



INDIANA CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD

MEDIA ADVISORY

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SUBJECT: Indiana Charter School Board Hires Director of Accountability and Director of Legal Affairs and Policy

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The Indiana Charter School Board (“ICSB”), a statewide charter school authorizer, is pleased to announce it has hired Anne Davis as Director of Accountability and Emily Richardson as Director of Legal Affairs and Policy.

The ICSB has hired Anne Davis as Director of Accountability. In this role, Ms. Davis is responsible for monitoring the academic, financial, and organizational performance of all charter schools authorized by the ICSB. The ICSB has also hired Emily Richardson as the Director of Legal Affairs and Policy. In this role, Ms. Richardson facilitates compliance of the ICSB with all charter school related federal, state and local laws and regulations. Ms. Richardson also leads the ICSB’s policy efforts in support of a quality charter schools sector.

“We are thrilled to have such talented individuals join our team,” said Claire Fiddian-Green, Executive Director of the ICSB. “Both Emily and Anne bring valuable skills and expertise to our agency. The addition of these two positions will help the ICSB fulfill its mission: to authorize and hold accountable a portfolio of high-performing charter schools in which students achieve high levels of growth and graduate prepared for college and careers.”

Prior to joining the ICSB, Ms. Davis served as the Director of Individualized Learning and the Director of Special Education for the Indiana Department of Education. She has served in various elementary and secondary school leadership, administrative and teaching roles, including the roles of building principal and special education administrator within the School City of Hammond (Indiana). Ms. Davis holds a B.S. in Elementary Education from Valparaiso University, an M.S. in Education and Administrative Certificate from Indiana University, and also holds a Director of Exceptional Learners certificate from Purdue University.

Prior to joining the ICSB, Ms. Richardson served as Assistant Director for the Office of School Improvement and Turnaround for the Indiana Department of Education. Earlier in her career, she was a 2nd grade teacher in Lambert, Missouri, as a Teach For America corps member and alumna. Ms. Richardson holds a B.A. from Hamilton College, a J.D. from Indiana University, and is a Ph.D. candidate from Indiana University in Education Policy Studies.

About the ICSB

Established in 2011 by the Indiana General Assembly, the ICSB seeks to grow the supply of high-performing public charter schools throughout the state, so that families have multiple options from which to select when deciding what schools best meet the needs of their children. Our focus is upon expanding quality options, so that students who enroll in charter schools receive a rigorous education that prepares them for college and careers. Each school authorized by the ICSB is subject to a transparent and outcomes-oriented accountability system. To learn more about upcoming board meetings, application cycles, and charter schools authorized by the ICSB, visit the ICSB website at www.in.gov/icsb