

Cover Page for RISE Charter School Performance Certificate FY23

On December 7, 2023, the RISE Performance Certificate Evaluation team met to complete the Performance certificate for the 2022-2023 school year. The evaluation team was comprised of Mike Caldwell, Director of Academic Development and District Outreach, Bluum; Jeff Klamm Principal, North Valley Academy Charter School; Matt Schvaneveldt, Director of Programs, Kimberly School District, and Luke Schroeder, Superintendent, Kimbelry School District.

For the second consecutive year, the evaluation team has rated the Rise performance for the 22-23 school year in the Honor category with an overall average of 80%. Rise Charter school should be commended in the area of Financial Performance as all indicators met or exceeded the standard. Most Operational indicators met the standard and those that are rated as approaching the standard are instances of minor non-compliance that are quickly remedied. It is evident that the RISE staff have clear common goals emphasizing best instructional practices. However, the Academic indicators are not aligned with the academic goals and outcomes of RISE and therefore performance in this area was low overall. The evaluation team recommends that the Academic Performance indicators in the Performance Certificate are revised to include data that is currently available, aligned to the mission of the school, and discourages the use of indicators that creates competition between the school district and charter school. It is noted by the team that the relationship between Kimberly School District and RISE Charter school is unique and forward thinking that provides patrons with an educational choice setting Kimberly apart from other communities throughout the state. To that end, it is imperative that the staff and administration of Kimberly School District and RISE engage in meaningful communication and collaboration. Congratulations to the staff, students, and board of directors of RISE Charter School for two successful years of operation.