Affidavit/Certificate of Nonpublic, Non-Licensed Day School Operated by a Bona Fide Church or Other Religious Body in Pennsylvania

I attest that this is a day school, which is in fact operated by a bona fide church or other religious body, for the education of children in which the following courses are offered in the English language; that the school provides a minimum of one hundred eighty (180) days of instruction or a minimum of nine hundred (900) hours of instruction at the elementary school level and nine hundred ninety (990) hours of instruction at the secondary school level; and that the school is otherwise in compliance with the provisions of the Public School Code.

At the ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LEVEL, the following courses are taught: English, to include spelling, reading and writing; arithmetic; science; geography; history of the United States and Pennsylvania; civics; safety education, including regular and continuous instruction in the dangers and prevention of fires; health and physiology; physical education; music; and art.

At the SECONDARY SCHOOL LEVEL, the following courses are offered: English, to include language, literature, speech and composition; science, to include biology and chemistry; geography; social studies, to include civics, economics, world history, history of the United States and Pennsylvania; a foreign language; mathematics, to include general mathematics and statistics, algebra and geometry; art; music; physical education; health and physiology; and safety education, including regular and continuous instruction in the dangers and prevention of fires.

Is this a registration for a new school? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, what is opening date? ________________

Is this a change in school name? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, what was former name and AUN? _____

Is this a change in location/mailing address? ☐ YES ☐ NO
Name of School:

________________________________________________________________________

Location(s) where ALL classes will be held (include city, state, ZIP and county):

________________________________________________________________________

Mailing address (if different from above):

________________________________________________________________________

Name and address of governing operating bona fide church or other religious body:

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As backup documentation, please provide a copy of the church bylaws that show governance over the school. If the school has self-incorporated you may provide a copy of the approved incorporation papers from the Department of State that indicate primary purpose in establishing the school is to ensure that school children receive a religious education.

Are you part of a Diocese? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, what Diocese?

________________________________________________________________________

Grade levels (ex. K-12, 9-12): ________________ School hours: ________________

For new schools: How many families have children enrolled (estimate)? ________________

For new schools: How many students are/will be enrolled (estimate)? ________________

Have you or anyone with your school attended PDE’s in-service for nonpublic non-licensed schools? ☐ YES ☐ NO

(These are normally held the first Thursday of each month should you like to attend)

Public school district in which the school is located:

________________________________________________________________________

Intermediate unit in which the school is located:

________________________________________________________________________

Is school a nonprofit institution? ☐ YES ☐ NO
Principal email address:

Principal Telephone number:

Principal FAX number (if available):

Contact name and email address (if different than principal):

Name of nonpublic school principal:

Signature of nonpublic school principal:

SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL

RETURN FORM TO:

PA Department of Education
Office of School Services
333 Market Street, 7th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333

NOTARIZED:

Sworn to and subscribed before me

This _____________day of ________________, 20________. 

Notary