

April 19, 2021

Dear parents and guardians,

I am very pleased to announce that Niagara Charter School has been approved by the New York State Board of Regents for a five-year charter! On April 12, 2021, the Board of Regents voted that Niagara Charter School's renewal be issued for a full five-year charter term, and it should be noted the vote passed unanimously. The renewal period will commence on July 1, 2021 and will end on June 30, 2026; at that time Niagara Charter School will submit a new five-year renewal application.

The charter renewal decision is based on a school's performance over the term of the charter in three key areas:

- 1. The school's academic success
- 2. The school's organizational soundness and its ability to operate in a fiscally sound manner, and
- 3. The school's faithfulness to the terms of its charter and adherence to the applicable laws and regulations

The report stated, "Niagara outperformed its district of location, its primary sending district, and New York State (NYS) in English language arts (ELA) and math overall in the 2018-2019 school year. Furthermore, outcomes for economically disadvantaged (ED) students surpassed the three comparisons in both subjects across 2014-2015 through 2018-2019." The report also stated, "a shared mission of providing a challenging academic program, paired with character development through use of EL Education principles, is emphasized and implemented at Niagara."

We are excited to receive this renewal, and we would love to have you help us spread the word about NCS! Please visit our website and my Principal's Page for a list of ways you can volunteer. Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school.

Sincerely,

Ms. Novak, Ph. D. Chief Academic Officer

Niagara Charter School: A choice for parents and a better opportunity for children.