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Omega Schools, Inc.
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Sent via email: debrapetersen@omegaschoolsk12.net; drbassett@omegaschoolsk12.net

Dear Omega Schools, Inc. Board Members and Statutory Agent Dr. Patricia Bassett,

C. Doby Preparatory 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 may take action to 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 Omega Schools, Inc. 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 submission of demonstration of sufficient progress toward the Board's expectations.

On September 12, 2013, Omega Schools, Inc. was notified by the Board of its requirement to submit a Demonstration of Sufficient Progress (DSP), as outlined in Appendix D of the Academic Performance Framework and Guidance document, by November 12, 2013. Board staff will do an initial evaluation of the submitted materials, provide the evaluation to the charter representative in an email, and then conduct a site visit to the school to confirm information included in the submitted DSP as well as, for areas deemed "Not Acceptable" in the initial evaluation, provide an opportunity for the charter holder to submit additional evidence that demonstrates the school is making sufficient progress toward meeting the Board's academic expectations.

Lisa Weisberg, Steve Sarmento and I will conduct a **site visit** to C. Doby Preparatory on **Tuesday, November 19, 2013, at 9:00 a.m.**, to meet with the school's leadership team for the purpose of discussing the evaluation of the school's Demonstration of Sufficient Progress. At the time of the site visit, in addition to the leadership team interview, we will verify information included in the Demonstration of Sufficient Progress submitted by the charter holder and review additional documentation the school provides related to the DSP.

Yours truly,

Martha Morgan
Director of Charter Accountability

Lisa Weisberg

From: Lisa Weisberg
Sent: Friday, November 15, 2013 8:56 AM
To: 'pkeech@omegaschoolsk12.net'
Subject: Site Visit
Attachments: DSP Master Evaluation Instrument c doby.pdf

Importance: High

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Board staff has evaluated the submitted Demonstration of Sufficient Progress (DSP) and will conduct a site visit to C. Doby Preparatory on **Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 9 a.m.,** to meet with the school's leadership team for the purpose of discussing the evaluation of the school's Demonstration of Sufficient Progress submitted by the charter holder and review additional documentation the school provides related to the DSP.

I have attached the initial evaluation of the DSP. On the site visit, we will confirm the information in the Demonstration of Sufficient Progress. For areas that were deemed "Not Acceptable" in the initial evaluation, the charter holder may provide additional evidence that demonstrates the school is making sufficient progress toward meeting the Board's academic expectations.

Please have the following information, identified in the DSP, available for review at the time of the visit.

- PLC documentation
- Pacing guides and curriculum maps progress thus far
- Lesson plans
- Lesson plan review documentation
- Professional development documentation, including teacher surveys
- Standards checklist
- Informal and formal evaluations documentation
- Data to support the use of the multiple assessments mentioned in the DSP
- Data review team documentation
- Personalized professional learning plan for each teacher progress thus far

- Reading and math specialist schedule
- Tutoring documentation/ Friday school documentation
- Rubric used to evaluate curriculum

Please contact me if you have questions regarding the information in this email. I look forward to meeting your team on November 19th.

Thank you,

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