

## THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12224

**TO:** P-12 Education Committee

**FROM:** John B. King, Jr.

**SUBJECT:** Revisions to Charters authorized by the Board of Trustees

of the State University of New York

**DATE:** August 26, 2010

**AUTHORIZATION(S):** 

### SUMMARY

I recommend that the Board of Regents approve revisions to the following charters authorized by the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York (SUNY). The charter revisions have been approved by the SUNY Board of Trustees (at their regularly scheduled meetings this spring and summer), in their capacity as charter school authorizers under Article 56 of the Education Law. The Board of Regents takes action on charter awards, revisions and renewals for all charter schools statewide. (Additional information about these charter revisions is attached).

Name of Charter School	Description of Charter Revision	Date approved by SUNY Board of Trustees
Achievement First North Crown Heights CS	Name change to: Achievement First Apollo CS	March 16, 2010
Leadership Preparatory CS	Name change to: Leadership Preparatory Bedford Stuyvesant CS	March 24, 2010
Sisulu-Walker CS of Harlem	Revise grades served to K-5 retroactive to 2008-09 school year; no increase in projected enrollment	June 15, 2010

### REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The proposed revised charters: (1) meet the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations; (2) will permit the charter schools to operate in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) are likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of section twenty-eight hundred fifty of Article 56 of the Education Law; and, where applicable, granting these applications would have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school.

### MOTION FOR APPROVAL

VOTED: That the Board of Regents approves the above listed charter revisions as proposed by the Trustees of the State University of New York and the provisional charters are amended accordingly.

The Regents action on the above listed charter schools is effective immediately.

Attachment

# Additional Information on Proposed Revisions to Charters Authorized by the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York (SUNY)

### September 2010 Meeting of the Board of Regents

### 1. Achievement First North Crown Heights CS

Revision: Change name to - Achievement First Apollo Charter School

The school, which will open this fall, was originally planned to be located in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn, but will now be in the Cypress Hills section of Brooklyn and therefore wishes to change the name accordingly.

### 2. Leadership Preparatory Charter School

Revision: Change name to - Leadership Preparatory Bedford Stuyvesant Charter School

With the pending opening in Brooklyn of other Leadership Preparatory charter schools affiliated with Uncommon Schools Inc. and authorized by the Board of Trustees, the school wants to change its name to reflect the section of Brooklyn in which it is located.

#### 3. Sisulu- Walker Charter School of Harlem

Revision: Revise grades served to K-5 retroactive to 2008-09 school year.

This revision "cleans-up" an administrative issue concerning the complement of grades that the School serves. The School seeks this revision to align its charter with its past and current grade alignment, and with the grade span proposed in its original charter application. This resolution will have no effect on enrollment or grades served by the School in subsequent school years.