

**CONSULTANT AGREEMENT  
SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR SERVICES  
2024-2025**

This agreement dated July 1, 2024 is made between STRIDE Academy, 3241 Oakham Lane, St. Cloud, MN, and Ms. Cynthia Pedersen, 408 15th St. North, Sauk Rapids, MN 56379.

**SERVICES:** STRIDE Academy hereby employs Cynthia Pedersen to perform the following services in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement; Ms. Pedersen will serve as the Director of Special Education for up to 140 days for the 2024-2025 school year.

**TERMS OF AGREEMENT:** This agreement will begin on August 1, 2024 and will end June 30, 2025. Either party may cancel this agreement on a one week notice to the other party in writing or personal delivery.

**TIME DEVOTED BY MS. Pedersen:** It is anticipated Ms. Pedersen will spend approximately 3 days per week on campus at STRIDE Academy. In addition to the days on campus, Ms. Pedersen may periodically attend regional or state special education director meetings. There may be requests for additional conference days.

**PAYMENT:** Ms. Pedersen will be paid at the rate of \$96.00 per hour for work performed in accordance with this agreement. Ms. Pedersen will submit monthly statements to STRIDE Academy for payment. Ms. Pedersen will inform the Executive Director and the Principals of her monthly work schedule.

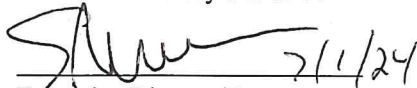
**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:** STRIDE Academy will be responsible for the registration costs and lodging for workshops/conferences that Ms. Pedersen chooses to attend.

**INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** Both STRIDE Academy and Ms. Pedersen agree that Ms. Pedersen will act as an independent contractor in the performance of the duties under this contract. Accordingly, Ms. Pedersen shall be responsible for payment of all taxes including federal, state and local taxes arising out of activities in accordance with this contract.

**CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:** Ms. Pedersen agrees that any information received during furtherance of her obligations in accordance with this contract, which concerns the personal, financial or other affairs of STRIDE Academy will be treated by Ms. Pedersen in full confidence and will not be revealed to any persons, firms or organizations.

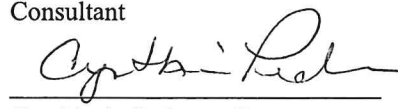
**SIGNATURES:** Both the district representative and Ms. Pedersen agree to the above contract.

STRIDE Academy #4142-07

  
Executive Director/Date

Eric Skansen

Consultant

  
Cynthia A. Pedersen/Date

7/1/24

Cynthia Pedersen