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Fernando Goulart, Executive Director
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Re: Mid-cycle Report

Dear Director Goulart:

Enclosed is the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's Mid-cycle Report based on the Mid-cycle Review conducted in your district on January 13, 2009. In this Mid-cycle Review the Department monitored selected special education criteria to determine your district's compliance with special education laws and regulations. The review consisted of staff interviews, review of student records, examination of documentation, and/or classroom observation.

We are pleased to tell you that the Department has found your district to be in compliance with all of the criteria monitored in your district during the Mid-cycle Review. The findings of the Department are included in the enclosed report. You and your entire staff are to be congratulated for your success in implementing the requirements included in these criteria.

The Department will notify you of your district's next regularly scheduled Coordinated Program Review (CPR) several months before it is to occur. At this time we anticipate that this CPR will occur sometime during the 2011-2012 school year unless the Department determines that there is some reason to schedule this visit earlier.

Your staff's cooperation throughout this Mid-cycle Review is appreciated. If you have questions about this letter or the enclosed report, please do not hesitate to contact Ann Marie John at 781-338-3708.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie John, Mid-cycle Review Chairperson
Program Quality Assurance Services

Darlene A. Lynch, Director
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cc: Mitchell D. Chester, Ed.D., Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary
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**MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
MID-CYCLE REPORT**

Atlantis Charter School

Dates of the Mid-cycle Review Onsite: January 13, 2009

Date of this Report: February 9, 2009

**Core Special Education Criteria Cited in CPR Report and Monitored in this Mid-cycle Review
(These criteria are marked with a triple asterisk (***) in the Mid-cycle Review Information Package and in the School District Information Package for Special Education.)**

*Current special education criteria available by scrolling down to the special education instrument at
<http://www.doe.mass.edu/pqa/review/cpr/default.html>*

Criterion	Criterion Implemented ✓	Criterion Partially Implemented (PI) or Not Implemented (NI)	Method(s) of Investigation	Basis of Determination about Criterion	<i>If Partially Implemented or Not Implemented:</i> (a) Required Corrective Action and Timelines for Implementation	(b) Progress Report Due Date(s) and Required Elements
***SE 5 Participation in general State and district-wide assessment programs	Yes		Student Record Review Interviews	Record review and interviews indicated that all students participate in state and district-wide assessment programs. Additionally, the school has initiated several school-wide programs and practices specifically designed to focus on the successful participation of special education students in MCAS.		

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***SE 52A Registration of educational interpreters	Yes		Documentation	The school provided a copy of a signed contract with the R.E.A.D.S Collaborative for the use of educational interpreters for the 2008-2009 school year; the educational interpreters are registered with the Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.		

