

Cover Page for Rise Charter School Performance Certificate FY22

On September 29, 2022, the Rise Performance Certificate Evaluation team met to complete the Performance certificate for the 2021-2022 school year. The evaluation team was comprised of Michelle Clement Taylor, State Department of Education School Choice Coordinator; Marc Carignan (Bluum), Chief Financial Officer and Rise Business Manager; Heidi Child, Rise Charter School Executive Director; and Luke Schroeder, Kimberly School District Superintendent.

Performance is based upon the three categories of Academic Performance, Operational Performance, and Financial Performance. At the time of the completion of the performance certificate, ISAT scores from the SDE were not available. Also, there is only one year of performance data which limits the ability for year-to-year comparisons to evaluate adequate academic growth within three years or the 10th grade. Additionally, some of the measures were not applicable for the 21-22 school year as Rise did not have high school students for its inaugural year. Due to these limiting factors, the evaluation team recommends that the category of Academic Performance is not evaluated for the 21-22 school year. Regarding the areas of Operational Performance and Financial Performance, many of the indicators either meet the criteria, or did not meet the criteria, thus resulting in the full points earned for many of the category indicators.

The evaluation team rated the Rise performance for the 21-22 year in the honor category. Also, the team recommends that the Academic Performance indicators 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.