INTERDISTRICT AGREEMENT FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES TO SUPPORT STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

THIS AGREEMENT is made as of the 1st day of September 2026, by and between **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS,** Thurston County, Washington and **TUMWATER DISTRICT.**

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT is authorized by Chapter 28.155 RCW to participate in an interdistrict agreement to secure such an appropriate educational opportunity for its' resident students with disabilities, and

WHEREAS, the TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT has determined that certain students with disabilities whose education presents unusual programming needs by reason of severity of disability, multiplicity of disabilities, or other factors, may advantageously attend and be enrolled in the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** during the school year **2026-2027** and,

WHEREAS, the NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS is willing to enter into this agreement with the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT,** and to provide its programming for certain students with disabilities that have completed the enrollment service request form and that reside within the borders of **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** in the manner and upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the promises and undertakings herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** agrees that it will commence educational services on September 3, 2026 and intends to complete the school year no later than June 17, 2027, per the district's academic calendar.

2. All program staff and facilities for the cooperative shall be District, except when contracted services are needed.

3. The **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** has determined that it is less costly to send students to the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** for educational services than to initiate a similar program(s) within the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

4. The **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** has determined that it cannot provide an appropriate educational program(s) for certain students with disabilities and maintains ultimate responsibility for the education of its student(s) the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** agrees to provide such educational services to the students that are identified by the completed enrollment service request form. Students attend **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** schedule until notified of the acceptance of the Interdistrict Agreement and its start date as evidenced by the completed enrollment service request form.

5. The **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** requests, and the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** agrees that the students with completed service enrollment forms or as subsequently modified by agreement between the Executive Director of Special Education or its assigned designee of the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** and the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT,** will be served. The students will be considered full-time students in the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** while participating in the program, unless otherwise specified. Students in Grades K-12 will be 1.0 FTE and students attending preschool will be 0.8 FTE.

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6. The **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** will administer the program(s) in accordance with the rules and regulations of Chapter 28A.155 RCW, Chapter 392-172A WAC and **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** policies and practices.

7. The **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** will follow OSPI's Special Education November Federal Count Application User Guide for the November Federal Child Count Application. Since a written agreement exists between the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** and the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** to provide special education services to a student, the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** will count the student for this report and the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** will be displayed in the Certification table.

8. The **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** will follow OSPI's Guidance for Student Transfers: Choice Transfers, Interdistrict Agreements, and Standard Choice Transfer System. Since an interdistrict agreement exists between the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** and the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** will report the student(s) on the P-223 and P-223H forms as a resident of the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

9. The **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** retains responsibility for providing transportation to and from each student's home and place of learning within or without the student's resident district.

10. The **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** agrees to provide the educational services described within the agreement provided that the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** residents do not subsidize students from other districts; therefore, the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT**, agrees to reimburse the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** for all costs not reimbursed by the State of Washington, or by any other specific grant. The **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** will submit an invoice to the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** three times each school year, approximately October, February, and July, and if required, other forms setting forth the costs and expenses incurred by the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT.** The **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** will remit unto the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** within 30 days from receipt of each invoice.

11. The **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** will provide, and retain title to, all assets used in the program. The **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** will assume all general liabilities associated with the program. The **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** will assume the liability to pay the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** for each fractional or full-time equivalent student and also to assume any liability resulting from specific actions by the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

12. The **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** agrees to submit final reports and evaluations of the students with completed enrollment service request forms and the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** and the **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** agree to assist each other with such reports and evaluations.

13. This contract shall apply for the period from September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027.

14. The **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT** will notify the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** in writing within 20 days if the student(s) change district of residence and are no longer residents of **TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

15. By March 31 of each year, the resident district shall give written notification to the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** the name(s) of students who will not be returning for contracted services for the next school year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT and the **NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** have executed this agreement at Lacey, Washington as of the day and year first above written.

NORTH THURSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board President

Board Secretary

10-13-2026

Date

TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board President

Board Secretary

9-24-26

Date