

EXHIBIT A - FORM OF TEFRA NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG, NORTH CAROLINA
WITH RESPECT TO EDUCATION REVENUE BONDS
(MALLARD CREEK STEM ACADEMY) SERIES 2019
TO BE ISSUED BY THE PUBLIC FINANCE AUTHORITY
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
\$28,000,000

Notice is hereby given that on April 2, 2019, a public hearing, as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "*Code*"), will be held by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mecklenburg, North Carolina (the "*Board*") with respect to the proposed issuance by the Public Finance Authority (the "*Authority*"), a commission organized under and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 66.0301, 66.0303 and 66.0304 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as amended, of its Education Revenue Bonds (Mallard Creek STEM Academy) Series 2019, in one or more series (the "*Bonds*"), in an amount not to exceed \$28,000,000. The hearing will commence at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, and will be held in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, 600 East 4th Street, Charlotte, NC 28202.

The Bonds are expected to be issued pursuant to Section 66.0304 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as amended, by the Authority, and the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds will be loaned to Mallard Creek STEM Academy, LLC (the "*Borrower*"), a North Carolina limited liability company of which Alliance Preparatory Schools, Inc. dba Mallard Creek STEM Academy (the "*Lessee*") is the sole member, and used for the purpose of (a) financing the acquisition of existing charter school facilities currently being leased by the Lessee located at 9142 Browne Road, Charlotte, North Carolina 28269, in the County of Mecklenburg, including but not limited to the acquisition of approximately 28.6 acres of land, a two-story building containing approximately 36,000 square feet, a gymnasium containing approximately 9,000 square feet, and a two-story building containing approximately 21,000 square feet from which the Lessee operates the public charter school known as Mallard Creek STEM Academy (the "*Project*"); (b) funding a debt service reserve fund for the Bonds; and (c) paying all or a portion of the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

The Project is located at 9142 Browne Road, Charlotte, North Carolina 28269, in the County of Mecklenburg. The Project will be owned by the Borrower and leased and operated by the Lessee.

The Bonds will be special limited obligations of the Authority payable solely from the loan repayments to be made by the Borrower to the Authority, and certain funds and accounts established by the bond indenture for the Bonds.

The public hearing will provide an opportunity for all interested persons to express their views, both orally and in writing, on the proposed issuance of the Bonds and the financing of the Project. Any person interested in the issuance of the Bonds may appear and be heard or submit written comments. Any person wishing to submit written comments regarding the proposed issuance of the Bonds, the financing of the Project or any matter related thereto should do so within 10 days after the date of publication of this notice by mailing said written comments to the Board of Commissioners, c/o the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, 600 East Fourth Street, 11th floor, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202. This notice is given pursuant to the provisions of Section 147 of the Internal

Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Additional information concerning the Project may be obtained from Alliance Preparatory Schools, Inc. dba Mallard Creek STEM Academy, 9142 Browne Rd; Charlotte North Carolina 28269, ATT: Jennifer Lucas, jlucas@allianceedservices.org, 954-732-3122. The Board of Commissioners does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discrimination policy involves every aspect of the Board of Commissioners' functions, including one's access to and participation in public hearings. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation for this meeting and/or needing this information in an alternative format because of a disability as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners by phone at (980) 314-2900, or by fax at (704) 336-5887, or by e-mail at Janice.Paige@mecklenburgcountync.gov.

/s/ Janice S. Paige

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of
Mecklenburg County, North Carolina