



October 16, 2015

The Honorable John Boehner  
Speaker of the House  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Jason Chaffetz  
Chairman  
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable John Kline  
Chairman  
Committee on Education and the Workforce  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Todd Rokita  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Boehner, Chairman Chaffetz, Chairman Kline, and Chairman Rokita:

On behalf of Ingenuity Prep, I am writing to thank you for your leadership for H.R. 10, the reauthorization of the SOAR Act, and to express support for the proposal.

We have over 85,000 students attending District of Columbia Public Schools and D.C. charter schools. These numbers have been climbing steadily after enduring four decades of decline. The improving quality of the educational options we offer families in the District is a primary reason for this growth.

The SOAR Act has provided valuable resources for these children, resources that have supported these improvements.

Ingenuity Prep currently serves 288 students in PreK-3 through second grade in SE DC. Our school has a 100% free/reduced lunch population. SOAR funding has allowed Ingenuity Prep to:

Ingenuity Prep prepares students to succeed in college and beyond as impactful civic leaders.



- Ensure exceptional instructional practices are implemented consistently throughout the school; and provide on-boarding tool for new staff to quickly recognize the school standard of excellence in all instructional practices.
- Contribute high quality instructional practices to the educational community for continued growth and improvement in the quality of education across the nation
- Provide high quality video to supplement instructional coaching sessions
- Improve the school's sourcing and selection of teachers and the development of the school's teacher career ladder.
- Increase the frequency of observation-debrief coaching engagements and increase the likely retention of Ingenuity Prep's instructional leaders.
- To renovate and improve facility space to allow for the growth of the school and to provide for additional seats for students.
- To improve student outcomes to reach Tier 1 status
- Improve capacity and effectiveness of planning for replication.
- Establish strong site-based operational leadership at Ingenuity Prep's second site.

Without SOAR funding, it is unlikely that any of these initiatives and improvements to ensure our school to ensure our school is providing an outstanding education for our students would not be possible.

Thank you for your support for DC students and families. Please let me know if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

Aaron Cuny

Co-Founder & Head of School