

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
DISTRICT DIRECTOR
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: AUG 05 1998

THE STANWICH SCHOOL INC
TWO GREENWICH PLAZA STE 100
GREENWICH, CT 06830

Employer Identification Number:
06-1506795

DLN:
17053100035038

Contact Person:
D. A. DOWNING

Contact Telephone Number:
(513) 241-5199

Accounting Period Ending:
June 30

Form 990 Required:
Yes

Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

We have further determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code, because you are an organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. In the case of an amendment to your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) on remuneration of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Since you are not a private foundation, you are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, if you are involved in an excess benefit transaction, that transaction might be subject to the excise taxes of section 4958. Additionally, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please contact your key district office.

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

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Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of Code sections 2055, 2106, and 2522.

Contribution deductions are allowable to donors only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. See Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2, on page 104, which sets forth guidelines regarding the deductibility, as charitable contributions, of payments made by taxpayers for admission to or other participation in fundraising activities for charity.

In the heading of this letter we have indicated whether you must file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax. If Yes is indicated, you are required to file Form 990 only if your gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. However, if you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, please file the return even if you do not exceed the gross receipts test. If you are not required to file, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$20 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$10,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. For organizations with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 in any year, the penalty is \$100 per day per return, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. The maximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 shall not exceed \$50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete, so be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are required to make your annual return available for public inspection for three years after the return is due. You are also required to make available a copy of your exemption application, any supporting documents, and this exemption letter. Failure to make these documents available for public inspection may subject you to a penalty of \$20 per day for each day there is a failure to comply (up to a maximum of \$10,000 in the case of an annual return).

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

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You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

Revenue Procedure 75-50, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1975-2 on page 537, sets forth guidelines and recordkeeping requirements for determining whether private schools have racially nondiscriminatory policies as to students. You must comply with this revenue procedure to maintain your tax-exempt status.

If distributions are made to individuals, case histories regarding the recipients should be kept showing names, addresses, purposes of awards, manner of selection, relationship (if any) to members, officers, trustees or donors of funds to you, so that any and all distributions made to individuals can be substantiated upon request by the Internal Revenue Service. (Revenue Ruling 56-304, C.B. 1956-2, page 306.)

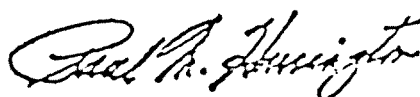
If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,



District Director

Enclosure(s):

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Certificate for Purchases of Tangible Personal Property and Services by Qualifying Exempt Organizations

General Purpose: A qualifying exempt organization must issue this certificate to retailers when purchasing items to be used by the organization exclusively for the purposes for which it was established. Under Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-412(8), a qualifying exempt organization is either:

- an organization that was issued an exemption permit before July 1, 1995, by the Department of Revenue Services (DRS) under Conn. Agencies Regs. §12-426-15, if the permit has not been canceled or revoked by DRS; or
- an organization that is exempt from federal income tax under I.R.C. §501(a) and has been issued a determination letter by the U.S. Treasury Department as an organization described in I.R.C. §501(c)(3) or (13), if the determination letter has not been revoked by the Internal Revenue Service.

A qualifying exempt organization may use this certificate to purchase any tangible personal property for resale at one of five fund-raising or social events of a day's duration during any calendar year. The event must be exempt from tax under Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-412(94). Otherwise, exempt organizations are not allowed to purchase tangible personal property for resale with this certificate.

This certificate may not be used for the purchase of meals or lodging, unless a qualifying exempt organization is purchasing meals for resale at one of five fund-raising or social events per year that is exempt from tax under Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-412(94). (See Special Notice 98(11), *Exemption From Sales and Use Taxes of Sales by Nonprofit Organizations at Fundraising or Social Events.*)

If the purchaser is not a qualifying exempt organization or does not use the property or services purchased exclusively for the purposes for which the organization was established, the purchaser owes use tax on the total purchase price of the property or services.

Statutory Authority: Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-412(8) and (94).

Instructions for the Purchaser: An officer of a qualifying exempt organization must issue and sign this certificate to advise the seller of tangible personal property or taxable services that sales and use taxes do not apply to the purchase. Keep a copy of this certificate, the documents attached, and records that substantiate the information entered on this certificate for at least six years from the date this certificate is issued.

The purchaser must attach to this certificate a copy of the:

- exemption permit issued to the organization by DRS under Conn. Agencies Regs. §12-426-15; or
- determination letter or group exemption letter issued by the Internal Revenue Service which establishes that the organization has been determined to be an exempt organization described in I.R.C. §501(c)(3) or (13).

Note: For purchases made on or after January 1, 1996, a qualifying exempt organization that is covered by a group exemption letter, and that was not issued an exemption permit by DRS under Conn. Agencies Regs. §12-426-15, must attach to this certificate a copy of:

- the group exemption letter issued by the Internal Revenue Service to subordinate organizations (including the qualifying exempt organization) on whose behalf a central organization applied for recognition of exemption;
- the organization's written consent to the central organization to be covered by the group exemption letter; and
- the central organization's written notification to the Internal Revenue Service that the organization consents to be covered by the group exemption letter.

Instructions for the Seller: Acceptance of this certificate, when properly completed, relieves the seller from the burden of proving that the sale and the storage, use or consumption of the tangible personal property or taxable services are not subject to sales and use taxes. This certificate is valid only if taken in good faith from a qualifying exempt organization. The good faith of the seller will be questioned if the seller knows of facts that suggest the purchaser is not a qualifying exempt organization.

Keep this certificate, the documents attached, and bills or invoices to the purchaser for at least six years from the date that the items or services were purchased. The bills, invoices or records covering the purchase made under this certificate must be marked "Exempt Under CERT-119" to indicate that the purchase was exempt.

This certificate may be used for a single exempt purchase, in which case the box marked "Certificate for One Purchase Only" must be checked. This certificate may also be used for a continuing line of exempt purchases, in which case the box marked "Blanket Certificate" must be checked. A Blanket Certificate remains in effect for one year, unless the purchaser revokes it in writing before the expiration of the one year period.

An exempt organization must pay for its exempt purchases by a check drawn on its checking account or by a credit card issued in its name (and not in the name of any of its members or officers). An exempt organization may make a purchase of \$10 or less using cash from the organization's own funds. However, a blanket CERT-119 may not be used for a cash purchase, and a properly completed CERT-119, with the appropriate documents attached, must be issued to the retailer at the time of each cash purchase.

For Further Information: Call Taxpayer Services at 1-800-382-9463 (toll-free within Connecticut) or 860-297-5962 (from anywhere). TTY, TDD, and Text Telephone users only may transmit inquiries 24 hours a day by calling 860-297-4911. Preview and download forms and publications from the DRS Web site www.drs.state.ct

Name of Purchaser <i>The Stanwich School Inc.</i>	Address <i>257 Stanwich Rd. Greenwich, CT 06830</i>	CT Tax Registration Number (If any) <i>9334335-00</i>	Exemption Permit # (If any)
Name of Seller	Address	CT Tax Registration Number (If any)	Federal Employer ID # <i>06-1506795</i>

Check One Box:

Blanket Certificate

Certificate for One Purchase Only

Check the Appropriate Box and Provide a Written Description of Each Item Purchased:

Tangible Personal Property

Taxable Services

Description:

DECLARATION BY PURCHASER

The qualifying exempt organization declares that the tangible personal property or taxable services described above will be used exclusively for the purposes for which the organization was established, including the purchase of tangible personal property or meals for resale at one of five fundraising or social events per year that are exempt from tax. The organization further declares that the exemption permit, determination letter or group exemption letter (as the case may be) attached to this certificate has not been canceled or revoked.

According to Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-412(8) or Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-412(94), the purchase of the item(s) is exempt from sales and use taxes.

I declare under the penalty of false statement that I have examined the information in this certificate and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, complete, and correct. (The penalty for false statement is imprisonment not to exceed one year or a fine not to exceed two thousand dollars, or both.)

The Stanwich School Inc.

Name of Purchaser

By: *Pamela L Hansen*
Signature of Authorized Person

Business Manager
Title

9/10/2003
Date