

**South Carolina Education Oversight Committee (EOC)  
Annual Standards Assurance Form**

H.4077 (R.247) as Signed by the Governor on May 18, 2018

2018-19

**Document A – Application for Continued Participation in ECENC Program**

Please complete the information requested below concerning your independent school. This information will be listed on the South Carolina Education Oversight Committee's website, [www.eoc.sc.gov](http://www.eoc.sc.gov).

Independent School Name:	Newberry Academy
Independent School Contact Person:	Nicole May
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City, State, Zip Code:	Newberry S.C. 29108
Independent School Telephone Number:	(803)-276-2760
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Independent School Website Address:	www.newberryacademy.com

Please review the standards below based on H.4077 (R.247) as signed by the Governor on May 18, 2018. An "eligible school" is defined as "an independent school including those religious in nature, other than a public school, at which the compulsory attendance requirements of Section 59-65-10 may be met," and does not discriminate based on the grounds of race, color, or national origin. Please indicate whether your school has met each standard to ensure the following academic requirements are being met. The S.C. Education Oversight Committee reserves the right to request additional documentation to show the school is in compliance with state law.

STANDARDS	YES	NO
1. Offers a general education to primary or secondary school students.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national origin.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is located in this state.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Has an educational curriculum that includes courses set forth in the state's diploma requirements, graduation certificate requirements (for special needs children), and where the students attending are administered national achievement or state standardized tests, or both, at progressive grade levels to determine student progress. Please	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Has school facilities that are subject to applicable federal, state, and local laws.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is a member in good standing of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools, the South Carolina Independent Schools Association, or the Palmetto Association of Independent Schools.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Provides a specially designed program or learning resource center to provide needed accommodations based on the needs of exceptional needs students or provides onsite educational services or supports to meet the needs of exceptional needs students, or is a school specifically existing to meet the needs of only exceptional needs students with documented disabilities. Please provide a summary of the services provided based on exceptional needs of students served.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Did this school receive any grants last fiscal year (July 1, 2017 until June 30, 2018) from Exceptional SC from the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children Fund? Please complete Document B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. By December 31, 2018, will your school submit school-level test score results from the prior school year on national achievement tests and individual student test scores for students who received a grant from Exceptional SC in the prior school year? Please complete Document C.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. By December 31, 2018, will your school provide a "compilation, review, or compliance audit of the organization's financial statements as relating to the grants received, conducted by a certified public accounting firm"? Please complete Document D.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I assure that all documents submitted to the SC Education Oversight Committee for the purpose of applying as an eligible school, as defined by state law, is true, accurate, and complete under penalty of perjury in accordance with Section 16-9-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature: Nicole May

Date: 5/29/2018

Print Name of Signature Above: Nicole May

Title: Deputy Head of School

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**Return this form to Melanie Barton**

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May 29th, 2018

To whom it may concern,

Newberry Academy wishes to provide the following information about the onsite services and supports that it provides to meet the needs of students with exceptional needs.

1/ Newberry Academy has educational therapy provided onsite by 'Discovery Therapies.' Discovery offer identification and early intervention for exceptional-needs students through programs such as 'Search and Teach.' They administer a range of recognized diagnostic assessments and provide educational therapy to identified students. Based on the needs of the child, this ranges from daily one-on-one therapy, to small group therapies administered by teachers who are certified by NILD.

2/ Individual learning plans are created for every student who has been identified as having exceptional needs. This encompasses a comprehensive list of teaching and learning strategies designed to accommodate a student's physical or learning disability. Plans are regularly reviewed and revised if needed.

3/ Ongoing staff training is provided for every teacher who has a child with exceptional needs in his or her classroom. The Academic Dean regularly visits classrooms to monitor that learning plans are being implemented and that they are effective in meeting the needs of the students.

Please contact Nicole May, (Deputy Head of School,) [nmay@newberryacademy.com](mailto:nmay@newberryacademy.com) or Brian Fitzgerald, (Head of School,) [bfitzgerald@newberryacademy.com](mailto:bfitzgerald@newberryacademy.com) if you require further information.

Sincerely,



Nicole May

Deputy Head of School

**Document B  
Grants Received**

**Application for Continued Participation  
Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children (ECENC) Program  
2018-2019**

**Independent School Name:** Newberry Academy

An independent school continuing to participate in the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children for Fiscal Year 2018-19 is required to submit the following information:

***Total number of grants and total amount of grants received in the preceding fiscal year, from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.***

Please complete the following chart. If no grants for any qualifying student were received from Exceptional SC in Fiscal Year 2017-18, please indicate with "0" grants received and "\$0" in total amount of grants received.

<b>Total Number of Grants Received</b>	<b>Total Amount of Grants Received</b>
<u>14</u>	<u>\$</u>

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Total number of grants is the number of individual children/students who received a grant even if the school received more than one grant for a specific child/student. The total amount of grants per child/student should not have exceeded \$11,000.

Newberry Academy Test Scores – By Grade

STANFORD 10 TESTING – National PR-S				
Grade	Total Reading	Total Math	Total Language	Total Battery
1st grade	52-5	56-5	56-5	53-5
2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested
3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested
4 <sup>th</sup> grade	66-6	72-6	66-6	67-6
5 <sup>th</sup> grade	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested
6 <sup>th</sup> grade	66-6	51-5	50-5	60-6
7 <sup>th</sup> grade	54-5	45-4	46-5	47-5
8 <sup>th</sup> grade	61-6	51-5	58-5	58-5
ACT Testing – US Rank %				
Grade	Math	English	Reading	Composite
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested
10 <sup>th</sup> grade	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested	<10 tested
11 <sup>th</sup> grade	57	51.5	53	52

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## Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

Newberry Academy  
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Newberry, South Carolina 29108

I am submitting this letter to confirm that I have performed the following procedures for the Newberry Academy dated June 28, 2018 from the S.C. Education Oversight Committee relating to Proviso 109.15 of H.5001 as ratified on June 2, 2016. These procedures were agreed to by the management of Newberry Academy. This engagement to apply agreed upon procedures 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 the management of Newberry Academy. Consequently, I 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.

The requirements, procedures, and associated findings are as follows:

**Requirement:** The independent school can document and verify that all grants received under the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children Program in 2017-2018 were for eligible children enrolled in the school.

**Management Representation:** Management has indicated that the eligibility determination is made by Exceptional SC. According to management, Newberry Academy obtains disability documentation for each student from the student's parent or guardian. The documentation is submitted to Exceptional SC for review and determination of eligibility.

**Procedure:** To verify that grants received under the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children Program as passed through Exceptional SC were for children enrolled in the school, accountant agreed scholarship by student name as received in check payments from Exceptional SC to the school's records of attendance.

**Results:** School attendance records were examined noting all students that received scholarships from Exceptional SC attended the school during the 2017-2018 school year.

**Requirements:** The independent school can document the total amount of each grant per child from every scholarship funding organization (SFO). The independent school can document that no grant exceeded \$11,000 during the school year 2017-18.

**Procedure:** To verify the total amount of each grant per child from the SFO, accountant examined copies of scholarship payment checks received from Exceptional SC. Accountant agreed the scholarship amount received to the school's tuition records.

**Results:** Accountant verified that each grant was recorded to the individual student tuition account in the school accounting records, noting that all grants received from Exceptional SC scholarship funding organization. No grant received from Exceptional SC exceeded \$11,000 per student.

**Requirement:** The independent school returned a prorated amount of the grant to the SFO if any student withdrew during the school year.

**Management Representation:** Management has indicated that no scholarship recipients withdrew from Newberry Academy during the 2017-2018 school year.

**Procedure:** Accountant agreed scholarship recipient name to school attendance records from the 2017-18 school year statement.

**Results:** No exceptions. Attendance records indicated each scholarship recipient attended the school for each semester of the 2017-2018 school year.

**Requirement:** The total amount of each grant was used for tuition which is defined as "the total amount of money charged for the cost of a qualifying student to attend an independent school including, but not limited to, fees for attending the school and school-related transportation."

**Procedure:** Accountant agreed grant amount received from Exceptional SC to the school tuition billing records to determine that all scholarship amounts received were applied to the student's tuition billing record.

**Results:** No exceptions.

I have performed the procedures, where applicable, as indicated in the letter from the S.C. Education Oversight Committee, as described in the first paragraph of this report. I was not engaged to, and did not perform an audit of the Newberry Academy's financial statements, internal controls, or accounts, the objective of which would be an expression of an opinion on specified elements, accounts, or items. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. Had I performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to my attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of the management of Newberry Academy and specified users as approved by Newberry Academy's management and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes.

Irmo, South Carolina  
December 28, 2018

