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American Renaissance
Mr. Stephen Gay
217 South Center Street
Statesville, North Carolina 28677

CHARTER RENEWAL

Dear Stephen:

This letter is to inform you the State Board of Education voted during its February 5, 2009 meeting to accept the recommendation of the Leadership for Innovation Committee to renew the Charter of your school for ten (10) years. Based upon evidence, available to us at this time, and as stated in the renewal rubric, your school is in compliance in the areas of ABC's accountability, finance, governance, exceptional children, and enrollment and must be maintained through June 30, 2009 in order to receive your renewal. Non-compliance in any of these areas will require review by the Leadership for Innovation Committee and the possibility of a change in the current recommendation forwarded to the State Board of Education.

A new ten (10) year Charter will be issued upon the expiration of the current Charter on June 30, 2009, and will expire June 30, 2019.

Please keep in mind that pursuant to GS 115C-238.29D, "The State Board of Education shall review the operations of each charter school at least once every five years to ensure that the school is meeting the expected academic, financial, and governance standards." This statute includes adherence to all policies governing the operation of a charter school. Also, the issuance of the renewal Charter does not preclude the SBE from taking any action authorized by 115C-238.29G, should circumstance warrant such action.

Please forward a copy of this letter to your Board Chair in a timely manner. Should you have any questions, please contact the Office of Charter Schools.

Sincerely,

Jack Moyer

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