



September 14, 2019

Dear Board of Directors for The Charter Institute at Erskine and The Institute Leadership Team,

First of all, I would like to thank you for meeting with our team this past week. We appreciate your time and your dedication to the charter community in South Carolina.

I am writing this letter to ask to transfer our charter to the Charter Institute at Erskine (the Institute), effective July 1, 2020. While we are thankful for the Aiken County School District partnership, we are expressing an interest in the charter sponsor change for a few reasons. Moving to the Institute would result in a funding increase for Horse Creek Academy. This increase would allow us to put more money in each classroom to improve instruction and technology. Additionally, we would like to have a charter sponsor that focuses exclusively on charter schools and understands best how to support us in our efforts. The Institute's mission aligns with ours, and we feel confident that the Institute will look for innovative ways to support Horse Creek Academy in delivering our school's mission to students.

Again, thank you for your dedication to charter schools in South Carolina and for considering sponsoring our charter. We will keep an open line of communication throughout the entire transfer process. If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything, please feel free to reach out to me at 803 646 3506.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Ann Marie Taylor
Executive Director
Horse Creek Academy Public Charter School

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Mr. Jake Edwards
Board President
Horse Creek Academy Public Charter School