

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF BEECHER, ILLINOIS AND BEECHER COMMUNITY
UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200-U**

WHEREAS, the Beecher Community Unit School District 200-U ("District") and Peace Lutheran Church of Beecher, IL ("Peace") have had a long lasting relationship; and

WHEREAS, the District has provided former Zion Lutheran School students with transportation, band program, use of its facilities, and special education needs; and

WHEREAS, one of the missions of Peace is to provide service and stewardship for the betterment of the Beecher community; and

WHEREAS, Peace has facilities which are available for use and for which the District has a desire to use.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT AGREED:

1. Peace is a recognized 503(C) organization which does not charge for any service or rent of its facilities. It operates and controls a campus at 540 Oak Park Ave., Beecher, IL 60401 ("the Building").
2. Peace agrees to permit the District to use a designated portion of the Building which will be the north wing of the building for purposes as determined by the District. It is agreed that the west entrance shall be used by the District for access to the Building. The District's agents, guests and invitees may use parking facilities on the north side of the Building.
3. The District, at its sole discretion, may make donations to Peace in recognition of Peace allowing the District to use the Building without cost. Should such donations be made, they shall be designated for the payment of utilities, custodial services, snow removal, fire alarm system improvements and maintenance, and overall upkeep of the Building being used for District purposes. Under no circumstances will District donations be used for general church operations.
4. The District agrees to hold harmless and indemnify Peace from any and all claims, losses or suits based upon the conduct of its activities on Peace property which are caused by the actions of the District or its agents. The District agrees to provide Peace with a certificate of insurance listing Peace as an additional party for any District activities on its property.
5. Southern Will County Cooperative for Special Education ("SOWIC") is a special education cooperative authorized under the Illinois School Code to which the District is a member. Peace understands that students of SOWIC, who may not be residents of the District, may also be using the facility in alignment with Paragraph 2 above.
6. Peace shall be under no obligation to improve its facilities or purchase any equipment to be in compliance with any state or local codes pertaining to public education. The District is authorized to purchase any equipment necessary to provide services in the Building. It is understood and agreed that any such equipment will be deemed the sole property of the District and will be taken upon termination of this Agreement. In addition, if modifications to the physical structure of the building are deemed necessary to comply with State or federal law, the District may request permission from Peace to make said modifications upon agreement between the parties.

7. Peace represents that it has an active and operational fire alarm system that is in compliance with 2015 local codes and that they system passed all 2024 inspections.

8. The term of this agreement shall commence on 2/2/2025 and terminate on July 1, 2026. The agreement can be extended by mutual agreement of both parties at any time. This Agreement may be terminated by either party without cause with thirty (30) days' written notice to the other party.

9. The persons executing this Agreement as set forth below indicate that each has the authority to do so and that all proper procedures and mechanisms necessary to effectuate this Agreement have been followed.

PEACE LUTHERAN CURCH OF BEECHER

By: Paul W. Eggert
Its: PWE
Congregation Chair
Peace Lutheran Church
Date: 2/3/2025

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BEECHER
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT
200/U

By: Cheryl Belt
Board President
Brandi
Secretary
Date: 1/8/2025