September 16, 2013

Ayize Sabater
Executive Director
Shining Stars Montessori Academy Public Charter School
1328 Florida Avenue, NW, Annex
Washington, DC 20009

Re: FFY 2011 LEA Determination: Revision of Enclosure 2, Element 4

Dear Mr. Sabater:

As you are aware, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA) requires the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) as the State educational agency (SEA) to make determinations annually about the performance of local educational agencies (LEAs). OSSE is required to use the same categories that the United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) uses for state determinations as outlined in Section 616(d) of IDEA.

On August 2, 2013, OSSE issued FFY 2011 Part B IDEA determination letters for all LEAs in the District of Columbia and extended a 30 calendar day appeal period. In response to an LEA's inquiry regarding underlying data related to Element 4, LEA A-133 Audit results, OSSE reviewed and recalculated this element across LEAs to ensure accuracy. As a result of this review, it was determined that your LEA's results for this element required revision. Accordingly, we are providing you with an updated Enclosure 2 (attached).

OSSE has determined that, in accordance with the scoring rubric referenced in Enclosure 1, the overall determination level for your LEA remains the same. OSSE is providing an additional appeals period to LEAs who receive an updated determination score. Any appeal must be made within 14 calendar days of the date of this letter.

I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and encourage you to contact Dr. Jennifer Masoodi at Jennifer.masoodi@dc.gov or 202-741-0479 if you have questions or concerns about your determination after reviewing this information.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Superintendent of Specialized Education

Enclosures (2)

cc: Jennifer Masoodi, Director, Specialized Education Quality Assurance & Monitoring