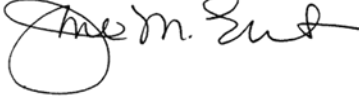





TO: P-12 Education Committee
FROM: Jhone M. Ebert 
SUBJECT: Revision to Charter Authorized by the Board of Regents
DATE: October 4, 2018
AUTHORIZATION(S): 

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision

Should the Regents approve the proposed revision to the charter of the following school authorized by the Board of Regents?

1. KIPP S.T.A.R. College Prep Charter School

Reason(s) for Consideration

Required by State statute.

Proposed Handling

This issue will be before the Board of Regents P-12 Education Committee and the Full Board for action at the October 2018 Regents meeting.

Procedural History

The New York State Education Department made the revision recommendation being presented to the Board of Regents for approval and issuance as required by Article 56 of the Education Law.

Background Information

The Department recommends that the Board of Regents amend the charter of the school listed above. Information about the revision request is provided below.

Related Regents Item

KIPP S.T.A.R. College Prep Charter School

[March 2003 Initial Charter](#)

<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/documents/meetings/2003Meetings/March2003/0303emsca1.pdf>

[February 2008 Reduced Enrollment/Escrow Increase](#)

<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/meetings/2008Meetings/February2008/0208emsca7.htm>

[January 2008 First Renewal](#)

<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/documents/meetings/2008Meetings/January2008/0108emsca23.doc>

[August 2008 Second Renewal](#)

<https://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/documents/meetings/2008Meetings/July2008/0708emsca18.doc>

[July 2009 Enrollment Revision](#)

<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/meetings/2009Meetings/July2009/0709bra16.htm>

[March 2013 Third Renewal and Merger](#)

<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/313brca4.pdf>

[December 2015 Merger](#)

<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/1215p12a4.pdf>

[March 2018 Fourth Renewal](#)

<http://www.regents.nysed.gov/common/regents/files/318p12a5.pdf>

Recommendation

VOTED: That the Board of Regents finds that: (1) the charter school meets the requirements set out in Article 56 of the Education Law, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations; (2) the charter school can demonstrate the ability to operate in an educationally and fiscally sound manner; (3) granting the request to amend the charter is likely to improve student learning and achievement and materially further the purposes set out in subdivision two of section twenty-eight hundred fifty of Article 56 of the Education Law; and (4) granting the request to amend the charter will have a significant educational benefit to the students expected to attend the charter school, and the Board of Regents therefore approves the charter revision for **KIPP S.T.A.R. College Prep Charter School** and amends the provisional charter accordingly, *nunc pro tunc* to July 1, 2018.

Timetable for Implementation

The Regents action for **KIPP S.T.A.R. College Prep Charter School** will become effective immediately.

KIPP S.T.A.R. College Prep Charter School

Table 1: School Summary

Name of Charter School	KIPP S.T.A.R. College Prep Charter School
Board Chair	Rafael Mayer
District of location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NYC CSD 5 (elementary school and middle school) • NYC CSD 7 (high school)
Opening Date	Fall, 2003
Charter Terms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial Charter Term: 3/25/2003 - 3/24/2008 (SUNY authorized) • First Renewal: 4/15/2008 to 7/31/2008; (SUNY authorized) • Second Renewal 8/1/2008 - 7/31/2013 (SUNY authorized) • Third Renewal: 8/1/2013 - 06/30/2018 (Regents authorized) • Fourth Renewal: 7/1/2018 – 6/30/2023 (Regents authorized)
Current Authorized Grades/Maximum Authorized Enrollment	K-Grade 12/ 927 students
Comprehensive Management Service Provider	KIPP NYC, LLC
Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (K-4) – 625 W. 133rd Street, Manhattan – Public Space • (5-8) – 433 W. 123rd Street, Manhattan – Public Space • (High School) – 201 E. 144th Street, Bronx – Private Space
Mission Statement	<i>The mission of the constituent schools is to help students develop the academic and character skills necessary to achieve success in high school and college, be self-sufficient in the competitive world beyond, and build a better tomorrow for themselves and us all.</i>
Proposed Revision	An enrollment expansion to increase the number of students served from 927 to 1031 students in the current grade levels, kindergarten through grade 12, by the end of the school’s current charter term in order to serve students in grade 4 as already approved by the Board of Regents. No additional space is required for this revision.

Table 2: Current Grade Levels and Maximum Authorized Enrollment

School Year	Grades Served	Maximum Approved Enrollment
2018-2019	K-12	927
2019-2020	K-12	927
2020-2021	K-12	927
2021-2022	K-12	927
2022-2023	K-12	927

Table 3: Proposed Renewal Term Grade Levels and Maximum Authorized Enrollment

School Year	Grades Served	Maximum Authorized Enrollment
2018-2019	K-12	1013
2019-2020	K-12	1013
2020-2021	K-12	1013
2021-2022	K-12	1023
2022-2023	K-12	1031

Background

The Board of Regents granted an initial charter to KIPP S.T.A.R. College Prep Charter School (hereinafter “KIPP STAR”) in March 2003. KIPP STAR opened for instruction in September 2003 initially serving 90 students in Grade 5. KIPP STAR’s charter was subsequently renewed in March 2008 for a “right-sizing” short-term renewal until July 31, 2008. A second renewal term was subsequently approved for a term from August 1, 2008 until July 31, 2013, and a third from August 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018.

The Board of Regents approved a fourth renewal term for KIPP STAR in March 2018. At that time, the school served grades K-3 and 5-8. Although a fourth grade was anticipated and approved for the 2018-19 academic year, the school did not request or receive a corresponding increase in its enrollment, as necessary to serve those students. The school is seeking an increase in their maximum enrollment of 1031 to accommodate the addition of fourth grade in the 2018-19 school year (comprised of current rising third graders) and the increasing demand for seats at KIPP STAR. No additional space is needed for this proposed revision since the school was already approved to serve these grades and the current facility can accommodate the increase in students.

Table 4: Elementary/Middle School Assessment Proficiency Outcomes for All Students: School, District & State Level Aggregates

All Students	ELA					Math				
	KIPP STAR	NYC CSD 5	Variance to NYC CSD 5	NYS	Variance to NYS	KIPP STAR	NYC CSD 5	Variance to NYC CSD 5	NYS	Variance to NYS
2014-2015	28%	17%	+11	31%	-3	43%	13%	+30	36%	+7
2015-2016	45%	22%	+23	36%	+9	54%	15%	+39	36%	+18
2016-2017	46%	24%	+22	39%	+7	59%	15%	+44	37%	+22

Note: Data in Table 1 represents tested students in Grades 3-8 at KIPP STAR, the NYC CSD 5, and the state average who scored proficiently (level 3 or above) on each state assessment. All values were calculated to the nearest whole number; therefore, the percent differences may show a rounded value.

Table 5: Elementary/Middle School Assessment Proficiency Outcomes for Special Populations

Subject	School Year	Students with Disabilities (Variance to NYC CSD 5)	English Language Learners (Variance to NYC CSD 5)	Economically Disadvantaged (Variance to NYC CSD 5)
ELA	2014-2015	10% (+6)	9 (+8)	28% (+14)
	2015-2016	18% (+13)	0% (-1)	45% (+26)
	2016-2017	19% (+12)	12% (+10)	45% (+24)
Mathematics	2014-2015	19% (+15)	17% (+15)	44% (+33)
	2015-2016	21% (+16)	13% (+8)	55% (+42)
	2016-2017	31% (+26)	29% (+24)	58% (+45)

Note: Data in Table 2 represents tested students in respective subgroups at KIPP STAR and the NYC CSD 5 who scored proficiently (level 3 or above) on each state assessment. All values were calculated to the nearest whole number; therefore, the percent differences may show a rounded value.

Table 6: High School Total 4-Year Regents Outcomes for All Students: School & State Level Aggregates

4-Yr Cohort: All Students	2011 Cohort			2012 Cohort			2013 Cohort		
	Subject	School	State	Variance	School	State	Variance	School	State
ELA	97%	84%	+13	97%	85%	+12	100%	85%	+15
Math	97%	86%	+11	97%	86%	+11	100%	85%	+15
Global History	92%	79%	+13	95%	78%	+17	100%	78%	+22
Science	100%	84%	+16	97%	84%	+13	100%	84%	+16
US History	95%	81%	+14	97%	81%	+16	100%	81%	+19

Table 7: High School Diploma Types Awarded

4-Yr Cohort: All Students	2011 Cohort			2012 Cohort			2013 Cohort		
	Subject	School	State	Variance	School	State	Variance	School	State
Graduation Rate	82%	78%	+4	92%	80%	+12	96%	80%	+16
Regents Diplomas	45%	46%	-1	44%	47%	-3	50%	43%	+7
Advanced Regents Diplomas	34%	18%	+16	44%	18%	+26	46%	33%	+13

According to the February 2016 ESEA accountability designations, KIPP STAR is *In Good Standing*.

Table 8: Student Demographics – KIPP STAR CS Compared to District of Location (NYC CSD 5)

	2015-2016 Percent of Enrollment			2016-2017 Percent of Enrollment		
	KIPP STAR	NYC CSD 5	Variance	KIPP STAR	NYC CSD 5	Variance
Economically Disadvantaged	77%	80%	-3	82%	81%	+1
English Language Learners	7%	11%	-4	7%	10%	-3
Students with Disabilities	27%	22%	+5	26%	23%	+3

Student Retention

According to NYSED data, the overall student retention rate at KIPP STAR is 86%. The district-wide retention rate in NYC CSD 5 is 68%.

Public Hearing Information

As required by the Charter School Act, the NYC DOE held a public hearing about the proposed revision to the charter of KIPP S.T.A.R. College Prep Charter School on September 24, 2018. There were seven attendees present at the hearing. There was one comment in support and there was one public comment made in opposition to the proposed charter revision. One comment was neither in favor or in support.