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PROGRAM REVIEW PARENT NOTICE

Date: September 25, 2025

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s):

LABBB Collaborative will participate in a Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) Collaborative Program Review during the week of October 20, 2025. DESE is required by federal and state special education law to conduct periodic reviews of Collaborative Schools throughout the Commonwealth. These reviews include documentation, student record review, observations of the facility including instructional areas, and interviews with a sampling of staff.

A detailed report of findings for the program will describe the implementation status of each program requirement reviewed by DESE. Where program standards are found not to be fully implemented, the school must propose corrective actions to DESE that bring those areas into compliance with the respective statutes or regulations. Collaborative school programs are encouraged to incorporate the corrective action activities into their improvement plans, including their professional development plan. The program is provided technical assistance from DESE in responding to this report. The findings will also note those program standards which the team found substantially implemented, and revised standards for which implementation is in progress. Both the Department's report and the program's response to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education are public information and hard copies are available to the public upon request. Program or Mid-cycle Review Final Reports and Corrective Action Plans are also available on the Department's website.

Parents/Guardians of Massachusetts students who are interested in having the opportunity to share perspectives about LABBB Collaborative are welcomed to do so. All parents/guardians are invited to share feedback through an online survey, which can be accessed by clicking the link or scanning the QR code to the right with your smartphone camera. You may also receive an email directly from Alchemer inviting you to complete the survey. This updated survey is currently available online in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. If you require the survey in an alternate language or prefer a paper copy, you may contact DESE at 781-338-3723 or via christine.romancewicz@mass.gov.

Parents/guardians wishing to conduct a phone interview in place of taking the survey may also contact Christine Romancewicz. If you prefer communicating in a language other than English, or require accommodation because of a disability, the Department will make appropriate arrangements.



We are confident that this Program Review will be a productive experience and that the preparations, communications and report issued by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will be a helpful planning tool for the continued development of educational services for all students.

We welcome your participation in the LABBB Collaborative's Program Review.

Sincerely,

Pamela T. Girouard Executive Director, LABBB Collaborative