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Sherri Ybarra, State Superintendent
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Superintendent,

Per your request, the following outlines the events and conversations leading up to a request to better understand enrollment for Oneida school district and their associated for-profit online partners.

About six weeks ago, I had call from a patron asking if I could give them more information about a charter or homeschool program that paid families for a device and curriculum to teach their students at home. After listening to the explanation, I could not think of any such program or school and was not familiar with the name given to me. I reached out to both Matt Freeman and Jenn Thompson to see if they were familiar with anything that met the description.

A few days after that conversation, Jenn reported back. The information she shared raised some additional questions. From that, we scheduled another meeting, which included staff members from the SDE and the charter school commission. We identified a list of remaining unanswered questions. From these initial conversations, we felt a more in-depth look was needed to have a full picture.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "D. Critchfield".

Debbie Critchfield
Board President

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Matt Freeman".

Matt Freeman
Executive Director