A MEMORANDUM OF SUPPORT
BETWEEN
LEARNING FOR LIFE, INC.
AND THE
SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS

Purpose

This Memorandum of Support (MOS) is entered into by the Learning For Life, Inc. (LFL) and the Society of American Military Engineers (S.A.M.E.) and will serve as a framework within which both organizations may, where mutually beneficial, cooperate in, support or co-sponsor programs, events or activities, communications and other joint efforts and undertakings intended to foster and promote education, awareness and achievement to young adults.

1. The LFL and S.A.M.E. will work with each other within the rules and regulations of the LFL, Inc. and S.A.M.E. to attract young adults to their respective programs and provide exposure to engineering-related careers and education opportunities.

2. LFL’s goal is to grow its membership, volunteer leadership, including Unit Leader, Post Advisor, Engineering Merit Badge Counselors, as well as its Explorer Post programs.

3. S.A.M.E. is devoted to helping young people discover and develop a passion for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

Specific activities to be conducted under this MOS are provided below and any additional activities will be defined on a case-by-case basis by the LFL and the S.A.M.E. Each organization may collaborate in the conduct of a broad range of projects that provide exposure and support the interest of young adults in engineering-related knowledge, opportunities and careers.

LFL Contributions

1. The LFL will recognize S.A.M.E. and its youth-related outreach and resources on the appropriate page of the Learning For Life, Inc. website (www.learningforlife.org) (the “LFL Website”), including listing S.A.M.E. and S.A.M.E. as a resource for information and support of the Engineering Merit Badge, providing a brief description of S.A.M.E.’s Exploring Engineering Academy and Explorer Posts and displaying a link from the LFL Website to the S.A.M.E. website.

2. Introduce and provide information to the LFL Councils about S.A.M.E.’s mission, vision and goals.

3. The Boy Scouts Media Team will work closely with the S.A.M.E. Publications, Membership Marketing divisions to formulate and execute a content-sharing plan of print and digital media within the first year of the program, to include: Boys’ Life, Scouting, Eagles’ Call, LFL website, the Engineering Merit Badge handbook and other digital properties. Each organization will provide an avenue for the other to share engineering articles, videos, etc. for the purpose of generating awareness, knowledge-sharing and learning opportunities for each organization’s respective audiences with appropriate credit provided.

4. The LFL will support S.A.M.E.’s efforts to develop a National Engineering Camp at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in 2017.

5. The LFL will provide S.A.M.E. with the option of participating at the 2017 National Scout Jamboree, providing attendees the opportunity to be introduced to engineering in coordination with the Engineering
Merit Badge program.

6. The LFL will provide S.A.M.E. with the option to develop a certificate program recognizing Scouts who have completed the Engineering Merit Badge Requirements.

7. The LFL in conjunction with National Eagle Scout Association and the Scouting Alumni Association conduct an Eagle Scout and Alumni Search for S.A.M.E members.

S.A.M.E. Contributions

1. In support of the LFL’s goal of launching new Explorer Posts each year, S.A.M.E. will help to facilitate collaborative opportunities between local LFL Councils by providing the LFL with the appropriate contacts within the Engineering and Construction industry and drawing from S.A.M.E. members when possible or appropriate for the relationships maintained by S.A.M.E..

2. Introduce and provide information to S.A.M.E. and S.A.M.E. general membership about the Learning for Life, Inc./Exploring program on the S.A.M.E. website.

3. Working closing with Boy Scouts Magazine Division, formulate and execute a content-sharing plan of print and digital media within the first year of the MOS, to include any of the following as appropriate: Flight Training and S.A.M.E. Pilot magazines, S.A.M.E.org, flighttraining.S.A.M.E.org, S.A.M.E. Live and other digital media. Content-sharing may include relevant S.A.M.E. staff-generated engineering articles, videos, etc. for the purpose of generating awareness, knowledge-sharing, and learning opportunities for each organization’s respective audiences with appropriate credit provided.

4. As initiated by the LFL, S.A.M.E. will serve as an advisor and resource for the LFL Engineering Merit Badge program. Support may include (i) an advisory role in optimizing their current Engineering Merit Badge program and development of the Engineering Merit Badge book, and (ii) serve in an advisory capacity to assist in the development and implementation of an Engineering/STEM Camp program that could be used in Scout Councils across the country.

If feasible and relevant, S.A.M.E. may have the option to develop a recognition program acknowledging Scouts who have completed the Engineering Merit Badge requirements.

General Provisions

1. This MOS may be modified or amended by mutual agreement of each party in writing.

2. The parties agree that sharing credit is mutually beneficial and will ensure that appropriate citation and attribution is given for work performed under this MOS. Use of a party’s logo or seal, however, will require advance approval by that party.

3. This MOS may be terminated at any time by mutual written agreement of parties or by either party upon ninety (90) days written notice to the other party. Otherwise, this MOS will remain in effect indefinitely.

4. Neither party to this MOS has the authority to act on behalf of the other party or bind the other party to any obligation.

This MOS is not intended to be enforceable in any court of law or dispute resolution forum. The sole remedy for non-performance under this MOS shall be termination.

The following individuals will be the points of contact for this cooperative relationship:
These efforts may be expanded or changed as appropriate. Participation in this MOS is voluntary and does not constitute a binding contractual agreement.

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