



# CHARTER SCHOOL PETITIONER CERTIFICATION

<b>Charter School Name:</b>	<b>Date Petition Submitted:</b>
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<b>REQUIRED PETITION SIGNATURES</b>	<b>Education Code § 47605(a)</b>		
50% of parents/guardians of the number of age-appropriate students expected to enroll for 1st year of operation, in the form required by law.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>

**OR**

50% of the number of appropriately credentialed teachers expected to be employed during 1st year of operation, in the form required by law.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>
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<b>REQUIRED AFFIRMATIONS</b>	<b>Education Code § 47605(e)</b>		
Statement that school will be non-sectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations, will not charge tuition, and will not discriminate against any pupil on the basis of disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in Section 422.55 of the Penal Code, including immigration status.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>

<b>GEOGRAPHIC AND SITE LIMITATIONS</b>	<b>Education Code § 47605(a)</b>		
Does the Petition propose to operate a single charter school within the geographic jurisdiction of the school district to which the charter is submitted?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>
If the Petition proposes to operate at multiple sites within the school district, does the Petition identify each location?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>

<b>JUSTIFICATION FOR APPEAL</b>	<b>Education Code § 47605 (k)(1)(A)(ii)</b>		
Indicates the petition was denied by a school district pursuant to statute.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>

<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>			
Does the Petition demonstrate that the charter school will commence operation by September 30 of its first year of operation?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>

<b>REQUIRED ELEMENTS</b>	<b>Education Code § 47605(c)(5)(A–O)</b>		
The initial review finds that the petition has included information for all 15 required elements (A–O)	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>
Element A Educational Program			
Element B Measurable Student Outcomes			

Element C Student Progress Measurement			
Element D Governance			
Element E Employee Qualifications			
Element F Health and Safety Procedures			
Element G Balanced Enrollment			
Element H Admissions Policies and Procedures			
Element I Annual Financial Audits			
Element J Suspension and Expulsion Procedures			
Element K Employee Retirement Systems			
Element L Public School Attendance Alternatives			
Element M Rights of District Employees			
Element N Dispute Resolution			
Element O Charter School Closure Procedures			
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL CRITERIA</b>		<b>Education Code § 47605(h)</b>	
The petition provides the required budget and financial documents, including the proposed first year operational budget (with budget assumptions), startup cost, and cash flow and financial projections for the first three years of operation.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>
The petition provides an administrative plan.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>
The petition describes the facilities to be used by the charter school and where the school intends to locate.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>
If the school is to be operated by, or as, a nonprofit public benefit corporation, the petitioner shall provide the names and relevant qualifications of all persons whom the petitioner nominates to serve on the governing body of the charter school.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>
The petition describes its special education structure, relationship to the SELPA, and the responsibilities of each party for service delivery, including referral, assessment, instruction, due process, and agreements describing allocation of costs.	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>
The petition provides a plan for independent study (if applicable).	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>
<b>FISCAL IMPACT AND COMMUNITY INTEREST</b>		<b>[see citations below]</b>	
The school district is positioned to absorb the fiscal impact of the proposed charter school. Education Code § 47605(c)(8)	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Page</b>

Provides discussion of whether the charter school would substantially undermine existing services, academic offerings, or programmatic offerings. Education Code § 47605(c)(7)(A)	Yes	No	Page
Provides discussion of whether the proposed charter school would duplicate a program currently offered within the school district and the existing program has sufficient capacity for the pupils proposed to be served within reasonable proximity to where the charter school intends to locate. Education Code § 47605(c)(7)(B)	Yes	No	Page

**Education Code § 47605(b):** *A petition is deemed received by the Orange County Board of Education for purposes of commencing the timelines described in this subdivision on the day the petitioner submits a Charter School Appeal Package to the Orange County Department of Education, along with a signed certification that the petitioner deems the petition to be complete.*

**I hereby certify under the laws of the State of California and the United States that the foregoing Charter School Appeal Package, including the charter petition are complete, true and correct. I understand and acknowledge that failure to provide accurate or complete information may subject the charter to revocation if later discovered and material to compliance with the Charter Schools Act.**

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<b>Name of lead petitioner</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
_____	_____	_____
<b>Name of OCDE personnel receiving petition</b>	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

<b>Petition Appeal Consideration and Acceptance EC § 47605(k)(1)(A)</b>	<b>(OCDE Office Use Only)</b>
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Petitioner submitted the charter school petition appeal to the Orange County Board of Education within 30 days of denial by the governing board of the school district as required by law.	YES	NO
The charter school petition appeal includes new information or changes to the original petition that was submitted to the district.	YES	NO
<b>If yes, the petition shall immediately be remanded back to the school district for reconsideration.</b>		
This is a resubmission of the charter school's petition appeal. The school district governing board denied the petition after reconsideration of the petition's new or different material terms to its charter.	YES	NO