



June 21, 2017

Tamara Clay  
SELPA Director  
EL DORADO COUNTY SELPA  
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Placerville, CA 95667

CC: Alexa Slater, California Department of Education at [ASlater@cde.ca.gov](mailto:ASlater@cde.ca.gov)  
Gina Plate, California Charter Schools Association at [GPlate@calcharters.org](mailto:GPlate@calcharters.org)

Dear Ms. Clay,

Please accept this letter as a formal notification that RISING SUN MONTESSORI SCHOOL intends to exit the EL DORADO COUNTY SELPA effective school year 2018-2019.

In order to ensure that RISING SUN MONTESSORI SCHOOL is best equipped to meet the needs of its special needs students, it is considering membership in an alternate SELPA. It also remains open to formulating revised agreements with the EL DORADO COUNTY SELPA and welcomes any related correspondence. If RISING SUN MONTESSORI SCHOOL finds that it does not make sense to exit at this time, it retains the right to rescind this notification and remain with EL DORADO COUNTY SELPA for the 2018-2019 school year.

Please let me know if you require further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Karl Zierhut', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Karl Zierhut  
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Rising Sun Montessori School  
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June 22, 2017

Karl Zierhut, Head of School  
Rising Sun Montessori  
7006 Rossmore Lane  
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

Dear Karl Zierhut:

Thank you for your June 22, 2017, notice informing the California Department of Education (CDE), Special Education Division, of Rising Sun Montessori Charter School's intent to exit the El Dorado County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA), effective school year 2018–19, pursuant to California *Education Code* Section 56195.3(b) regarding one year notice requirements.

It is understood that this notification serves as an intent to explore alternate options, and Rising Sun Montessori Charter School retains the right to rescind notification and remain within the El Dorado County SELPA for the 2018–19 school year.

If you have any questions regarding this subject, or for guidance on the review of your application and supporting documents, please contact your regional Focused Monitoring and Technical Assistance (FMTA) Consultant. For a list of regional FMTA Consultants, please visit the CDE FMTA Contact Information Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/se/qa/fmtacncnt.asp>.

Sincerely,

Alexa Slater, Associate Governmental Program Analyst  
Special Education Division

cc: ✓ Tamara Clay, Director, El Dorado County Special Education Local Plan Area  
Gina Plate, Senior Advisor, California Charter Schools Association  
David Roth, Superintendent, Buckeye Union Elementary School District