

2016 Charter Application Timeline

Adopted May 5, 2016 by the State Board of Education (SBE)

Amended by the SBE September 14, 2016 to extend application deadline

June 17, 2016	<p>2016 Application Accessible to New Applicant Groups (Fast Track schools opening 2017 & schools opening 2018-19)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application link posted on Office of Charter Schools (OCS) website Potential applicant registers for NCID to access application (https://ncid.nc.gov) Potential applicant uses NCID Credentials created to access Application
September 19, 2016	<p>Online Application due – 5:00 pm Eastern Standard Time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-refundable \$1,000 application fee and Application Fee Payment Form must have been received by the Office of Charter Schools by this time Application link goes to <i>Read Only</i> Status at 5:00:01 pm (EST) <p>NOTE: Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit the application and non-refundable fee prior to September 19, 2016</p> <p>*An application submitted without the non-refundable fee or submitted after 5:00 pm EST will be considered <i>incomplete</i>*</p>
<p>September 2016 - November 2016 -</p> <p>(tentative schedule)</p>	<p>Application Initial Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> External evaluators and Department of Public Instruction (DPI)/Office of Charter Schools (OCS) staff use an evaluation rubric to provide feedback on each application OCS compiles the list of clarification items and forwards the list to each applicant <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Clarification Request - within five working days of receiving the written notification of items for clarification, applicant may provide clarifying information to OCS <i>via the online application system only</i></p>
<p>December 2016 - May 2017</p> <p>(tentative schedule)</p>	<p>CSAB Committee Review of Application</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All information from the Initial Application Review (external comments plus the responses from the applicants; and completed evaluation rubrics, which include initial recommendations regarding whether application should move forward) submitted to the CSAB committees CSAB committee members discuss each application in depth Staff presents the information from the initial review, answers questions Interview – for each applicant, the Board of Directors (BOD) and contracted service providers for the proposed school make themselves available to address questions/concerns posed by the committee/CSAB

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committees conduct in-depth one hour interviews of each invited applicant Board of Directors (BOD) in front of the full CSAB • The full CSAB deliberates following each applicant interview • The full CSAB votes to recommend whether or not the State Board of Education (SBE) should grant approval/initiate the Planning Year for each applicant • Applicant receives official written notification (<i>via the online application system</i>) of the CSAB recommendation <p><i>*Note:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Any applicant group being considered for Fast Track Replication will receive a priority review</i> • <i>Should an applicant apply for Fast Track Replication and not meet the criteria in the established policy, the group will be considered for the 2018-19 opening</i>
January 2017	CSAB Fast Track Applicant Recommendations forwarded to SBE
February 2017	<p>SBE considers Fast Track Applicant CSAB recommendations for each Fast Track applicant and may grant approval of the charter contingent upon successful completion of the Planning Year (also known as “Ready to Open” Process)</p> <p>Applicant notified in writing (<i>via the online application system</i>) of the SBE decision</p>
August 2017	<p>Fast Track Approved Schools Open upon the SBE approval of the successful completion of the Planning Year (also known as “Ready to Open” Process)</p> <p>Applicant notified in writing (<i>via the online application system</i>) of the SBE decision</p>
June 2017	CSAB Recommendations for schools to open in 2018-19 forwarded to SBE
August 2017	<p>SBE considers CSAB recommendations for each applicant opening in 2018-19 and may grant approval of the charter contingent upon successful completion of the Planning Year (also known as “Ready to Open” Process)</p> <p>Applicant notified in writing (<i>via the online application system</i>) of the SBE decision</p>
August 2018	<p>Approved Schools for 2018 – 19 Open upon the SBE approval of the successful completion of the Planning Year (also known as “Ready to Open” Process)</p> <p>Applicant notified in writing (<i>via the online application system</i>) of the SBE decision</p>