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Dr. Grant,

Thank you for your participation in the process to select an independent, non-governmental entity for the District of Columbia Education Research Practice Partnership (DC RPP). I regret to inform you that the Review Panel, authorized by D.C. Official Code §38-785.03, did not select The George Washington University as the independent, non-governmental entity.

I appreciate your diligence and patience throughout this process. Although I was not personally a part of the Review Panel, I am confident that your application was high quality and thoughtful. We are lucky to have strong research partners in the District of Columbia, and we value the work that you have taken - and will hopefully continue to take - to research and analyze education practice in the District. It is integral to sustaining the progress we have made as a state in improving our educational outcomes for our students.

As far as next steps, we will be making all applications (subject to appropriate redactions), scoring rubrics, and meeting recordings of the Review Panel available in the upcoming days to provide the public with full and complete transparency of the process undertaken in this matter. These will be located on the OSSE website.

Again, thank you for your participation in this process.

Sincerely,

Shana Young
Interim State Superintendent of Education

Cc: Paul Kihn, Deputy Mayor of Education