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May 1, 2019

Dianne Bessey, Executive Director Monarch School of New England 105 Eastern Ave Rochester, NH 03866

Dear Ms. Bessey:

The New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE), Bureau of Student Support (Bureau) is writing to report the results of the 2018 – 2019 NHDOE Approval of Private Provider Special Education Programs Monitoring Review of the **Monarch School of New England program at Monarch School of New England** for students with educational disabilities as required by RSA 186:C. The criteria for the program approval review are specified in the <u>New Hampshire Standards for the Education of Children with Disabilities</u>, Effective March 24, 2017, Amended June 14, 2018, Amended August 9, 2018 and IDEA 2004.

Based on a review of your application materials, evidence provided and the February 4, 2019 monitoring visit it has been determined that the Monarch School of New England program is a certificate of completion granting program and is granted special education program approval from the date of this letter until June 30, 2024.

The New Hampshire Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education, approves the following special education instructional program(s):

PROGRAM PROVIDER LOCATION (as recorded in the New Hampshire Special Education Information System (NHSEIS))	GRADES GENDERS	PROGRAM CAPACITY	PRIMARY DISABILITY	EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT	<u>TYPE</u>
Monarch School of New England Monarch School of New England 105 Eastern Ave (Foss Site: Building 1) & 13 Monarch Way (Building 2) Rochester, NH 03866	Grades: K-12 Males/ Females	62 Students with Disabilities (for both in- state and out-of-state students)	Autism Deaf-Blindness Deafness Developmental Delay Emotional Disturbance Hearing Impairment Intellectual Disability Multiple Disabilities Orthopedic Impairment Other Health Impairment Specific Learning Disability Speech-Language Impairment Traumatic Brain Injury Visual Impairment	Separate School	Year Round

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This change has been made in NHSEIS as of the date of this letter.

You must inform the New Hampshire Department of Education of <u>any new special education</u> <u>programs or substantive program changes</u> that may have a bearing on your special education program approval status. In addition, any deficiencies which may arise for fire, safety and/or health reasons and which could cause revocation of State Health and Fire licensure should be reported immediately to the New Hampshire Department of Education.

The Bureau extends to you its appreciation for your cooperation and assistance. We look forward to our continued partnership in working with you to provide quality special education services to students with disabilities.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (603) 271-3750 or lori.noordergraaf@doe.nh.gov.

Sincerely,

Lori Noordergraaf, M.Ed. Education Consultant

cc: Kate Sisneroz, Special Education Director

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Enclosures:

Monarch School of New England Special Education Approval Certificate