POLICY STATEMENT
TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF CHARTER SCHOOL OPERATION
A.R.S. 15-183

Board Policy Regarding Temporary Suspension of Charter School Operation

Upon presentation of requested documentation to Board staff, the Board may consider, on a case-by-case basis the suspension of a charter school's operation.

Suspensions may be granted for an entire school year, semester, term or other recognized unit of school operation.

The Board may seek to revoke the charter of any charter school operator that fails to return the charter school to operation within the timeframe prescribed by the Board in granting the suspension or to otherwise comply with the terms of suspension imposed by the Board.

Internal Policy Regarding Temporary Suspension of Charter School Operation

Requests for temporary suspension must be submitted to the Board's Staff in writing prior to the date on which the requested suspension will begin. In addition, requests must indicate the following items:

- the length of suspension requested;
- the reason for the suspension;
- the school sites or grades for which the suspension is requested;
- the number of students impacted by the suspension;
- a description of the state and federal revenues received to date and the impact of suspension on the these revenues;
- a plan to resume operation of the charter school, including any efforts that will be undertaken to remedy the reason for the suspension request; and
- detailed measures with a timeline that will be taken by the charter school operator to alleviate any disruption to students and parents that may be caused by the suspension, including parental notification procedures and efforts to assist parents in locating alternative public schools for their children.

Board staff will prepare information to be presented to the Board that includes the items listed above as well as the following:

- The status of compliance with all applicable federal, State and local laws, and with all of the terms of the charter.
- The academic standing as defined by federal and state laws (e.g. A.R.S. § 15-241).
- A statement regarding the impact on students in the current and continuing school year.

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