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MEMORANDUM

TO: Charter School Leaders
FROM: Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director, State Public Charter School Authority
SUBJECT: Efforts to Serve a Representative Population of Students
DATE: February 10, 2021

In 2019, the State Public Charter School Authority (SPCSA) developed a five-year [strategic plan](#) that included a revised vision statement:

VISION

Equitable access to diverse, innovative, and high-quality public schools for every Nevada student.

In addition, beginning in the fall of 2020, the SPCSA began identifying [actions](#) that the SPCSA can take to support schools in their efforts to serve all students equitably and uphold the SPCSA's values of equity and diversity. Throughout the course of this work, a primary focus has been on equitable access for all students and ensuring that the SPCSA serves a population of students that is representative of the state.

To that end, the SPCSA is providing data regarding the demographics of your school compared to the zoned, neighborhood school for the community in which your school is located. While this has been a challenging year with many priorities, I ask that all schools review this data and identify ways they can work to address any significant discrepancies.

In the future, I anticipate that in accordance with Section 6 of [Regulation R131-16](#) the SPCSA will require schools with significant discrepancies to develop and submit a plan with specific strategies to recruit and enroll a population that is comparable to the neighborhood zoned-school.

Should you have any questions, or wish to discuss potential recruitment and enrollment strategies to enable more equitable access please contact me at Rebecca.Feiden@spcsa.nv.gov.