

2017 New Schools Application Changes for 2017

Summary:

The new charter school law contains several changes that impact the *New School Application*. Below, please find a side by side comparison of changes from the 2015 New School Request for Proposals and the 2017 New School Application.

2015 RFP	2017 Application
General information (i.e. 2015 timeline, Commission contact, Charter Tools, etc.)	General information (i.e. 2017 timeline, Sandy Green Commission contact, i-Grants, etc.)
Solicitation /RFP process	A solicitation process
Charter Tools Platform	OSPI i-Grants Platform
Completeness Review inclusive of completeness of responses and an opportunity for applicants to make changes within 24 hours,	Completeness Review – just for component parts, assurances and signatures. No opportunity to change
Timeline –February release and August resolution	Earlier release (December) and June resolution
Section 8: No provision for how a charter school will pay the full cost, minus any student participation fee, for any student who participates in interschool athletic activities or other interschool extracurricular activities governed by the Washington interscholastic activities association.	Section 8: As applicable, a plan for how a charter school will pay the full cost, minus any student participation fee, for any student who participates in interschool athletic activities or other interschool extracurricular activities governed by the Washington interscholastic activities association.
Section 10 – No weighted enrollment preference	Section 10: Weighted Enrollment preference
Section 12: Conversion Schools option	Traditional public school conversion option was removed
Section 17: No financial filing provision	Charter board members must file Personal financial affairs statements
Section 22: No Plan to remain in compliance with employee retirement provisions	Section 22: Required plan to remain in compliance with employee retirement provisions
Section 29: No plan for fundraising	Section 29: Must include a Plan for Fundraising
No Federal CSP sub-grant option	New optional Federal CSP sub-grant section