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Dear Prospective RISE Families,

After careful consideration, The RISE Schools Board of Directors has made the difficult decision to terminate its charter effective June 30, 2025. Despite the dedicated efforts of our staff, Board, and stakeholder community, a thorough review by our authorizer—along with the decision of the Governing Board—determined that the school does not have the necessary time or resources to implement the turnaround efforts required for long-term academic and operational stability.

As a result, we formally requested the early termination of our Charter Contract with the State Charter Schools Commission (SCSC), and the SCSC has voted to accept this request, making the closure official as of June 30, 2025.

At this time, we are no longer accepting student enrollment applications for the upcoming school year. If you need assistance identifying other charter school options in the area, please use the link below for guidance. <https://scsc.georgia.gov/locations/school>

We appreciate your support and understanding during this transition.

Sincerely,

Zedric Cross

Principal/ Chief of School

cc: Tanisha Jones, Board Member
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Zedric Cross, Chief of Schools/Principal