

2026 Chartering Authority Application Cycle Timeline and Process

The Board Chairperson has approved the timeline below for the 2026 chartering authority application cycle, based on the Board of Education’s process outlined in its Application for Chartering Authority. The Board Chairperson retains the authority to change any dates and deadlines as necessary.

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| May 15, 2026 | Release of notice inviting applications for chartering authority |
| June 15, 2026 | Deadline for prospective applicant to submit Intent to Apply Packet |
| July 6, 2026 | Board notifies prospective applicant of its eligibility to submit an application for chartering authority |
| July 13, 2026 | Application orientation and information webinar |
| August 20, 2026 | Deadline for eligible applicant to submit chartering authority application |
| September 4, 2026 | Board notifies applicant of application completeness |
| September 9, 2026 | Deadline for applicant to make corrections and submit a completed application (if applicable) |
| September 10 through October 9, 2026 | Application initial evaluation window |
| October 12, 2026 | Evaluation Team requests clarification from applicant (optional) |
| October 23, 2026 | Deadline for applicant to respond to request for clarification (if applicable) |
| Week of October 26 through October 30, 2026 (TBD) | Evaluation Team interviews applicant’s team for additional clarification, if necessary, and to assess the capacity of the applicant |
| Week of November 9 through November 13, 2026 (TBD) | Public forum for public input on chartering authority application |
| December 18, 2026 | Applicant receives Evaluation Team’s recommendation reports |
| January 11, 2027 | Deadline for applicant to submit written responses to recommendation report (optional) |

| February 11, 2027 | Student Achievement Committee Meeting on application decision |
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| March 11, 2027 | Board General Business Meeting on final application decision |
| March 12, 2027 | Board notifies applicant of its decision |
| March 15 through April 2, 2027 | Pre-contracting phase |
| April 8, 2027 | Student Achievement Committee Meeting on execution of authorizing contract |
| May 13, 2027 | Board General Business Meeting on execution of authorizing contract |
| May 28, 2027 | Deadline for the Board to execute authorizing contract with approved new authorizer |