September 22, 2010

Linda L. Phelps, Executive Director PA Association of Independent Schools 37 E. Germantown Pike, Suite 302 Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

Dear Ms. Phelps:

I am pleased to inform you that the State Board of Education on September 16, 2010 renewed the authority of the Pennsylvania Association of Independent Schools to serve as an approved accrediting organization under section 5 of the Private Academic Schools Act (24 P. S. § 6705). This approval is retroactive to September 16, 2010 and expires September 16, 2015. The Board's unanimous approval followed recommendations by the Department of Education and the Board's Council of Basic Education.

Please contact me at (717) 787-3787 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Adam Schott Executive Director

cc: Gregory Dunlap Office of General Counsel

> Dr. Arnold Hillman State Board of Education

Amy Morton
Deputy Secretary, Elementary and Secondary Education