

Hello,

Thank you for extending the opportunity to comment on the renewal of Family Foundations Academy. I wanted to highlight some of the wonderful events and changes that have happened thus far this school year.

In our Academic Performance Framework we scored an Exceeds rating for our lowest quartile of students meeting their growth targets in mathematics. We knew that we needed to continue to demonstrate exceptional growth in our students and adopted Dreambox as our math RTI tool. This is a research based tool that engages students and allows teachers to use data to determine strengths and weaknesses to drive instruction.

In reading, we knew that we needed to earn a rating of exceeds. We adopted Read 180 as our reading RTI tool. We have also adopted Raz Kids and Leveled Literacy Intervention to strengthen our students reading skills.

We are also excited to share that our music teacher, Mr. Nicholas Terramani, has started a violin program with our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students. This program was very well received by students and parents. We are anticipating a wonderful spring concert event showcasing our budding musicians.

We know that our students need to be well rounded individuals. I am proud to share a picture with you of our students donating canned goods to a local food bank and food closets.



In addition, our student council rang the bells for the Salvation Army.



We are also happy to share with you that we have implemented a mentoring program between our fifth and eighth grade students.



During our school assemblies we often play The World's Greatest. We truly believe that we have the world's greatest students and staff. I am confident in our teachers ability to ensure that our students continue to shine.

Thank you again for this opportunity to share an update with you regarding Family Foundations Academy. I appreciate your time and attention to the positive things that are taking place consistently at our school.

Mrs. Amy Novosel

Dear Secretary Murphy:

My name is Nicole Aizaga and I am the 8th grade team lead and a science teacher at Family Foundations Academy. I can proudly say that I have called the students and staff of FFA my family since 2012. When I heard that our renewal decision was deferred until a later date I was met with a flood of emotions at the thought of our school possibly no longer existing. I know many people like to focus on the negative press about FFA, however there are many bigger more important issues that are overlooked in the midst of the recent findings. With this letter I hope that you look beyond many of the negatives and focus on the fact that there are many staff members, and families who are proud to be members of the FFA community.

I began my career at FFA unsure of how my year was going to be in a new school and I was met with a group of professional and fun loving staff members who would soon become not only coworkers, but friends. When met with adversity the staff at FFA not only rises and meets the challenges but we make it fun. My fellow 8th grade team members worked with me to make sure we worked as a team to have a productive year. I am also proud to say that our hard work paid off! Consistently over the course of my career at FFA we have seen consistent academic growth.

I think if you were to ask any staff member of FFA about their experience working here I think everyone would unanimously agree that FFA is a place of collaboration. Not only do we work really hard at providing a quality education, we also work really hard to create a family between students and staff at the school.

As an 8th grade teacher it is so apparent how important the FFA community is to students and their families as the 8th graders begin to transition to high school. The time around graduation is always bittersweet because the 8th graders are ready to transition, but they are sad to leave a family that some of them have built since kindergarten. It is evident that FFA means something to these students by the amount of students who come back and visit, or come to FFA to represent their new school and share their experiences with our current students. It is also evident that FFA means something to the families as I have had many siblings in different grades who all have the same level of investment in FFA.

This year we have piloted a program that pairs 8th graders with 5th graders in a buddy program. I have witnessed my 8th grade students become phenomenal mentors and create bonds with 5th grade students who they may not have previously associated with. One of my 8th graders told me it was "cool to have someone look up to him." I believe these sorts of opportunities we provide make FFA a different and enriching experience for our students.

I have had countless parents thank me for the special attention I have given their students, and I know I am not the only teacher who receives these complements. I witness my fellow teachers stay after for tutoring, academic clubs, and even just to plan rigorous lessons. The level of investment is there. We are all here to provide a quality education for our students!

I know it is really easy to get caught up in the negatives about a school but it is imperative to take a step back and remember that schools are not places of numbers and dollar signs. Schools are places where individual students grow up, and learn to love education and believe in themselves. I truly believe that if FFA were taken away from some of our other students they would suffer and they would miss their FFA family. I strongly urge you to see the growth that FFA has made and remember that it isn't a school for most of us, it's our family.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Nicole Aizaga

Hello,

I wanted to take a minute to introduce myself my name is Kimberly Heeman, and this is my 9th year of teaching. I am a highly qualified teacher as I am certified through middle school gen. ed, and I am also special ed. certified, with my masters. Most of my career I have worked with special education students of all different levels and abilities. This is my first year at Family Foundations Academy, and my first year working with elementary students. I switched schools due to a move.

I come from working in a very large school with many people. I want to say it is very refreshing to work in a small school where I truly feel like part of a family even in my short time of being here. Being a new teacher again in a new place I had many questions and wanted to please my administrators. The directors, senior teachers, and administration were all very helpful in getting me acclimated to the building and answered all my questions. I feel very supported and feel that the senior staff works in your corner to help you out. Since it is a small school we as teachers have an all hands on deck approach toward working with all students in the building toward common goals. This is in terms of both behavior and academics. I greatly enjoy being a part of a school that appreciates me and cultivates my growth as a teacher. I hope to be here for a long time.

~Mrs. Heeman (Grade 2)

Dear Secretary Murphy,

My name is Christine Chaney and I am a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Family Foundations Academy. For the past few months our school has been talked about and written about in a very negative manner. Despite the gossip, accusations and audit findings, there are many positive things happening at Family Foundations Academy.

First and foremost, our students have shown consistent academic growth for the past several years. The teachers at our school work very hard to ensure that our students are learning and achieving. Although our school day is not over until 4:00 many teachers stay later to plan lessons that are challenging and rigorous for our students. The teaching teams work closely with each other to discuss learning strategies, formative checks for understanding, and students who need that extra push. Throughout the past month the staff have maintained their focus on the students and their learning,

Secondly, the students themselves are amazing and interested in Family Foundations Academy. Many of the students now and previously, have been at FFA for more than five years. They believe in the education they are receiving here and believe in the caring, enthusiastic staff that wants to help them succeed. I am the FFA Middle School Student Council Adviser and I have seen students step up to make our school better in many ways. For example, last year, the student council spent hours sorting the library books of the catholic school so we could have a library. Student Council has hosted 3 high school fairs for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students so they could learn about their choices of schools in which to apply. These fairs enabled our students to choose schools based on the information provided to them. Our student council also planned three career days in which people from different businesses and community. Our students believe in their school and want to continue their efforts.

Thirdly, we have an amazing academic coordinator and current interim head of school. Mrs. Amy Novosel has been at Family Foundations Academy since the beginning of the school. She works harder than any teacher I have ever known. When I first started she was at school planning lessons for her third grade students or tutoring until late in the evening. She was also helpful to me as a new teacher. I was amazed by her dedication to the students. (and she has 4 children of her own.) Her faith in the school not only motivated her to work for the students but all four of her children have attended FFA. Two of her children have graduated and one was accepted at Charter School of Wilmington!! Mrs. Novosel has been the Curriculum Coordinator for the past three years and she has worked diligently to make sure teachers have what they need to plan the best lessons for their students.

Also, Mrs. Kathleen Connor, who was just appointed interim head of school, is an amazing teacher who I worked with when we both taught 8<sup>th</sup> grade at the middle school from 2012-2014. Her wealth of knowledge about teaching and education allowed me to learn from her and adjust to being an 8<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. (I had never taught 8<sup>th</sup> grade before). Plus, she is a very optimistic, kind-hearted person who believes in the mission of the school. With her at the helm, the teachers will be united as one!!! I, as well as many others, have the utmost faith in her ability to lead the school in a positive direction.

As for myself, I have seen many changes since I started at FFA in in 2008. Due to our academic strengths, supportive staff and positive school climate the school has grown from 1<sup>st</sup> grade to 4<sup>th</sup> grade in 2008 to a K-8 school with two buildings to oversee and maintain. We grew so fast based on people's belief in us that we had no room at the elementary to grown. In fact, we first had the middle school in the reformatted elementary school cafeteria in 2010. During that school year, teachers had to eat with

their students in the classroom while the cafeteria was used as middle school. The teacher sacrificed willingly in order to provide more education for more students. When we moved into the current middle school building we realized that we would be separated from the rest of the student body. But again, the staff sacrificed in order to provide education for more students. We are still separated from the rest of the student body, but we are maintaining a positive spirit and a willingness to work hard for our students.

Although, I am an award winning teacher with 25 years of experience I choose to stay at Family Foundations Academy because I believe in the mission of the school, the staff, and most of all the students.

These are just a few of the positive things that are continuing to happen at FFA. Please renew our charter so our students can continue to succeed and continue to believe in their school. They deserve that opportunity.

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** If the mismanagement of state funding is due to impropriety by school officials, I am not surprised. The entire school is poorly managed, therefore, I would suspect their financials to reflect the same. My step-daughter began FFA in the 2013-2014 school year as kindergartener. While she had a good teacher, I believe my step-daughter would have fewer students in the classroom. Nearly thirty kindergarteners in a charter school classroom is absurd and a sign that school is only interested in acquiring students with no plan on how to effectively manage large class sizes. Although my step-daughter does not use bus transportation, the last two school years FFA has experienced serious issues with their bus transportation provider. This is yet another example of disorganization and poor management. My experience with FFA as whole has been unpleasant. My encounters with Dr. Brewington have been especially unpleasant. As a school administrator, she is a poor example of a leader. It seems that she is more interested in decorating the school in Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc. sorority colors than actually organizing, leading, and managing the institution. If funds are being misappropriated, the intent and mission of FFA has been compromised and the school should loose it's charter.

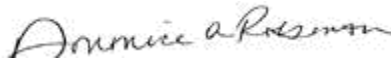
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Family Foundations is an excellent Charter School that focuses on helping students reach their academic potential and encourages them to engage in a positive learning environment. FFA is very family oriented and family structured. My children love that school, so please Renew the charter!

Thank you!



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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** School is doing its great job. We support renewal.

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**Comment:** Please renew the charter. Remove the current board and reinstate the certified school leader Dr. Brewington.

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**From:** nydy2000@comcast.net  
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**Subject:** Parent of Two Kids Attend Family Foundations Academy Charter School

Hello,

My son's have been at FFA since they were in first grade and now one is in sixth and the other is in seventh. Both have always been honor roll students and one is a straight A student. Dr. Brewington has played an instrumental mentor in kids success at FFA. She ensures that the kids are learning, the curriculum is excellent and its a safe loving environment. I would not send my son's to any other school but FFA. I believe that Dr. Brewington only needs to be reinstated. The school is not below in academics so there is no reason not to Renew the Charter. Additional rules, roles and responsibility just need to be put into place to ensure policies are being following and someone is auditing these areas. I will be devastated as a parent if FFA closes. These kids, teachers and parents have worked really hard to made the schools what it is today.

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Some of the teachers there are amazing and they want to help these young kids for a better and brighter future.

On another note lots the kids that are attending the charter school do not have respect for themselves or anyone else in the building. Lots of bullying gone on in the school they need some type of mentors there to help with kids like one on one counseling to build the kids confidence and self esteem issues and it would help if the parents would get more involved with their kids too make it easier on the teachers. What the Dean is trying to do for the kids is amazing but she needs a lot of support and the staff she has could do better. Sorry to say my daughter will not be attending next year. There's always room to grow and improve and they need to figure it out to better FFA . I hope they do remain open and improve cause I know they can do it.

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** This is my twenty-fifth year as a teacher in both Maryland and Delaware schools, and my second year at Family Foundations Academy. I have been very impressed by the unity of the staff, and the perseverance to try every avenue to meet both the academic and behavioral needs of this body of students. Our Directors of Curriculum and Instruction are consistently in the classroom observing the interaction between students and teachers, giving suggestions and encouragement, and making the training and resources available to us as we strive for excellence. We also have an amazing support with our Special Education Director and her team of specialists who either give students aid in the classroom, or pull them for small group or individual instruction. Like any school, there are some students who challenge us with their behavior, but we have a strong team of Counselors, Academic Deans, and a school nurse who work, together with the teachers and parents, to help these students to develop self control, and to build character which (hopefully) will help to give them structure and stability which many of them may not have anywhere outside of school. We also have a Wellness Center in our elementary building staffed with professionals to give counseling both to individual students, and to their families, to provide medical evaluations such as eyesight, hearing, and other services to which students may not have access outside of school. We have many families from a variety of cultural backgrounds who truly desire that their children receive the best education possible, and are highly involved in the school as volunteers. Whatever you may hear from several disgruntled families who have left the school for whatever reason, and want to make snarky comments, there is good work being done here, by highly qualified staff who love and want the best educational opportunities possible for these children who have unlimited potential when given a chance to show their God-given gifts and talents.

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Good afternoon,

My daughter is a fourth grade honors student at FFA> She has attended FFA since the first grade. I would like to support tha charter renewal of FFA. I wish for the investigation to continue in reference to Dr. Brewington and Sean Moore, and I pray they do not return to the school. I visted the school today, and I walked the halls. It is a better atmosphere without them there, and everyones seems happier. My plan was ofr my daughter to matriculate through FFA until the 8th grade. I love the school, and my daughter has achieved excellence in education. I am full support of this charter renewal. Please fee free to contact me at 302.354.9570.

Nakishia Bailey, PhD

Mother of Alexis Lee Bailey

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Dear Secretary of Education,

As a parent of a student attending FFA, I would like to request the charter renewed for the for Family Foundations Academy (2014/2015).

I would also like to have Dr. Brewington/Mr. Moore re-instated as the Director/Co-Director(s).

Thank you,  
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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Please reinstate Dr. Brewington and assign a new board



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**Comment:** To Whom It May Concern:

Please remove the current board and reinstate the certified school leader Dr. Brewington. Thank you.

## Nagourney Jennifer

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Please renew the charter

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**Comment:** Please renew the charter. Remove the current board and reinstate the certified school leader Dr. Brewington. My son has learned so much from the school with her beign in charge. The school has changed in a way that i am not pleased with at the start of her leaving. We want our school back the way it was with Dr. Brewington in charge of things.

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**Comment:** Please renew the charter. Remove the current board and reinstate the certified school leader Dr. Brewington. I can be reached @ 302-362-2829 for further questions.

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**From:** Marvette.Smith-dunbar@dupont.com  
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As a founding parent of the school, I am asking that you renew the Charter for Family Foundations Academy. I have one child that graduated from 8<sup>th</sup> grade with honors and two others that are still in the school in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and 4<sup>th</sup> grade honors classes. This happened because of due diligence of the teachers and our leaders hence the term "Family" I do realize there have been some strong accusations against our leaders, but we also cannot deny what they have accomplished with our children. People are human and mistakes will be made.

The current board needs to add members and our school leaders need to be reinstated. This school worked because of both of them and no one person could accomplish the success they have had.

Thank you

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**Comment:** Please renew our charter

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**Comment:** I ask that you please reinstate Dr Brewington.



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Please renew our charter at FFA. Parent for two years.

**In God We trust**

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Hello, We are parents of 2 middle schoolers (5th and 7th grade). I'm sending this comment to ask you to renew the charter application for Family Foundation Academy and to remove the current board and reinstate Dr. Brewington. Being a active parents (my husband and I) are concerned with the current board that's in place. Having Dr. Brewington reinstated will give our family the security we need in knowing that the well being of our children are safe and taken cared of academically and physical. WE need Dr. Brewington BACK!

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Please renew Family Foundations Academy Charter School.

I've been apart of FFA since it has opened in 2006. I was not 100% aware of what was going until recently. Dr. Brewington has been the heart and soul of the school for these kids. Her "babies" (as she affectionately calls them) need her presence there. Whenever I've have brought issues to her attention over the last 8 years, she always took the time to listen, investigate the problem, and follow up with me with a solution. I've always appreciated the fact that my kids had a Principal that welcomed parent feedback, and encouraged an open door policy. I also remember one year when my children and I lost everything that we owned when my home was flooded and we were temporarily displaced. I went to Dr. Brewington to tell her that I needed about a week to replace my child's uniforms, and school supplies, etc. since I was concerned about my child receiving demerits. The next day she personally went out and purchased my child 5 brand new uniforms, a new bookbag, lunch box, and school supplies. I was incredibly humbled by her sheer kindness. Unfortunately, it's rare these days. I'm floored to read now that she has been removed from her position. I will also request that my name and personal information be removed from the public comment. I do not want my support to warrant any backlash or consequence to my child by the remaining admin that is currently there. Thank you.

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**From:** John Koroma <noreply@jotform.com>  
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**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

**Full Name:** John Koroma

**Email Address:** [jhkoroma704@yahoo.com](mailto:jhkoroma704@yahoo.com)

**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** It a very good school and my kids love the culture at this school, so we would like the issue resolve. As a father of two kids attending Family Foundation Academy I see how developed my kids as compare to other kids and also my older kids who happens to attend a public has improve greatly since she started this school. Please don't let go this school as it will have great impact on our kids and our community.

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**From:** KAYODE ABEGUNDE <abegunde\_kayodeusa@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 6:44 AM  
**To:** infocso  
**Cc:** abegunde.kayodeusa@gmail.com; kabeg@udel.edu  
**Subject:** Renewal of Family Foundation Charter school

To whom it may concerns:

My name is Kayode Abegunde, I have two children enrolled at Family Foundation Academy. I would like to express my support to the great citadel of learning for renewal. I have been following the operations of FFA, and I will tell you I have witnessed greater improvements on my children. I am a parent and I will not recommend something that will affect my children in life. One of the reason why am saying this, I paid so much money for my children to get Pre-K education at a school which when you go by their publicity you will feel they are the best but little did I know it's a playing ground for kids. But as for FFA Charter, they are very focus, and involved parents into every decision they make on the progress of the school. What I love most is the family involvement before they can reach a consensus on anything. My Children are in Grade 1 and 3 respectively, and they can read and solve some mathematical problems that some of their colleagues in another school are struggling with. Outside FFA, they received several awards at Fairwind Baptist School where they show their talents and what they are made up of. I know it was not only the trainings will give at the house but the knowledge they acquired at FFA must have contributed to this greatly. I really feel, reinstatement of Dr. Brewington as the school administrator will continue to do more good and for the best interest for the entire Delawareans. I see how much she cares about the children, anytime I go to the elementary school to see my children I can see her moving from one place to another. She doesn't sit in her office just to be sure everything is ok. Though, I read about the financial inconsistency which is still under investigations but I will suggest during this period, Dr Brewington should still be given opportunity in her roles.

Please let us handle this carefully; FFA is a school that I purposely interested in their operations. I want my children to be the best among their peers and I am seeing that happening, then what else do we need in the existence of any school. I will strongly recommend Family Foundation Academy (Charter) for renewal and I will continue to monitor their operations and off course, feedback will consistently be given as necessary.

Thank you,  
Kayode Abegunde MBA-HCA  
FFA (Concerned parents)  
302-690-7703

CC:  
Morohunmubo Abegunde(Wife)

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**From:** Ceyanna Saunders <ccceyanna@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 6:10 AM  
**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

Please keep are school's both of my kids go thier they have the best teachers in the world they go above and beyond. My 13 year old daughter has been thier since 1st grade and my 9 year old has been thier since kindergarten. They learn alot and also Dr. Brewington is essential to the school she's thier day and night for the kids. She always responded to me with any concerns I had. Please keep our school. Thanks Crystal Daly Saunders.

## **Nagourney Jennifer**

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**From:** Kamira El <noreply@jotform.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 6:05 AM  
**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

**Full Name:** Kamira El

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Please renew!



## **Nagourney Jennifer**

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**From:** Tamika Bass <noreply@jotform.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 5:05 AM  
**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

**Full Name:** Tamika Bass

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Please renew the charter. Regardless of what has happened with the people in charge there, my daughter has received an amazing education and only had one more year left. I've only heard rumors and have not looked into anything for myself, but the education that my daughter has received had been great. Again, please renew the charter.

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**From:** Nagourney Jennifer  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 12:24 AM  
**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** FW: Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

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**From:** Mrs. Clark [<mailto:noreply@jotform.com>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 03, 2015 11:04 AM  
**To:** Nagourney Jennifer  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

**Full Name:** Mrs. Clark

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Hello State members

In reviewing other charter renewals you have historically given numerous chances to charters who were on academic, financial, and organizational distress. You have offered formal reviews and/or probation. When considering the charter of FFa do the same. The organization was diseased because it was all males, all African American males, all in a fraternity who refused to allow others to join to protect their brother. This is against the Sunshine Law regulations for public assembly of this governing body. They refused to hold elections. None of them were educators.

The finances of the school were never scrutinized. That is the responsibility of the board. Now they are publicly advocating and telling staff and parents that positive emails about the education director will hurt the charter. Who does this but deceptive people. Remove the disease from the school and it will prosper as it already has under the knowledgeable educator.

Thank you

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**From:** Kimberly Heeman <noreply@jotform.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 4:18 PM  
**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

**Full Name:** Kimberly Heeman

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Hello,

I wanted to take a minute to introduce myself my name is Kimberly Heeman, and this is my 9th year of teaching. I am a highly qualified teacher as I am certified through middle school gen. ed, and I am also special ed. certified, with my masters. Most of my career I have worked with special education students of all different levels and abilities. This is my first year at Family Foundations Academy and my first year working with elementary students. I switched schools due to a move.

I come from working in a very large school with many people. I want to say it is very refreshing to work in a small school where I truly feel like part of a family even in my short time of being here. Being a new teacher again in a new place I had many questions and wanted to please my administrators. The directors, senior teachers, and administration were all very helpful in getting me acclimated to the building and answered all my questions. I feel very supported and feel that the senior staff works in your corner to help you out. Since it is a small school we as teachers have an all hands on deck approach toward working with all students in the building toward common goals. This is in terms of both behavior and academics. I greatly enjoy being a part of a school that appreciates me and cultivates my growth as a teacher. I hope to be here for a long time.

~Mrs. Heeman (Grade 2)

## **Nagourney Jennifer**

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**From:** Kareem Grant <kareemjgrant@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 6:01 PM  
**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

As a parent, I request the renewal of FFA and Remove the current board and reinstate the certified school leader Dr. Brewington. My kids love this school and a lot better than the private school they came from. They learn a lot more and their teachers love them.

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**From:** Tekisha Wells <noreply@jotform.com>  
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**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

**Full Name:** Tekisha Wells

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Hello,

I wanted to reach out to you regarding Family Foundations Academy. My name is Tekisha Wells and this is my first year teaching. Although this is my first year of teaching, I have worked in other schools before. I have worked as a Paraprofessional, substitute, and I did my student teaching in a public school. The atmosphere at FFA is breath taking compared to what I have seen in the past. I am so happy to work for a school that is small and that has such a warm and supportive staff.

I was nervous as any new teacher would be in a new school, and from the first day I started the teachers and the administrative staff have went out of their way to make me feel comfortable and helped me with anything I needed help with. Another thing, I love about working for this school is they allow teachers to be creative, and that allows me to better help my students. I am starting a 2nd grade book club for my students. This is something that I would not have been able to do in another school district. They welcome and support all ideas and give feedback when needed.

I love being a part of this staff where they care so much about the students and the success of the students. I hope to continue my career as a teacher at Family Foundations Academy.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Wells

## **Nagourney Jennifer**

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**From:** Maame Baffoe Asiedu <noreply@jotform.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 9:10 PM  
**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

**Full Name:** Maame Baffoe Asiedu

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Dr Tannel Brewington be reinstated as the certified leader.

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**From:** coffield20 <coffield20@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 9:54 PM  
**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

To whom it may concern...I am Celeste Irene Coffield mother of student Spirit Love Gordy. She is a 5th grader at FFA. This us her first year with the school and I mustv say, she has achieved so much.

I hear that it's time for renewal. Please renew the contract with FFA because my daughter told me during the summer that she was dumb because she wasn't as good reader or good at spelling. And she was so emotionally disturbed that I even started crying with her. I assured her that things would be better for her at FFA. When she got her report card she was so happy with herself.

I also have a granddaughter named Jamyra Coffield also in the 5th grade at FFA and she is a hard worker and enjoys the teachers and can't wait to learn.

Spirit has improved because of prayers and the FFA staff.

Thank you for taking the time to read my and Spirits request to keep FFA moving forward.

Sincerely

C. I. Coffield  
Celeste Irene Coffield

Sent from my MetroPCS 4G Wireless Phone

## Nagourney Jennifer

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**From:** Brenda and Angel Colon <noreply@jotform.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 05, 2015 10:11 PM  
**To:** infocso  
**Subject:** Family Foundations Academy - 2014-15 Renewal Public Comment

**Full Name:** Brenda and Angel Colon

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**Charter School:** Family Foundations Academy

**Comment:** Our daughter Yaline Colon has been a student now for 2 years. Thanks to Family Foundation Academy and Dr. Brewington she has made an amazing transformation. Once she started there, we saw an amazing difference with her grades and for the first time straight A's all marking period. This without a doubt would not be possible if it wasn't for the academic curriculum and for Dr. Brewington. The dedication to the students and for them to thrive is one of the things we value most about Family Foundation. Which is why we fully request and support that Dr. Brewington be reinstated and are hopeful that the Charter School Board will also renew that the school remain open more many more years to come.