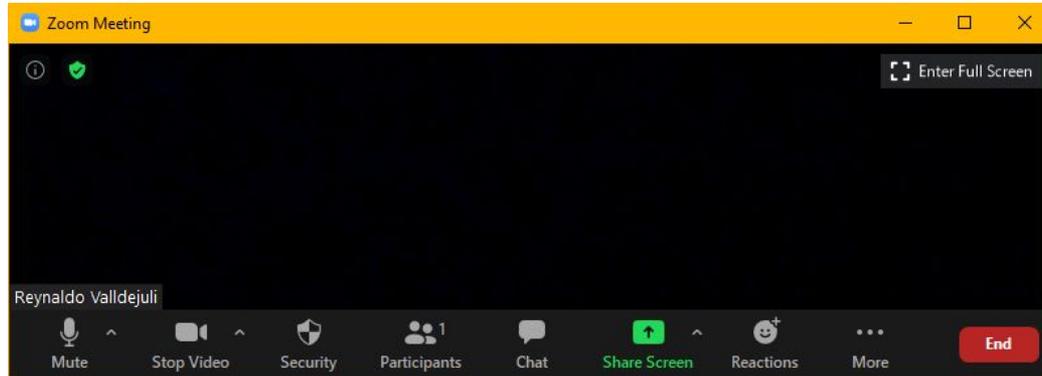


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Charter Authorizers Monthly Call
October 14, 2020

Agenda

- I. Framing**
- II. Charter Application Feedback**
- III. Charter Application Suggestions**
- IV. Next Steps**

Suggested participants for this call:

- Charter Authorizers

Charter Application

Charter Application Feedback

Consider the Following...

1. Page Limit
2. Application Sections
3. Separate Application for New and Experienced Operators
4. Are there questions that were confusing for applicants?
5. Are there questions that did not provide you with the information you needed?
6. Are there questions that seemed redundant?
7. Are there questions that were not clear?

Charter Application Suggestions

Consider the Following...

1. Are there sections that should be added?
2. Are there questions that should be revised?
3. Are there questions that should be removed?
4. What else do you need to know from the applicant to inform a decision?

Equity Pause

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A sense of urgency can mask **hegemonic strategy**. Our common discourse of urgency and business-as-usual creates **little time for reflection**; our pace of life eclipses our awareness. **Strategic equity pauses** stop the clock to reflect on our **language, ideas, and hunches** in the context of a discourse of **transformation**. Without this moment to think, our brains **default** to the familiar and the known, making a **repeat** of past practice likely. Incorporating these discourse checks and pauses after each stage ensures that our ideas **remain** on the path of **achieving equity**.

The Purpose of Charter Schools

City Academy- 1992

St. Paul, Minnesota

Founders: All veteran public school teachers whom had tried but failed to create new programs for struggling students in their own schools.

Opportunity: Open a school for kids who were lost or forgotten.

Striving Toward Equity and Social Justice

Equality



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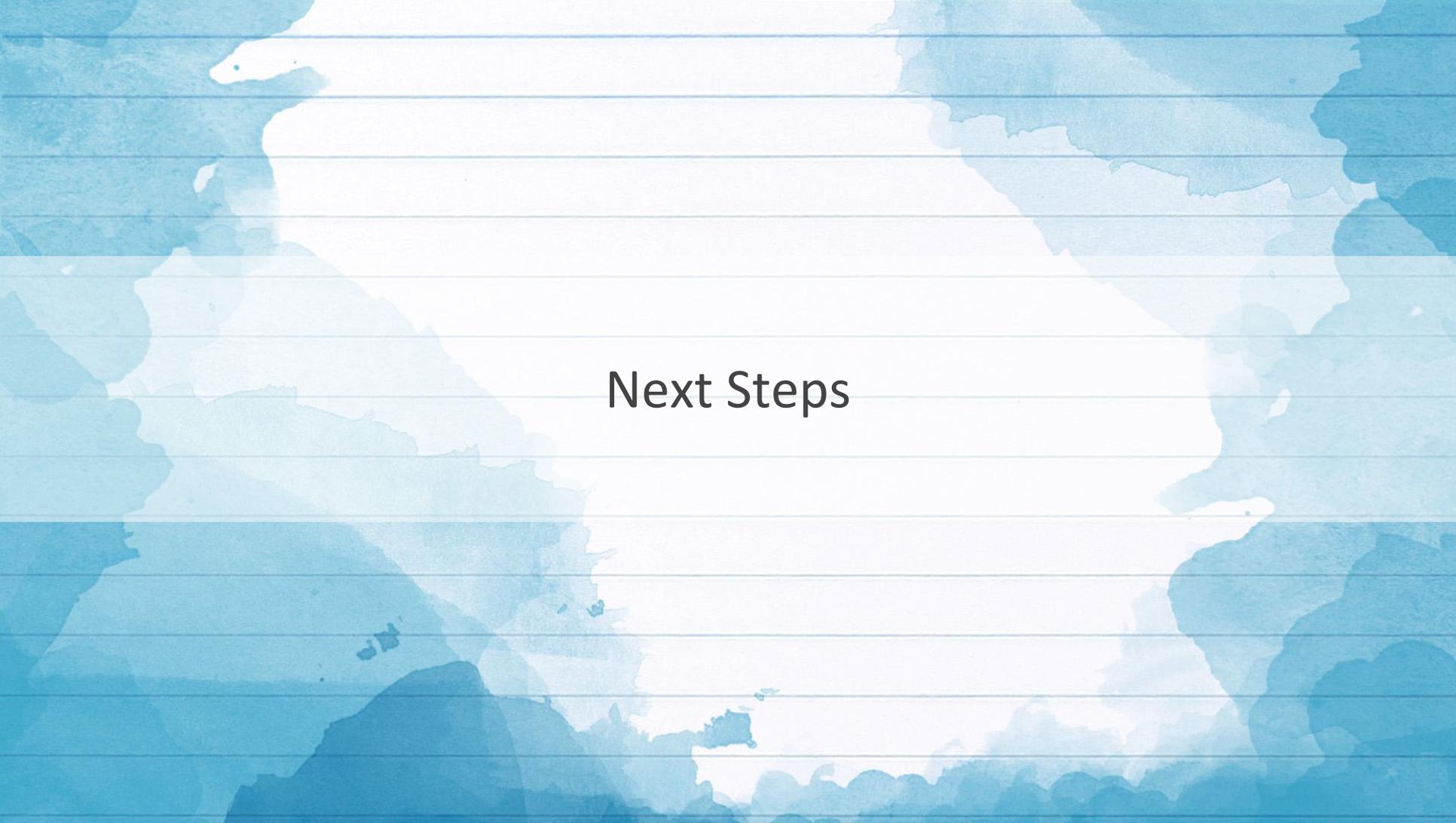


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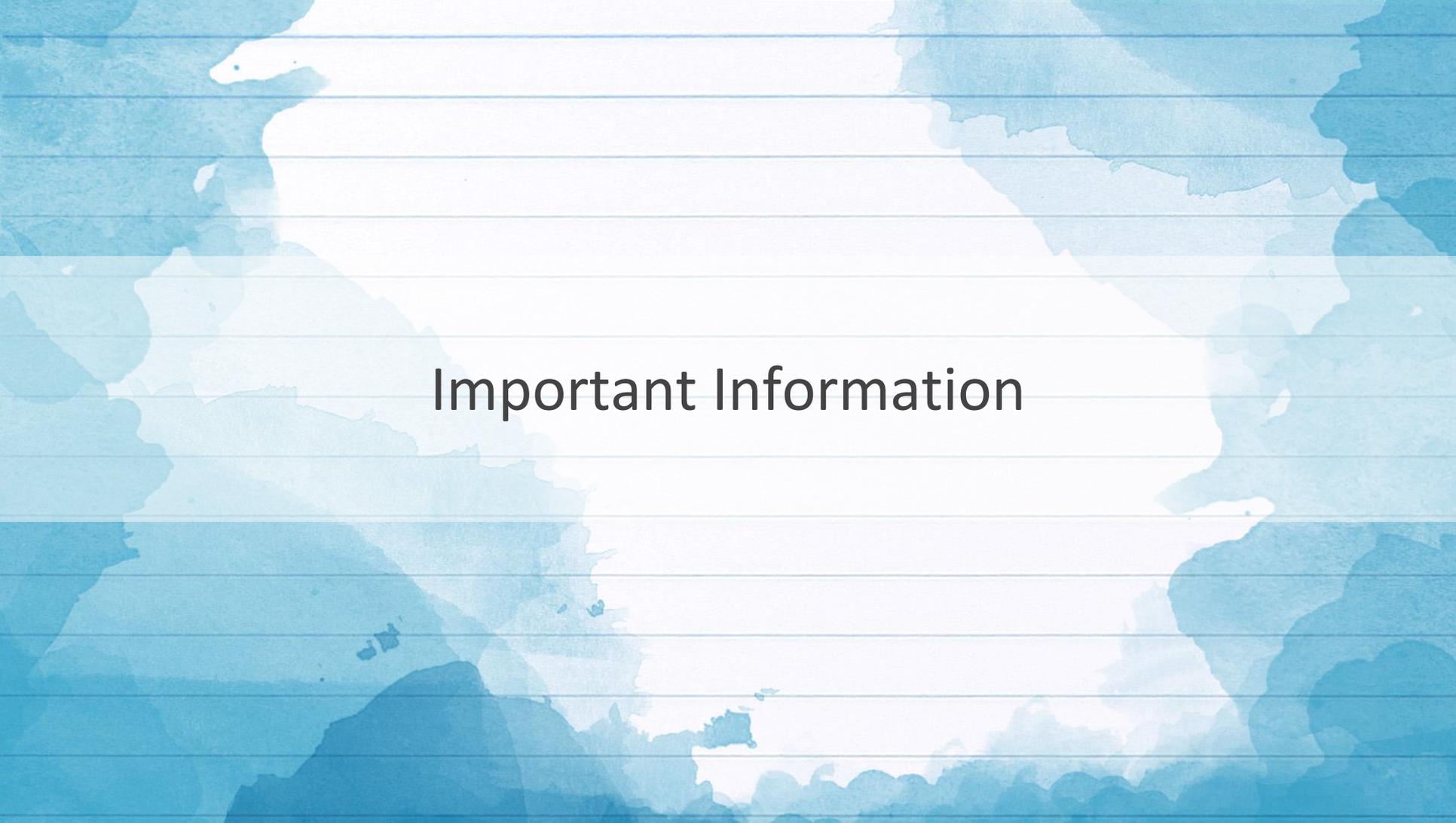


Now, Consider the Following...

1. Are there sections that should be added?
2. Are there questions that should be revised?
3. Are there questions that should be removed?
4. What else do you need to know from the applicant to inform a decision?
5. Do our questions push towards having applicants serve students equally or equitably?
6. Do our questions push applicants to recognize student differences in an intentional manner?



Next Steps



Important Information

Super App Launch

This year's **Super App Launch** is scheduled for **November 6** and will be **all virtual**. Sessions will be pre-recorded, shared in the weekly newsletter and posted to the Department's School Improvement Library on **November 6**.

During November, December and January, team monthly calls and office hours will provide opportunities for school system leaders to learn more about specific sections, ask questions and receive guidance.

Additionally, the Department will offer *School System Planning Super App Office Hours* beginning in November where teams can request specific guidance and support with planning, completing the workbook and aligning funding to priorities.

More information will be provided in coming weeks.

Questions should be emailed to LDOE.grantshelpdesk@la.gov. Please include "Super App" in the email subject line.



Q & A