re-enroll within thirty days?

Yes No

Verification by See attachment

If Yes is checked, the school documents that it returned a prorated amount of the grant to the scholarship funding organization based on the number of days the qualifying student was enrolled in the school during the semester or school year and within sixty days of the student's departure.

Yes No

Verification of See attachment

Student withdrawals For students who received grants and left before the end of the semester or year, the school must document through checks issued that the scholarship funding organization was reimbursed a prorated amount.

Acceptance Statement

The following outside entity or auditing firm confirms that the above school has provided documentation and verification of its compliance with the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children (ECENC) program as outlined above.

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Name	Title
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<i>Thomas E. Garbett CPA</i>	<i>6/9/15</i>
Signature	Date

By law, the compliance audit must be conducted by "an outside entity or auditing firm." The term "outside" implies a neutral or independent evaluation that is conducted by an individual or contractor who has no personal or professional conflict of interest and/or relationship with a scholarship organization or grant recipient. The school may contact the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools or the South Carolina Independent Schools for questions or assistance.

This compliance audit must be furnished with thirty days of its completion and acceptance to the Secretary of State and Department of Revenue which must be made available by them on their website for public review (H.2.). The compliance audit must

Secretary of State, ATTN: Legal Division, 1205 Pendleton Street, Suite 525 Columbia, SC 29201
and
Department of Revenue, ATTN: Ricky Taylor, Audit Services, 301 Gervais Street, Post Office Box 125, SC 29214



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Proviso 1.80
School Year 2013/14**

Evidence of Compliance

Question 1:

Copies of Accreditation Certificates from AdvanceEd/SACS and from SAIS.

Question 2:

Copy of IRS for 990 Schedule E and reading mission statement.

Question 3:

Copy of State Certificate showing principal place of business as Wakendaw Road, Mount Pleasant, South Carolina.

Question 4:

Copy of Academic Profile and Test Results.

Question 5:

School accreditations require adherence to state and federal laws and Trident has current accreditation.

Question 6:

See accreditation certificates for question 1.

Question 7, 9 and 10:

Trident Academy, Inc. is a school for students with exceptional needs.

List of grants awarded.

Copies of individual grant checks verifying no grant over \$10,000.

Question 11:

School Calendar

List of 2013/14 students along with their individual enrollment dates.

Questions 12:

One did. The grant amount was prorated on the partial year attended so no return was required.