

### Criteria for 6-Year or 7-Year Renewal Term for High-Tier Schools

Under state law, charter schools in the high renewal tier may be renewed for a term of five, six, or seven years. A renewal term of five years is the default for charter schools in the high renewal tier. Extremely strong school-wide performance on the state dashboard is required but not sufficient for a charter school to be considered for a 6- or 7-year renewal term. Renewal terms of over five years are reserved for exceptional charter schools with a demonstrated commitment not only to high performance, but also to equity and access, operational sustainability, and partnership as part of Oakland’s community of schools.

Recommendations for extended renewal terms for high tier schools require meeting all of the criteria outlined below. However, the length of the renewal term for schools in the high tier is determined by the OUSD Board.

	<b>6 Years</b>	<b>7 Years</b>
<b>Equity and Access</b>	School enrolls new students at multiple grade levels.	School enrolls new students at most grade levels and takes students mid-year, if seats become available.
	At least 75% in-District students in most recent year.	At least 90% in-District students in most recent year.
	Percent of students with disabilities at school has been no more than 3 percentage points below OUSD average in each of the previous two years.	Percent of students with disabilities at school has been no more than 1 percentage point below OUSD average in each of the previous two years.
	Percent of English learners at school has been no more than 10 percentage points below OUSD average in each of the previous two years. <sup>1</sup>	Percent of English learners at school has been no more than 7 percentage points below OUSD average in each of the previous two years. <sup>1</sup>
	Percent of socioeconomically disadvantaged students at school has been no more than 10 percentage points below OUSD average in each of the previous two years.	Percent of socioeconomically disadvantaged students at school has been no more than 7 percentage points below OUSD average in each of the previous two years.
<b>Quality</b>	Student group performance: majority of high-needs student groups are blue, green, or yellow on the State Dashboard in the previous two years, with no red indicators.	Student group performance: majority of high-needs student groups are blue or green on the State Dashboard in the previous two years, with no red indicators.
	Each of the five domains from the School Quality Rubric <sup>2</sup> from the renewal site visit must have an average score at or above 3.0.	Each of the five domains from the SQR from the renewal site visit must have an average score at or above 3.2.

<sup>1</sup> An exception will be considered for schools that serve a diverse student population and have demonstrated efforts to increase the number of English learner students at the school.

<sup>2</sup> The School Quality Rubric (SQR) is located on the OCS website: <https://www.ousdcharters.net/renewing-charter-schools.html>. If all five domains are not scored, only the scored domains will be considered.

<b>Operational Sustainability</b>	4 or fewer notices of concern in previous four years and none involving student safety/welfare. All notices of concern have been resolved in a timely manner.	4 or fewer notices of concern in previous four years and none involving student safety/welfare. All notices of concern have been resolved in a timely manner.
	Strong fiscal health for previous 4 years (including fund balance, reserve, debt ratio, deficit spending, audit reports).	Strong fiscal health for previous 4 years (including fund balance, reserve, debt ratio, deficit spending, audit reports).
	Stable enrollment <sup>3</sup> for each of the previous 4 years.	Stable enrollment for each of the previous 4 years.
<b>Community Partnership</b>	Positive previous history of collaboration and partnership with the District (e.g. facilities practices and usage, enrollment practices, data sharing).	Positive previous history of collaboration and partnership with the District (e.g. facilities practices and usage, enrollment practices, data sharing).
	Charter petition confirms that the school enrolls students through Oakland Enrolls (common charter application system).	Charter petition confirms that the school enrolls students through Oakland Enrolls (common charter application system).
	Participation in CORE data collaborative.	Participation in CORE data collaborative.

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<sup>3</sup> Stable enrollment is defined as total enrollment being no more than 10% below (and not above) the school’s maximum enrollment as specified in the petition. For schools that are adding additional grades throughout the charter term, “stable enrolment” will be evaluated on a grade-to-grade basis, rather than by total enrollment.