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Museum

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To Whom It May Concern:

As a small 88-student public charter, Opal School cannot afford to provide a school lunch program, which would cost about \$13,000 annually and a great deal of staff and volunteer time. As much as we would like to provide school lunch, we have elected to prioritize our very limited resources in enhancing academic excellence. We applaud other charters who are able to afford a lunch program, but oppose making that program mandatory, particularly for schools of fewer than 100 students.

Thank you for your consideration of our position.

Sincerely,



Ruth G. Shelly
Executive Director