



ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Staff Recommendations and Findings College and Career Preparatory Academy May 16, 2025

I. INTRODUCTION

The following is a summary of the review conducted by Orange County Department of Education staff of the material revision request submitted by College and Career Preparatory Academy in compliance with Education Code section 47607 and recommendations for consideration by the Orange County Board of Education (the Board).

II. BACKGROUND

College and Career Preparatory Academy is a county charter school serving ninth through twelfth-grade students. On April 11, 2025, College and Career Preparatory Academy submitted a material revision requesting to add an alternative graduation pathway for students aged 19 and older, reducing the total credit requirement from 220 to 155. A public hearing was held on May 7, 2025, to consider the level of support for the material revision.

III. LEGAL STANDARD

Material revisions of charter schools are governed by the standards and criteria described in Education Code section 47607, including, but not limited to, reasonably comprehensive descriptions of any new requirement of charter schools enacted into law after the charter was initially granted or last renewed.

IV. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Orange County Department of Education staff determined that the revised College and Career Preparatory Academy charter petition meets Education Code section 47605.5 standards. Adding an alternative graduation pathway for students aged 19 and older will allow College and Career Preparatory Academy to align with similar adult education models in Orange County and address the distinct needs of adult learners. The revised pathway emphasizes coursework in English, mathematics, science, social science, and other state-mandated subject areas while reducing the elective requirements to support timely adult learner completion.

V. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Orange County Department of Education staff recommend that the Board approve the College and Career Preparatory Academy material revision to add an alternative graduation pathway for students aged 19 and older, reducing the total credit requirement from 220 to 155.

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