

## District of Columbia State Board of Education **DCSBOE**



February 1, 2012

Merilyn C. Holmes President/ Founder Total Sunshine, Inc. 2500 Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave., SE Washington, DC 20020

Dear Ms. Holmes:

On behalf of the District of Columbia State Board of Education, we submit this letter to congratulate Total Sunshine, Inc. on the School Grade Incentive Program. For seven years, you have provided services to disadvantaged youth in our city, and we encourage you to continue the initiatives set forth by your organization to promote success for all students.

The State Board of Education's primary goal is to improve the educational outcomes of all students across the District of Columbia. In doing so, the success of the board is contingent upon the invaluable resources that stakeholders, such as Total Sunshine, Inc., provide to our community. Your testimony at our last public meeting proves that your organization has been diligent in working in the community to ensure our students successfully meet all academic goals in high school and beyond.

The work Total Sunshine, Inc. is doing in the community has the potential to transform the lives of many children – not only those who are considered "at-risk", but also many who are seeking guidance from a close mentor. Thank you for your dedication to all of our students in the District of Columbia.

It is our pleasure to acknowledge you and your organization, Total Sunshine, Inc., in this significant work.

Sincerely,

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