

**South Carolina Education Oversight Committee (EOC)
Annual Standards Assurance Form**

H.4077 (R.247) as Signed by the Governor on May 18, 2018

2018-19

Document A – Application for Continued Participation in ECENC Program

Please complete the information requested below concerning your independent school. This information will be listed on the South Carolina Education Oversight Committee's website, www.eoc.sc.gov.

Independent School Name:	Walnut Grove Christian School
Independent School Contact Person:	Laura Summer
Independent School Address:	1036 Maxwell Mill Road
City, State, Zip Code:	Fort Mill, SC 29708
Independent School Telephone Number:	(803) - 835-2000
Independent School Fax Number:	(803) - 620-1553
Independent School E-mail Address:	summer@wgcswarriors.com
Independent School Website Address:	wgcswarriors.com

Please review the standards below based on H.4077 (R.247) as signed by the Governor on May 18, 2018. An “eligible school” is defined as “an independent school including those religious in nature, other than a public school, at which the compulsory attendance requirements of Section 59-65-10 may be met,” and does not discriminate based on the grounds of race, color, or national origin. Please indicate whether your school has met each standard to ensure the following academic requirements are being met. The S.C. Education Oversight Committee reserves the right to **request additional documentation** to show the school is in compliance with state law.

STANDARDS	YES	NO
1. Offers a general education to primary or secondary school students.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national origin.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is located in this state.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Has an educational curriculum that includes courses set forth in the state’s diploma requirements, graduation certificate requirements (for special needs children), and where the students attending are administered national achievement or state standardized tests, or both, at progressive grade levels to determine student progress. Please	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Has school facilities that are subject to applicable federal, state, and local laws.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is a member in good standing of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools, the South Carolina Independent Schools Association, or the Palmetto Association of Independent Schools.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Provides a specially designed program or learning resource center to provide needed accommodations based on the needs of exceptional needs students or provides onsite educational services or supports to meet the needs of exceptional needs students, or is a school specifically existing to meet the needs of only exceptional needs students with documented disabilities. Please provide a summary of the services provided based on exceptional needs of students served.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Did this school receive any grants last fiscal year (July 1, 2017 until June 30, 2018) from Exceptional SC from the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children Fund? Please complete Document B.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. By December 31, 2018, will your school submit school-level test score results from the prior school year on national achievement tests and individual student test scores for students who received a grant from Exceptional SC in the prior school year? Please complete Document C.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. By December 31, 2018, will your school provide a “compilation, review, or compliance audit of the organization’s financial statements as relating to the grants received, conducted by a certified public accounting firm”? Please complete Document D.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I assure that all documents submitted to the SC Education Oversight Committee for the purpose of applying as an eligible school, as defined by state law, is true, accurate, and complete under penalty of perjury in accordance with Section 16-9-10 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

Signature: _____ *Kyle Boyd*

Date: _____ 07/05/2018

Print Name of Signature Above: _____ Kyle Boyd

Title: _____ Headmaster

Email: _____ kboyd@wgcswarriors.com

Return this form to Melanie Barton

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Columbia, SC 29201



Statement of Services for Special Needs Students

Walnut Grove Christian School is a traditional independent school that was founded in 2001 on the principle of delivering education in a small, Christian learning environment. The average class size is 10 or less students with no more than 13 in each class K-8th and 15 per class in High School. We are committed to a low student to teacher ratio in order to maximize individualized instruction for ALL students.

Walnut Grove Christian School offers individual services and accommodation plans for those students who have been diagnosed with a special need. We accept recommendations and existing Individualized Education Plans from school psychologists for students who have a specific diagnosis and, along with the parents, will prepare an individualized plan for accommodations for each student. If a student presents difficulties or areas of concern while enrolled, we work with the parents to identify specific learning disabilities through proper evaluation. We provide referrals to private school psychologists as well as working with our local school district to identify these learning disabilities. We develop accommodation plans and also write 504 Plans for our students. Our IEP team usually consists of the headmaster, the classroom teacher(s), the parents, and the evaluating school psychologist.

The accommodations available at Walnut Grove Christian School include (but are not limited to):

- Abbreviated in-class assignments and homework
- Alternate test formats
- Alternate test setting
- Audio Books
- Individual Education Plans for specific needs
- In-house administration of SAT/ACT if approved for accommodations
- Limits Class Size which leads to small group instruction
- Many forms of individual tutoring, whether pulled out during the school day of before or after school.
- Modifies instruction and assessments to meet the individual needs of students (Study Guides, Large Print Assessments, and Oral Testing)
- Preferential Seating
- Unlimited time on all educational assessments

**Document B
Grants Received**

**Application for Continued Participation
Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children (ECENC) Program
2018-2019**

Independent School Name: Walnut Grove Christian School

An independent school continuing to participate in the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children for Fiscal Year 2018-19 is required to submit the following information:

Total number of grants and total amount of grants received in the preceding fiscal year, from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Please complete the following chart. If no grants for any qualifying student were received from Exceptional SC in Fiscal Year 2017-18, please indicate with "0" grants received and "\$0" in total amount of grants received.

Total Number of Grants Received	Total Amount of Grants Received
4	\$ 13,125.00

Total number of grants is the number of individual children/students who received a grant even if the school received more than one grant for a specific child/student. The total amount of grants per child/student should not have exceeded \$11,000.

Document C
Student Assessment Data

Application for Continued Participation
Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children (ECENC) Program
2018-2019

Independent School Name: Walnut Grove Christian School

An independent school applying for continued participation in the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children Program for Fiscal Year 2018-19 is required to submit the following information **by December 31, 2018**:

Student test scores, by category, on national achievement or state standardized tests, or both, for all grades tested and administered by the school receiving or entitled to receive scholarship grants pursuant to this section in the previous school year. The school shall also provide individual student test scores on national achievement or state standardized tests, or both, for any student in grades one through twelve who received a grant from the program during the prior school year. The information must be used to provide program level reports to determine whether students participating in the program have experienced measurable improvement. Students with disabilities for whom standardized testing is not appropriate are exempt from this requirement.

Section 12-6-3790(E)(1)(b)

The information will be used to issue an annual report.

Annually, the Education Oversight Committee shall issue a report to the General Assembly documenting the impact of the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children Program on student achievement. In addition, the report must include information on individual schools if at least fifty-one percent of the total enrolled students in the private school participated in the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children Program in the prior school year. The report must be according to each participating private school, and for participating students, in which there are at least thirty participating students who have scores for tests administered. If the Education Oversight Committee determines that the thirty participating-student cell size may be reduced without disclosing personally identifiable information of a participating student, the Education Oversight Committee may reduce the participating-student cell size, but the cell size may not be reduced to less than ten participating students.

Section 12-6-3790(E)(6)

Schools applying for continued participation in the ECENC Program must provide the following:

- 1. School-level assessment results** for school year 2017-18 on national achievement tests for all grades tested in the school and for each grade with at least 10 students tested. Information should be provided for English language arts (reading) and mathematics achievement of students in the grade. Examples include: *TerraNova*, *Stanford 10*, *Iowa Test of Basic Skills*, etc. For grades 9-12, the school may provide average PSAT, SAT, ACT, or other scores as appropriate.

For schools that specifically exist to meet the needs of only exceptional needs students with documented disabilities, the EOC will work with the schools to provide information (including formative assessments, portfolios, etc.) that document the students' academic and social development.

How many students were enrolled in your school in 2017-18? 90

The following is a **template** that you may use for reporting purposes. For questions, contact the EOC office.

**2017-18 School Year Results for (NAME OF ASSESSMENT)
National Percentiles, Mean (Average) Scale Scores, Grade Equivalents, etc.**

Grade	English language arts (Reading)	Mathematics
1	see attached	
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		

- 2. Individual student test scores** on national achievement tests for any child who received a grant from the program during the 2017-18 school year. No personally identifiable information will be published; instead, the information will be aggregated at the school or state level as stipulated in law.

Each school will have access to a secure data portal to upload individual student assessment results, which will include personally identifiable information. The portal will capture, at a minimum, the following information:

- Name of the student who received a grant from Exceptional SC in the prior school year along with data including date of birth, sex, grade level, etc. to ensure that the assessment results can be matched to the individual student who received a grant;
- For each student who received a grant, the results of a national assessment or assessments in 2017-18 and if possible, in 2016-17 as well to document academic growth. The name of the assessment as well as scale scores for students or national percentile ranks must be included; and
- If a student received a grant but due to the student's exceptional needs was not able to be assessed with a national assessment, the school must provide an explanation by student of the reason why a national assessment was not administered and how the school is measuring academic and personal growth for each student not assessed.

Please identify one staff person from your school who will provide the individual student test scores from this school:

Name:	<u>Kyle Boyd</u>
Title:	<u>Headmaster</u>
Telephone Number:	<u>803-835-2000</u>
Email Address:	<u>KBoyd@wgcswarriors.com</u>



IOWA Test of Basic Skills - Results for Walnut Grove Christian School 2017 - 2018

Grade:	Average Standard Score		Grade Equivalent Score	
	ELA	Math	ELA	Math
1	160.0	153.7	2.3	2.0
2	179.6	175.6	3.4	3.3
3	186.0	190.7	3.9	4.2
4	224.3	217.4	6.6	5.5
5	232.3	228.6	7.2	6.8
6	196.4	203.7	4.5	5.6
7	228.1	242.6	6.9	8.2
8	272.6	277.3	11.9	12.3
9	258.3	270.3	9.8	11.2
10	265.8	267.4	10.8	10.7
11	271	270.9	11.6	11.3
12	WGCS does not test 12th grade using the IOWA Test			

Confirmed by: Kyle Boyd, Headmaster

_____ 7/24/2018

Kyle Boyd Date



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August 27, 2018

The S.C. Education Oversight Committee
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Columbia, SC 29201

RE: Compliance Audit for the Walnut Grove Christian School in the 2017-2018 Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children Program

As of the date of this letter, we confirm, for Walnut Grove Christian School ("Independent School") for the fiscal year 2017-2018 (the "Compliance Year"), complied with the following requirements of the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children Program:

- The independent school can document and verify that all grants received under the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Program in the Compliance Year were for eligible children enrolled in the School;
- The independent School can document the total amount of each grant per child from every scholarship funding organization (SFO);
- The independent School can document that no grant exceeded \$11,000 during the Compliance Year; and
- The total amount of each grant was used for tuition which is defined as "the total amount of money charged for the cost of a qualifying student to attend an independent school including, but not limited to, fees for attending the school and school-related transportation."

This letter represents our complete confirmation to you. No additional confirmations are valid from our firm except for the ones contained in writing herein.

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