QUESTAR III PARENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS for DATA PRIVACY and SECURITY

State and Federal laws protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices, including but not limited to, encryption, firewalls and password protection, to be in place when data is stored or transferred. Questar III has adopted various policies to help ensure that personally identifiable information ("PII") of students and staff is protected, that parents/guardians and eligible students have access to their student records for inspection and review; and processes to identify and correct possible breaches of data security.

Questar III Board policies are at https://www.questar.org/about_us/board_policies
Parents are directed to the following particular policies relating to data privacy and security relating to student records and PII. These policies are:

- 3-106 Student Records Policy
- 7-120 Data Classification and Management Policy
- 7-211 Information Security, Breach and Notification Policy

Parents/guardians and eligible students have the right to review their student records, including student data maintained by Questar III for the student, in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and Policy 3-106. Inquiries regarding access to student records should be made to the Questar III building principal or program administrator.

A complete list of all student data elements collected by the State is available for public review at the NYS Education Department or by writing to the Chief Privacy Officer at the NYS Education Department.

A student's PII cannot be sold or released by Questar III for any commercial purposes.

Parents have the right to have complaints about possible breaches of student data addressed. Complaints should be directed to:

Questar III District Superintendent

10 Empire State Boulevard Castleton, New York 12033 518-477-8771

This bill of rights is subject to change based upon regulations of the Commissioner of Education and the NYSED Chief Privacy Officer.

Or in writing to:

Chief Privacy Officer, New York State Education Department 89 Washington Avenue Albany, New York 12234

Supplemental Information Regarding Third-Party Contractors

In the course of complying with its obligations under the law and providing educational services, Questar III has entered into agreements with certain third-party contractors. Pursuant to such agreements, third-party contractors may have access to "student data" and/or "teacher or principal data." Such contracts will include information addressing the following:

- The exclusive purposes for which the student data or teacher or principal data will be used:
- 2. How the third party contractor will ensure that the subcontractors, persons or entities that the third party contractor will share the student data or teacher or principal data with, if any, will abide by data protection and security requirements;
- 3. When the agreement expires and what happens to the student data or teacher or principal data upon expiration of the agreement;
- 4. If and how a parent, student, eligible student, teacher or principal may challenge the accuracy of the student data or teacher or principal data that is collected; and
- 5. Where the student data or teacher or principal data will be stored (described in such a manner as to protect data security), and the security protections taken to ensure such data will be protected, including whether such data will be encrypted.

Third Party Contractors are required to:

- 1. Provide training on federal and state law governing confidentiality to any officers, employees, or assignees who have access to student data or teacher or principal data;
- 2. Limit internal access to education records to those individuals who have a legitimate educational interest in such records;
- 3. Not use educational records for any other purpose than those explicitly authorized in the contract:
- 4. Not disclose personally identifiable information to any other party (i) without the prior written consent of the parent or eligible student; or (ii) unless required by statute or court order and the third-party contractor provides a notice of the disclosure to the New York State Education Department, board of education, or institution that provided the information no later than the time the information is disclosed, unless providing notice of the disclosure is expressly prohibited by the statute or court order.
- 5. Maintain reasonable administrative, technical and physical safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of personally identifiable student information in its custody:
- 6. Use encryption technology to protect data while in motion or in its custody from unauthorized disclosure as specified in Education Law, §2-d;
- 7. Notify Questar III of any breach of security resulting in an unauthorized release of student data or teacher or principal data, in the most expedient way possible and without unreasonable delay:
- 8. Provide a data security and privacy plan outlining how all state, federal and local data security and privacy contract requirements will be implemented over the life of the contract; and

9. Provide a signed copy of this Bill of Rights to Questar III thereby acknowledging that they are aware of and agree to abide by this Bill of Rights.

This Bill of Rights is subject to change based on regulations of the Commissioner of Education and the New York State Education Department's Chief Privacy Officer, as well as emerging guidance documents.

Vendor hereby acknowledges that it is aware of and agrees to abide by the terms of this Bill of Rights. A copy of this signed document must be made a part of Vendor's data security and privacy plan.

Encyclopaedia Britannica, Inc.

Signature: _____

Name: Cyri K. Carifa

Title: Associate General Counsel, CIPP/US

DATA PRIVACY AGREEMENT

QUESTAR III

And

Encyclopaedia Britannica, Inc.

This Data Privacy Agreement ("DPA") is by and between the Rensselaer, Columbia and Greene Counties Board of Cooperative Educational Services, ("QUESTAR III"), an Educational Agency, and Encyclopaedia Britannica, Inc. ("Contractor"), collectively, the "Parties".

ARTICLE I: DEFINITIONS

As used in this DPA, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- 1. Breach: The unauthorized acquisition, access, use, or disclosure of Personally Identifiable Information in a manner not permitted by State and federal laws, rules and regulations, or in a manner which compromises its security or privacy, or by or to a person not authorized to acquire, access, use, or receive it, or a Breach of Contractor's security that leads to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorized disclosure of, or access to Personally Identifiable Information.
- 2. Commercial or Marketing Purpose: means the sale, use or disclosure of Personally Identifiable Information for purposes of receiving remuneration, whether directly or indirectly; the sale, use or disclosure of Personally Identifiable Information for advertising purposes; or the sale, use or disclosure of Personally Identifiable Information to develop, improve or market products or services to students.
- 3. Disclose: To permit access to, or the release, transfer, or other communication of personally identifiable information by any means, including oral, written or electronic, whether intended or unintended.
- **4. Education Record:** An education record as defined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and its implementing regulations, 20 U.S.C. 1232g and 34 C.F.R. Part 99, respectively.
- **5. Educational Agency**: As defined in Education Law 2-d, a school district, board of cooperative educational services, school, charter school, or the New York State Education Department.
- 6. Eligible Student: A student who is eighteen years of age or older.
- 7. Encrypt or Encryption: As defined in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) Security Rule at 45 CFR 164.304, means the use of an algorithmic process to transform Personally Identifiable Information into an unusable, unreadable, or indecipherable form in which there is a low probability of assigning meaning without use of a confidential process or key.

- **8. NIST Cybersecurity Framework**: The U.S. Department of Commerce National Institute for Standards and Technology Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity Version 1.1.
- 9. Parent: A parent, legal guardian or person in parental relation to the Student.
- 10. Personally Identifiable Information (PII): Means personally identifiable information as defined in section 99.3 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations implementing the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C 1232g , and Teacher or Principal APPR Data, as defined below.
- 11. Release: Shall have the same meaning as Disclose.
- 12. School: Any public elementary or secondary school including a charter school, universal pre-kindergarten program authorized pursuant to Education Law § 3602-e, an approved provider of preschool special education, any other publicly funded pre-kindergarten program, a school serving children in a special act school district as defined in Education Law § 4001, an approved private school for the education of students with disabilities, a State-supported school subject to the provisions of Article 85 of the Education Law, or a State-operated school subject to the provisions of Articles 87 or 88 of the Education Law.
- 13. Student: Any person attending or seeking to enroll in an Educational Agency.
- **14. Student Data:** Personally identifiable information as defined in section 99.3 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations implementing the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C 1232g.
- **15. Subcontractor:** Contractor's non-employee agents, consultants and/or subcontractors engaged in the provision of services pursuant to the Service Agreement.
- 16. Teacher or Principal APPR Data: Personally Identifiable Information from the records of an Educational Agency relating to the annual professional performance reviews of classroom teachers or principals that is confidential and not subject to release under the provisions of Education Law §§ 3012-c and 3012-d.

ARTICLE II: PRIVACY AND SECURITY OF PII

Compliance with Law.

In order for Contractor to provide certain services ("Services") to QUESTAR III pursuant to a contract dated July 1, 2020 ("Service Agreement"); Contractor may receive PII regulated by several New York and federal laws and regulations, among them, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA") at 12 U.S.C. 1232g (34 CFR Part 99); Children's Online Privacy Protection Act ("COPPA") at 15 U.S.C. 6501-6502 (16 CFR Part 312); Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment ("PPRA") at 20 U.S.C. 1232h (34 CFR Part 98); the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA") at 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq. (34 CFR Part 300); New York Education Law Section 2-d; and the Commissioner of Education's Regulations at 8 NYCRR Part 121. The Parties enter this DPA to address the requirements of New

York law. Contractor agrees to maintain the confidentiality and security of PII in accordance with applicable New York, federal and local laws, rules and regulations.

Authorized Use.

Contractor has no property or licensing rights or claims of ownership to PII, and Contractor must not use PII for any purpose other than to provide the Services set forth in the Service Agreement.

Neither the Services provided nor the manner in which such Services are provided shall violate New York law.

• Data Security and Privacy Plan.

Contractor shall adopt and maintain administrative, technical and physical safeguards, measures and controls to manage privacy and security risks and protect PII in a manner that complies with New York State, federal and local laws and regulations and QUESTAR III's policies. Education Law Section 2-d requires that Contractor provide QUESTAR III with a Data Privacy and Security Plan that outlines such safeguards, measures and controls including how the Contractor will implement all applicable state, federal and local data security and privacy requirements. Contractor's Data Security and Privacy Plan is attached to this DPA as Exhibit C.

QUESTAR III's Data Security and Privacy Policy

State law and regulation requires QUESTAR III to adopt a data security and privacy policy that complies with Part 121 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and aligns with the NIST Cyber Security Framework. Contractor shall comply with QUESTAR III's data security and privacy policy and other applicable policies.

Right of Review and Audit.

Upon request by QUESTAR III, Contractor shall provide QUESTAR III with copies of its policies and related procedures that pertain to the protection of PII. It may be made available in a form that does not violate Contractor's own information security policies, confidentiality obligations, and applicable laws. In addition, Contractor may be required to undergo an audit of its privacy and security safeguards, measures and controls as it pertains to alignment with the requirements of New York State laws and regulations, QUESTAR III's policies applicable to Contractor, and alignment with the NIST Cybersecurity Framework performed by an independent third party at Contractor's expense, and provide the audit report to QUESTAR III. Contractor may provide QUESTAR III with a recent industry standard independent audit report on Contractor's privacy and security practices as an alternative to undergoing an audit.

Contractor's Employees and Subcontractors.

- (a) Contractor shall only disclose PII to Contractor's employees and subcontractors who need to know the PII in order to provide the Services and the disclosure of PII shall be limited to the extent necessary to provide such Services. Contractor shall ensure that all such employees and subcontractors comply with the terms of this DPA.
- (b) Contractor must ensure that each subcontractor performing functions pursuant to the Service Agreement where the subcontractor will receive or have access to PII is contractually bound by a written agreement that includes confidentiality and data security obligations equivalent to, consistent with, and no less protective than, those found in this DPA.
- (c) Contractor shall examine the data security and privacy measures of its subcontractors prior to utilizing the subcontractor. If at any point a subcontractor fails to materially comply with the requirements of this DPA, Contractor shall: notify QUESTAR III and remove such subcontractor's access to PII; and, as applicable, retrieve all PII received or stored by such subcontractor and/or ensure that PII has been securely deleted and destroyed in accordance with this DPA. In the event there is an incident in which the subcontractor compromises PII, Contractor shall follow the Data Breach reporting requirements set forth herein.
- (d) Contractor shall take full responsibility for the acts and omissions of its employees and subcontractors.
- (e) Contractor must not disclose PII to any other party unless such disclosure is required by statute, court order or subpoena, and the Contractor makes a reasonable effort to notify QUESTAR III of the court order or subpoena in advance of compliance but in any case, provides notice to QUESTAR III no later than the time the PII is disclosed, unless such disclosure to QUESTAR III is expressly prohibited by the statute, court order or subpoena.

Training.

Contactor shall ensure that all its employees and Subcontractors who have access to PII have received or will receive training on the federal and state laws governing confidentiality of such data prior to receiving access.

Termination

The obligations of this DPA shall continue and shall not terminate for as long as the Contractor or its sub-contractors retain PII or retain access to PII.

Data Return and Destruction of Data.

(a) Protecting PII from unauthorized access and disclosure is of the utmost importance to QUESTAR III, and Contractor agrees that it is prohibited from retaining PII or

continued access to PII or any copy, summary or extract of PII, on any storage medium (including, without limitation, in secure data centers and/or cloud-based facilities) whatsoever beyond the period of providing Services to QUESTAR III, unless such retention is either expressly authorized for a prescribed period by the Service Agreement or other written agreement between the Parties, or expressly requested by QUESTAR III for purposes of facilitating the transfer of PII to QUESTAR III or expressly required by law. As applicable, upon expiration or termination of the Service Agreement, Contractor shall transfer PII, in a format agreed to by the Parties to QUESTAR III.

- (b) If applicable, once the transfer of PII has been accomplished in accordance with QUESTAR III's written election to do so, Contractor agrees to return or destroy all PII when the purpose that necessitated its receipt by Contractor has been completed. Thereafter, with regard to all PII (including without limitation, all hard copies, archived copies, electronic versions, electronic imaging of hard copies) as well as any and all PII maintained on behalf of Contractor in a secure data center and/or cloud-based facilities that remain in the possession of Contractor or its Subcontractors, Contractor shall ensure that PII is securely deleted and/or destroyed in a manner that does not allow it to be retrieved or retrievable, read or reconstructed. Hard copy media must be shredded or destroyed such that PII cannot be read or otherwise reconstructed, and electronic media must be cleared, purged, or destroyed such that the PII cannot be retrieved. Only the destruction of paper PII, and not redaction, will satisfy the requirements for data destruction. Redaction is specifically excluded as a means of data destruction.
- (c) Contractor shall provide QUESTAR III with a written certification of the secure deletion and/or destruction of PII held by the Contractor or Subcontractors.
- (d) To the extent that Contractor and/or its subcontractors continue to be in possession of any de-identified data (i.e., data that has had all direct and indirect identifiers removed), they agree not to attempt to re-identify de-identified data and not to transfer de-identified data to any party.

Commercial or Marketing Use Prohibition.

Contractor agrees that it will not sell PII or use or disclose PII for a Commercial or Marketing Purpose.

Encryption.

Contractor shall use industry standard security measures including encryption protocols that comply with New York law and regulations to preserve and protect PII. Contractor must encrypt PII at rest and in transit in accordance with applicable New York laws and regulations.

Breach.

- (a) Contractor shall promptly notify QUESTAR III of any Breach of PII without unreasonable delay no later than seven (7) business days after discovery of the Breach. Notifications required pursuant to this section must be in writing, given by personal delivery, e-mail transmission (if contact information is provided for the specific mode of delivery), or by registered or certified, and must to the extent available, include a description of the Breach which includes the date of the incident and the date of discovery; the types of PII affected and the number of records affected; a description of Contractor's investigation; and the contact information for representatives who can assist QUESTAR III. Notifications required by this section must be sent to QUESTAR III's District Superintendent or other head administrator with a copy to the Data Protection Office. Violations of the requirement to notify QUESTAR III shall be subject to a civil penalty pursuant to Education Law Section 2-d. The Breach of certain PII protected by Education Law Section 2-d may subject the Contractor to additional penalties.
- (b) Notifications required under this paragraph must be provided to QUESTAR III at the following address:

Rafael A, Olazagasti III

School Attorney

Questar III

16 Empire State BLVD

Castleton NY 12033

Rafael.olazagasti@questar.org

Cooperation with Investigations.

Contractor agrees that it will cooperate with QUESTAR III and law enforcement, where necessary, in any investigations into a Breach. Any costs incidental to the required cooperation or participation of the Contractor or its' Authorized Users, as related to such investigations, will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor if such Breach is attributable to Contractor or its Subcontractors.

Notification to Individuals.

Where a Breach of PH occurs that is attributable to Contractor, Contractor shall pay for or promptly reimburse QUESTAR III for the full cost of QUESTAR III's notification to Parents,

Eligible Students, teachers, and/or principals, in accordance with Education Law Section 2-d and 8 NYCRR Part 121.

Termination.

The confidentiality and data security obligations of the Contractor under this DPA shall survive any termination of this DPA but shall terminate upon Contractor's certifying that it has destroyed all PII.

ARTICLE III: PARENT AND ELIGIBLE STUDENT PROVISIONS

1. Parent and Eligible Student Access.

Education Law Section 2-d and FERPA provide Parents and Eligible Students the right to inspect and review their child's or the Eligible Student's Student Data stored or maintained by QUESTAR III. To the extent Student Data is held by Contractor pursuant to the Service Agreement, Contractor shall respond within thirty (30) calendar days to QUESTAR III's requests for access to Student Data so QUESTAR III can facilitate such review by a Parent or Eligible Student, and facilitate corrections, as necessary. If a Parent or Eligible Student contacts Contractor directly to review any of the Student Data held by Contractor pursuant to the Service Agreement, Contractor shall promptly notify QUESTAR III and refer the Parent or Eligible Student to QUESTAR III.

2. Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security.

As required by Education Law Section 2-d, the Parents Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security and the supplemental information for the Service Agreement are included as Exhibit A and Exhibit B, respectively, and incorporated into this DPA. Contractor shall complete and sign Exhibit B and append it to this DPA. Pursuant to Education Law Section 2-d, QUESTAR III is required to post the completed Exhibit B on its website.

ARTICLE IV: MISCELLANEOUS

Priority of Agreements and Precedence.

In the event of a conflict between and among the terms and conditions of this DPA, including all Exhibits attached hereto and incorporated herein and the Service Agreement, the terms and conditions of this DPA shall govern and prevail, shall survive the termination of the Service Agreement in the manner set forth herein, and shall supersede all prior communications, representations, or agreements, oral or written, by the Parties relating thereto.

2. Execution.

This DPA may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which shall be considered one and the same document, as if all parties had executed a single original document, and may be executed utilizing an electronic signature and/ or electronic transmittal, and each signature thereto shall be and constitute an original signature, as if all parties had executed a single original document.

EDUCATIONAL AGENCY	CONTRACTOR
BY: [Signature]	BY: [Signature] Cyri Carifa
[Printed Name]	Cyri K. Carifa E975601A0B944E7
[Title]	Associate General Counsel, CIPP/US
Date:	Date: 11/5/2020

EXHIBIT A - Education Law §2-d Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security

Parents (including legal guardians or persons in parental relationships) and Eligible Students (students 18 years and older) can expect the following:

- 1. A student's personally identifiable information (PII) cannot be sold or released for any Commercial or Marketing purpose. PII, as defined by Education Law § 2-d and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA"), includes direct identifiers such as a student's name or identification number, parent's name, or address; and indirect identifiers such as a student's date of birth, which when linked to or combined with other information can be used to distinguish or trace a student's identity. Please see FERPA's regulations at 34 CFR 99.3 for a more complete definition.
- 2. The right to inspect and review the complete contents of the student's education record stored or maintained by an educational agency. This right may not apply to Parents of an Eligible Student.
- 3. State and federal laws such as Education Law § 2-d; the Commissioner of Education's Regulations at 8 NYCRR Part 121, FERPA at 12 U.S.C. 1232g (34 CFR Part 99); Children's Online Privacy Protection Act ("COPPA") at 15 U.S.C. 6501-6502 (16 CFR Part 312); Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment ("PPRA") at 20 U.S.C. 1232h (34 CFR Part 98); and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA") at 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq. (34 CFR Part 300); protect the confidentiality of a student's identifiable information.
- **4.** Safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices including, but not limited to, encryption, firewalls and password protection must be in place when student PII is stored or transferred.
- 5. A complete list of all student data elements collected by NYSED is available at www.nysed.gov/data-privacy-security/student-data-inventory and by writing to: Chief Privacy Officer, New York State Education Department, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234.
- 6. The right to have complaints about possible breaches and unauthorized disclosures of PII addressed. (i)
 Complaints should be submitted to QUESTAR III at: Rafael.olazagasti@questar.org; and (ii) Complaints may
 also be submitted to the NYS Education Department at www.nysed.gov/data-privacy-security/report-improper-disclosure, by mail to: Chief Privacy Officer, New York State Education Department, 89 Washington
 Avenue, Albany, NY 12234; by email to privacy@nysed.gov; or by telephone at 518-474-0937.
- 7. To be notified in accordance with applicable laws and regulations if a breach or unauthorized release of PII occurs.
- **8.** Educational agency workers that handle PII will receive training on applicable state and federal laws, policies, and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices that protect PII.
- **9.** Educational agency contracts with vendors that receive PII will address statutory and regulatory data privacy and security requirements.

[Signature]	Docusigned by:
[Printed Name]	Cyri Carifa E975801A0B944E7
[Title]	Associate General Counsel, CIPP/US
Date:	November 3, 2020 11/5/2020

EXHIBIT B

BILL OF RIGHTS FOR DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY -

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR CONTRACTS THAT UTILIZE PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION

Pursuant to Education Law § 2-d and Section 121.3 of the Commissioner's Regulations, the Educational Agency (QUESTAR III) is required to post information to its website about its contracts with third-party contractors that will receive Personally Identifiable Information (PII).

Name of Contractor	Encyclopaedia Britannica, Inc.	
Description of the purpose(s) for which Contractor will receive/access PII	PII will be received/accessed by Contractor for the sole purposes of granting Questar III and its authorized users access to Britannica's ImageQuest service and providing the subscribed-to Britannica Service to Questar III and its authorized users in the manner intended.	
Type of PII that Contractor will receive/access	Check all that apply: (Optionally provided by Institution)	
Contract Term	Contract Start Date08/01/2020 Contract End Date07/31/2021	
Subcontractor Written Agreement Requirement Contractor will not utilize subcontractors without a written contract that requires the subcontractors to adhere to, at a minimum, materially sim data protection obligations imposed on the contractor by state and fed laws and regulations, and the Contract. (check applicable option) □ Contractor will not utilize subcontractors. 区 Contractor will utilize subcontractors.		
Data Transition and Secure Destruction	Upon expiration or termination of the Contract, Contractor shall: • Securely transfer data to QUESTAR III, or a successor contractor at QUESTAR III's option and written discretion, in a format agreed to by the parties. • Securely delete and destroy data.	
Challenges to Data Accuracy	Parents, teachers of principals who seek to challenge the accuracy of the	

Encryption	Contractor only uses HTTPS protocol, encrypting personal data for secure transmission. Data will be encrypted while in motion and at rest.
	Contractor and its approved subcontractors employ physical, administrative, and technical safeguards based on currently available technology and industry best practices to promote the integrity and security of its products, services and personal data. In addition, at the transaction level, data is encrypted in transit. At the database level, data is protected by firewall and username/password and other access control requirements. In addition, Contractor stores personal data in a secure database behind web applications protected by strong firewalls. Contractor does not use any 3rd party API's that deal with personal data.
	Please describe how data security and privacy risks will be mitigated in a manner that does not compromise the security of the data:
	☐ Other:
	☐ Using Contractor owned and hosted solution
	☐ Using a cloud or infrastructure owned and hosted by a third party.
Secure Storage and Data Security	Please describe where PII will be stored and the protections taken to ensure PII will be protected: (check all that apply)

CONTRACTOR - Encyclopaedia Britannic	a, Inc.	THE PERSON NAMED IN
[Signature] (Had)	Cyri Carifa	
[Printed Name]	Cyri K. Carifa 601A0B944E7	
[Title]	Associate General Counsel, CIPP/US	
Date: 12/7/20	November 3, 2020 11/5/2020	}

EXHIBIT C - CONTRACTOR'S DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY PLAN

CONTRACTOR'S DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY PLAN

The Educational Agency (QUESTAR III) is required to ensure that all contracts with a third-party contractor include a Data Security and Privacy Plan, pursuant to Education Law § 2-d and Section 121.6 of the Commissioner's Regulations. For every contract, the Contractor must complete the following or provide a plan that materially addresses its requirements, including alignment with the NIST Cybersecurity Framework, which is the standard for educational agency data privacy and security policies in New York state. While this plan is not required to be posted to QUESTAR III's website, contractors should nevertheless ensure that they do not include information that could compromise the security of their data and data systems.

Outline how you will implement applicable data security and privacy contract requirements over the life of the Contract.

Contractor will limit internal access to PII to those individuals or subcontractors that need access to provide the contracted services;

Contractor will not use PII for any purpose other than those explicitly authorized in this Contract;

Contractor will not disclose any PII to any party who is not an authorized representative of the Contractor using the information to carry out Contractor's obligations under this Contract or to Questar III unless (1) Contractor has the prior written consent of the parent or eligible student to disclose the information to that party, or (ii) the disclosure is required by statute or court order, and notice of the disclosure is provided to Questar III prior to disclosure, unless such notice is expressly prohibited by the statute or court order;

Contractor will only share PII with subcontractors if those subcontractors are contractually bound to observe the same obligations to maintain the privacy and security of PII as are required of Vendor under this Contract and all applicable New York State and federal laws;

Contractor will maintain reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of PII in its custody;

Contractor will use encryption technology to protect data while in motion or in its custody from unauthorized disclosure using a technology or methodology specified by the secretary of the U S. Department of HHS in guidance issued under P.L. 111-5, Section 13402(H)(2); and

Contractor will notify Questar III of any breach of security resulting in an unauthorized release of student data by

		the Contractor or its subcontractor in violation of state or federal law, or of contractual obligations relating to data privacy and security in the most expedient way possible and without unreasonable delay after the discovery of the breach.
2	Specify the administrative, operational and technical safeguards and practices that you have in place to protect PII.	Contractor limits access to PII to only those employees or subcontractors who require access for the limited purpose of providing the subscribed-to services to Questar III; Contractor ensures that any of its officers or employees, and any officers or employees of its approved subcontractor, who have access to PII receive training on the federal and state laws governing confidentiality of such information;
		Contractor and its approved subcontractors employ physical, administrative, and technical safeguards based on currently available technology and industry best practices to promote the integrity and security of its products, services and personal data. In addition, at the transaction level, data is encrypted in transit. At the database level, data is protected by firewall and username/password and other access control requirements. In addition, Contractor stores personal data in a secure database behind web applications protected by strong firewalls. Contractor does not use any 3rd party API's that deal with personal data. Contractor only uses HTTPS protocol, encrypting personal data for secure transmission.
3	Address the training received by your employees and any subcontractors engaged in the provision of services under the Contract on the federal and state laws that govern the confidentiality of PII.	Contractor ensures that any of its officers or employees who have access to PII receive training on federal and state laws governing confidentiality of PII. Contractor conducts vendor assessments to ensure any subcontractor engaged by Contractor trains its employees on the federal and state laws that
4	Outline contracting processes that ensure that your employees and any subcontractors are bound by written agreement to the requirements of the Contract, at a minimum.	govern the confidentiality of PII. Contractor's employees and subcontractors are bound by confidentiality agreements. In addition, Contractor has various IT policies and procedures that employees receive and are required to comply with that include provisions at least as stringent as the requirements of this Contract. In addition, we

		conduct vendor assessments to ensure subcontractor engaged by Contractor can comply with any requirements to which Contractor is subject. Also, if applicable, Contractor enters into data protection agreements and contract clauses, and takes reasonable steps to ensure that a subcontractor's activities will not breach Contractor's contracts, including review of the subcontractor's privacy notices and security policies.
5	Specify how you will manage any data security and privacy incidents that implicate PII and describe any specific plans you have in place to identify breaches and/or unauthorized disclosures, and to meet your obligations to report incidents to QUESTAR III.	Contractor uses an independent, third-party to perform (1) vulnerability assessments across its products and digital environment on a quarterly basis; and (2) penetration testing across its products and digital environment on a daily basis. In addition, Contractor has a Data Breach Notification Policy that describes the steps employees need to take in the event they suspect a breach incident may have occurred (digital and physical assets included), including reporting the same to Contractor's Chief Technology Officer and Data Protection Officer for investigation. In the event of an actual breach of Questar III PII, Contractor will promptly notify QUESTAR III no later than seven (7) business days after discovery of the Breach. Notifications will be in writing, given by personal delivery, e-mail transmission (if contact information is provided for the specific mode of delivery), or by registered or certified, and will include a description of the Breach which includes the date of the incident and the date of discovery; the types of PII affected and the number of records affected; a description of Contractor's investigation; and the contact information for representatives who can assist QUESTAR III.
6	Describe how data will be transitioned to QUESTAR III when no longer needed by you to meet your contractual obligations, if applicable.	Contractor will: • Securely transfer data to QUESTAR III, or a successor contractor at QUESTAR III's option and written discretion, in a format agreed to by the parties. • Securely delete or destroy data.

7	Describe your secure destruction practices and how certification will be provided to QUESTAR III.	Contractor will retain data for the duration of the relationship and as long as necessary to permit Contractor to use it for the legitimate business purposes that Contractor has communicated to Questar III and to comply with applicable laws and regulations. Contractor will render PII unreadable when no longer required to be retained and will delete upon request. Certification will be provided to Questar III by Contractor's Chief Technology Officer and Data Protection Officer.
8	Outline how your data security and privacy program/practices align with QUESTAR III's applicable policies.	Contractor's data security and privacy program and practices align with Questar III's applicable polices through the inclusion of tasks, procedures and requirements that enable Contractor to (1) monitor its products and systems to ensure PII is safeguarded against unauthorized access, modification, disclosure and destruction; (2) detect suspected breaches of PII; and (3) if necessary, notify Questar III of an actual breach of its PII.
9	Outline how your data security and privacy program/practices materially align with the NIST CSF v1.1 using the Framework chart below.	PLEASE USE TEMPLATE BELOW.

EXHIBIT C.1 – NIST CSF TABLE

The table below will aid the review of a Contractor's Data Privacy and Security Plan. Contractors should complete the Contractor Response sections in the table below to describe how their policies and practices align with each category in the Data Privacy and Security Plan template. To complete these 23 sections, a Contractor may: (i) Demonstrate alignment using the National Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) Maturity Scale of 1-7; (ii) Use a narrative to explain alignment (may reference its applicable policies); and/or (iii) Explain why a certain category may not apply to the transaction contemplated. Further informational references for each category can be found on the NIST website at https://www.nist.gov/cyberframework/new-framework. Please use additional pages if needed.

Function	Category	Contractor Response
IDENTIFY (ID)	Asset Management (ID.AM): The data, personnel, devices, systems, and facilities that enable the organization to achieve business purposes are identified and managed consistent with their relative	7

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Function	Category	Contractor Response
	importance to organizational objectives and the organization's risk strategy.	~
	Business Environment (ID.BE): The organization's mission, objectives, stakeholders, and activities are understood and prioritized; this information is used to inform cybersecurity roles, responsibilities, and risk management decisions.	7
	Governance (ID.GV): The policies, procedures, and processes to manage and monitor the organization's regulatory, legal, risk, environmental, and operational requirements are understood and inform the management of cybersecurity risk.	7
	Risk Assessment (ID.RA): The organization understands the cybersecurity risk to organizational operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), organizational assets, and individuals.	7
	Risk Management Strategy (ID.RM): The organization's priorities, constraints, risk tolerances, and assumptions are established and used to support operational risk decisions.	7
	Supply Chain Risk Management (ID.SC): The organization's priorities, constraints, risk tolerances, and assumptions are established and used to support risk decisions associated with managing supply chain risk. The organization has established and implemented the processes to identify, assess and manage supply chain risks.	7
	Identity Management, Authentication and Access Control (PR.AC): Access to physical and logical assets and associated facilities is limited to authorized users, processes, and devices, and is managed consistent with the assessed risk of unauthorized access to authorized activities and transactions.	7
PROTECT (PR)	Awareness and Training (PR.AT): The organization's personnel and partners are provided cybersecurity awareness education and are trained to perform their cybersecurity-related duties and responsibilities consistent with related policies, procedures, and agreements.	7
	Data Security (PR.DS): Information and records (data) are managed consistent with the organization's risk strategy to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information.	7

Function	Category	Contractor Response
	Information Protection Processes and Procedures (PR.IP): Security policies (that address purpose, scope, roles, responsibilities, management commitment, and coordination among organizational entities), processes, and procedures are maintained and used to manage protection of information systems and assets.	7
	Maintenance (PR.MA): Maintenance and repairs of industrial control and information system components are performed consistent with policies and procedures.	7
	Protective Technology (PR.PT): Technical security solutions are managed to ensure the security and resilience of systems and assets, consistent with related policies, procedures, and agreements.	7
	Anomalies and Events (DE.AE): Anomalous activity is detected and the potential impact of events is understood.	7
DETECT (DE)	Security Continuous Monitoring (DE.CM): The information system and assets are monitored to identify cybersecurity events and verify the effectiveness of protective measures.	7
	Detection Processes (DE.DP): Detection processes and procedures are maintained and tested to ensure awareness of anomalous events.	7
	Response Planning (RS.RP): Response processes and procedures are executed and maintained, to ensure response to detected cybersecurity incidents.	7
	Communications (RS.CO): Response activities are coordinated with internal and external stakeholders (e.g. external support from law enforcement agencies).	7
RESPOND (RS)	Analysis (RS.AN): Analysis is conducted to ensure effective response and support recovery activities.	7
	Mitigation (RS.MI): Activities are performed to prevent expansion of an event, mitigate its effects, and resolve the incident.	7
	Improvements (RS.IM): Organizational response activities are improved by incorporating lessons learned from current and previous detection/response activities.	

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RECOVER (RC)	Recovery Planning (RC.RP): Recovery processes and procedures are executed and maintained to ensure restoration of systems or assets affected by cybersecurity incidents.	7
	Improvements (RC.IM): Recovery planning and processes are improved by incorporating lessons learned into future activities.	7
	Communications (RC.CO): Restoration activities are coordinated with internal and external parties (e.g. coordinating centers, Internet Service Providers, owners of attacking systems, victims, other CSIRTs, and vendors).	7

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