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From: Katie Poulos
Sent: Monday, November 17, 2014 9:50 AM
To: 'ccardine@edkey.org'
Subject: F School DSP Site Visit Notification - Action Required

Importance: High

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Dear Mr. Curtis Cardine,

Children First Academy - Phoenix earned an F letter grade for the Arizona Department of Education's A-F Letter Grade State Accountability System. In accordance with A.R.S. § 15-241(U), if a charter school is assigned a letter grade of F, the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools must take action to either restore the charter school to acceptable performance or revoke the charter school's charter. A determination by the Board of whether to restore or revoke the charter for Edkey, Inc. dba Sequoia Ranch School will be based upon the evidence of the Charter Holder's performance in accordance with the performance framework adopted by the Board, including the Charter Holder's ability to demonstrate sufficient progress toward the academic performance expectations.

On October 15, 2014, Edkey, Inc. dba Sequoia Ranch School was notified by the Board of its requirement to submit a Demonstration of Sufficient Progress (DSP) Report, as outlined in Appendix E of the Academic Performance Framework and Guidance document, by November 14, 2014. Board staff will conduct a site visit at Children First Academy - Phoenix in Phoenix on **Wednesday, December 10, 2014, at 8:30 a.m.**, to meet with representatives of the Charter Holder for the purpose of reviewing evidence to determine whether the Charter Holder can document improved academic performance and implementation of systems as described in the evaluation criteria outlined in Appendix E of the Academic Performance Framework and Guidance document.

Prior to the site visit, Board staff will do an initial evaluation of the submitted materials and provide the evaluation to the charter representative in an email. In preparation for the site visit, representatives of the Charter Holder should review the site visit instructions and Online Technical Assistance presentations available on the Board's website. To review the instructions and Online Technical Assistance presentations:

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- Select the "Academic Interventions" tab
- Scroll down to locate the DSP section

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