# RESOLUTION AGREEMENT Fall River Public Schools OCR Complaint No. 01-19-1197

The Fall River Public Schools (District) has voluntarily entered into this agreement to resolve the allegation in the above-referenced complaint. The District assures that it will take the following actions.

The District agreed to resolve this complaint prior to the completion of OCR's investigation pursuant to Section 302 of OCR's *Case Processing Manual*.

#### **Action Item 1**

By October 1, 2019, after providing proper written notice to the Student's parents, the District will convene an IEP team meeting. At the meeting, the District will:

- a. Invite the Student's parents to share their understanding of or concerns regarding the Student's participation in field trips during the 2018-2019 school year, including during the time period the Student was placed at the XXXXXX School;
- b. Make an individualized determination regarding related aids and services that would allow the Student to participate in future field trips and other non-academic/extracurricular events; and
- c. Maintain detailed minutes.

### **Reporting Requirement**

- 1. By **October 15, 2019**, the District will submit to OCR a copy of the following materials:
  - i. a list of attendees that includes the names and titles of those at the meeting;
  - ii. meeting minutes; and
  - iii. any other supporting team meeting materials that address the Action Items above.

#### **Action Item 2**

By October 1, 2019, a member of the District's leadership team will meet with the XXXXXX School personnel involved in the matter to: (a) review the allegations; (b) discuss Section 504's non-discrimination requirements, including the obligation to provide equal access to extracurricular activities including field trips, and the related aids and services that may be required to provide students with equal access; and (c) discuss how to proactively address such matters going forward.

#### **Reporting Requirement**

1. By October 15, 2019, the District will provide OCR with a written statement that it has held the meetings described in Action Item 2, including the date(s) of the

meetings and the names/titles of the District leadership team member and staff members.

#### **Action Item 3**

By October 15, 2019, the District, in consultation with the Student's parents, will develop a protocol to be maintained in the Student's file ensuring that the District will proactively address the Student's disability-based needs with respect to future field trips and afford the Student with an equal opportunity to participate, and that it will provide notice to the Student's parents of the trips and communicate with them regarding the Student's participation.

## **Reporting Requirement**

- 1. By **October 15, 2019**, the District will provide the parents with a copy of the protocol described above.
- 2. By **November 1, 2019**, the District will submit a copy of the protocol to OCR and documentation indicating that it provided a copy of the protocol to the Student's parents and placed a copy in the Student's file.

The District understands that by signing this Agreement, it agrees to provide data and other information in a timely manner in accordance with the reporting requirements of the Agreement. Further, the District understands that during the monitoring of this Agreement, if necessary, OCR may visit the District, interview staff and students, and request such additional reports or data as are necessary for OCR to determine whether the District has fulfilled the terms and obligations of this Agreement. Upon the District's satisfaction of the commitments made under the Agreement, OCR will close the case.

The District understands and acknowledges that OCR may initiate proceedings to enforce the specific terms and obligations of this Agreement and/or the applicable statute(s) and regulation(s). Before initiating such proceedings, OCR shall give the Recipient written notice of the alleged breach and sixty (60) calendar days to cure the alleged breach.

The Agreement will become effective immediately upon the signature of the District's representative below.

By:	/s/	Date:	
•	Dr. Matthew H. Malone		
	Superintendent		