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## 5.0 Contract for Participation in the Living and Learning School

The signing of this contract with the Daajing Giids Youth Education Society (Living and Learning School) indicates to the Society your understanding of, acceptance of, and agreement to abide by the following terms:

- 1. By participating in the Living and Learning School, you and your child(ren) are accepting responsibility for the running of the School, for the accountability of the School and for your commitment to working with this group.
- 2. You and your child(ren) have reviewed the Parent Handbook, and understand and accept the values, objectives and philosophy of the School.
- 3. The Society will be assured of the commitment of the student(s) to attend the required hours of study at the School in order for the School to get full funding from the provincial government. Your child needs to maintain attendance that is in good standing and must attend a minimum of 135 school days by May 15. If your child misses up to 5 days that are not excused absences you will receive a notice from the principal that you may need to pay a pro-rated fee based on the provincial grant (currently \$80.00) per every day your child is absent if the unexcused absences continue.
  - 4. The success of the School depends on the commitment of parents to participate in the School.

Participation takes the form of teaching, classroom help, committee work, fundraising, field trip organization, transportation, cleaning, etc. Each family must participate throughout the year. The responsibilities for running the School are divided as equally as possible among all parents. The areas needed for participation are discussed with all parents at the beginning of the year and renegotiated every term.

- 5. A non-refundable \$500.00 (per student) registration fee is required upon registration. According to individual circumstances, a payment schedule can be decided at the discretion of the Board.
- 6. Monthly fees of \$175.00 per student will be due on the first day of each month in the form of post-dated cheques or automatic direct transfers. The cheques or direct transfer information must be received by the School by the end of September. There is a penalty of \$10.00 for late fees if the Board has not been contacted prior to the first day of the month. (See section 5.13 Tuition-Commitment Policy for more detailed information.)
  - If you have committed to contributing time rather than paying monthly tuition, as a parent/guardian you are expected to contribute 10 hours a month. The area of assistance will be determined at the beginning of the year and a schedule will be made to keep track of everyone's commitments. If you are unable to fulfil your time commitment due to illness or other personal matters it is your responsibility to contact another parent or board member to take your place and you will be

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expected to make up for that lost time. You may also choose half volunteer time (5hrs) and half tuition (\$87.50)

as part of volunteer time.	7.	Your attendance is required at the Whole School Meetings. Meetings are held once a month and the time and date will be decided by the board. It is at these meetings that the organizing, decision making & division of responsibilities are done. If you are unable to attend a meeting it is your responsibility to get someone representing you (who is known to the School) to attend in your place. They will need to provide you with notes and an update from the meeting. Attendance at WSM is not counted
		as part of volunteer time.

Signature	Date	

<sup>\*\*</sup>By signing you are acknowledging that you have read, understand and agree to abide by these terms.