## CHARTER AMENDMENT FOR FOOTHILLS EDUCATION CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

This amendment to the charter for Foothills Education Charter High School ("Amendment") is entered into by and Foothills Education Center, Inc. and the State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia ("SCSC") to amend the accountability expectations for Foothills Education Charter High School to incorporate the SCSC Comprehensive Performance Framework as the measure of the school's academic, financial, and operational performance for the term of the charter contract.

WHEREAS, Foothills Education Center, Inc. and the SCSC entered into a charter contract on or about September 24, 2014, for the operation of Foothills Education Charter High School (the "Charter Contract");

WHEREAS, the SCSC adopted the SCSC Comprehensive Performance Framework to provide clear and transparent measures of charter school academic, financial, and operational performance; and

WHEREAS, Foothills Education Charter High School desires to be held accountable for its performance as measured by the SCSC Comprehensive Performance Framework rather than its current contractual performance goals;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises, mutual agreements, and covenants contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Foothills Education Center, Inc. and the SCSC agree as follows:

1. Paragraph 9 of the Charter Contract shall be stricken in its entirety and replaced with the following:

## Comprehensive Performance Framework and Performance Expectations.

a. Incorporation into Charter Contract. The Comprehensive Performance Framework adopted by the SCSC shall be incorporated into the Charter as Exhibit A. The Comprehensive Performance Framework shall supersede and replace any and all assessment measures, educational goals and objectives, financial operations metrics, and organizational performance metrics set forth in the Application and not explicitly incorporated into the Comprehensive Performance Framework or this charter contract. The specific terms, form and requirements of the Comprehensive Performance Framework, including any required indicators, measures, metrics, and targets, are maintained and disseminated by the SCSC and will be binding on the Charter School. Material amendments to the Comprehensive Performance Framework shall require approval by the SCSC and shall be automatically incorporated into this Charter Contract upon SCSC approval without further amendment to the Charter Contract. In the event that such modifications or amendments are required, including modifications to address amended laws, the SCSC will use best efforts to apply expectations for school performance in a manner as consistent as possible with those set forth in the Comprehensive Performance Framework.

- b. Monitoring and Reporting. In accordance with SCSC Rule 691-2-.03, the SCSC shall monitor the Charter School's progress in relation to the indicators, measures, metrics and targets set out in the Comprehensive Performance Framework, as well as other applicable rules and laws. The SCSC shall publically report the Charter School's achievement and compliance at least annually.
- c. <u>Performance Expectations</u>. The Charter School's performance in relation to the indicators, measures, metrics and targets set forth in the Comprehensive Performance Framework shall provide the basis upon which the SCSC will decide whether to renew the Charter School's Charter Contract at the end of the Charter term. This section shall not preclude the SCSC from considering other factors when relevant.
- d. <u>Mission Specific Goals</u>. The Charter School shall earn points as set forth in the Comprehensive Performance Framework for meeting the following mission specific goals:

Goal I: Increase the percentage of courses completed by Foothills students by 0.5% each year over the course of the next five years.

Goal  $\Pi$ : Increase the four-year cohort graduation rate of Foothills students by 0.5% annually over the course of the next five years.

Goal III: Maintain an 80% or higher agree/strongly agree level to each indicator within one or more category within either the student, parent or staff climate survey.

Except as amended herein, all other terms and conditions of the Charter Contact shall remain in full force and effect.

WITNESS the hands and seals of the undersigned as of the date set forth next to each signature. This Amendment shall be effective as of the date of the last signature below.

Chairperson, (Date)

STATE CHARTER SCHOOLS COMMISSION

Governing Board Chairperson, (Date)

FOOTHILLS EDUCATION CENTER, INC