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SUBJECT: The Leon School Readiness Coalition, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and two (2) copies of the articles of incorporation and a check for \$87.50 to cover the Filing Fee, a Certified Copy and Certificate.

From:

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August 22, 2000

PAMELA B. DAVIS 1170 CAPITAL CIR, NE TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301

SUBJECT: THE LEON SCHOOL READINESS COALITION, INC.

Ref. Number: W00000020602

We have received your document for THE LEON SCHOOL READINESS COALITION, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$87.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6927.

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Tracy Smith Document Specialist

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

THE LEON SCHOOL READINESS COALITION

A Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation

In compliance with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the undersigned, all of whom are residents of the State of Florida and all of whom are of full age, have this day voluntarily associated themselves together for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit and do hereby certify:

ARTICLE I

Name of Corporation

The name of the corporation is The Leon School Readiness Coalition, Inc.

ARTICLE II

Principal Office

The principal office of the organization is located at 1170 Capital Circle, N.E., Tallahassee, FL 32301.

ARTICLE III

Registered Agent and Registered Office

The street address of the registered agent of this corporation in the state of Florida is 1170 Capital Circle, N.E., Tallahassee, FL 32301. The Board of Directors may from time to time move the registered agent office to any other address in Florida. The initial registered agent of this corporation is Kids Incorporated of the Big Bend whose address is 1170 Capital Circle, N.E., Tallahassee, FL 32301.

ARTICLE IV

Purpose

This corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to its members, and is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. The specific purpose for which this corporation is formed is to implement section 411.01, Florida Statutes. Under section 411.01, the purposes for forming this corporation include, but are limited to, the following:

- To prepare children from birth to five years of age, or until the child enters kindergarten, to enter kindergarten ready to learn.
- 2. To create a program to be administered by the Leon School Readiness Coalition, Inc.
- To implement a comprehensive program of readiness services that enhance the
 cognitive, social and physical development of children to achieve the performance
 standards and outcome measures specified by the partnership.
- 4. To accommodate the needs of children for extended-day and extended year services, without comprising the quality of the program, by providing extended-day and extended-year services to meet the needs of parents who work.
- 5. To ensure coordinated staff development and teaching opportunities.
- 6. To provide expanded access to community services and resources for families to help achieve economic self-sufficiency.
- 7. To ensure single point of entry and a unified entry list.
- To serve at least as many children as were served prior to implementation of the Leon School Readiness Coalition, Inc. program, as long as funding or eligible populations do not increase.
- 9. To ensure there is a community plan to address the needs of all eligible children.

ARTICLE V

Powers

This corporation shall have the following powers:

- 1. The corporation shall have the power to do all lawful acts, which are in the opinion of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes and accomplish the objectives of the corporation, and which are consistent with the provisions of the Florida Statutes. The corporation shall have all powers granted to corporations not for profit under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, whether or not specifically enumerated in these Articles of Incorporation or the By-Laws.
- 2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.
- 3. The corporation shall remain a corporation not for profit. No dividends shall be paid by the corporation, and no part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its directors or officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for service rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the exempt purposes set forth in these Articles.

ARTICLE VI

Operating Restrictions

If the corporation is at any time deemed to be a private foundation, it shall be subject to the following rules: The corporation shall distribute its income for each tax year at such time and

of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943 (c0 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943 (c0 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

ARTICLE VII

Manner of Election of Directors

The method of election or appointment of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall be composed of at least 18, but not more than 25, members. The composition of the Board must conform to the provisions of section 411.01 (5)(a), Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE IX

Officers

The officers of this corporation shall be elected or appointed by the Board of Directors to serve for one-year terms. There shall be a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and a Secretary, each of whom shall be a member of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may from time to time elect or appoint additional officers who shall also be members of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X

Duration

The corporation shall exist perpetually, unless dissolved according to law.

ARTICLE XI

Dissolution

Upon dissolution of the corporation, any assets remaining after the satisfaction of all corporate liabilities shall be conveyed to (1) such organization or organizations as shall be selected by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors, provided, however, that such organization or organizations must be recognized as exempt from federal income taxation under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding sections of any prior or future law; or (20 to the federal, state, or local government for exclusive public purpose.

ARTICLE XII

Incorporators

The Incorporators to these Articles of Incorporation are:

Name

Address

Curtis Richardson

533 Tuskegee Street

Tallahassee, FL 32310

Ann Davis

2110-B South Adams Street

Tallahassee, FL 32301

Kimbel Orr

116 South Monroe Street, Suite 200 Tallahassee, FL 32301.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purposes of forming this corporation under the laws of the

State of Florida, the undersigned incorporators of The Leon County School Readiness Coalition,

Inc. have executed these Articles of Incorporation this

lay of august 2

Incorporator

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STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF	
JANET H. HOWARTH MY COMMISSION # CC 804686 EXPIRES: February 21, 2003 Banded Thru Pichard Insurance Agency	Notary Signature: Janet J. Howarth Notary's Printed Name: JANET H. HOWARTH Notary Public Commission: CC 804686
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Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties and I am familiar with and accept the obligation of my position as registered agent.

Signature/Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LEON

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally

appeared Rome & Boast's, who is personally known to me or produced

as identification, and who acknowledged the execution of the foregoing Articles of Incorporation of the Leon School Readiness

Coalition, Inc. to be the duly authorized act and deed of said corporation, for the purpose

therein expressed and who did not take an oath.

Signature

Notary

Notary's Printed

Name:

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My Commission CC888538

Expires November 16, 2003

Notary Public Commission:

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