



April 4, 2025

Dear Family of RISE Preparatory Charter School,

I want to thank you for entrusting your child's education to the staff and leadership of the RISE Preparatory Charter School (RISE) and for believing in the mission of our school: to provide a rigorous and holistic education that develops the minds and character of scholars to be catalysts for social change. On behalf of the Board, leadership, and staff of the school, it has been our honor to serve the students of RISE for the past seven years. We have worked hard over the life of the charter to provide our students with the educational vision contained in our original charter application. As you may be aware, the State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia, which is charged by the state to oversee our school, voted to accept the RISE Board's request to terminate the current charter contract at its March 26, 2025 meeting. As a result, the last day of operations for RISE will be June 30, 2025.

The RISE Board is committed to seeing this school year conclude successfully. We expect our students to engage in our academic program through the last day of our school's operation. We will also be hosting a series of family meetings to assist students and families with the transition to their new school. These meetings will be attended by representatives from area schools; families will have the opportunity to learn more about educational options available to their children. Enrollment information and materials will also be available April 16, 2025 at 5pm at the school.

Please contact me with any questions that you might have, and I would be happy to meet with you to discuss this process. You may contact me via email at zcross@rise-schools.org.

I again thank you for your faith in RISE, its leadership, teachers, and mission. Let's make the most of the next seven weeks that we have together, stay positive, and focus on giving our students all that we can to prepare them for long-term academic success.

Respectfully,

Zedric Cross

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