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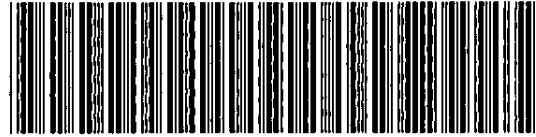
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**SUBJECT:** Florida Education Coalition, Inc.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed are an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

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 \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy & Certificate of Status  
**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

**FROM:** Ryan Banfill  
Name (Printed or typed)  
114 South Duval Street  
Address  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301  
City, State & Zip  
850-222-1996  
Daytime Telephone number  
ryanb@sachsmedia.com  
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

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**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**FLORIDA EDUCATION COALITION, INC.**

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of this Corporation not for profit pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following articles of incorporation and states as follows:

**ARTICLE I**  
**Name and Principal Place of Business**

The name of the corporation is the Florida Education Coalition, Inc. The initial principal place of business and mailing address is: 1355 Kelso Boulevard, Windermere, Florida 34786.

**ARTICLE II**  
**Duration**

The period of the duration of this corporation shall be perpetual unless dissolved in accordance with Florida law. Corporate existence shall commence upon filing with the Secretary of State.

**ARTICLE III**  
**Purposes**

The purposes for which this corporation is created and maintained shall be exclusively for the promotion of social welfare and no activities which are not permitted by an organization exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, shall be permitted.

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The corporation shall have the following specified powers:

- (1) To gather, analyze and disseminate data and information and to educate citizens and elected and appointed officials on matters relating to education;
- (2) To encourage parents, teachers, school administrators, interested citizens and organizations to mobilize for the purpose of promoting education in Florida;
- (3) To serve as a core organization to bring together citizens, governmental entities, public officials and representatives of other organizations which have the common goals stated above;
- (4) To conduct fundraising activities for the production of revenues adequate to carry out the purposes of the corporation through its own activities or by supporting the activities of other individuals or groups which share common goals with the corporation;
- (5) To employ or contract with staff, consultants, attorneys, accountants and other professionals to ensure that all regulatory provisions are abided and the corporation's goals are achieved;
- (6) To disseminate to the public, civic and governmental organizations and other non-profit and business entities information relating to the purposes and activities of the corporation and such other subjects as may from time to time be determined.
- (7) To exercise all powers permitted by Florida law for a corporation not-for-profit;
- (8) To conduct such other related activities permitted to be conducted by an organization exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

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**ARTICLE IV**  
**Restrictions**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, officers, or other private persons; provided, however, the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III, hereof and to pay or reimburse the reasonable expenses of fundraising and carrying out the objectives of the corporation.

**ARTICLE V**  
**Members**

The initial members of the corporation shall be the Officers and Board of Directors of the corporation.

Other classifications of membership may be established by the Board of Directors as provided in the by-laws of the corporation and may consist of separate categories of membership, each with different rights and responsibilities.

**ARTICLE VI**  
**Registered Office**

The street address and city of the registered office of the corporation is:

114 South Duval Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

The name of the initial registered agent at such address is Ryan Banfill.

**ARTICLE VII**  
**Board of Directors**

The number of persons constituting the Board of Directors of the corporation shall not be less than three (3) nor more than ten (10) members as determined in the by-laws. The by-laws shall

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provide the process for the selection of Board members; provided that the incorporator will appoint the initial Board members. There shall be no limit on the number of terms a Board member may serve. Board members shall serve with no compensation; provided, however, the Board may authorize reimbursement of expenses incurred by Board members in conjunction with the corporation's business or other approved activities directly related to the corporation's purposes.

The Officers of the corporation shall serve as *ex officio* Board members with full voting rights. Nothing herein shall be construed to preclude any Board member from serving the corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefore.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**Officers**

The corporation shall have such Officers as may be provided for in the by-laws. The manner of selection of Officers shall also be provided for in the by-laws; provided that the incorporator shall appoint the initial Officers. The corporation shall have at least the following Officers:

1. Chairperson/President
2. Vice-President
3. Secretary/Treasurer

An individual may hold more than one office in the corporation. Duties and terms of office of Officers shall be described in the by-laws.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**Indemnification of Officers and Board Members**

As provided in the by-laws, Officers and Board members shall be indemnified by the corporation against all expenses and liabilities, including attorney's fees, (including any incurred in appellate proceedings), reasonably incurred in connection with any proceeding or settlement thereof in which they may become involved by reason of holding such office. The corporation may purchase

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and maintain insurance on behalf of all Officers and Board members against any such liability asserted against them or incurred by them in their capacity as Officers and Board members or arising out of their status as such.

**ARTICLE X**  
**Non-Stock Basis**

This corporation is organized on a non-stock basis.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**Dissolution**

In the event of dissolution of this corporation, the residual assets of the corporation will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or corresponding sections of any prior or future United States Internal Revenue law or to the federal, state or local government to be used for exclusively public purposes.

**ARTICLE XII**  
**Amendments**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended by majority vote of the Board members as provided in Section 617.1002(1)(b), Florida Statutes, at a meeting called for such purposes.

**ARTICLE XIII**  
**Incorporator**

The names and address of the incorporator of this Corporation are as follows:

Ryan Banfill  
114 South Duval Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned incorporator, pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida does hereby make and file in the office of the Secretary of State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation and further certifies that the facts stated herein are true and correct.

*Ryan Banfill*

Ryan Banfill

**VERIFICATION**

STATE OF FLORIDA )  
COUNTY OF LEON )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013, by Ryan Banfill, who produced satisfactory evidence of identification. (Type of Identification Produced: FLDL B514-722-64-361-0)

WITNESS my hand and seal in the County and State named above on this \_\_\_ day of April, 2013.

*Darlene M. Aldrich*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public: Darlene M. Aldrich  
Printed Name



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**ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT**

Ryan Banfill, the Registered Agent named in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, by the execution of this acceptance, does hereby agree to abide by the provisions of Section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, with respect to the duties of such registered agent and agrees to maintain normal business hours at the following address: 114 South Duval Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.



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Ryan Banfill  
Registered Agent

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