



MN ASSOCIATION OF
CHARTER SCHOOLS

Unleashing education from convention

Unleashing education from convention - is more than the MACS motto, it is a reminder of our purpose; our goals and it serves as a clarion **Call to Action**.

As I sat down to write this letter asking you to consider membership, I looked back at what I wrote last year and realized that I could write the same message. *"We are living in an extraordinary moment in time... The daily routines of life have changed dramatically ... As a result of the Pandemic ... Schools have been unleashed from some of the conventions of providing education to young people ... It challenges us to look at what we do, and how we do it, in ways that we never thought we would have to".*

It has been a hard and challenging year, with the ever-evolving situation regarding the Pandemic, and the ongoing need for everyone to be extraordinarily flexible in meeting the needs of students, families, and school staff.

In this midst of this challenging year, we were excited to announce in mid-March a reduction in membership dues for the **sixth consecutive year**. The reduction for 2021-2022 fulfills the pledge our Board made in 2016 to reduce the school membership dues as school membership increased, which it has again this current year.

2021-2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES

- Minimum Dues: **\$1,250.00** - 1.5% reduction from \$1,270.00
- Maximum Dues: **\$6,995.00** - .043% reduction from \$7,025.00
- Per Pupil Dues: **\$17.95** - 2.2% reduction from \$18.35

Since 2016 – 2017, because of the growth in members our membership, dues have decreased as follows:

- Minimum dues - from \$2,335.00 to \$1,250.00, **a decrease of \$1,085.00 or (-46.4%)**
- Maximum dues - from \$7,290.00 to \$6,995.00, **a decrease of \$295.00 or (- 4.0%)**
- Per Pupil dues - from \$24.50 to \$17.95, **a decrease of \$6.55 or (- 26.7%)**.

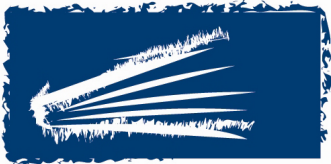
Your school's membership can help lower dues ever more, while contributing to support the Association's public policy work on behalf of charter schools with state agencies and the statehouse; expand the services available for school leaders, boards, and teachers; and work to communicate the vision, story, and success of charter schools to the broader Minnesota community.

So, today I am asking for your school to become an Association member for 2021-2022.

Thank you for the extraordinary work you and your staff have been doing during the pandemic to educate Minnesota's students in this extraordinary time.

Sincerely,

Eugene Piccolo
Executive Director



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MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

ADVOCACY

- The Public Policy Voice at the Capitol
- Charter School Day at the Capitol
- Legislative Updates and Action Alerts
- Charter School Representation on State Boards



LEADERSHIP

- State Required Board Training
- Charter Leadership and Board Awards
- Human Resource Management Tools
- Charter Leadership and Compensation Reports



COMMUNITY

- Quarterly Regional School Leaders Meeting
- New Charter Director Cohort
- Innovation Awards Luncheon
- Annual Meeting, Pioneer and Advocate Awards



SERVICES

- Advanced Onsite Board Training
- Review of School Documents: Bylaws, Policies
- Discounted Re-Licensure Service for Teachers and Administrators
- Technical Assistance for Leaders



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Why **MACS**?

In short - we ensure the **enduring vision** of Minnesota's **Charter School Movement**



MACS is **committed** to:

- Supporting education innovation
- Ensuring charter quality and accountability
- Equitable funding for charters
- Fostering community
- Equity for all students

