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UPCOMING EVENTS



Fiscal Accountability Oversight Webinar

August 18, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Hosted by: Dr. Christopher White

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The January Adjustment
The first in the series is
In-Person

Tuesday, October 12, 2021 8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

The DoubleTree Hotel Detroit/Dearborn 5801 Southfield Service Drive Detroit, MI 48228 (313) 336-3340

Director's Opening Thoughts



Back To School!

Now that August has arrived, the excitement of Back-To-School and the preparations for a new year are upon us. We hope this special edition finds each of you well, rested, and ready for the challenges ahead.

We have prepared this special edition newsletter to alert you to some important information and exciting opportunities offered by the Charter Schools Office (CSO) this year. As always, please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions.

All of us at the CSO look forward to this year visiting our academies and seeing our Boards and school staff in person this year. We hope to see you soon!



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OPPORTUNITIES



2021-2022 School Leadership Institute

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Associate Director News

Fiscal Accountability Oversight Webinar

As an authorizer, one of our most important jobs, second only to monitoring student achievement, is to ensure that all academies that we authorize are good stewards of public funds. The Ferris State University Charter School Office has fine-tuned our fiscal oversight process and want to keep you informed. Please see the information below for an informational Webinar.





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Intended Audience:

- ~FSU CSO academy board members
- ~Finance professionals with the academy or ESP
- ~School leaders who handle finance for the academy

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The January Adjustment

The first IN-PERSON, Ferris State University Charter Schools Office (FSU CSO) sponsored event in nearly two years. Reunite with your colleagues during this introduction to the idea of the *January Adjustment*, and help set the expectation that important improvements needn't just happen at the start of the school year. This session will include why kids can't wait a year and the benefits of multiple starts for new approaches.

Intended Audience: School leaders, directors, instructional coaches

Registration information will be sent at the end of August

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COVID-19 Update

As has been the case since March of 2020, there are many questions and a lot of confusion surrounding COVID-19 and schools. Unfortunately, a lot of those questions still do not have definitive answers. However, below you will find...

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School Leadership Institute



In collaboration with Choice Schools Associates, the Charter Schools Office is once again offering the School Leadership Institute (SLI). The SLI is designed for anyone serving in a school leadership position, or those considering such a position in the future. Because the Institute concentrates on individual growth and personal leadership development, anyone serving in a capacity of leadership will...

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Compliance Auditor/Board Liaison Updates

FSU Board of Trustees 2021-2022
Meeting Dates and Deadlines
and
2021–2022 Board Professional
Development Webinar Series



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Planning for the school year starts with reviewing data from the previous year's results.

What does it mean to use data in service of student learning? Data analysis helps to better understand student learning abilities and challenges and creates a deep-seated educational process that uses detailed information to ensure optimal results for students.

Data is one of the most powerful tools to...

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In today's world, a school can never be over-prepared for an emergency. We know that, like us, you take the safety and security of all personnel and students very seriously.

As a service to our FSU-authorized academies, the Charter Schools Office is

partnering with the **Recon Management Group, LLC** to do an assessment of your school's Emergency Plan, and a walk-through of the physical facility and grounds. Recon provides worldwide clients with custom solutions in the areas of security consulting, investigations, and protective services. Many of the Recon staff are former law enforcement personnel and security analysts.

The CSO will cover the cost of this assessment, and the academy will receive a detailed report from the analysis team assigned to your school. Schools are under no obligation to take action on any items in the report; however, we believe you will find this information very relevant and informative.

If you are interested in having Recon schedule a Safety and Security Assessment for your school, contact **Ron Rizzo:** RonaldRizzo@ferris.edu

Educational Goals & Educational Service Provider Policy Changes

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY The charter school contract provides that

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the CSO may change policies within the contract which become effective 30 days after issuance. We have made revisions to

both the *Contractual Educational Goals and Related Measures* and the *Educational Service Provider Policies*, which are being sent under a separate mailing.

Click on the links below to view both policy documents:

CONTRACTUAL EDUCATIONAL GOALS AND RELATED MEASURES

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE PROVIDER













It's Back to School, Bulldogs!



Our Mission



Ferris State University prepares students for successful careers, responsible citizenship, and lifelong learning. Through its many partnerships and its career-oriented, broad-based education, Ferris serves our rapidly changing global economy and society.

CSO Mission

By implementing quality oversight, the Ferris State University Charter Schools Office focuses on student growth and achievement, offers professional learning opportunities, and provides relevant resources to its authorized public school academies.

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