

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Independent Education and Parental Choice

Public Charter School Grant Program

Site Visit Rubric

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Program authorized by CFDA #84.282A – Title V, Part B, Subpart 1 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

| <u>School Name</u> <u>Information</u> : (Notate school name changes) | <u>School Na</u> | <u>ne</u> | | Scho MSID | | District | <u>Name</u> |
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| CSP ID: | | | | | | | |
| Project Number(s): | Effective Date | Ending Date | Recommen Funding (A) | | Currei Award Amou | l | Available Funding (A – B) |
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| Site Visit Date: | | | | | | | |
| Site Visit School Attendees: | | | | | | | |
| Site Visit CSP Team: | | | | | | | |
| Monitoring Follow-up Required (Y/N) | | | | | | | |
| Date Monitoring Follow-up Completed | | | | | | | |
| CSP Director Name Date Approved by CSP Director | | | | | | | |

Indicator: Definition of Indicator

Documentation: List necessary documents or evidence

| <u>Metric</u> | Acceptable Evidence | Rating Score (0, 1, 2): | Comments and/or Requested Action |
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| Specific question, documentation or policy to be reviewed Metrics in Red are verified through policy/document review process in CSP-GTS System. | | Fully Met The school provided all necessary documentation for this metric. School follows NCLB and other related non-regulatory guidance. Policies are in compliance with relevant guidelines in EDGAR. | No Action Necessary. |
| | | Partially Met During the site visit, the monitor the following: School provides acceptable evidence for at least one metric. | The "Requested Action" column identifies specific documentation or action items that must be provided within a given deadline. Reviewer will update the monitoring report after all requested actions have been completed. Score may be revised but comments will show that item was originally not compliant. |
| | | 0. <u>Not Met</u> | Note: |
| | | During the site visit, school did not produce <u>any</u> acceptable evidence. | School must correct all requested action items to qualify for any budget increases. |
| | | N/A Not Applicable | N/A should only be used for specific indicators that do not apply to all schools. |
| <u>Metric Score</u> : | | 0, 1, or 2 (see above) | Sum total maximum points possible. Decrease total fo any metrics with N/A ratings. |

Indicator Total Score: Total calculated scores for all metrics compared to total points available.

Indicator G1: Lottery and Admissions

The charter school complies with the lottery provisions contained in state and federal law.

- Lottery and Admissions Policies (online and printed);
- Registration announcements/advertisements; school pamphlets, school website;
- School application;
- Lottery drawing report; lottery derived waiting list (if used);
- Student applications with clearly noted exemptions (if applicable)

| <u>Key</u> : | 2 (Fully Met) | 1 (Partially Met) 0 (Not | Met) | N/A (Not Applicable) |
|--------------------------------|---|--|--------|---|
| Metric | | Acceptable Evidence | Rating | Comments and/or Requested Action |
| that sele- impl- rece | school has a lottery policy clearly states a random ction process will be emented when the school ives more applications seats available | School has uploaded/approved lottery policy online at flcsp.org. | | |
| | ence that the lottery policy implemented. | Review for all schools: Lottery policies made available to the public (printed and on-line) match the approved policy in flcsp.org. Review when school receives more applications than space available: Lottery implemented when school receives more applications than available space. If school maintains a waiting-list then new names are added via a lottery process (review list for random order). Student applications or enrollment forms clearly show reasons for granted exemptions : Child of founding board member (show names); Child of staff at grant recipient school (show names); Student already enrolled or accepted at grant recipient school at the time it converts to a public charter school. | | |
| Indicato | or Total Score: | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 4 (<i>Number of Metrics X 2</i>) |
| Updated | d score (if applicable): | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 4 (<i>Number of Metrics X 2</i>) |

Indicator G2: Conflict of Interest

The charter school has adopted and implemented conflict of interest policies that prevent real or apparent conflicts of interest.

- Current Governing Board Roster that matches Sunbiz.org.
- Conflict of Interest Policy and Board Minutes (if they include documentable actions)
- Rent/Lease contract/agreement
- Board minutes any time a member notes a real or perceived conflict of interest (if applicable).

| Key: 2 (Fully Met) | 1 (Partially Met) 0 (Not Me | t) | N/A (Not Applicable) |
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| <u>Metric</u> | Acceptable Evidence | <u>Rating</u> | Comments and/or Requested Action |
| 1. Governing Board has adopted and implemented a Conflict of Interest Policy that prevents real or apparent conflicts of interest. | School has uploaded/approved Conflict of Interest policy online at flcsp.org | | |
| 2. Board minutes document when a member has a real or apparent conflict of interest <u>and</u> the member has abstained from voting on any related business items. | No conflicts noted in minutes OR Board minutes clearly show when any board members abstain from voting due to a real or apparent conflict of interest (school has copies of minutes on hand for review) | | |
| 3. The school does not enter into lease/rental contracts where any board member has a real or apparent conflict of interest. (Review Lease against active board roster.) | School has uploaded/approved lease or rental contract online at flcsp.org | | |
| Indicator Total Score: | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 6 (Number of Metrics X 2) |
| Updated score (if applicable): | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 6 (<i>Number of Metrics X</i> 2) |

Indicator G3: Procurement

The charter school has adopted and implemented procurement policies consistent with federal regulations.

- Procurement policy
- Purchase requisition form for CSP-funded purchases for school use
- Documentation of market analysis and/or competitive bids with written vendor justification.
- Purchase requisitions, vendor purchase orders, invoices, receipts, shipping, and/or contracts
- State, school district, or municipal vendor sources (printed list or URL on purchase documentation)

| Key: 2 (Fully Met) | 1 (Partially Met) 0 (Not M | let) | N/A (Not Applicable) |
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| Metric | Acceptable Evidence | Rating | Comments and/or Requested Action |
| 1. School has a governing board approved procurement policy that involves competitive bidding or at least three written or printed price estimates, selection of the most advantageous bid for the school, and written justification for any sole-source bid. | School has uploaded/approved Procurement policy online at flcsp.org. | | |
| Cost and Price Analysis for CSP-Funded Purchases §74.45 Cost and price analysis (EDGAR). | School maintains folder for (or can identify) all CSP-funded purchases. Documentation includes at least three written or printed price checks/bids for goods/services exceeding \$500. | | |
| School maintains procurement records. §74.46 Procurement records (EDGAR). | School provides a written notation explaining vendor selection for all purchases exceeding the small purchase threshold of \$25,000. School provides a written notation explaining vendor selection when it does not select the lowest price bid/quote or estimate. School provides written justification for all sole-source purchases. When purchase criteria specify name brands, the school must justify that no competitors offer an equal product or the school's charter contract requires a specific brand name or resource (this happens most frequently with curriculum purchases). | | |

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| exercise s that the ch administer administra grant and for-profit C | er school must special care to ensure narter school directly rs or supervises the ation of the Federal is independent of the CMO or EMO. 34 CFR 5.702 and 76.701. | Procurement process allows school to initiate CSP-funded purchases. School has purchase requisition form for CSP-funded equipment, services, supplies, or inventory which principals may use. Principal discusses his/her role in managing the CSP grant. | | |
| Indicator To | otal Score: | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 8 (Number of Metrics X 2) |
| Updated sc | ore (if applicable): | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 8 (Number of Metrics X 2) |

Indicator F1: Financial records

The charter school utilizes an acceptable and appropriate system for maintaining financial records related to CSP purchases.

- Purchase orders, invoices, receipts, and/or contracts
- Itemized Expenditure Report
- DOE 399 (Project Disbursement Report)

| <u>Key</u> : | 2 (Fully Met) | 1 (Partially Met) | 0 (Not N | let) | N/A (Not Applicable) |
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| <u>Metric</u> | | Acceptable Evidence | | <u>Rating</u> | Comments and/or Requested Action |
| | | All purchase orders, invoice receipts, and/or contracts a organized (preferably organ date submitted to vendor). | re clearly | | |
| 2. Clearly identii can be match approved CS selected item | ed to the P budget for any | All purchases match to the budget or budget amendme narratives (including numbe units) The school includes written notes for purchases to clar description when necessar | ent er of /typed fy item | | |
| | rices purchased ds are <u>allowable</u> , and <u>necessary</u> . | All purchases orders and in fall within the project effect and project ending dates a approved grant recipient na Capital outlays purchased are in use. Once open, the does not put capital outlays storage (no stock-piling alloced) | ive date <u>nd</u> show ame. to date school s in | | |
| than minimize | rds in a manner es possibility of ocked, fireproof lar off-site | School has fireproof storag financial records OR School uses off-site storage electronic records School may use CSP funds to fireproof cabinets for financial student records. | e for purchase | | |
| Indicator Total | Score: | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | | Maximum Score = 8 (Number of Metrics X 2) |
| Updated score | (if applicable): | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | | Maximum Score = 8 (<i>Number of Metrics X 2</i>) |

Indicator F2: Segregation of Financial Duties

The charter school segregates among staff or directors various financial duties to minimize the risk of fraud or misuse of funds.

- Board-approved financial policies
- Purchase requisition form requires at least two signatures for CSP-funded purchases exceeding \$750.00.
- Deposit Slips and journal entries completed by different individuals
- Cancelled checks and/or purchase requisitions show dual signatures for checks exceeding \$750
- Segregation of duties chart showing what transactions require at least two different individuals
- Bank statements mailed to more than one person (best practice)

| Metric | Acceptable Evidence | Rating | Comments and/or Requested Action |
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| 1. Approved policies specify segregation of financial duties by position/person responsible | School has uploaded/approved Segregation of Financial Duties Policy online at flcsp.org. | | |
| 2. Two or more people involved in fund receipts/deposits. | School provides copies of funds receipt and deposit slips School provides list of persons that make deposits to bank. Person that records receipt does not take deposits to bank. | | |
| 3. Documentation of multiple signatures (or electronic approval) for CSP-funded purchases exceeding \$750. | Cancelled checks for CSP-funded purchases exceeding \$750 show at least two authorized signatures <u>OR</u> Purchase requisition (purchase order) shows at least two authorized individuals for any CSP- funded purchase exceeding \$750 | | |
| 4. Individuals approved to sign checks do not maintain the general ledger or reconcile monthly bank statements. | Copies of cancelled checks show signatures by persons authorized to sign checks (compare checks against authorized signer list). Authorized check signers do not reconcile the bank account (school identifies individual(s) that perform this function). Provide name(s) of person(s) that reconciles bank account. Authorized check signers do not maintain the general ledger. Provide name(s) of person(s) that maintains general ledger. | | |
| Indicator Total Score: | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 8 (Number of Metrics X 2) |
| Updated score (if applicable): | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 8 (<i>Number of Metrics X 2</i>) |

Indicator F3: Monthly financial statements to governing board

The charter school administration provides monthly financial reports to its governing board for review and approval.

- Examples of monthly financial reports include balance statement, profit and loss statement
- Board minutes from current fiscal year beginning July 1
- Two or three board packets for recent board meetings (with reports, attachments, etc.).

| Metric | Acceptable Evidence | Rating | Comments and/or Requested Action |
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| School submits and governing board reviews and approves monthly financial statements. * * Approvals may be done less frequently than every month if the board does not meet every month. | Examples of financial statements submitted to governing board for review/approval during the current fiscal year. Board minutes show that governing board reviews/approves monthly financial statements. | | |
| 2. Governing board meeting minutes document discussions demonstrating fiduciary oversight of school | School board minutes include items such as (not exhaustive): Review of monthly financial statements. Review/discussion/approval of school budget including CSP grant. Review of actual versus projected enrollments and impact on school budget. Review/Approval of major financial transactions such as approval of mortgage or lease, bank loans, facilities planning, and/or vendor selection. <u>Note</u>: Board agendas may vary each month. Review several months to determine if board has documented fiscal oversight in its meetings. | | |
| Indicator Total Score: | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 4 (Number of Metrics X 2) |
| Updated score (if applicable): | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 4 (<i>Number of Metrics X 2</i>) |

Indicator F4: Monthly financial reports to sponsor

The charter school provides monthly financial reports to its sponsor.

- Monthly financial reports to sponsor for current fiscal year
- Documentation showing financial reports were uploaded, e-mailed, faxed, or mailed to sponsor by designated due date.

| Metric | Acceptable Evidence | <u>Rating</u> | Comments and/or Requested Action |
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| 1. School submits its monthly financial statements to the sponsor on a timely basis. | Financial documentation shows submission and/or delivery dates for all statements sent to the sponsor. School may show reports with transmittal date (via e-mail is okay) or sponsor may send e-mail to monitor to verify that all required monthly statements have been received to date. | | |
| Indicator Total Score: | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 2 (Number of Metrics X 2) |
| Updated score (if applicable): | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 2 (<i>Number of Metrics X 2</i>) |

Indicator F5: Inventory

The charter school has implemented an inventory control procedure that ensures items purchased with CSP funds are identified, marked, and accounted for on a regular basis.

- Inventory policy approved by governing board
- Current year inventory report for all CSP-funded purchases to date
- Labels/tags on all CSP-funded capital outlays (items with 600 series object codes)

| Metric | Acceptable Evidence | Rating | Comments and/or Requested Action |
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| 1. School has an inventory control policy for CSP-funded capital outlays with 600 series object codes. | School has uploaded/approved Inventory Policy online at flcsp.org. | | |
| 2. Policy requires school to update inventory report upon receipt of new items and to conduct an inventory count of all CSP- funded inventory at least once/year. | Approved policy requires school inventory and label capital outlays with 600 series object codes upon receipt and at least once/year. | | |
| 3. Landlord does not have the right to confiscate capital outlay items purchased with CSP funds. | Lease (mortgage) does <u>not</u> allow landlord to confiscate any capital outlay items (those with 600 series object codes) purchased with CSP funds in the event of a default on the terms of agreement. | | |
| 4. Does the inventory report show CSP funding source, item, purchase date, inventory date, condition, room number, item ID or serial number? | Inventory report shows CSP funding source, item description, purchase date, inventory date (date added), condition, room/location, and item ID or serial number. The inventory report lists each individual unit purchased with CSP funds by location (classroom, office, or other room at school). This is not a summary report that only has grand totals for each type of capital outlay. | | |
| 5. All CSP-funded capital outlays with 600 series object codes have compliant labels, regardless of individual unit costs. <u>Note</u>: Major components must be individually labelled (computers, monitors, electronic white boards, document cameras, projectors, etc.). | All CSP-funded capital outlays with 600-series object codes have compliant labels which include: Property of [Name] School District [Insert Name] Charter School Unit ID/Title or Serial Number (that ties equipment to inventory report) Purchased with Federal CSP-Funds | | |

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| 6. All items purchased with CSP funds only benefit the students attending the charter school receiving the CSP award. | CSP-funded equipment/inventory, are placed in physical areas only accessible to students enrolled in the grant recipient charter school. | | |
| Indicator Total Score: | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 12 (Number of Metrics X 2) |
| Updated score (if applicable): | Sum of Individual Ratings = | | Maximum Score = 12 (<i>Number of Metrics X 2</i>) |

Indicator C1:

The grant recipient meets the definition of the term "charter school" in section 5210 of the ESEA.

- □ Approved charter contract
- □ Governing board approved lottery and admissions policies
- □ School operating procedures manual
- □ All advertisements, pamphlets, materials, and web-site promoting new charter school
- □ Student application/registration form
- □ Parent volunteer agreement and/or parent contract.

| Metric | Acceptable Evidence | Rating | Comments and/or |
|--|--|--------|------------------|
| 1. The school has an approved charter contract with its sponsor. | School has uploaded/approved signed charter contract online at flcsp.org. Charter contracts approved for schools that meet | | Requested Action |
| The school was created by a developer as a public school. | statutory definition of a public charter school. | | |
| 2. The school has recognized non- profit status | School has uploaded/approved non-profit documentation online at flcsp.org (Articles of Incorporation as a Florida Non-Profit and/or an approved IRS Tax Exempt Determination Letter). | | |
| The charter school provides a program of elementary or secondary education, or both. District approved ESE programs may enroll Pre-K students. | Education program and grade levels served included in the uploaded/approved signed charter contract online at flcsp.org. | | |
| 4. The charter school contract describes how student performance will be measured and includes state assessments required of all public school students. | The school's signed charter contract includes education and performance measures (see approved contract at flcsp.org). | | |
| 5. The charter school complies with Part B of the IDEA, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and | The school's signed charter contract includes all required federal statutes (see approved contract online at flcsp.org. <i>This includes all assurances</i> | | |
| Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. | provided in Public Charter Schools Grant Application. | | |

| affiliated with a religious institution. | deemed structural) The school program does <u>not</u> promote any particular religion. The charter school must be nonreligious in their programs, admissions policies, governance, employment practices and all other operations, and the charter school's curriculum must be completely secular. It is acceptable to include discussion of religion in a historical context. Any family may register their child(ren) regardless of their religious affiliation or lack thereof. Outreach materials purchased with CSP-funds include the phrase "Tuition-free public charter school" to qualify for reimbursement. <i>Outreach materials may include advertisements, pamphlets,</i> | |
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| The school accepts families with economic hardships or extenuating circumstances that cannot complete the volunteer hour commitment. | registration materials, and website. School does <u>not</u> have a parent contract OR parent contract does <u>not</u> require volunteer hours OR Parent contract volunteer requirements may be reduced or waived for families due to economic hardship or extenuating circumstances; Parent contract does <u>not</u> give families the option to donate funds to the school to satisfy the volunteer hour requirement. | Maximum Score = 16 |
| | Sum of Individual Ratings = | (Number of Metrics X 2) Maximum Score = 16 |