CHARTER SCHOOL RENEWALS

2022-2023 SY

DCSD Choice Programming and Charter Leadership

Douglas Douglas County School District Learn Today, Lead Tomorrow **Presentation Overview** 

- Overview of Charter School Renewal Process
  - Revisions: Site Visit Protocol, Educational Program and Operational Analyses
- Materials Provided to DCSD Board of Education
  - DCSD Staff Recommendation Packet: Analysis of Educational Program, Operations, Finances; Renewal Applications; SPFs; Contracts; Conditional Compliance
- **Presentation Structure:** 15 minutes per school (5 min. presentation, 10 min. Q&A)

Charter School	Year Opened	Grade Levels	School Model	Enrollment
American Academy	2005	PK-8	In Person Learning	2789
Academy Charter	1993	K-8	In Person/Homeschool Learning	742
Leman Academy of Excellence	2018	PK-8	In Person/Homeschool Learning	1111

### **Charter School Renewal Process**

#### **DCSD Standards for Quality Authorizing**

**Renewal Decision Making:** DCSD designs and implements a transparent and rigorous process that uses academic, financial, governance and operational performance data to make merit-based renewal decisions, and establishes clear criteria for renewal.





### **Staff Recommendation**

RENEWAL RECOMMENDATION: It is the recommendation of DCSD staff that the charter contract between Douglas County School District (DCSD) and American Academy Charter School be renewed for a term of 5 years.

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E	3. Failed to meet or make reasonable progress toward achievement of the goals, objectives, contendards, pupil performance standards, targets for the measures used to determine the levels attainment of the performance indicators, applicable federal requirements, or other terms identified in the charter contract;	
C	C. Failed to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management;	NO
0	D. Violated any provision of law from which the charter school was not specifically exempted.	NO



# **American Academy**



AMERICAN ACADEMY EDUCATE | INNOVATE | EXPLORE



### <u>We are</u> <u>American Academy</u>



# **Questions?**



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# **Academy Charter School**



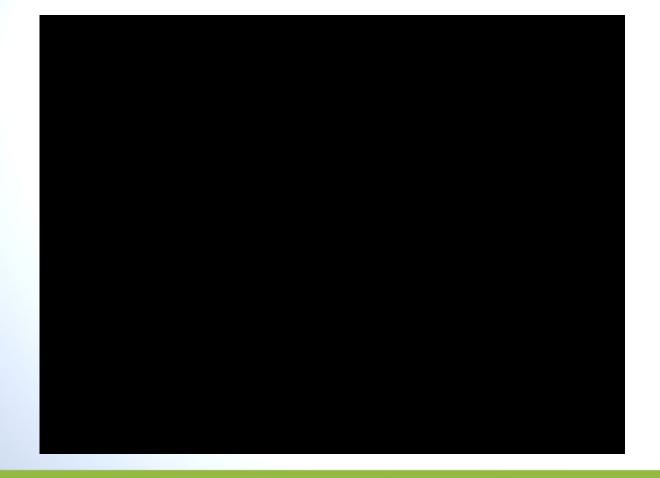
ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL A PUBLIC SCHOOL OF CHOICE





### A legacy of excellence since 1993 I Am an Eagle!







# **Questions?**



### **Staff Recommendation**

RENEWAL RECOMMENDATION: It is the recommendation of DCSD staff that the charter contract between Douglas County School District (DCSD) and Leman Academy of Excellence be renewed for a term of 5 years.

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# **Leman Academy of Excellence**







Offers all scholars a rigorous classical education in which disciplines are interrelated.







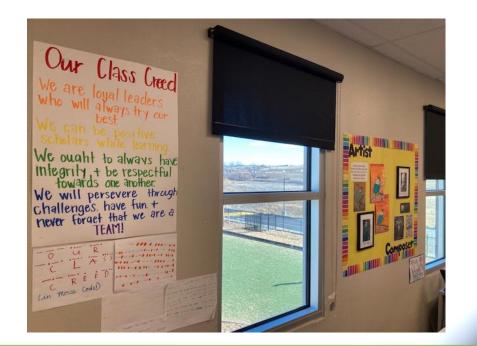
Partners with supportive parents to pursue excellence within a safe and challenging environment.







Equips all scholars with the ability to think independently and critically to grow in wisdom and virtue.

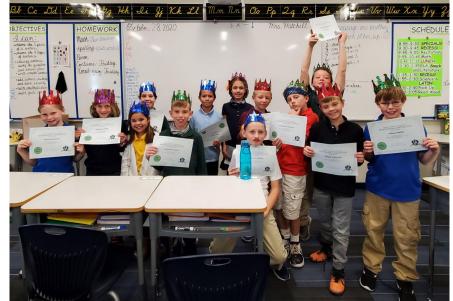






#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Excellence in writing: spotlight 8th grade (23% of 8th graders on IEPs)
- Strong enrollment of scholars with IEPs
- Strong waitlist and budget
- Generous parent and board support
- 10% COLA increase the last 2 years
- 95% satisfaction (SAC survey)







### **SCHOLAR-LEADERS**

- History: skeleton of curriculum
- Royal House System
- Scholar Senate
- Virtue–Focused Assemblies
- Caring Communities







### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- 12 instructional coaches (1:3)
- 9 team shepherds
- 6 performance-aligned PLCs
- Collaborative with SAC & PTO
- Weekly Late-Start training
- Initial & Quarterly Inservice
- Robust Induction & Mentoring





# **Questions?**

