

### PREPARATION FOR COLLEGE TO CAREER SUCCESS

# REENGAGEMENT IN EDUCATION REAFFIRMING LIFE-LONG LEARNING

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**Charter Petition** 

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### COUNTY BENEFIT STATEMENT

Governing Law: "In addition to the authority provided by § 47605.5, a county board of education may also approve a petition for the operation of a charter school that operates at one or more sites within the geographic boundaries of the county and that provides instructional services that are not generally provided by a county office of education. A county board of education may only approve a county charter if it finds, in addition to the other requirements of this section, that the educational services to be provided by the charter will offer services to a pupil population that will benefit from those services and cannot be served as well by a charter school that operates in only one school district in the county." Ed. Code § 47605.6(a)(1)

The county status of the College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will provide instructional services that the Orange County Department of Education does not generally provide; will offer educational services that will benefit its target population, students aged 16 and above; and will support students in a way that cannot be served as well by a charter school that operates in only one school district in the County.

The local communities will each benefit from an educational choice that reengages students who have dropped out of school and struggle to find jobs or access adult school/community college options because of life challenges that have become barriers to meaningful community connections. These students have failed in, dropped or aged out of the traditional high school or county community school options provided by districts and the Orange County Department of Education. Many were expelled, unmotivated to return to school or simply lost their way. Far too many experienced education as a school to jail/prison pipeline. They struggle against structural injustice rooted in history and shaped by economics. Many have made poor decisions, not taken responsibility for their actions and have gone down a self-defeating pathway. Others have taken on the burden of family responsibilities and work hard at minimum wage jobs to take care of basic life needs, such as shelter, food, clothing, leaving little time, if any, to reengage in education pathways that could provide for college to career success. These students cannot attend school a minimum of four hours per day, five days per week. They often lack resources to navigate the adult education arena. For these students, a customized independent study strategy coupled with a workforce training and career preparation program is an opportunity to reengage in the education process, through the guidance of caring teachers who are knowledgeable and experienced working with at-risk students.

The local Community College Districts recognize the challenges to recruit and maintain these students' participation in their programs. These students need a bridge or 'on-ramp' program to reengage in school, improve academic achievement, career readiness and social skills. There has been an interruption in the development of the knowledge, skills, attitude, behaviors, aspirations, and beliefs needed to embrace the pathway to college and career success. They need coaching and mentoring through workforce innovation and opportunities programs that partner with education to foster resiliency by emphasizing prevention, positive alternatives, and application of socially competent behavior that will enable these reengaged students to become self-motivated, competent, and life-long learners.

The Charter School will serve a cross-section of the entire county where more than 38,382 young adults under the age of 25 years have no high school diploma (U.S. Census Bureau's 2012 American Community

### **COUNTY BENEFIT STATEMENT**

Survey), have little or no career readiness, job training or life-skills to prepare them to earn a sustainable household wage and become contributing members of our collective communities. A county charter allows equal access for admission to all students in the County. (Ed. Code § 47605.6(d)(2)(B)) This will allow students from many districts to benefit from the unique College and Career Preparatory Academy program opportunities.

One of the legislative intents in the Charter Schools Act is to "increase learning opportunities for all pupils, with special emphasis on expanded learning experiences for pupils who are identified as academically low achieving." To this end, The College and Career Preparatory Academy endeavors to educate a broad range of students from geographically diverse areas throughout Orange County. The target population, residing in any school district in the county, is best served by the College and Career Preparatory Academy due to its capacity and expertise to collaborate countywide and to centralize educational, workforce, social services, and law enforcement services collectively, rather than by individual charter schools located in various school districts.

Through the statements above, the Petitioners have provided reasonable justification as to why a petition to a school district pursuant to Ed. Code § 47605 could not establish this charter as effectively.

#### COLLEGE AND CAREER PREPARATORY ACADEMY (CCPA) CHARTER SCHOOL

#### INTRODUCTION

The Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) recognizes that the traditional public school model is challenged to meet the needs of a growing portion of the county's student population. The prolonged national recession has magnified this problem, bringing more fully to light the social, emotional, and financial impact on the lives of students and society.

In 2011-12, 74,101 students in California dropped out of high school, resulting in a statewide cohort dropout rate of 14.7%. For that same period, Orange County's overall dropout rate was reported at 9.1%, the lowest in California for three consecutive years. The graduation rate for Orange County, at 85.3% is 6.8% higher than the state rate of 78.5%, for that reporting period. Even with the state's highest graduation and lowest dropout rates, Orange County is losing approximately 4,000 students annually. In response, OCDE proposes to establish the College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA), a charter school specifically designed to address the academic and college to career workforce development needs of students age 16 and above, at risk of not earning a high school diploma. The CCPA's focus on using career pathways to contextualize instruction, along with a combination of high quality learning opportunities, a rigorous learning environment, and interagency collaboration and partnerships with workforce focused providers, will contribute to the efficacy of the program.

The state legislature created charter schools in 1992 to encourage the development of instructional innovation. Charter Schools provide the community and students an opportunity to develop educational experiences that extend beyond the traditional classrooms. There is a growing population of youth who have given up on school. We often hear them referred to as at-risk, however, given an opportunity to reengage in an education environment that functions to bridge education to the workforce, these students are indeed, at-promise. They are identified as out-of-school youth for the purpose of serving them within job training and apprenticeship programs in partnership with providers funded through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014. These students are behind in credits, have dropped out of school, or aged out of available alternative education options, and have been unable to navigate the adult school/ community college system or have childcare responsibilities that have become a barrier to completing high school and finding and/or sustaining employment.

Today, more than ever, students must be prepared to think critically, act creatively, communicate effectively, collaborate generously, and act with character and integrity to become contributing community members, citizens and leaders in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. This OCDE affiliate charter school supports the alignment of education with workforce investment and economic development, in support of a comprehensive, accessible, and highly-qualified workforce development system. At the core of a highly skilled and prepared workforce is a rigorous education, one that must be accessible and contain the necessary supports and structures that promote the individual and collective characteristics of a literate and productive citizenry.

The Charter School Act of 1992 established 16 required elements to be included in a charter petition. The charter provides evidence that CCPA has met all requirements set forth in the Charter Schools Act of 1992, Education Code section 47699 et seq., and will have a highly qualified and dedicated staff committed to the interests of all stakeholders in the learning community. Partnerships with community based organizations and businesses, as well as private and public agencies, are at the core of expanded learning opportunities. This charter school will be a charter school of choice for students within the geographic boundaries of Orange County, California and contiguous counties.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) is being established as an affiliate Charter School to Orange County Department of Education/Alternative Community Correctional Education Schools and Services (ACCESS). The charter will operate for the purpose of being an integral component of the state's workforce development strategy, as an on-ramp preparatory learning environment offering high quality, innovative educational options. These options are designed and executed with purpose, meaning, and application beyond the academic setting to accelerate learning for atpromise students to move forward into college and career training opportunities.

#### College and Career Preparatory Academy Locations

College and Career Preparatory Academy will operate geographically throughout Orange County, at the following OCDE locations under one CDS code as part of a single school with multiple locations:

#### Phase 1:

Center for Opportunity,

Re-entry and Education (CORE) 2823 S. Bristol, Santa Ana, CA 92704

La Habra Education Center 1261 S. Harbor Blvd., La Habra, CA 90631

Grand Avenue Education Center 2428 N. Grand Ave., Santa Ana, CA 92705

San Juan Education Center 31894 Plaza Drive, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

Euclid Learning Center 14351 Euclid Ave., Garden Grove, CA 92843

17<sup>th</sup> Street and Ross 509 W. 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Ana, CA 92706

Harbor Learning Center 15872 S. Harbor Blvd., Fountain Valley, CA 92708

#### Phase 2: Expansion dependent upon enrollment needs.

Haster Education Center 12918 Haster Street, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Fountain Valley Education Center: 9555 Garfield Ave., Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Placentia Education Center: 5223 Orangethorpe Ave., Anaheim, CA 92806

Anaheim West: 2929 W. Ball Rd., Anaheim, CA 92804

Harbor Site 607 S. Harbor Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92805

Mission Viejo Education Center: 23436 Madero, Mission Viejo, CA 92691

#### **ELEMENT 1: EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

"A description of the educational program of the school, designed, among other things, to identify those whom the school is attempting to educate, what it means to be an educated person in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, and how learning best occurs. The goals identified in that program shall include the objective of enabling pupils to become self-motivated, competent, and life-long learners." Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(A) (i).

#### **VISION**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will inspire students to fulfill their academic, career, and personal goals. CCPA students will prepare to earn their high school diploma or equivalency leading to the achievement of the ultimate goals of developing and empowering students' success through completion of post-secondary certificates and degrees, career, and community connectedness.

#### **MISSION**

College and Career Preparatory Academy will immediately reduce the drop-out rate, and assist every student to accelerate transition to postsecondary education and training through the development of an Individualized Education Career Service Plan (IECSP). The IECSP will emphasize a career focused curriculum through individualized pathways, culminating in achievement of a high school diploma or equivalency and necessary career readiness skills. We envision a safe, supportive learning environment where communication and achievement is fostered and accomplishments are celebrated.

#### **GOALS**

Our goal is to prepare students for success by providing a supportive school environment that focuses on increasing academic, workforce, and pro-social skills and behaviors, while providing functional life-skills instruction and career readiness.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will operate as a charter school under the authority of the Orange County Department of Education, as a unique public school designed to:

- Provide parent/caregivers, and students with expanded choices in the types of educational opportunities that are available within the traditional public school system.
- Reach students who have "dropped out" or are not currently enrolled in any school and those identified as "out-of-school youth" or face particular challenges, such as health issues or the need to work, that make daily attendance difficult.
- Educate students who, for a variety of reasons, have fallen behind in their studies and need targeted instruction to fill the gaps in their learning or have the option for credit recovery.
- Accelerate student learning and academic performance.
- Provide alternative methods to master California state standards.
- Create challenging academic standards.
- Increase learning opportunities for all students, with special emphasis on expanded learning experiences for students who are identified as performing below potential.
- Provide opportunities and resources to increase career/workforce readiness skills.

- Stimulate student's natural interests and curiosity.
- Provide individualized instruction through student-tailored, standards-based curriculum as the primary instructional arrangement.
- Develop life-long learners who are self-motivated.
- Assist students in achieving a high school diploma.

CCPA will be accountable for meeting these goals and achieving measurable pupil outcomes through a performance based system.

#### **EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) believes students learn best in educational environments that provide opportunities to explore, understand and apply, in real-life settings, concepts and skills necessary to become independent problem solvers. The optimal learning environments are physically and emotionally safe, contain the necessary supports and structures that promote the development of character and self-discipline and the teacher is respected, supportive and trusted. The curriculum is based in real life applications and presented in one-on-one or small group settings, and the subject matter is appropriate, relevant, and intellectually stimulating. These conditions are met in a variety of educational settings based on individual needs of the students.

CCPA holds the fundamental beliefs that learning best occurs when:

- Work is challenging and accessible to all students.
- Learning opportunities are expanded by accessing various segments of the Orange County community and through partnerships with community based organization and businesses as well as private and public agencies.
- All learning modalities and styles are incorporated into the instructional design.
- Students understand that learning tasks have purpose, meaning, and application beyond the academic setting.
- Instructional activities are integrated, meaningful, and engaging.
- Learning and real-life experiences are considered teaching and learning tools.
- The CCPA's combination of high quality learning opportunities and rigorous learning environment will contribute to the efficacy of the program.

#### STUDENTS TO BE SERVED

The Orange County Department of Education proposes to establish the College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA), a charter school specifically designed to address the academic and career readiness needs of students 16 and above, who are at risk of not completing high school. These students are at risk for reasons including, but not limited to:

- Student is behind in credits;
- Student is a high school drop-out and has aged-out of attending a traditional high school;
- Student is not functioning well at a traditional high school campus;
- Student is not functioning in or able to attend an adult education high school program
- Student is not passing one or both sections of the CAHSEE;

- Student needs to work full-time and/or part-time;
- Student may have childcare responsibilities preventing attendance at a traditional school.

CCPA Charter will serve pupils 16 and above that meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Pupil is enrolled in the CCPA Charter in a program that provides instruction exclusively in partnership and through an executed Memorandum of Understanding with any of the following: (1) the federal Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act of 2014 (WIOA); (2) federally affiliated Youth Build programs; (3) the federal job corps training or instruction provided pursuant to a memorandum of understanding with the federal provider; or (4) the California Conservation Corps or local conservation corps certified by the California Conservation Corps pursuant to law. CCPA plans to satisfy this requirement through local WIOA funded agencies.
- Pupil is enrolled in the CCPA Charter in pursuit of a high school diploma while 19 years of age and, without a break in public school enrollment since that time, is enrolled in the charter school and is making satisfactory progress towards award of a high school diploma consistent with the definition of satisfactory progress, as defined under Title V, California Code of Regulations, Section 11965.
- "Satisfactory progress" means uninterrupted progress (1) towards completion with passing grades, of the substance of the course of study that is required for graduation from a non-charter comprehensive high school of the largest unified school district in the county, (2) at a rate that is at least adequate to allow the pupil to successfully complete, through full-time attendance, all uncompleted coursework within the aggregate amount of time assigned by the chartering agency for the study of that particular quantity of coursework within its standard academic schedule.

For individuals with exceptional needs, as defined in Education Code Section 56026, "satisfactory progress," is defined in Education Code Section 47612, as the uninterrupted maintenance of progress towards meeting the goals and benchmarks or short-term objectives in his or her individualized education program made pursuant to 20 U.S.C. Section 1414(d) until high school graduation requirements have been met, or until the pupil reaches an age of at which special education services are no longer required by law.

#### **Current District-Enrollment or Students on Probation**

Students currently enrolled in school must obtain a signed district referral or probation referral for minors, to attend College and Career Preparatory Academy. For district enrollments, this may be the school districts Child Welfare and Attendance (CWA), Pupil Personnel Services, or district designated signatory. For juveniles on probation, this will be the student's assigned probation officer or authorized representative of the county probation department.

Students (from district) should maintain attendance at their high school until official registration takes place so as not to lose credits in progress.

For students with IEP's, or 504 Plans, referrals to the CCPA program from school districts and Probation Department require a transition IEP or Section 504 plan meeting.

#### Self-referral

Self-referrals or referrals from other agencies will initially be reviewed by the Program Administrator/Principal who oversees the CCPA. Any interim placement will be completed by the Special Education Administrative Liaison (SEAL)/Coordinator or school psychologist.

For any applicant with a disability whom the Program Administrator/Principal believes that CCPA may not be an appropriate education placement, an IEP team or Section 504 team meeting will be promptly convened to reach a placement decision. No student with a disability will be denied enrollment without such a meeting.

For all other students with disabilities, enrollment will be approved if they are otherwise eligible for admission following the CCPA admission process.

#### Students with Disabilities/Special Needs

For students with disabilities, OCDE will base enrollment decisions on the individualized educational needs of the applicant as determined by an Individual Education Plan (IEP) or Section 504 Team.

#### CCPA Student Eligibility for Students with Disabilities/Special Needs

In order to receive special education and related services at CCPA, a student must be:

- Between the ages of 16-21, and identified prior to his/her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. Students who turn 22 during the school year will receive special education services through the remainder of the school year.
- Willing to return to school and earn a high school diploma.
- Not currently enrolled in a school or education program for the past six weeks (this may be waived with a signed referral from a school district child welfare and attendance administrator).
- Willing to create short and long-term goals for graduation and transition plans to college, trade school, Career Technical Education (CTE) and/or employment.
- Otherwise be eligible to be enrolled in CCPA.

#### College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) Admissions Process

#### Step 1: Orientation

The Student Records Technician (SRT) will ask questions to learn about the student's motivation to return to school, i.e., "Why do you want to return to school? What challenges or difficulties did you face previously in school? What are your current goals? How many credits do you have, or believe you have? Have you passed the CAHSEE? Do you have an IEP or 504 Plan?" The student will complete a CCPA Orientation Survey.

If the SRT receives any special education records or IEP, this information will be forwarded to the designated special education coordinator as part of the evaluation process.

#### Step 2: Enrollment and Records

If the student chooses to enroll in the CCPA, the SRT will schedule a registration appointment. The student will be asked to bring a copy of his/her birth certificate, proof of residence, and immunization record. If the student has a copy of the transcript(s) or is able to secure a copy or original, he/she will be asked to do so and bring the transcript to the appointment.

The SRT will request transcripts for all students and will collect the IEP and Psychoeducational Report for students with disabilities.

If the SRT receives any special education records or IEP, this information will be forwarded to the designated special education coordinator as part of the evaluation process.

#### **Step 3: Registration Appointment**

The SRT completes the paperwork process, and the Scantron Performance Series is used to assess the student in reading and math. The student is provided a date to meet with their assigned teacher for the first appointment.

An Interim Placement form is completed for all special education and/or Section 504 students. (See details below). If the student is a minor, the parent/caregiver must accompany the student and sign enrollment documents, contracts, and agreements. The student will begin the program after completion of the registration process.

If currently enrolled in a district of residence (DOR), an Individual Education Program (IEP) meeting must be convened to determine if appropriateness of the placement prior to enrollment into the program can be completed. If self-referred an IEP meeting can be convened by OCDE to review current information and determine if additional assessment is necessary. An interim placement could be used to facilitate enrollment.

#### **Admissions Process for Special Education or Section 504 students**

The student records technician (SRT) will collect the student's IEP and Psycho-Educational Report and provide it to the site administrator as well as the Special Education Administrative Liaison (SEAL)/special education coordinator. An Interim Placement form will be completed and signed by the SEAL/special education coordinator. The student will then be enrolled and begin the program. A 30-day IEP or Section 504 plan meeting will be scheduled after each student with a disability is enrolled as a student in the CCPA program.

- 1. During the 30-day period, any needed assessments will be conducted and information will be gathered regarding the student's demonstrated success in the CCPA program.
- 2. The county office of education will ensure that the student has a current assessment in all areas of suspected disability.

#### **Interim Placement IEP**

If the IEP or Section 504 Plan Team determines that the CCPA placement is not appropriate, based on the individual needs of the applicant, it must document the basis for this determination on the IEP or Section 504 plan and provide the applicant and/or parent/caregiver with notice of procedural safeguards. A 503 letter will also be generated for students with an active IEP. The team will include a representative from the student's district of residence in order to discuss viable placement options for the student.

The team has the authority to increase the amount of time that the student will receive Specialized Academic Instruction (SAI) support from a credentialed Special Education teacher in the CCPA, up to the full length of the CCPA school program.

Participants in all IEP or Section 504 meetings will include persons knowledgeable about the applicant, the meaning of evaluation information, and the placement options. At a minimum, participants will include: a county administrator, a credentialed special education teacher, a general education teacher, the applicant, the parent/caregiver if the applicant is a minor, an individual qualified to interpret assessment results if assessments were administered, and other individuals knowledgeable about the applicant's educational needs.

The IEP or Section 504 team, making the enrollment determination, will consider information using multiple measures, including: aptitude and achievement tests, teacher recommendations, physical condition, social or cultural background, and adaptive behavior.

Due to the unique nature of the CCPA program, the team will also specifically consider the following: the applicant's most recent IEP or Section 504 plan and psychoeducational report, other current assessments, age, experience since dropping out of school, availability to participate due to work or other obligations, the amount and manner in which the applicant feels that he/she can learn in a formal educational program, appropriate modifications or related assistance and services to meet his/her individualized educational needs in the CCPA program.

CCPA will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

#### **PROGRAM COMPONENTS**

Students will experience a program with a focus on meeting their individual needs, whether these needs include extended learning opportunities or support on building foundational academic skills.

#### Counseling (Academic and Social/Emotional/Behavioral)

Academic counseling will be provided by the supervising teacher with the support of a transition specialist and under the auspices of a certificated counselor holding a Pupil Personnel Services (PPS) credential. The student records technician (SRT) and the transition specialist are support to the teacher in providing academic counseling information and assistance. Counseling will include assistance with the Individualized Education Career Service Plan (IECSP), transcript review, career

readiness, work experience and post-secondary options. The PPS counselor will liaison with workforce providers and community colleges in coordinating participation in local WIOA funded agencies programs and dual/concurrent enrollment in college classes.

Group or individual student counseling will be offered by "counselor interns" through Safe Schools or professionals from outside agencies to address anger management or other social/emotional/behavioral counseling needs.

#### <u>Assessment</u>

College and Career Preparatory Academy will administer initial placement assessments as well as academic assessments throughout the year with the purpose of identifying student needs and growth areas in targeted academic curricular standards. CCPA staff will work as a team based on the Professional Learning Communities (PLC) concept to regularly monitor student achievement data and make adjustments to provide extra support for struggling students. Assessments will include the Scantron Performance Series, Basic Achievement Skills Inventory (BASI) and criterion-referenced tests to identify performance information to target areas for academic support. CCPA students will also participate in the Smarter Balanced Assessments, the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE), and California English Language Development Test (CELDT) assessment systems.

#### **Parent Participation**

Home-school communication is a critical factor for student success. Administrators and teachers will contact parents/caregivers to notify them of student progress, events and activities. Consent will be obtained for students who are 18 years and older, to ensure privacy rights. Students over 18 years will be encouraged to include parents/families and significant individuals in their lives in their learning process and progress. To support parents' and families' participation, growth and development, the following activities will be offered and /or required:

- Parents/caregivers will be invited to participate in the development of their student's
  Individualized Education Career Service Plan (IECSP) and understand academic, career
  readiness and/or workforce development and transition goals. At this meeting,
  parent/caregiver or adult students will be informed about transferability of courses to other
  public high schools and the eligibility of courses to meet college entrance requirements.
- Once, each school calendar year, parents/caregivers or adult students will be consulted regarding the student's progress toward their individual education career service plan and class schedule. Parent/caregiver/adult student will be required to sign a new Master Agreement.

#### **High School Requirements**

To attain a high school diploma, students must earn a total of 220 credits and pass the English/Language Arts and Mathematics sections of the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE). High school students in grades 9-12 will receive credits for courses passed, and credits will be transferable to other high schools. Student must attain passing grades in the following state and locally required courses to be eligible for a high school diploma from College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA):

• English 40 credits

• Mathematics 20 credits (including 10 credits of Algebra)

Life Sciences 10 credits
 Physical Sciences 10 credits
 World History 10 credits
 U.S. History 10 credits
 Economics 5 credits
 American Government 5 credits
 Physical Education 20 credits

Visual/Performing Arts/ Foreign Language

• Electives 70 credits

Credits earned from the following alternative means may be considered electives and included as part of the 220 credits required for graduation:

20 credits

- Service to Community projects/community service projects;
- Work experience;
- Courses offered through Regional Occupational Programs/Career Technical Education;
- Credit earned at a post-secondary institution;
- Intervention courses in reading and math; and,
- Credit recovery courses (online GradPoint classes)

#### WASC Accreditation

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will apply for initial accreditation candidacy through the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) in spring of 2016. CCPA will apply to the commission for a preliminary review. During this visit, the WASC team will be able to review school documents, speak to administration, teachers, students, parents, and community partners. During this time of provisional accreditation, the CCPA will complete the process leading to full accreditation as determined by the commission.

#### **Standardized Testing**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) agree to comply with and adhere to state requirements for participation and administration of all state mandated tests. As an affiliated charter school, CCPA will test with OCDE and adhere to OCDE testing calendars and procedures for state mandated tests.

#### **English Learners**

As an affiliated charter school, the CCPA shall implement the provisions of the OCDE English Learner Master Plan and comply with all applicable federal and state laws, and OCDE policies and procedures related to the implementation of the English Learner Master Plan.

#### Gifted and Talented Students

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will use OCDE's the gifted and talented education (GATE) identification process and adhere to OCDE policy regarding GATE.

#### Students with Disabilities

OCDE shall serve the needs of special education students enrolled in OCDE affiliated charter schools in the same manner as at any other public school of OCDE. College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will adhere to the provisions of the IDEIA and California special education laws and regulations to ensure that all students with disabilities are accorded a free appropriate public education (FAPE) as is required of all OCDE schools. The CCPA will comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and any compliance complaints or mandates from the United States Department of Education (USDOE), Office for Civil Rights (OCR) or the California Department of Education (CDE) for students enrolled in the CCPA. CCPA will follow OCDE ACCESS Special Education Policies and Procedures, including using OCDE forms to develop, maintain, and review assessments and Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) in the format required by OCDE and will enter accurate IEP data into OCDE's designated data system in accordance with OCDE policies and procedures. CCPA will maintain copies of assessments and IEP materials for OCDE review. CCPA will submit to OCDE all required reports, including but not limited to CASEMIS, SEIS, and Aeries IEPs, in a timely manner as necessary to comply with state and federal requirements. CCPA will participate in the state quality assurance process for special education. CCPA will implement the programs and services, including providing related services, required by the IEPs of students enrolled at the CCPA. OCDE may invoke dispute resolution provisions set out in the charter petition, initiate due process hearings, and/or utilize other procedures applicable to the CCPA, if OCDE determines that such action is legally necessary to ensure compliance with federal and state special education laws and regulations. OCDE will investigate and respond to all special education complaints OCDE receives pertaining to CCPA, including the District's Uniform Complaint Procedures, Office for Civil Rights complaints, and CDE compliance complaints. CCPA will fully cooperate with OCDE in any such investigations and provide OCDE with any and all documentation needed to respond to complaints. CCPA shall adhere to all OCDE policies and procedures regarding special education and special education funding, as they may be amended from time to time.

CCPA shall comply with all federal, state, county, and city laws and regulations and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

#### **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN**

The educational program at the College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) is designed to meet student academic needs and to offer academic and vocational experiences in learning and practicing skills that will reconnect them to learning and improve their employability or success in a post-secondary school. Instruction will take place through an Independent Study model using that strategy designed to provide one on one and small group instruction through student-tailored, standards-based, California state curriculum.

#### **Guiding Structure**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) uses a curricular approach that is based upon the following concepts:

- High Expectations setting high expectation for all students.
- Self-discipline responsibility for one's own behavior.
- Academic Studies increasing access to academic studies that teach the essential concepts as related to real-world projects and problems.
- Teachers working together teachers plan and deliver integrated instruction aimed at teaching high-lever academic content in professional learning communities.
- Active Student Engagement getting every student involved in rigorous and challenging learning.
- Extra Help providing a structured system of extra help to enable students who may lack
  adequate preparation to complete a program of study that includes high-level academic
  content.
- Continuous improvement using student assessment and program evaluation data to continuously improve the school climate, organization, management, curricula and instruction to advance student learning.

#### Standards-based Core Curriculum

All students will receive instruction in the California State Content Standards with curriculum in English language arts, including English Language Development (ELD), mathematics, history-social sciences, science and physical education. California State Content Standards in English language arts and mathematics have been aligned with 45 other states' Content Standards. Students will receive appropriate grade level instruction using state standards based textbooks, including those providing reading and math interventions, if needed. Students identified as English language learners will receive English Language Development (ELD) instruction and will be appropriately placed in grade level core or intervention courses in math, English Language Arts and English Language Development sections. Textbooks and instructional materials are aligned with the State of California adopted frameworks and standards.

The primary materials for students in grades 9-12 will be chosen from the following: State Standards Aligned/California Approved Textbooks. (See Appendix 3-C)

#### **Independent Study**

CCPA shall follow all applicable laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures regarding the implementation of and accountability for Independent Study (see Appendix 1-A, OCDE Board Policy and Master Agreement), including those specific to charter schools, as they may be amended. CCPA will not provide any funds or other thing of value to the pupil or his or her parent or guardian that the agency does not provide to pupils who attend regular classes. These requirements, noted in OCDE policy and procedure and applicable laws and regulations, include but are not limited to the requirements of Education Code section 51747. Current Master Agreements for each student shall include:

- The manner, time, frequency, and place for submitting pupil's assignments and for reporting his or her progress.
- The objectives and methods of study for the pupil's work, and the methods utilized to evaluate that work.
- The specific resources, including materials and personnel that will be made available to the pupil.
- A statement of the policies adopted regarding the maximum length of time allowed between the assignment and the completion of the pupil's work, and the number of missed assignments allowed prior to an evaluation of whether or not the pupil should be allowed to continue in independent study.
- The duration of the independent study agreement, including beginning and ending dates for the pupil's participation in independent study under the agreement. No independent study agreement shall be valid for any period longer than one semester or one half year for a school on a year-round calendar.
- A statement of the number of course credits or other measures of academic accomplishment appropriate to the agreement, to be earned by the pupil upon completion.
- The inclusion of a statement in each independent study agreement that independent study is an optional, educational alternative, in which no pupil may be required to participate.
- Each written agreement shall be signed, prior to the commencement of independent study, by the pupil, the pupil's parent, legal guardian, or caregiver, (if the pupil is less than 18 years of age), the certificated employee who has been designated as having responsibility for the general supervision of independent study, and all persons who have direct responsibility for providing assistance to the pupil.

#### Master Agreements and Schedule

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) teachers will use a variety of strategies appropriate for the students' instructional level. The master agreement (See Appendix 1-A) ensures curriculum pacing and appropriate use of instructional time to implement a standards-based core curriculum. CCPA will maintain the same calendar as the ACCESS county community school program, an approximate 242 day school year. Students in CCPA need access to as many school days as possible to maximize opportunities for credit recovery and accelerated learning. Computer-based credit recovery courses through our GradPoint online learning program, offer an opportunity for students

to utilize technology to move more quickly to complete coursework and graduate with their peers or reengage in the learning process and earn a high school diploma. Teachers monitor student progress, and plan for support (academic, social, emotional, behavioral) based on identified needs.

Upon entering CCPA, students will be assessed to determine their individual levels of proficiency in English language arts and math. Results of the assessment will be used to determine course placement and instructional levels that best meet the student's current academic level needs. Weekly seminars are conducted in English Language Arts and Mathematics to assist students needing intervention strategies to build basic skills. Students failing to pass either section of the California High School Exit Exam will be required to participate in these seminars.

CCPA staff will use curriculum, including textbooks, on-line digital content, supplemental materials, and instructional strategies to meet the varied and individual ability levels of students. Each course will meet the state learning standards and instruction will focus on actively engaging students in learning experiences.

#### **Career Technical Education Training**

Work experience will provide students job shadowing experience, internship programs and career education training opportunities directly supervised by credentialed staff. Students will utilize job shadowing, internships, and mentoring to engage them in the application of learned skills and knowledge. College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will develop work experience and internship opportunities to parallel the career interests of students and to enhance academic and career technical skill development.

CCPA students will be guided through Career Technical Education opportunities afforded through our GradPoint on-line CTE classes and those being aligned through our AB 86 CTE work groups with community college non-credit and credit stackable certificate options. Concurrent/dual enrollment opportunities at local community colleges will be encouraged, as well as participation with Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) providers.

#### **Partnerships**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will be strengthened through collaboration with a variety of partners. The most important partnerships are those formulated between teachers, students, parents, mentors, and the community. The dynamics among these groups are critical to the planning, implementing, and design of CCPA. Agency and community partners are vital to the academic progress and meaningful learning experiences for CCPA students. These partnerships provide guest speakers, mentors, field trips, career fairs, job shadowing, internships, and community service opportunities.

CCPA will partner with agencies through their Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA), Department of Labor Innovation Grant Funding. (See Appendix 8-H, Letters of Intent)

#### Additional planned partners include:

- Rancho Santiago Community College District
- North Orange County Community College District
- South Orange County Community College District

- Coast Community College District
- Orange County Probation Department
- Orange County Sheriff's Department
- Orange County Health Care Agency
- Taller San Jose
- OC Children's Therapeutic Art Center
- Kids Works Community Development
- OC Conservation Corps
- Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance (OCAPICA)
- Orangewood Children's Foundation
- Santa Ana Peer Athletic Leadership (SAPAL)
- Santa Ana Public Library
- OC Interfaith Community Association
- Santa Ana Boys and Girls Club
- Orange County Rescue Mission
- Youth Entrepreneurial Program (YEP)
- Santa Ana College Community Services
- Santa Ana YMCA Project Kinship
- Encuentros Leadership

#### **Program Orientation**

Enrollment in College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) is voluntary, and prospective students and parents/caregivers for students who are minors are provided with an orientation to the CCPA instructional program, and policies and procedures prior to a decision to participate. Students are given a CCPA Orientation Survey and an academic assessment utilized to determine basic skills levels and suitability for working in an independent studies model of instructional delivery.

Students and parent/caregivers are interviewed to identify previous schools attended and any special needs or prior participation in English Language Development, Section 504 or Special Education programs.

For students 18 years and older, parent/caregiver participation is not required, but is encouraged, and will require student consent.

#### **Behavior Support**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) provides a supportive school environment that focuses on increasing academic and pro-social behaviors. CCPA staff members receive training on research-based models that provide systems for developing student resilience and help resist unacceptable or negative behaviors in order to reduce barriers to learning. Staff routinely participates in professional learning communities focused on analysis of student work and collaborate on research-based instructional strategies designed to increase student learning.

Staff will receive training to implement character development and leadership tools for students. The focus on social/emotional/behavioral supports for students in CCPA is to develop trusting

relationships based in a genuine concern for the well being of each student in a consistent, respectful manner that promotes academic performance and college to career readiness. This focus on the learning environment will provide motivation for positive self-regulated behavior, improved classroom attendance, and the reinforcement that supports students taking increased responsibility for their actions and performance. Student learning and achievement is continually assessed using multiple measures of success.

Through training and guided practice in utilizing character and leadership tools and strategies, delinquent behaviors such as disruptive outbursts, violent acts, substance abuse, and other risky behaviors are decreased as students practice empathy and an appreciation for diversity, core values, and making good choices

#### PLAN FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE ACADEMICALLY LOW ACHIEVING

To assist students in need of additional support, College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) offers a school calendar of 225 days for all students to receive full academic services in the area of core curriculum instruction and credit recovery. This offers the student a means to accelerate completion of required coursework. CCPA implements character development and leadership training to provide a consistent framework within which students are provided strategies and practices needed to increase the success of all students. Our students receive assistance through rigorous instruction and additional instructional support with targeted interventions, if needed.

#### **Curriculum Intervention**

As part of the enrollment process, students are administered the Scantron Performance Series assessment to identify present levels of reading and math skills. Students will be assessed for grade level placement in core classes required for graduation. Those identified with skills two years or more below grade level or below grade six are assigned to an intervention class as part of their academic schedule. Students will be given opportunities to participate in our GradPoint online learning system for credit recovery, reading and math interventions, CAHSEE preparation and other academic support classes as needed.

#### **Learning and Behavioral Interventions**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) participates in Student Consultation Teams (SCT) to assure an individualized approach to a variety of instructional strategies, strategic intervention materials, and behavior modification techniques to provide additional assistance to students at risk of dropping out of school due to poor grades, attendance, and/or behavioral issues. CCPA site teams are designed to work with the student and parent, as applicable, to identify obstacles and barriers preventing success and provide support needed to be successful in the school program.

#### PLAN FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE ACADEMICALLY HIGH ACHIEVING

The rigor of the instructional program at College and Career Preparatory Academy reflects the goals for all students to graduate, to be prepared for college and/or other post-secondary training, and be prepared for the workforce. CCPA provides teachers scheduled and continuous professional development for the standards-based California state standards curriculum. Academic guidance will be provided to students to support the pursuit of advanced educational opportunities by taking

college preparatory requirements and earning community college credits. All students will have access to University of California approved A-G course work through on-line instruction. Through distance learning, students can complete courses for additional requirements for college entrance. Students can be dually enrolled in the community college, and earning credits toward high school graduation. The OCPA staff, student, and parent, will develop these goals as part of the student's IECSP.

#### PLAN FOR ENGLISH LEARNERS-EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR SUCCESS

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) is committed to high levels of academic success for all students, including English Learners (EL). CCPA will meet all applicable legal requirements for ELs including, but not limited to, annual notification to parents/caregivers, student identification, placement for integrated and designated English Language Development (ELD), program options, and EL and core content instruction which is research-based, teacher qualifications and training, reclassification criteria and process to reclassify qualified students to fluent English proficient status; monitoring and evaluating program effectiveness; and standardized testing requirements.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will serve an EL population reflective of the student population in Orange County. CCPA emphasizes continual improvement dedicated to strengthening and expanding EL strategies. To ensure CCPA has qualified staff to serve EL students, CCPA will recruit staff with the proper training and success with EL students including a CLAD or BCLAD certificate, SDAIE training or other appropriate specialized training. CCPA will provide ongoing training opportunities for staff in EL strategies.

#### **Home Language Survey**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws related to the education of English Learner (EL) students. CCPA shall develop, implement, and maintain policies and procedures for the provision of services to EL students including identification, assessment, and assignment to appropriate academic and English Language Development courses. At the initial enrollment conference, the Home Language Survey will be administered to identify ELs and their CELDT proficiency levels.

#### California English Language Development Test (CELDT) Testing

All students who indicate that their home language is other than English will be given a CELDT test within 30 days of initial enrollment, if they are entering a California public school for the first time for the school year, or have never taken a CELDT test for another reason. They will be tested at least annually to measure their language growth, thereafter, between July 1 and October 31 until redesignated as fluent English proficient. EL students will also participate in other state mandated tests.

#### **Reclassification Procedures**

Reclassification procedures will utilize multiple criteria in determining whether to classify a pupil as proficient English, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

- Assessment of language proficiency using an objective assessment instrument including, but not limited to, the CELDT. The minimum expectations are Level 4 or 5 on CELDT with no individual language domains less than a Level 3.
- Participation of the pupil's classroom teachers and any other certificated staff with direct responsibility for teaching or placement decisions of the pupil to evaluate the pupil" curriculum mastery.
- Parent's/caregiver's, as applicable for students who are minors, opinion and consultation, achieved through notice to the parents/caregivers of the language reclassification and placement process and encouragement of the participation of parents/caregivers in the school's reclassification procedure.
- Comparison of the pupil's performance in basic skills against an empirically established
  range of performance levels and basic skills (based upon the performance of English
  proficient pupils of the same age that demonstrate to others that the pupil is sufficiently
  proficient in English to participate effectively in a curriculum designed for pupils of the same
  age whose native language is English).

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will notify parents/caregivers of its responsibility for CELDT testing under the No Child Left Behind Act for annual English proficiency testing. CELDT results will be given to parents/caregivers within 30 days of receiving results from the publisher.

ELs at CCPA will learn English and discipline-specific language necessary for college and career success. The goals of the English Learner (EL) plan are to provide students:

- Equal access to curriculum and instructional materials at the appropriate level of their acquired English.
- Standards-based integrated and designated ELD taught by qualified teachers of ELs.
- Qualified teachers who can equip EL students in their effective acquisition of English proficiency in content standards.
- Culturally-relevant curriculum and pedagogy to foster positive self-image and promote cross-cultural understanding.
- Staff development on research-based, best practices for ELs as well as to support and sustain a culture of reflective practice among teachers; teachers will continuously analyze formative and summative assessment results to target and differentiate instruction and ultimately improve instruction for ELs.
- Individualized Education Career Service Plans (IECSPs) with specific goals identified for increasing English literacy skills that are reviewed after 90 days and revised as needed.

- Parent participation in EL parent advisory committees to constantly monitor the effectiveness of the EL program; translation and interpretation services will be provided.
- Opportunity for English Language learners to receive support from EL certified teachers.

English Learners (EL) will develop their English language ability through the use of state-adopted materials.

The needs of English Learners will be met through:

- Progress monitoring through assessment of growth in attaining English proficiency.
- Assignment to a daily-assignment-schedule including ELD based on proficiency level.
- Placement in courses with highly qualified teachers authorized to teach ELs.
- Assignment to core classes using SDAIE techniques and intervention courses for reading and/or math based on appropriate instructional setting.
- Content teachers engaging students in structured academic talk; systematic, explicit, intensive, differentiated reading instruction; and, development of literacy skills along with oral proficiency and literacy in English.
- Teacher use of scaffolding content and structured, collaborative activities throughout instruction.
- Individualized Education Learning Plans (ILPs) with specific goals identified for increased English literacy skills that are reviewed after 90 days, and revised as needed.
- Staff collaboration regarding best practices in working with EL students.
- Primary language support provided by teachers and bilingual instructional assistants.
- Encouraged participation of parents in English Language Advisory Council (ELAC) and outreach activities with communication in the parent/caregiver home language.

Providing English Learners (EL) full access to a rigorous curriculum will be accomplished through a variety of strategies, guided by research-based principles for teaching EL students. The following information, adapted from the West Regional Education Laboratory, summarizes some of those principles and strategies:

- Use of non-verbal cues, using graphic organizers, hands-on learning, and cooperative/peer tutoring.
- Use of cooperative learning, study buddies, project-based learning/instruction, and one-to-one student/teacher interactions.
- Use of higher order thinking questions. Modeling thinking language by 'think-alouds', explicit teaching, test and study skills, and high expectations.
- Use of native language to increase comprehensibility.
- Total Physical Response (TPR)
- Language Experience (Dictated Stories)
- Scaffolding and activating prior knowledge.

CCPA will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

#### PLAN FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) shall assure that a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) is provided for all children with disabilities attending CCPA in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEIA) 20 U.S.C. Section 1400 et seq., and implementing regulations.

A full continuum of special education programs and related services shall be provided as required by an individual student's Individual Education Plan (IEP). No student otherwise eligible to enroll in CCPA will be denied enrollment due to a disability or the school's inability to procure necessary special education services. CCPA shall assume responsibility and compliance with Section 504 of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

#### College and Career Preparatory Academy Responsibilities

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will deliver required and appropriate special education services through Orange County Department of Education-Alternative Community Correctional Education Schools and Services (ACCESS) to students enrolled in CCPA. These services shall include:

- Child Find.
- Initial, annual, and triennial evaluations.
- Individual Education Plan (IEP) development.
- Service delivery for all provisions as delineated on students' IEP. Orange County Department
  of Education/ACCESS special education division is solely responsible for providing special
  education services. A district in which a student physically resides is not responsible for
  providing special education services to any student enrolled in CCPA, unless otherwise
  stipulated through a settlement agreement.
- Due process/compliance proceedings.
- Inter and intra/SELPA permits in accordance with County SELPA policies and procedures
- Submission of all required filings, etc. to fully comply with the SELPA and California Department of Education (CDE) requirements.

#### <u>Provisions for and Compliance of Special Education Services Referral</u>

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will refer to Student Consultation Team (SCT) to determine if alternative interventions are appropriate for students demonstrating low performance. Through this process, parents/caregivers, teachers, key school personnel, or other interested persons systematically review and make suggestions about student performance related to:

- Academic progress.
- Social/Emotional development.
- Physical limitations; and/or,
- Behavioral history.

Students shall be referred for assessment only when their individualized needs interfere with school performance and cannot be met through modifications within the general education/home-school setting (federal mandates require general education resources and services be exhausted before the CCPA refers a student for special education testing). Objective and complete data will be collected during an initial SCT referral to ensure appropriate recommendations for each student are made (i.e., work samples, cumulative record review, CAHSEE results, CST/Smarter Balance scores and health history). At all SCT meetings, members are assigned responsibilities for monitoring the success of the strategies offered. A follow-up date is scheduled to review the progress of the proposed strategies. In most cases, sufficient progress is noted at the follow-up meeting and more restrictive interventions are not warranted. If progress is not noted, the SCT may refer the student to more intensive research-based curricular strategies or for special education assessments. A formal (written) request from a parent/caregiver to assess a child (under 18) for special education supports and services will generate an SCT meeting within 15 days to respond to the request for assessment.

#### **Special Education Programs and Services**

For students with an identified disability referred to College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA), a Local Education Agency (LEA) representative must consult with a representative from CCPA, if this program may be considered as a placement option by the Individual Education Plan (IEP) team. A representative from CCPA must be in attendance at the IEP team meeting when placement decisions are made for CCPA. Upon enrollment, a special education coordinator or school psychologist will meet the parent/caregiver and student to review the most recent IEP and determine the need for updated or additional assessment. As needed, an additional meeting for staff, parent/caregiver, and the student will be arranged to develop a new IEP with appropriate goals and access to services at the CCPA program. Special education English Learners' IEP goals will reflect the individual student's linguistic objectives. The needs of special education students will be met through:

- Progress monitoring through assessment of progress in meeting student's IEP goals.
- Assignment to a daily schedule based on identified special needs.
- Special education credentialed teachers or other support (DIS) providers, as outlined in the IEP.
- Assignment to core classes and intervention courses for reading and/or math based on the appropriate instructional setting.
- Modifications and/or accommodations of curriculum or instruction, as specified in their IEP, to enable them to participate successfully in the general core curriculum.
- Additional instructional time to provide students sufficient instruction and practice in order for them to master grade-level standards and the skills assessed on the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE).
- Differentiated instruction by content teachers to engage students in structured reading instruction, development of literacy and math skills, and use of accommodations and/or modifications.

- Individual Education Career Service Plans (IECSP) with specific goals aligned to IEP goals that
  are reviewed after 90 days and revised as needed (all general and special education
  students complete and maintain the IECSP).
- Staff collaboration regarding best practices for working with special education students.
- Encouraged participation of parents/caregivers in outreach activities.
- Collaboration between CCPA and OCDE/ACCESS Special Education Unit to provide appropriate special education services.

#### Interim Placement and Individual Education Plan (IEP) Development

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will adhere to the legal mandates outlined in Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEIA) in implementing regulations. When a student with an active IEP transfers to CCPA (outside of the IEP process) he/she is provided an interim special education placement and a new IEP will be written on the corresponding Orange County/ACCESS Special Education forms within 30 days.

The IEP team is comprised of the parent/caregiver (and/or their requested representative[s]), a general education teacher familiar with the student's work, a special education teacher and any other Designated Instructional Service(DIS) provider as outlined in the IEP, an administrative representative, and the student. The IEP meetings will be facilitated by the CCPA special education case manager or administrative representative. Based upon areas of need, goals, objectives, frequency/duration of services are designed to maximize educational benefits for the student. Annual goals and short-term objectives are developed based upon California Grade Level Standards and Frameworks. Progress is periodically monitored, and written documentation of progress toward meeting annual goals is provided to parents/caregivers as frequently as their general education counterparts.

#### Initial and Triennial Assessments

When students are referred for an initial evaluation (must be under 18 years of age) to determine if they meet eligibility requirements to receive special education, CCPA will generate a referral for special education; monitor all legal timelines; develop an assessment plan offering testing in all suspected areas of disability; coordinate qualified personnel to provide the required testing; distribute written assessment reports to the parent/caregiver prior to the IEP meeting; generate IEP meeting notices; develop and facilitate the IEP meeting; and, distribute copies of the IEP to appropriate personnel.

CCPA will utilize the OCDE/ACCESS web-based Special Education Information System (SEIS) to complete all IEP's and report CASEMIS information.

At least once every three years, a student will be reassessed to determine his/her continued eligibility to receive special education services. The reassessment can be a complete re-evaluation with formalized assessments or a records review and informal assessment. Following any initial or triennial assessment, if a student has a documented learning or related disability but does not meet IDEA eligibility requirements for special education, a Section 504 Accommodation Plan could be offered and if accepted, developed at another 504 meeting.

#### Identification of Bilingual Special Education Students

Before a second language student is referred for special education, his/her level of English proficiency will be determined to ensure the lack of acquisition of language skills is not the reason for lower academic performance. Personnel fluent in a student's native language and familiar with the native culture will participate during the SCT process and during the referral, assessment and identification processes for determining the eligibility for special education.

The Limited English Proficiency/Fluent English Proficiency status of a student will be used to determine the language that he/she will be assessed in when a formal referral to special education is made. This will be documented on the IEP. Bilingual personnel will translate during IEP meetings. Written documents (assessment reports, IEP forms, Parent Rights and Procedural Safeguards, etc.) are available in the native language or can be transcribed when requested by the parent. At all IEP meetings involving second language learners, the IEP team notes whether eligible students will be provided special education services in their primary (L-1) or secondary (L-2) language. All goals and objectives for bilingual students will be developed in collaboration with BCLAD general education staff to insure linguistically appropriate goals and objectives are developed and that the student's language acquisition needs are taken into account when the IEP is developed. Special education personnel who assess and deliver services outlined on the student's IEP will have CLAD certification.

#### Staffing, Curriculum, Service Provisions and Student Accountability

All special education services will be provided by "highly qualified" staff as outlined in No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation. Special education services will supplement general education and will not supplant others sources of federal, state, and local funds apportioned for College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA). Identified special education students will be provided accommodations to allow access to the same core curriculum as their general education counterparts, as outlined in their IEP's, and in the least restrictive environment. All identified special education students are expected to participate in Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) and the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) and/or, required State Performance Assessments. If the IEP team determines the student requires accommodations or modifications of state tests, this will be outlined in the students IEP. The IEP team can also determine if the student requires an alternative assessment and document the need on the IEP.

All services, supplementary materials, or assistive devices required to access core curriculum will be provided at no cost to the identified special education student, as outlined in the IEP. No facilities utilized for the purposes of special education will present any physical barrier that would limit an eligible student's full participation in the educational or extracurricular program. Differentiated or weighted grading policies or practices will not be in place for identified special education students, unless specifically stated and described in the IEP.

#### Disenrollment, Suspension, Expulsion

Attendance for special education service will be monitored closely to ensure identified students' access to all service are as outlined on their IEP. If a special education student misses two sessions within a month, CCPA will contact the family or the student, 18 years or older. If three consecutive special education meetings with a provider are missed, an IEP meeting will be called to insure the

CCPA personalized learning model remains an appropriate placement for the student and to discuss steps the IEP team will take to carefully monitor progress that assures educational benefit for the student.

Students with disabilities will be disciplined in accordance with this Charter and the Parent/Student Handbook, except that students with disabilities will be afforded the protections in federal law against an unlawful change in placement. No identified special education or Section 504 student will be suspended for more than ten (10) school days per calendar year without a Manifestation Determination meeting to determine if his/her misconduct is a manifestation of his/her disability. A school psychologist will be involved in all phases of expulsion proceedings and parent/student will be provided due process rights throughout. In cases where suspension (beyond 10 days per school year) or expulsion is recommended following the Manifestation Determination meeting, the CCPA and the Orange County Department of Education Director of Special Education will be notified and the regular discipline procedures will apply.

#### Maintenance of Special Education Records

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) shall verify that OCDE/ACCESS Division of Special Education maintains special education files, uses appropriate forms/software, and files reports as necessary to maintain legal compliance.

#### **Special Education Funding**

North Orange County SELPA shall allocate funding to OCDE for services to CCPA for the provision of special education services in accordance with Assembly Bill (AB) 602.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will contract for special education services with qualified providers who possess appropriate special education credential(s) for needed service that are not provided by CCPA. All expenditures associated with delivery of said special education services is the responsibility of the CCPA.

CCPA shall be responsible for all special education costs in excess of revenues received from the North Orange County SELPA.

Orange County Department of Education in cooperation with the North Orange County SELPA, shall document that all state and federal special education funds are used for the sole purpose of providing special education instruction and/or services to identified students with disabilities. Such funds shall be used to supplement and not supplant other sources of federal, state and local funds apportioned to CCPA.

CCPA will be a school of OCDE for the purposes of special education and will receive funding and services through OCDE's membership in the North Orange County SELPA.

#### Parent/Caregiver Concerns/Complaints

Parent/Caregiver concerns regarding special education services shall be directed to OCPA. CCPA shall address the parent/caregiver/adult student concerns. CCPA will address, respond to, investigate, and take any and all necessary action to respond and attend to all complaints involving special education and IDEIA compliance. CCPA may initiate a due process hearing concerning an

enrolled student as the Charter determines it legally necessary to meet CCPA's responsibilities under federal and state law.

CCPA will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

#### **ELEMENT 2: MEASURABLE PUPIL OUTCOMES**

"The measurable pupil outcomes identified for use by the charter school, 'Pupil Outcomes', for purposes of this part means the extent to which all pupils of the school demonstrate that they have attained the skills, knowledge, and attitudes specified as goals in the school's educational program. Ed Code § 47605(b)(5)(B).

#### **MEASURABLE STUDENT OUTCOMES**

A comprehensive assessment system will focus on student performance as the key component to demonstrate student success and competency using multiple assessment measures. College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will administer the mandated state assessments as an independent entity and also meet any required state performance standards developed. CCPA will use statewide performance standards as required by Education Code Sections 60602, et seq. CCPA will conduct an annual evaluation of student academic performance to determine if students are achieving academic levels that are at least equivalent to or exceeding those achieved by students in similar type school, both within the county and across the state. To ensure that students are achieving proficiency in state grade level content standards, CCPA will:

- Fully implement California State Board of Education adopted standards-aligned instructional materials in English Language Arts (ELA). English Language Development (ELD).
   Mathematics, History-Social Sciences, and Science along with targeted interventions.
- Align the course of study with state grade level California State Standards.
- Train teachers and the Program Administrator/Principal on materials-based (ELA/ELD and Math adoptions) and research-based strategies.
- Implement and monitor classroom curriculum and instruction to focus on standards-based instruction and research-based instructional strategies.
- Provide a comprehensive computer-based credit recovery system aligned with state content standards for students to make up credits for courses they have failed in past semesters/years and/or accelerate learning.
- Evaluate student progress in ELA and mathematics with Scantron Performance Series or the untimed BASI, using results to target specific areas needing additional instruction.
- Increase student attendance through more rigorous and relevant curricular programs, increase school safety, and reduce school suspensions.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will set additional performance goals for students in the areas of graduation rate, dropout rate, concurrent college enrollment, attendance rate, truancy, and suspensions, CCPA will:

- Increase the graduation rates to the graduation targets required to meet ESEA
  requirements. This is based on making a progressively more challenging annual target in
  order to attain a 90% graduation rate by 2020.
- Increase the graduation rate each year. The graduation rate is based on California Department of Education (CDE) data. The county wide average is currently 83.5%.
- Increase concurrent college enrollment by 25 students per year.

• Increase literacy development from one grade level to the next level where students are at or above grade level in the area of reading and mathematics.

#### **ELEMENT 3: ASSESSMENTS/METHODS OF MEASURING PUPIL PROGRESS**

"The method by which pupil progress in meeting those pupil outcomes is to be measured Ed Code § 47605(b)(5)(C). Must meet statewide testing requirements. Ed Code § 47605(c)(1)

#### **METHODS OF ASSESSMENT**

#### **Summative Assessment**

To measure growth in student achievement: College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will annually use the California Department of Education evaluation tools such as California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE), California Standards Tests (CST) in Science or California Modified Assessment (CMA), and California English Language Development Test (CELDT), Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA), or other state adopted assessments as required. Qualified students with disabilities will be ensured placement in the appropriate state assessment and provided appropriate accommodations or modifications for all state tests.

#### Formative Assessment

As part of the enrollment process, students will be given a standards-based assessment to identify current reading and math skills. Students will be assessed for grade level placement in core classes required for graduation. Ongoing formative assessments will measure each student's progress in mastering reading and math skills. Teachers will use tools such as Scantron Performance Series and the Basic Achievement Skills Inventory (BASI), a multi-level achievement test measuring math, reading, and language skills. The BASI is norm referenced with up-to-date and relevant norms based on a national sampling matching 2000 U.S. Census Data. There is an untimed version of the test for students with accommodations. The purpose of the untimed test is to provide criterion-referenced performance information at the objective level for each student. This option is appropriate for the special needs of student who experience anxiety with timed tests and those students in the lowest quartile of norm-referenced tests.

#### **USE AND REPORTING OF DATA**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will first develop an Individualized Education Career Service Plan (IECSP) (see Appendix D) for each student that documents his/her current achievement scores and delineate specific areas of need, interests and goals to address. The purpose of the IECSP is to allow each student entering into CCPA program to team with their parent/caregiver (as applicable) and the teacher to set and monitor obtainable future goals. Student progress will be measured by ongoing assessments, such as the Scantron Performance Series and/or the Basic Achievement Skills Inventory, for academic achievement.

Academic assessments will be administered at benchmarks throughout the year for the purpose of assessing student need and growth areas in targeted standards. Students will be assessed regularly in reading and math skills. Data derived from these evaluations will be used to individualize instruction as each student participates with his/her instructor and parent or self, as an adult learner, to design/refine the Individualized Education Career Service Plan (IECSP).

Based on a Professional Learning Communities (PLC) model, school site data teams will meet monthly to analyze data and monitor student achievement and make adjustments in provision of extra time and support that may be needed by struggling students.

CCPA will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

#### **ELEMENT 4: GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE**

"The governance structure of the school, including, but not limited to, the process to be followed by the school to ensure parental involvement." Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(D).

As an affiliated charter school of OCDE, College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) is subject to the governance and control of OCDE. Governance at the school site level, including School Site Councils, shall be in accordance with the provisions of this petition and shall be consistent with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations, OCDE policies, and the provisions of OCDE collective bargaining agreements. Any governance model in conflict with the above shall be null and void. CCPA shall comply with the Brown Act, the Political Reform Act, the Public Records Act, and Government Code section 1090 as well as OCDE policies and procedures regarding conflicts of interest. CCPA shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations, as well as OCDE policies, as they may be changed from time to time.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will be a public charter school authorized by the Orange County Board of Education and administered by the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) through Orange County Department of Education.

Through its role of long-range policy development and other critical functions and responsibilities, Orange County Board of Education works with the Orange County Superintendent to offer the most effective educational programs and services available.

The Orange County Board of Education (OCBE) will retain roles and responsibilities as defined in Education Code 1040 0 1047 for the College and Career Preparatory Academy Charter School. OCBE is responsible for approving CCPA's annual budget, adopting curriculum, and acquiring real property for the purpose of housing programs and services.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will follow applicable policies set forth by Orange County Board of Education (OCBE) and the administrative regulations set by the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE).

#### **Role of Chartering Authority**

As the chartering authority, the Orange County Board of Education (OCBE) will be responsible for fulfilling its statutory oversight responsibilities as required by law, including the duties identified in Education Code Section 47604.32. The OCBE will be responsible for reviewing and taking action on charter petition renewal requests, and have the authority to initiate revocation proceedings, if necessary, as provided by Education Code Section 47607.

#### Title IX, Section 504, and Uniform Complaint Procedures

CCPA shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations and implement all OCDE policies and procedures related to its responsibilities under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504), and OCDE's Uniform Complaint Procedures.

### **Responding to Inquiries**

CCPA shall promptly respond to all OCDE inquiries, including but not limited to inquiries regarding financial records, and shall cooperate with OCDE regarding any inquiries. CCPA acknowledges that it is subject to audit by OCDE. If an allegation or other evidence of waste, fraud, abuse, or other material violation of law related to CCPA's operations, or breach of charter, is received or discovered by OCDE, CCPA shall cooperate with any resulting investigation undertaken by OCDE.

#### **Notification of OCDE**

CCPA shall notify OCDE in writing of any citations or notices of workplace hazards, investigations by outside regulatory or investigative agencies, lawsuits, or other formal complaints, within one week of receipt of such notices by CCPA. CCPA shall also notify OCDE in writing of any internal investigations within one week of commencing investigation.

### **Insurance/Risk Management**

As a school of the OCDE, CCPA shall participate in OCDE's insurance and risk management programs, and shall comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies, and procedures.

#### **Administrative Services**

As a school of the OCDE, CCPA shall receive support services in the same manner as other ACCESS schools through OCDE, Administrative Services, and Business Services. These services include those provided by Accounting, Fiscal Services, Payroll and Retirement Processing, Information Technology, Contracts and Purchasing, Human Resources, staff development and training, and instructional support. CCPA will enter and submit CALPADS and CBEDS data through OCDE as the authorizing agent.

### **Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)**

CCPA acknowledges and agrees that it must comply with all applicable laws and regulations related to AB 97 (Local Control Funding Formula), in accordance with OCDE policies and procedures, as they may be amended from time to time. Attached in Appendix 7-G is the preliminary Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for 2015-16, which shall be updated as required by applicable laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures.

#### **Federal Program Compliance**

As part of OCDE, which is a recipient of federal funds, CCPA shall meet all programmatic, fiscal, and other regulatory requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

### **McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act**

CCPA shall adhere to the provisions of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and ensure that each child of a homeless individual and each homeless youth have equal access to the same free, appropriate public education as provided to other children and youths.

#### **Student Records**

CCPA, including its administrators, assigned employees, and representatives, shall comply with FERPA and related state laws and regulations at all times. CCPA shall comply with and implement all OCDE policies and procedures related to the creation, use, maintenance, storage, disclosure, and transfer of student records. When a student transfers for any reason from CCPA to any other school district, CCPA shall notify the superintendent of the school district of the student's last known address within 30 days, and shall, within 10 school days of receiving a records request, provide that school district with a copy of the student's cumulative record, including a transcript of grades or report card and health information.

CCPA will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

#### **ELEMENT 5: EMPLOYEE QUALIFICATIONS**

"The qualifications to be met by individuals to be employed by the school" Ed Code § 47605(b)(5)(E).

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) acknowledge and agree that all persons are entitled to equal employment opportunity. CCPA shall not discriminate against applicants or employees on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation, pregnancy, national origin, ancestry, citizenship, age, marital status, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, military and veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by California or federal law. Equal employment opportunity shall be extended to all aspects of the employer-employee relationship, including recruitment, selection, hiring, upgrading, training, promotion, transfer, discipline, layoff, recall, and dismissal from employment.

### **Staffing**

CCPA shall comply with and implement all applicable state and federal laws and regulations, OCDE policies, and OCDE collective bargaining agreements. CCPA shall be subject to all OCDE decisions regarding reduction in force, layoffs, salaries, classifications, and assignments. Selection of certificated staff shall comply with Education Code, OCDE policy, and applicable collective bargaining agreements. Selection of classified staff shall be in compliance with the Education Code, OCDE policy, and applicable collective bargaining agreements. Every effort will be made to avoid assigning staff to Charter School; however, OCDE retains the right to make such assignments in cases where no alternative is available (e.g., as a result of reductions in force or reasonable accommodations in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act).

## **Rights of OCDE Employees**

As an affiliated charter school, CCPA administrators, faculty and staff are OCDE employees. All CCPA employees will be hired by OCDE and maintain the same relationships with and through all respective bargaining units as other OCDE employees at non-charter schools.

### **Professional Development**

CCPA shall comply with and implement any OCDE- mandated professional development. Any professional development required by OCDE for newly-adopted curriculum will be funded by OCDE consistent with its practice for other OCDE schools.

### **Compensation and Benefits**

CCPA staff will be employed by the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) and will have all rights and responsibilities accordingly. Employees of the OCDE will be covered by existing employee agreements. Employees will earn additional years of service credit in the county office while working in CCPA. In addition, they will retain any rights to accumulated sick leave return rights, vacation for those who are eligible, family leave, and health coverage.

CCPA will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

#### **ELEMENT 6: HEALTH AND SAFETY**

'The procedures that the school will follow to ensure the health and safety of pupils and staff These procedures shall include the requirements that each employee of the school furnish the school with a criminal record summary as described in §44237." Ed. Code §47605 (b)(5)(F)

CCPA shall comply with all federal, state, county, and city laws and regulations and OCDE policies and procedures related to health, safety, and emergencies, as they may change from time to time. CCPA shall comply with and implement all OCDE policies and procedures related to protecting the health and safety of students and staff, including but not limited to policies and procedures related to suspected child abuse and neglect reporting and awareness training.

#### Health, Safety, and Emergency Plan

As an affiliated charter school, CCPA shall comply with and implement all OCDE policies and procedures related to health, safety, and emergencies, including but not limited to the creation, maintenance, and implementation of a Safe School Plan. CCPA shall ensure that its staff receives annual training on CCPA's health, safety, and emergency procedures and shall maintain a calendar for, and conduct, emergency response drills for students and staff in accordance with OCDE policies and procedures. CCPA shall periodically review and modify, as necessary, its Health, Safety, and Emergency Plan and keep it readily available for use and review.

#### **Criminal Background Checks and Fingerprinting**

In order to ensure the health and safety of pupils and staff, CCPA shall ensure that all employees, contractors, and volunteers adhere to the policies and procedures of OCDE related to fingerprinting and criminal background checks.

#### **Immunization and Health Screening Requirements**

In order to ensure the health and safety of pupils and staff, CCPA shall ensure that all employees, contractors, and volunteers adhere to the policies and procedures of OCDE related to tuberculosis assessment and clearance. CCPA shall comply with and implement all OCDE policies and procedures related to the immunization and health screening of its students, including but not limited to the immunization of pupils as a condition of attendance and screening for vision, hearing, and scoliosis.

## Safe Place to Learn

CCPA shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Safe Place to Learn Act, Education Code section 234 et seq.

## **ELEMENT 7: RACIAL BALANCE/NON-DISCRIMINATION**

'The means by which the school will achieve a racial and ethnic balance among its pupils that is reflective of the general population residing within the territorial jurisdiction of the school district to which the charter petition is submitted." Ed. Code §47605 (b)(5)(G)

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will be nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations, and it will not discriminate against any student on the basis of actual or perceived disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in Section 422.5 of the Penal Code, or one's association with a person with those characteristics.

The CCPA will, through advertising, community forums, public/private partnerships or other recruitment methods, seek to represent the diversity displayed within Orange County and will maintain a student enrollment with demographics similar to those found within Orange County.

#### **ELEMENT 8: ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENT**

"Admissions Requirements, if applicable" Ed. Code § 47605 (b)(5)(H)

#### STUDENT ADMISSION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

All students who wish to attend College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will be admitted, subject to space limitations.

The following categories of eligible students shall be exempt from the single public random drawing and may be admitted without participation in the lottery:

- 1. Existing students of Orange County Department of Education/Alternative, Community, Correctional, Education, Schools and Services; (ACCESS) and,
- 2. Siblings of students admitted to or attending College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA).

CCPA will have the capacity to serve a maximum of 1200 students at all locations, once fully operational. CCPA operates year round and will have open enrollment throughout the year. A student wishing to attend CCPA may apply for admission at any time. All students wishing to attend CCPA will be granted admission if they meet the minimum eligibility requirements and capacity permits. If applications exceed capacity, a single public random drawing will be held to determine the order of admission. All names of eligible students requesting admission will be placed in a container, except for those categories of students exempt from the lottery.

All names will be pulled and sequentially numbered. Placements into the program will be made in numerical order until all openings are filled. The remaining numbered students will be placed on a waiting list and will be offered, in sequential order, an opportunity to attend CCPA if space becomes available. The waiting list will only be maintained for the current school year, and students who have not been admitted will be required to apply again for the next school year like all other interested students. Students who are enrolled shall not be required to reapply for the next school year if they maintain continuous enrollment. Admission to CCPA shall be on a voluntary basis.

All application/enrollment forms will be date and time stamped. It is the parent/caregiver/adult student's responsibility to update their contact information continuously with the charter school. CCPA shall not be responsible for failed attempts to contact a wait-listed parent/caregiver/adult applicant due to expired contact information.

Once notified of an available space, a parent/caregiver/adult applicant will have the following options:

- 1. Accept the available space within 2 business days of the offer.
- 2. Decline the available space and be removed from the wait-list.
- 3. Decline the available space and be placed at the end of the wait-list.
- 4. If the school does not receive a response within 2 business days of the offer, the school will deem the parent/caregiver/adult applicant to have declined the available space and remove the student from the wait-list.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will actively recruit a diverse student population from the surrounding areas who understand and value the vision, mission, and core values of CCPA. In general, CCPA will serve those students who have not found success in traditional schools and/or have dropped out of school. CCPA will distribute flyers and provide presentations, as permitted, but not limited to:

- 1. OC Probation Department.
- 2. OC Sheriff's Re-entry Division.
- 3. Local workforce development providers who wish to partner with CCPA as an education option for their participants.
- 4. Local districts that may have 18 year olds in need of an educational option.
- 5. Local community college districts that choose to refer a student who is not progressing in their program, but with additional support through CCPA may complete a high school diploma program, while participating in workforce and career skills development and be better prepared to transition back to the community college setting.

CCPA shall be nonsectarian in programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations. CCPA shall not charge tuition. It shall not discriminate against any pupil on the basis of actual or perceived disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in Section 422.55 of the Penal Code, or one's association with a person with those characteristics.

Prospective students and parents/caregivers will be oriented regarding instructional and operational philosophies and practices of CCPA and given a summary of the student policies. There may be public or private meetings with the CCPA staff. Students and their parents/caregivers (unless the student is 18 years of age) will be required to sign, verifying receipt of the Parent/Student Handbook (see Appendix H) indicating their agreement to maintain CCPA attendance and behavioral standards. Those students 18 years of age and older will sign all documents and make all decisions related to school. However, students 18 years and older will be encouraged to include parents/caregivers in school activities and home/school communication, to build positive family and community relationships. Students failing to meet school attendance and behavioral standards, as outlined in the Parent/Student Handbook may be dismissed from CCPA in accordance with due process procedural safeguards.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) may enroll any eligible student or other eligible student, 16 years and older who qualify for enrollment in a county community school under Education Code Section 1981 or in a community day school under Education Code Section 48662, who resides in California who wishes to enroll. These students may meet minimum eligibility requirements that permit enrollment based on the following:

- Expelled from a school district within the geographic boundaries of Orange County and adjacent counties.
- Referred to a county community school by an Orange County school district as a result of the recommendation by a School Attendance Review Board (SARB).
- Referred by the Orange County school district of attendance at the request of the pupil's parent/caregiver with that district's approval of the pupil's enrollment in a county community school.

- Probation-referred pursuant to Sections 300, 601, 602, 654, 727, 729.2, and 791 of, and paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of § 727 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code:
  - 1. On probation or parole and not in attendance in any school.
  - 2. Expelled from a school district within the geographic boundaries of Orange County and contiguous counties.
  - 3. Pupils who do not have school districts of attendance, or school districts of residence (formerly identified as homeless).

#### **ELEMENT 9: FINANCIAL PLANNING, REPORTING, AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

'The manner in which annual, independent, financial audits shall be conducted, which shall employ generally accepted accounting principles, and the manner in which audit exceptions and deficiencies shall be resolved to the satisfaction of the chartering authority." Ed. Code § 47605 (b)(5)(I).

#### **BUDGETS**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) has developed a three-year multi-year budget that supports the mission and goals proposed in this Charter (See Appendix 2-B). The financial plan is intended to fulfill the terms of Education Code Section 47605 (g) and provides financial information about the proposed charter school. This is an informational document and does not constitute a legal binding contract or agreement. This document is not part of the charter of CCPA or any related agreements or memoranda of understanding:

- CCPA's average daily attendance is projected to be up to 500 in the first year of operation and will grow up to 750 the second year, 900 the third year, and up to 1,200 the fourth year. It will stay at 1200 or more in the fifth year.
- The students will attend CCPA an average of 90% of the number of total allocated hours.
- CCPA's fiscal management will be the responsibility of the charter school and the Orange County Department of Education.
- Individual line-item assumptions are shown in the following three-year plan (See Appendix B).

#### **SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will apply to become a member of the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA), and will receive an apportionment in accordance with the terms of the SELPA AB 602 Allocation Plan. CCPA will receive all applicable special education funds as specified in the SELPA's Assembly Bill (AB) 602 Funding Allocation Plan. CCPA will receive AB 602 Growth Rate funding based on ADA plus program specialist dollars for the base year. In subsequent years, this base rate will increase by COLA as well as grant dollars based on appropriate eligibility requirements.

### FINANCIAL REPORTING/Annual Independent Financial Audits

The fiscal operations of College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will be supervised by OCDE. CCPA will not have a separate audit but will be a part of the annual audit for OCDE. CCPA will follow all financial policies and procedures of OCDE, including but not limited to purchasing, student body funds, payroll, petty cash, payment approval for goods and services, and contracts administration.

#### **INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will contract with the Orange County Department of Education and the Orange County Superintendent of Schools to provide services for general liability insurance, workers compensation, and other required insurance from an insurance carrier licensed to do business in the State of California, and keep in full force during the term of the charter, at least the following insurance coverage:

- Property Insurance for replacement value, including coverage for all assets listed in the school's property inventory and consumables.
- General Liability At least \$2,000,000 per occurrence and \$5,000,000 in total liability insurance providing coverage for negligence, errors and omissions/educators legal liability, abuse and molestation, and employment practices liability of the school, its governing board, officers, agents, employees, or students.
- Workers' Compensation In accordance with the provisions of the California Labor Code, insurance adequate to protect the school from claims under Workers' Compensation Acts which may arise from its operation, with statutory limits.
- Automobile Insurance to the extent necessary and in amounts appropriate for the type and use of the automobile.

Evidence of insurance coverage will be provided to the OCDE Division of Administrative Services/Business Services Division upon request and will instruct the insurance carrier(s) to inform OCDE immediately if the coverage becomes inoperative for any reason.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will be covered under the Orange County Department of Education to provide support services through the Division of Administrative Services, the Division of Alternative Education, the Division of Business Services, the Division of Instructional Services and the Division of Information Technology. This includes services provided by Accounting, Fiscal Services, Payroll and Retirement Processing, Technology System Support, Contracts and Purchasing, staff development and training, and instructional support. CCPA CALPADS data will be submitted through OCDE as the authorizing agent.

#### **FACILITIES**

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) shall operate its primary administrative offices at 1669 E. Wilshire Avenue, Suites 601-608, Santa Ana, California 92705.

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will adhere to all applicable OCDE, state, and federal laws, policies and regulations regarding facilities.

### **TRANSPORTATION**

Transportation will not be provided to students attending CCPA unless specified in the student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

CCPA will comply with all laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

### **ELEMENT 10: SUSPENSION/EXPULSION PROCEDURES**

"The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled" Ed. Code § 47605 (b)(5)(J)

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will adopt and implement the procedure for suspension and expulsion set forth in the California Education Code Sections 48900-48927, with the following modifications:

- The program administrator/principal or designee is responsible for issuing suspensions and making recommendations for expulsion.
- The Orange County Department of Education shall appoint the Administrative Hearing Panel.
- Recommendations of the Administrative Hearing Panel, after hearing, shall be submitted to the Orange County Department of Education or designee for final action.
- There will be no right to appeal the decision of the Orange County Department of Education to the Orange County Board of Education.

The CCPA will adopt and implement a comprehensive Parent/Student Handbook. The Parent/Student Handbook will describe the school's expectations regarding attendance, mutual respect, violence, safety, and work habits. Students and their parents/caregivers, if appropriate, will be required to verify in writing that they have reviewed and understand these policies prior to enrollment. Students may be suspended or expelled from CCPA for noncompliance with the policies set forth by the CCPA according to Education Code 48900 et seq.

If an expelled student enrolled in CCPA commits another violation of the Education Code leading to expulsion while enrolled in CCPA, the student may be transferred to a community school site operated by the Orange County Department of Education.

When the pupil leaves CCPA without graduating or completing the school year for any reason, CCPA will notify the superintendent of the school district of the pupil's last known address within 30 days and will, upon request, provide the school district with a copy of the (cumulative) student record of the pupil, including a transcript of grades or report card and health information.

CCPA will comply with all laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

#### **ELEMENT 11: EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

"The manner by which staff members of the charter school will be covered by the State Teachers' Retirement System, the Public Employees' Retirement System, or federal social security" Ed Code § 47605 (b)(5)(K)

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) employees are employees of Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) and will continue to receive compensation and benefits for their services according to the provisions of the applicable collective bargaining agreements or OCDE policies and procedures, including but not limited to salaries, unemployment benefits, retirement benefits including STRS and PERS, health insurance, life insurance, and all other assigned compensation and benefits. As OCDE employees, CCPA's administrators, faculty and staff will receive all appropriate benefits in compliance with state and federal laws regarding employee benefits.

Certificated and non-certificated employees of the OCDE shall be compensated according to the appropriate salary schedule for their job classification. Certificated and non-certificated employees of the CCPA will participate in STRS, PERS, or Social Security depending upon each individual's eligibility. Enrollment in these programs will be monitored by the Division of Business Services of the Orange County Department of Education.

OCDE shall be the exclusive public school employer of the employees of the CCPA for the purposes of the Educational Employment Relations Act (EERA) and all other purposes.

## **ELEMENT 12: PUBLIC SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ALTERNATIVES**

"The public school attendance alternatives for pupils within the school district who choose not to attend charter schools." Ed. Code § 47605 (b)(5)(L)

Attendance at College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) is entirely voluntary on the part of the students who enroll. District of residence public schools or charter schools other than CCPA continue to be an option for these students who choose to not attend CCPA. In addition, students have the right to seek inter-district transfers from their school districts of residence to another school district in accordance with the policies and procedures of those districts.

### **ELEMENT 13: RIGHTS OF THE EMPLOYEE**

"A description of the rights of any employee of the school district upon leaving the employment of the school district to work in a charter school, and any rights of return to the school district after employment at a charter school." Ed. Code § 47605 (b)(5)(M).

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) staff will be employed by the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) and will have all rights and responsibilities accordingly. Employees of the OCDE will be covered by existing employee agreements. Employees will earn additional years of service credit in the county office while working in CCPA. In addition, they will retain any rights to accumulated sick leave, return rights, family leave and health coverage.

#### **ELEMENT 14: DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

"The procedures to be followed by the charter school and the entity granting the charter to resolve disputes relating to provisions of the charter" Ed. Code § 47605 (b)(5)(N).

If a dispute arises between the Orange County Board of Education (OCBE), as granting entity, and College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) relating to provisions of this Charter, the following procedures will be followed: The President of the OCBE and CCPA, or their respective designees, will meet to discuss the area of dispute. If the dispute is not resolved informally, the parties may, by agreement, engage the assistance of a third-party mediator to assist in resolving the dispute. Nothing herein shall interfere with the authority of the OCBE to issue a written notice of violations or initiate revocation proceedings in accordance with the provisions of Education Code Section 47607.

### **Internal Disputes**

Issues between students, teachers, parents/caregivers, applicant families, volunteers, advisors, and other community associated with the school should be resolved in-house in an amicable and fair manner whenever possible. The Program Administrator/Principal is responsible for resolving all conflicts through a process that emphasizes the common goals and interests of the parties involved. The Orange County Associate Superintendent, or designee, of the Division of Alternative Education is the appellate body.

Except for those matters to which the Parties mutually agree, pursuant to Education Code Section 47611.5, any dispute related to provisions of CCPA which arises between College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) and the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) shall be resolved as follows:

## **Uniform Complaints**

Complaints alleging (1) unlawful discrimination; or (2) failure to comply with state and/or federal laws in adult education programs, consolidated categorical aid programs, migrant education, career technical education, child care and development programs, child nutrition programs, special education programs, and federal school safety planning requirements shall be investigated pursuant to the Uniform Complaint Procedures. (5 CCR Section 4600)

## **Employee Issues**

For disputes involving employees, the Program Administrator/Principal of CCPA and the Orange County Department of Education, Associate Superintendent, Division of Alternative Education, or designee shall meet with OCDE employee representative to discuss any issue or disagreement related to one or more CCPA employees, in accordance with applicable OCDE policies and procedures and applicable collective bargaining agreements.

#### Other issues

In all other matters, any disagreement not resolved by the Program Administrator/Principal may be appealed to the Associate Superintendent or designee through a formal written statement. After a full discussion of any such issue with the complaining party and the Associate Superintendent or designee,

the Associate Superintendent or designee shall have ten (10) working days to render a final and binding decision setting forth the resolution of the issue.

CCPA will comply with all laws, regulations, and OCDE policies and procedures as they may be amended.

## **ELEMENT 15: EXCLUSIVE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYER**

"A declaration whether or not the charter school shall be deemed the exclusive public school employer of the employees of the charter for the purposes of the Educational Employment Relations Act (Chapter 10.7 (commencing with Section 3540) of division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code)." Ed. Code § 47605 (b)(5)(O).

The Orange County Department of Education shall be the exclusive public school employer of the employees of the College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) for the purposes of the Educational Employment Relations Act (EERA) and all other purposes.

#### **ELEMENT 16: CLOSURE PROTOCOL**

"A description of the procedures to be used if the charter school closes. The procedures shall ensure a final audit of the school to determine the disposition of all assets and liabilities of the charter school, including plans for disposing of any net assets and for the maintenance and transfer of pupil records." Ed. Code § 47605 (b)(5)(P)

The following procedures shall constitute the "Closure Protocol" and shall apply in the event College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) ceases to be a charter school or otherwise closes for any reason.

Any decision to close CCPA as a charter school operating pursuant to this Chapter shall be documented by official action of the Orange County Department of Education (Closure Action). The action will identify the reason for closure (e.g. decision not to renew as a charter school). The Closure Action shall be deemed to have been automatically made if the following occur: the Charter is revoked or non-renewed; the OCDE elects to close CCPA, or the Charter lapses. In the event of a Closure Action, the following steps shall be implemented:

- College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will notify the authorizer of the determination
  of the Closure Action and the effective date of the closure as a charter school within 72 hours of
  the Closure Action.
- 2. Written notification to the home districts of the list of returning students shall be made within 72 hours of the determination of the Closure Action.
- 3. Written notification of the Closure Action and the effective date of closure of CCPA shall be made by CCPA to the California Department of Education and the Orange County Department of Education by registered mail within 72 hours of the Closure Action.
- 4. Upon closure, College and Career Preparatory Academy shall remain solely responsible for all liabilities arising from the operation of the charter school.
- 5. College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will ensure notification to the parents/caregivers and students of CCPA of the closure and provide information to assist parents/caregivers and students in locating suitable alternative programs. This notice will be provided within 72 hours of the Closure Action. The written notification shall include information on assistance in transferring each student to another appropriate school and a process for the transfer of all student records.
  - CCPA will provide parents/caregivers, students, and the receiving school districts copies of all appropriate student records within seven calendar days from the determination of the Closure Action or within seven days of the last student attendance day at CCPA, if CCPA is to remain open as a charter school beyond the date that a Closure Action is determined, and will otherwise assist students in transferring to other schools. All transfer of student records will be made in compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA") 20 USC Section 1232g. Original records of College and Career Preparatory Academy charter school students will be stored by OCDE.
- 6. As soon as is reasonably practical, College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will prepare final financial records. CCPA will also have an independent audit completed by an independent

auditor, approved in advance by the Orange County Board of Education (OCBE), and included on the State Controller's approved list of independent auditors as soon as is reasonably practical, but in no case later than six months after closure. The final audit will delineate the disposition of all assets and liabilities. Any liability or debt incurred by CCPA shall be the responsibility of CCPA and not OCBE or the Orange County Department of Education (OCDE). CCPA understands and acknowledges that CCPA will cover the outstanding debts or liabilities of CCPA. Any unused monies at the time of the audit will be returned to the appropriate funding source. CCPA understands and acknowledges that only unrestricted funds will be used to pay creditors. Any unused special education related funds will be returned to OCDE or SELPA, as appropriate, and other categorical funds will be returned to the source of funds.

- 7. For six calendar months from the letter of the Closure Action or effective date of the closure, or until budget allows, whichever comes first, sufficient staff (as deemed appropriate by the governing board) and will maintain employment to take care of all necessary tasks and procedures required for smooth closing of the school and student transfers.
- 8. The CCPA shall adopt a plan for the closure of the school in accordance with the requirements of the Schools Code.
- 9. In addition to the final audit, CCPA shall also submit any required year-end financial reports to the California Department of Education and OCDE in the form and timeframe required.

This Closure Protocol shall survive the revocation, expiration, termination, cancellation of this Charter or any other act or event that would end CCPA's right to operate as a charter school, pursuant to this Charter or cause CCPA to cease operation (see Appendix 5-E): School Closure Procedures Checklist of activities in accordance with applicable law.

#### **COUNTY IMPACT STATEMENT**

"The County Board of Education shall require that the petitioner or petitioners provide information regarding potential civil liability effects, if any, upon the school, any school district where the charter school may operate and upon the county board of education." - California Education Code Section 47605.6(h)

#### POTENTIAL CIVIL LIABILITY EFFECTS

College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) shall work diligently to assist the Orange County Board of Education (OCBE) and Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) in meeting any and all oversight obligations under the law, including, for example, monthly meetings, reporting, or other county-requested protocol to ensure the county shall not be liable for the operation of the charter school.

The chartering entity, Orange County Board of Education and/or Orange County Department of Education have no obligation for liability or debts of College and Career Preparatory Academy.

## **Hold Harmless/Indemnification Provision**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) does hereby agree, at its own expense, to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Orange County Board of Education and Orange County Department of Education and their members, officers, directors, agents, representatives, employees and volunteers (collectively, the "County") from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses including but not limited to attorney's fees, brought by any person or entity whatsoever, arising out of, or relating to this charter agreement.

CCPA further agrees to the fullest extent permitted by law, at its own expense, to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses including but not limited to attorney's fees, brought by any person or entity whatsoever for claims, damages, losses and expenses arising from or related to acts or omission of acts committed by CCPA, its officers, directors, employees or volunteers. Moreover, CCPA agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County for any contractual liability resulting from third party contracts with its vendors, contractors, partners or sponsors.

CCPA will purchase general liability insurance, Board Members and Officer's insurance, and fidelity bonding to secure against financial risks.

### **ASSURANCES**

It is hereby assured that the information submitted in this application for a Charter for College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) with offices located throughout Orange County and other locations to be determined, is true to the best of our knowledge and belief; also assured is that this application does not constitute the conversion of a private school to the status of a public charter school; and it is further understood that if awarded a Charter, the school:

- Will meet all statewide standards and conduct the student assessments required, pursuant to Education Code Section 60605 and any other statewide standards authorized in statute or student assessments applicable to students in non-Charter public schools. [Education Code Section 47605(c)(1)]
- Will be deemed the exclusive public school employer of the employees of the charter school for the purposes of the Educational Employment Act (Chapter 10.7 commencing with Section 3540) of Division 4 of Title 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code. [Education Code Section 47605(b)(5)(0)]
- 3. Will be nonsectarian in its programs, admissions policies, employment practices, and all other operations. [Ref. California Education Code Section 47605(d)(1)]
- 4. Will not charge tuition. [Education Code Section 47605(d)(1)]
- 5. Will admit all students who wish to attend the school, and who submit timely application, unless the school receives a greater number of applications than there are spaces for students, in which case admission will be determined through a public random lottery process. [Education Code Section 47605(d)(2)(B)]
- 6. Will not discriminate against any student on the basis of the characteristics listed in Section 220 of the Education Code (actual or perceived disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that is contained in the definition of hate crimes set forth in Section 422.55 of the Penal Code, or association with an individual or group with such actual or perceived characteristics). [Education Code Section 47605(d)(1)]
- 7. Will adhere to all provisions of federal law relating to students with disabilities, including the IDEIA, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1974, and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, that are applicable.
- 8. Will meet all requirements for employment set forth in applicable provisions of law, including, but not limited to credentials, as necessary.
- 9. Will ensure that teachers in the school hold a Commission on Teacher Credentialing certificate, permit, or other document equivalent to that which a teacher in other public schools are required to hold. As allowed by statute, flexibility will be given to non-core, non-college preparatory teachers. [Education Code Section 47605(I)]
- 10. Will at all times maintain all necessary and appropriate insurance coverage.
- 11. Will, if a student is expelled or leaves the Charter school without graduating or completing the school year for any reason, notify the superintendent of the school district of the student's last known address within 30 days, and will, upon request, provide that school district with a copy of

- the cumulative record of the pupil, including a transcript of grades or report cards and health information. [Education Code Section 47605(d)(3)]
- 12. Will maintain accurate and contemporaneous written records that document all pupil attendance and make these records available for audit and inspection. [Education Code Section 47605.6(d)]
- 13. Will, on a regular basis, consult with its parents and teachers regarding the Charter school's educational programs. [Education Code Section 47605©(2)]
- 14. Will comply with any jurisdictional limitations to locations of its facilities. [Education Code Section47606.1]
- 15. Will comply with the California Building Standards Code of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, as adopted and enforced by the local building enforcement agency with jurisdiction, unless exempt under Education Code Section 47610.5. [Education Code Sections 47610, 47610.5]
- 16. Will comply with all laws establishing the minimum and maximum age for public school enrollment. [Education Code Sections 47612(b), 47610]
- 17. Will comply with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. [Government Code Section 54950 et seq.]
- 18. Will comply with the provisions of the Political Reform Act [Government Code Section 81000 et seq.] and implementing regulations. [2 California Code of Regulations Section 18110 et seq.]
- 19. Will comply with the provisions of the California Public Records Act [Government Code Section 6252 et seq.]
- 20. Will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. [20 U.S.C. 1232g]
- 21. Will follow any and all other federal, state, and local laws and regulations that pertain to the operation of the charter school.
- 22. Will not admit any student who is concurrently enrolled in a private school that charges the pupil's family for tuition. [Education Code Section 47602(b)]
- 23. Will uphold that a pupil cannot be required to attend a charter school. [Education Code Section 47602(b)]

LEAD PETITIONER SIGNATURE	Date	

## **APPENDICES**

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#### ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#### Costa Mesa, California

#### **BOARD POLICY**

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### **Independent Study Program**

The County Board of Education recognizes its legal responsibility for the education of pupils in the school system. The Board authorizes the Superintendent to establish independent study as an optional alternative instructional strategy for K-12 students by which all enrolled pupils may reach curriculum objectives and fulfill graduation requirements outside of the regular classroom setting.

The primary purpose for independent study is to offer means of individualizing the educational plan for pupils whose needs may be met best through study outside of the regular classroom setting. Independent study may be used by all pupils who are motivated to achieve educationally as well as or better through this strategy than they would in the regular classroom.

No pupil shall be required to participate in independent study.

No course required for high school graduation shall be offered exclusively through independent study.

An individual with exceptional needs, as defined in Education Code Section 56026, may participate in independent study only when the individualized education program (IEP) team determines that the pupil's educational needs can be appropriately met through the placement.

No temporarily disabled pupil may receive individual instruction pursuant to Education Code Section 48206.3 through independent study.

The County Superintendent shall provide appropriate existing services and instructional resources to enable pupils to complete their independent study successfully and shall ensure the same access to all existing services and resources in the school in which the pupil is enrolled as is available to all other pupils in the school.

Pupils requesting independent study and their parents/guardians should recognize that independent study at the elementary level realistically must emphasize a commitment on the part of the pupil's parents/guardians. At the secondary level, the major commitment must be made by the pupil, assisted or supported as necessary by parents and others who may assist directly with instruction.

#### Written Agreement

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that each participating pupil has an executed written independent study agreement with the Superintendent as prescribed by law. Individual independent study agreements and any subordinate pupil contracts and assignments must be consistent with the department's approved course of study.

The Superintendent shall establish appropriate screening procedures to ensure that the necessary level of understanding and preparation exist to meet the conditions of the independent study agreement prior to its approval by the designated certificated representative of the district.

Any time an individual with exceptional needs is referred for placement in independent study, an individualized education program (IEP) team, which includes the special education manager or designee, shall be convened. The IEP team may recommend that an individual with exceptional needs be offered the alternative instructional strategy of independent study, provided that the student meets the same criteria for participation as is met by his/her nondisabled peers.

For all pupils in independent study, the maximum length of time which may elapse between the time the assignments are made and the date by which the pupil must complete the assigned work shall be no more than one semester. Specific programs will establish appropriate checkpoints during the assignment period in order to monitor student progress. When any pupil fails to complete four consecutive independent study assignments during the agreed assignment period, the Superintendent or designee shall conduct an evaluation to determine whether it is in the pupil's best interest to remain on independent study. A written record of the findings of any evaluation conducted pursuant to this policy shall be maintained in the pupil's permanent record.

The Superintendent or designee shall report to the Board the number of pupils in independent study by typical categories of study and duration, the ADA generated, a description of their performance on such indicators of quality as the Board may specify, and the number and proportion of pupils by typical categories who graduate or successfully complete their studies.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish regulations to implement this policy in accordance with law.

Ref: Education Code Sections 39141.9, 44865, 46300(e), 46300.01. 46300.3, 46300.4, 48340,

51225.3, 51745-51749.5, 52000(e), 52015, 52017, 56026

California Code of Regulations, Title 5 – 11700, 11701, 11702, 11703

Adopted: 6/18/96

Rev: 2/14/08



Supervising Teacher Signature

## Orange County Department of Education

INDEPENDENT STU	DY MASTER AGREEMENT	
Student Name:	Age: Birth Date:	Grade:
Student Email:	Student Cell #: ( )	
Parent/Guardian/Caregiver:	Home Phone#: ( ) Work Ph	none#:( )
Parent/Guardian/Caregiver Email:	Parent/Guardian/Caregiver	Cell#:( )
Address:	City:	Zip Code:
Manner: One-to-One Other Duration: -	school year Frequency: Wee	ekly  Other
School - (Admin Unit): Site:	Start date: End date: Appointment	
Student: LAGREE TO:	Day:	Time:
<ul> <li>Be supervised by certificated staff and/or other apper of the my teacher at the location, time and frequency assignment record.</li> <li>Complete my assignments in accordance with Board of an assignment is indicated on the assignment reconsecutive assignments during an agreed assignment in independent study and may also result in 1. A letter of concern to me and my parent/guard 2. A specially schedule appointment.</li> <li>3. A special meeting with the teacher and /or cord. A meeting with the administrator, including meeting with the amount of time I must be in 6. Placement on academic probation.</li> <li>Revocation of any work permit issued until meeting appropriate alternative.</li> <li>Obtain transportation to the school site. (Note: The to meet with my teacher and/or supervisor to submet and and participate in each state mandated test proposed Course of Study:</li> <li>Subsidiary contracts will be negotiated for each course specifying criteria for evaluation. These will be part of this Master Agreement transcript(s).</li> </ul>	uency specified above and the date as special and Policy. Maximum length of time allowed cord and may not exceed one semester. Fair nent period will result in an evaluation to do none or more of the following: dian, if appropriate.  The learning center or in a equivalent supercycle of the seminary school work is satisfactorily completed. The regular classroom program of instruction the lack of transportation is not an acceptable and my completed assignments.) throughout the school year.	ed for completion illure to complete four etermine if I should ervised situation.  To or other ereason for failing eterials to be provided and
Course Credit Needed	d Course	Credit Needed
AGREEMENT: The Orange County Department of Educa "understandings" on page 2 of this agreement. We have reaconditions set forth within.  Student Signature Date		by agree to all the
	Other Person(s) Responsible	<u> </u>

Signature(s) documented on subsidiary contracts

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ACCESS 108: 11/6/14

#### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES, (Cont.):

I UNDERSTAND THE FOLLOWING:

- Independent study is an optional education alternative that I have voluntarily selected. I will continuously have a classroom
  option available to me should I choose to no longer participate in Independent Study.
- By entering the Orange County Department of Education program, I have not waived any rights as a student.
- As an independent study student, I realized that I will have the resources of *OCDE* personnel, curriculum, equipment, textbooks, supplementary materials, community resources as listed on my course contract(s) and/or assignment record(s).
- If I am student with an Individual Education Plan (IEP), my IEP must specifically provide for my enrollment in Independent Study.
- If I have been referred to *Orange County Department of Education* pursuant to Education Code 48915 or 48917, an alternative classroom instruction has been offered and is available at all times.
- Permanent or temporary changes to the appointment day and/or time may be made to accommodate school holidays, teacher in-services days or the student's schedule for good and sufficient reasons. Changes related to the appointment day and/or time will be documented in the "Teacher's Record/Comments" section of the Assignment Record Form.
- I must follow all the discipline code and behavior guidelines of the Orange County Department of Education. Any violation of these guidelines or failure to meet OCDE requirements could result in dismissal from Orange County Department of Education.
- Visitation on any other school campus requires permission from that school.
- If I achieve only minimum study requirements, I will complete the equivalent of only one semester course a month, or a minimum of 25 credits a semester. A district high school program is 30 credits a semester.

#### PARENT / GUARDIAN /CAREGIVER

I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT THE MAJOR OBJECTIVE OF INDEPENDENT STUDY IS TO PROVIDE A VOLUNTARY EDUACTIONAL ALTERNATIVE FOR MY SON OR DAUGHTER, WITH THE CONTINUING OPTION OF CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION. I AGREE TO THE ABOVE CONDITIONS LISTED UNDER "STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES." I ALSO UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT:

- Individual course objectives are consistent with and evaluation in the same manner that they would be if my son or daughter were enrolled in a district school program.
- I am liable for the cost of replacement or repair for willfully damages or destroyed books and other school property checked out by my son or daughter.
- Unless otherwise indicated, a teacher or supervisor will meet with my son or daughter on a regular basis to direct and
  measure progress. The time and location of meetings with the teacher will be determined by the teacher in consultation with my son or
  daughter
- I am expected to encourage my son or daughter to do more than the minimum study requirements and to be involved in appropriate educational activities such as: Regional Occupational Program; community volunteer work; or a direct project.
- I have the right to appeal any decision about my son's or daughter's placement, school program, or transfer according to the referring school district's procedures.

I UNDERSTAND MY RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS A PARENT/GUARDIAN UNDER THE FOLLOWING CALIFORNIA EDUCATION CODES [EC]:

- School attendance of your son/daughter is parental responsibility and failure to do so is an infraction of the Education Code. (EC 48290)
- Records are kept on each student and may be reviewed by parent(s), guardian, or student. Written requests may be made
  to remove disputed information. All student records are maintained for specific periods, only the "permanent record" is kept in
  perpetuity. (EC 49063, 49068 and 49073)
- No temporary disabled pupil may receive individual instruction through independent study. (EC 48206.3)
- Sexual harassment is illegal; it is a violation of State and Federal Law. (EC 48980 / Federal 212.6)
- Written permission of the parent or guardian is required for immunization of communicable diseases. (EC 48980)
- Administration of medication prescribed by a physician during school hours may be done by a nurse or teacher, under detailed instruction, upon written parental request. (EC 49451)
- A physical examination may not be given to a child whose parent has filed written objection for the then current school
  year. A pupil may be sent home if, for good reason, he or she is believed to be suffering from a recognized contagious or infectious
  disease. (EC 49451)
- If sex education courses are planned, you will be notified of your right to inspect and review pertinent written or audiovisual materials prior to the holding of the course. Written objection shall be honored for you child. (EC 51550. This section does not apply to words or pictures in any science, hygiene, or health textbook.)

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# Orange County Pathway Academy 2015-2016 Operating Budget

· ·	ating Databox			
Enrollment	500			
REVENUES:				
	ADA	Pro	oj Funding	TOTAL
LCFF Floor	450	\$	8,037	\$ 3,616,808
PY Gap funding*CY ADA	-	\$	-	\$ -
LCFF Gap Funding	450	\$	1,357	\$ 610,663
Special Ed IDEA	50	\$	130	\$ 6,500
Total Revenue:				\$ 4,233,970
EXPENDITURES:				
Salaries and Benefits				\$ 2,744,767
Books and Supplies				\$ 53,000
Leases and Facility Cost				\$ 474,800
Training				\$ 6,500
Other Services				\$ 138,000
Alternative Education Support Services				\$ 400,822
Charter Oversight				\$ 42,340
Indirect				\$ 317,104
Total Expenditures				\$ 4,177,332
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue/Expenditures				\$ 56,638

## THREE YEAR BUDGET PROPOSAL

		2015-2	201	6	ſ		2016-	17				2017-1	8
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LCFF Floor	8,037.35	450	\$	3,616,808		8,037.35	675	\$	5,425,211		8,037.35	810	\$ 6,510,254
PY Gap funding*CY ADA	-		\$	-		1,357.03	675	\$	915,995		2,097.85	810	\$ 1,699,259
LCFF Gap Funding	1,357.03	450	\$	610,663		740.82	675	\$	500,055		710.52	810	\$ 575,524
Special Ed IDEA	130.00	50	\$	6,500		130.00	75	\$	9,750		130.00	90	\$ 11,700
Total Revenue:	\$ 9,524		\$	4,233,970		\$ 10,265		\$	6,851,011		\$ 10,976		\$ 8,796,736
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Expenditures:				474.000					477.055				d 400 505
Principal (1 fte)			\$	174,068				\$	177,055				\$ 180,535
Asst. Principal (1 FTE)			\$	157,984				\$	160,725				\$ 163,918
Teachers (12 y1, 18 y2, 22 y3)			\$	1,806,346					2,756,985				\$ 3,437,387
Teacher Sp Ed (2 y1, 3 y2, 4 y3)			\$	301,058				\$	459,498				\$ 624,979
Counselor (1 fte)			\$	116,250				\$	118,154				\$ 120,371
Secretary & Student Records Tech			\$	189,062				\$	239,040				\$ 291,859
(1 Sr Sch. Sec & 1 SRT y1, 1 Sr Sch. Sec & 1.5 SRT y2, 1 Sr Sc	h. Sec & 2 SF	RT y3)											
Books & Supplies			\$	53,000				\$	87,000				\$ 113,400
Lease and Facility Costs			\$	474,800				\$	915,000				\$ 1,128,600
Training			\$	6,500				\$	11,250				\$ 15,300
Other Services(Legal, Software, Mileage, Telepl	none)		\$	138,000				\$	218,250				\$ 275,400
Alternative Education Support Services (11.73%	<b>6</b> )		\$	400,822				\$	603,269				\$ 745,060
Charter Oversight ( 1%)			\$	42,340				\$	68,510				\$ 87,967
Indirect (9.28% y1, 9.27% y2, 9.27% y3)			\$	317,104				\$	476,752				\$ 588,807
Total Expenditures			\$	4,177,332				\$	6,291,487				\$ 7,773,584
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Beginning Balance			\$ <b>\$</b>	- E6 620				\$ <b>\$</b>	•				
Ending Balance			Þ	56,638				Þ	559,525				\$ 1,023,152

## TEXTBOOKS/INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

### **Viable Standards-based Core Curriculum**

All students in College and Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) will receive materials and instruction aligned to and supporting California's State Standards in each content area. Students identified as English learners will receive English Language Development, as needed. Students needing additional support in reading and/or math will receive appropriate intervention designed to increase their achievement of grade level standards. Students will be appropriately placed in grade level courses in each subject area.

The textbooks for students in grades 9-12 have been aligned and selected to support student learning in California's State Standards and ultimately their readiness for success in attending college or entering the workforce. Given our target population of students have gaps in learning, a variety of texts have been chosen in each content area to support specific student needs. GradPoint on-line learning will be used for core and elective courses, in addition to texts and supplemental materials. As the frameworks for English Language Arts, Mathematics, History-Social Science and Science are adopted by members of the California State Board of Education, these materials will be revised to reflect the rigor and relevance of student learning in California's Standards.

### English Language Arts Core

- Glencoe Writer's Choice, Grades 9-12, English Grammar/Writing
- AGS Basic English Composition, Grades 9-12, English Grammar
- AGS Basic English Grammar, Grades 9-12, English Grammar
- Globe Fearon Basic English, Grades 9-12, English Grammar
- McDougal, Wordskills, Grades 9-12 Vocabulary
- McDougal, Littell Literature and Language, Grades 9-12 Literature
- AGS Exploring Literature, Grades 9-12 Literature
- AGS World Literature, Grades 9-12 Literature
- Santa Clara University, Character Based Literacy, Grades 9-12
- GradPoint English/Language Arts courses

English Language Arts Intervention (These materials will serve as the core curriculum for students performing two or more grade levels below proficiency in reading).

- Cengage/National Geographic's EDGE Levels A-C, fundamentals
- GradPoint for specific skill support or credit recovery

### English Language Development CELDT Levels 1-5

- Cengage/National Geographic's EDGE Levels A-C, fundamentals
- Rosetta Stone Software
- Title III Services Unit, MELD lessons and units

### **TEXTBOOKS/INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

#### Mathematics

- Holt Algebra I
- Glencoe Algebra 1: Concepts & Applications
- AGS Geometry Glencoe Geometry: Concepts & Applications
- Holt Geometry
- Holt Algebra 2
- GradPoint Math Courses

Mathematics Intervention (These materials can serve as the core curriculum or as strategic support for students with specific learning needs).

- Holt Algebra Readiness
- GradPoint for specific skill support or credit recover

### **History-Social Science**

- Glencoe World History: Modern Times
- Glencoe World History: The Human Experience
- Globe Fearon World History
- AGS United States History
- Globe Fearon United States History
- Glencoe The American Journey (Calif. Edition)
- Glencoe The American Journey (National Edition)
- Glencoe American Government
- Globe Fearon American Government
- Glencoe Economic: Today and Tomorrow
- Globe Fearon Economics
- Pearson Economics Fundamentals
- GradPoint Social Studies courses

#### Science

- AGS General Science
- Globe Fearon General Science
- Holt Life Science
- Glencoe Biology: Dynamics of Life
- Glencoe BSCS Biology: A Molecular Approach
- GobeFearon Biology
- AGS Physical Science
- Prentice Hall Physical Science: Concepts in Action

## **TEXTBOOKS/INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

- Holt Physical Science
- Holt Earth Science
- Glencoe Health
- GradPoint Science courses

## **Educational Software Programs**

- Revolution Prep CAHSEE preparation for ELA and Math
- Defined STEM
- Rosetta Stone
- Worldbook Online
- Roadtrip Nation
- Kahn Academy



# COLLEGE AND CAREER PREPARATORY ACADEMY

### INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION CAREER SERVICE PLAN

To Our Students, Parents or Guardians:

The purpose of this plan is to allow our students, parents and educators to analyze each student's current academic skill level, career interests, determine appropriate interventions and develop a plan tailored to reach individual post-secondary goals.

Student Information: Name of Student:			Date:
			Credits Earned:
SCANTRON/BASI Reading G.E.: _		_ SCANTRON/BASI Mat	th G.E.:
CAHSEE: ELA Score:	Math Score:	CELD	T Level:
□IEP □Special education min	utes required d	aily:	
□504 Plan-Accommodation:			
Barriers perceived to inhibit succ	cess:		
Behavior Support:  □ Behavior Contract □ Social Work Intern  Academic Interventions Recomm	G	□Substance A	Abuse/Sobriety Support
□ Lang@/ELD □ Alg Re □ Weekly Progress Reports		•	☐CAHSEE Prep Math
Plan to Complete High School: ☐Graduate from OCPA or		_ Anticipated Graduati	on Date:
☐ Take concurrent college class:		Enroll in CTE	E:
Check areas in which you would	like assistance:		
☐Community College: Certificat	te/A.A Degree		
☐ Join the Military			
☐Attend Community College, Tr	ansfer to 4 year	r University	

☐ Enroll in Technical/Specialty (	College:				
☐ Apprenticeship Program for:		CTE Certificate Program:			
☐Enter Workforce, Career Inter	rest:				
Employment Barriers:					
Check any of the following item	s. which may affect o	pportunities for employm	nent:		
Educational Deficiencies Y N	-	Lacks Motivation Y			
Limited/No Work Experience Y	□ N□	Lacks Job Searching S	kills Y□ N□		
Transportation Y N N		Birth Certificate Y N			
Inadequate Clothing Y□ N□		Photo I.D. Card Y N			
Child Care Y□ N□ Soon To Be Parent Y□ N□		Social Security Card Y Alcohol or Drug Abuse			
Personal/Family/Healthy Couns	eling Needs Y□ N□	Legal Problems Y N			
Interpersonal Conflicts Y□ N□	S8	Housing Issues Y N			
Limited English Y□ N□		Other			
Wallfare /Caraar Davidare		CD A			
Workforce/Career Development  Job Development	it while Attending O	LPA:			
Type of career /job training des	ired:				
□Full Time □Part Time	□Days	☐ Evenings			
☐Currently working full time	☐Part Time	□Days □Eve	enings		
Summary of Needs and Possibl	e Services:				
Educational Needs: Y N	GED□	H.S. Diploma□	Post-Secondary□		
Other					
Medical Needs: Y□ N□	Health Care	☐ Family Care□	Medical□		
Other					
Mental Health Needs: Y□ N□	Depression	<b>I</b> Mood Disorders □	Counseling Services□		
Other					
Substance Abuse Needs: Y□ N	☐ Treatment P	rogram Sobe	r Living□ AA/NA□		
Other					
Emotional Needs: Y□ N□	Anger Management	☐ Relationships☐	Safety/Security□		
Other					
Personal Needs: Y□ N□	Housing ☐ Child	l Care□ Transportatio	on□ Clothing□		
Other					

I,(name), understand that it is my responsibility to complete all requirements of my rehabilitation plan in order to return to my hoe school district. Prior to returning, I understand I must contact the school district and schedule a meeting to determine my eligibility to return(Initials)								
Student Signature:								
Parent/Guardian Signature:		Date:						
Counselor Signature:		Date:						
Teacher Signature:		Date:						
Staff Documentation: Reviewed IECSP/Gradua								
Reviewed By:	Date:	Student Initials:						
Reviewed By:	Date:	Student Initials:						
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SCHOOL CLOSURE SAMPLE PROCEDURAL CHECKLIST

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## **Invoking Closure Procedures**

1	In the case of revocation or non-renewal, the OCDE shall notify CCPA in writing that the closure procedures have been invoked. In the care of voluntary surrender, CCPA shall notify the OCDE in writing that the closure procedures have	
	been invoked.	

## **Immediate Actions**

	CCPA shall immediately notify the		
	CDE of the location of all student and		
	business records. Following that		
	notification, no student or business		
	records shall be disposed of, moved,		
2	or duplicated without the express		
	written consent of the OCDE, except		
	that student records may be copied		
	for students' families or transferred		
	to other schools, provided a notation		
	is kept of the records copied or		
	transferred.		
	CCPA and the OCDE shall each		
	immediately identify an individual		
3	who will serve as the single point of		
	contact for the entity regarding the		
	school's close out activities.		
	The OCDE shall immediately notify		
	OCPA in writing whether, on behalf		
	of the State Superintendent of Public		
4	Instruction, it is taking over		
	immediate and direct control of all		
	the school's student and business		
	records.		

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#### **Students and Families**

5	CCPA shall notify the family of each student enrolled, of the school's closure. Unless the OCDE otherwise directs, the notification shall be immediate in the case of a revocation (that takes immediate effect) or shall occur within 14 days of the invocation of the closure procedures in the case of closure at the end of current academic year.		
6	CCPA shall continue instruction until the end of the current academic year (unless a revocation takes immediate effect). CCPA shall publicly announce cancellation of all future classes.		
7	CCPA continues instruction to the end of the current academic year; report cards shall be issued within seven days of the end of classes.		
8	CCPA shall notify surrounding school districts and the county office of education within 14 days of the school's forthcoming closure (or immediate closure if a revocation takes immediate effect).		
9	CCPA shall provide information to students and families regarding alternative public school placements within 30 days of the announcement of the school's forthcoming closure, or immediately in the case of a revocation that takes immediate effect.		

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	CCPA shall offer to provide a copy of			
	each student's cumulative file upon			
	request of the student's family. The			
	school shall provide the copy within			
10	seven days of a request being			
10	received, ensuring that the			
	documents are given to the family			
	member identified as having legal			
	custody or guardianship of the			
	student.			
	CCPA shall comply within seven days			
	to requests for the transfer of			
11	students' cumulative files to other			
	public or private schools in which the			
	students enroll.			
	CCPA shall respond within seven			
	days to inquiries from students and			
_	their families and from the media			
12	regarding the school's closure, the			
	disposition of student and business			
	records, and the alternative			
	placement available to the students.			
	CCPA shall provide the OCDE within			
	14 days with a list of students			
	(names, addresses and phone			
12	numbers) in each grade level and the			
13	classes they have completed.			
	Identify each student's district or residence and a notation of where			
	the student's records have been			
	transferred.			
	CCPA, if an LEA in a SELPA, shall			
	notify the SELPA within 14 days of			
	the closure, complete all			
14	documentation necessary for special			
	education students and transfer			
	copies of the student's records to the			
	SELPA.			

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	The OCDE shall respond promptly to			
15	inquiries from students and their			
15	families and from the media as			
	necessary.			

#### **Student and Business Records**

	Once the closure procedures have		
	been invoked, no student or business		
	records shall be disposed of, moved,		
16	or duplicated without the express		
	written consent of the OCDE, except		
	for the duplication or transfer of		
	student cumulative files as noted.		
	At the point CCPA is dissolved, the		
	student and business records shall		
17	come under the exclusive control of		
''	the OCDE which shall distribute,		
	maintain, or dispose of the records		
	as it determines appropriate.		
	CCPA shall terminate all present		
	leases, service agreements and other		
	contracts not necessary for the close		
18	out of the school. Leases, service		
10	agreements, and contracts should be		
	terminated in a cost effective		
	manner in order to minimize		
	expenses.		
	CCPA shall return grant funds and		
	restricted categorical funds to their		
	source in accordance with the terms		
	of the grant or state and federal law,		
	as appropriate. Submit a final		
19	expenditure report for all grants		
	within 14 days. Federal grants must		
	be closed out, including the filing of		
	the required Final Expenditure		
	Repots and Final Performance		
	Reports. Federal Forms 269 and		
	269a may apply if the school was		

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	receiving funds directly from the U.S.				
	Department of Education.				
	Close all financial records of the				
20	school as a revocation or closure				
	date.				

#### **Faculty and Staff**

	CCPA shall immediately notify its		
	faculty and staff of the school's		
	closure, providing each with		
	necessary information related to		
21	compensation and retirement,		
	<u> </u>		
	including, but not limited to, any		
	optional benefits that they may		
	continue after the school closes.		
	CCPA will provide assistance to its		
22	faculty and staff in searching for and		
	securing other employment.		
	CCPA shall provide the OCDE within		
	14 days with a description of current		
	and projected payroll and payroll		
	benefits commitments through		
	closure, including a list of each		
23	employee, and their job duties and a		
23	projection of the funds necessary to:		
	(1) transition the students and		
	records; (2) complete all		
	administrative closure related tasks;		
	and (3) complete contracts and		
	grants.		
	CCPA shall provide OCDE within 14		
	days with notice of any outstanding		
24	payments to staff and the method by		
	which the school will make the		
	payments.		

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25	CCPA will within 14 days, contact the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS, Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), and the county office of education and follow their procedures for dissolving contracts and reporting. Copy the OCDE on all correspondence.			

#### **Assets and Liabilities**

26	CCPA shall notify all funding sources		
20	(including charitable partners) of the school's closure within 14 days.		
	CCPA shall immediately notify all		
	contractors (such as charter		
	management organization,		
27	education management		
	organization, food service provider,		
	instructional service provider, or		
	transportation service provider) of		
	the school's closure.		
	If CCPA has any agreements with		
	organizations representing		
28	employees, CCPA shall notify the		
20	organizations of the school's closure		
	as may be specified in the		
	agreements.		
	CCPA shall notify the OCDE within 14		
	days of all pending litigation to which		
	the school is a party. CCPA shall		
29	immediately notify the OCDE if		
	litigation is filed thereafter up to the		
	point that the school is formally		
	dissolved.		

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	CCPA, within 30 days, shall prepare			
30	and deliver to the OCDE a			
	comprehensive list of creditors and			
	debtors.			
	CCPA, within 30 days, shall prepare			
	and deliver to the OCDE a			
31	comprehensive inventory of all			
	assets.			
	CCPA, within 30 days, shall prepare			
	and deliver to the OCDE, a plan for			
	the proposed disposal of all property			
	owned by the school (and acquired			
	with public funds) in order to			
	maximize revenue in accordance			
	with the law, payment of any and all			
	liabilities and the disbursement of			
	any remaining assets of the school,			
	liquidation of assets to pay off any			
	and all outstanding liabilities, bearing			
32	in mind that assets paid for by state			
52	funds may be transferred in			
	accordance with the nonprofit			
	corporation's bylaws to another			
	public agency such as another			
	charter school. Assets donated to			
	the school may be returned to			
	donors or disposed of in accordance			
	with donor's wishes. Net assets,			
	(after the payment of outstanding			
	liabilities,), if any, may be transferred			
	to another public agency such as another charter school.			
	CCPA shall arrange for preliminary (if			
	necessary) and final closure audits to			
	be paid for from the special reserve			
	or bond revenue. The auditor			
33	engaged to perform audit(s) shall be			
	from the list of approved school			
	auditors maintained by the California			
	State Controller's office and shall be			
	State Controller 3 office and shall be			l

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	approved by the OCDE. The audit(s),			
	at a minimum, shall determine the			
	disposition of all assets and liabilities			
	of CCPA and shall verify the school's			
	comprehensive list of all assets by			
	source, noting any restrictions on			
	each asset's use.			
	Based on the audit findings, and with			
	the approval of the OCDE, CCPA shall			
34	expend any identified assets to			
	liquidate any identified assets to			
	liquidate any identified liabilities.			

#### Dissolution of the School (Corporate) Entity

	Following the resolution of all		
35	outstanding assets and liabilities,		
	CCPA shall be dissolved.		

# PETITION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE College and Career Preparatory Academy

# A CALIFORNIA PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

We the undersigned believe that the attached charter for the creation of the College and Career Preparatory Academy merits consideration and herby petition the Orange County Board of Education to grant approval of the charter pursuant to EC § 47605 and EC §47605.5. The petitioners listed below acknowledge that solicitation of signatures does not constitute an offer of

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approval by the Orange County Board of Education.

Teacher's Name	Teacher's Name	Address	Phone # w/	Type of Credential	Credential
PRINTED	SIGNATURE		area code	Held	Expiration Date(s)
10	Rus	3530 6. La	1714-	MUHI	Multiple Subject
Kümirez	Far	Ave Aver 304	11111	732 BCC	11/1/71
John Wells	Soll all	37068 La Paz RD	-616	Malti	Multiple Subject
7		A120 Viero # 622	870-	Subject	8/1/16
3		1315 12 Broad way		Mustin	Single Subject
Bush	James J.	Long Beach, Ggolds	11.29	School Me A	
David Glick	Davil Bick	25221 Mummoth Circle 949-581- Lake Forest, C.A 92630 S108	479-581-	Ms.	Multiple Subject 5/1/19
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aria Hartiner	7		714679	Multiple Subject	Multiple Subject
	1 +	Santa Ana, C.A. 92706	8500	First fine Math	Single 3/1/19
Michael A. Mashda,	Med O. Roll	17070 San Brus		5179/e-543/ea-	Single Subject
		(40), I-2) Fourty WilgA	6743	Jose Joella	8/1/16
		9000			

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Credential Expiration Date(s)	812	2026	1/08			
Type of Credential Held	na octivie	64) S3S. Single Subject 5654 M.S.	Singe Subl.			
Phone # w/ area code	9886 - 564 hru	4595 585(479)	(24)			
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Teacher's Name SIGNATURE	78	Med	Holligh			V
Teacher's Name PRINTED	Julie Mmes	Maveda Carta	Nancy Hollenbed	)		

TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS AND CREDENTIALING State Priority #1: Basic Services							
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	Measureable Outcomes: 100% of teachers required to hold a credential will hold a valid CA Teaching Credential with appropriate English learner authorization as defined by the CA Commission on Teaching Credentialing.  Method for Measuring: Initial and annual verification of core teacher credential as reported by the CA Commission on Teacher Credentialing; CALPADS Report 3.5 NCLB Core Course Section Compliance; Annual publication of School Accountability Report Card.					
		2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020	
Teachers who are required to hold a credentialwill hold a valid CA Teaching Credential with appropriate English learner authorization as defined by the CA Commission on Teaching Credentialing and will be appropriately assigned as required by law and the charter.	All core teacher candidates screened for employment will hold valid CA Teaching Credential with appropriate English learner authorization; College and Career Preparatory Academy Charter administration will annually review credential status.	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	

	ACCESS TO INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS State Priority #1: Basic Services							
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	access to s instruction <b>Method fo</b> instruction orders; sch	tandards-ali al materials or Measurin al materials	gned materia as outlined ag: Principal before purc ned list of te	students wi als and addit in our charted and faculty hase; signed extbooks and	tional er petition. review all purchase		
		2015-	2016-	2017-	2018-	2019-		
		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020		
Students will have access to standards-aligned materials and additional instructional materials as outlined in our charter petition.	All instructional materials purchased will be aligned to CA State Standards and aligned with our charter petition. Purchase of all instructional materials will be	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
	appropriatelyincluded in the school budget.							

	FACILITIES MAINTENANCE State Priority #1: Basic Services								
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	the Facility compliant. (FIT) check monthly Sa are complice. Correction three mont it will be compliant will be compliant.	y Inspection 90% of qual klists are con afety Report ant, and 100 as of a minor hs. If it is ur corrected import (Safety Report ant (Safety Report	Tool (FIT) of arterly Facilism pliant/good/Good Repair of identificature will ligent or a safenediately.  g: Monthly port/Good Recir authorized	y, 90% of all checklist are ty Inspection d standing. Sir inspection ied Required be corrected fety related of site inspection epair) prepared designee, y Facility In	n Tool 90% of the checklists I within correction on red by and site			
		2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020			
Maintain a clean and safe school facility	Bi weekly cleaning by contracted custodial services staff will maintain site cleanliness; cleanliness spot checks will be performed by site liaisons. Screening for safety hazards will be done throughannual and quarterly facilities inspections by the Facility / Operations maintenance staff (reported on the Facility Inspection Tool) along with monthly facility inspections (documented in the Safety Report/Good Repair).	90%/ 90%/ 100%	90%/ 90%/ 100%	90%/ 90%/ 100%	90%/ 90%/ 100%	90%/ 90%/ 100%			

#### IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE CONTENT AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS State Priority #2 Measureable Outcomes: Annually, 100% of teachers **Annual Goals** Specific Annual Actions will participate in Professional Development and trainings in California State Standards and the California ELD standards. Method for Measuring:Professional Development calendar, agendas and sign-in sheets will serve as evidence of participation by teachers in professional development activities. 2017-2019-2015-2016-2018-2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 Teachers will Identify and develop participate in annual an annual calendar of and ongoing monthly staff professional development and 100% 100% 100% 100% 100% training opportunities development on the implementation of for teachers and CA State Standards instructional support and the California staff to participate infocused trainings ELD standards. on implementing, teaching and learning the California State Standards and the

California ELD Standards.

	PARENT INVOLVMENT State Priority #3							
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	minimum, to minimum of Method for	wo parent ment six family even Measuring:	mbers attending tents, two of vents, two of vents, two of vents.	e SSC will having monthly might which are let be agendas minuvents agenda's	eetings. A by students. tes and sign-		
		2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020		
Maintain parent representation on the School Site Council (SSC). Conduct at minimum eighteen parent participation hours per school year July – June; to include at minimum two student led events.	CCPA will hold monthly SSC meetings. At the last meeting each year the SCC parent group will nominate and elect parents to serve as new SCC parent representatives for the next school year. Parent reps for the first year of the charter will be volunteers. A calendar will be developed by the SCC which will include parent, and all other representative groups, participation in its development; and collaboration in the design of objectives and agendas for family events.	2 parent members / Monthly Meetings	2 parent members / Monthly Meetings	2 parent members / Monthly Meetings	2 parent members / Monthly Meetings	2 parent members / Monthly Meetings		

STATEWIDE ASSESSMENTS State Priority #4: Student Achievement							
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	will partici trainings in gain acades implements by internal <b>Method fo</b> calendar, a evidence of developme	Measureable Outcomes: Annually, 100% of teachers will participate in Professional Development and trainings in CA State Standards. 100% of students will gain academic content knowledge through the implementation of the CA State Standards as measured by internal benchmarks and state testing.  Method for Measuring: Professional Development calendar, agendas and sign-in sheets will serve as evidence of participation by teachers in professional development activities. Teacher assignment sheets; Master Agreements; teacher's student rosters				
		2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020	
Teachers will participate in annual and ongoing professional development on the implementation of CA State Standards. All students will gain academic content knowledge through the implementation of the CA State Standards.	All students will gain academic content knowledge through the implementation of the CA State Standards. EL students will participate in English Language Arts/Literacy instruction with appropriate instructional support and intervention as needed.	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	

	ENGLISH LEARNER ADEQUATE PROGRESS RATE State Priority #4: Student Achievement								
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	performance	ce level grow	es:90% of stu th goal in the g: IECSP rep	eir IECSP.	neet their			
		2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020			
EL students will advance at least one performance level per the CELDT/ELPAC each academic year.	EL students will have an IECSP with performance level goals. Students will take a diagnostic assessment as part of their IECSP. Students receive in-class instructional support which includes 1-on-1 teacher support; small group instruction; usage of SDAIE and ELD instructional strategies; extended day instruction and more intensive intervention as needed based on diagnostic assessment.	Will meet or exceeded IECSP growth targets	Will meet or exceeded IECSP growth targets	Will meet or exceeded IECSP growth targets	Will meet or exceeded IECSP growth targets	Will meet or exceeded IECSP growth targets			

#### ENGLISH LEARNER RECLASSIFICATION RATE State Priority #4: Student Achievement **Annual Goals** Specific Annual **Measureable Outcomes:**EL cohorts will achieve a 30% Actions reclassification rate yearly Method for Measuring: CELDT /ELPAC results, Reclassification documents, Internal Data (Edams data and Eagle/Aeries reports) 2015-2016-2017-2018-2019-2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 EL students will be School will use reclassified as IECSP and cohort Fluent tracking system to **English Proficient** Will meet develop and review Will meet Will meet Will meet Will meet 3-year goal for all annually or or or or incoming EL exceeded exceeded exceeded exceeded exceeded students to achieve a Minimum Minimum Minimum Minimum Minimum growth growth cohort growth growth growth reclassification rate targets targets targets targets targets of 90% by the end of three years.EL students will receive in-class instructional support, which includes 1-on-1 teacher support; small group instruction; usage of SDA1E and ELD instructional strategies and extended day instruction asneeded. Student data will be tracked and reviewed by Administrators and support staff. ILP's will be developed for each EL student.

	SCHOOL ATTENDANCE RATE State Priority #5: Student Engagement							
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	Measureable Outcomes: ADA will be at least 95%.  Method for Measuring: Monthly, Quarterly, and Annual ADA reports.						
		2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020		
School will maintain a high Average Daily Attendance (ADA) rate	School provide a safe, nurturing and engaging learning environment for all its students and families, inclusive of all of the various subgroups enrolled; Periodic attendance updates tofamilies reminding them of the importance of inschool attendance as the primary way of learning and success.	96%	96%	96%	96%	96%		

	CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM RATE State Priority #5: Student Engagement							
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	attendance r  Method for	rate of 95%  Measuring:	≥ 70% of stu Annual and N tion system (F	Ionthly abser	ace reports		
		2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019- 2020		
Students will have a minimum number of absences in any school year	Parents and students will be informed of attendance policies as specified in the Student / Parent Handbook given out at the beginning of every year and to parents and students enrolling during the school year.	Meeting high attendance rate of 96%	Meeting high attendance rate of 96.5%	Meeting high attendance rate of 97%	Meeting high attendance rate of 97.5%	Meeting high attendance rate of 98%		

	DROPOUT RATE State Priority #5: Student Engagement							
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	each year)will schoolthe price  Method for Mas verified by	l be comprised or academic yea Measuring:Stu	of students whar.  dent re-enrollmormation syste	m and CALPA	ttendance at		
		2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020		
School will retain students and promote adequate progress toward Graduation, HiSet,or other academic and career goals noted in the student's ILP.	CCPA will offer an academically engaging learning environment for all students; have a culture of high expectations and support, a nurturing environment, and a connected school community. Processes will be in place to ensure students who transfer out of CCPA are supported in their enrollment into aninstitution for higher education,	During SY 2015-16 CCPA will retain 90% of the incoming class that have not graduated, passed the HiSet, obtained their career goals, or transferred to aninstitution for higher education, adult education. or career technical studies.	During SY 2016-17 CCPA will retain 90% of the incoming class that have not graduated, passed the HiSet, obtained their career goals, or transferred to aninstitution for higher education, adult education. or career technical studies.	During SY 2017-18 CCPA will retain 90% of the incoming class that have not graduated, passed the HiSet, obtained their career goals, or transferred to aninstitution for higher education, adult education. or career technical studies	During SY 2018-19 CCPA will retain 90% of the incoming class that have not graduated, passed the HiSet, obtained their career goals, or transferred to aninstitution for higher education, adult education. or career technical studies	During SY 2019-20 CCPA will retain 90% of the incoming class that have not graduated, passed the HiSet, obtained their career goals, or transferred to aninstitution for higher education, adult education. or career technical studies		

adult		
education or		
career		
technical		
studies.		
Processes will		
be in place to		
review		
incoming		
cohorts to		
ensure proper		
accounting and		
placement.		

STUDENT SUSPENSION RATE State Priority #6: School Climate									
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	<ul> <li>Measureable Outcomes: Annually, suspensions will not exceed ≤ 1 % of all enrolled students.</li> <li>Method for Measuring: Annual School Accountability Report Card, CALPADS Report, Eagle/Aeries SIS.</li> </ul>							
		2015-2016 2016-2017 2017-2018 2018-2019 2019-2020							
CCPA will maintain a low annual suspension rate.	Teachers will be trained and use positive behavior supports such as Pro Act; All alternatives to suspension will be considered prior to administering consequences; CCPA administrators and support staff will work with teachers and families tomanage student behavior issues and concerns; CCPA will utilize SCT process.	Annually, Suspensions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.	Annually, Suspensions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.	Annually, Suspensions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.	Annually, Suspensions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.	Annually, Suspensions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.			

STUDENT EXPULSION RATE State Priority #6: School Climate								
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	Measureable Outcomes: Annually, expulsions will not exceed ≤ 1 % of all enrolled students.  Method for Measuring: Annual School Accountability Report Card, CALPADS Report, Eagle/Aeries SIS.						
		2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020		
CCPA will maintain a low annualexpulsion rate.	Teachers will be trained and use positive behavior supports such as Pro Act; CCPA administrators and support staff(such as Family Community Liaisons) and will workwith teachers andfamilies tomanage studentbehavior issuesand concerns; All alternatives to expulsion will be considered prior to administering consequences.	Annually, expulsions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.	Annually, expulsions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.	Annually, expulsions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.	Annually, expulsions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.	Annually, expulsions will equal no more than 1%, or less, of all enrolled students.		

[OTHER LOCAL MEASURE (S) OF SCHOOL CLIMATE] State Priority #6: School Climate						
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	Measureable Outcomes: Annually, an average approval rating of ≥ Level 4 (translated level from a 5 point scale) on student, family, and teacher surveys with a minimum response rate of 35%.  Method for Measuring: Survey reports				
		2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020
Students, parents and teachers will feel a sense of community and connectedness.	Opportunities for students to actively participate in School Site Council will be provided throughout the school year.  A positive school culture will be promoted and supported in CCPA meetings, School Site Council, and Professional Development opportunities for teachers. A variety of engaging and entertaining Family Events will enhance family's sense of belonging and community.  CCPA will develop and administer satisfaction surveys toparents, students, and teachers annually.	≥ 75 %   of parents, students and teachers will take the school survey.	≥ 75 % of parents, students and teachers will take the school survey.	≥ 75 % of parents, students and teachers will take the school survey.	≥ 75 %   of parents, students and teachers will take the school survey.	≥ 75 % of parents, students and teachers will take the school survey.

BROAD COURSE OF STUDY State Priority #7							
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	Measureable Outcomes: Annually, 100% of students, including all student subgroups, unduplicated students, and students with exceptional needs, will have access to enroll in all courses in core, elective, CTE, and A-G content areas available.  Method for Measuring: CCPA Course of Study, Teacher User Accounts in GradPoint, Master Agreements.					
		2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020	
Students, including all student subgroups, unduplicated students, and students with exceptional needs, will have access to enroll in the CCPA academic and educational program as outlined in the charter.	All academic content areas will be available to all students, including student subgroups, at all grade levels.	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	

[OTHER STUDENT OUTCOMES] State Priority #8							
Annual Goals	Specific Annual Actions	Measureable Outcomes: Growth and achievement on internal benchmark assessments. 80% of students will meet growth expectations as outlined in the student's IECSP each year.  Method for Measuring: Assessment Reports (Scantron Performance Series, BASI, wherein student growth and achievement are documented).					
		2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020	
Students will demonstrate expected growth from Semester 1 to Semester 2 each year.	Teachers receive reports with past student performance, current baseline proficiency levels based on internal benchmark assessments, and efuture performanceexpectations (aligned with students IECSP).  Teachers supplement instructional activities andefforts based on studentsexpected performance relative to their current proficiency level.	Establish Baseline	Establish Baseline	Establish Baseline	Establish Baseline	Establish Baseline	

#### CCPA's goals for students are:

- Students will readily have access to technology in the classroom by providing every student access to a computer device (laptop, desktop, tablet, etc.) during instruction.
- Prepare students for the SBAC via assessments on line (Scantron Assessments, BASI.)
- Students will use 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills in accessing and engaging with instructional content (GradPoint, whole group and differentiated instruction using various modes of technology in presenting curriculum content).

• Provide students as stakeholders (along with parents, teachers, community members and other stakeholders) ability to provide input via surveys administered online

In regards to discipline interventions, CCPA focuses on re-directing student behavior via counseling, mentoring, parent engagement, student contracts, when deemed necessary a 504 plan or an SCT. CCPA will place emphasis on a zero suspensions plan. This will include a series of targeted behavior (either mentioned above or as needed by individual students) to ensure that our students remain in the classroom, engaged in the learning process, and making progress toward their individual educational goals.



April 14, 2015

Al Mijares, Ph.D. County Superintendent Orange County Department of Education 200 Kalmus Drive Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Dear Dr. Mijares,

The Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance, Inc. (OCAPICA) is writing to express its full support of the Orange County Department of Education's (OCDE) affiliate Charter petition for the College and Career Preparatory Academy (CPPA), an alternative education option for students 16 years and older, who have dropped or aged out of district or County Community School programs, specifically designed to address the academic and college to career workforce development needs of these students who are at-risk of not earning a high school diploma.

The CCPA Charter high school program will fill the gap in educational services in Orange County to reach out to youth who want to reengage in education and participate in California's workforce development training opportunities as part of the new Workforce Innovation Opportunities Act (WIOA) of 2014. Approximately, 40,000 individuals in Orange County, aged 25 and under do not have a high school diploma and another 4,000 students do not graduate from high school annually.

Today, more than ever students must be prepared to think critically, act creatively, communicate and collaborate effectively, and act with character and integrity to become contributing community members and leaders in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Without a high school diploma and the necessary career readiness skills, these youth face particular barriers to employment. This OCDE affiliate charter supports the alignment of workforce investment, education, and economic development systems, in support of a comprehensive, accessible, and highly-qualified workforce development system.

The CCPA will fill a gap in service between a student dropping out of school and being prepared to sustain attendance independently at an adult school, community college, or any other post-secondary training. The CCPA, as an affiliated charter through OCDE, is well positioned to serve students throughout the county because of the robust relationships with education and training institutions, including community colleges, career technical schools, local entities, and support service agencies.

The educational opportunities and support services afforded by the CCPA will address the needs of the entire county and make an immediate impact on the county's dropout rate. It underscores the rationale for OCDE as the appropriate and best choice for filing the charter petition. We, not only, are in support of the establishment of the charter but are committed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding in partnership with OCDE's affiliate charter, College to Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) to provide workforce preparation and career readiness training and refer our clients to CCPA for educational services, as necessary and applicable. We look forward to working together and are fully committed to supporting CCPA!

Sincerely,

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April 14, 2105

Al Mijares, Ph.D. County Superintendent Orange County Department of Education 200 Kalmus Drive Costa Mesa, CA 92626 ` Dear Dr. Mijares,

Project Kinship is writing to express the support of the Orange County Department of Education's (OCDE) affiliate Charter petition for the College and Career Preparatory Academy (CPPA), an alternative education option for students 16 years and older, who have dropped or aged out of district or County Community School programs, specifically designed to address the academic and college to career workforce development needs of these students who are at-risk of not earning a high school diploma.

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Project Kinship is dedicated to serving marginalized and high-risk youth populations through exemplary programs custom-designed to meet each individuals needs such as CCPA. Project Kinship will help provide supportive services including mental health, support, street outreach and intervention services.

We, not only, are in support of the establishment of the charter but are committed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding in partnership with OCDE's affiliate charter, College to Career Preparatory Academy (CCPA) to provide workforce preparation and career readiness training and refer our clients to CCPA for educational services, as necessary and applicable.

Sincerely

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April 15, 2015

Al Mijares, Ph.D. County Superintendent Orange County Department of Education 200 Kalmus Drive Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Dear Dr. Mijares,

This letter is to acknowledge the Taller San Jose's support of the Orange County Department of Education's (OCDE) affiliate Charter petition for the College and Career Preparatory Academy (CPPA).

It is my understanding that the CCPA Charter high school program is an alternative education option for students 16 years and older, who have dropped or aged out of district or County Community School programs, specifically designed to address the academic and college to career workforce development needs of these students who are at-risk of not earning a high school diploma. CCPA will fill the gap in educational services in Orange County to reach out to students who want to reengage in education and participate in California's workforce development training opportunities as part of the new Workforce Innovation Opportunities Act (OCWA) of 2014.

The CCPA will focus on serving students who fall into a gap between dropping out of a district program and being prepared to sustain attendance independently at an adult school, community college, or any other post-secondary training. In partnership with organizations like Taller San Jose, CCPA would be well positioned to serve students throughout the county because of the robust relationships with education and training institutions, including community colleges, career technical schools, local entities, and support service agencies, such as Taller San Jose.

Without a high school diploma and the necessary career readiness skills, these youth face paralyzing barriers to living wage employment. This OCDE affiliate charter supports the alignment of workforce investment, education, and economic development systems, in support of a comprehensive, accessible, and highly-qualified workforce development system. Today, more than ever youth must be prepared with the educational and jobs skills necessary to become contributing community members.

Sincerely,

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