

Executive Summary

Renewal of Charter School Agreement International School of Broward, Inc. International School of Broward – 5416

Implementation Year	2007-2008
Termination Date of Current Charter Agreement	June 30, 2013
Location	3100 North 75 th Avenue Hollywood, Florida 33024
Grades Approved to Serve	6-12
Enrollment	253
Target Population	Neighborhoods surrounding the school
Curriculum Focus	Traditional, World Language
School Grade 2011-2012	B
School Grade 2009-2010	C
School Grade 2008-2009	C

On May 22, 2007, The School Board of Broward County, Florida, approved a Charter School Agreement enabling International School of Broward, Inc., to open a charter school named International School of Broward. This original contract was effective for a five-year period. During the last year of the contract, pursuant to Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, the charter school received program reviews as required for charter contract renewal. The program review demonstrated financial and operational deficiencies. This resulted in the school receiving a one-year Charter School Agreement effective from July 1, 2012, to June 30, 2013. The financial deficiencies have been corrected and remedial measures implemented accordingly, however, the operational deficiencies in the area of certification still exist.

Section 1002.33, 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.

Upon reviewing this year's Charter Renewal Application, the Superintendent's Charter Renewal Committee found the renewal application for International School of Broward, Inc., meets the criteria for a five-year renewal. However, the review did find deficiencies in the area of Operational Performance.

DEFICIENCIES FOUND IN THE RENEWAL CHARTER APPLICATION

Following is the specific section of the Renewal Charter Application that did not meet or partially met the renewal criteria, thus contributing to the recommendation of a five-year renewal of the Charter Agreement:

OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE:

The Superintendent's Charter Review Committee reviewed the Operational Performance of the charter school as presented in the Renewal Charter Application. Staff has determined that International School of Broward, Inc., (International School of Broward – 5416) has the following deficiencies:

Deficiency 1: Certification compliance

- Failure to hire instructional staff that meets the qualifications of a Highly Qualified teacher.
- Failure to maintain accurate information regarding current teacher assignments in TERMS.
- Failure to document the school's plan of action for monitoring out-of-field and Highly Qualified requirement training compliance.

Remedial Measures:

- The charter school shall implement standards for employing instructional staff that meets the state's requirements for certification and provide written notice to the Sponsor using the Sponsor's designated form within fourteen (14) calendar days of any new hires, leaves of absence, transfers, and terminations.
- The charter school shall ensure TERMS is maintained with current duty and course assignment information for each member of the school's instructional staff. TERMS data must be updated to reflect instructional staffing hires and terminations at the time the change is effective.
- The charter school shall identify any teacher who is not Highly Qualified and monitor the professional development progress toward meeting Highly Qualified training requirements.

If the Charter School fails to implement the remedial measures listed in the renewal Charter Agreement and as stated above, such non-compliance will be considered grounds for the future termination of the renewed Charter Agreement or declination of any further contract renewal.

It is requested that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to send the letter (Exhibit 3 of the ARF), notifying International School of Broward, Inc., (International School of Broward - 5416) of the approval of the Charter Renewal Application, and of the proposed five-year renewal of the Charter Agreement.

The governing board members of International School of Broward, Inc., reside in Broward County.