TO: The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents

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SUBJECT: The Registration of a Religious and Independent High
                                     School Visited in the Spring of 2023

DATE: April 6, 2023

AUTHORIZATION(S):

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision(Consent)

Should the Board of Regents approve the registration of this nonpublic high school, which is changing its status from pending to full registration?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State statute.

Proposed Handling

This question will come before the Regents for action at its April 2023 meeting.

Procedural History

Prior to the Covid pandemic crises, the Board of Regents had acted on the registration of religious and independent high schools each year. There were no high school registration visits in 2020 or 2021, and the State Office of Religious and Independent Schools (SORIS) is now in the process of completing status updates and registration visits to those pended prior to the pandemic and the latest requests from 2022.

Background Information

Religious and independent high schools with a senior class for the first time submit Applications for Nonpublic Secondary School Registration and are visited by a staff member from SORIS. Approved registration of the religious and independent high schools will allow them to issue valid New York State diplomas and administer State examinations on-site. The school will become a member of the University of the State of New York.

Related Regents Items

Not applicable.

Recommendation

VOTED: That the following school, which had requested high school registration in the spring of 2022, has been visited then and received pending registration, be registered:

School	County	Recommended Status
Al-Rasheed Academy	Erie	Registered

Timetable for Implementation

This religious and independent high school will become registered upon approval of the Board of Regents. It already has pending registration and is moving to full registration.