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Lindbergh Schools Exemplifies Inclusive Education, Welcoming Immigrant Students in St. Louis, Missouri by becoming St. Louis Mosaic Project Ambassador School

ST. LOUIS (July 27th, 2023) — The St. Louis Mosaic Project welcomes Lindbergh Schools as its newest Ambassador School Program member. Lindbergh Schools will further strengthen Mosaic’s goal and commitment to fostering an internationally welcoming and inclusive culture and enhancing diversity and equity programs through this partnership.

Led by Dr. Sheriah Mason, the director of inclusion, equity, and diversity, Lindbergh Schools has been at the forefront of promoting cultural awareness and a sense of belonging within the schools. Among the initiatives they have implemented are school-based Cultural Nights, providing an excellent platform for schools' families to celebrate and learn about different cultures. Lindbergh High School students can also achieve the prestigious Missouri Seal of Biliteracy, encouraging language proficiency and embracing linguistic diversity. The schools also host an annual informational night specifically for families of multilingual learners, ensuring that these families receive the necessary support and guidance. Lindbergh Schools showcases national flags, artwork, and informative displays throughout their educational institutions in a visual celebration of diversity.

As a Mosaic Ambassador school, Lindbergh Schools gains access to valuable resources to enhance engagement with foreign-born students and community members. This will also enable the school to educate students about the countries of origin of foreign-born St. Louisans, fostering a deeper appreciation for the diverse backgrounds within the community. Furthermore, the partnership extends its commitment to diverse hiring practices, ensuring a comprehensive and inclusive approach in the school's workforce.

“We are proud to be a member of Mosaic’s Ambassador School Program and look forward to partnering with this organization to not only support foreign-born students and their families, but also educate our community as a whole, and most importantly, continue supporting a culture of belonging and inclusion for all,” said Chief Academic Officer, Dr. Tara Sparks. Mosaic welcomes Lindbergh Schools as part of this program and looks forward to a fruitful and mutually

beneficial collaboration. “Together, we know that we will continue to create an environment that fosters belonging, inclusivity, and understanding for everyone within the St. Louis region,” said Betsy Cohen, Mosaic Executive Director.

About Lindbergh Schools

Lindbergh Schools consists of eleven school campuses: one high school ([Lindbergh High School](#)), two middle schools ([Sperrong Middle School](#) and [Truman Middle School](#)), six elementary schools ([Concord Elementary School](#), [Crestwood Elementary School](#), [Dressel Elementary School](#), [Kennerly Elementary School](#), [Long Elementary School](#) and [Sappington Elementary School](#)), and two early childhood education centers ([Lindbergh Early Childhood Education](#) and [ECE West](#)). The schools are committed to helping students succeed not only in academics but also in life. The schools believe that a diverse community of students, employees and families contributes to an environment where all are supported and individual strengths are developed. Lindbergh Schools is home to eight National Schools of Character and six National Blue Ribbon Schools.

About St. Louis Mosaic Project

The St. Louis Mosaic Project was launched in 2012 in response to an economic impact report outlining St. Louis’s lagging in immigrant growth and highlighting the economic benefits of increasing its foreign-born population. The Mosaic Project is a regional initiative that St. Louis Economic Development Partnership, World Trade Center St. Louis, and a 32-member committee professionally manage. The St. Louis Mosaic Project’s goal is to transform St. Louis into the fastest-growing major metropolitan area for immigration by 2025, to design and support regional attraction strategies, and to promote regional prosperity through immigration and innovation. For more information about the St. Louis Mosaic Project, please visit www.StlMosaicProject.org or email ecohen@worldtradecenter-stl.com.