

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**Title:** **Recommendations for Preliminary Approval of 2010 Charter School Applications****Type of Executive Summary:**
 Action
 Action on First Reading
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 Information
Policy Implications:

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- Constitution _____
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- General Statute #
- 115C-238.29D(b)
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- SBE Policy # _____
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- Other _____

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Description:

As per NCGS 115C-238.29D(b), the State Board of Education may authorize no more than 100 charter schools. There will be (1) opening for a preliminary charter at the beginning of the 2010-11 school year. The Application Review Committee (ARC) voted that seven (7) applications warranted review and interviews by the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education completed the interviews on July 14, 2010. Please see seven recommended applicants listed below. (SBE Policy TCS-U-012 is attached).

Bear Grass Charter School
 Leadership Learning Academy
 Piedmont IT Academy
 Richard Milburn Academy
 Spruce Pine Montessori
 Union Independent School
 Water's Edge Village Academy

The school receiving preliminary approval will undergo rigorous training as per the expectations set by the state and federal government for operation of a public charter school. The applicant will further develop the bylaws, policies, and procedures that are deemed necessary for the effective and efficient operation of a charter school. The SBE will review the progress of the school no later than the March 2011 SBE meeting when final approval may be granted.

Resources:

N/A

Input Process:

Charter school applicants, local education agencies, parents, teachers, students, LFI Committee, and the Department of Public Instruction.

Stakeholders:

Charter school applicants, local education agencies, parents, teachers, students, and the Department of Public Instruction.

Timeline For Action:

This item is presented for action during the August 2010 SBE meeting.

Recommendations:

The Department of Public Instruction recommends the SBE chooses one of the seven listed schools for a preliminary charter.

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