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John Huppenthal Superintendent of Public Instruction

DECLARATION OF CURRICULAR & INSTRUCTIONAL ALIGNMENT TO THE ARIZONA ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Pursuant to State Board of Education Policy, all public schools (including charter schools) must submit annually to the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) a Declaration of Curricular and Instructional Alignment to the Arizona Academic Standards, referred to in this document collectively as the "Standards," that include:

- English Language Arts (Arizona's Common Core Standards for English Language Arts, Reading Standard 2003 and Writing Standard 2004).
- Mathematics (Arizona's Common Core Standards for Mathematics and Mathematics Standard 2008).
- Science (Science Standard 2004 and Arizona's Common Core Standards for Literacy in Science and Technical Subjects).
- Social Studies (Social Studies Standard 2005 and Arizona's Common Core Standards for Literacy in Social Studies & History).

The Declaration requires affirmations from the Governing Board, Superintendent, and Principal (or equivalent charter school officials), regarding the alignment of curriculum and the evaluation of instruction to the Standards.

Superintendent/Charter Administrator

In my capacity as Superintendent/Charter Administrator of the Amphitheater Public School District/Charter, I affirm that:

- 1. The Governing Board of the <u>Amphitheater Public</u> School District /Charter affirms that it has adopted a curriculum that is aligned with the Arizona Academic Standards, *including Arizona's Common Core Standards*, and adopted an evaluation system that assesses whether teachers are integrating the Standards into their instructional practices. These policies are in effect for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 2. The District/Charter administration of the ______ School District/Charter is implementing these policies by:
 - a. Establishing a transition and implementation plan for Arizona's Common Core Standards.
 - b. Providing instructional materials aligned to the Standards, including Arizona's Common Core Standards.
 - c. Providing (or arranging for others to provide) opportunities for teachers and principals to receive training related to the Standards, *including Arizona's Common Core Standards*.
 - d. Currently _____% of LEA staff have received training related to Arizona's Common Core Standards.
 - e. Administering the adopted District/Charter's system of teacher evaluation to confirm that teachers are integrating the Standards into their instructional practices as reflected in the adopted Professional Teaching Standards.
 - e. For non-unified school districts: collaborating on a curriculum alignment agreement between all corresponding feeders and receiving districts.

The deadline for submitting the Governing Board Declaration is October 15, 2013. The Declaration may be submitted at anytime prior to the deadline. Please submit by uploading this signed document into the ALEAT Filing Cabinet.

My signature below affirms the foregoing is accurate and complete:

Patrick Nelson Name of Superintendent/Charter, Administrator (print or type) Signature

Superintendent

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