



PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE AND TUFTS UNIVERSITY

This document describes the terms of a five-year partnership agreement between Tufts University and the City of Somerville. Tufts University values its partnership with Somerville and is committed to provide the following assistance to the Somerville school system, allowing for the use of athletic fields and providing financial support to the City of Somerville. In return, the City of Somerville agrees to work in partnership with Tufts University on issues of mutual interest.

Terms of Agreement

Effective Date: This agreement shall begin on July 1, 2013 and terminate on June 30, 2018.

Financial Support: Tufts shall make annual payments to the City of Somerville in the amount of \$275,000. Such annual payments will be paid to the City of Somerville according to the schedule listed in Exhibit A.

Tufts Admissions: Tufts University agrees to provide the following support to Somerville High School.

- a) Tufts will waive the \$70 application fee for students applying from Somerville High School.
- b) Tufts shall report annually to the City of Somerville on the number of Somerville students receiving Tufts financial aid grants, the average amount of financial aid per student and the aggregate amount of financial aid for all students.
- c) The Tufts Dean of Undergraduate Admissions agrees to personally read and evaluate applications from all Somerville High School students.
- d) The Tufts Dean of Undergraduate Admissions shall send a personal letter inviting Somerville High School top performing students, as identified by the Somerville High School Guidance Office, to submit an application for admission.
- e) Tufts shall offer the following college preparation programs:
 - i. Let's Get Ready program for SAT preparation tutoring;
 - ii. Professional assistance from Tufts admission officers on essay writing workshops for applicants;
 - iii. Professional assistance from Tufts admission officers for writing workshops for teacher who are preparing recommendations.
- f) Tufts Admissions Department and the Somerville High School Guidance Department shall maintain close communication during the admissions process to ensure that Tufts has the complete information and current test scores and grades for each applicant.

- g) Tufts Admissions staff shall visit Somerville High School in January of each year to offer personal interviews for students who have submitted applications.
- h) Tufts shall provide speakers for assemblies at Somerville High School to discuss college readiness, college admissions and the financial aid process.
- i) Tufts will host the entire ninth grade class from Somerville High School on the campus for early exposure/awareness regarding the college process. (Those students who are identified as needing additional support shall attend small group sessions.)
- j) Tufts shall offer the Kids to College program to sixth grade students and will work with the Somerville High School Guidance Department on coordinated messages and goals.

Somerville Admissions: The Somerville High School Guidance Department shall identify high performing students early in their high school careers in order to recommend such students as candidates for admission and as potential recipients of the Doris York Scholarship Fund.

Athletic Field Use: Tufts University Athletics Department shall make the following field space available for the City of Somerville Youth Soccer:

Triangle Field

- Monday through Friday – 4:00 p.m. until dusk
- Saturdays – 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The field will not be available on Homecoming weekends each year.
- Sundays – 10:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m.

Field C

- Friday – 5:30 p.m. until dusk
- Saturday – 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. The field will not be available on Homecoming weekends each year.

If Tufts University is unable to make either of the two fields available at any time over the term of the agreement, it will make every effort to find a replacement field suitable to the needs of the City of Somerville Youth Soccer.

The City of Somerville and Tufts University agree to the terms of this partnership agreement for the benefit of our mutual communities.

CITY OF SOMERVILLE

By: 

Joseph A. Curtatone
Mayor

Date: 10/22/13

TUFTS UNIVERSITY

By: 

Anthony P. Monaco
President

Date: 10/22/13

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EXHIBIT A. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Year 1	July 1, 2103 to June 30, 2014	
	November	\$75,000
	June	\$200,000
Year 2	July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015	
	November	\$75,000
	June	\$200,000
Year 3	July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016	
	November	\$75,000
	June	\$200,000
Year 4	July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017	
	November	\$75,000
	June	\$200,000
Year 5	July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018	
	November	\$75,000
	June	\$200,000