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Las Montañas Charter High School

Melissa Armijo, Member
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Dear Ms. Martinez and Ms. Gonzales:

Alan Brauer, Member
District 3, Albuquerque

Thank you for submitting your renewal application for Las Montañas Charter High School to the Public Education Commission. We appreciate the tremendous effort that went into the application. As you know the application will be on the Public Education Commission's (PEC) agenda the week of November 11, 2024 in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The PEC may renew, renew with conditions, or non-renew the school based on the performance in the charter term and the renewal application. The PEC is following the procedures set forth in the PEC rule, NMAC 6.2.9.16.

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The Charter School Division (CSD) has provided you with an initial recommendation indicating that the school should be renewed without conditions for a five-year term. They will finalize their recommendation prior to the renewal hearing and include final Vistas data from the New Mexico Public Education Department for 2023-2024 if available.

K.T. Manis, Member
District 9, Hobbs

To assist you in your team's preparation for the PEC meeting, the PEC wanted to outline questions or concerns that have arisen in the review of your application by CSD and PEC Commissioner review. While the PEC may ask questions regarding any part of the school's performance during the charter contract, the renewal application and assessment, and recommendations provided, in particular please be prepared to address the areas listed below. The PEC is incorporating "Results-Based Accountability" into its new performance framework. While the renewal application is not being assessed under the new performance framework, you might gear your presentation and answers to issues set for below by addressing the following questions: How much did the school do? How well did you do it? Who is better off as a result?

Please note that the PEC is not requesting, nor will accept, new information at this point in the process.

Areas of specific focus are:

School Performance: Please see Renewal Application Subpart A and CSD recommendation		Rating
Academic Framework		Rating
	1.a Student Outcomes	Demonstrates Substantial Progress
	1.b. Mission-Specific Goals	Demonstrates Substantial Progress
Organizational Framework		Rating
	2.b. Financial Compliance	Demonstrates Substantial Progress
	2.f. Other Performance Framework Indicators	Demonstrates Substantial Progress
Areas of Interest for Additional Information provided by PEC Commissioners		
	No additional questions	
Areas of Interest for Additional Information provided by CSD		
	No additional questions	

On behalf of the Commission, I thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,

Patricia Gipson

Chair, Public Education Commission