



David Wood  
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Dear Mr. Wood:

We are writing to respectfully request permission to submit an application for a charter school to open in the Fall of 2014. The school would serve students in grades 9-12, and it would be what is commonly referred to as a STEM school. We envision that the students would come to school each day and be enrolled in Lincoln Interactive courses to fulfill the English/Language Arts, Social Studies, and non-STEM elective requirements. We envision that students would take college courses for all science, technology, engineering, and math requirements and electives, utilizing whiteboard distance instruction or by attending the courses in person, where possible and/or practical.

This new charter school would be a traditional brick and mortar school that uses technology to deliver instruction for most courses. We are planning to apply for both the Start-Up grant and the Implementation grant through IDOE. The preliminary education plan is a plan that targets students with a strong interest in STEM and who have successfully completed Algebra 1 prior to beginning 9<sup>th</sup> grade. The requirements for graduation would be elevated and require students to be dedicated to achieving academic success.

We are in the process of working with a founding board at this time, so we want to be sure that Education One would allow us to submit an application this Spring for a new charter school.

Sincerely yours,

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Director, School Development  
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