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### MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** January 7, 2011

**TO:** Lorne J. Malkiewich, Director  
 Legislative Counsel Bureau

**FROM:** Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction *Keith W. Rheault*

**SUBJECT:** Charter School Report

Pursuant to the NRS 386.525 (9) enclosed is the Status Report of Charter School Applications submitted during the immediately preceding Biennium.

Please forward this information to the Education Committee on behalf of the Department of Education.

If you have any questions or concern please feel free to contact our office at 687-9217.

Thank you.

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NRS 386.525(9) Status of Charter School Applications Submitted  
During the Immediately Preceding Biennium

JANUARY 1, 2011

**Charter school applications received by September 1, 2010, for fall, 2011, startups:**

Renaissance Academy

Educational focus: Utilize new technologies to their fullest in bringing a world class education to Nevada's children.

Status of the application: Active

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

Coral Academy of Science-Carson City

Educational focus: Provide students with an education that is unique to their learning styles while ensuring high academic standards.

Status of the application: Active

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

Coral Academy of Science-Valley

Educational focus: Provide students with an education that is unique to their learning styles while ensuring high academic standards.

Status of the application: Inactive

If denied, the reason for denial: Failed to achieve completeness/compliance

Golden Gate Academy

Educational focus: The school will provide identified students with a continuum of services based on sound theory and research to meet the needs of highly able learners and to maximize student achievement.

Status of the application: Inactive

If denied, the reason for denial: Failed to achieve completeness/compliance

### Black Mountain Preparatory Academy

Educational focus: Provide justice and excellence in education for school children through a common foundation.

Status of the application: Inactive

If denied, the reason for denial: Failed to achieve completeness/compliance

### Somerset Academy of Las Vegas

Educational focus: Prepare students to excel in academics and attain knowledge through effective teaching and life-long learning.

Status of the application: Active

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

### Imagine School at Mountain View

Educational focus: Positively shape the hearts and minds of students by providing them with an academically rigorous and content rich curriculum, an environment in which character is modeled and promoted, and a community in which to build trusting relationships with others.

Status of the application: Active

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

### Willie H Brooks Soar Academy

Educational focus: Provide a holistic, comprehensive, high-quality college preparatory education to young men that results in graduates succeeding in college.

Status of the application: Active

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

### Discovery Charter School

Educational focus: Promote a safe, nurturing environment which fosters student success through community involvement, progressive educational practices, and innovative use of technology.

Status of the application: Active

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

#### Las Vegas Leadership Academy

Educational focus: Nurture the development of students through leadership, service and rigorous educational experience; foster extraordinary thinkers who create meaningful change in the local and global community.

Status of the application: Inactive

If denied, the reason for denial: Failed to achieve completeness/compliance

#### Oasis Academy

Educational focus: In partnership with its parents and community, strive to instill in its students high standards for academic achievement, leadership, integrity, and responsible citizenship; create leaders one project at a time.

Status of the application: Active

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

#### Sandstone Academy

Educational focus: Provide a challenging learning environment for students who aspire to be both critical and creative thinkers; prepare students for rigorous post-secondary pursuits.

Status of the application: Inactive

If denied, the reason for denial: Application withdrawn by applicant

#### LEADER Institute

Educational focus: Provide a unique educational opportunity for a diverse population of school age students who are interested in expanding their knowledge base through an aggressive curriculum.

Status of the application: Inactive

If denied, the reason for denial: Applicant missed deadline for resubmission

### Summerlin Preparatory School

Educational focus: Foster the intellectual and personal growth of each student; dedicated to developing each student's highest potential in intellect, character and physical well-being.

Status of the application: Subsection 7 Charter approved December 10, 2010

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

### **Charter school applications received by September 1, 2009, for fall, 2010, startups:**

#### Eco-Academy of Scientific Studies

Educational focus: College-bound, science-based curriculum with an overarching philosophy of sustainability and community service.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.

#### Provost Academy Nevada

Educational focus: Science, Technology, Engineering and Math knowledge vital to success in today's economy.

Status of the application: Subsection 7 Charter approved August 13, 2010.

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

#### Las Vegas Leadership Academy

Educational focus: Leadership, service, and a rigorous education experience.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.

### Teacher Preparation Academy

Educational focus: To prepare the students of Nevada to teach the students of Nevada with special emphasis on, but not limited to, teaching the high need subjects of science and math.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.

### MIKA Preparatory Academy

Educational focus: To prepare students to function in a complex, ever-changing world; to cultivate life skills which promote physical, emotional and financial well-being; to motivate students to attain mastery in core curriculum areas which provide practical knowledge to become productive, responsible, and self-sufficient citizens in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.

### Summit Academy

Educational focus: To provide a personalized instructional setting that enables each student to achieve academic success in a safe, nurturing surrounding; to provide an educational alternative to specifically assist children who have learning differences.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.

### Scholarly Choice Charter School

Educational focus: To help its students achieve the highest level of academic excellence and to help students develop necessary skills to ensure success today as well as in the future.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.

#### The Willie H Brooks Soar Academy

Educational focus: To provide a holistic, comprehensive, high-quality college preparatory education to young men that results in graduates succeeding in college.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.

#### High Desert Montessori High School

Educational focus: Montessori method of child development and instruction.

Status of the application: The application was deemed “complete” by the Department and submitted to the proposed sponsor, Washoe County School District.

If denied, the reason for denial: Not applicable

#### Imagine School Mountain View

Educational focus: Chancellor Standards-Based Curriculum.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.

#### Advanced Curriculum and Technology Charter School

Educational focus: The use of a research-based curriculum to enable differentiated and tiered instruction to respond flexibly to individual student needs; strong family engagement and support for education, integrated with school support for family needs; and hands-on community-based learning.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.

Montessori Charter School of Nevada

Educational focus: Montessori method of child development and instruction.

Status of the application: Inactive; the applicant was invited to resubmit the application for further consideration after June 30, 2010, for a 2011 or later startup.

If denied, the reason for denial: A number of application items were found incomplete and/or noncompliant.