Board Policy I-4:
Board Authorized Charter Schools

REFERENCES

I-4: Administrative Procedures, Board Authorized Charter Schools
Utah Code Ann. §53G-5-102, et seq., Charter Schools
Utah Admin Code R277-550, Charter Schools – Definitions
Utah Admin Code R277-552, Charter School Timelines and Approval Processes
Utah Admin Code R277-553, Charter School Oversight, Monitoring and Appeals

THE POLICY

The Salt Lake City School District Board of Education is vested with the authority to authorize the establishment of a charter school within the geographical boundaries of the district. Upon receipt of a charter school application that complies with state law, the board will consider various factors, including any potential benefits and concerns, in determining whether to authorize the proposed charter school. If the board approves the application and authorizes the operation of the charter school, the terms and conditions for its operation must be clearly set forth in a written charter agreement. Charter schools authorized by the board are required to comply with all federal and state laws, rules and regulations, board policies, and district administrative procedures, except those policies and procedures whose applicability has been specifically waived in the charter agreement. In accordance with state law, the board also has the right to terminate a charter school that it has authorized.

The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures for submitting charter school applications and seeking board approval for the creation of a charter school.

The district has set forth its specific processes for implementing this board policy in the accompanying administrative procedures.

No district employee or student shall be subjected to discrimination in employment or any district program or activity on the basis of age, color, disability, gender, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status. The district is committed to providing equal access and equal opportunity in its programs, services and employment including its policies, complaint processes, program accessibility, district facility use, accommodations and other Equal Employment Opportunity matters. The district also provides equal access to district facilities for all youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United State Codes, including scouting groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries and complaints regarding unlawful discrimination, harassment, and retaliation: Tina Hatch, Compliance and Investigations/Title IX Coordinator, 440 East 100 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 578-8388. You may also contact the Office for Civil Rights, Denver, CO, (303) 844-5695.