

Baystate Academy Charter Public School
 Founders and Proposed Board of Trustees

This is prepared by the founding group of the proposed Baystate Academy Charter Public School.

Member	Position, Role in Planning Process	Area of Expertise
Miguel Arce, MSW	Springfield College, Assistant Professor and Adjunct Professor, School of Social Work, Founding member Holyoke Community Charter School, MLK Charter School of Excellence; Provides strong voice and experience in advocating for students and families on issues of ELL and support services	Parent and Family Engagement
Peter Blain, M.Ed.	Baystate Springfield Educational Partnership, Manager; Founding manager of BSEP supported by Baystate Medical Center; Prospectus and application coordinator and primary author	Extended Learning Time, Health Care Career Pathways
David Cates, Ph.D.	Baystate Health, Director of Behavioral Health; Provides guidance on how behavioral health needs of students can impact educational attainment. Extensive experience with high risk student populations.	Student Support Services
Joshua Class	2nd Year Medical Student, Springfield Public School and BSEP Alumni; Provides invaluable input into school operations and programming from a student perspective	Educational Pipeline Students Needs
John Davis	Davis Foundation, Trustee; Local community leaders who was impetus for development of BSEP and a strong advocate for education at all levels.	Management and Finance
Kevin Hinchey, M.D.	Baystate Medical Center, Director of Medical Residency; Informs science education and facilitates access to health care learning opportunities. Math teacher prior to career in medicine.	Medical Education
Marjorie Hurst, J.D., M.Ed.	<i>Point of View</i> , Editor; Ensures that the diversity and cultural competency needs of Springfield students are addressed. Also a lawyer and former school committee member she is versed in governance and compliance issues.	Governance
Willette Johnson, M.Ed, CAGS	Former Area Improvement Officer, Springfield Public Schools; Ensures continuity of educational improvement plans with Springfield Pubic Schools	Special Populations
Stephen Mahoney, Ed.D.	Springfield Renaissance School, Principal; Provides valuable start-up prospective and model programming for proposed school. Renaissance is an EL 6-12 school.	School Leadership
Frank Robinson, Ph.D.	Partners for a Healthier Community, Inc., Executive Director; Loaned executive from Baystate Health to lead a community health non-profit agency in Springfield. Extensive background in building community coalitions.	Public Health, Organizational Management
Ira Rubenzahl, Ph.D.	Springfield Technical Community College, President; Supports integrated programming with current BSEP and will look to support proposed chart school through joint activities and co-location	Higher Education, Facilities