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Dear Mr. McCracken:

Enclosed please find the new Chapter 63 Standards of Accreditation for Preschool. The enclosed outline of the new standards was presented to the Board of Public Education at their July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meeting. The Board is sending you the proposed outline to notify the Legislative Fiscal Division in accordance with MCA 20-7-101(2) which states, "Prior to adoption or amendment of any accreditation standard, the board shall submit each proposal to the Education and Local Government Interim Committee for review."

The law only requires notification prior to adoption but we feel that the Interim Committee and the Legislative Fiscal Division may benefit knowing of these intended rule adoptions early, and prior to the commencement of rulemaking under MAPA.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Pete Donovan

**Executive Director, Board of Public Education** 

**Enclosure** 

Cc: Laura Sankey, Staff Attorney

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