

MEMORANDUM

To: Charter School Accountability Committee
From: Board of Directors, Delaware Design-Lab High School
Re: Initial CSAC Report dated February 5, 2018
Date: February 16, 2018

On December 30, 2017, Delaware Design-Lab High School (“DDLHS”) submitted a request to make a major modification to its charter (the “Application”). As required by regulation, the Application was referred to the Charter School Accountability Committee (“CSAC”). CSAC held an initial meeting to review the Application on January 24, 2018 (the “Initial Meeting”). On February 5, 2018, CSAC issued an initial report memorializing the discussions at the Initial Meeting (the “Initial Report”). This Memorandum shall serve as the response to the Initial Report from the Board of Directors of DDLHS (the “Board”).

Although the Initial Report did not request any specific follow-up information, the Board wishes to provide CSAC with an updated list of community partnerships and programming. DDLHS fully funds all student programming identified herein, including supplies and transportation, to ensure equal access for all students. A list of community partnerships and ongoing programming is annexed hereto as Exhibit A.

The Board also wishes to highlight a sample of student-led initiatives and earned awards derived from implementation of the design thinking process. A list of notable student achievements is annexed hereto as Exhibit B.

The Board thanks CSAC for its consideration of the Application and remains available at CSAC’s convenience should any further information be desired.

Exhibit A

Community Partnerships and Programming

Partner	Program
Teach for America	Teacher development (2018-2019)
Building Hope	Facilities development
Christiana Rotary, Interact Club	Student Club
MAD-learn	MAD About Matterring
MAD-learn	Virtual Internships
IDEO	The Purpose Project
University of Delaware	Upward Bound*
University of Delaware	Core Design (Dual Enrollment)
University of Delaware	Typography (Dual Enrollment)
University of Delaware	Photography (Dual Enrollment)
University of Delaware	Entrepreneurship (Dual Enrollment)
University of Delaware	Dual School*
University of Delaware	"Most Likely to Succeed" Viewing Event
Wilmington University	Discrete Math (Dual Enrollment)
Educere Online Learning	Various courses of student interest
Delaware Futures	College Prep*
TeenSHARP	College Prep*
DDOE	Delaware College Scholars*
Give Something Back Foundation	GSBF Program*
DDOE	DE Goes to College Academy*
DDLHS Faculty and Staff	Student Internships

* Requires application and acceptance from host program.

Exhibit B

Notable Student Achievements

Program	Details	Additional Information
Student Businesses in Operation	Do it Write	www.doitwrite-imagine.com
	Choc-a-free	Offers chocolate treats that are designed to provide a chocolate snack without allergens.
	Doffee	iceddoffee.weebly.com
	Brown's Brownies	Offers sugar free brownies from the school store.
	Keyhole Studios	Offers a meaningful game about helping cope with issues such as bullying, abuse, depression, suicide, and more.
	Bodano's	Offers iced coffee to students T, F
	Void Records	Offers vocal and instrumental lessons along with music production; hosts student club to support other students who wish to enter the field of music
	Lupebuilders	www.lupebuilders.com and www.facebook.com/lupebuilders/
	DDLHS School Store	www.ddlhsschoolstore.com
	Robert's Baked Delights	Offers chocolate chip cookies to students M, W, F
Student Developed Programs	STIP - Students Take Initiative Program	Student developed and led SAT and college preparation program
NFTE Daniel Treanor Award	Maricruz C.	Student business will be featured and award will be received; full scholarship provided. Top NFTE National Honor.
NFTE Philadelphia Showcase	Keyhole Studios, Michael S.	First Place Award
Congress of Future Science and Technology Leaders	Zabrina M.	Invitation only summit of the country's highest achieving students who want to go into STEM-related careers
2018 Art Show	Senior Capstone, Jazmin B.	Student developed and curated art show designed to raise funds for Prom and other senior class programming
Prudential Spirit of Community Awards	Maricruz C.	Largest youth recognition program based exclusively on volunteer community service; 100 students in country