



May 3, 2011

Sherrie Ruggles, Founder
Believe
2224 13th St. SE
Washington, DC 20020

Dear Ms. Ruggles,

The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (“Board”) has completed the 2011 Application Review Cycle process. I regret to inform you that at its public meeting held April 25, 2011, the Board did not approve your application to establish Believe as a public charter school in the District of Columbia.

We recognize the hard work and effort that went into the development of your application. Board staff will contact you soon to arrange a debriefing to provide you with specific feedback on the technical quality of your petition as it relates to the Board’s denial decision. This feedback can be useful should you decide to revise your application for submission in upcoming review cycles.

Thank you for your interest in public charter schools and your commitment to improving public education in Washington, DC.

Sincerely,

Brian Jones
Chair