



POR VIDA ACADEMY

CHARTER DISTRICT

FOR LIFE

IMPORTANT ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Subject: Assignment of Accreditation Status to POR VIDA ACADEMY, INC.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the 2018-2019 accreditation status of Por Vida Academy is **Accredited-Warned**. Under state law, the accreditation statuses that may be assigned to districts include Accredited, Accredited-Warned, Accredited-Probation, and Not Accredited-Revoked. A status of **Accredited-Warned** means that a district exhibits deficiencies in performance that, if not addressed, will lead to probation or revocation of the district's accreditation status.

Por Vida Academy has been assigned an **Accredited-Warned** status due to the ratings assigned to the district in the state's academic accountability rating system. Specifically, Por Vida Academy was assigned a 2018 financial accountability rating of "F-Substandard Achievement" and a 2018 academic accountability rating of "F."

Our district appealed the state's decision; however, our appeal was denied. Districts with an accreditation status below accredited may also be subject to additional accreditation sanctions as referenced in statute and rule.

Our district is taking steps to address the areas of identified deficiency. Specifically, we will improve our process for the collection of information regarding graduating seniors' post-secondary high school choices, whether that be entering college, military or the workforce. Additionally, each campus has implemented a targeted instructional program for students in English Language Arts and Algebra to improve student academic performance on the STAAR (State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness) assessments in these areas.

For more information regarding the assignment of accreditation statuses to school districts, you may access the Texas Education Agency website at <http://www.tea.texas.gov/accredstatus/>. This website will provide you with background information as well as links to the Texas Education Code and current commissioner's rules related to accreditation.

If you have additional questions regarding the assignment of an **Accredited-Warned** status of Por Vida Academy, or if you would like additional information about the district's ongoing improvement efforts, please contact Joseph G. Rendon at 210-532-8816.

SINCERELY,

Joseph G. Rendon
Superintendent