

September 28, 2016

Ms. Debra Lach Executive Director DaVinci Academy of Arts and Science 13001 Central Avenue North Blaine, MN 55434

Dear Ms. Lach,

I would like to personally congratulate everyone at DaVinci Academy of Arts and Science on being chosen by the United States Department of Education as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School. This is an incredible honor for your school, your community and the entire state of Minnesota.

Education is paramount to our country's future success. Thankfully, schools like yours are leading the way in providing our children with an excellent academic foundation. As a member of the Senate's Education Committee, I am doing my part to improve our system of education and I am always looking for examples of success, like DaVinci Academy of Arts, to hold up as a model for effective educational practices nationwide.

Again, congratulations on being selected as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School. Have a terrific school year and keep up the great work!

Sincerely

Al Franken

United States Senator