

Renewal Executive Summary

I. Performance Summary

Area	Acceptable	Not Acceptable
Academic Framework	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Financial Framework	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Operational Framework	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

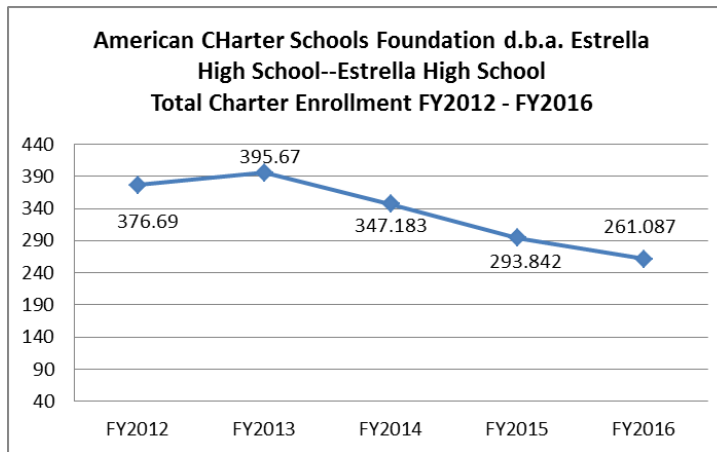
American Charter Schools Foundation d.b.a. Estrella High School met the Board’s Academic Performance Expectations as set forth in the Performance Framework adopted by the Board and was waived from submitting the Academic Performance Section of the renewal application.

The Charter Holder meets the Board’s Financial Performance Expectations.

For fiscal year 2015, the Charter Holder meets the Board’s Operational Performance Standard and, to date, has no measures rated as “Falls Far Below Standard” for the current fiscal year.

II. Profile

American Charter Schools Foundation d.b.a. Estrella High School operates 1 school serving grades 9-12. Estrella High School is designated as an alternative school. The graph below shows the Charter Holder’s actual 100th day average daily membership (ADM) for fiscal years 2012-2015 and 40th day ADM for 2016.

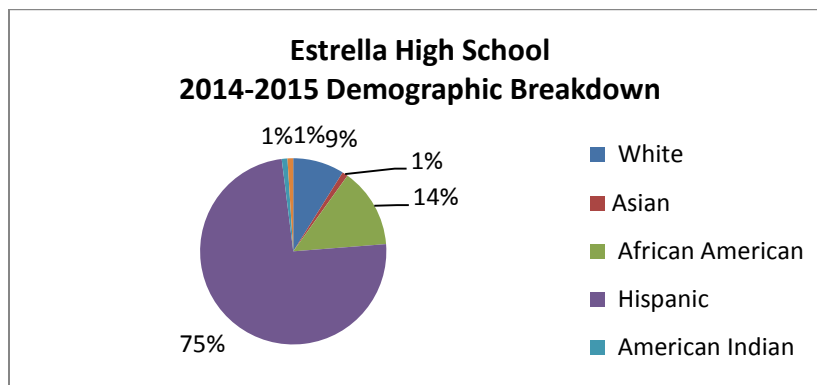


The academic performance of Estrella High School is represented in the table below. The Academic Dashboard for the school can be seen in appendix: B. Academic Dashboard.

School Name	Opened	Current Grades Served	2012 Overall Rating	2013 Overall Rating	2014 Overall Rating
Estrella High School	10/20/1997	9-12	79.18/ B-ALT	72.29/ B-ALT	67.08/ B-ALT



The demographic data for Estrella High School from the 2014-2015 school year is represented in the chart below.¹



The percentage of students who were eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch, classified as English Language Learners, and classified as students with disabilities in the 2014-2015 school year is represented in the table below.²

Category	Estrella High School
Free and Reduced Lunch (FRL)	83%
English Language Learners (ELLs)	2%
Special Education	11%

American Charter Schools Foundation d.b.a. Estrella High School has not been brought before the Board for any items or actions in the past 12 months.

III. Success of the Academic Program

The academic performance of the school operated by the Charter Holder meets the Board’s Academic Performance Expectations set forth in the Performance Framework adopted by the Board. Therefore, the Charter Holder was not required to submit a Demonstration of Sufficient Progress.

IV. Viability of the Organization

The Charter Holder meets the Board’s Financial Performance Expectations set forth in the Performance Framework adopted by the Board. Therefore, the Charter Holder was not required to submit a Financial Performance Response.

V. Adherence to the Terms of the Charter

For fiscal year 2015, the Charter Holder meets the Board’s Operational Performance Standard set forth in the Performance Framework adopted by the Board and, to date, has no measures rated as “Falls Far Below Standard” for the current fiscal year (Appendix: A. Renewal Summary Review).

¹ Information provided by the Research and Evaluation Division of the ADE.

² Information provided by the Research and Evaluation Division of the ADE. If the percentage of students in a non-ethnicity-based demographic group is not reported or is 0% or 100%, the percentage for that demographic group was redacted.



VI. Staff Recommendation

Based upon the Charter Holder meeting the Academic Performance Expectations set forth in the Board's Performance Framework, completing the obligations of the contract, complying with applicable statutory requirements, and the information in the renewal application package, I move to approve the request for charter renewal and grant a renewal contract to American Charter Schools Foundation d.b.a. Estrella High School.



APPENDIX A
RENEWAL SUMMARY REVIEW

Five-Year Interval Report

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ARIZONA STATE BOARD FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS

Renewal Summary Review

Interval Report Details

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Report Date:	03/04/2016	Report Type:	Renewal
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Charter Contract Information

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Charter Corporate Name:	American Charter Schools Foundation d.b.a. Estrella High School		
Charter CTDS:	07-89-48-000	Charter Entity ID:	79873
Charter Status:	Open	Contract Effective Date:	04/10/2002
Number of Schools:	1	Contractual Days:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estrella High School: 144
Charter Grade Configuration:	9-12	Contract Expiration Date:	04/09/2017
FY Charter Opened:	2003	Charter Signed:	04/10/2002
Charter Granted:	03/18/2002	Charter Enrollment Cap	700
Corp. Type	Non Profit		

Charter Contact Information

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Mailing Address:	7878 N. 16th St. Suite 150 Phoenix, AZ 85020	Website:	—
Phone:	602-953-2933	Fax:	602-277-4900
Mission Statement:	<p>The mission of Estrella High School is to help all students develop basic skills, understanding and attitudes necessary to become productive citizens. We accomplish this through an integrated approach using curriculum aligned to the Arizona State Standards and relevant instruction. The school serves young people for whom traditional schools have not been effective and predictably will not be in the future. As such, essentially all students meet one or more of Arizona's definitions for an alternative school. That is, they have behavioral issues, have dropped out or are likely to drop out, are pregnant or parenting, have a history of academic failure or have been adjudicated. It is the specific mission of the school to serve such students.</p>		
Charter Representatives:	Name:	Email:	FCC Expiration Date:
	1.) Mr. Theodore Frederick	ted.frederick@kaizenfoundation.org	—
	2.) Michele Kaye	michele.kaye@leonagroup.com	—

Academic Performance - Estrella High School

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School Name:	Estrella High School	School CTDS:	07-89-48-001
School Entity ID:	78900	Charter Entity ID:	79873
School Status:	Open	School Open Date:	10/20/1997
Physical Address:	510 North Central Avenue Avondale, AZ 85323	Website:	http://www.estrellahs.com/
Phone:	623-932-6561	Fax:	623-932-1263
Grade Levels Served:	9-12	FY 2014 100th Day ADM:	347.183

Academic Performance Per Fiscal Year

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Estrella High School

Estrella High School										
		2012 Alternative High School (9 to 12)			2013 Alternative High School (9 to 12)			2014 Alternative High School (9 to 12)		
1. Growth		Measure	Points Assigned	Weight	Measure	Points Assigned	Weight	Measure	Points Assigned	Weight
1a. SGP	Math	51	75	2.5	70	100	2.5	34	50	2.5
	Reading	46.5	75	2.5	32	25	2.5	46	75	2.5
1b. Improvement	Math	32	75	12.5	25.8	50	12.5	26.7	50	12.5
	Reading	45.5	75	12.5	39.8	50	12.5	52.5	75	12.5
2. Proficiency		Measure	Points Assigned	Weight	Measure	Points Assigned	Weight	Measure	Points Assigned	Weight
2a. Percent Passing	Math	29 / 19.6	75	10	21.6 / 19.3	75	10	15.9 / 20.4	50	10
	Reading	50 / 48.2	75	10	53.4 / 52.4	75	10	59.6 / 53.4	75	10
2b. Subgroup ELL	Math	26 / 17.7	75	1.67	6.5 / 20.5	50	1.67	16.7 / 20.8	50	1.67
	Reading	21 / 40.3	50	1.67	50 / 49.3	75	1.67	64.3 / 48.9	75	1.67
2b. Subgroup FRL	Math	29 / 18.6	75	1.67	22.6 / 18.2	75	1.67	15.5 / 20.4	50	1.67
	Reading	51 / 47	75	1.67	54.4 / 50.8	75	1.67	58.1 / 52	75	1.67
2b. Subgroup SPED	Math	0 / 4.7	50	1.67	5.9 / 5.9	75	1.67	2.9 / 5.9	50	1.67
	Reading	28 / 20.7	75	1.67	17.6 / 24.4	50	1.67	23.3 / 28.6	50	1.67
3. State Accountability		Measure	Points Assigned	Weight	Measure	Points Assigned	Weight	Measure	Points Assigned	Weight
3a. State Accountability		B-ALT	75	5	B-ALT	75	5	B-ALT	75	5
4. Graduation		Measure	Points Assigned	Weight	Measure	Points Assigned	Weight	Measure	Points Assigned	Weight
4a. Graduation		Met	75	15	Met	75	15	Met	75	15
4b. Academic Persistence		92	100	20	90	100	20	81	75	20
Overall Rating		Overall Rating			Overall Rating			Overall Rating		
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Financial Performance

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American Charter Schools Foundation d.b.a. Estrella High School

Near-Term Measures

Fiscal Year 2014

Fiscal Year 2015

Going Concern	No	Meets	No	Meets
Unrestricted Days Liquidity	27.74	Does Not Meet	42.63	Meets
Default	No	Meets	No	Meets

Sustainability Measures (Negative numbers indicated by parentheses)

Net Income	\$1,384,448	Meets	\$723,712	Meets
Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio	1.36	Meets	1.27	Meets
Cash Flow (3-Year Cumulative)	(\$410,440)	Does Not Meet	\$1,196,272	Meets

Cash Flow Detail by Fiscal Year

FY 2014	FY 2013	FY 2012	FY 2015	FY 2014	FY 2013
\$655,576	(\$564,338)	(\$501,678)	\$1,105,034	\$655,576	(\$564,338)

Meets Board's Financial Performance Expectations

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Click on any of the measures below to see more information.

Measure	2015	2016
1.a. Does the delivery of the education program and operation reflect the essential terms of the educational program as described in the charter contract?	Meets	--
1.b. Does the charter holder adhere with applicable education requirements defined in state and federal law?	Does Not Meet	--
2.a. Do the charter holder's annual audit reporting packages reflect sound operations?	Meets	--
2.b. Is the charter holder administering student admission and attendance appropriately?	Meets	--
2.c. Is the charter holder maintaining a safe environment consistent with state and local requirements?	Meets	--
2.d. Is the charter holder transparent in its operations?	Meets	--
2.e. Is the charter holder complying with its obligations to the Board?	Meets	--
2.f. Is the charter holder complying with reporting requirements of other entities to which the charter holder is accountable?	Meets	--
3. Is the charter holder complying with all other obligations?	Meets	--
OVERALL RATING	Meets Operational Standard	--

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APPENDIX B
ACADEMIC DASHBOARD

General Site Contact Inspections Grades Governing Body FY Data Site Visits Member Campuses Amendments

Academic Performance

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APPENDIX C
RENEWAL SUBMISSION



Renewal Application

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Note: Please be patient. This may take up to a few minutes to complete depending on the number of files included with this application.

Academic Performance

Academic Performance

This section of the renewal application addresses the success of the academic program, including academic achievement. The charter holder is required to submit Required Information based upon a review of the academic achievement for students at the grades the charter's school(s) serve.

Required Information:

The school or schools operated by the Charter Holder meet the Board's academic expectations as set forth in the Academic Performance Framework. Therefore, the Charter Holder is waived from the requirements of the Academic Performance Section. Please proceed to the Detailed Business Plan Section

Detailed Business Plan

Charter Holder's Organizational Membership:

The Charter Holder is waived from the requirements of the Charter Holder's Organizational Membership requirement in the Detailed Business Plan Section.

Charter Holder's Financial Sustainability:

The Charter Holder is waived from the Charter Holder's Financial Sustainability requirement in the Detailed Business Plan Section.

Signature

Charter Representative Signature

Michele Kaye 12/04/2015