

FY16 Applications for Renewal of Charters

This winter, the Commissioner of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (Department) will make recommendations to the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education regarding the renewal of the charters for 14 schools (in table below). Comment has been solicited from the superintendents in the school districts within each charter school's current district or region for Commissioner and Board consideration. See here for more information: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/news/news.aspx?id=21205>.

Consistent with charter school regulations, the review of a school's application for renewal for another five-year term is guided by evidence regarding the success of the school's academic program, the viability of the school as an organization, and the faithfulness of the school to the terms of its charter. The Commissioner's recommendations consider each school's performance at the time of the charter renewal as well as the progress it has made during the past four years of operation. The evaluation includes a review of evidence such as the school's academic performance, accountability plan, annual reports, financial record, and application for renewal, as well as assessments conducted by the Department.

<i>Charter School Name</i>	<i>Current District or Region</i>	<i>Current Maximum Enrollment</i>	<i>Current Grades</i>
Alma del Mar Charter School	New Bedford	360	K-8
Benjamin Banneker Charter Public School	Cambridge	350	K-6
Boston Green Academy Horace Mann Charter School	Boston	595	6-12
Bridge Boston Charter School	Boston	335	PK-8
Brooke Charter School Mattapan	Boston	510	K-8
Codman Academy Charter Public School	Boston	345	PK-12
Innovation Academy Charter School	Billerica, Chelmsford, Dracut, Groton-Dunstable, Littleton, Lowell, Tewksbury, Tyngsborough, Westford	800	5-12
Martha's Vineyard Public Charter School	Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury, Martha's Vineyard, Up Island Regional	180	K-12
Martin Luther King, Jr. Charter School of Excellence	Springfield	360	K-5
Phoenix Academy Charter Public High School, Chelsea	Chelsea, Everett, Lynn, Revere	225	9-12
Prospect Hill Academy Charter School	Cambridge, Somerville	1200	PK-12
Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School	Agawam, Amherst, Amherst-Pelham, Belchertown, Brimfield, Brookfield, Chesterfield-Goshen, Chicopee, Conway, East Longmeadow, Easthampton, Gateway Regional, Gill-Montague, Granby, Granville, Greenfield, Hadley, Hampden-Wilbraham, Hampshire Regional, Hatfield, Holland, Holyoke, Leverett, Longmeadow, Ludlow,	400	7-12

	Monson, Mohawk Regional, New Salem Wendell, Northampton, Palmer, Pelham, Petersham, Pioneer Valley Regional, Quabbin Regional, Quabog Regional, Ralph Mahar Regional, Savoy, Shutesbury, South Hadley, Southampton, Southwick Tolland, Springfield, Sunderland, Sturbridge, Wales, Ware, West Springfield, Westfield, Westhampton, Whately, and Williamsburg.		
Seven Hills Charter Public School	Worcester	666	K-8
UP Academy Charter School of Boston	Boston	540	6-8