

RESOLUTION

Regarding *Independence Classical Academy*

The Board of Education is committed to serving the students of the district by supporting the Independence Classical Academy as an avenue of serving student needs, promoting high academic expectations, and embracing a culture of innovation; and

The Board of Education is committed to providing a portfolio of educational options – to include a charter school with the Independence Classical Academy’s educational and character focus; and

The Board of Education acknowledges the value to be offered to students through programs such as those implemented by Independence Classical Academy.

THEREFORE:

We, the members of the board, resolve to support *Independence Classical Academy* as approved conditionally on October 28, 2024. This application, submitted by the founding board of *Independence Classical Academy* and endorsed by the ESD Superintendent, Chief Academic Officer, and Chief Financial Officer, is approved with the following conditions and is subject to approval of the charter contract:

- Provide evidence of a suitable facility acquired via lease or purchase, including available square footage, estimated annual cost through the term of the agreement, and a detail of any escalating costs no later than March 1, 2025.
- Verify, no later than April 30, 2025, that the school site meets all requirements of state statute C.R.S. 22-32-124 and provide an acceptable timeline for receipt of all permits and approvals required by external entities.
- Approval is for grades K-8, subject to an additional streamlined application prior to approval of grades 9-12.
- Secure Colorado Charter School Program (CCSP) grant funds as indicated in the proposed budget, or a suitable replacement, to ensure financial stability by April 30, 2025. In the event CCSP grant funds are not awarded, ICA shall provide updated budgets to the Elizabeth School District for reconsideration.
- Provide evidence of enrollment as needed for financial viability as reasonably determined by both the BOE and Charter Board, by April 15, 2025.

The ESD Superintendent, and Independence Classical Academy founding board or designee, will be responsible for continued implementation, oversight, monitoring, review, and accountability of the Independence Classical Academy plan. ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 28th day of October, 2024.


Rhonda Olsen, Board President
Elizabeth School District

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Attest:


Mary Powell, Board Secretary
Elizabeth School District