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Dr. Bhavna Sharma-Lewis Superintendent Riverside Public Schools District 96 63 Woodside Road Riverside, IL 60546

Dear Dr. Sharma-Lewis,

It is a pleasure to inform you that Laptops for Learning in Riverside Public Schools District 96 has been renewed as an Apple Distinguished Program for 2013–2015, a two-year designation. Congratulations on your continued recognition as an exemplary learning environment for innovation, leadership, and educational excellence.

The administration and faculty in the Laptops for Learning program have shown that they demonstrate the five best practices of an Apple Distinguished Program: visionary leadership, innovative learning and teaching, ongoing professional learning, compelling evidence of success, and a flexible learning environment.

Apple has engaged with educators for over 30 years to explore and enhance the experience of teaching and learning. Our education mission is to provide a learning environment that supports the way students live and how they want to learn. We applaud programs such as this one that are able to advance this mission, ensuring that all students are prepared for future success in work and life.

Sincerely yours,

Stephanic Carello

Stephanie Carullo Vice President, Education

cc: Mrs. Elizabeth Whaley, Mr. Vern Bettis