

Arizona State Board for Charter Schools

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December 13, 2011

LEAD Charter Schools
Mr. Delmer Geesey, Charter Representative
415 N. Gilbert Rd., Suite 102
Gilbert, AZ 85234

RE: Notification of first time noncompliance with fingerprinting requirements under A.R.S. § 15-185.I

HAND DELIVERED TO SCHOOL

Dear Mr. Geesey:

On December 13, 2011, staff of the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools ("Board") conducted a site visit to Leading Edge Academy at Heritage. During this visit, staff reviewed the school's compliance with fingerprinting requirements as prescribed in A.R.S. § 15-183.C.5 and A.R.S. § 15-512.

The school could not provide valid fingerprint clearance cards in accordance with A.R.S. § 15-183.C.5 for the following:

Hays, Kristina

The school could not provide evidence of compliance with A.R.S. § 15-183.C.5 or § 15-512, as applicable, for the following personnel:

A.R.S. § 15-185.I grants the Board the authority to impose a civil penalty of \$1,000.00 per occurrence if a charter school fails to comply with the fingerprinting requirements prescribed in A.R.S. § 15-183.C.4 or A.R.S. § 15-512, as applicable.

This letter serves as written notice for civil penalty purposes under A.R.S. § 15-185.I of your school's first time failure to comply with statutory fingerprinting requirements. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 15-185.I, your school has 48 hours from the receipt of this notification to provide proof to the Board's office that an application for the appropriate fingerprint check as required by

either A.R.S. § 15-183.C.5 or A.R.S. § 15-512 has been received by the Arizona Department of Public Safety for each individual listed on this letter's first page and currently employed at your school. At its meeting in January, 2012, the Board will determine whether the school has failed to comply with statutory fingerprinting requirements, whether the school's noncompliance with statutory fingerprinting requirements is a first time occurrence, whether the school has demonstrated compliance with the requirements of A.R.S. § 15-185.I within 48 hours of written notification, and whether a civil penalty of \$1,000.00 per occurrence will be imposed. Based on the violations noted above, the civil penalty could be as much as \$1000.00.

Provided with this letter are copies of A.R.S. § 15-185.I and the Board's Policy Statement on Civil Penalties for Fingerprinting Violations.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (602) 364-3080.

Sincerely,



Hugh Thompson
Educational Program Specialist

The signatures and information below satisfy the requirements of the Board in A.R.S. § 15-185.I, to provide written notification identifying the date of the deadline by which your school must provide proof of compliance with statutory fingerprinting requirements.

 Dec. 13, 2011 12:23 a.m. / (p.m.)
ASBCS Staff Signature Date Time

 12/13/11 12:23 a.m. / (p.m.)
School Representative Signature Date Time

BASED ON THE DATE AND TIME STATED ABOVE, YOUR 48-HOUR DEADLINE TO PROVIDE PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTORY FINGERPRINTING REQUIREMENTS AS STATED IN A.R.S. § 15-185.I AND TO AVOID CIVIL

PENALTIES IS 12/15/11 **BY** 12:23 pm.
(date) (time)

Evidence that application has been received by DPS, as shown on ADE certification search (Applied 12/07/11) shown at site. No further action needed.