



NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Maurice "Mo" Green, Superintendent of Public Instruction

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VIA EMAIL ONLY

Sarah Phillips
Board Chair

Andrew Mocerì
Executive Director
Pine Lake Preparatory 49E

Dear Ms. Phillips and Mr. Mocerì,

Pursuant to state law, rules, and policy, the Office of Charter Schools is required to approve certain amendments to a school's charter. The Office of Charter Schools has approved Pine Lake Preparatory's request to amend its charter as listed below:

1. **Class size:** Pine Lake Preparatory intentionally sets class sizes to support student engagement and effective learning, with smaller classes in lower grades and strategically determined sizes in middle and upper grades based on course needs, safety, and instructional quality.
2. **Length of school day and/or Academic Year:** Pine Lake Preparatory meets state requirements by providing 1,025 instructional hours annually and uses staggered start and dismissal times to ensure safe and efficient operations across all school levels.
3. **Curriculum:** Pine Lake Preparatory delivers instruction aligned to state standards and AP frameworks, supported by a 1:1 technology model and a variety of curricular resources, while allowing teachers flexibility to meet diverse student needs.
4. **Food Service Plan:** Pine Lake Preparatory provides lunch through an external vendor and offers a financial assistance program, based on federal income guidelines, to support meals and other school-related costs.
5. **Transportation:** Pine Lake Preparatory provides transportation through multiple bus routes and a fleet of school vehicles, ensuring student access to campus and school activities, while also encouraging carpooling to support community and reduce traffic.

Please note this approval applies only to the amendment requests submitted to the Office of Charter Schools as stated above. Any further amendments must be sent to our office for processing.

The Office of Charter Schools encourages the use of an amendment tracker, which provides a historical record of amendments approved by the Charter Schools Review Board or the Office of Charter Schools, which includes the following information: name of amendment, date your board of directors approved the amendment, and date approval letter received from CSRB or OCS.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Julie Whetzel at julie.whetzel@dpi.nc.gov.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ashley Logue'.

Ashley Logue
Executive Director, Office of Charter Schools

Cc: OCS/NC DPI Staff