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Shirley J. Neeley, Ed.D.
Commissioner

August 8, 2006

Donna Williams
CEDARS INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY
1320 East 51st Street
Austin, Texas 78723

Dear Ms. Williams:

The commissioner has approved the requested amendment (109-06) to clarify that the charter's geographic boundary should include the following districts effective August 1, 2005: Bastrop ISD, Coupland ISD, Del Valle ISD, Elgin ISD, Hays Consolidated ISD, Hutto ISD, Lockhart ISD, McDade ISD, San Marcos ISD, and Taylor ISD.

If you have any questions, please call Arnold Alaniz in the Division of Charter Schools at (512) 463-9575.

Sincerely,

Mary Perry, Director
Division of Charter Schools

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109-06
Non-Expansion
(Geo Bound Clarification)

CHARTER AMENDMENT REQUEST FORM

• Texas Education Agency • Charter Schools Division • Phone (512) 463-9575 • Fax (512) 463-9732

Cedars International Academy
Name of Charter School

227-817
County-District Number

All amendment requests must be made in or attached to a written resolution adopted by the governing body of the charter holder and signed by the members voting in favor. In addition, all amendment requests should include the text and page number, or a photocopy, of the current charter language to be changed, and the text proposed as the new charter language. Expansion amendments, numbers 1-4, must be submitted by February 1 of the year preceding the school year during which the amendment would become effective.

1. Add Grade Levels (Expansion Amendment) - Requested effective date: _____
▪ Currently approved grade levels: _____
▪ Requested new grade levels: _____

Attach the written board resolution as described at the top of the page; Attach an education plan for each new grade level to be served; Attach evidence that impact statements have been sent to school districts and charter schools within the geographic boundary of the requesting school.

2. Add a Site (Expansion Amendment) - Requested effective date: _____

- New Address (if available): _____
- Is the proposed campus within the currently approved geographic boundary? No Yes
If not, see request below to Change Geographic Boundary.
- If the amendment is approved, is a campus number requested? No Yes
- If the amendment is approved, should a campus name different from the charter name be used? No Yes
- If the amendment is approved, should mail be sent to the campus? No Yes

Attach the written board resolution as described at the top of the page; Attach evidence that impact statements have been sent to school districts and charter schools within the geographic boundary of the requesting school; Attach a certificate of occupancy, or equivalent certificate, appropriate for the proposed use of the facility at the new site; If the specific location is not identified at the time of the amendment request, this information shall be submitted prior to commencing any operations at that site.

3. Change Geographic Boundary (Expansion Amendment) - Requested effective date: _____

- School districts and charter schools in currently approved boundary: _____
- Proposed new school districts and charter schools: _____

Attach the written board resolution, with the required language (see instructions), as described at the top of the page; Attach evidence that impact statements have been sent to school districts and charter schools within the geographic boundary of the requesting school; Attach another sheet of paper to describe the request, if necessary.

4. Increase Maximum Enrollment (Expansion Amendment) - Requested effective date: _____

- Currently approved maximum enrollment: _____
- Requested new total maximum enrollment: _____

Attach a board resolution with the required language (see instructions); The amendment will not be considered by the commissioner without the appropriate board resolution. Note that the resolution required for this type of amendment is different from that used for other types of amendments; Attach evidence that impact statements have been sent to school districts and charter schools within the geographic boundary of the requesting school.

5. Relocate Campus or Site - Requested effective date: _____

- County District Number: _____
- Current Address: _____
- Proposed Address (if available): _____
- Is the proposed relocation within the currently approved geographic boundary? No Yes
If not, see request above to Change Geographic Boundary.
- If the amendment is approved, should mail be sent to the campus? No Yes

Attach the written board resolution as described at the top of the page; Note that the proposed site must be within the currently approved geographic boundary. If it is not, you must also submit an amendment request to extend the geographic boundary.

6. Other Amendment to Charter - Requested effective date: August 1, 2005

Description: Clarification Amendment

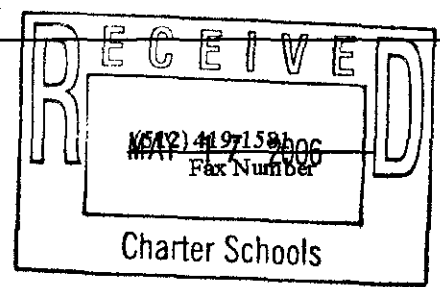
Attach another sheet of paper to describe the request, if necessary.

Donna Williams
Signature of Charter School CEO

(512) 419-1571
Phone Number

Donna Williams
Printed Name of Charter School CEO

May 11, 2006
Date





Cedars International Academy

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April 26, 2006

Ms. Kirsten Christopherson
Charter School Division
Texas Education Agency
1701 North Congress
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Ms. Christophersen:

This is to verify that we, the Board of Directors for Cedars International Academy, agree with the clarification amendment to the charter as amended. The amendment contains some additional districts that should have been included in our list of schools from which we will accept children. The additional districts meet the 30 mile radius criteria of the charter.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors
Cedars International Academy

Joseph Mezher
Chairman

Joe Crowley

Dr. Donald Sawyer

Rick Wallen

Maria Seidner

Barney Schulz

Clarification Amendment

Section VII Geographic Boundaries and Statement of Impact

A-1 (page 22 of the charter application), paragraph one and paragraph four indicates that Cedars International Academy will accept students from schools within a 30 mile radius of Austin. In A-2 we were to list all of the schools that may be affected by the charter. Several districts were omitted that meet the criteria of being within a 30 mile radius of Austin. A more accurate list is provided below.

VII. Geographic Boundaries and Statement of Impact

A. Geographic Boundaries

2. Provide a list of all districts within the geographical area that may be affected by the charter school, including those districts from which the charter school will accept transfers.

The districts that may be affected include:

- ✓ Austin Independent School District
- ✓ Eanes Independent School District
- ✓ Georgetown Independent School District
- ✓ Lake Travis Independent School District
- ✓ Leander Independent School District
- ✓ Manor Independent School District
- ✓ Pflugerville Independent School District
- ✓ Round Rock Independent School District
- Bastrop Independent School District
- Elgin Independent School District
- Hays Consolidated Independent School District
- Del Valle Independent School District
- Taylor Independent School District
- Lockhart Independent School District
- San Marcos Independent School District
- Hutto Independent School District
- Coupland Independent School District
- McDade Independent School District

✓ = Approved District

B. Statement of Impact

3. The charter school application must include a list of the districts which a *Statement of Impact* form was sent.

The districts that may be affected include:

- Austin Independent School District
- Eanes Independent School District
- Georgetown Independent School District

Lake Travis Independent School District
Leander Independent School District
Manor Independent School District
Pflugerville Independent School District
Round Rock Independent School District
Bastrop Independent School District
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McDade Independent School District



Cedars International Academy

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C/D# 227-817

June 16, 2006

Mr. Arnaldo Alaniz
Charter School Division
Texas Education Agency
1701 North Congress Ave.
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Charter School Boundary Clarification

Dear Mr. Alaniz:

Attached please find documentation that Cedars International Academy has sent impact statements to the additional school districts that are within the 30 mile radius of Austin as stated in our charter.

Now the charter geographic boundaries should include the following school districts:

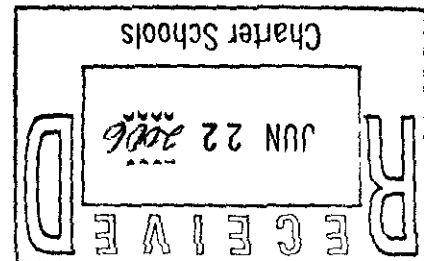
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If you need any additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Donna Williams

Donna Williams, Ed.D.
School Director



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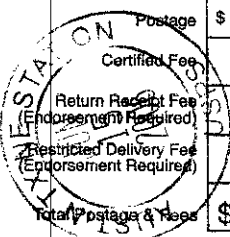
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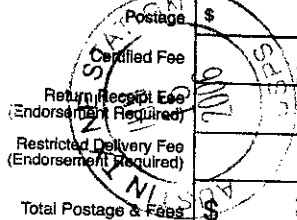
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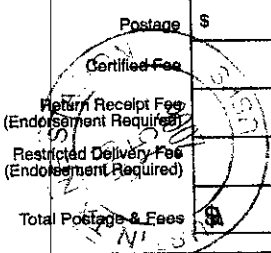
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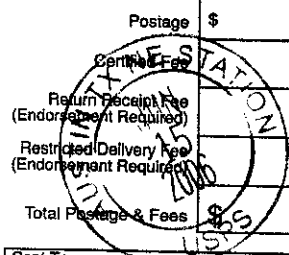
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