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To: AIMS Board of Directors

From: Superintendent Woods-Cadiz

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Subject: AIMS Superintendent's Report

Dear Board Members,

As we progress through the new academic year, I am pleased to provide you with updates on several key areas of focus for AIMS. These areas reflect our commitment to promoting the AIMS brand and ensuring excellence in our operations.

Financial Update:

We have successfully closed the books with a surplus, which has bolstered our reserves. This financial strength positions us well to handle the state's postponement of some payments to charter schools, effectively filling the gap. The first interim financial report will provide an update on these withholdings and their impact.

Academic Excellence:

Our academic boot camp has been instrumental in fostering quality instruction. I thank Mr. Ahmad, Director Li, and our site leaders for their dedication to ensuring a positive start to the year. We are proud to have passed our Williams inspection, affirming our commitment to curriculum access and facility quality.

Crisis Management:

In light of concerns regarding lead in water at nearby OUSD buildings and an expressed concern, we have proactively shut down faucets on 12th Street until further assessments confirm safety. Previous tests done by Eb mud have indicated no concern. In the meantime, students and staff are being provided with bottled water to ensure their well-being.



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Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP):

We are excited to launch the ELOP with a start date in September. A qualified director has been hired, who has established a comprehensive plan and made significant progress in staffing. This program promises to enhance learning opportunities for our students.

Promoting the AIMS Brand and Community Engagement:

AIMS proudly participated in the Chinatown Fair, showcasing our achievements and community involvement. We also presented the successful completion of the CAP to the OUSD Board, staff, and Superintendent.

Opening of School:

Our schools opened smoothly, welcoming more students than anticipated in June. Despite minor hiccups typical of nearly 1,300 students returning simultaneously, our site leaders, staff, and employees performed admirably, ensuring a successful start to the school year.

Leadership Professional Development:

All leadership personnel engaged in a robust training week, building on the leadership scope presented at the June board meeting. They continue participating in ongoing coaching and training sessions, enhancing their capacity to lead effectively.

Completion of Direct Report Evaluations:

I have completed evaluations for all direct reports, ensuring accountability and alignment with our strategic goals.

Parent Engagement:

I had the pleasure of meeting with representatives from AIMS Parents United and am thrilled about their proactive role in our district. We are fortunate to have parents who choose to partner with us for the success of our students.



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Charter Renewal Update:

Today, a summary of the charter renewal will be presented. We are scheduled to meet with OUSD regarding a confer to meet before the final version is made public. This meeting will ensure that all necessary adjustments and considerations are made in collaboration with OUSD.

In conclusion, I am proud of the progress we have made and the collaborative efforts of our entire AIMS community. Together, we are advancing our mission and ensuring a bright future for our students. Thank you for your continued support and dedication.

Sincerely,
Superintendent Woods-Cadiz