



- IMPORTANT MEMO -

**To:** All Parents/Guardians  
**From:** Brian Stiles, Chief Academic Officer  
**Date:** March 8, 2017  
**Subject:** Charter Renewal and Expansion Approval

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you may already know, all New Jersey charter schools are required to undergo a charter renewal process once every five years. Golden Door Charter School (GDCS) went through this process and submitted its 19-year charter renewal application along with an expansion request in September of 2016. Part of the renewal process included an on-site school visit by the New Jersey Department of Education which was very well-received.

It is with great excitement that I inform you that Golden Door Charter School's charter was renewed for another five years! In addition, Golden Door Charter School was approved for a substantial expansion project that will take place over the next five years!

GDCS's charter has been amended to include an increase in enrollment of 171 students over the next five years. The purpose for the requested amendment is three-fold;

1. Addition of a new middle school advanced program called "Golden Door Innovators".
2. Expansion to eliminate the school's enrollment "bubble" allowing for three classes per grade from K-5.
3. Expansion of our current preschool program to keep up with growing demand resulting in a total of five classes.

While we are still in the early planning stages for this expansion project, you may access a synopsis of the planned expansion on our website at [www.goldendoorschool.org](http://www.goldendoorschool.org).

Again, I am very excited to share this wonderful news with you. This is a testament of the success of our wonderful school. This success could not be possible without the amazing efforts and teamwork that occurs here on a daily basis among our teachers, students, parents, administrators, Board of Trustees and support staff. Together we are continuing to make a substantial difference in our community.