

**IMPORTANT  
ACCREDITATION  
INFORMATION**

Subject: Assignment of Accreditation Status to Carpe Diem San Antonio - Westwood

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the 2017-2018 accreditation status of Carpe Diem San Antonio - Westwood is **Accredited-Warned**. Under state law, the accreditation statuses that may be assigned to charter schools include Accredited, Accredited-Warned, Accredited-Probation, and Not Accredited-Revoked. A status of **Accredited-Warned** means that a charter school exhibits deficiencies in performance that, if not addressed, will lead to probation or revocation of the charter school's accreditation status.

Carpe Diem San Antonio - Westwood has been assigned an **Accredited-Warned** status due to the ratings assigned to the charter school in the state's Academic Accountability Rating System. Specifically, Carpe Diem San Antonio - Westwood was assigned Academic Accountability Ratings of Improvement Required for 2016 and 2017.

The charter school is taking the following steps to address the areas of identified deficiency.

Additional core subject area teachers have been hired for this academic year, specific and dedicated master mentors have also been brought in to provide support to teachers and provide additional small group instruction, and student schedules have been modified to allow more face to face interaction with teachers.

Under law, if the current accreditation concerns for the charter school are not addressed, the charter school may be assigned an accreditation status of **Accredited-Probation** or **Not Accredited-Revoked**. A Not Accredited-Revoked status means that the TEA no longer recognizes the charter school as a Texas public school. Charter schools with an accreditation status below Accredited also may be subject to additional accreditation sanctions as referenced in statute and rule.

Furthermore, charters that fail to meet academic accountability, financial accountability or any combination thereof for three of the preceding school years meet the default closure provisions under Texas Education Code 12.115(c) and are subject to closure.

For more information regarding the assignment of accreditation statuses to charter schools, you may access the TEA website at <http://www.tea.texas.gov/accredstatus/>. This website will provide you with background information as well as links to the Texas Education Code and current commissioner's rules related to accreditation.

If you have additional questions regarding the assignment of an **Accredited-Warned** status to Carpe Diem San Antonio – Westwood or if you would like additional information about the charter's ongoing improvement efforts, please contact James Bailey ([james.bailey@carpediemsanantonio.com](mailto:james.bailey@carpediemsanantonio.com)) at 210-774-9284.

Thank you.