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Charter School Capital Applauds Charter Schools and Their Leaders

National Charter School Week offers opportunity to celebrate the positive impacts charter schools have on public education in the U.S.

(May 6, 2014) For Immediate Release – It's [National Charter School Week](#), and Portland, OR-based [Charter School Capital](#) is shining a spotlight on all charter school educators and administrators who are dedicated to providing safe and positive learning opportunities for children across the country.

Working hand-in-hand with charter school administrators from California to Florida, Arizona to Ohio, the Charter School Capital team is reminded daily of the operational and funding challenges facing charter schools in states across the country.

“The incredible perseverance and commitment that charter operators exhibit is an inspiration to all of us here at Charter School Capital,” said the company’s co-founder and CEO Stuart Ellis. “Charter school leaders are today’s education entrepreneurs. They are the innovators that help open opportunities for all students, particularly those in communities that are underserved by the traditional public school system.”

Charter schools have seen a dramatic rise in popularity over the past decade and now account for 6.3% of all public schools in the nation with 6,500 schools supporting 2.5 million students. Growth is expected to continue, a trend supported by a recent report noting that there are now more than one million students nationwide on charter school wait lists – a dramatic rise from just a year ago. Making much-needed resources available to schools so that they can focus on educating students has been the driving force behind Charter School Capital, now the nation’s leading working and growth capital and facilities financing provider to charter schools.

Charter School Capital encourages school choice enthusiasts to seize the opportunity of National Charter Schools Week to contact their local or state charter association to learn about upcoming events or rallies in which they can participate. Individuals are also encouraged to contact their state legislators to declare their support for charters. More information about charters, National Charter School Week and how to get involved can be found at PublicCharters.org.

“We commend all charter school edupreneurs who start-up schools and are doing amazing things in education today. These educators deserve recognition year-round for their contributions,” said Ellis. “We are proud to take a little extra time this National Charter School Week to say ‘thank you’ to everyone who makes charter school education a success.”

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More Information on Charter School Capital:

Launched in 2006, Charter School Capital was founded to help provide flexible, low-risk and affordable working and growth capital to public charter schools, which typically have fewer funding options and have more difficulty accessing funds than traditional public schools. Charter School Capital has provided more than \$600 million in funding in support of 400 charter schools – schools offering high-quality education to 400,000 students across the United States. For more information, visit <http://charterschoolcapital.org>.