

Charter Overview Presentation: Renewals, Relationships, Oversight & Board Responsibility

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District Charter School Oversight

The Alameda Unified School District Board of Education (Board) shall ensure that any charter granted by the Board contains adequate processes and measures for holding the school accountable for fulfilling the terms of its charter. These shall include, but not be limited to, fiscal accountability systems, multiple measures for evaluating the educational program, and regular reports to the Board.

District Charter School Oversight (continued)

The Board shall monitor each charter school to determine whether it makes “adequate yearly progress” as defined by the State Board of Education and federal Title 1 accountability requirements. If a charter school fails to make adequate yearly progress for two or more consecutive years, the Board shall take action for program improvement in accordance with law, Board policy (BP 0420.4), and administrative regulations (AR 0420.4).

District Charter School Oversight (continued)

For each charter school under the Board's authority, the Superintendent shall: (Education Code sections (EC) 47604.32, 47604.33).

1. Identify at least one staff member as a contact person for the charter school
2. Visit the charter school at least annually
3. Ensure that the charter school complies with all reports required of charter schools by law
4. Monitor the fiscal condition of the charter school based on any financial information obtained from the charter school.

District Charter School Oversight (continued)

5. Annually prepare and submit financial reports to the district Board and the County Superintendent in accordance with the established reporting cycle:

July 1 - preliminary budget

December 15 - interim financial report

March 15 – second interim financial report

September 15 - final unaudited report

December 15 – annual independent financial audit

District Charter School Oversight (continued)

6. Provide timely notification to the CDE if a renewal of the charter is granted or denied, the charter is revoked, or the charter school will cease operation for any reason.
7. The Board and the Superintendent or designee may inspect or observe any part of the charter school at any time. (EC 47607)

District Charter School Renewal

Renewal

Renewals typically take place after 4 years of operation but may be arranged for earlier scheduling if mutually agreed upon by charter school and AUSD. The Board's oversight includes assessing the Charter's performance with respect to:

- Academic success
- Effectiveness and viability of the charter as an organization
- Faithfulness of the school to the terms of the charter

District Charter School Revocations

Revocations

The Board may revoke a charter whenever it finds, through a showing of substantial evidence, that the charter school has done any of the following:

- Committed a material violation of any of the conditions, standards, or procedures set forth in the charter
- Failed to meet or pursue any of the student outcomes identified in the charter
- Failed to meet generally accepted accounting principles or engaged in fiscal mismanagement
- Violated any provision of law

District Charter School Demographics

Alameda Community Learning Center (ACLC)

Number of Students – 303

API – 824

266 Alameda residents

English Language Learners: 21 or 7%

37 Inter-district transfers

Special Education: 18 or 6%

Title 1 (free and reduced lunch): 37 or 12%

Ethnicity:

Black or African American: 22 or 7%

American Indian or Alaska native: 3 or 1%

Asian: 57 or 18%

Filipino: 12 or 4%

Hispanic or Latino: 45 or 15%

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: 0

White: 92 or 30%

Two or more races: 12 or 4%

District Charter School Demographics

Academy of Alameda (AoA)

Number of Students – 495

382 Alameda residents

API – 774

113 Inter-district transfers

English Language Learners: 116 or 23%

Special Education: 65 or 13%

Title 1 (free and reduced lunch): 273 or 55%

Ethnicity:

Black or African American: 102 or 20%

American Indian or Alaska Native: 1 or .2%

Asian: 68 or 14%

Filipino: 71 or 14%

Hispanic or Latino: 90 or 18%

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: 10 or .4%

White: 66 or 13%

Two or More Races: 34 or 7%

District Charter School Oversight

Bay Area School of Enterprise (BASE)

Number of Students – 84

Residency breakdown not provided

API – 537

English Language Learners: 58 or 69%

Special Education: 4 or 5%

Title 1 (free and reduced lunch): 75 or 89%

Ethnicity:

Black or African American: 11 or 13%

American Indian or Alaska Native: 3 or 3%

Asian: 2 or 2%

Filipino: 0

Hispanic or Latino: 61 or 73%

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: 0

White: 5 or 6%

Two or More Races: 1 or 1%

District Charter School Oversight

Nea Community Learning Center (Nea)

Number of Students – 504 390 Alameda residents

API – 837 114 Inter-district transfers

English Language Learners: 72 or 14%

Special Education: 36 or 7%

Title 1 (free and reduced lunch): 61 or 12%

Ethnicity:

Black or African American: 50 or 10%

American Indian or Alaska Native: 3 or .5%

Asian: 61 or 12%

Filipino: 11 or 2%

Hispanic or Latino: 58 or 12%

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: 2 or .4%

White: 132 or 26%

Two or More Races: 39 or 8%

District Charter School Renewal

Academy of Alameda (AoA) June 30, 2015

Alameda Community Learning Center (ACLC) June 30, 2015

Bay Area School of Enterprise (BASE) June 30, 2016

Nea June 30, 2014

Charter schools prepare and submit the request for renewal during the school year in which the charter expires. (example: AoA will be preparing and submitting during SY 2014-15)