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## FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



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After-School Programs

The franchisee will operate a Berlitz Kids After-School Programs business that specializes in offering before- and after-school language instruction to elementary school aged students seeking to learn English French Mandarin and Spanish

The total initial investment necessary to begin operation of a franchised Berlitz Kids After School Programs business ranges from \$35 855 to \$72 405 This includes \$25 700 to \$48 600 that must be paid to us or our affiliates

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar-days before you sign a binding agreement with or make any payment to the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale **Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document.** 

You may wish to receive your disclosure document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats contact Catalina Orozco at 7 Roszel Road Princeton NJ 08540 catalina orozco@berlitz com or 1 888 281 9757

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract. Read all of your contract carefully. Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising such as A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue. NW Washington D.C. 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at www ftc gov for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state Ask your state agencies about them

The issuance date of this Franchise Disclosure Document is November 17 2015 as amended December 1 2015

This Disclosure Document is not for use in Hawaii Illinois Indiana Kentucky Maryland Minnesota Nebraska, North Dakota Rhode Island South Dakota Texas, Virginia Wisconsin and Washington

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## STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires us to register or file with a state administrator before offering or selling franchises in your state REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

Call the state franchise administrator listed in Exhibit E for information about us or about franchising in your state

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS BEFORE YOU BUY CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE IF ANY AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise

- 1 THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY LITIGATION ONLY IN THE STATE WHERE OUR PRINCIPAL OFFICES ARE LOCATED WHICH CURRENTLY IS NEW JERSEY OUT-OF-STATE LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES IT ALSO MAY COST YOU MORE TO SUE US IN NEW JERSEY THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE
- 2 THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT PROVIDES THAT NEW JERSEY LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS
- 3 THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE

Certain states require franchisors to make additional disclosures related to the information contained in this disclosure document. Those disclosures are contained in Exhibit F to this disclosure document.

We use the services of one or more FRANCHISE BROKERS or referral sources to assist us in selling our franchise A franchise broker or referral source represents us, not you We pay this person a fee for selling our franchise or referring you to us You should be sure to do your own investigation of the franchise

Effective Dates See the next page for the state effective dates

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## STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

The following states require that the Franchise Disclosure Document be registered or filed with the state or be exempt from registration California Hawaii Illinois Indiana Maryland Michigan Minnesota New York North Dakota Rhode Island South Dakota Virginia Washington and Wisconsin

This Franchise Disclosure Document is registered on file or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws with the following effective dates

California Michigan December 10 2015 New York

In all other states the effective date of this Franchise Disclosure Document is the issuance date of November 17 2015 as amended December 1 2015

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