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**** International Academy of Flint Named in State's Top Charter Schools ****

Recently released 2006-07 MEAP results recognized International Academy of Flint (IAF) as a high-achieving school among 229 Michigan charters statewide. IAF was one of only 40 charter schools that beat the odds by passing the 2006-2007 Math and English Language Arts tests (ELA).

The results, released by the Michigan Association of Public School Academics, displayed the 20 highest-scoring charter schools in the state. The schools in the top 20 delivered 80-90% proficiency on all tests combined. In addition, the schools offer richly varied curriculum and programs, including emphasis on areas such as the arts, the outdoors, college preparation, weekly student assessment, and character education.

"The MEAP results highlight Michigan's charters, such as the IAF... I congratulate the school on being a model of innovation and achievement," stated Mr. Daniel Quinsenberry, President of the Michigan Association of Public School Academics (MAPSA).

According to the results, Michigan's charter public schools exceeded the average scores of their host districts on 23 of 27 MEAP tests this year and for the second year running showed a better performance than host districts overall.

This is the second time that students at the International Academy of Flint have received recognition for 'beating the odds'. 2005-06 MEAP results placed IAF students as one of only 25 schools earning the special distinction.

"IAF is creating the diverse and quality learning opportunities that all children in all communities need. Keep up the excellent high-quality work!" concluded Quinsenberry.

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