

Academics Plus
Charter School

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

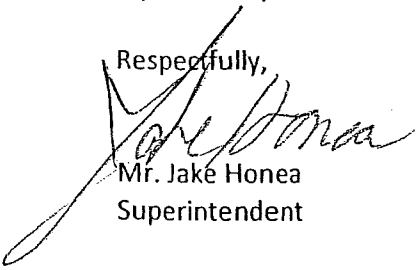
No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB) was enacted by the federal government to ensure that all students are given maximum opportunity to achieve academically in our schools. The main goal of NCLB is to ensure that all children in this country receive a quality education so that they can be academically successful in a high-performing educational environment. Each school in our state is held accountable and thus the state of Arkansas is required to assess all of the schools within their districts to determine whether each school has made adequate yearly progress. If the school has not made AYP for two consecutive years, it is considered "in need of improvement." While the students failed to meet AYP in 2006-07, our students did make AYP this past year, 2007-08, due to diligence and efforts of our math teachers.

We are pleased with the changes we have made in our math program and in the increased improvement we have seen in our End of Course Algebra and Geometry scores last year. With the support of mathematics specialists from the Arkansas Department of Education (ADE), along with carefully selected professional development opportunities for our math faculty, we expect to meet or exceed our improvement goals this year.

We value the support and involvement of the families of our students and actively seek your input this year. We will offer two Family Math Nights, one each semester, where our math teachers will invite families to come with their students to learn more about our program and how we can better work together to meet the needs of our students. Parents are also welcome to make arrangements through the principal's office to observe classes. We also will have parents working with us this year as we implement our school improvement plan (ACSIP).

If you have questions or concerns, do not hesitate to call and speak with me.

Respectfully,



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