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PART I. GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

We the Barack Obama Green Charter High School agrees to implement the following statutory requirements:

- The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will put into operation programs, activities and procedures for the involvement of parents/guardians in the schools with Title I, Part A programs, consistent with section 1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Those programs, activities and procedures, including the process of school review and improvement under section 1116, will be planned and operated with meaningful consultation with parents/guardians of participating children.
- Consistent with section 1118, the school will ensure that the required school-level parental/guardian involvement policies meet the requirements of section 1118(b) of the ESEA, and each include, as a component, a school-parent compact consistent with section 1118(d) of the ESEA.
- In carrying out the Title I, Part A parental/guardian involvement requirements, to the extent practicable, the school will provide full opportunities for the participation of parents/guardians with limited English proficiency, parents/guardians with disabilities, and parents/guardians of migratory children, including providing information and school reports required under section 1111 of the ESEA in an understandable and uniform format and including alternative formats upon request and, to the extent practicable, in a language parents/guardians understand.
- The school will provide such other reasonable support for parental/guardian involvement activities under section 1118 of the ESEA as the parents/guardians may request.

PART II. DESCRIPTION OF HOW DISTRICT WILL IMPLEMENT REQUIRED DISTRICTWIDE PARENTAL/GUARDIAN INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

1. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will take the following actions to involve parents/guardians in the joint development of its parental/guardian involvement plan under section 1118 of the ESEA:

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- All Parents/guardians/Guardians will be invited to all Parental/guardian Involvement Policy planning meetings.
- To the extent practicable, the school will provide translation of materials and discussion into Spanish for the participation of parents/guardians/guardians with limited English proficiency

2. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will take the following actions to involve parents/guardians in the process of school review and improvement under section 1116 of the ESEA:

- Parents/guardians will be provided a survey for school improvement.
- Parents/guardians will be invited to a school review and improvement meeting

3. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will provide the following necessary coordination, technical assistance, and other support to assist the school in planning and implementing effective parental/guardian involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance:

- The NCLB coordinator will organize parent/guardian meetings with parental/guardian input.

4. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will coordinate and integrate parental/guardian involvement strategies in Part A with parental/guardian involvement strategies

5. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will take the following actions to conduct, with the involvement of parents/guardians, an annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of this parental/guardian involvement policy in improving the quality of its Title I, Part A schools. The evaluation will include identifying barriers to greater participation by parents/guardians in parental/guardian involvement activities (with particular attention to parents/guardians who are economically disadvantaged, are disabled, have limited English proficiency, have limited literacy, or are of any racial or ethnic minority background). The school district will use the findings of the evaluation about its parental/guardian involvement policy and activities to design strategies for more



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effective parental/guardian involvement, and to revise, if necessary (and with the involvement of parents/guardians), its parental/guardian involvement policies.

- The NCLB Coordinator will conduct an annual evaluation meeting of the policy to Parents/guardians/Guardians to participate, review and provide suggestions.
- The evaluation will be conducted at a meeting where the policy will be reviewed and updates will be documented.

6. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will build school and parent/guardian capacity for strong parental/guardian involvement, in order to ensure effective involvement of parents/guardians and to support a partnership among the school involved, parents/guardians, and the community to improve student academic achievement through the following activities specifically described below:

A. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will provide assistance to parents/guardians of children served by the school as appropriate, in understanding topics such as the following, by undertaking the actions described in this paragraph --

- the state's academic content standards,
- the state's student academic achievement standards,
- the state and local academic assessments including alternate assessments,
- the requirements of Part A,
- how to monitor their child's progress, and
- how to work with educators:
- We will conduct Parent/Guardian Teacher Conferences where educators and parents/guardians can work more closely.
- Create a Parent/Guardian Teachers Organization where the state's academic content standards can be discussed

B. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will, provide materials to help parents/guardians work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement, such as literacy training, and using technology, as appropriate, to foster parental/guardian involvement, by:

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- Providing website links and mailing addresses for additional information.
- Information on classes and programs for adult literacy and technology training.

C. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will, with the assistance of its parents/guardians, educate its teachers, pupil services personnel, principals and other staff, in how to reach out to, communicate with, and work with parents/guardians as equal partners in the value and utility of contributions of parents/guardians, and in how to implement and coordinate parent programs and build ties between parents/guardians and the school, by:

- Creating a Parent/Guardian Teachers Organization to foster greater communication.

D. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will, to the extent feasible and appropriate, coordinate and integrate parental/guardian involvement programs and activities with other programs. The school will also conduct other activities that encourage and support parents/guardians in more fully participating in the education of their children.

E. The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will take the following actions to ensure that information related to the school and parent-programs, meetings, and other activities is sent to the parents/guardians of participating children in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon request, and, to the extent practicable, in a language the parents/guardians can understand:

- To the extent where possible provide documentation in Spanish
- Post information on meetings and links to information on the schools website
- Send out letters, notices and documents to parents/guardians by mail
- Provide a copy of information at the school which is easily assessable to parents/guardians



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PART III. DISCRETIONARY DISTRICTWIDE PARENTAL/GUARDIAN INVOLVEMENT POLICY COMPONENTS

The Barack Obama Green Charter High School will also support parental/guardian/
guardian involvement by:

- arranging school meetings at a variety of times or other educators who work directly with participating children, arrange meetings with parents/guardians who are unable to attend conferences at school; in order to maximize parental/guardian involvement and participation in their children's education;

PART IV. ADOPTION

This School-wide Parental/guardian Involvement Policy has been developed jointly with, and agreed on with, parents/guardians of children participating in Title I, Part A programs, as evidenced by _____.

This policy was adopted by The Barack Obama Green Charter High School on August 5th, 2010 and will be in effect for the period of _September 7th, 2010 to June 30th, 2011. The school district will distribute this policy to all parents/guardians of participating Title I, Part A children on or before September 30th, 2010.

(Signature of Authorized Official)

(Date)