



Notice of Material Change to the Vendor Contract

Pursuant to the terms of your awarded vendor contract, all vendors must notify Region 4 Education Service Center ("Region 4") when any material change in operations, that may adversely affect members, (i.e. assignment, bankruptcy, change of ownership, merger, etc.) is made. No material change may be made to the contract without the prior written approval of Region 4. Region 4 reserves the right to accept or reject any new party.

School Specialty, LLC (vendor company name) hereby provides notice of the following material change to contract number: R191815, R190503 on this date June 11, 2021.
R201105

Instructions: (Vendors must check all that may apply and provide supporting documentation. Place your initials next to each item to confirm that documents are, indeed, included. Be sure to sign the signature page with all require signatures, prior to submitting your notice to Region 4 for approval).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Change in ownership (<i>sale/purchase</i>) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Indicate if you are assigning to your own subsidiary | <input type="checkbox"/> Asset Purchase Agreement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assumption Agreement | <input type="checkbox"/> Other supporting documentation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other supporting documentation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy | <input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Official legal Notice of Bankruptcy Proceedings | <input type="checkbox"/> Asset Purchase Agreement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other supporting documentation | <input type="checkbox"/> Other supporting documentation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Merger | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Share Exchange Agreement | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting documentation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Merger and Acquisition Agreement | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asset Purchase Agreement | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other supporting documentation | |

Notes: Vendor may include any other notes regarding the material change here: (attach another page if necessary).

Upon approval of this notice, the awarded contract holder and/or subsequent assignee agree to and understand the following principles:

- i. **Contract holder reference.** If the contract holder undergoes a merger, acquisition, or partial assignment, in which case they still maintain the contract, then all transactions made under the existing contract number (including purchase orders) must reference the name of the awarded contract holder. The exception to this requirement is if the contract holder no longer holds the contract or if the company has been acquired by another company and undergone a name change. Notice of the authorized name change, to the existing contract, must be provided and approved by Region 4.



In instances where the contract holder has acquired a separate and distinct company, and it is necessary to designate those certain purchases facilitated by the non-contract holder, then this designation may be made if, and only if, the contract holder is also referenced on the transaction.

ii. **Maintenance of records.** Both the awarded contract holder and subsequent assignee agree to remain responsible for maintaining all auditable records, including documents kept in the ordinary course of business and sales invoices, related to National IPA and/or contract number pursuant to the statutory requirements identified in the vendor contract.

iii. **Payments.** Both the awarded contract holder and subsequent assignee agree that all payments made by participating entities must be made directly to the contract holder, unless otherwise approved by Region 4. Accordingly, both parties acknowledge that in instances where it is necessary to designate the purchases facilitated by assignee, that the contract holder must also be referenced on the purchase order.

iv. **Handling of Proprietary and/or Confidential Information.** In accord with the terms of the contract, both awarded vendor and assignee agree that at all times it will hold in strict confidence and not disclose to any third party Confidential and/or Proprietary information of Region 4, except as approved in writing by Region 4, and will use the Confidential Information for no purpose other than providing services under contract number ^{R191815, R190503} R201105. Both awarded vendor and assignee shall only permit access to Confidential Information to those of its employees or authorized representatives having a need to know and who have signed confidentiality agreements or are otherwise bound by confidentiality obligations at least as restrictive as those contained herein.


This document is to be construed in strict accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in the Region 4/vendor master agreement referenced herein. Both awarded vendor and assignee agree to uphold the vendor obligations set forth in the vendor agreement. This Agreement will become effective when signed by all parties.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED AS OF THE DATE FIRST SET FORTH ABOVE:

Company name of awarded vendor
School Specialty, Inc.

Official name of assigned or added company
School Specialty, LLC

BY: 

BY: 

NAME: Bradley E. Scher

NAME: Amy Fuss

TITLE: Liquidator

TITLE: Assistant Secretary

Region 4 Education Service Center

BY: 

NAME: Robert Zingelmann

TITLE: CFO

DATE: 6/23/2021 | 9:49 AM CDT



W6316 Design Drive
Greenville, WI 54942
P.O. Box 1017
Appleton, WI 54912-1017

Dear School Specialty Supplier

Re: Legal Entity Change

We are writing to inform you that the business, assets and operations of School Specialty Inc, have been acquired by an entity formed by TCW Asset Management Company, LLC, Cerberus Capital Management, and Lantern Capital Partners. The transaction was completed on September 15, 2020.

The transaction has not had an impact on day-to-day operations, due to the structure of the transaction, our company now operates as a new legal entity. ***As such, we have transitioned from School Specialty, Inc. (FEIN# 39-0971239) to SSI Parent LLC DBA School Specialty, LLC. (FEIN# 85-2150354).*** All School Specialty proprietary brands are included in the ownership change.

Enclosed is the following document to start this transition:

- Updated W9

All aspects of the **School Specialty** accounts payable department have remained the same. You will continue to invoice us at the same address you use today via the same delivery method you are currently using whether that be EDI, e-mail, fax or mail.

Please update your records to reflect the change in FEIN. If you require additional documentation and have questions, please email your request to: accountspayable@schoolspecialty.com and we will respond to your request as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to our request.

Sincerely,

School Specialty LLC
Accounts Payable Department



Abilitations

CAUTION

CHLDC

CLASSROOM
SELECT

Coach

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SCIENCE

Delta Education

eTS

ROLLS

REY

by design

Sax

SCHOOL
SMART

SALTS

SPORTS

Safe School

Summit Learning

WORDLY WISE

Form **W-9**
(Rev. October 2018)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.
SSI Parent LLC

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above
School Specialty, LLC

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.

☐ Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC

☐ C Corporation

☐ S Corporation

☒ Partnership

☐ Trust/estate

☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ► _____

Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.

☐ Other (see instructions) ► _____

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):

Exempt payee code (if any) _____

Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____

(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.
W6316 Design Drive

6 City, state, and ZIP code
Greenville, WI 54942

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

Requester's name and address (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number

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or

Employer identification number

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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here Signature of U.S. person ► *K. C. Baul* Date ► *12/14/20*

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
 - Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
 - Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
 - Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
 - Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
 - Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
 - Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
 - Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)
- Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding*, later.