



M.E.T.S. CHARTER SCHOOL

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Damion Frye, Lead Administrator

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Dear M.E.T.S. Community,

On February 3rd, we received notification from the Commissioner of Education that our charter will not be renewed. Thus, on June 30th, 2020, M.E.T.S. Charter School will cease operation. The Board of Trustees and school administration are heartbroken by this news as we fully expected to be renewed for an additional five years. Even with this decision, we still affirm that M.E.T.S. Charter School has become a great place for students to learn in a progressive, safe and innovative environment.

In the notification of non-renewal, the Commissioner outlines the following reasons for his decision:

- Decreasing performance on state assessments.
- Instruction that the state monitors deemed to lack rigor, be engaging and differentiated.
- Failure to meet all of the tenets of the mission statement.
- A culture and climate that did not prioritize respect leading to severe safety concerns.
- Organizational instability with a high number of new Lead Administrators over the past 4 years.
- Low enrollment, causing financial strains on school operations.

During the next few months, students, parents and community members can expect:

- Emotional support from our School Counselors, Social Worker and Parent Liaison.
- Classroom instruction to continue with students fully engaging with the curriculum.
- Compliance with all rules and regulations as set by the Board.
- A series of workshops at specified dates and times to support parents with enrolling your child in another school.

The Board of Trustees and the School Administration thank you for your continued faith in M.E.T.S. Charter School. As we close the doors of this school, we are certain that everyone in the M.E.T.S. community will have a brand new set of doors opening to further possibilities.

Sincerely,

Damion Frye
Lead Administrator