East Washington Heights Baptist Church and Digital Pioneers Academy Public Charter School

COMMERCIAL LEASE AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT between EAST WASHINGTON HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH organized and existing as a religious society under the laws of the District of Columbia, hereinafter described as "Lessor" and DIGITAL PIONEERS ACADEMY PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL, a District of Columbia non-profit corporation, hereinafter described as "Lessee."

WHEREAS, the Lessor is the owner of certain property that includes an Education Wing ("Premises"), located at 2220 Branch Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20020; and

WHEREAS, the Lessee, seeks to operate a District of Columbia Public Charter School for children in the sixth grade; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into this Lease which defines their respective rights, duties, and liabilities relating to the Premises (as hereinafter defined).

NOW, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, **Lessor** and **Lessee** agree as follows:

1. LEASED PREMISES OR PREMISES. Lessor leases to Lessee the premises familiarly described as the second (2nd) floor including the restroom facilities; Room 4 and adjacent work room on the first (1st) floor of the Education Wing. Lessee's use of the Leased Premises is exclusive from Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. throughout the term of this Lease. In addition to the Leased Premises, Lessee and its personnel, students, and invitees have access during the term of this Lease to the following common ("shared") areas located on the property, including: the Branch Avenue entrance to the Education Wing; twenty-five (25) parking spaces (except Lessee agrees to allow Lessor to use the parking spaces for funeral and other plans (with prior notice to Lessee) and the ADA compliant entrance; use of restroom facilities for adults on the first floor of the Education Wing; the first (1st) floor; hallways; stairs; Fountain Hall restroom facilities (including use by supervised children) when Lessee is using Fountain Hall; use of the Cafeteria/food delivery in Fountain Hall including 35 square feet of the kitchen for one (1) refrigerator and two (2) warming ovens); the Many Chapel for meetings; use of Room 3 for staff meetings and training; and designated outdoor play space located in the parking lot (which may include temporary barricades, basketball hoop, grassy area for lunch tables); and, classrooms (Lessee's) are shared on weekends by Lessor (and same will be left in condition when entered).

- 2. **LEASE ACCEPTANCE**. Lessee does take and hold the Leased Premises at the rental payment specifically reserved herein and payable under the terms herein and subject to all of the conditions contained herein.
- 3. **TERM.** Lessee leases the Leased Premises for one (1) year starting on the 1st day of August 2018 and expiring on July 31, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. The commencement date will be April 2, 2018 for all pre-renovation and renovation requirements.
- 4. **POSSESSION.** Lessee does take and hold Leased Premises as a Lessee for the term named, but Lessor gives Lessee the limited right to remodel, renovate, and refurbish the Building and construct all of Lessee's Work in and to the Leased Premises for its Use as required pursuant to the terms and provisions as provided herein and in "Exhibit "A" which is mutually agreed to by Lessor and Lessee, and duly executed, including any subsequent revisions and/or Change Orders to Exhibit A, that are duly executed by Lessor and Lessee commencing on April 2, 2018 is attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 5. **USE.** Lessee will use and occupy the Leased Premises solely for the purpose of the operation of the Digital Pioneers Academy Public Charter School, to include the sixth grade (up to 120 students) and related administrative uses under present applicable zoning regulations, and for no other purpose whatsoever without the prior written consent of Lessor, which may be withheld at Lessor's sole and absolute discretion. Lessee must, at Lessee's sole cost and expense, comply with all laws affecting the Leased Premises including the making of any all alterations or other improvements to the Leased Premises as are required by all laws. In no event will Lessee use, occupy, alter or perform any activities within the Leased Premises in a manner or for purposes which are prohibited by zoning or similar laws or regulations, covenants, conditions, limitations, easements or restrictions now or hereafter of record which are applicable to the Leased Premises unless Lessee seeks and obtains appropriate variances or waivers therefrom.

Lessee acknowledges and agrees it is solely responsible for determining if the Permitted Use complies with all zoning regulations, and that Lessor makes no representation (express or implied) concerning such zoning regulations or the suitability of the Leased Premises for the Permitted Use. If necessary, Lessee will obtain an occupancy permit before occupying the Leased Premises and if any other governmental license or permit is required for the proper and lawful conduct of Lessee's business within the Leased Premises, Lessee will procure the same on or before July 31, 2018 in order to continue using (or, making repairs to the premises for its intended Use) and/or occupying the Leased Premises and Lessee is responsible for the cost to obtain the permits and to improve the premises for its purposes. Lessee will not use or permit the premises to be used for any unlawful or hazardous purposes.

6. **RENT.** In consideration of the leasing of the Leased Premises, **Lessee** does hereby covenant and agree to pay rental costs to **Lessor** as follows:

- a. Annual rent. Annual rent to **Lessor** in the amount of Eighty-five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00), payable in monthly installments of Seven Thousand Eighty-Three Dollars and Thirty-Three Cents (\$7,083.33), for use of the Leased Premises. The first installment in the amount of \$7,083.33 is payable on the 1st day of August 2018 and each monthly rental thereafter is payable on the 1st day of each month throughout the term of this Lease. Any payment by **Lessee** of less than the total rent due will be treated as a payment on account. Acceptance of any check bearing an endorsement with the language "payment in full" is not an accord and satisfaction or a novation, and such statement will be given no effect. **Lessor** may accept any payment without prejudice to any rights or remedies which Lessor may have against Lessee. A five percent (5%) late fee will be assessed against the amount of unpaid rent if any rent payment is not received by **Lessor** on or before the 5th day of each month.
- b. Payments to **Lessor. Lessee** will pay the amount due under this lease without notice, demand, deduction, abatement, or set-off by check or automated clearing house payment (ACH) to **Lessor:**

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or to such other party or address as **Lessor** may designate by written notice to **Lessee**. If **Lessor** does accept at any time rent payment after it becomes due and payable, such acceptance is not a waiver of any of **Lessor's** rights hereunder and does not excuse such delay on subsequent occasions. There will be a \$50.00 fee for any check returned for "insufficient funds."

- c. Security Deposit. SEE SECTION 26 BELOW.
- 7. **ASSIGNMENT OR SUBLEASE.** Lessee may not assign or sublet the Leased Premises, all or any portions thereof, nor, transfer, mortgage, or encumber this lease, without prior written consent of the **Lessor**, not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, delayed or charge made therefor. Any such assignment or subletting will in no way relieve **Lessee** from liability for the obligation imposed by this Lease. **Lessee** may only be released from liability by a specific written release executed by **Lessor**.
- 8. CONDITION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF PREMISES.
 - a. **Condition of Premises. Lessee** acknowledges that **Lessee** has inspected the Leased Premises and accepts the Leased Premises, and all improvements,

betterments and equipment "AS-IS" with no representation or warranty by Lessor, express or implied, as to the condition or suitability of the Leased Premises for Lessee's purpose, except as specifically set forth in this Lease; and Lessor has no obligation to construct, improve, maintain or repair the Leased Premises, except as specifically set forth in this Lease.

- b. **Lessor's Maintenance. Lessor** will maintain the roof and common areas of the building, along with all building systems (including the HVAC, electrical, roofing, and plumbing systems) for the term of this Lease.
- Lessee's Repairs/Maintenance. During the Lease term (subject to the exceptions contained in Paragraphs Five and Eight), Lessee is responsible for the cost of all maintenance and repair of, and replacement to, the interior of the Building on the Leased Premises, specifically, the second floor and the entryway, Classroom 4, and work room on the first floor, including the doors, screens, floors, walls, ceilings, and other equipment and fixtures located in or traversing the Building on the Leased Premises. All glass, both exterior and interior, will be maintained in the Building on the Leased Premises at the sole risk of Lessee, and Lessee agrees to replace any glass promptly at its sole expense in the event of breakage. Lessee agrees to patch walls, paint when necessary, and professionally clean the carpet. Lessee will keep the Leased Premises in a good and orderly condition at all times including, but not limited to, providing all the second floor interior cleaning services of the rooms, hallways, bathrooms, etc. Lessee shares responsibility in keeping the shared spaces in a good and orderly condition including, but not limited to, providing interior cleaning services after its use of Classroom 3, Many Chapel, Fountain Hall, kitchen, bathrooms, hallways, designated outside space, or any other space that Lessee may use. Lessee will return the Leased Premises broom clean to Lessor at the expiration date or other termination of this lease, excepting ordinary wear and tear and damage by the elements, fire and other casualty not due to the negligence of the Lessee. Lessee will obtain and/or maintain the security monitoring services and tel-data/internet services and provide pest control for the Leased Premises.

9. UTILITIES/MAINTENANCE.

- a. Utilities. Lessee will reimburse Lessor for any increase in utilities over the average of year 2015 and 2016 payable on a monthly basis commencing on September 1, 2018.
- **b.** Lessor agrees to provide copies of the bills for such time period to Lessee.
- **c.** Supplies. **Lessee** will cover the costs of cleanliness supplies for the use of the school in the Leased Premises and shared spaces when used by **Lessee**.
- **d.** Janitorial. **Lessee** will provide janitorial services for Leased premises and designated shared spaces when used by Lessee.

e. Security. Lessee will provide security management for the Leased Premises. This may include: alarm for interior doors, controlled access, and additional cameras and monitoring. Lessee will designate staff that will have access to the Education Wing to open and close the building during the week.

10. CONSTRUCTION AND ALTERATIONS.

- a. Lessee acknowledges that it has inspected the Leased Premises and accepts the Leased Premises, and all improvements, and equipment "AS-IS" with no representation or warranty by Lessor, express or implied, as to the condition or suitability of the Leased premises for Lessee's use, except as specifically set forth in this Lease and, Lessor has no obligation to construct, improve, maintain or repair the Leased Premises, except as specifically set forth in this Lease.
- b. Lessee's Work. Lessee will remodel, renovate and refurbish the Building and construct all of Lessee's Work in and to the Leased Premises as required pursuant to the terms and provisions hereof in the sum of \$515,000.00, unless as otherwise approved by Lessee to pay a higher sum. Lessee's Work will include such improvements to the Premises, including, any required demolition and reconstruction of walls to create classrooms, to improve fresh air intake, to meet DCRA and federal requirements, and to deliver electrical upgrades and cosmetic improvements as provided in "Exhibit "A.
- **c.** Lessee will negotiate and supervise all contracts for the furnishing of services, labor, and materials for the construction of the improvements on the Leased Premises herein at its cost.
- **d.** Lessee is required to pay, at its sole cost and expense, any and all building permits, impact fees and related governmental charges in connection with the construction of Lessee's Work done by or on behalf of Lessee in and to the Leased Premises.
- e. Prior to construction, **Lessee** is required to obtain (at its cost) and remain in full force and effect, a Non Revocable "All-Risk" Builder's Risk Insurance policy from an insurance company with at least an A rating from A.M. Best that is acceptable to **Lessor** and qualified to do business in the District of Columbia, in a sum equivalent to the Project size and which names Lessor as an additional insured party. All risk of loss or damage to the improvements during the course of construction is on **Lessee** with the proceeds from insurance thereon payable to **Lessor**. Before the start of any construction work relating to the Premises, **Lessee** will provide Landlord with the following:
 - 1. An executed term sheet from **Lessee's** lender, reflecting that such lender will be funding the entirety of the Project costs (acceptable to Lessor) that **Lessee** will have funds to complete the full scope of Project).
 - Evidence of financial capacity (acceptable to Lessor) of Lessee's selected general contractor to complete the Project contemplated in the Lease.
 - 3. **Lessee** agrees that it will consult with **Lessor** during its selection process for a general contractor. Notwithstanding **Lessor's** right to engage in the evaluation of prospective general contractors, **Lessee** has the sole

right to select the general contractor to perform the Project work, subject to **Lessor's** approval of items in Section 10 e, 1 and 2. **Lessee** agrees to complete the Project as per the Plans in the Lease and Exhibit A and any amendments thereto.

- Work Requirements. Lessee is required to ensure all Work will be performed, including without limitation: (i) promptly, in a good and workmanlike manner with new materials and once commenced, diligently pursed to completion; (ii) by duly qualified licensed Persons and (iii) in accordance with (a) the plans and specifications approved in writing in advance by Lessor (as to both design and materials) as contained in Exhibit A, which approval may not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed, and (b) in compliance to all laws. Lessor will have seven (7) Business Days from its receipt of all such plans and specifications (or revisions) to review and advise Lessee of its approval or of any changes that Lessor requires to be made. Within ten (10) Business Days after receipt of Lessor's notice of changes (if any), Lessee will cause all such changes to be made, and Lessee will resubmit the revised plans and specifications for Lessor's review. The revisions and resubmission will continue until Lessor will have approved or will be deemed to have approved Lessee's plans and specifications. In the event that Lessor has not responded to Lessee within such seven (7) Business Day period, then Lessee will have the right to deliver a notice to Lessor containing the following language in bold font and capital letters: THIS NOTICE IS DELIVERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 10.f OF YOUR LEASE FOR LEASED PREMISES AT 2220 BRANCH AVENUE, WASHINGTON, DC. IF YOU FAIL TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OR SEND COMMENTS TO THOSE CERTAIN PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS DELIVERED TO YOU WITHIN FIVE (5) BUSINESS DAYS OF LESSOR'S RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE, LESSOR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE APPROVED SUCH PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS. If Lessor fails to respond within five (5) Business Days after receipt of such notice from Lessee, then Lessor will be deemed to have approved such plans and specifications for Lessee's Work. Lessor's approval of the final plans and specifications will be evidenced by Lessor and Lessee initialing two (2) complete sets of final plans and specifications (the "Plans"), whereupon one fully executed set will be left with the Lessor.
- g. Approval of **Lessee's** Work. The approval by **Lessor** of the Plans, if given, will not (i) imply **Lessor's** approval of the structural or engineering designs as to quality or fitness of any material or device used; (ii) imply that the plans and specifications are in accordance with the law (it being agreed that such compliance is solely **Lessee's** responsibility); (iii) relieve **Lessee** of the responsibility to construct structurally sound improvements which are free of defects; (iv) impose any liability on **Lessor** to any third party; or (v) serve as a waiver or forfeiture of any right of **Lessor**.
- h. Upon completion of the Work. **Lessee** will deliver to **Lessor** a reproducible copy of any drawings of such Work as well as copies of all permits, approvals and other documents issued by any governmental agency in connection with such Work.

- 11. OWNERSHIP OF IMPROVEMENTS. All present and future alterations, additions, renovations, improvements, and installations located on or hereinafter made to the Leased Premises ("Leasehold Improvements") are deemed to be the property of Lessee and, upon Lessee's vacation or abandonment of the Leased Premises to be the property of Lessor, and will remain upon and be surrendered with the Leased Premises in good order, condition, and repair. All movable goods, inventory, office furniture, equipment, trade fixtures (including, without limitation, exterior Signs, white boards, and curtains) and any other movable personal property belonging to Lessee that are not permanently affixed to the Leased Premises will remain Lessee's property ("Lessee's Property") and will be removable by Lessee at any time, provided that Lessee will repair any damage to the Leased Premises caused by the removal of any of Lessee's Property. However, Lessee agrees that any window air conditioner unit will become the property of the Lessor upon Lessee's vacation or abandonment of the Leased Premises.
- 12. REMOVAL OF LESSEE'S PROPERTY. Lessee is required to remove all of Lessee's Property prior to the Termination Date or the termination of Lessee's right to possession. Lessee is required to repair any damage to the Leased Premises caused by such removal. If Lessee fails to timely remove said items, they are considered as abandoned and become the property of Lessor, or Lessor may have them removed and disposed of at the Lessee's reasonable cost and expense.
- 13. MECHANIC'S LIENS. No mechanic's or other lien (except for the leasehold mortgage lien of any approved mortgagee) will be allowed against the Leased Premises as a result of Lessee's improvements or other work done by or on behalf of Lessee at or to the Leased Premises. Lessor has the right to record and post notices of non-responsibility in or on the Leased Premises. Lessee will cause the same to be discharged of record or bonded to the satisfaction of Lessor within thirty (30) days subsequent to the filing and service thereof. If Lessee fails to discharge or bond any such lien, Lessor, in addition to all other rights or remedies provided in this Lease, may bond the lien or claim (or pay off the lien or claim if it cannot with reasonable effort be bonded) without inquiring into the validity thereof, and all expenses incurred by Lessor in so discharging the lien, including reasonable attorney's fees, will be paid by Lessee to Lessor as Additional Rent on ten (10) days' demand, which demand will be accompanied by reasonably detailed invoices evidencing the amounts so paid by Lessor and all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney' fees, incurred by Lessor in connection therewith.

14. SIGNS, SAFES & FURNISHINGS.

a. Lessee will not, without the prior written consent of Lessor, which consent may not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, install any exterior signs on the Leased Premises or any interior signs which can be seen from the exterior of the Premises ("Signs"). In the event that any Signs are installed on the Leased Premises, the signs are required to be in compliance with all laws. Lessee, at Lessee's sole cost and expense, will obtain all permits and licenses required in connection with any Signs and is fully responsible for the installation and maintenance thereof.

b. Lessee will submit to Lessor reasonably detailed drawings of ail proposed Signs for review and approval by Lessor prior to installation or utilization of the Sign. Lessor may not unreasonably withhold approval provided Lessee's Sign drawings are in compliance with governmental codes. Upon submission by Lessee to Lessor of any proposed Signs, Lessor will have seven (7) business days to review and approve such signage requests. In the event Lessor has not responded to Lessee within the stated period, then Lessee will the right to deliver a notice to Lessor containing the following language in bold font and capital letters:

THIS NOTICE IS DELIVERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 14 b OF YOUR LEASE FOR LEASED PREMISES LOCATED AT 2220 BRANCH AVENUE, WASHINGTON, DC. IF YOU FAIL TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OR SEND COMMENTS TO THOSE CERTAIN SIGN DRAWINGS DELIVERED TO YOU ON FOR SIGNAGE TO BE INSTALLED AT THE SCHOOL WITHIN FIVE (5) BUSINESS DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE, LESSOR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE APPROVED SUCH SIGNS. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lessee will be permitted to install temporary banners on the exterior of the Education Building for purposes of notifying students and parents of activities and programs occurring at the Leased Premises, provided that such banners are in compliance with all laws.

- c. Lessee will maintain all Signs in good condition and operating order and repair at all times. Lessee will repair any Signs that have been damaged within ten (10) Business Days after such damage occurs.
- 15. ENTRY FOR REPAIRS AND INSPECTIONS. Lessee will permit Lessor or its representative, to enter the Leased Premises, during business hours upon twenty-four (24) hours advance notice to Lessee during an agreed upon time for both parties (the said time may be shorter for any emergency that impacts the safety and well-being of the parties herein or their agents, representatives, and invitees) (without diminution of the rent payable by Lessee), to examine, inspect, protect (and repair as provided herein) the same. Nothing herein contained, however, will be deemed or construed to impose upon Lessor any obligation, responsibility or liability, whatsoever for the care, supervision or repair of the premises or any part thereof, unless provided herein. Lessor agrees that during Lessor or its representative's entry in the premises for any of the reasons enumerated above, that it will be responsible for any damage or theft that occurs caused solely by Lessor or its representative.

16. INDEMNIFICATION.

a. **Lessee** is required to indemnify and hold **Lessor** harmless against and from liability and claims of any kind for loss or damage to property of **Lessee** or any other person, arising out of: (1) **Lessee's** use, occupancy of the Leased Premises, or any work, activity or other things allowed or suffered by **Lessee** to be done in, or about the premises; (2) any breach or default by **Lessee** of any of **Lessee's** obligations under this Lease; or (3) any gross negligence or willful misconduct of **Lessee**, its agents, employees, invitees, or contractors. **Lessee** is required, in any action or proceeding arising from any such claim,

to indemnify **Lessor** against all 'reasonable' costs, including, court costs, attorney's fees, expert witness fees, and any other reasonable expenses incurred in such action or proceeding. As a material part of the consideration for **Lessor's** execution of this **Lease**, **Lessee** hereby assumes all risk of damage or injury to any person or property in, or about the Leased Premises from any use other than such damage or injury resulting from **Lessor's** gross negligence or willful misconduct. Lessee's total indemnification obligations under Section 16a will not exceed the total amount the policy limit coverages.

b. Except as to its own gross negligence, willful misconduct, breach of this Lease or violation of District of Columbia law or regulations, or that of its authorized agents and representatives, **Lessor** will not be liable for injury or damage that may be sustained by the person or property of **Lessee**, its employees, invitees, or customers, or any other person to or about the Leased Premises or shared spaces, caused by or resulting from fire, steam, electricity, gas, water or rain that may leak or flow from or into any part of the premises, or from the breakage, leakage, obstruction or other defects of pipes, sprinklers, wires, appliances, plumbing, air conditioning or lighting fixtures, whether such damage or injury results from conditions arising upon the premises or upon other portions of the land or from other sources. **Lessor** is not liable for any damage arising from any act or omission of **Lessee**. Lessor will indemnify **Lessee** in the same manner as set forth above in Section 16a for any reasonable damages, costs, expenses, or liabilities incurred by **Lessee** as a result of **Lessor's** gross negligence, willful misconduct, breach of any provision of this Lease or violations of District of Columbia law or regulations.

17. INSURANCE

Lessee is required to carry insurance and all insurance so required hereunder must be issued by insurance companies with at least an A rating from A.M. Best that are acceptable to Lessor and qualified to do business in the District of Columbia. Each policy must name Lessor, and at Lessor's request any mortgage holder of Lessor, as an additional insured, as their respective interest may appear. Each policy must contain: (i) a cross-liability endorsement; (ii) a provision that such policy and the coverage evidenced thereby will be primary and non-contributing with respect to any policies carried by Lessor and that any coverage carried by Lessor will be excess insurance; and (iii) a waiver by the insurer of any right of subrogation against Lessor, its agents, employees and representatives. A copy of each paid up policy (authenticated by the insurer) or certificate of the insurer evidencing the existence and amount of each insurance policy required hereunder will be delivered to Lessor within thirty (30) days after Lessee is given the right of possession. Lessor may at any time inspect and/or copy any insurance policies required to be furnished by Lessee. Lessee will furnish Lessor with renewals or "binders" of any such policy at least five (5) days prior to the expiration thereof. Lessor agrees that if Lessee does not take out and maintain such insurance, Lessor may (but will not be required to) procure said insurance on Lessee's behalf and charge the Lessee the premiums together with a fifteen percent (15%) handling charge, payable upon demand.

- b. Comprehensive Liability. Lessee is required to carry a general comprehensive liability insurance policy including comprehensive public liability and property damage insurance with respect to the construction of improvements on the Leased Premises, the use, operation or condition of the Leased Premises and the operations of Lessee, its agents, employees, representatives or invitees, in or about the Leased Premises, providing personal injury and broad form property damage coverage for not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,00,00) combined single limit for bodily injury, death and property damage liability.
- c. **Worker's Compensation. Lessee** is required to carry worker's compensation coverage to the extent required by law, in form and amounts required by law.
- d. **No Limitation.** Neither the issuance of any insurance policy required under this lease nor the minimum limits specified herein limits or restricts in any way **Lessee's** liability arising under or out of this lease.
- e. **Casualty Insurance.** For the term of this lease, **Lessee** is required to maintain in effect casualty insurance policies covering Leasehold improvements (if the same is not covered under Paragraph 15 b). Such insurance will provide protection against perils included in the classification "fine and extended coverage" together with insurance against sprinkler damage, vandalism and malicious mischief. The proceeds of such insurance will be used to repair or replace the property insured.
- f. Lessor agrees to maintain both the types and amounts of insurance required by its mortgage, or in the absence of a mortgage, what would be required by an owner/operator similar to Lessor of a comparable building located in Washington, D.C., but in any event Lessor will maintain customary "all risk" property insurance on the Building equal to 100% of the replacement value thereof with commercially reasonable deductibles.
- 18. WAIVER OF SUBROGATION. Lessor and Lessee each hereby waive all rights of recovery against the other and against the officers, employees, agents, and representatives of the other, on account of loss by or damage to the waiving party or its property or the property of others under its control, to the extent that such loss or damage is insured against under any fire and extended coverage insurance policy that either may have in force at the time of the loss or damage.
- 19. CONDEMNATION. If the whole or any portion of the premises is taken or condemned by any competent authority for any public or quasi-public use or purposes, then the terms of this lease will cease and terminate from the date when the possession of the part so taken is required for such use or purpose. The proportionate rent, however, will in any case be abated as of the effective date of such taking.

- **20. FIRE AND CASUALTY DAMAGE TO LEASED PREMISES.** If the Leased Premises is partially damaged by fire or other unavoidable casualties without the fault or neglect of **Lessee**, its agents, invitees, or representatives, the rent will be abated for the period during which the premises are not usable in proportion to the part of the premises not usable.
- 21. FORCE MAJEURE. Any prevention, delay or stoppage of work to be performed by Lessor which is due to strikes, labor disputes, inability to obtain labor, materials, equipment or reasonable substitutes therefore, acts of God, governmental restrictions or regulations or controls, judicial orders, enemy or hostile government actions, civil commotion, fire or other casualty, or other causes beyond the reasonable control of the party obligated to perform hereunder, will excuse performance of the work by that party for a period equal to the duration of that prevention, delay or stoppage. Nothing in the paragraph will excuse or delay Lessee's obligation to pay the fees or other charges under this Lease, nor excuse Lessor's gross negligence, willful misconduct, breach of this Lease or violations of District of Columbia law or regulations.
- **22. QUIET ENJOYMENT. Lessee**, upon paying the rent, may peaceably and quietly enjoy the premises, subject to the terms of this lease.
- 23. LESSEE CONDUCT. Lessee will conduct its business and require its students, employees, agents, invitees, or other persons on the Leased Premises or shared spaces with its consent, whether known by the Lessee or not, to conduct themselves in a manner that will not disturb the other occupants of the Building. The Lessee further covenants and agrees that it will not use or permit the Leased Premises or shared spaces to be used for any improper, illegal, or immoral purpose nor will Lessee use, permit, or suffer the Leased Premises or shared spaces to be used by any person or persons in any noisy, dangerous, offensive, illegal, or improper manner.
- 24. DEFAULT. Provided always, that if the rent is not paid or any installment thereof; or if the Lessee fails to perform or neglect to keep and perform each condition herein contained, and on the part of the Lessee to be kept and performed, and provided the Lessee fails to remedy any such default within thirty (30) days (or such longer period not to exceed 60 days in the case of default followed by initiation of a cure by Lessee that continues to be undertaken but cannot be completed within 30 days) after written notice thereof from Lessor, the Lessor is entitled to terminate this lease and re-enter the premises. And, in the event of such re-entry by process of law the Lessee nevertheless agrees to be responsible for any damage, deficiency or loss of rent which the Lessor may sustain by such reentry; and, in such case the Lessor reserves full power, which is hereby acceded to the Lessee, in liquidation and discharge, in whole or in part, as the case may be, of the liability of said Lessee and the terms and provisions of this lease. No waiver of any breach of any condition or agreement herein contained will operate as a waiver of the condition or agreement itself. In the event the Lessor or the Lessee is required to take legal action or employ an attorney to enforce the terms of the lease, the unsuccessful party agrees to pay all expenses and reasonable attorneys' fees.
- 25. OPTION TO RENEW LEASE. Lessee, upon the expiration of the term of the lease herein may continue the said lease on a month-to-month basis for the same monthly rent as provided herein or, have the option of renewing the lease for one (1) year provided Lessee notifies the

Lessor ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of this Lease in writing and Lessor does not intend to lease the subject premises to another **Lessee**. The parties agree that in the event the **Lessee** does lease the premises for an additional term, the rental increase will be subject to negotiation but in no case, not less than a minimum 5% increase from the previous annual rental rate. The parties agree that in the event the **Lessor** intends to either lease the Premises for a long term tenancy or, in the event **Lessor** sells its property, **Lessor** and **Lessee** agree to negotiate the terms, in good faith, in a subsequent agreement.

- 26. **SECURITY DEPOSIT.** Lessee deposits with Lessor on the signing of this Lease an amount equivalent to one month's rent, as security for the performance of all of Lessee's obligations under this Lease. The security deposit will be retained by the Lessor in a regular checking account in a bank designated by the Lessor and will bear no interest. If Lessor applies any part of the deposit to cure any default of Lessee, Lessee will upon demand, deposit with Lessor the amount applied so that Lessor will have the full deposit on hand at all times during the term of the lease. The security deposit will be returned to Lessee upon the termination of this Lease, less any sums applied by Lessor to cure any uncured default of Lessee no later than sixty (60) days of conclusion of the Lease.
- 27. **LESSOR MAY CURE DEFAULTS**. If **Lessee** defaults in the performance of any condition or covenant of this Lease, **Lessor** may, on reasonable notice to **Lessee** (except no notice is given in the case of an emergency), cure the default at **Lessee's** expense and the reasonable amount of all expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by **Lessor** will be deemed additional rent.
- 28. **RULES, REGULATIONS and THE LAWS.** Lessee is required to comply with all federal and District of Columbia laws, statutes, codes, orders, ordinances, regulations, rules, licenses, permits, variances, governmental orders and approvals, including Hazardous Material laws and Green Building Requirements now or hereafter which relate to or are applicable to the Leased Premises or to its use, occupancy or control thereof or the conduct of any business thereon of the Premises and, including those relating to the making, or requiring the making, of any additions, changes, repairs or improvements, structural or otherwise, to or of the Leased Premises, or any portion thereof during the term of this Lease.
- 29. **CHOICE OF LAW AND FORUM**. The parties agree this Agreement will be construed according to the laws of the District of Columbia and constitute the entire understanding between the parties as of the commencement of the term of this agreement, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties, and cannot be changed or terminated orally. The parties also agree that any action involving a dispute relating in any manner to the Lease, the **LESSOR/LESSEE** relationship, the use or occupancy of the Leased Premises, or any claim of injury or damage will be filed and adjudicated solely in the District of Columbia or any applicable federal courts of the jurisdiction in which the Leased Premises are located.

30. LEASE BINDING ON SUCCESSORS, REPRESENTATIVES, AND ASSIGNS.

The provisions of this Lease apply to, bind, and inure to the benefit of **Lessor** and Lessee and their successors, legal representatives, and assigns. It is understood that the possession, or the **Lessee** for the time being, of the Building, so that if the Building is sold or leased or if the mortgagee takes possession of the premises, **Lessor** is entirely freed and relieved of all covenants and obligations of Lessor accruing after such sale, lease, or taking of possession, and it will be deemed without further agreement that the purchaser, the **Lessee**, or the mortgagee in possession has assumed and agreed to carry out any of **Lessor's** covenants and obligations.

31. **PARKING**. During the term of this Lease, **Lessee** has the non-exclusive right to use in common with the **Lessor** and its employees, agents, and other invitees, twenty-five (25) common automobile parking spaces directly in the rear of the premises at no additional fee. The **Lessee** agrees to limit parking on **Lessor's** premises familiarly described as the "grounds" to Monday through Friday between 7:00 am and 6:30 pm. **Lessee** agrees, upon previous written notice from **Lessor** of **Lessor's** special programs, funerals, and/or events occurring during such time period, to not use the common automobile parking areas as per **Lessor's** notice.

32. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.

- a. Neither **Lessee** nor third-parties will suffer or permit the Property, or any portion thereof to be used as a site for the storage, disposal, use, generation or manufacture of any "Hazardous Materials", suffer or permit the property to be contaminated by any Hazardous Materials or transport to or from the Leased Premises any Hazardous Materials. For the purpose of this Lease, Hazardous Materials includes but is not limited to: (i) flammable explosives, radioactive materials, hazardous wastes, toxic substances or related materials;
- (ii) all substances defined as "hazardous substances," "hazardous materials," or "toxic substances" in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. Section 9601, et seq. and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act ("SARA") thereof; the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. Section 1901, et seq.; the Toxic Substance Control Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 2601, et seq.; or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 6901, et seq.; (iii) any similar applicable state or local statute, regulation or ordinance; and (iv) any oil based or petroleum products subject to regulation pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 6991 (a), et seq. or applicable state law.
- b. **Lessee** agrees that in the event the Leased Premises or any condition existing thereon is ever determined by any court or governmental agency to be in violation of any law, ordinance or regulation which requires correction or clean-up under any law, ordinance or regulation relating to environmental protection, occupational health or safety, public health or safety, or public nuisance or menace, and such violation is due to the act or negligence of **Lessee**, its agents or invitees, the **Lessor**, at its option, but without obligation so to do, may correct such condition or violation and in doing so will conclusively be deemed to be acting reasonably and for the purpose of protecting the

value of its collateral, and the **Lessor** may charge all costs of correcting such conditions or violations to the **Lessee** which amounts will be due upon demand and secured hereby, and will bear interest from the date expended by the Lessor until paid at the rate set forth in the Note.

- Lessee will indemnify and hold Lessor harmless from all expenses of C. clean-up, removal and/or correction of a condition or violations as set forth in the preceding paragraph, occasioned by the discovery of any Hazardous Materials on or off of the Property, whether or not any demand for such action is made by any regulatory agency or demand for reimbursement is made for such clean-up or correction as performed by such an agency. Lessee will provide notice to Lessor immediately upon the receipt of claims made by any third party, including without limitation, governmental agencies, against Lessee or the Property because of environmental contamination of the Property or any portion thereof. Further, Lessee will indemnify and hold Lessor harmless from and against all claims, demands, liabilities, costs and expenses, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, attorneys' fees, expert witness fees and all other costs of defense arising from, related to, or connected with the generation, manufacture. storage, disposal, use, location, removal and/or transportation of any Hazardous Material to, upon or from the Property or the contamination of the Property by any Hazardous Material, but only if such storage, disposal, use, location, transportation or contamination occurred during the term of this Lease.
- 33. **TITLE**. The parties covenant and warrant that the parties executing this Lease Agreement has the full right and authority to enter this Lease Agreement for the full term.
- 34. **SEVERABILITY**. If any provision of this Lease is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable under any present or future laws, and if the rights or obligations of any party hereto under this Lease will not be materially and adversely affected thereby, (a) such provision will be fully severable, (b) this Lease will be construed and enforced as if such provision had never comprised a part hereof, (c) the remaining provisions of this Lease will remain in full force and effect and will not be affected by such provision or its severance..
- 35. **AMENDMENTS AND WAIVERS**. Any provision of this Lease may be amended or waived if, and only if, such amendment or waiver is in writing and is duly signed, in the case of an amendment, by each party to this Lease, or in the case of a waiver, by the party against whom the waiver is to be effective. No failure or delay by any party in exercising any right or privilege hereunder will operate as a waiver thereof, nor will any single or partial exercise thereof preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor and Lessee have hereunto executed this lease under seal.

ATTEST:

Date: 3-18- 2018

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East Washington Heights Baptist Church and Digital Pioneers Academy Public Charter School

Lease Agreement

Exhibit A

I. Lessee's Capital Improvements

A. 2nd Floor

Lessee will modify space to include approximately five classrooms, 3 offices, and a teacher workroom (as per Drawings included herein and approved by **Lessor**

- 2. Lessee will provide following upgrades:
 - a. Renovate classrooms and office space (**Lessor** will move the 2 archives rooms on second floor to be available for office space for the **Lessee**).
 - b. Upgrade electricity, lighting, and telecom on second floor.
 - c. Provide fresh paint and floors as needed.
 - d. Provide AC Window Units as needed.
 - e. Seal in fireplace in technology room.

B. 1st Floor

- 1. Lessee will renovate part of Room 4 to remove the office and create a larger classroom and serve as the main office and primary access point for students and families. As part of this renovation, the entrance to Room 4 will be moved to the front lobby.
- 2. **Lessor** will relocate the existing office/workroom adjacent to room 4 and **Lessee** will modify existing storage and sewing space in Room 5 of the education wing to create a new office including necessary electrical outlets for Lessor.

C. Shared Space

Lessee will work to ensure secure and safe entrance for students.

2. **Lessee** will upgrade space to include fresh paint, tiling, and increased wi-fi service.

SECOND FLOOR DEMOLITION PLAN

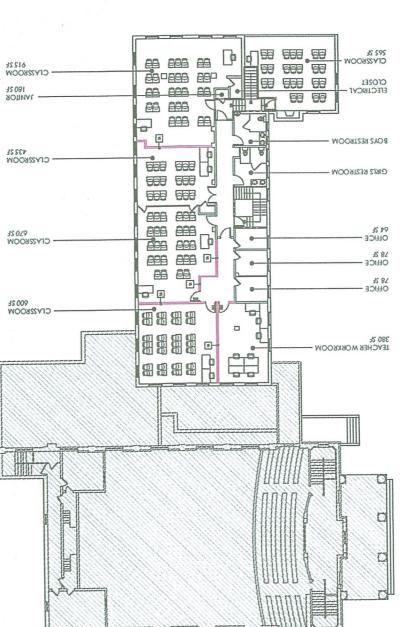
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