

THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234

TO: P-12 Education Committee

FROM: John B. King

SUBJECT: Revisions to Charters authorized by the Board of Trustees

of the State University of New York

DATE: July 1, 2011

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 in their capacity as charter school authorizers under Article 56 of the Education Law.

Albany Community Charter School

Name of Charter School	Albany Community Charter School
Terms and Dates of Charter	First Renewal Charter: December 11, 2010 – July
	31, 2011
	Second Renewal Charter: August 1, 2011 – July 31,
	2016
Current Grade(s) and Approved	2010-2011: Grades K-4: 346 students (with collar
Enrollment	variance)
	2011-2012: Grades K-4: 345 students (with collar
	variance)
Current Year of Operation	2010-2011: Fifth Year of Operation
	2011-2012: Sixth Year of Operation
Management Company	N/A
Other Partner(s)	Brighter Choice Foundation
District of Location	Albany City School District
Proposed Charter Revision(s)	Add grade 5 and increase enrollment:
	2011-2012: Grades K-5: 414 students (plus collar
	variance)
	2012-2013: Grades K-5: 414 students (plus collar
	variance)

	2013-2014: Grades K-5: 414 students (plus collar variance) 2014-2015: Grades K-5: 414 students (plus collar variance) 2015-2016: Grades K-5: 414 students (plus collar variance)
Date Approved by Charter Schools Institute on behalf of SUNY BoT	March 22, 2011

The SUNY Board of Trustees proposes to revise the charter of the Albany Community Charter School to add a 5th grade and increase the enrollment for the remainder of the charter term as indicated in the chart above to accommodate the additional grade.

Bronx Success Academy Charter School 3

Name of Charter School	Bronx Success Academy Charter School 3
Terms and Dates of Charter	Initial Charter: November 16, 2010 up through and including no more than 5 years of
	instruction in accordance with EL Section 2851(2)(p)
Current Grade(s) and Approved Enrollment	Opening in 2011-2012: Grades K-1: 188 students
Current Year of Operation	2011-2012: First Year of Operation
Management Company	Success Charter Network, Inc.
Other Partner(s)	N/A
District of Location	NYC CSD #7
Proposed Charter Revision(s)	 Name change to Brooklyn Success Academy Charter School I Relocated from CSD #7 to CSD #14
Date Approved by Charter Schools Institute on behalf of SUNY BoT	March 22, 2011

The SUNY Board of Trustees proposes to revise the charter of the Bronx Success Academy Charter School 3 to relocate the school from CSD #7 in the Bronx to CSD #14 in Brooklyn and to change the name of the school as indicated in the chart above to reflect the new location.

Explore Excel Charter School

Name of Charter School	Explore Excel Charter School
Terms and Dates of Charter	Initial Charter: December 14, 2010 – December
	13, 2015
Current Grade(s) and Approved	Opening in 2011-2012: Grades K-2: 168
Enrollment	students
Current Year of Operation	2011-2012: First Year of Operation
Management Company	Explore Schools, Inc.
Other Partner(s)	N/A
District of Location	NYC CSD #18
Proposed Charter Revision	Add grade 7 and increase enrollment:
	2011-2012: from K-2: 168 to K-3: 224
	2012-2013: from K-3: 224 to K-4: 280
	2013-2014: from K-4: 280 to K-5: 336
	2014-2015: from K-5: 336 to K-6: 396
	2015-2016: from K-6: 396 to K-7: 456
Date Approved by SUNY BoT	March 22, 2011

The SUNY Board of Trustees proposes to revise the charter of the Explore Excel Charter School to add a 7th grade and to increase the enrollment as indicated in the chart above to accommodate the additional grade.

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.

RECOMENDATION

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.