Phase I: Letter of Intent to Apply

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Letter of Intent to Apply for a Charter

If you plan to submit a charter school application to the New York State Education Department, please submit the following Letter of Intent and authorizer representative's contact information form to the Office of Innovative School Models by **Wednesday, January 19, 2011.** This will help the Office of Innovative School Models to more effectively communicate with applicant groups and to gather information about interest in expanding choice options in New York.

Please email this letter to charterschools@mail.nysed.gov.
Subject line of the Email: Letter of intent: [name of proposed school]

I understand that this letter and any other general application documentation that I submit will be posted on the NYSED website and made accessible to the public. Personal contact information will not be posted. (Media contact information for each application will be posted separately).

Date of Submission: January 18, 2011

Name of proposed school (the words "charter" and "school" must appear in the proposed school name.: Rockland Academy of Excellence Charter School

Conversion from an existing public school: ☐ **Yes** ☑ **No**

Lead Applicant or authorized representative: Dionne Olamiju

Media Contact (if different from Lead Applicant): Peter Obe

Media Contact email: paobe@aol.com

Media Contact phone number: (914) 588-9144

District or CSD in which the school will be located: East Ramapo Central School District

Physical address of the school (if known) _____

Composition of founding group
(e.g., parents, teachers, non-profits) parents, teachers, administrators, residents and community leaders

Proposed opening date (school year for which the school intends to open): **Fall of 2012-2013.** No new charter schools will be able to open earlier than the 2012-13 school year. If a later opening date is anticipated, please indicate the school year: Fall 20_____.

Total Projected Grade Levels and Enrollment

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Grade Levels	5	5,6	5,6,7	5,6,7,8	5,6,7,8
Projected enrollment	80	160	235	305	305

Are you planning to work with a charter management organization (CMO)? Yes ☐ No ☒
If so, please indicate the name of the CMO. _____

Are you planning to work with a partner organization (such as a university, academic program partner, or whole school change model)? Yes ☐ No ☒
If so, please indicate the name of the organization. _____

Is this proposed school part of an existing network of charter schools? Yes ☐ No ☒
If so, please indicate the name of the charter school network. _____

Have you ever applied to this or another charter entity to open this proposed school or another charter school? Yes ☒ No ☐

If so, please indicate the date the application(s) was/were submitted and to which charter entity (use additional lines as necessary):

1. Winter 2010 – Charter School Institute
2. Spring 2010 – Charter School Institute
3. _____

Dionne Clamyn
Signature of Lead Applicant or Authorized Representative

1-18-2011
Date