

Executive Summary

Renewal of Charter School Agreement The Charter Schools of Excellence, Inc. Charter School of Excellence – Tamarac 1 (5201)

School Name	Charter School of Excellence – Tamarac 1 (5201)
Implementation Year	2008-2009
Termination Date of Current Charter Agreement	June 30, 2014
Address	7595 N.W. 61 st Street Tamarac, FL 33321
Grades	K-5
Benchmark Enrollment	220
Target population	Neighborhoods surrounding the school
Curriculum Focus	Traditional
School Grade 2012-2013	C (400 points) AMO – No
School Grade 2011-2012	B (501 points) AMO – No/Reading, Yes/Math
School Grade 2010-2011	A (539 points) AYP – No
School Grade 2009-2010	NA (524 points) AYP – No

On May 5, 2009, The School Board of Broward County, Florida, approved a Charter School Agreement authorizing The Charter Schools of Excellence, Inc., to open Charter School of Excellence – Tamarac 1 (5201). The original contract was effective for a five-year period, to conclude on June 30, 2014.

Pursuant to Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, Charter School of Excellence – Tamarac 1 – 5201, has received program review as required for charter contract renewal. This program review, conducted in school year 2013-2014, identified programmatic deficiencies. Section 1002.33(7)(b)(1), Florida Statutes, states that, “a charter school may be renewed provided that a program review demonstrates that student achievement levels and prior rates of academic progress have been accomplished and that none of the grounds for non-renewal has been documented.”

Pursuant to Section 1002.33(8)(a), Florida Statutes, the sponsor shall make student academic achievement for all students the most important factor when determining whether to renew or terminate the charter. The sponsor may also choose to not renew or may terminate the charter for any of the following grounds:

1. Failure to participate in the State’s education accountability system created in Section 1008.31, Florida Statutes or failure to meet the requirements for student performance stated in the charter.
2. Failure to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management.
3. Violation of law.
4. Other good cause shown.

As part of its renewal process for charter schools, the Superintendent’s Charter School Review Committee has conducted a review of the school’s data and of the charter renewal program review submitted by The Charter Schools of Excellence, Inc., (Charter School of Excellence – Tamarac 1 - 5201), as required by Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. Upon reviewing the renewal program review, the Superintendent’s Charter School Review Committee concluded that, although there were deficiencies in the area of Educational Performance, they were not sufficient to deny any renewal of the contract as such, the committee recommends a five-year renewal of the charter school agreement.

It is therefore requested that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, approve the renewal of the Charter School Agreement for Charter Schools of Excellence, Inc., (Charter School of Excellence – Tamarac 1 – 5201), for a five-year period, starting on July 1, 2014, and ending on June 30, 2019. This five-year renewal term will afford the charter school an opportunity to continue its operations while demonstrating its ability to remediate deficiencies as required by Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes.

Charter School of Excellence Tamarac 1 Campus – 5201, is located in District 4.

The governing board members of The Charter School of Excellence, Inc., reside in Broward County, Florida.