



## 2017-18 OCS Year in Review

### Charter Renewals

During the course of the 2017-2018 school year, the Office of Charter Schools (OCS) reviewed the performance and programming of five (5) existing charter schools that were up for renewal. Activities conducted at each school site related to the renewal review process included:

- Two-day site inspection
- Instructional observations of all classrooms
- Interviews of school leadership, teachers, classified employees, parents, students and charter board members
- Review and evaluation of new charter petition
- Data analysis/reporting of school's academic performance over current five year term

Name of School	Site Visit	Date Submitted	BOE Public Hearing	BOE Decision Meeting
<a href="#">Aspire College Academy</a>	10/12-10/13/17	10/25/17	11/17/17	1/24/18 <b>Approved</b>
<a href="#">Aspire Golden State Academy</a>	10/16-10/17/17	10/25/17	11/17/17	1/24/18 <b>Approved</b>
<a href="#">Bay Area Technology School</a>	9/7-9/8/17	10/11/17	11/8/17	1/10/18 <b>Approved</b>
<a href="#">East Oakland Leadership Academy</a>	9/13-9/14/17	12/13/17	N/A	1/10/2018 <b>Withdrawn</b>
<a href="#">Oakland Charter Academy</a>	9/11-9/12/17	10/25/17	11/17/17	1/10/18 <b>Approved*</b>

\* The OUSD BOE voted 3-2 to approve Oakland Charter Academy's petition (with one director abstaining and another absent), but 4 votes "yes" votes were required for the motion to pass. Therefore, the motion failed. However, since the district did not take action within the timeline required by law, the renewal was deemed automatically approved (see [California California Regulations Section 11966.4](#)).



### New Charter Petitions (Opening 2018-19)

During the course of the 2017-18 school year, OCS staff reviewed two (2) petitions from two (2) petitioning groups. OCS recommended approval of one (1) petition to establish a new charter school. However, the OUSD Board of Education (BOE) voted to deny the petition. The second petitioning group withdrew its petition.

Name of School	Proposed Location	Date Submitted	Interview Date	BOE Public Hearing	BOE Decision Meeting
<a href="#">Latitude 37.8 High School (EFC)</a>	Fruitvale neighborhood	8/23/17	10/6/17	9/13/17	11/8/17 <b>Denied</b>
<a href="#">Ripple Academy</a>	Dimond/Fruitvale	9/27/17	10/26/17	10/25/17	12/13/17 <b>Withdrawn</b>

### 2017-2018 Material Revisions

Name of School	Material Revision	Date Submitted	BOE Public Hearing	Interview Dates	BOE Decision Meeting
<a href="#">Oakland Charter High School</a>	New Site/ Relocation	9/13/17	10/11/17	N/A	11/8/17 <b>Approved</b>
<a href="#">Lodestar: A Lighthouse Community Charter Public School</a>	New Site/ Relocation	11/8/17	12/7/17	N/A	1/10/18 <b>Approved</b>



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**ACOE Appeals**

In 2017-18, one (1) petitioning group appealed the OUSD BOE denial decision to the Alameda County Board of Education (ACOE). ACOE BOE upheld the OUSD BOE denial decision.

<b>Name of School</b>	<b>ACOE Decision (Upheld/Not Upheld)</b>
Latitude 37.8 High School (EFC)	2/13/18 Upheld

**SBE Appeals**

In 2017-18, one (1) petitioning group appealed the OUSD BOE and ACOE denial decisions to the State Board of Education (SBE). SBE did not uphold the OUSD BOE and ACOE denial decisions and approved the new charter petition.

<b>Name of School</b>	<b>SBE Decision (Upheld/Not Upheld)</b>
Latitude 37.8 High School (EFC)	7/12/18 Not Upheld

**Summary**

<b>New Charter Petitions</b>	<b>2</b> (1 denied, 1 withdrawn)	<b>ACOE Appeals</b>	<b>1</b> (1 denied)
<b>Renewal Petitions</b>	<b>5</b> (4 approved, 1 withdrawn)	<b>SBE Appeals</b>	<b>1</b> (1 approved)
<b>Material Revisions</b>	<b>2</b> (2 approved)		