Legal Disclosure and Terms of Service

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1. Organizational Status

Open Source Education ("we", "our", or "us") is fiscally sponsored by The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit (EIN: 81-2908499). This fiscal sponsorship arrangement allows us to receive tax-deductible donations and grants while we work toward potential independent nonprofit status.

2. Fiscal Sponsorship Relationship

2.1 Legal Structure

Open Source Education is not an independent legal entity. We operate as a project of The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club), which provides nonprofit status, financial oversight, and administrative support for our activities. The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club) serves as our legal entity and tax-exempt umbrella.

2.2 Financial Arrangements

- All donations made to Open Source Education are legally considered donations to The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club) and are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.
- The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club) charges an administrative fee of 7% on all funds received to cover the costs of providing fiscal sponsorship services.
- Financial records related to Open Source Education activities are maintained by The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club).

2.3 Governance

While Open Source Education operates with significant programmatic autonomy, The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club) maintains ultimate legal responsibility and oversight.

3. Tax Deduction Information

Donations made to support Open Source Education are tax-deductible as allowed by law. Donation receipts will be issued by The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club), and all tax documentation will reference The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club) as the recipient organization.

For tax purposes, donors should list contributions as made to: The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club) 8605 Santa Monica Blvd, Suite 86294 WEST HOLLYWOOD CA 90069 Tax ID: 81-2908499 Memo/Note: For Open Source Education

4. Program Operations and Liability

4.1 Educational Services

Open Source Education provides technological education and literacy programs to children under the age of 16. Our programs include both free and paid classes taught by qualified volunteers.

4.2 Volunteer Structure

Our programs are primarily delivered by volunteers. While these volunteers operate under our guidance and policies, they are not employees. All volunteers undergo appropriate screening and training processes in accordance with child safety standards and best practices.

5. Compliance with Educational Standards

5.1 Educational Policies

Our educational programs are designed to complement formal education and promote technological literacy. We maintain policies that ensure:

- Age-appropriate curriculum
- Safe learning environments
- Equal access and non-discrimination
- Accommodation for diverse learning needs

5.2 Child Protection Policies

Our programs often operate without adult supervision, taught by volunteers over the age of 13 years old. Explicit parental consent is taken as a prerequisite for participating in our courses. Agreeing to these terms entails consent to participating in our programs as outlined above.

6. Intellectual Property

6.1 Ownership of Materials

Educational materials created by Open Source Education are owned by The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club). We may share these materials under appropriate licensing arrangements.

6.2 Student Work

Projects and work created by students during our programs remain the intellectual property of the students, subject to the terms outlined in this document and our Privacy Policy.

7. Dispute Resolution

Any disputes related to our programs or services will be addressed by Open Source Education. The Hack Foundation (d.b.a. Hack Club) will not be involved in any such disputes.

8. Contact Information

For questions regarding our fiscal sponsorship arrangement or legal status:

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9. Changes to This Disclosure

We may update this Legal Disclosure and Terms of Statement periodically. Any significant changes will be communicated through our website and/or direct communication to program participants.