

16 NCAC 06G .0508 CHARTER SCHOOLS APPLICATION AND REVIEW PROCESS

(a) Applicants shall complete and submit the charter application at <https://www.dpi.nc.gov/students-families/alternative-choices/charter-schools/applications> and deliver the nonrefundable one thousand dollar (\$1,000) fee to the Office of Charter Schools no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last Friday in April. The fee shall be in the form of a certified check or money order payable to NC DPI Office of Charter Schools. Applicants may mail the certified check or money order to the Office of Charter Schools, 6307 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-6307; or deliver it to the Office of Charter Schools, Department of Public Instruction, 301 N. Wilmington Street, Raleigh, NC. Applicants are responsible for submitting applications and delivering fees to the Office of Charter School by the deadline.

(b) Applications and fees received after the deadline specified in Paragraph (a) of this Rule will not be considered. The Office of Charter Schools shall send written notice to the applicant and signatories of any statement required in G.S. 115C-218.1(a) informing them that the SBE will not consider the application because the applicant did not submit the application or deliver the fee to the Office of Charter School by the deadline.

(c) When determining whether to award a charter, the SBE shall consider any factors relevant to the applicant's academic, financial, and governance plans for the school, including the extent to which the application:

- (1) reflects the applicant's commitment to the purposes of the charter school law stated in G.S. 115C-218(a);
- (2) describes how the applicant will promote the use of different and innovative teaching methods;
- (3) reflects the applicant's understanding of, research into, and planning for educational issues, particularly budgeting, financing, and accounting issues;
- (4) describes a board whose size, diversity, and regional affiliations represent the community and are likely to promote community support for the school;
- (5) contains articles of incorporation and by-laws;
- (6) contains a budget that reflects anticipated revenues and costs, including costs associated with maintenance of the school facilities and projected growth;
- (7) contains a plan for acquisition and utilization of a facility consistent with the proposed budget and timeline for opening school;
- (8) describes a five year marketing plan that promotes a diverse student population; and
- (9) describes other factors that will promote the purposes of the Charter School Act, G.S. 115C-218 et seq.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 115C-12; 115C-218; 115C-218.1; 115C-218.5;
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