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Dear Charter Arts Community,

Our Board of Directors is a volunteer organization that offers their service because we strongly believe in the mission and values of Charter Arts. We have always been certain that our school is one of the most progressive, creative and tolerant schools in the area. We are afflicted and distressed to learn that some of our stakeholders, and particularly some of our students, feel that is not their reality, and thus we are committed to attend every allegation until resolved. In order to do that, we have hired a specialized firm to conduct a thorough, independent investigation. This firm will report directly to the Board.

The Board is committed to educating our students in a safe and orderly manner. To that end we intend normal instruction to resume starting Tuesday, Feb 22. Classes will take place in their regular schedule, and more information will be forthcoming from the school administration. On that day we will also have several resources available for our community that include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. We will have a representative from the independent firm who will be available to any student who would like to meet with him privately to detail any issues. Students, on an individual basis, will be allowed to make appointments throughout designated hours next week and thereafter if needed.
2. We will have our diversity consultant on hand, who will be available to meet with students for general concerns.
3. We will have extra counselors available to meet with students who wish to make an appointment.
4. We are directing that an acting principal be immediately appointed to make sure the school can operate in an orderly manner.
5. We will also have additional safety personnel in school as needed to ensure the safety of the students and staff.

Our commitment to ensuring that the school meets the mission and values it holds dear is resolute. Our highest priority is a return to learning and educating in a safe, accepting and inviting atmosphere while simultaneously conducting all necessary investigations in a professional, unbiased and independent manner.

We hope you will support us in making sure our school lives up to the values it aspires to.

Mario Acerra
President of the Charter Arts Board of Directors