

**2009-10 Annual Report
August 1, 2010**

Merrick Academy – Queens Public Charter School

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Name of Charter School: Merrick Academy – Queens Public Charter School


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District/CSD of Location: New York City District 29

Head of School (Contact Person): Carolyn Thomas

E-mail address of contact person: 

President, Board of Trustees: Gerald Karikari

E-mail address and Phone Number of Board President 

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**MODIFICATIONS TO THE SCHOOL'S EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM
AND GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE**

Describe any significant changes to the school's educational program as well as its governance structure. If there are no changes, please indicate N/A.

Educational Program Changes:

The educational program of Merrick Academy for school year 2009-10 was modified to include physical education, health, and fine arts instruction for all students. Additionally, the school expanded the language program from grades 5 and 6 only to include students in grades 1-6, and to enhance our Core Knowledge thematic units the school added a character education component to the program. All students receive physical education instruction three times per week; health instruction once per week; character education once per week; fine arts instruction in the disciplines of art and music approximately three times per week; and character education instruction once per week. Overall, the educational program continues to be driven by the Core Knowledge thematic units which are aligned to New York State Learning Standards.

Governance Structure/Staffing Changes:

- An Interim Principal was appointed.
- Staffing levels were adjusted to ensure the proper balance of certified teachers.
- The PTO President is no longer a voting Board member.

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STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES

Our signatures below attest that all of the information contained herein is truthful and accurate, and that this charter school is in compliance with all aspects of its charter, and with all pertinent Federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and rules. We understand that if any information in any part of this report is found to have been deliberately misrepresented, that will constitute grounds for the revocation of our charter.

Carolyn Thomas, Interim Principal

Print Name, Head of Charter School

C. Thomas 8/02/10

Signature and Date

Gerald Karikari, Chairperson

Print Name, President, Board of Trustees

G. Karikari

Signature and Date

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Disclosure of Financial Interest by a Charter School Trustee
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Name (print) Gerald Karikori

Name of Charter School Merrick Academy

Charter Entity _____

Home Address _____

Business Address _____

Daytime Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

1. List all positions held on board (e.g., chair, treasurer, parent representative):

Chair / Finance chair

2. Is the trustee an employee of the School? Yes No

3. If you checked Yes, please provide a description of the position you hold and your responsibilities, your salary and your start date.

4. Is the trustee an employee or agent of the management company? Yes No

5. Is the trustee an employee or agent of any institutional partner of the School? Yes No

Identify each interest/transaction (and provide the requested information) that you or any of your immediate family members or any persons who live with you in your house have held or engaged in with the charter school during the time you have served on the board, and in the six month period prior to such service. If there has been no such financial interest or transaction, write **none**. Please note that if you answered **yes** to Question 2, you need not disclose again your employment status, salary, etc.

Date(s)	Nature of Financial Interest/Transaction	Steps taken to avoid a conflict of interest, (e.g., did not vote, did not participate in discussion)	Name of person holding interest or engaging in transaction and relationship to yourself
<p>NONE</p>			

Identify each individual, business, corporation, union association, firm, partnership, committee proprietorship, franchise holding company, joint stock company, business or real estate trust, non-profit organization, or other organization or group of people doing business with the School **and** in which such entity, during the time of your tenure as a trustee, you and/or your immediate family member or person living in your house had a financial interest or other relationship. If you are a member, director, officer or employee of an organization formally partnered with the School that is doing business with the School through a management or services agreement, you need not list every transaction between such organization and the School that is pursuant to such agreement. Instead, please identify only the name of the organization, your position in the organization as well as the relationship between such organization and the school. If there was no financial interest, write **none**.

Organization Conducting Business with the School	Nature of Business Conducted	Approximate Value of the Business Conducted	Name of Trustee/ Immediate Family/Member of Household Holding an Interest in the Organization Conducting Business with the School and the Nature of the Interest
<p>NONE</p>			

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 Signature

7/29/10

 Date

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Disclosure of Financial Interest by a Charter School Trustee
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Name (print) Traci Powell

Name of Charter School: Merrick Academy Queens Public Charter School

Charter Entity: State University of New York

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Business Address [REDACTED]

Daytime Phone [REDACTED]

E-Mail Address [REDACTED]

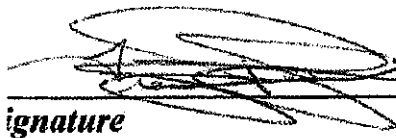
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- Is the trustee an employee of the School? Yes No
- If you checked Yes, please provide a description of the position you hold and your responsibilities, your salary and your start date.
N/A
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Signature

7/29/10

Date

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

**Disclosure of Financial Interest by a Charter School Trustee
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Name (print) Shante Spivey

Name of Charter School Merrick Academy Queens Public Charter School

Charter Entity CSI

Home Address _____

Business Address _____

Daytime Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

1. List all positions held on board (e.g., chair, treasurer, parent representative): parent representative, secretary, committee member for Academic, HR, and Negotiations

2. Is the trustee an employee of the School? Yes No

3. If you checked Yes, please provide a description of the position you hold and your responsibilities, your salary and your start date.

4. Is the trustee an employee or agent of the management company? Yes No

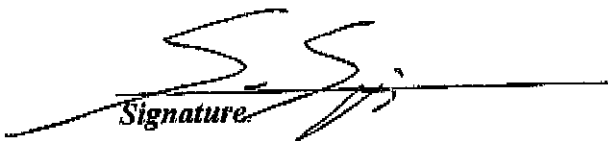
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	none		


Signature

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Date

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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Name (print) VBS Mompont

Name of Charter School Merrick Academy

Charter Entity
Home Address 

Business Address _____

Daytime Phone _____

E-Mail Address _____

1. List all positions held on board (e.g., chair, treasurer, parent representative)
Academic Committee

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N/A

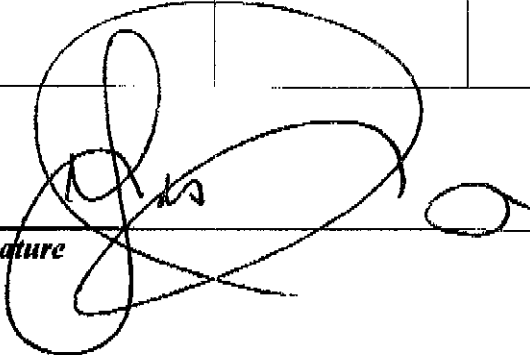
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Date _____

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