Title III Affirmation of Consultation with Participating Private School Officials (FY16)

District Name:
LEA Code:

**Instructions:** Maintain the original signed copy of this form on file in the district and provide a copy with signatures upon application for Title III funds. Affirmations of consultation should be completed for each private school with which the district has consulted about Title III funds for school year 2015-16. Upload the copy with your district’s FY16 Title III grant application in the district’s Title III folder in Drop Box Central in the ESE Security Portal.

Section 9501(c)(3) of the ESEA requires that consultation between the LEA and private school officials occur **before** the LEA makes any decision (such as ordering materials or hiring staff) that affects the opportunities of private school children, teachers, and other educational personnel to participate in programs requiring their equitable participation. LEAs should consult with private school officials early enough in the decision-making process to allow for participation of private school students and teachers at the beginning of each school year.

Section 9501(c)(1) of ESEA requires that districts consult with appropriate private school officials on such issues as:

- how the eligible private school children’s needs will be identified;
- what services will be offered;
- how, where, and by whom the services will be provided;
- how the services will be assessed and how the results of the assessment will be used to improve those services;
- the size and scope of the equitable services to be provided to the eligible private school children, teachers, and other educational personnel and the amount of funds available for those services; and
- how and when the agency, consortium, or entity will make decisions about the delivery of services, including a thorough consideration and analysis of the views of the private school officials on the provision of contract services through potential third-party providers.

We agree that timely and meaningful consultation occurred before the LEA made any decision that affected the participation of eligible private school children in the Title III program.

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Name of Public School District

Name of Private School

Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education