

Rt Hon Nicky Morgan MP Secretary of State for Education

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Dear Mr Duker

I am pleased to tell you that I have now agreed to enter into a Supplemental Funding Agreement with The STEP Academy Trust to allow Heathfield Academy to open as a new sponsored academy. My officials will forward a copy of the executed Supplemental Funding Agreement to you.

Academies form an integral part of the Government's education policy to raise attainment for all children. The date the academy will open is 1 September 2015.

The new academy will now have the opportunity to benefit from the freedoms and flexibilities of academy status, to share best practice and work with others to bring about sustained improvements to all schools in the area. I would like to thank you for your commitment to, and assistance in, the academy process.

I am copying this letter to Croydon Local Authority.

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