RESOLUTION NO. 22-02

ADOPTING THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COVID-19 TESTING FRAMEWORK FOR K–12 SCHOOLS FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS, Albert Einstein Academies, serving over 1,425 students in San Diego County, has partnered with its stakeholders to keep students safe and healthy by following the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) guidance for COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the CDPH Testing Framework for K-12 Schools for the 2022-23 School Year was updated on November 10, 2022, providing additional guidance for school COVID-19 testing programs;

WHEREAS, according to Senate Bill 1479, the California Department of Public Health must coordinate local educational agency COVID-19 testing programs that are currently federally funded or organized under the California COVID-19 Testing Task Force;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1479 requires local educational agencies, after consulting with local health department, to create a COVID-19 testing plan, or adopt the State Department of Public Health’s framework;

WHEREAS, Albert Einstein Academies consults with the San Diego County Health & Human Services Agency (local health department), attends the agency’s monthly K-12 Education Sector Telebriefings, and receives its email updates to stay informed of the most current information and best practices;

WHEREAS, Albert Einstein Academies follows the Cal/OSHA COVID-19 Prevention Emergency Temporary Standards for employees;

WHEREAS, Albert Einstein Academies hosts its own COVID-19 testing program, in addition to providing families with at-home tests when needed;
WHEREAS, pursuant to California Senate Bill 1479 and best practices, Albert Einstein Academies wishes to provide a COVID-19 Testing Program framework for staff, students, and families;

WHEREAS, whether staff, students and families plan to utilize home COVID-19 tests or a medical facility/private vendor to be tested, Albert Einstein Academies supports our stakeholders’ need or desire to test to keep the community safe.

WHEREAS, Albert Einstein Academies wishes to provide programs and services to students to mitigate the spread of the virus and enable students to stay in school;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Albert Einstein Academies adheres to and adopts the *CDPH Testing Framework for K-12 Schools for the 2022-23 School Year to support safe in-person learning, as disease management is an essential priority to maintain student well-being and development.

*The Testing Framework For K-12 Schools for the 2022-23 School Year addresses recommended practices for school districts, schools and county officer of education, which include:

- Identifying a COVID Testing Point of Contact to facilitate communication and coordination with the CA Testing Task Force;
- Reviewing current testing recommendations provided by CDPH;
- Maintaining situation awareness of the testing resources and programs offered by the CA Testing Task Force and monitoring availability of pre-positioned testing resources housed with a County Office of Education or Local Health Jurisdiction for rapid distribution to schools;
- Monitoring the CDC’s COVID Community Data Tracker as a method of identifying when to increase or reestablish school testing operations; and
- Communicating any questions, concerns or additional testing resources/needs to the CA Testing Task Force.

It also provides considerations for COVID-19 testing for K-12 Schools including:

- Direct ordering of over-the-counter (OTC) tests.
- Utilizing educational materials to facilitate proper OTC test use.
- Additional test distribution resources after students and staff return from prolonged school breaks.
- Utilizing antigen tests as the primary option for detecting COVID-19 in schools.
- Guidance on when PCR or other molecular testing is recommended for schools.
ADOPTED, PASSED AND APPROVED on December 13, 2022, at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees duly called and held, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout, by the following vote:

AYES: 4
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

By: ________________________________
Maria Ortega, President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

By: __________________________________
Kristin Rebien, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

SECRETARY’S CERTIFICATE

I, Kristin Rebien, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Albert Einstein Academies, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, County of San Diego, California, hereby certify as follows:

The attached is a full, true, and correct copy of resolutions duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Albert Einstein Academies, which was duly and properly held on the 13th day of December, 2022, at which meeting all of the members of the Board of Trustees had due notice and at which a quorum thereof was present; and at such meeting such resolutions were adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 4
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 1

I have carefully compared the same with the original minutes of such meeting on file and of record in my office; the attached is a full, true, and correct copy of the original resolutions adopted at such meeting and entered in such minutes; and such resolutions have not been amended, modified, or rescinded since the date of their adoption, and the same are now in full force and effect.

WITNESS my hand this 13th day of December, 2022.

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Kristin Rebien

Kristin Rebien, Secretary to the Board of Trustees
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