October 18, 2016

Garry McGiboney, Deputy Superintendent  
Georgia Department of Education  
2053 Twin Towers East  
205 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334-5080

Dear Dr. McGiboney:

Please accept this as our letter of intent to request an amendment to the Strategic Waiver School System contract (formerly named the Investing in Educational Excellence School System or IE2 Partnership contract) between the Hall County School District and the State Board of Education. At the time of our district’s application to operate as a Strategic Waiver School System, Flowery Branch High School was operating as a charter school. As of July 14, 2016, this school no longer operate as a charter school.

Enclosed please find a resolution from the Hall County Board of Education indicating the desire to add Flowery Branch High School to Hall County’s SWSS contract. We look forward to working with the Georgia Department of Education and the Governor’s Office of Student Achievement as we continue this process for school improvement and increased student performance.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Will Schofield  
Superintendent  
Hall County School District

Enclosures

cc: Lou Erste, Associate Superintendent, Georgia Department of Education  
    Howard Hendley, Director, Policy Division, Georgia Department of Education  
    Martha Ann Todd, Executive Director, Governor’s Office of Student Achievement

Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
A RESOLUTION OF THE HALL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, GEORGIA, AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STRATEGIC WAIVER SCHOOL SYSTEM (SWSS) PARTNERSHIP CONTRACT WITH THE GEORGIA BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the Hall County Board of Education (the “Local Board”) has previously entered into contract with the Georgia Board of Education (the “State Board”) dated on or about July 1, 2016 for the operation of the Hall County School District as a Strategic Waiver School System (formerly named Investing in Educational Excellence School System or IE² System) for the purpose of increasing student achievement; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the school system’s application to become a Strategic Waiver School System, Flowery Branch High School was operating as a Charter School; and

WHEREAS, effective July 14, 2016, this school will no longer operate as a Charter School; and

WHEREAS, for each school operated by the Local Board, the Contract contained specific accountability measures detailed in individual School Plans;

WHEREAS, the Local Board has developed an individual School Plans for Flowery Branch High School, as appropriate, based upon these accountability measures;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hall County Board of Education shall submit a Letter of Intent to the Georgia State Board of Education for the purpose of amending the Strategic Waiver School System Contract as identified in Attachment “A” as Contract Amendment #1 with the State Board in include Flowery Branch High School in the contract.

ADOPTED by the Hall County Board of Education on

This SEVENTEENTH day of OCTOBER, 2016.

Chairperson, Hall County Board of Education

Superintendent, Hall County School District

(SEAL)
STRATEGIC WAIVERS SCHOOL SYSTEM (SWSS) CONTRACT AMENDMENT

This amendment hereinafter referred to as “Amendment #1” is made and entered into by and between the State Board of Education and the Hall County Board of Education.

WHEREAS, the aforementioned parties entered into a SWSS contract on or about July 2016 for the operation of a Strategic Waivers School System; and,

WHEREAS, the aforementioned parties sought to maximize academic and financial accountability.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto mutually agree that:

The SWSS partnership contract shall be revised as follows:

- Exhibit G shall be revised to include the individual school plans for Flowery Branch High School (grades 9-12).

Except as amended herein, all other terms and conditions of the SWSS contract, and subsequent amendments to the SWSS contract, if any, shall remain in full force and effect.

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Chairperson, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION  (Date)

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Chairperson, HALL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  (Date)

Hall County School District  Amendment #1
School Data Component - High

Name of School: Flowery Branch

Street Address: 6003 Spout Springs Road

City, State Zip Code: Flowery Branch, GA 30542

GA DOE School Facility Code: 0202

Designated School Contact Person:

Name: Dr. Jason Carter

Title: Principal

Telephone Number: 770-967-8000

Fax Number: 770-967-1218

Email Address: jason.carter@hallco.org

Grades Served By School: 9-12

School Demographic Trend Data by Subgroup - High

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