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CHARTER SCHOOL COMPLIANCE MONITORING
2023-2024

Dear Charter School Governing Board President and Charter School Leaders:

As part of oversight duties set forth in California Education Code § 47604.32, the LAUSD, through the Charter Schools Division (CSD), monitors each charter public school's compliance with applicable legal, charter, and policy requirements. To this end, the CSD's oversight process encompasses three important actions by each charter school:

- (1) School Administrator's Certification: As the CSD continues its focus on ensuring that the well-being of students remains first and foremost, **by November 3, 2023**, as part of the school's triannual electronic submission of documents, we request that the school site administrator submit the attached certification confirming the school's implementation of safety measures at the beginning of the school year. This beginning of the year certification by the school administrator informs the governing board and supports the school in ensuring that critical organizational and management systems are in place as the school year begins, as these requirements greatly impact students, staff, and the public. **Please submit the entire document to the CSD via Dropbox with only the school administrator's columns completed, along with the administrator's signature no later than November 3, 2023.**
- (2) Certification of Board Compliance Review: As in previous years, and as part of the Governing Board's fulfillment of its fiduciary governance responsibility to ensure that the charter school complies with all applicable laws and other requirements, it is critical that the school's Governing Board periodically review, discuss, monitor, and modify, if necessary, the school's policies and systems for compliance with such requirements. **Please complete and sign the *final* certification at the end of the attached document, *Compliance Monitoring and Certification of Board Compliance Review 2023-2024*, and return the entire document including the administrator's certification from the first submission. Please include the relevant Board agenda(s) and minutes as evidence of the Governing Board's review of these items and submit to the CSD via Dropbox no later than January 12, 2024.**

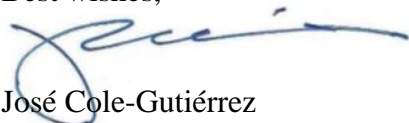
The CSD is very much aware and acknowledges that governing boards provide fiduciary oversight and hire a leader (or leaders) to execute day-to-day operations and appropriately delegated functions. Moreover, the charter school's governing board is the first line of charter school oversight. As part of the District's oversight process, this certification is intended to serve as a formal acknowledgement from charter school governing boards of their review and appropriate due diligence in these key areas as part of their own organizational oversight function. As stated in the *LAUSD Policy and Procedures for Charter Schools*, "While LAUSD is responsible to provide oversight of its charter schools and the entities managing charter schools, the primary oversight of each charter school must first and foremost be performed by the charter school's own governing board. The governing board of a charter school has an ongoing responsibility to oversee the operations of its charter school(s), ensuring that every charter school it oversees is providing a high-

quality educational program for students enrolled, is successfully fulfilling the terms of their charter, is fiscally sound, and complies with applicable laws, regulations, and court orders.” This annual certification also provides charter governing boards an opportunity to confirm with their school leadership that systems are/remain in place to fulfill these critical requirements that impact students, staff, and the public.

- (3) Documentation of Compliance: As we have historically done, the CSD will review documentation of compliance with several key legal requirements as part of this year’s annual performance-based oversight visit to each charter school. To facilitate effective and efficient compliance review on the day of the visit, please adhere to the guidance provided in the *Annual Performance-Based Oversight Visit Preparation Guide 2023-2024* for the preparation of the school’s compliance documentation. Please ensure that this documentation is current, complete, and accurate. The “Supporting Documentation” column of the table in the attached *Compliance Monitoring and Certification of Board Compliance Review 2023-2024* may provide useful support and assistance in this endeavor. Please be reminded that this list is not exhaustive, and it is the responsibility of the charter school and its board to ensure compliance will all applicable laws, policies, and regulations.

We appreciate your continued collaboration and cooperation as we work together so that all youth achieve in healthy and safe environments. Should you have questions, please contact your assigned CSD administrator.

Best wishes,



José Cole-Gutiérrez
Director, Charter Schools Division

COMPLIANCE MONITORING AND CERTIFICATION OF BOARD COMPLIANCE REVIEW 2023-2024

School Name: _____

Board President Name: _____

Charter Management Organization: _____

LAUSD Loc. Code: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: This Compliance Monitoring and Certification Checklist needs to be submitted twice but both certifications must be completed on the same form.

First submission should be completed by checking each appropriate box (Compliant **OR** In Process) for items 1-29; school administrator needs sign and date the certification page and submit all pages no later than November 3, 2023 via Dropbox.

Second submission needs to be completed by checking each appropriate items 1-29 under the board certification column, Board Chair needs to sign the certification page and submit with supporting documentation including the Board Agenda where checklist was discussed, Board Minutes and Board Agenda approving the minutes no later than January 12, 2024 via Dropbox.

Note: Checklist boxes cannot be left unchecked for any of the items unless you indicated Not Applicable (N/A). Compliance Certification with wet signatures must remain at the school site and be available for review upon request by the oversight team at any time.

Compliance Requirements	Supporting Documentation	SCHOOL ADMIN. BY NOVEMBER 3, 2023		BOARD CERTIFICATION BY JANUARY 12, 2024
		COMPLIANT	REQUIREMENT IN PROCESS	
1. The charter school maintains timely and current verification of criminal background and TB clearances for all employees (including substitutes, part-time staff, and temporary employees) and contracting entities (service providers, vendors, and independent contractors). See, e.g., Ed. Code § 47605(c) (5)(F); Ed. Code §§ 45122.1 and 45125.1; Ed. Code § 49406; Ed. Code § 44237.	Documentation that the school has at least one DOJ-confirmed Custodian of Records.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Completed and signed “Certification of Clearances, Credentialing and Mandated Reporter Training 2023-2024” form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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	Completed and signed “Criminal Background Clearance Certification” for each faculty and staff member to certify criminal background clearance prior to employment.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Certification of timely DOJ and TB clearances by all contracting entities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Documentation of compliance with applicable volunteer clearance requirements, including tuberculosis (TB) risk assessment/clearance requirements. Ed Code § 49406; Health & Safety Code §§ 121525, 121535, 121545, and 121555.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Teachers hold an EL Certification and a valid Commission on Teacher Credentialing Certificate, permit, or other documents equivalent to that which a teacher in other public schools would be required to hold per federal and state law, ESSA. See Ed. Code § 47605(1).	For each certificated staff member: Credential(s) are appropriate for the position(s) to which the person has been assigned, and are in alignment with Ed. Code § 47605(1) and other applicable law	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Master schedule that shows all assignment(s) of each certificated staff member.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2a. The administration and board have a system in place for reporting applicable employee misconduct to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing.	Internal human resources procedures.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. The Charter Schools Division (CSD) has been provided with, and parents have access to, the school’s most current contact information for each Governing Board member and the 2023-2024 Board meetings calendar . See current	Accurate and updated school contact information.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Accurate and updated list/roster of Governing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<i>Federal, State, and District Required Language for Independent Charter School Petitions (New and Renewal) and Material Revisions (FSDRL).</i>	Board members and contact information.			
	Calendar of Governing Board meeting dates and location(s).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Charter school complies with the pre- and post-lottery and enrollment forms guidelines. See <i>Admissions Requirements and Materials</i> (August 2011).	Lottery form and enrollment packet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Charter school shall ensure that staff receives annual training on the charter school’s health, safety, and emergency procedures , and shall maintain a calendar for, and conduct, emergency response drills for students and staff including, but not limited to: a. Health, Safety and Emergency Preparedness Plan (School Safety Plan) (see, e.g., Ed Code §§ 32280-32289) b. Child Abuse Mandated Reporter training as outlined in Ed. Code § 44691; Penal Code § 11165.7 c. Blood borne Pathogens training (see 8 CCR § 5193) d. Pupil Suicide Prevention Policy, as outlined in Ed. Code, § 215	Comprehensive Health, Safety, and Emergency Plan.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Documentation of emergency drills and preparedness training.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Documentation of timely and compliant Child Abuse Mandated Reporter training.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Documentation of annual Blood borne Pathogens training.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Documentation of Pupil Suicide Prevention Policy training.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Co-located Charter Schools only- The school administrator and governing board acknowledges and understands that the independent charter school follows applicable District policy, including the District School Safety Plan, as a co-located charter school.	Participation in District and site level co-location meetings.			
	Review of Policy Bulletin-5532.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Meeting with local district site principal for additional information and questions.			
7. The charter school has either implemented the LAUSD Master Plan for English Learners and Standard English Learners or updated and implemented its own master plan in accordance with English Language Master Plan requirements. See current FSDRL.	EL Certification Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	EL Master Plan has been updated (if the school has not adopted the LAUSD EL Master Plan).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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8. The charter school’s school climate and student discipline systems and procedures align with LAUSD’s Discipline Foundation Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights . See current FSDRL.	Description of the school-wide student behavior and discipline system that aligns with Discipline Foundation Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Evidence of tiered behavior intervention, alternatives to suspension, and school positive behavior support that the school provides.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Charter School shall maintain all data involving placement, tracking, and monitoring of student suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements , and make such outcome data readily available to the LAUSD upon request. The charter school submits student suspension and expulsion data to the Office of Data and Accountability on a monthly basis. See current FSDRL.	Monthly suspension and expulsion reports.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Charter School ensures that any and all school communications, including the Parent Student Handbook , are consistent with the provisions of school’s approved charter as well as applicable law (e.g., translation required in the target language if Charter School has 15% of more of Stakeholders who speak that language.)	Parent Student Handbook	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. The charter school’s occupancy and use of facilities shall be in compliance with applicable building codes, standards and regulations adopted by the city and/or county agencies responsible for building and safety standards, including but not limited to, the Americans with Disabilities Act. See 42 U.S.C.A. § 12182; Ed. Code § 47610. See current FSDRL.	Current and appropriate Certificate of Occupancy or equivalent; fire permit that certifies a thorough and comprehensive fire life safety inspection has been conducted annually; and other required documentation (for any school site not located on District property).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. The charter school complies with all federal and state laws related to public entities , including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ralph M. Brown Act, Gov. Code §§ 54950, et seq. 	Board meeting agendas and minutes for the past 12 months.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political Reform Act of 1974, Gov. Code §§ 81000, et seq. California Public Records Act, Gov. Code § 7920.000, et seq. Conflicts of Interest, Gov. Code § 1090. See current FSDRL. 	Verification of compliant public posting of Board agendas, including on the school website.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Evidence of Brown Act training.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Forms 700 (and any applicable required documents) filed with the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as required and maintained at the school site/organization. Remaining applicable employees forms 700 are maintained at the school site/organization.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	School policy for responding to Public Records Act requests.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. The charter school ensures that its Articles of Incorporation are current and appropriate for the operation of the charter school.	Corporate papers, including any and all Articles of Incorporation (initial documents and any subsequent amendments), for entities affiliated with the charter school.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. By-laws are current and consistent with approved charter, Governing Board-approved, and signed by the Governing Board secretary.	Current and signed Board-approved bylaws.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. The charter school meets the provisions of eligibility and/or is a participant of state and federal programs and/or grants , which may include but not limited to, the following: Title I, II, III, and other programs, child nutrition programs, Proposition 20 – State Lottery (e.g., Gov. Code § 8880.4), Education Protection Act (Proposition 30), Special Education (Ed. Code § 56000, et seq.), Ed. Code § 47614.5, and all other federal and state programs in which the charter school participates.	A list of current federal and/or state programs that the school is participating in and/or receiving grants from, and a certification that the school has met the provisions of eligibility and/or requirements of these programs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. The charter school implements Uniform Complaint Procedure (UCP) policies and procedures with appropriate corresponding forms	The governing board has reviewed the school's:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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and documents, readily available to stakeholders at the school site and on the school’s website, that are compliant with federal and state requirements., See, e.g., guidance provided at http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/cp/uc/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UCP policies • UCP procedures • UCP forms 			
<p>17. The charter school, as a recipient of federal reimbursement for the National School Lunch/Breakfast program and/or as a school on District property, has adopted a Local School Wellness Policy. See 42 U.S.C.A. § 1751, et seq.; 42 U.S.C.A. § 1771, et seq.</p> <p>Note: Even if the charter school is not participating in the National School Lunch or Breakfast program development and adoption of an equivalent Wellness Policy would benefit the school and its students.</p>	Local School Wellness Policy, including evidence of stakeholder input in the development of the policy and annual progress report.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>18. The governing board oversees the development of and approves/adopts the educational partner engagement process, goals, actions, measurable outcomes, and expenditures in the school’s Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and annual update in consultation with teachers, staff, administrators, parents, and students. See Ed. Code § 47606.5.</p>	Documentation of educational partner engagement, including Board Meeting Agendas, Board Minutes, LCAP, and related documents (e.g., Budget Overview for Parents, Action Tables, etc.).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>19. The charter school ensures compliance with the LAUSD’s Keeping Parents Informed: Charter Public School Transparency Resolution of January 12, 2016, which includes documents available both manually and electronically, and if the charter school occupies a building on the AB300 list (seismic safety survey), it has posted a notice of such status in its main office. Ed. Code §§ 17280 to 17317.</p>	Documentation of discussion by the Governing Board including Board Meeting Agendas and Board Minutes and review that documentation is available both manually and electronically.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>20. The charter school ensures that it is in compliance with all applicable state law regarding students experiencing homelessness and foster youth, including but not limited to the provisions of Ed. Code §§ 48850, 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2 and , as amended from time to time.</p>	Documentation of compliance with the requirements, which may include but is not limited to, the name of the charter school’s designee and the partial credit policy, if applicable.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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21. Schools Serving Grade 9 only: The charter school complies with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code § 51224.7.	Documentation of the adoption of the charter school’s established policy in compliance with Education Code section 51224.7, including the Board Meeting Agendas and Board Minutes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. The charter school complies with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code, § 215: Pupil Suicide Prevention Policies. (Schools serving Grades 7-12). If the charter school is co-located on District property (Prop 39), the charter school must comply with the District’s policy (BUL: 2637.4 <i>Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention</i>) and must access training via the District’s website through MyPLN.	Documentation of the adoption of the charter school’s policy as outlined in Ed. Code, § 215, including the Board Meeting Agendas and Board Minutes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23. For High Schools Only: The charter school has obtained WASC accreditation and UCOP Doorways Course Approval.	Charter school approvals are listed on the WASC website and UCOP Doorways website.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24. The charter school complies with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code §§ 231.5 and 231.6 regarding sexual harassment notifications (Schools serving Grades 9-12).	Verification of pupils being notified in accordance with applicable legal requirements (Ed. Code §§ 231.5 and 231.6), displaying a poster in bathrooms and locker rooms at the schoolsite.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
25. Charter school must comply with all online posting requirements related to the filing of a Title IX complaint pursuant to Education Code section 221.61.	Documentation of the charter school’s online posting(s) containing all the required information set forth in Education Code section 221.61.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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26. Charter school must comply with all Title IX federal requirements including the adoption and publishing of grievance procedures. These procedures are intended to provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of student and employee complaints set forth in 34 C.F.R. § 106.8.	Documentation of the charter school’s adoption and publishing of its grievance procedures including the Board Meeting Agenda(s) and Board Minute(s).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
27. The charter school complies with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code § 56040.3 pertaining to school-purchased technology devices for individuals with exceptional needs.	Documentation of compliance with the requirements, which may include but is not limited to, how students were provided access to devices in order to receive a free appropriate public education.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
28. Charter schools must comply with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code § 49501.5 pertaining to statewide Universal Meals Program, whereby charter schools serving students in grades TK-12 provide two meals free of charge (breakfast and lunch) during each school day to students requesting a meal, regardless of their free or reduced-price meal eligibility.	Documentation of compliance with the requirements, which may include but is not limited to, how the charter school implemented a Universal Meals Program for school children, and whether the school participated in the federal National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
29. The charter school complies with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code § 44258.9 related to the state’s annual teacher assignment monitoring via the California Statewide Assignment Accountability System (CalSAAS) and engages in the CalSAAS to address any possible misassignments within the designated timelines. The charter school must correct misassignments within 30 calendar days.	Participation in the CalSAAS. Timely responses to the Monitoring Authority’s questions/requests in the CalSAAS. Documentation of corrected misassignments.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CERTIFICATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S COMPLIANCE REVIEW

(By Friday, November 3, 2023)

The undersigned hereby certifies that, on _____ the School Administrator of _____
Date(s)

Name of Charter School

reviewed the school's compliance with legal, charter, and District policy requirements.

Printed Name of School Administrator	Signature of School Administrator	Date Signed

CERTIFICATION OF BOARD COMPLIANCE REVIEW

(By Friday, January 12, 2024)

The undersigned hereby certifies that, on _____, the Governing Board of _____
Date(s)

Name of Charter School

reviewed the school's compliance with legal, charter, and District policy requirements.

This certification includes the following relevant documentation:

- Board Agenda where item was discussed
- Board Minutes
- Board Agenda Approving the Minutes

Printed Name of Governing Board Chair	Signature of Governing Board Chair	Date Signed