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**Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy**

**Founded 1999**

**Petition for Change of Authorizer for 2014**

**District Location:** Coeur d'Alene District 271

**Physical Location:** 4904 N Duncan Drive  
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815  
Residing in the Coeur d'Alene School District (271)

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**Grade Levels:** 6-12

**Enrollment Goals:** 812

**Districts Affected:** Coeur d'Alene (271), Post Falls (273), Lakeland (272)

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**Tab 1: Vision, Mission, and Legal Status****Executive Summary:**

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy ("The Academy," hereafter), was founded in 1999, by Dr. William Proser, a long-time teacher in the Coeur d'Alene School District. Dr. Proser had found himself increasingly frustrated by the education establishment and its seeming disregard for hard-working, high-achieving students. When Idaho adopted charter school legislation, several parents of his former students approached him with the proposal that he be the figurehead and founder of a new charter school, dedicated to providing a rigorous, college-preparatory education for these long-neglected students. He accepted their proposal and set to work with his supporters to form The Academy.

The school Proser and his backers designed had a decidedly "retro" feel, with several nods to the traditional education model. These included required classes in Latin and Civics, as well as a Western Civilization emphasis—Ancient History and Ancient Literature, European History and European Literature, American History and American Literature, World Literature and US Government for grades 9-12, respectively. One goal was for every student to have read 100 of the world's greatest novels by graduation. In addition, there was to be school-wide emphasis on discussion, exploration, and debate of ideas.

**Philosophy:**

*However different the experiences of men, they are connected by a common link. They are animated by an inner drive that contends against the outside world for meaning. They share a common destiny called by the French philosophers the human condition. The mutuality of this condition forms on all our lips the same great questions of life; universal questions about the existence and nature of truth, the essence of beauty, or the search for justice. Education, at its best, informs us of the history of that search for answers by our fellow men, examines their current status, and inspires us to set out once again on the road to that place where answers can be found. According to Elie Wiesel, it is the questions that unite us and it is the answers that divide us. The answers or ideas that we find have the power to shape the very reality we experience. Ideas form the Zeitgeist of our times because ideas have consequences. Who will argue that the ideas of Darwin or Marx, Freud or Einstein have had little effect on the twentieth century?*

*The answers to the great questions of life do more than just color the world, they establish it. If this is true, those who teach take upon themselves the obligation of historical awareness. Each discipline in the academic world is built upon the ideas of those who asked the same old questions in a new way or replied to those questions with answers that disturbed their fellow creatures to such an extent, that a dialog was required. For the western world, that dialog can be characterized by the conflict of opinion in debate. The educational philosophy of Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy centers on attempting to stimulate in our student body a respect for that debate. The conflict is what Walter Lippmann called the "Indispensable Opposition." To respect another human being involves taking his or her ideas seriously enough to argue the point. Implied in this debate are most of the academic qualities inherent in the tradition of scholarship stretching back to the ancients. It is a tradition that values a thorough and detailed knowledge of the best that has been thought and said on a subject, a discernment of the crucial tenets of a position, honesty, craftsmanship and precision with language. These abilities are the necessary tools of the would-be scholar. Students who emerge from our classes with these skills are ready to take their place at the banquet table of ideas that is set by a free society.*

*Education seeks to enlarge, enrich and complicate our understanding of things. Good education is much more an art than a science; it mysteriously transmits a love of the subject being taught. A natural passion for understanding some aspect of human experience or imagination is the rightful inheritance of our*

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*students. That academic inheritance is a legacy of thought that is passed from one generation to another by dedicated teachers. Most of us have had the good fortune to sit under such teachers. The intellectual excitement of learning corresponds to the difficulty of the question being considered. Easy answers will not do; as challenge is inherently linked to achievement. A campus where ideas are truly valued and the conflict of opinion in debate is not only encouraged but celebrated invigorates people. A school that can frame the forum for the debate of ideas without the animosity that so easily shuts off the dialog has captured the idea of the British Parliament or the American Senate. Such a school ascends to its proper place in the long human tradition of academic scholarship. Such a tradition is the unique privilege of free men; men who are united in their pursuit of truth, perhaps divided by their conclusions, yet committed to the process of understanding their own diversity.—Dr. William Proser, Founder*

It was the feeling of Dr. Proser and the founding group that there existed in the Coeur d'Alene area a population of families who deserved and would respond positively to a school dedicated to rigorous coursework, college preparation, and high standards. In 1999, the school opened with approximately 200 students in grades 7-10; in the ensuing years, grades 11, 12, and then 6 were added, and today the school serves more than 700 students and has substantial waiting lists in several grades. Clearly the demand for the Academy's style of education is sufficient to ensure its continued success.

Because this petition is a transfer of an existing charter, the "petitioning group" is the current board and administration. The Principal has held his position since 2006, and he has been employed by the Academy since 2000—first as a teacher, and then as Vice Principal. The Business Manager was the Academy's first official employee, and has been employed since 1999. One Board member remains from the founding group; the other current members have been appointed over the last several years. All board members have been vetted according to their qualifications and their buy-in to the Academy's mission.

The Academy's success will be defined by its ability to attract and retain students, and prepare them for admission to, and success in, post-secondary institutions. Some of the indicators include student numbers sufficient to maintain a fiscally sound operation, standardized test scores, graduation rates, post-secondary placement, and completion of degree programs.

In order to demonstrate value-added, Academy students must consistently outperform their public school counterparts on all of these indicators.

### **Mission Statement:**

*The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is dedicated to providing a rigorous, content-rich, college-preparatory education for any students who are willing to accept the challenge.*

This mission statement is the focus of everything we do. You will find it posted prominently in several of our classrooms, on our website, on our stationery, and on the side of our building. It was adopted by the original board of directors, with cooperation of the founder. It is viewed as the starting point and guiding principle of the school.

The Academy's beliefs are codified in a document entitled *Foundational Values*, which was composed and approved by the faculty, staff, and administration, and added to the official charter when renewed in 2004.

### **Vision Statement:**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy exists in order to promote and implement academic excellence in our student body. Further, we seek to ensure that our graduates are knowledgeable and proficient users of

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language so that they may: succeed in school, participate in our democracy, find challenging and rewarding work, appreciate and contribute to our culture, and pursue their own goals and interests as independent learners throughout their lives. Included in this vision are the following broad educational goals and objectives:

- To refine our students' academic skills including reading, writing, speaking, and thinking, and to advance their knowledge of the major disciplines of language arts, mathematics, science, and history.
- To learn the traditions and values of past and present civilizations.
- To gain an appreciation of the fine arts of music, art and drama.

**Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws:**

See Appendices A, “Articles of Incorporation,” and B, “Bylaws”

**Nonprofit Status:**

See Appendix E, “Non-Profit Verification”

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**Tab 2: Proposed Operations****Operations:**

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is an educational institution organized and managed under the Idaho nonprofit corporation act. The Board of Directors of Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy shall be deemed public agents authorized by the Idaho Charter School Commission to control the charter school.

Beginning in 2014, the Academy will function as an LEA, and will be responsible for providing all related services for its students.

The Academy has resided on the same location since its founding in 1999, 4904 N. Duncan Dr., right in the middle of Coeur d'Alene. In 2009, we purchased an adjoining lot and expanded our facility. We have no plans to move. We reside within the Coeur d'Alene School District, and specifically, within the Lake City High School and Woodland Middle School attendance areas.

The Academy serves students in grades 6-12. As a “school of choice,” the Academy may attract students from any of the area schools; therefore, there exists no accurate method of predicting future demographics. Historically, the demographic composition of the student body would appear to approximate that of the community. According to the 2013 census, Coeur d'Alene’s population is 93.8% white, with a median household income of approximately \$41,000 (<http://quickfacts.census.gov>).

The Academy’s Special Education population has typically represented less than 5% of its total student population. There are no factors in the application or enrollment procedures that would either limit or augment that number.

Until becoming its own LEA in 2014, the Academy did not accept federal funding, and therefore had no reliable means of obtaining specific demographic information. Since becoming an LEA, the Academy has begun accepting federal funds and will make use of the related federal data collection and reporting methods to obtain that information.

The educational method employed by the Academy is a traditional model that emphasizes direct instruction by master teachers. Additional emphases are maximizing student contact time, providing challenging instruction, and combating grade inflation. Students are held to a high, objective standard, and will not be promoted based on effort or for social reasons.

**Potential Effects:**

Our effect on the local district has been almost entirely positive, if measured by the programs they have added to serve their students. The district has increased the number of programs it offers for advanced and college-bound students, and has also begun offering numerous “choices”—several magnet schools, for instance.

Anecdotal evidence suggests that the Academy’s success has also provided a boon to the community. Parents indicate that they have moved to Coeur d'Alene (sometimes from across the country) to allow their children the opportunity to attend the Academy.

In addition, our opening likely saved the local school district from having to run bond elections for expanding facilities. Our student population is largely comprised of District 271 students, who, if they were still on district rolls, would necessitate extensive building improvements. It should be noted that the Academy accomplished this without access to local taxes, but with only base state funding. The Academy does not have plans for any further expansion.

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**Target Market:**

The primary attendance area of the Academy is Kootenai County, Idaho.

Demand for the Academy’s program is demonstrated by the school’s considerable growth, as well as the lengthy waiting lists.

**Facilities:**

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy views school facility and maintenance issues as an integral part of the quality of education component of the school. However, we do not believe that it is necessary to build special purpose monoliths that have no value outside the world of education. These types of structures (common in education) are very difficult to sell and have little value to other entities. Often you find empty or poorly used and aged buildings that school districts have a hard time disposing of or putting to good use.

The Academy will continue to provide quality facilities that meet the educational programming needs of our mission and the safety of our students and staff while protecting the public trust through wise investment in facilities and maintenance.

**Building and Land Statistics:**

LAND

NORTH PARKING LOT (.575 ACRES)

Fully developed in 2006  
Serves as our main parking lot for visitors, upperclassmen, and some staff

EAST PARKING LOT (.63 ACRES)

Completed 2010  
Serves as parking for underclassmen and special events

NORTH ANNEX LOTS (1.028 ACRES)

Developed site includes HS annex, 2 modular buildings and green space  
60% of the site is building space, the remainder green space

PRIMARY SITE (4.2 ACRES)

Developed site includes main building, 3 modular buildings, parking, green space and playground  
The site is approximately 50% buildings and parking, 50% green space and playground

**TOTAL ACREAGE- 6.43**

BUILDINGS

MAIN BUILDING (25,700 SF)

- Built in 1994 (17,000sf) as retail space, was remodeled in 1999 for the school
- Remodeled 8 of the first 10 years due to enrollment growth and programming needs
- 14 classrooms including choir, band, and art rooms
- 4 administrative offices, 2 custodial spaces and misc. storage

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- 4 student bathrooms and 3 staff bathrooms
  - Staff lounge, media room, common space and multi-purpose room

*\*Replacement cost \$2,830,000*

NORTH ANNEX (15,302 SF)

- Built in 1997 as light industrial space, was purchased and occupied in 2008-09
- 7 classrooms, 4 offices, 2 staff prep spaces, conference room and misc. storage
- Multi-purpose room, 2 student bathrooms and 2 staff bathrooms

*\*Replacement cost \$1,680,000*

MODULAR M1-M2 (1,792 SF)

- Built approx. 1971, most recent remodel was 2006.
- 2 classrooms, prep and storage area
- Due to be replaced within the next 5 years

*\*Replacement cost \$200,000*

MODULAR M3-M4 (1,680 SF)

- Built approx. 1971, most recent remodel was 2006
- 2 classrooms
- Due to be replaced within the next 5 years

*\*Replacement cost \$190,000*

MODULAR M5-M6 (1,792 SF)

- Built in 2003
- 2 classrooms, prep area and library

*\*Replacement cost \$200,000*

MODULAR M7-M8 (1,792 SF)

- Built in 2006
- 2 classrooms

*\*Replacement cost \$200,000*

MODULAR M9-M10 (1,792 SF)

- Built in 2006
- 2 classrooms

*\*Replacement cost \$200,000*

**TOTAL BUILDING SQUARE FOOTAGE- 49,850**

**\*TOTAL BUILDING REPLACEMENT COSTS \$5,500,000**

*\*Replacement costs based on \$110 per square foot rounded to the nearest \$10,000*

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**MORTGAGE INFORMATION**

FIVE NOTES HELD BY BANKCDA

BALANCE ON JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2014: \$2,132,343

Annual payments are \$238,941.

Terms of all 5 notes are the same, 3.85%, amortized over 30years with a due date in 2021.

The following addresses make up the campus of the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy:

4904 N. Duncan Drive

4916 N. Duncan Drive

4921 N. Duncan Drive

Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

The Academy's facility has undergone numerous improvements over the years. The main buildings, formerly a plant nursery (the original building) and a warehouse (the annex), have been modified to accommodate the unique demands of a school. Although the facility will never be described as "state of the art," we do not subscribe to the philosophy that "state of the art" buildings are necessary for excellent education to occur.

Through the years, the Academy has managed its budget in a way that has allowed for additions to, and expansions of the facility. Without the ability that a school district has to levy local taxpayers, charter schools must exercise responsibility in their financial dealings. The Academy maintains a debt load that is manageable and responsible.

The Academy is centrally located in Coeur d'Alene, and is easily accessed from all parts of the service area. The Academy undergoes a facility safety inspection annually, and addresses any areas of concern. The facility complies with all applicable safety and accessibility requirements. (See **Appendix F, "Facilities Inspection"**)

**Administrative Services:**

Administrative services shall be provided by the principal, a vice-principal and a business manager.

Both the Principal and the Business Manager are under the supervision of the Board of Directors; the Vice Principal reports to the Principal.

The Principal is primarily in charge of managing the academic programs, including teacher evaluations, curriculum development, and teacher assignments. In addition, he or she is charged with representing the school to the public and ensuring compliance with Idaho code.

The Vice Principal assists the Principal in supervision of all staff, including teacher evaluations. He or she also functions as the Activities Director.

The Business Manager is in charge of all aspects of the school's financial dealings, as well as facilities maintenance. (See **Appendix K, "Organizational Chart"**)

Each of these administrators has an assistant whose duties, along with those of other office staff, cover such necessities as registrar, receivables and payables, attendance, and school calendar maintenance.

**Civil Liability:**

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy may sue or be sued, purchase, receive, hold and convey real and personal property for school purposes, and borrow money for such purposes as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors. Its employees, directors and officers shall enjoy the same immunities as employees, directors and officers of a public school. Neither School District #271 nor the Charter School Commission shall have any liability for the acts, omissions, debts, or other obligations of Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy, except as may be provided in an agreement or contract with Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy.

**Insurance:**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy will secure insurance for liability and property loss. Provision for liability and property loss shall be made for general liability, auto liability, professional liability, and directors' and officers' liability in the annual budget. The Commission shall be given a sixty-day notice of cancellation or non-renewal of said insurance.

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**Tab 3: Educational Program and School Goals (33-5205(3))****Educational Philosophy**

The Academy will fulfill the thoroughness standards identified in Idaho Code 33-1612. It has been established that a thorough system of public schools in Idaho is one in which the following standards are met:

- 1) A safe environment conducive to learning is provided.

The Administration ensures a safe learning environment by maintaining and annually updating its safety and emergency response plans. In addition, regular “teach-to” lessons about school safety and responsibility are built into classroom lessons. Our counseling staff practices proactive classroom outreach events to ensure that students are aware of services and the availability of counselors. Further details may be found under “How Learning Best Occurs,” below.

- 2) Educators are empowered to maintain classroom discipline.

One of the tenets of the Academy is that no student has the right to interfere with the teaching and learning process for their peers and teachers. Classroom teachers, office staff, and custodians are empowered and encouraged to identify and address discipline issues. A major point of emphasis is that our students belong to all of us, we have them in our classrooms or not. Further details may be found under “How Learning Best Occurs,” below.

- 3) The basic values of honesty, self-discipline, unselfishness, respect for authority and the central importance of work are emphasized.

From the first parent and student orientations, we emphasize the importance of self-discipline and character, as manifested in student behavior, attitudes, and work ethic. Many parents bring their children to the Academy specifically for the safe, positive, supportive environment, and we consider it our responsibility to them to ensure that the environment is all of those things. Further details may be found under “How Learning Best Occurs,” below.

- 4) The skills necessary to communicate effectively are taught.

Communication skills are at the heart of the Academy curriculum. All classes require students to demonstrate engagement by participating in classroom discussions and at all times being able to justify their answers. Anecdotal evidence from area colleges and universities indicates that Academy students stand out by their ability to participate actively in discussions. Further details may be found under “Educational Program,” below.

- 5) A basic curriculum necessary to enable students to enter academic or professional-technical postsecondary educational programs is provided.

This, of course is our primary purpose, and we take it seriously. Literally every class in our curriculum is geared toward the all-encompassing goal of ensuring our students’ success at the next level, whether they choose trade school, a community college, or an elite university. The requisite skills in all of these settings are the ability to think clearly, communicate effectively, utilize acquired knowledge, and solve problems creatively. Underlying all of these skills is the necessity of a solid work ethic. Every class we teach is taught at an accelerated pace, with an emphasis on preparing students for success in the most demanding academic settings. Students soon discover that their willingness to work hard and ask questions is far more important than their natural academic ability. Further details may be found under “Educational Program,” below.

- 6) The skills necessary for students to enter the work force are taught.

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Although the Academy does not have programs geared specifically toward job skills, the general skills required by most employers are compatible with the Academy's emphasis on work ethic and critical thinking. A teachable employee with a solid work ethic is highly desirable to businesses, and Academy students meet that description.

7) The students are introduced to current technology.

The Academy emphasizes the use of technology as a tool, rather than as a focal point. Students are required to demonstrate mastery of useful technology in the course of their daily work. Examples include the requirement of applying MLA formatting to all written work beginning in 6<sup>th</sup> grade, as well as implementing correct use of presentation software. Students in science classes produce water quality reports for state agencies using handheld devices, and the absence of a school library necessitates that students learn responsible research techniques using online resources. Our students do not spend a great deal of time doing "fun" projects on technology, as this would detract from our college-preparatory mission.

8) The importance of students acquiring the skills to enable them to be responsible citizens of their homes, schools, and communities is emphasized.

Good citizenship has been a point of emphasis since the Academy's inception. All eighth-grade students are required to take a Civics class that surpasses the state's standards for high school government. This class serves as a ready vehicle for teaching the importance of civic involvement and personal responsibility. Further details may be found under "Educational Program," below.

The following beliefs and practices comprise the Academy's detailed plan to satisfy the thoroughness standards established by the state of Idaho.

### **How Learning Best Occurs:**

Learning best occurs when students are provided a safe learning environment, highly qualified instructors, and consistently challenging and engaging instruction. The Academy will provide such an environment by meeting the Standards of Thoroughness, as provided in Idaho Code 33-1612. Administration, faculty, staff, and parent volunteers are empowered to maintain discipline in the classroom and the hallways, and are expected to hold students to a high standard, both academically and behaviorally. The Academy's discipline policy is based on the belief that discipline is not something we "do to" students, but something that we hope to instill in them. This is achieved through active teaching of ethical behavior and decision making, coupled with consistent, meaningful sanctions for noncompliance. From the school uniform requirement, to the eligibility policy for field trips and activities, to the work ethic requisite for student success, the Academy promotes citizenship, leadership, determination, and time management. All of these qualities are essential for success after graduation.

Although not a specific course offering, the Academy also instills in its students the tools to successfully compete in post-secondary education or the workplace. By emphasizing the critical skills of written and oral communication, supporting an argument in respectful debate of ideas, and purposeful utilization of technology, we prepare our students for successful integration in whatever post-graduation endeavors they choose to pursue.

### **An Educated Person:**

To be educated in the twenty-first century means to have an informed knowledge of the past and to be able to read and reflect on the best that has been written and said about the most important subjects. It implies the ability to express oneself through the written word with clarity and precision and to manipulate the languages of science and mathematics with reliability and validity. An educated person

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can both apply reason to current problems and recognize its limits. An educated person has at his disposal a broad array of important factual and conceptual knowledge as well as the skills to implement that knowledge successfully. Therefore, the Academy will offer a curriculum that includes a clear and specific core of important knowledge, concepts and skills that all students need to learn. This knowledge will facilitate learning in a full range of disciplines, including the humanities, mathematics, science, music, and the arts.

### **Educational Program:**

The Academy's clearly-defined mission of rigorous, content-rich college-preparatory education is complemented by a commitment to teacher autonomy. Our founding documents speak clearly to this commitment, under the heading of "Academic Freedom." Our philosophy is based on the belief that academic excellence is to be found not in a specific curriculum, but in the hiring of qualified experts in their field of study, given the freedom to develop their own curriculum, based on their own strengths and professional judgment.

Although each curricular area assumes the delivery of specific academic expectations, there is significant crossover among the disciplines. The Academy encourages all teachers, for instance, to integrate writing, research, and presentation and to teach and require correct research format. In addition, teachers often work together to develop interdisciplinary lessons, furthering this overlap and reinforcement.

The Academy has a written policy statement concerning the selection of educational materials, which makes it clear that all curricular decisions are made by the individual teacher, as long as the teacher ensures that learning outcomes are achieved, Idaho Core Standards are exceeded, and school standards are met.

The written curriculum exists primarily in the form of individual teacher syllabi. Departments are required to establish essential learnings for each class and grade level, but the design of lessons is left to the professional judgment of the teacher. The standards and scope and sequence are examined several times each year to ensure the minimization of redundancy and the maximization of coverage.

Curricular coordination is fostered by semi-monthly all-staff meetings, which alternate with department or grade-level meetings as needed. In addition, Academy staff return from summer break a full week before students for the specific purpose of planning and designing cooperative lessons. Coordination with sending schools is a difficult feat, as the Academy represents a significant academic leap for most students coming from other area schools. The sixth grade is the only level specifically geared to meet the needs of incoming students, although teachers in all grades take efforts to assimilate new students.

Professional staff have the responsibility of developing, evaluating, and revising curriculum to ensure cohesive and effective instruction for all students. Unfortunately, standardized tests provide little useful information, as Academy students routinely score well beyond established standards. Instead of using standardized testing data, teachers are expected to apply a high degree of professional discretion and collaboration to ensure that students receive quality instruction. Curriculum review, then, is ongoing and based on intimate knowledge of student abilities. The emphasis on teacher autonomy places a high premium on professional judgment, but eliminates much of the need for significant structured time or financial support for curriculum development. When teachers do require financial or other support, administration provides leadership, encouragement, and financial support as necessary.

The overall curriculum, as well as the individual curricula of the different departments and classrooms, is focused on the clear goal of preparing students for success in post-secondary education in the best schools

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in the country. To this end, the Academy puts great emphasis on challenging students in every period of every day. At the beginning of each school year, teachers are challenged to ask themselves how their class meets this requirement and how it is significantly better than a similar class in any other school.

Every student is expected to rise to the Academy's challenge, and teachers are expected to work diligently to ensure that every student has the chance to succeed. It is important to note, however, that the Academy's standards are high, and that students are required to meet them; the Academy does not lower standards or expectations to ensure that students pass. Rather than lower the bar, our goal is always to raise the student's performance. Students who do not pass a class are required to re-take it until they demonstrate an acceptable level of mastery. In this way, we give students the best chance of success at the next level. Special Needs students are also held to a high standard, based on learning goals established in a properly-developed IEP. Interventions and modifications occur as necessary, as determined by the IEP team, to ensure that students are provided the best possible chance at success.

The Academy provides an accelerated curriculum that manages to emphasize both breadth and depth. It is our belief that the public education system in our country underestimates the ability of students and asks little of them. We make it a point to challenge students to think, inquire, problem-solve, and develop higher-order thinking from the moment they enter in sixth grade. Testing data indicate that this course of study is very effective at achieving its goals. Anecdotal information from our graduates and their college professors provides strong evidence that, in many cases, we have over-prepared them. A common comment from a graduate is, "College is easy, compared to Charter."

Authentic application of knowledge and skills occurs in all classrooms on a regular basis. Math classes are tasked with "discovering" math concepts through problem-solving, social studies classes work to provide solutions to community and world issues, and other disciplines similarly engage students in "real-world" issues that force them to apply learnings to meaningful problems.

One of the tenets of the Academy is the value of respectful debate of ideas, and the importance of the "indispensable opposition." Students are expected to engage in discussion and debate of big ideas, always with an emphasis on supporting their position. When students are required to not only master coursework, but also to formulate cogent arguments to support their positions, they are demonstrating a depth of understanding that is crucial in post-secondary education and in whatever field of work they may enter.

This very same requirement enables students to achieve a metacognitive understanding of their own work and studies. Students are required to examine their own learning style and beliefs, as well as that of peers. The course of study and the methods generally employed at the Academy might be considered an extended course in epistemology; we encourage students to think, and then to examine why they think the way they do.

The Academy recognizes that students require a varied delivery and a broad range of choices to maximize their educational experience. To this end, it has allowed students to enroll in approved classes at the local college, and has built its master schedule to accommodate this. Students are self-directed insofar as they are expected to take responsibility for their own learning and seek out learning opportunities. By and large, the Academy's philosophy leans more toward the "sage on the stage" model than the "guide by the side" model; that is, we emphasize the importance of direct instruction and "teacher as expert.

The relatively small size of the Academy's student body fosters a more personalized instructional model than many other schools. Teachers are able to know the strengths and needs of individual learners, and

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present lessons appropriately. In addition to in-class adjustments, the daily “study lab” period is provided specifically as a support for students; it is a time when they can get tutoring, work collaboratively on projects, or study. Teachers are available during this time, as well as before and after school to assist students.

The high school curriculum is aligned across disciplines to facilitate cross-curricular connections. This is especially evident in the English and Social Studies disciplines. Ninth-graders study Ancient Literature and History, tenth-graders study European Literature and History, eleventh-graders study American Literature and American History; twelfth graders study the state-mandated U.S. Government and have options for English. Cross-curricular connections happen both by design and by happenstance.

Course of Study: The Academy includes in its requirements a full year of Latin and Civics for all eighth graders. The high school curriculum includes an articulated program of English and Social Studies, as follows:

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade:	Ancient Literature	Ancient History
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	European Literature	European History
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	American Literature	United States History
12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	World (or AP) Literature	United States Government

The Academy’s graduation requirements exceed the state’s graduation requirements; in addition, graduation requirements include two full years of foreign language, beyond the eighth-grade Latin requirement. Elective classes are limited to the arts—Choir, Band, Drama, Visual Arts—and oral communications or debate.

One of the hallmarks of the Academy is the belief in teacher autonomy. Each department, and each teacher within each department, is responsible for setting standards and designing appropriate instruction to reach those standards. As a college-preparatory school, we believe it best to trust our professional staff to make sound academic decisions. Our mission statement is intentionally vague, leaving much to the discretion of the teachers, and allowing each of them to pursue their individual gifts and strengths.

The Academy takes pride in its high expectations for student behavior. We emphasize responsibility and ethical behavior. We enforce these through an aggressive disciplinary policy and teach it in our classes. Student attendance and punctuality are enforced through a clear policy that punishes excessive tardies and absences. Extracurricular activities are not allowed to interfere with the school day. Academic integrity is taught vigorously and enforced from the beginning of sixth grade.

In addition, our academic program includes an eighth-grade Civics requirement, which integrates *Project Citizen*, a large presentation project that requires students to identify a social issue and propose a workable solution. Our high school is the only school in North Idaho that participates in *Model United Nations* in Montana.

The Academy’s mission drives every significant decision in the school. With a constant emphasis on maintaining a high standard, the Academy has created a culture of academic excellence, both in the school halls and in the community. A common problem in charter schools is the phenomenon of “mission drift,” a tendency to lose focus and make compromises in order to please a broad base of

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customers and demands. The Academy has proactively fought against this phenomenon, and has succeeded in establishing and maintaining a reputation as the top academic school in the region.

Although the area's other public schools have taken measures to offer more advanced learning opportunities for their students, the Academy remains the only public school in the primary attendance zone dedicated exclusively to this mission.

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy will develop educational standards that ensure our alumni both obtain and apply the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully. The Academy will maintain standards that exceed the Idaho Core Standards at all levels as we seek to graduate literate, responsible citizens who can contribute to their families and communities. Teachers are required to submit a statement annually that they have studied, understand, and are exceeding Idaho Core Standards or state standards (where Core Standards are not yet available) in their curricular area. (**Appendix V, "Standards Statements"**) Students shall advance based on their mastery of the curriculum. Frequent and regular assessment tools will monitor and report progress, and guide and improve instruction. The assessment used will express clearly the quality of student work and certify that students are meeting standards. Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy shall fulfill the requirements of IC 33-1612 by a thorough, consistent, rigorous application of its curriculum. It is the goal of the Academy to provide a college prep education that equals or exceeds the programs of the finest prep schools in the nation.

### **Program Goals:**

Through its program of rigorous coursework and high expectations, the Academy will:

- Prepare students for success in any post-secondary academic pursuit;
- Instill confidence in its student body that will enable graduates to pursue and conquer future challenges, both academic and otherwise;
- Provide a "value added" educational experience, enabling motivated students to realize outstanding achievement;
- Provide a safe learning environment, where students are free to pursue academic excellence, and where academic success is celebrated.

### **Research-Based:**

The Academy's curriculum and instructional models are not, strictly speaking, based on hard research. The charter school movement is intended to encourage experimentation and innovation—that is, our successes and failures are supposed to BE the research. However, our methods are rooted in the model that has existed for hundreds of years (before state or national standards). This model can be described as follows:

- 1) Set high, objective standards for student achievement based on the professional judgment of highly-qualified teachers;
- 2) Allow the teaching staff the freedom to pursue these standards based on their individual strengths, recognizing that there is no "correct" method of teaching;
- 3) Establish high expectations for student behavior and work ethic;
- 4) Hold teachers and students accountable.

The Academy's results are undeniable. The Academy has been recognized as the highest-performing school in Idaho, and among the elite schools in the nation, according to numerous publications that rank public schools. (**See Appendix H, "National Recognition"**)

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Our history of success can reasonably be considered an ongoing action research. In the spirit of the charter school philosophy, we actively and intentionally reject many of the conventions of the failing education system and focus on operating better, smarter, and more efficiently. The success of our model has been documented in an independently-conducted, longitudinal study. (See **Appendix Z, “Longitudinal Assessment of Student Progress”**) This study concludes that the longer students attend the Academy, the further they out-perform their peers in other public schools.

### **Special Education:**

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy will serve children with disabilities by adopting the mandates of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and use the Idaho Special Education Manual for identifying, evaluating, programming, developing individualized education plans, planning services, developing our discipline policy, budgeting, and providing transportation for special needs students, when included in a student's IEP. The Academy will provide a free and appropriate public education to all students. The Academy will hire or contract for special education services with Highly Qualified Special Education Teachers who meet Idaho state requirements.

The Academy will serve children with disabilities in accordance with the mandates of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The School Board of the Academy has adopted the Idaho Special Education Manual 2007 and all subsequent revisions. (See **Appendix S, “Special Education Manual Adoption”**)

The Academy will provide special education and related services to eligible students in the Least Restrictive Environment as identified on each student's IEP.

The Academy will provide a continuum of services for serving students with disabilities, in accordance with the mandates of IDEA. The IEP team will consider the student's needs and the continuum of alternate placements and related services available to meet those needs.

The Academy will provide supplementary services in accordance with IDEA, as determined by the student's IEP team.

The Academy will provide the necessary services in accordance with IDEA as determined by the student's IEP team.

The Academy's evaluation team will determine eligibility for services according to the mandates of IDEA.

The Academy will use scientifically research-based supplemental and replacement curriculum for students with disabilities, as determined by the IEP team, and in accordance with IDEA.

IDEA includes a set of procedural safeguards designed to protect the rights of children with disabilities and their families. The Academy will protect student and parent rights as described in the Idaho Special Education Manual. A locked file will store special education records and staff will be trained in confidentiality requirements.

Students receiving special education services will be held to high academic and discipline standards, within the scope of applicable federal and state laws. Teachers and administrators will follow the Idaho Special Education Manual to address these issues, including Behavior Intervention Plans (BIPS) for students whose behavior impacts their learning or the learning of others, as determined by administration and the IEP team. When manifestation determinations occur, the Academy will make proactive use of Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS).

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When the IEP team determines that a student's academic needs cannot be met on site, the Academy will contract with another agency to provide those services. The Academy will continue to monitor such students' progress.

The Academy will provide a formal process for evaluating student response to scientifically research-based interventions, consisting of the core components of problem identification, problem analysis, applying research-based interventions, and progress monitoring. A non-discrimination statement will be included in all advertisements for enrollment.

The Academy will comply with all provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

### **Limited English Proficiency:**

The Academy will provide English language development services for eligible LEP students who enroll, and LEP designation may not be a factor in the enrollment lottery procedures. The Academy will contract the provision of LEP services with providers who meet Idaho state requirements.

### **Gifted and Talented:**

The Academy's accelerated curriculum and mission as they exist are perfectly suited to serving the needs of Gifted and Talented students. Special accommodations are made within the context of the individual classroom, allowing for teachers to challenge students according to their unique talents. The Academy will follow all rules and regulations addressing Gifted and Talented in Idaho code, 33-2001, 33-2003, and IDAPA 08.02.03.999.

### **Dual Enrollment:**

According to Idaho Code 33-203(7), dual enrollment shall include the options of enrollment in a regular public school. Students from the Charter Academy shall be allowed to participate in dual enrollment options in the district of their residence provided that student meets eligibility requirements for that program, as specified in 33-203(7), Idaho Code. Opportunities for dual enrollment will be communicated to parents and students through ongoing group and individual conferences with the counseling staff, as well as daily announcements and monthly newsletters.

It is the intent of the Academy to remain true to the mission statement and deliver the curriculum through highly skilled professional instructors. We will maintain a standard of academic excellence so that a diploma earned at the Academy has significant value. Therefore, classes taken through dual enrollment must meet the Academy standards for rigor and content, as determined by the Principal or his/her designee.

Full-time Charter Academy students may take dual enrollment high school courses through another accredited high school during grades 9 through 12.

In most cases, courses taken at another high school while the student is enrolled full time at the Academy, including summer school courses, will not be accepted to meet core graduation requirements and will earn only elective credit at the Charter Academy. At the principal's discretion, the Academy may award credit for a core requirement if the class is needed to graduate and cannot be scheduled at the Academy.

All dual enrollment high school courses must meet the following requirements:

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- a. The course is offered by a provider accredited by the organization that accredits Idaho high schools, or an organization whose accreditation of providers is recognized by the organization that accredits Idaho high schools;
  - b. The state department of education has verified that the teacher is certificated by the state of Idaho and is qualified to teach the course;
  - c. The parent or guardian registers the student for the course through the Charter Academy's normal registration process and the student's parent or guardian makes such enrollment requests no later than 30 days prior to the end of the term immediately previous to the one for which the student is enrolling, or no later than the end of the school year, in the case of a term ending at the end of the school year.

Unless previously approved, all grades earned and credits received for dual enrollment high school courses will be included on the Charter Academy transcript as elective credits.

### **Concurrent Postsecondary Enrollment:**

Idaho Code 33-203(8) specifies that courses may be taken through a postsecondary institution. The parents are responsible for all tuition and fees incurred for dual enrollment courses taken at post-secondary and private secondary schools.

The privilege of concurrent enrollment through an accredited postsecondary institute may be extended to students who have at least junior standing with a weighted cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.

The student must apply to the principal or designee on the approved form signed by the student and parent one month prior to the required enrollment deadline at the other institution. To assist in completing the master schedule, students will notify the principal by the completion of school (approximately June 15) of their intent to dual enroll the following fall.

All full-time students are required to complete at least one core requirement at the Charter Academy during their junior and senior years (core requirements include any courses in English, social studies, math, or science which meet graduation requirements). All concurrent credit courses must be approved by the principal or counselor with designated dual credits courses required to meet specific Charter Academy graduation requirements.

For every semester credit earned at or through a postsecondary institution, the student will earn half a credit at the Academy (e.g. four college semester credits equal two Academy credits). All classes taken outside the Academy will be designated as such on the student's transcript, and grades received by concurrent enrollment will not be included in the student's grade point average. It is the student's responsibility to provide the registrar with documentation of all earned concurrent enrolled credit in the academic year it is obtained. Seniors must provide this documentation by the end of May to ensure credits are in order for graduation.

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**Tab 4: Measurable Standards, Accreditation, and Accountability****Attainment of Skills and Knowledge:**

Academy students are held to very high academic standards. Proficiency on state-mandated tests is the minimum level of expected achievement. Academy teachers are expected to set a high bar for student performance and construct tests that require students to demonstrate mastery. Students who fail to demonstrate command of the material will not be promoted to the next level. Instruction is designed to exceed all state standards; teachers are required annually to certify that they are knowledgeable of the standards, and that their instruction meets or exceeds the standards.

The Academy has been a five-star school since the inception of the star rating system in Idaho, and has achieved this feat by having not only the highest test scores, but exceptional growth. Teachers are expected and required to collaborate by subject area and grade level to ensure consistency in the application of standards and curriculum. Departments examine results to determine instructional issues and address those issues promptly, as well as on an annual basis.

The effectiveness of this model is evident in the consistently high performance of Academy students on all measures of academic performance. An independent longitudinal study found that Academy students experience exceptional growth, and that this growth is magnified the longer the students attend. (**Appendix Z, “Longitudinal Assessment of Student Progress”**)

**What will it take for a student to be successful at Coeur d’Alene Charter Academy?**

The answer to the question is the same thing that enables one to become a pianist, poet, or professional athlete. There is no substitute for hard work! Diligence, perseverance, a refusal to quit, the desire to succeed, and an understanding of the necessity and dignity of labor are all qualities of a highly developed work ethic. We intend to encourage this quality in our students when they demonstrate this attitude toward their studies and highlight the need for those who do not. Coeur d’Alene Charter Academy recognizes that primary responsibility for developing the respect for work and willingness to put forth effort lies with the parents. A highly-developed work ethic is internal, a function of character. Academic achievement is easier for some and harder for others.

In our opinion, and that of many educators at the secondary and college levels, one of the most serious deficits in the preparation of students today is their inability to manage time effectively. For those young people who wish to assume responsible positions in business and academics, it is necessary to develop the skills of self-motivation and time management. We intend to teach our students that understanding and knowledge are available to most of us and made accessible by a combination of effort and time. Because of this, excessive hours spent in part-time jobs or play restricts the time at students’ disposal leaving them at a competitive disadvantage with their peers nationwide.

Our intended workload of approximately one to three hours outside the classroom seems stressful only when compared to the eroded standards we have become accustomed to; this is considered routine today in the better public and private schools worldwide. We happen to believe that the first business of a student is learning. Students who see their personal academic preparation as a full-time occupation gain a distinct advantage over those with whom they compete. Coeur d’Alene Charter Academy will develop students by increasing their capacity for work through a demanding curriculum that lays the foundation for future educational and professional success.

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**Measurable Student Educational Standards:**

As mandated by Idaho Code 33-5209A, the Academy administration sets forth the following criteria for demonstrating accomplishment of mission-specific goals. These goals are intended to encourage and require that our program provide “value added.”

Academic Proficiency Goals: Students at the Academy will demonstrate grade-level proficiency as defined by the state of Idaho, and as measured by the state-adopted standardized test(s).

Goal 1: 90% of Academy students will score proficient or higher on state-adopted test(s).

Goal 2: The Academy will perform in the top quartile in the state of Idaho on the state-adopted test(s) as measured by mean score.

Student Academic Growth Goals: Students at the Academy will achieve growth targets as established by the state of Idaho, and as measured by the state-adopted standardized test(s).

Goal 3: 90% of Academy students will meet target growth rates as measured by the state-adopted test(s).

Goal 4: The Academy will demonstrate growth rates in the top 50 percent of all Idaho schools as a percentage of students meeting state-established growth goals on state-adopted test(s)

College and Career Readiness Goals: Academy students will demonstrate college readiness by performing above the state average on college-entrance exams, such as the ACT and SAT.

Goal 5: 70% of Academy twelfth-graders will achieve “college ready” composite scores on college-entrance exams.

**Reporting of Standards:**

The Academy completes all required reports to the state and its authorizer, including annual reporting of student academic performance, accreditation status, and performance toward Measurable Student Educational Standards. In addition, the school produces a “School Profile” for all stakeholders and interested parties, which includes information on our philosophy, academic programs and standards, test scores, national recognition, and contact information. This profile appears on the school’s website and is available upon request through the school office.

**Methods of Measuring Student Progress:**

Students at the Academy will continue to take all state-mandated tests, just like all public school students in Idaho. This will include the SBAC and/or the ISAT, as well as any other state-adopted or state-mandated testing instrument. All eleventh-graders take the PSAT/NMSQT, and have for many years, even before the state began paying for it. In addition, the Academy has long made it a practice to test all of its seniors with the SAT. As our mission is college-preparatory, these college-admissions tests are a crucial measure of our success in pursuing our mission. Every effort will be made to ensure maximum participation in mandatory testing. Our testing coordinator will track participation and ensure that those who miss school test days are allowed and provided a make-up test day. The Academy has consistently met and surpassed the state’s requirement for test participation.

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**Measurement of Student Progress Toward Standards:**

The Idaho Core Standards represent the minimum standards all students at the Academy will achieve in order to graduate. Student progress in meeting the state achievement standards will be measured with the SBAC or any other examination officially required by the State or federal government of all other public school students.

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy reserves the right to measure student progress with other standardized testing instruments.

Academy staff has undergone extensive training in the implementation of the Idaho Core Standards, and has in place a program for ongoing professional development to ensure that our teachers understand and effectively apply the standards. Our program has been used as an exemplar at the state level.

The Academy maintains graduation requirements that exceed state requirements. Requirements include two years of foreign language, four years of math, and four years of history. Academy students must earn a minimum of 46 credits to graduate.

**Middle Level Credit Advancement Requirements:**

The Academy has developed clear requirements for middle-school students to advance. These requirements address both individual classes and grade-promotion criteria. In short, students will not progress to the next level in a sequence if they fail a class. In addition, students must pass a majority of their core classes in a given grade and be on target to graduate with their class before they will be promoted to the next grade level. This plan was submitted to, and approved by, the State Department of Education.

**Accreditation:**

The Academy is accredited for grades 9-12 through Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC)/AdvancED. The Board will comply with all accreditation standards established by the state or regional accreditation agency. The Academy completed its five-year accreditation visitation in April of 2012 with high marks and has maintained accreditation requirements since. (**Appendix D, "Accreditation Certificate"**) The Academy will continue to participate in annual accreditation meetings, complete annual updates and ongoing improvement, as well as conduct site visitations as mandated by the state and the current accreditation agency. Both administrators have proven understanding of accreditation requirements by participating in site visits at other schools.

**Accountability and School Improvement:**

The founders, board, and administration of the Academy firmly believe that an essential element of the charter school movement is the risk of closure for any charter school that fails to demonstrate "value added," or, at a minimum, "value neutral" results. In the event that the Academy does not meet state achievement goals or progress over time, a team comprised of the principal, staff, Board of Directors, and authorizer representative and any other additional inside/outside technical assistance will meet to determine whether the school should be closed or a plan should be developed to address student achievement.

It will be the responsibility of this team with the assistance of the authorizer, to monitor the implementation of any improvement plan for improved learning and teaching and to continue to provide feedback and recommendations for strengthening ongoing student achievement.

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The Academy's administration will attend pertinent State Conferences and subscribe to the SDE weekly e-newsletter to stay apprised of State requirements and policy changes.

If the Academy is required to implement a Turnaround Improvement Plan, the Academy Board will work with an independent consultant to determine the most appropriate staffing model.

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**Tab 5: Governance Structure, Parental Involvement, Audits**

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**Governance Structure:**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy, Inc. is a non-profit organization organized and managed under the Idaho Nonprofit Corporation Act. (**Appendix A, “Articles of Incorporation,” and Appendix B, “Bylaws”**) The Board of Directors will be the public agents who control and govern the charter school. In addition, The Board of Directors shall be responsible and ensure that the school is in compliance with all applicable federal and state education standards, all applicable federal and state laws, rules, regulations, and policies, as well as the terms and conditions of the charter. (**Appendix K, “Organizational Chart”**)

The Board of Directors will entrust the daily operations of the school to the Principal. The principal shall be directly responsible for implementing the school’s academic program, and attaining the stated objectives of academic achievement. The principal shall provide educational leadership designed to nurture a strong relationship among teachers, students, parents, and the community. In addition, the principal shall be responsible for hiring, evaluating and terminating classified staff. The principal will observe, evaluate and recommend action to the board regarding the hiring, evaluation and termination of certified staff. The principal is responsible for managing the facilities and creating and maintaining a school climate that is disciplined, orderly, and conducive to learning.

The Board of Directors meetings will follow open meeting laws, and public records law, keep accurate minutes, and make the minutes available to the public, according to the bylaws of the charter school.

The Academy will comply with all regulations to ensure that the school meets the terms of its charter and complies with applicable laws. The regulations address performance monitoring through annual school accreditation reports and annual reporting on educational goal attainment.

Idaho law requires charter schools to submit to their authorizer an annual report that contains a fiscal audit, a report on student progress based on the school’s identified educational standards, and a copy of the school’s accreditation report. It also requires charter schools to comply with the same financial reporting requirements as school districts.

**Governance Capacity:**

Academy bylaws dictate that the Board of Directors be comprised of representatives from three groups: educators, members of the public, and Academy parents. Efforts are made to maintain roughly equal representation among these groups. The board is not elected, but self-perpetuating, to ensure continuity and adherence to the school’s mission.

According to the Articles of Incorporation (**Appendix A**), the number of Directors shall be no fewer than three (3) and no more than fifteen (15).

**Governance Process:**

Board members serve a three-year term, which expires on November 1. There are no term limits. A process is in place to remove a board member. The process for vetting a potential board member involves soliciting community members from the target sub-population (parents, public, educators) and then arranging interviews between the candidates and the school staff, and then between the candidates and the board. Once a candidate is approved by both the staff and the board, the candidate is invited to join the board. A majority vote in open session results in the appointment of a new board member.

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**Board Training:**

Members of the board, in cooperation with administration, have produced a “primer” for new board members to facilitate their assuming of board member duties and procedures. Each member of the board is provided a copy of *Charter School Board University*, published by the National Charter Schools Institute, and is encouraged to pursue further training as made available by the State Department of Education, Idaho School Boards Association, the Idaho Charter School Network or other agency. In addition, the at least one member of the Board is encouraged to attend the annual State Charter School Conference with the Principal.

The Academy’s Board of Directors adheres to “The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy Code of Ethics for Board Members.” All members sign this document upon joining the board, signifying their agreement to uphold the Academy’s ethical standards. (**Appendix Q, “Board Code of Ethics”**)

The board and its members will conduct a self-evaluation at least annually at its “annual meeting” in June, using the adopted evaluation forms. (**Appendix R, “Board Self-Evaluation”**)

**Parental Involvement:**

The Board will establish policies to encourage parental involvement. The process to ensure parental involvement may include, but not be limited to:

- Parents receive written materials at the beginning of each school year.
- Parents are encouraged to attend parent-teacher conferences each year.
- Parents are asked to complete a survey during the school year, soliciting input on the academic program, school environment, and the school’s progress.
- Parents are encouraged to participate in numerous events and activities.
- The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) offers parents the opportunity to volunteer for school projects, programs, and committees.
- Parents are encouraged to attend and participate in the Board of Directors’ monthly board meetings.
- Parents are encouraged to provide an appropriate learning environment at home for study.
- During new-student orientation, the Principal provides recommendations for establishing home support and fostering student success.

The Academy does not utilize parent volunteers within the classroom, nor for handling of any student records. To do so affects the dynamics of the classroom and compromises the confidentiality of student records.

Parents are encouraged to communicate regularly with the school. In turn, the school and the PTO will regularly communicate with the parents.

**Audits and Annual Reporting:**

The Academy undergoes a financial audit annually, conducted by a qualified, independent CPA. A copy of the fiscal audit is submitted to the SDE, as well as their authorizing body, which is required by the IC33-701 (6) (as required by Idaho Code 33-5210 (3)).

The Academy will comply with all financial reporting requirements, including those stipulated in Idaho Code 33-701. The Academy will ensure fiscal transparency by maintaining a page on the school website that meets or exceeds all code requirements for public access to financial transactions.

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**Tab 6: Employee Requirements****Qualifications and Certification:**

Employment practices shall be governed by the relevant laws of the State of Idaho. These laws include, but are not limited to Idaho Code Sections 33-513 through 33-518, and sections 33-130, and 33-5205 (3) (g) as those sections are now enacted and as they may hereinafter be amended, and the current and future rules of the State Board of Education specifically pertaining to public charter schools.

These practices include but are not limited to hiring, dismissal, contracts, grievance procedures, certification, criminal history check, and personnel records.

The Academy will hire teachers who possess appropriate certification and meet the highly qualified standards as set by the State of Idaho for both new teachers and teachers who are not new to the profession. All teachers of core academic subjects, including special education teachers, must additionally demonstrate subject matter competence in each core academic subject taught.

The administration will make recommendations to the Board of Directors for approval of instructional staff. Each professional staff member (teachers and administrators) will be on a written contract approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction according to 33-5206(4).

All employees and volunteers will undergo background checks according to statute.

The Academy will not discriminate on the basis of any criteria prohibited in federal and state mandates.

All substitute teachers must submit to a criminal history check before substituting at the Academy.

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy's Principal will ensure that the school's employees understand and are able to implement the school's vision upon hiring and through in-service training. All employees will undergo annual performance reviews according to state code.

All employees will receive orientation to, and be responsible for upholding, the Code of Ethics for Idaho Professional Educators. Suspected violations will be reported to the Professional Standards Commission.

**Teacher Evaluation:**

The Principal and Vice Principal conduct a minimum of two classroom evaluations of each teacher every year, as required in code. Administrators have had or will have received training in the Danielson Framework for Teaching Excellence. The evaluation instrument is aligned with the Danielson model. **(Appendix T, "Teacher Evaluation Instrument")**

The Academy follows all requirements for working with underperforming teachers, as well as ensuring due process rights as appropriate.

**Professional Development:**

The Academy provides in-house training on curricular issues, using its own staff. An example would be the teacher-led workshops on autism-spectrum students, use of online resources like Moodle and Blackboard, or writing rubrics. With a vast array of expertise within the school walls, outside training is rarely accessed; it is, however, encouraged for those who wish it. The Academy has adopted a comprehensive Professional Development Plan that integrates technology, best practices, and Core Standards. **(Appendix U, "Professional Development Plan")**

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**Administrative Evaluation:**

The Administration is evaluated annually by staff, parents, students, and supervisors, using a state-approved process (**Pending**)

**Health and Safety:**

The Academy's Board and administration are dedicated to maintaining a school climate where students, teachers, and visitors feel safe, nurtured, and confident. This culture is achieved by maintenance of facilities, ongoing discussion and training of professional and classified staff, consistent enforcement of discipline policy.

The Charter Academy buildings will be inspected as provided in the Idaho Uniform School Safety Codes (ref. IC Title 39 chapter 80). Following an annual inspection, the charter school shall within 30 days, (1) correct any deficiencies in the inspection report, or (2), if the corrective action requires structural modification, file a written plan with the inspecting agency for the correction at the beginning of the following school year. Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy will comply with all applicable provisions and procedures as outlined in Idaho Code for the health and safety of its staff and student body. The general safety and health standards as outlined under the provisions of the educational occupancies guidelines furnished by the State Department of Education shall apply. (**Appendix F, "Facilities Inspection"**) The school shall ensure services are provided for adequate record keeping of immunization and health-related services.

To ensure the safety of our employees and students, the Academy will comply with the following health and safety procedures.

1. Conduct criminal history checks for all employees in compliance with Idaho Code 33-130. This requirement is a condition of employment.
2. Require that all students have proof of immunization or have a written parental waiver and have a birth certificate or other identification before being enrolled
3. Require that all visitors sign in at the office and receive and wear a visitor's pass when visiting the school buildings.
4. Provide for inspection of the facility in compliance with Section 39-4130 of Idaho Code. Adopt policies to meet all required city, state, and federal health, accessibility, safety, fire, and building codes for public schools. Fire and safety officials using the same guidelines for all public schools will inspect the facility.
5. Adopt and implement, where appropriate, policies regarding health, safety and risk management policies, unless otherwise written and adopted by the Board of Directors.
6. Contact law enforcement in the event of suspected use or possession of controlled substances or weapons.

Policies will be incorporated as appropriate into the school's student and staff handbooks and will be reviewed on an ongoing basis in the schools' staff development efforts.

The Academy will follow all the Idaho Content Standards for health and physical education.

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**School Discipline:**

All teachers are empowered to maintain discipline in their classrooms. Protocols include establishing clear expectations for student behavior and consistent sanctions for noncompliance. Students will not be allowed to practice behavior that endangers others or causes a disruption to the teaching or learning process. Violations will result in penalties ranging from refocus to referral to administration. Any issues sufficient to merit a detention or referral will result in the teacher or administrator contacting the student's parent.

The discipline model employed by the Academy is built on respecting the ability and rights of the individual classroom teacher; just as there are many different teaching and learning styles, different parenting styles, and different management styles, there are many ways to maintain classroom discipline. To enforce uniform practices across a diverse teaching staff is to deny these obvious differences and violate the Academy's tenet of respecting professional practices. Therefore, the Academy does not have a school-wide "system" in place, save for the expectation that teachers will manage their classrooms and remove disruptive students to the Principal or Vice Principal's office. The threshold for removing a student from the classroom is as varied as the backgrounds and personalities of the teachers employed at the Academy.

**Disciplinary Consequences:**

Discipline actions and consequences for violations of school rules, regulations, and procedures include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Student conference with principal
- Loss of privileges
- Detention
- Phone call to parent
- Letter sent to parent
- Student and parent conference with Principal
- Suspension from extracurricular activities
- In-school suspension
- Out-of-school suspension
- Referral to Counselor or Student Specialist
- Recommendation to Board for Expulsion

The Principal and Vice Principal determine appropriate consequences for infractions

**Suspension Policy**

Students will be suspended for one to three days as deemed appropriate by the school administration for offenses that interfere with the learning of other students.

Students will be re-admitted to class once a parental conference with the Principal has been conducted. The Principal, with the administrative team, will design a program for the student to follow upon re-admittance. With each discipline referral thereafter, days of suspension will be increased by one day, until a maximum of five days has been reached. At that time, the student will be referred to the Board for consideration of permanent expulsion since the student is demonstrating a lack of commitment

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to the values of the established learning community and/or is habitually disrupting the learning of others.

### Expulsion Policy

Board may deny attendance at the Academy by expulsion of any student who is a habitual truant, or who is incorrigible, or whose conduct, in the judgment of the Principal or Board, is such as to be continuously a discipline problem, or who may be harmful to the other students. The Governing Board shall have the right to permanently expel students for disciplinary or attendance reasons. In the event of an expulsion, the Board and administration will conform to all requirements regarding notification, representation, hearings, and documentation.

Any disciplinary issue that results in administrative action will, at a minimum, result in parental contact. If the issue involves possible illegal activities, administration will contact law enforcement.

### **Suicide Prevention:**

The Academy's staff receives a refresher course annually in identifying and reporting of suicidal tendencies among the student body, as well as methods of talking with students in crisis. The online resource "SPAN Idaho" is used in these trainings to facilitate presentation and to ensure that those who deal with students most closely (the teachers) are familiar with the resource. Two trained counselors serve as the primary resource for teachers and students regarding suicide-related issues, and are responsible for facilitating intervention and postvention.

### **Internet Use Policy:**

The Academy has developed and adopted a comprehensive internet use policy, to which students and their parents must agree before being allowed access to school technology. (**Appendix X, "Student Acceptable Use"**)

### **Employee Benefits:**

All qualified Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy personnel will be covered by and subject to the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho, health insurance, Federal Social Security and Medicare, federal and state employment taxes, unemployment insurance and worker's compensation insurance in accordance with applicable Idaho Codes.

### **Transfer Rights:**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is its own Local Education Agency (LEA). No employee transfer rights apply between The Academy and any other school district.

### **Collective Bargaining:**

The Academy's staff and employees will be a separate unit for purposes of collective bargaining.

### **Written Contract:**

All teachers and administrators will be on a written contract as approved by the state superintendent of public instruction. All employees will undergo performance reviews according to state requirements.

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**Tab 7: Admissions, Discipline, Student Policies****Enrollment Capacity:**

The Academy's beginning enrollment in 1999 was approximately 200 in grades 7-10. In subsequent years, grades 11 and 12 were added, and then grade 6. Enrollment capacity is 812 in the current facility, with no expectation that the school will expand or relocate. For purposes of the enrollment lottery, the Academy's board of directors will establish overall and per-grade enrollment caps on an annual basis. The board will set these caps no later than two (2) months before the school's lottery application deadline and will post them on the school's website within five (5) days of the vote that establishes the annual caps.

**Admission Procedures:**

The Academy does not discriminate against students of a particular race, color, national origin, sex or disability\* and will abide by the following admission guidelines.

1. The board establishes enrollment caps for each grade level and an application deadline.
2. If capacity is insufficient to enroll all pupils who submit a timely application for the subsequent term, then preference shall be given in the following order:
  - a. First, for students returning to the Academy;
  - b. Second, children of Academy founders and children of full-time Academy employees(not to exceed 10% of the school's total enrollment);
  - c. Third, to siblings of pupils already enrolled at the Academy;
  - d. Fourth, to applicants residing within the primary attendance area;
  - e. Fifth, by random lottery.

**Lottery Process:**

At the close of the enrollment period (the second Friday in March), all returning students who have submitted their applications will be readmitted. Where the number of remaining applicants exceeds the number of openings for a particular grade level, all remaining applicants will be entered into a lottery and enrolled according to rules established by the State Board of Education. Those applicants in the lottery who were not admitted will be placed on a waiting list in the order that their names were drawn from the lottery. Thereafter, all students who apply after the second Friday in March will be placed on the waiting list based on the date and time the application is received, regardless of the student's area of residence.

**Enrollment:**

All applicants will be notified by mail regarding acceptance. Those admitted must accept their spot in writing by the date specified in the acceptance letter or the applicant will lose his/her space, allowing an opening for the next person on the waiting list. If a new student is unable to attend school within five days from the start of the year/semester for which he/she was accepted, admission will be denied and the student will need to reapply for a future opening.

\*The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy does not discriminate on the basis of disability in our admission policy, or in providing access to programs or activities. Students receiving special education services through IDEA or section 504 accommodations will be held to the same academic and discipline standards as other students within the scope of the applicable federal and state laws.

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**Enrollment Opportunities:**

Enrollment opportunities at the charter academy will be announced at least 4 weeks in advance of the closing date of an enrollment period. Announcement of opportunities will be published in local newspapers, in the school's newsletter and on the school's web site. In addition, the Academy Board of Directors will publish as part of their monthly meetings any consideration of enrollment opportunities.

**Public School Alternative:**

Because the Academy is a school of choice located within an established public school attendance zone, the alternative to attending the Academy is for students to attend their default public school.

**Denial of Attendance:**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is committed to a safe learning environment. Student expectations for appropriate behavior are high and will be communicated to both students and parents through the student handbook and upon enrollment.

The Academy will deny attendance to any students who poses a continuous disruption of school discipline or instructional effectiveness, has a detrimental influence on the health and safety of other students, or who has been expelled from another school, in accordance with Idaho Code 33-205.

Students may be denied attendance to the charter school for any of the following reasons:

- Being a habitual truant
- Being deemed incorrigible by the school Principal
- Being deemed by the Board of Directors to be disruptive to the school for disciplinary reasons
- Being detrimental to the health and/or safety of other students
- Being expelled from another district

The administration and Board will follow all legal requirements of Idaho Code 33-205 related to the process of written notice, terms of denial, hearings, representation, and all other matters.

**Student Handbook:**

The Academy has developed and continuously updates a student handbook, which is distributed to students and posted on our website to ensure accessibility. (**Appendix W, "Student Handbook"**)

In addition, the Academy makes available a School Profile for prospective students, curious community members, and post-secondary institutions, which includes information on our philosophy, academic programs and standards, test scores, national recognition, and contact information. (**Appendix G, "School Profile"**)

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**Tab 8: Business Plan, Transportation, School Lunch****Business Plan:****Business Description:**

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is an educational institution organized and managed under the Idaho nonprofit corporation act. The Board of Directors of Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy shall be deemed public agents authorized by the Idaho Charter School Commission to control the charter school.

**Marketing Plan:**

Charter schools exist to meet the needs of underserved populations; the Academy was founded to serve students and families who have found other schools to be wanting, specifically in the areas of advanced coursework and positive learning environment. Our founding group consisted largely of parents whose children felt unchallenged and often marginalized because of their academic successes. Not all of these students were gifted, but all shared the traits of dedication to their studies, willingness to work hard, and the desire to pursue higher education. Our school is intended to serve students of all ability levels who exhibit these traits, and who find other schools to be uncondusive to academic excellence. Our mission statement clearly states that we are here "...for any students who are willing to accept the challenge." We hope to reach all segments of the population through advertising in a variety of media. The Academy will advertise enrollment periods in local newspapers and Chamber of Commerce publications, on our website, and on our street-side reader board. All of these but the newspaper are available free of charge, and are therefore accessible to the general public, including low-income community members. Additional efforts at reaching low-income populations may include postings or distribution of advertising in community centers, youth clubs, or other venues that serve the whole community. All print advertising includes a clear statement that our programs are open to all, and that our admissions policies are non-discriminatory. After many years of successfully serving the community, we do not plan to do extensive marketing, relying more on word-of-mouth advertising. Waiting lists in recent years indicate that the community is aware of the Academy.

Publicizing school successes is also an effective form of marketing. The Academy will maintain a presence on social media, including our school website, facebook, and twitter, ensuring that followers and curious media users have the opportunity to gain an understanding of our programs and keep abreast of Academy news, deadlines, and issues.

**Management Plan:**

The Academy Board of Directors is comprised of community members, educators, and Academy parents. We take some effort to ensure a variety of background experiences, as well. Our current board is comprised of a lawyer, the manager of a local business, a retired teacher, a stay-at-home mother (formerly an oncology nurse), and an engineer. (**Appendix P, "Board Resumes"**)

The Board is responsible for forming and adopting policy, as well as supervising the Principal and business manager. They are the ultimate authority in the hiring and dismissal of certified staff, generally acting on the recommendation of the Principal.

The Principal answers to the Board and supervises the certified staff, as well as his/her administrative assistant. He or she is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the school, including maintaining the academic program and ensuring a safe learning environment. He or she also bears primary responsibility for school communications with the media, State Department of Education, and the community.

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The Business Manager answers to the Board and supervises the support staff and custodial staff. He or she manages the school's finances and the physical plant, making recommendations to the Principal and the Board on wide-ranging issues related to these responsibilities.

The Vice Principal answers to the Principal and supervises his or her administrative assistant. He or she also serves as the Activities Director, planning and managing all extra-curricular and co-curricular activities; in this capacity, he or she supervises all coaches and activity advisors. The Vice Principal assists the Principal in carrying out his or her duties and assumes the role of Principal when the Principal is absent from the building. (See Appendix K, "Organizational Chart")

### **Financial Plan:**

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy Board of Directors employs a CFO/Business Manager with a BA degree in Accounting/Business Administration to provide appropriate, qualified fiscal management of all Academy business. Policies and procedures are promulgated by the CFO and approved by the Board in an open, monthly meeting, wherein the CFO provides a clear report of all financial matters and answers all questions from the Board. The CFO provides an annual review of legislative action during the legislative session. New policies and procedures are brought to the Board in order to maintain school policy in compliance with any State laws that may require it. All policies necessary for detailed and complete maintenance of financial records are in place and conform to generally accepted accounting principles of the United States of America and the State of Idaho. The CFO will make all records available for an annual independent financial audit report; produce an annual IFARMS report; all other required state supplemental reports; and, the required monthly financial statements to our Board of Directors. All appropriate statements will reflect the standards established by GASB (Governmental Accounting Standards Board). We will continue to maintain this standard of financial reporting in order to inform all stakeholders of our financial condition and provide assurance that we are a financially viable institution.

In our 15 year history, there have been no exceptions, misstatements or other conditions that necessitated disclosure by our independent auditors. We will continue to maintain this standard of financial reporting in order to inform all stakeholders of our financial condition and provide assurance that we are a financially viable institution.

### **Fundraising and Grant Writing:**

The Academy has developed an annual cycle for major fundraising activities to supplement its primary funding source. In addition to in-house fundraising efforts, the Academy has contracted with a professional grant writer in the past, with little success. We continue to seek out grant opportunities as appropriate, and to work through the state's Charter School Network to develop new funding streams.

### **Transportation:**

The Academy does not provide transportation services to its students. As a school of choice, our practices are consistent with those of all other public schools in our primary attendance area that students might choose to attend other than those for which they are zoned. In the event that a special-needs student's IEP require transportation, we will ensure that transportation is provided, according to state and federal law.

At registration time, families are informed of the limited public transportation available. In addition, the PTO assists families in finding workable carpools to assist with transportation difficulties. With a primary attendance area covering over 1300 square miles, providing transportation is not practicable at this time.

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No plan is in place to offer ~~or consider offering~~ transportation in the future. However, the Academy will conduct a study in 2015 to determine whether transportation is feasible

**Food Service:**

Like many other charter schools, the Academy lacks the facility to provide food service and therefore does not participate in the federal hot lunch program. As a new LEA, the Academy solicited data from families regarding Free and Reduced for the first time in the spring of 2014, but with limited response. Now, with the advantage of our having LEA status confirmed from the beginning of the year, we are able to integrate this data collection in to our registration process; we expect a much better response. We do arrange to make lunches available through contracts with independent local providers. The vast majority of our students provide their own lunches. The Board does not have plans to consider offering a lunch program.

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**Tab 10: Business Arrangements, Community Involvement, School Choice****Business Arrangements and Partnerships:**

As with any business that has successfully grown over 15 years, we have a vendor list of several thousand business arrangements. A brief list of those companies follows:

**Banking**

We have outstanding banking relationships with four institutions: Mountain West Bank, Washington Trust, Inland Northwest Bank, and Bankcda. Our current investment, checking and loan needs are being met by all four banks.

**Construction trades**

The school has done three major remodel jobs, two new projects, five modular building projects and several smaller jobs. These projects have included some of the following firms: Miller-Stauffer Architects, Scott Rice Architects, Northwest Engineering, Shelter Associates, Ginno Construction, Small's Construction, CDF Landscaping, and others.

**Supplies/Equipment**

Interstate Office Supply, Staples, Office Max, CDW-G, InSight, Fred Meyer, Costco, Caxton, Follett, McGraw-Hill, Pearson, Barnes and Noble, Hastings, Amazon, Walter Nelson, Lowes, Neopost, Ricoh, and others.

**Services**

Advanced Benefits, Blue Cross of Idaho, Idaho School District Council, Avista, Kootenai Electric Co-op, Charles Dodson Attorney, Anderson Brothers CPA, Magnuson-McHugh CPA, TimeWarner, Coeur d'Alene Press, Herff Jones, Commercial Printing, Walsworth, AlSCO, Spokane Uniform House, Columbia Electric Supply, Moon Security Service

The Academy will contract for Special Education services as necessary. The Academy faithfully fulfills all requirements for serving special-needs students, using properly certified personnel. We will secure the services of such personnel to provide services on an as-needed basis annually. We have positive working relationships with other area charter schools, and may, as a group, retain a Special Education specialist.

We maintain ongoing arrangements with North Idaho College to provide enrollment options for our students, including classes at the college campus and classes taught by Academy teachers.

**Community Involvement:**

St. Vincent De Paul has recognized the Academy as the largest single donor to its annual holiday food drive. Each year, Academy families contribute between 1.5 and 2 tons of food to this cause.

The Academy participates annually in the *Festival of Trees*, a holiday community fundraiser for Kootenai Medical center, by sending its choirs to entertain audiences.

Academy administration maintains a membership in the Sunrise Rotary, which provides annual scholarships to our seniors and names a "Student of the Month," recognizing top Academy juniors and seniors and providing a showcase of our talented students.

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The Academy's Jazz Band provides entertainment one Thursday every month at *The Fedora*, a local restaurant.

The Principal has been invited to speak before numerous organizations, including Kiwanas, Sunrise Rotary, Kootenai County Republicans, Kootenai County Democrats, Reagan Republicans, Pachyderm Club, Hayden Lake Rotary, and Leadership Coeur d'Alene, to name a few.

### **School Choice:**

The Academy maintains membership in the Idaho Charter School Network, which advocates for school choice throughout the state. Two Academy administrators have served on the executive board of ICSN.

Academy administration has testified numerous times before the Idaho legislature in support of school choice and related issues.

Administration cooperates with other area charter schools to offer support and to identify shared concerns.

The Principal has been invited numerous times by the Montana Family Foundation to testify before the Montana legislature in support of charter school legislation. This included a one-hour exclusive presentation to members of both chambers as an expert.

The Academy offered its entire high school core curriculum via the Idaho Education Network (IEN) in support of the state Superintendent's initiatives and school choice.

Academy students are allowed numerous dual enrollment and concurrent enrollment opportunities, including IDLA, IDEA, and North Idaho College.

### **Termination:**

In cases of termination, the Governing Board of Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is responsible for the dissolution of the business and affairs of the school. Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy will fully cooperate with the authorizing body for the dissolution, complying with established processes and policies of the Charter School Commission and the state of Idaho. All personnel records will be sealed and returned to employees using all available means to determine current addresses.

All records of students will be immediately transferred to Coeur d'Alene School District 271. **Appendix Y, "Student Records Agreement"**) All students will receive written notice of how to request a transfer of student records to a specific school. Past students will be notified of the process of requesting records by letter to the last known address and an e-mail to the last known e-mail address of parents/guardians.

Upon the dissolution of Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy, assets will be distributed in accordance with Idaho Code 33-5212(2). Funds sufficient for a final, independent fiscal audit will be set aside prior to dissolution proceedings.



## **Appendices**

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The Articles of Incorporation of COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY, INC., a non-for-profit corporation, are hereby stated:

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the Corporation (hereinafter called the "corporation") is COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY, INC.

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ARTICLE II

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The corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE III

PURPOSES AND POWERS OF THE CORPORATION

This corporation does not contemplate the distribution of dividends to its Directors. The specific primary purposes for which it is formed are as follows:

3.1 To operate a charter school in accordance with the charter school laws of the State of Idaho.

3.2 To do and engage in any and all lawful activities that may be incidental or reasonably necessary to any of the foregoing purposes, and to have and exercise all other powers and authority now or hereafter conferred upon a non-for-profit organization.

PROVIDED, that in all events and under all circumstances, and notwithstanding merger, consolidation, reorganization, termination, dissolution or winding up of this corporation, voluntary or

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involuntary or by operation of law, the following provisions shall

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1. This corporation shall never be operated for the primary purpose of carrying on a trade or business for profit.

2. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its Directors, trustees, officers, members or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this Article III.

3. The powers and purposes of this corporation shall, at all times, be so construed and limited as to enable this corporation to qualify as a non-for-profit organization, and existing under Chapter 3, Title 30 of the Idaho Code, and it shall have all power and authority as set forth in Section 30-3-24 of Idaho Code, and all other applicable sections of the Idaho Code.

Upon the dissolution of this Corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future tax code), or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed by the Court of common pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such

purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE IV

The location and street address of the first registered office is 1424 Sherman Avenue, Suite 100, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814.

ARTICLE V

The name of the first registered agent is WILLIAM PROSER.

ARTICLE VI

The Corporation is organized upon a non-stock and non-profit basis. The amount of assets of this Corporation is:

Real Property	\$	0.00
Personal property	\$	1.00

This Corporation is to be financed and operated under the following general plan: by the receipt of tax money and private donations in accordance with the charter school laws of the State of Idaho.

ARTICLE VII

The name and address of the incorporator is as follows:

WILLIAM PROSER

850 Kidd Island Road  
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

ARTICLE VIII

The names and addresses of the initial Board of Directors are as follows:

NORMAN L. GISSEL

1424 Sherman Avenue  
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814

Robert McFarland, M. D.	700 Ironwood Drive Coeur d' Alene, Idaho 83814
Betty McLain	3080 E. Springview Drive Coeur d' Alene, Idaho 83814
Alan Golub	P.O. Box 968 Hayden Lake, Idaho 83835
Robert Nelson	14250 Strahorn Road Hayden Lake, Idaho 83835
Karen Hanks	W. 610 Hubbard Coeur d' Alene, Idaho 83814
Gayne Clifford	6495 Yellowstone Trail Coeur d' Alene, Idaho 83814
Constance Faller	2102 N. Fairway Drive Coeur d' Alene, Idaho 83814
Matt Lyman	2913 W. Fairway Rd. Coeur d' Alene, Idaho 83814

Article IX

- A. The Directors of this Corporation shall consist of not less than three (3) persons, nor more than fifteen (15) persons, whose terms may, but need not be, concurrent.
- B. The initial Board of Directors shall be selected by the incorporator. They shall be (9) in number. Seats "A", "B", and "C" shall hold office for an initial period of one year. Seats "D", "E", and "F" shall hold office for an initial period of two years. Seats "G", "H", and "I" shall hold office for an initial period of three years. Upon the expiration of the terms of office of the original Board of Directors, the terms of office of such Director shall be three years.
- C. Any Director may resign by tendering his resignation to the remaining Directors, and he may be removed as a Director either with or without cause by the vote or written

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assent of a majority of the remaining Directors after the term of all of the original directors has expired.

D. If a vacancy shall occur among the Directors of this Corporation as a result of death, resignation, removal, or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled by the vote or written assent of a majority of the remaining Directors, or, in the event of a majority of the remaining Directors failing to agree upon a person to fill such vacancy, then in the manner provided by the laws of the State of Idaho. A person selected to fill such vacancy shall be a Director for the period specified in the resolution or written assent pursuant to which he is selected or until his death, resignation, or removal prior to the expiration of such period.

ARTICLE X

This <sup>is</sup> not a membership corporation. The manner of selecting directors and conducting the business of the corporation shall be established by the By-laws.

The undersigned incorporator signs his name this 10<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST, 1998.

  
WILLIAM PROSER

*BY-LAWS  
OF  
COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY, INC.  
A Non-For-Profit Corporation*

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the corporation shall be COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY, INC., and it is sometimes referred to in these By-Laws as the Corporation.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSES

The purposes for which the corporation is formed are those set forth in its Articles of Incorporation, as from time to time amended. The Corporation is not formed for pecuniary or financial gain, and no part of the assets, income, or profit of the Corporation is distributable to, or inures to the benefit of its directors or officers.

ARTICLE III

SEAL

Section 1. The seal of the Association shall have inscribed thereon the name of the Association, the year of its organization and the words, "Non-Profit Corporation, Idaho".

Section 2. The Secretary of the Association shall have custody of the seal.

ARTICLE IV

FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on January 1, and end December 31.

ARTICLE V

DIRECTORS

Section 1. Selection.

The initial Board of Directors shall be selected as set forth in Article IX, subsection B, of the Articles of Incorporation.

Following selection of the initial Board of Directors, the Board of Directors shall select from among the Board of Directors a Nominating Committee which shall meet periodically and when the terms of the Board members expire or when a vacancy otherwise occurs. The Nominating Committee shall recommend at least one (1) candidate and not more than three (3) candidates to fill the vacated position. The Board may select from the candidates recommended by the Nominating Committee, ask the Committee for new candidates, and any Director may place a name in nomination at any time.

All Directors selected shall share the educational philosophy of the COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY, INC.

The proposed candidate shall be drawn from three (3) groups of people: parents of Charter School students; educators; and civic volunteers in Kootenai County. Recognizing that one person could be a representative of all three groups, the Nominating Committee and the Board itself shall try to maintain a balance on the Board from the three groups.

Section 2. Board Conduct.

The Board of Directors shall conduct their affairs in a manner consistent with Idaho laws concerning governmental entities.

Section 3. Board Powers.

A. The Board shall have all the powers vested in it by the laws of the State of Idaho, including the Charter School Enabling Act as it is from time to time amended and all the powers vested in it by the Idaho Nonprofit Corporation Act, and including the power to set educational policies for the Academy.

B. The Board of Directors shall adopt rules and regulations for the conduct of the affairs of this corporation and of its members not inconsistent with these By-Laws, shall appoint such standing committees as are provided for in Article VII of these By-Laws, and may appoint such special committees from time to time as may be necessary and convenient.

C. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board. The Board of Directors may, by its own rules and regulations, regulate and fix times for regular and/or special meetings, and may further provide the manner and mode of giving notices thereof.

D. The act by a majority of the Directors present at any meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors, unless the act of a greater number is required by law or by these By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI

OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the corporation shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Board of Directors shall,

immediately following each annual meeting of the voting members, select a President/Principal who shall not be a member of the Board of Directors and a Secretary and a Treasurer who shall be members of the Board of Directors who shall hold each such office for the ensuing year. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person. An Assistant Secretary may be appointed if desired by the Board to undertake such duties as may be delegated to him or her.

Section 2. Any officer elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed by the Board whenever in its best judgment the interest of this corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the officer so removed. Such removal shall be in conformity with the provisions of Section 30-1-51, Idaho Code. Any director may be removed at a special meeting called for that purpose as provided in Section 30-1-39 of the Idaho Code.

Section 3. Any vacancy in any office caused by death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

Section 4. The President shall be the principal executive officer of this corporation and shall, in general, supervise the management of the business and affairs of the corporation. He shall be present at all meetings of the Board of Directors. He may sign with the Secretary or any proper officer of the Corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, any deed, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Board of Directors have been authorized to execute, and in general he shall perform all duties incident to the office of the President, and such other

duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Section 5. If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give bond for the faithful performance of his or her duties in such amount as the Board of Directors shall determine. He or she shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation, receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the corporation and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer.

Section 6. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the voting members and of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose, see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws and as required by law, be custodian of the corporate records and the seal of the corporation, and see that the seal of the corporation is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with these provisions, keep a register of the post office addresses of each Directors and in general perform all duties which are incident to the office of Secretary, and such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE VII

### COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall appoint the following standing committees and delegate such authority to them as is consistent with their stated responsibilities and desirable for the

best conduct of the affairs of the corporation, but such action shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors of any responsibility imposed on them by law.

Section 2. Standing Committees:

A. Finance and Planning Committee. This committee shall be responsible for advising the Board of Directors regarding all financial matters of the corporation including long-range planning, and the proper operation, maintenance, management, and development of any facilities and activities of the corporation, and shall recommend to the Board of Directors by March 1 of each year a consolidated budget for the ensuing school year. Except under extraordinary circumstances, this committee will recommend a budget balancing anticipated income and expenditures.

This committee shall be comprised of a chairman appointed from the Board of Directors by the Directors and two (2) other members who shall be Board members.

B. Education Excellence Committee. This committee shall be responsible for advising the Board of Directors regarding ways in which the COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY may improve the academic and intellectual excellence of our students.

C. Scholarship Committee. This committee shall be responsible for identifying scholarships for the students at institutions of higher education and to advise and assist students and their parents in applying for such scholarships.

D. Fund Raising Committee. This committee shall be responsible for fund raising and grant applications for the COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY, including the creation of a separate free-standing foundation and other related activities and to report to

the Board from time to time and no less than semi-annually of its activities.

Section 3. Each standing committee set forth in Section 1, paragraphs B, C, and D above, shall be chaired by a member of the Board of Directors. It is not necessary that members of these committees shall be Directors.

Section 4. The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by a majority thereof, may designate such additional committees as it may consider necessary and desirable for the proper conduct of the affairs of this corporation, and shall have full discretion as to the composition, term and authority of committees so appointed, but the designation of such committees or delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors of any responsibility imposed upon them by law.

Section 5. All standing committees and other committees authorized by these By-Laws or appointed by the Board of Directors as permitted by these By-Laws shall, by their own rules and regulations, organize and conduct and operate their own committee in a manner not inconsistent with these By-Laws, the rules of the Board of Directors, or the requirements of the law.

Section 6. The Board of Directors may by two-thirds (2/3s) affirmative vote remove any committee member from office with or without cause.

Section 7. The President with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors may appoint successors to serve out the unexpired term of any committee member who may resign, be removed, or be-disqualified from holding office or vacate his office for any reason whatsoever.

## ARTICLE VIII

### CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS AND FUNDS

SECTION 1: The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents of the corporation, in addition to the officer so authorized by these By-Laws, to enter into any contract or to execute and delivery any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances, but such action shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors of any responsibility imposed on them by law or by these By-Laws.

SECTION 2: All checks, drafts or orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers, or agent or agents of the corporation and in such manner as shall be from time to time determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. In the absence of such determination by the Board of Directors, such instrument shall be signed by the Secretary, or Secretary and Treasurer if held by one individual, and countersigned by the President or Vice-President of the corporation.

SECTION 3: All funds of this corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Board of Directors may direct or select.

SECTION 4: The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or device for the general purposes or for any special purposes of this corporation.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1: These By-Laws may be amended, modified, or repealed by a majority vote of all Directors present at any regular or special meeting of the Directors.

SECTION 2: Within thirty (30) days following any meeting at which these By-Laws are amended, copies of said amendments shall be made available to the Directors. Copies of the full By-Laws as amended shall be prepared annually and made available on request to the Directors not less than sixty (60) days prior to beginning of the school year of the Academy.

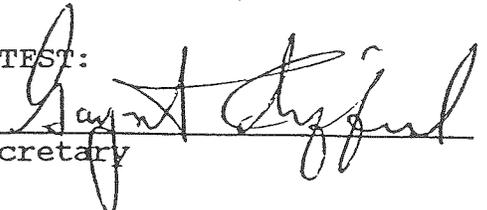
ARTICLE X

RECORDS

All books and records of the corporation may be inspected by any Director or his agent for any proper purpose and at any reasonable time.

  
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President

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

## Proposed By-Laws Amendments

The following revisions are intended to address items of concern identified by Commission staff. Upon Commission approval, Academy administration will present them for Board adoption before the Commission's February meeting deadline.

### **Article I:**

The name of the corporation shall be COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY, INC., and it is sometimes referred to as "the Corporation" or "the Academy."

### **Article IV: Fiscal Year**

The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on July 1 and end on June 30.

### **Article V, Section 1:**

Paragraph 1: The number of directors shall be not fewer than three, and not more than nine.

### **Article V, Section 1:**

Paragraph 2: The initial board having served their staggered terms, all board appointments will be three years in duration, expiring in November.

### **Article VI, Section 1:**

Paragraph 1: The officers of the corporation shall be a Chairman of the Board, a Vice Chairman, a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Chairman shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board upon resignation or removal of a sitting Chairman. The Chairman shall remain in his or her office until the term of his/her Board appointment expires, or until he or she is removed from the position as described in Section 2 of these bylaws. Upon expiration of his or her term, the board shall entertain nominations for a new Chairman; the sitting Chairman may be nominated and re-elected. This same process shall be followed for the election of the Vice Chairman.

### **Section 4, Paragraph 2:**

The Chairman of the Board shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall be a voting member on all matters subject to a board vote. In the absence of the Chairman of the Board, the Vice Chairman will perform all the duties of the Chairman of the Board and, when so acting, shall have all the powers of , and be subject to all the restrictions upon, the chairman of the Board. The Vice Chairman shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as the Board may prescribe from time to time.

Note: All references within the bylaws to "(the) charter school" are to be changed to "(the) Academy."



This is to certify that

## *Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy*

having met the requirements established by the AdvancED® Accreditation Commission and Board of Trustees is hereby accredited by the Northwest Accreditation Commission.

Valid through June 30, 2017

*Mark A. Elgart*  
Mark A. Elgart, Ed.D.  
President and CEO, AdvancED

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
DISTRICT DIRECTOR  
P. O. BOX 2508  
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **SEP 10 1999**

COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY INC  
711 W KATHLEEN AVE  
COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815

Employer Identification Number:  
82-0509670  
DLN:  
17053173015039  
Contact Person: ZENIA LUK ID# 31522  
Contact Telephone Number:  
(877) 829-5500  
Accounting Period Ending:  
December 31  
Form 990 Required:  
No  
Addendum Applies:  
Yes

Dear Applicant:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

We have further determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code, because you are an organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. In the case of an amendment to your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) on remuneration of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Since you are not a private foundation, you are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, if you are involved in an excess benefit transaction, that transaction might be subject to the excise taxes of section 4958. Additionally, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please contact your key district office.

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

Letter 947 (DO/CG)

COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY INC

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of Code sections 2055, 2106, and 2522.

Contribution deductions are allowable to donors only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. See Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2, on page 104, which sets forth guidelines regarding the deductibility, as charitable contributions, of payments made by taxpayers for admission to or other participation in fundraising activities for charity.

In the heading of this letter we have indicated whether you must file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax. If Yes is indicated, you are required to file Form 990 only if your gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. However, if you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, please file the return even if you do not exceed the gross receipts test. If you are not required to file, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$20 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$10,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. For organizations with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 in any year, the penalty is \$100 per day per return, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. The maximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 shall not exceed \$50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete, so be sure your return is complete before you file it.

The law requires you to make your annual return available for public inspection without charge for three years after the due date of the return. You are also required to make available for public inspection a copy of your exemption application, any supporting documents and this exemption letter to any individual who requests such documents in person or in writing. You can charge only a reasonable fee for reproduction and actual postage costs for the copied materials. The law does not require you to provide copies of public inspection documents that are made widely available, such as by posting them on the Internet (World Wide Web). You may be liable for a penalty of \$20 a day for each day you do not make these documents available for public inspection (up to a maximum of \$10,000 in the case of an annual return).

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form

COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY INC

990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C. Ashley Bullard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "C".

District Director

Enclosure(s):  
Addendum

COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY INC

If, and/or, when your charter agreement with the State of Idaho comes to an end, or is terminated, you will need to contact the Internal Revenue Service to determine what effect, if any, such a change will have on your exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Code. Your being excused from the provisions of Revenue Procedure 75-50, and the annual filing of Form 990 are contingent upon you maintaining your charter agreement with the state.

**Please fax, email or mail your written response or request for extension to:**

Idaho Division of Building Safety  
1090 E Watertower Street, Suite 150  
Meridian, ID 83642

**Appendix F:  
Facilities Inspection**

Fax: 1-208-855-9669  
E-mail: [safety@dbs.idaho.gov](mailto:safety@dbs.idaho.gov)

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## FACILITY REPORT

**Facility No: E-271-0134**

Inspector: BRAD ZIEL

Inspection Date: 04/30/2013

Owner: Coeur d Alene School Dist #271

311 N 10th St

Coeur d Alene, ID 83814

Location:

CDA Charter High School Building

711 W Kathleen

COEUR D ALENE, ID 83814

Contact: A Glenn Mabile

Contact Phone: 2086761667

Contact E-mail: [gmobile@cdacharter.org](mailto:gmobile@cdacharter.org)

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**A response regarding your plans for corrective action for the potential safety hazards is required within 20 calendar days of receipt of report. Corrections need not be completed to respond. Should additional time be needed to formulate responses, an extension of time for up to 60 days may be requested.**

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**Recommendations:**

17.10.01.004.01

1. 150.06.a. Room A-7. Electric power taps shall not be "daisy chained", "piggy backed", otherwise connected to one another.

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1090 E Watertower Street, Suite 150  
Meridian, ID 83642

Office: 1-800-955-3044  
Fax: 1-208-855-9669  
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**FACILITY REPORT**

**Facility No: E-271-0137**

Inspector: BRAD ZIEL  
Inspection Date: 04/30/2013

Owner: Coeur d Alene School Dist #271  
311 N 10th St  
Coeur d Alene, ID 83814

Location:  
Charter Portable Classroom M5-M10  
711 West Kathleen  
Coeur d Alene, ID 83815

Contact: A Glenn Mabile  
Contact Phone: 2086761667  
Contact E-mail: [gmobile@cdacharter.org](mailto:gmobile@cdacharter.org)

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**Recommendations:**

17.10.01.004.01

1. 150.05.d. Mods 6; 8; 11: Flexible electric extension cords are not allowed to be used as a substitute for fixed permanent electric wiring.
2. 150.06.a. Mods 10 and 11: Daisy chain in mod 10 and there are mulible daisy chains and extension cords in mod 11.

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**FACILITY REPORT**

**Facility No: E-271-0136**

Inspector: BRAD ZIEL  
Inspection Date: 04/30/2013

Owner: Coeur d Alene School Dist #271  
311 N 10th St  
Coeur d Alene, ID 83814

Location:  
Charter Portable Classroom M1-M4  
711 West Kathleen  
Coeur d Alene, ID 83815

Contact: A Glenn Mabile  
Contact Phone: 2086761667  
Contact E-mail: [gmobile@cdacharter.org](mailto:gmobile@cdacharter.org)

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**Recommendations:**

17.10.01.004.01

1. 150.05.d. Mod 1 and 4: Flexible electric extension cords are not allowed to be used as a substitute for fixed permanent electric wiring

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**FACILITY REPORT**

**Facility No: E-271-0135**

Inspector: BRAD ZIEL  
Inspection Date: 04/30/2013

Owner: Coeur d Alene School Dist #271  
311 N 10th St  
Coeur d Alene, ID 83814

Location:  
CDA Charter School Main Classroom Bldg  
711 West Kathleen  
Coeur d Alene, ID 83815

Contact: A Glenn Mabile  
Contact Phone: 2086761667  
Contact E-mail: [gmabile@cdacharter.org](mailto:gmobile@cdacharter.org)

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**Recommendations:**

17.10.01.004.01

1. 150.05.d. Rooms 3; 5 and Vice Principals Office. Flexible electric extension cords are not allowed to be used as a substitute for fixed permanent electric wiring.
2. 060.04.p. Nurses Room: Portable Heating appliances shall have tip over protection.
3. 150.05.d. Cover plate is needed at exposed conductors at rear exit in room 12. Cover plates are required to be used to cover all exposed conductors in junction boxes, panels, electric enclosures, etc.

**From:** Glenn Mabile  
**To:** ["Brad Ziel"; safety@dbs.idaho.gov](mailto:safety@dbs.idaho.gov)  
**Cc:** [Carl Larsen \(clarsen2@cdacharter.org\)](mailto:clarsen2@cdacharter.org)  
**Subject:** RE: Safety inspection reports  
**Date:** Wednesday, May 08, 2013 9:35:00 AM

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Dear Brad and Department personnel,

All of the recommendations in our building safety inspections are related to flexible extension cords, daisy chained extensions, outlet covers and portable heating devices.

Facility #s E-271-0134, E-271-0135, E-271-0136, E-271-0137

We are currently working on all of the recommendations and expect them to be compliant by May 10, 2013.

Thank you for your efforts to maintain safe facilities for our kids!

Sincerely,

A. Glenn Mabile  
CFO/Business Manager  
Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

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**From:** Brad Ziel [mailto:Brad.Ziel@dbs.idaho.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 06, 2013 10:53 AM  
**To:** Glenn Mabile  
**Subject:** Safety inspection reports



# COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY

## 2014-2015 SCHOOL PROFILE

*Dedicated to providing a rigorous, content-rich, college preparatory education for any students who are willing to accept the challenge.*

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy represents the effort of a group of dedicated educators, citizens, and parents to provide our local children with a first-class college preparatory education, in an atmosphere where students know that their chief duty is to learn. Direct instruction by highly qualified and dedicated teachers is traditional and rigorous within the framework of a six-period day. Instructional time is highly valued and is not interrupted. Students are expected to conduct themselves as serious scholars, to respect themselves and each other, and abide by a clear, firm, and fair code of conduct. Responsibility and integrity are the marks of an Academy student. Specific measures implemented to fulfill our mission include: increased instructional time, uniforms, a behavior code, and the expectation of substantial work outside the classroom.

### ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Graduation requirements for the class of 2015 include:

English	4 years
History	4 years
Math	3 years
Science	3 years
Foreign Language	2 years

Classes in health, economics, communication, and the fine and performing arts are also required, as well as other academic and general electives to total a minimum of 46 credits. The Academy operates on a traditional semester calendar (1 year = 2 credits).

Advanced classes include: Hon. Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, Hon. Calculus, Hon. Algebra 2, Hon. Geometry, Hon. Biology, Hon. Chemistry, AP Chemistry, AP Physics B, Hon. Physics, AP Language and Composition, AP Literature and Composition, Hon. American Literature, Hon. World Literature, Hon. European Literature, Hon. Ancient Literature, AP Government, Hon. Government, AP US History, Hon. US History, AP European History, Hon. Euro. History, AP Macroeconomics, Hon. Ancient His-

tory, Hon. Latin 3, Hon. Spanish 3 and 4, AP Spanish, Hon. French 3, and AP French.

### GRADING

Course work is intended to be unusually intense; standard courses are more demanding than many designated "honors" at other schools. Grades are not given away, nor are they inflated. Students and staff are held accountable for professional-quality work. Grading is very conservative: a "C" represents an average level of work, which is the minimum requirement for advancing to the next level of sequential classes. The Academy does not report class rank on student transcripts. Because of our purposeful decision to prevent grade inflation, the rigor of our coursework, and the high achievement level of our students, class rank may provide an inaccurate perception of student achievement. Grade point averages are calculated on a weighted 4.0 grading scale to encourage students to take Honors and Advanced Placement courses and recognize their additional accomplishment in doing so. Grades are determined as follows:

A	=	93-100	C	=	73-76
A-	=	90-92	C-	=	70-72
B+	=	87-89	D+	=	67-69
B	=	83-86	D	=	63-66
B-	=	80-82	D-	=	60-62
C+	=	77-79	F	=	59-0

	College Prep	Honors Classes	Advanced Placement
A	= 4.0	4.5	5.0
A-	= 3.7	4.2	4.7
B+	= 3.3	3.8	4.3
B	= 3.0	3.5	4.0
B-	= 2.7	3.2	3.7
C+	= 2.3	2.8	3.3
C	= 2.0	2.5	3.0
C-	= 1.7	2.2	2.7
D+	= 1.3	1.8	2.3
D	= 1.0	1.5	2.0
D-	= 0.7	1.2	1.7
F	= 0.0	0.0	0.0

## ENROLLMENT\*

The 2014-2015 student body includes 46 seniors, 69 juniors, 85 sophomores, and 88 freshmen. In addition, we have 161 sixth graders, 145 seventh graders, and 124 eighth graders.

\*The Academy provides a free and appropriate public education to all students. The District has a "Child Find" policy process that is designed to locate, identify and evaluate attending children with disabilities in grades 6 through grade 12. The "Child Find" process extends to students with physical or mental impairments that substantially limit a major life activity. Such students may be eligible for services or accommodations pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Section 504 is a Federal civil rights statute that prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities and programs receiving Federal financial assistance.

## TEST SCORES

Three students in the class of 2015 qualified as National Merit Semi-Finalists.

SAT (Class of 2014 - 100% took the SAT Reasoning test)

	Critical Reading	Math	Writing	Total
Charter Academy	615	630	593	1838
Idaho	458	456	450	1364
Nation	497	513	487	1497

ACT (Class of 2014 - 51% took the ACT test)

	English	Math	Reading	Science	Comp
Charter Academy	30.2	29.5	29.6	28.2	29.5
Idaho	21.9	22.0	23.0	22.1	22.4
Nation	20.3	20.9	21.3	20.8	21.0

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

*Newsweek* designated the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy as one of "America's Best High Schools" in 2013, ranking it 1<sup>st</sup> in Idaho, 18<sup>th</sup> in the West and 89<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy was named a "Gold Medal" high school by *US News and World Report* in 2014 and was ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in Idaho and 47<sup>th</sup> in the nation out of more than 21,000 U.S. high schools.

The *Washington Post* ranked the Coeur Charter Academy as the 66<sup>th</sup> high school in the nation in their "2014 America's Most Challenging Schools" ranking.

The Center for Education Reform awarded The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy "Charter School of the Year" recognition, placing it in the top one percent of charter schools in the nation.

## ACCREDITATION

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is accredited by the Northwest Accreditation Commission (NWAC).

## COLLEGE ATTENDANCE

On average, about 70% of our alumni attend 4-year colleges and 30% attend 2-year colleges after graduation.

The following list is a sample of the colleges attended by graduates over the past ten years:

Allegheny College	Pomona College
Arizona State University	Princeton University
Brigham Young University	Purdue University
Boston University	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Carnegie Mellon University	Santa Clara University
Carroll College	Seattle University
College of Idaho	United States Air Force Academy
Columbia University	United States Military Academy
Dartmouth College	United States Naval Academy
Davidson College	University of Adv. Technology
Emory University	University of Arizona
Evergreen State University	University of Colorado
George Fox University	University of Delaware
George Washington University	University of Idaho
Gonzaga University	University of Michigan
Harvard University	University of Montana
Hendrix College	University of Notre Dame
Hillsdale College	University of Oregon
Idaho State University	University of Pennsylvania
Illinois Institute of Technology	University of Portland
Kettering University	University of Redlands
Kenyon College	University of Puget Sound
Lehigh University	University of Richmond
Lewis University	Walla Walla College
Macalester University	Washington and Lee University
Montana State University	Washington University, St. Louis
Northern Arizona University	Washington State University
North Idaho College	Western Washington University
Oklahoma Christian University	Westmont College
Oregon State University	Whitworth University
Pacific Lutheran University	Willamette University

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## National Recognition

### 2007

The Center for Education Reform awarded The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy "Charter School of the Year" recognition, placing it in the top one percent of charter schools in the nation.

### 2008

*Newsweek* – "America's Best High Schools", ranked 555 in the nation.

### 2009

*Newsweek* – "America's Best High Schools", ranked 266 in the nation.

*Business Week* - "Best Overall Academic Performance" among the high schools in the state of Idaho.

*US News and World Report* – "Gold Medal" High School, ranked as one of the nation's "100 Best High Schools".

### 2010

*US News and World Report* – "Gold Medal" High School, ranked 79<sup>th</sup> out of 18,743 U.S. high schools.

### 2011

*Newsweek* - "America's 100 Best High Schools", ranked 59<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

### 2012

*Newsweek* - "America's Best High Schools", ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in Idaho, 13<sup>th</sup> in the West and 67<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

*US News and World Report* – "Gold Medal" High School, ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in Idaho and 115<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

### 2013

*Newsweek* - "America's Best High Schools", ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in Idaho, 18<sup>th</sup> in the West and 89<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

The *Washington Post* – "2013 America's Most Challenging Schools", ranked 59<sup>th</sup> high school.

### 2014

The *Washington Post* – "2014 America's Most Challenging Schools", ranked 66<sup>th</sup> high school.

*US News and World Report* – "Gold Medal" High School, ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in Idaho and 47<sup>th</sup> in the nation.

**Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy  
2014-2015 School Calendar**

**SIGNIFICANT DATES**

August 18..... Teachers start  
 August 25..... First day of school  
 September 1..... Labor Day - **No School**  
 October 3..... Staff Development - **No School**  
 November 6 ..... Parent Teacher Conferences:  
                   \***6th Grade ONLY No School (Nov. 6-7)**  
                   **7-12 Grades Dismissed at 12:30 PM**  
 P/T conferences: 7-12 grades 3-6 PM, 6th grade by appt  
 November 11..... **Veterans' Day Observed - School in Session**  
 November 26-28 ..... Thanksgiving Break - **No School**  
 Dec 22-Jan 2..... Christmas Break - **No School**  
 January 5 ..... School resumes  
 January 19 ..... Martin Luther King Jr. Day - **No School**  
 January 20-22..... Finals: **All grades dismissed at 12:30 PM**  
 January 23..... Staff Development - **No School**  
 February 16..... Presidents' Day - **No School**  
 March 30 - April 3..... Spring Break - **No School**  
 May 25 ..... Memorial Day - **No School**  
 May 27 (tentative).... Class of 2014 Graduation  
 June 8-10..... Finals: **All grades dismissed at 12:30 PM**  
 June 10..... Last Day of School  
 June 12..... Last Day for Teachers

**GRADING PERIODS / PROGRESS REPORTS**

**September 24** - Mid-Quarter Progress Reports = 22 days  
**October 29** - End of 1st Quarter = 46 days  
**December 5** - Mid-Quarter Progress Reports = 24 days  
**January 23** - End of 1st Semester = 47 days  
**February 25** - Mid-Quarter Progress Reports = 22 days  
**March 27** - End of 3rd Quarter = 44 days  
**May 6** - Mid Quarter Progress Reports = 23 days  
**June 10** - End of 2nd Semester = 47 days

AUGUST				
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SEPTEMBER				
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OCTOBER				
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NOVEMBER				
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DECEMBER				
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**KEY:**

Significant Dates 

Dismissed Early 

No School 

JANUARY				
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FEBRUARY				
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MARCH				
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JUNE				
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## CHARTER SCHOOL DASHBOARD

**Date:** 09/03/2014

- **School Name:** COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY Current Year's Enrollment Projection = The enrollment projection you used prior to the start of this school year to develop you budget.
- Current Enrollment, Current ADA, and Current Waiting List = Your current, confirmed enrollment data (as of the time of submission of the dashboard)
- Previous Year's Enrollment and Previous Year's ADA= Your confirmed enrollment data for the previous school year (should align to your finalized numbers confirmed by the SDE)

**School Address:** 4904 N DUNCAN DR, COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83815

**School Phone:** 208-676-1667

**Current School Year:** 2014-15

**School Mission:** The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is dedicated to providing a rigorous, content-rich college-preparatory education to any students who are willing to accept the challenge.

### CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD

Board Member Name	Office and Term	Skill Set(s)	Email	Phone
Paul Franz	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chairman</b></p> <p>November 2008 – November 2011</p> <p>Appointed Chairman July 2010</p> <p>November 2011- Present</p> <p>(term expires November 2014)</p>	<p>B.S. in Civil Engineering from University of Idaho (1983). General Manager at Interstate Concrete and Asphalt. Father of six children, four of whom have graduated from the Charter Academy.</p>	<a href="mailto:Paul.franz@oldcastlematerials.com">Paul.franz@oldcastlematerials.com</a>	769-9353
Bob Nelson	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Vice Chairman/Secretary</b></p> <p>July 1999 – November 2003</p> <p>November 2003 – November 2006</p> <p>Appointed Vice Chairman August 2005</p> <p>November 2006 – November 2009</p> <p>November 2009 –</p>	<p>Retired educator. Parent of three successful adults, grandfather of seven. Honored to be part of an adventure which continues to enhances academic focus in public education.</p>	<a href="mailto:bobandruthn@gmail.com">bobandruthn@gmail.com</a>	772-9677

	November 2012 November 2012 – November 2015			
Jennifer Brumley	<b>Director</b>  December 2010 – November 2013  November 2013 – Present  (term expires November 2016)	B.S. in Communications and teaching certificate in Speech and Journalism from University of Idaho (1996). Graduated from the University of Idaho School of Law in December 1998. Now works at Amedola Doty & Brumley, PLLC, specializing in family law.	<a href="mailto:jen@aadlawoffice.com">jen@aadlawoffice.com</a>	661-4208
Russ Helgeson	<b>Director</b>  August 2013 – Present  (term expires November 2016)	B.S. in Forest Engineering from University of Washington (1980). Since graduation has worked in the civil engineering field. Father to three children, all graduates of Coeur d’Alene Charter Academy with the oldest beginning the day the Academy opened its doors.	<a href="mailto:rhelgeson@frontier.com">rhelgeson@frontier.com</a>	661-1454
Amy Verhaeghe	<b>Director</b>  October 2012 – November 2013  November 2013 – Present  (term expires November 2016)	B.S. in Nursing from University of Washington (1987). Worked for many years in pediatric oncology and PICU. Values time with family. Involved as a parent volunteer for many years including PTO president and various fundraising roles. All three daughters have been attending Charter since sixth grade. Two have graduated and the third will	<a href="mailto:hoogen@roadrunner.com">hoogen@roadrunner.com</a>	661-7589

		graduate in May, 2015.		
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**ENROLLMENT**

Grade Level	Current Year's Enrollment Projection	Current Enrollment	Current ADA	Current Waiting List	Previous Year's Enrollment	Previous Year's ADA
K						
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6	162	162		21	160	149
7	135	138		27	129	119
8	125	123		15	126	116
9	95	91			104	96
10	85	85			76	70
11	55	70			59	54
12	43	46			70	64
<b>TOTAL</b>	700	715			724	668

**STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS**

School Year	Hispanic (# and %)	Asian (# and %)	White (# and %)	Black (# and %)	American Indian (# and %)	LEP (# and %)	FRL (# and %)	Special Education (# and %)
<b>Current</b>	42 / 6%	28 / 4%	687 / 98%	3 / 0.4%	9 / 1.3%	0 / 0%	136 / 19%	12 / 1.7%
<b>Previous</b>								

**FACULTY AND STAFF**

**Administrator Name(s):** Daniel Nicklay  
**Administrator's Hire Date:** August 2000  
**Administrator Email(s):** dnicklay@cdacharter.org

**Current Classified Staff (# FTE):** 10

**Current Faculty (# FTE):** 37

**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

**Does your school have an active improvement plan in place / on file with the SDE?** No

**Does your school currently have a school improvement status with the SDE?** No

**If yes, please specify your school's status (Focus, Priority):**

**COMMENTS (optional)**

**Please describe any significant changes experienced by your school in the past year:**

Three teacher retirements and three resignations resulted in the hiring of six new teachers.

**Please describe the greatest successes experienced by your school in the past year:**

In the 2013-14 school year, the Academy had six National Merit Scholarship semifinalists. The school was recognized by US News as the 47<sup>th</sup> best public high school in the nation.

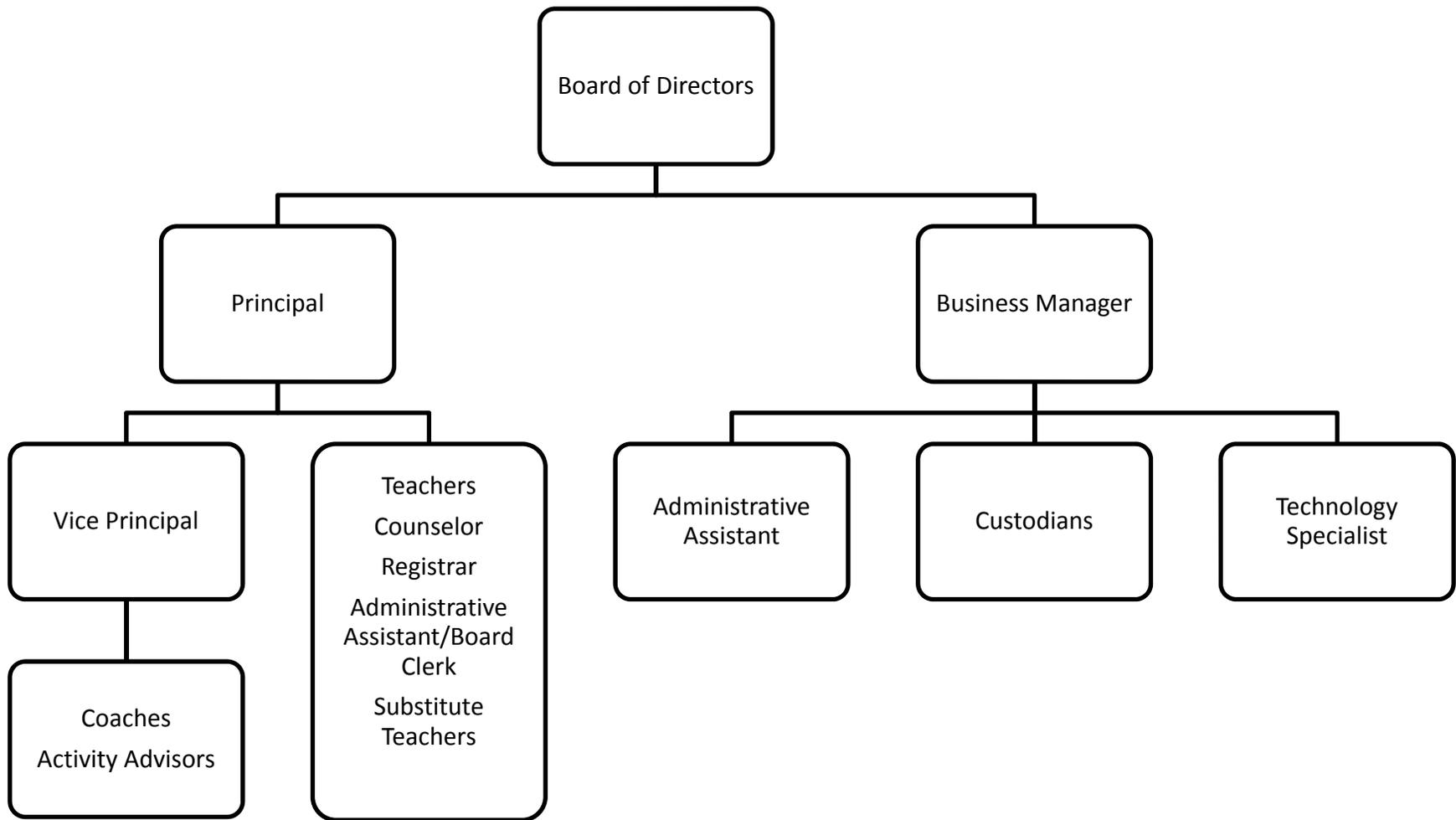
**Please describe any challenges you anticipate during the upcoming year:**

The transfer of our charter from the local school district to the state Commission is presenting the greatest challenge.

**Please add any additional information of which you would like to make your authorizer aware :**

**REQUIRED ATTACHMENT**

- PCSC Budget Template, including budget actuals for most recent month-end, projections for remainder of current year, and the fiscal outlook for next year.



**COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY  
BUDGET SUMMARY FY 2014**

**Appendix L:  
Budget-Actual FY2014**

<b>ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>ORIGINAL BUDGET</b>	<b>AMENDED / WORKING BUDGET</b>	<b>FYTD ACTIVITY</b>	<b>UNRECEIVED / UNEXPENDED BALANCE</b>	<b>FYTD %</b>	<b>PROJECTED YEAR-END</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>							
414100 Tuition	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
415000 Earnings on Investments	5,000.00	5,000.00	6,075.87	(1,075.87)	122%	6,075.87	
416100 School Food Service	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
416200 Meal sales: non-reimbursable	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
416900 Other Food Sales	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
417100 Admissions / Activities	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
417200 Bookstore Sales	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
417300 Clubs / Organization Fees, etc.	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
417400 School Fees & Charges/Fundraising	58,250.00	126,250.00	119,694.13	6,555.87	95%	119,694.13	Original Budget excluded student test fees
417900 Other Student Revenue	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
419100 Rentals	10,000.00	10,000.00	12,800.00	(2,800.00)	128%	12,800.00	
419200 Contributions/Donations	90,500.00	74,700.00	90,905.98	(16,205.98)	122%	90,905.98	
419900 Other Local Revenue	-	-	513.75	(513.75)	#DIV/0!	513.75	
431100 Base Support Program	2,859,285.00	2,859,285.00	3,092,993.42	(233,708.42)	108%	3,092,993.42	Enrollment exceeded expectations
431200 Transportation Support	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
431400 Exceptional Child Support	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
431600 Tuition Equivalency	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
431800 Benefit Apportionment	394,706.00	394,706.00	421,355.55	(26,649.55)	107%	421,355.55	
431900 Other State Support	228,415.00	198,567.00	212,533.35	(13,966.35)	107%	212,533.35	
437000 Lottery / Addtl State Maintenance	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
439000 Other State Revenue	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
442000 Indirect Unrestricted Federal	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
443000 Direct Restricted Federal	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
445000 Title I - ESEA	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
445500 Child Nutrition Reimbursement	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
445600 Title VI-B IDEA	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
445900 Other Indirect Restricted Federal	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	
451000 Proceeds	-	14,027.00	14,027.00	-	100%	14,027.00	
460000 Transfers In	368,678.00	310,280.00	17,760.00	292,520.00	6%	17,760.00	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$4,014,834.00</b>	<b>\$3,992,815.00</b>	<b>\$3,988,659.05</b>	<b>\$4,155.95</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$3,988,659.05</b>	

**COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY  
BUDGET SUMMARY FY 2014**

<b>ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>ORIGINAL BUDGET</b>	<b>AMENDED / WORKING BUDGET</b>	<b>FYTD ACTIVITY</b>	<b>UNRECEIVED / UNEXPENDED BALANCE</b>	<b>FYTD %</b>	<b>PROJECTED YEAR-END</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
100 SALARIES	2,275,187.00	2,345,549.00	2,314,467.91	31,081.09	99%	2,314,467.91	
200 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,020,000.00	1,034,872.00	989,608.55	45,263.45	96%	989,608.55	
300 PURCHASED SERVICES	227,000.00	248,500.00	181,347.19	68,454.81	73%	176,749.19	
400 SUPPLIES	94,500.00	113,800.00	92,193.44	28,252.56	81%	91,839.44	
500 CAPITAL OUTLAY	397,828.00	386,261.00	58,351.50	327,909.50	15%	58,351.50	Capital projects put on hold
600 DEBT RETIREMENT	246,000.00	241,000.00	239,681.26	1,318.74	99%	239,681.26	
700 INSURANCE	9,000.00	9,000.00	8,713.00	287.00	97%	8,713.00	
920000 TRANSFERS OUT	368,678.00	310,280.00	17,760.00	292,520.00	6%	17,760.00	Capital projects put on hold
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$4,638,193.00</b>	<b>\$4,689,262.00</b>	<b>\$3,902,122.85</b>	<b>\$795,087.15</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>\$3,897,170.85</b>	
<b>TOTAL FUND REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>(\$623,359.00)</b>	<b>(\$696,447.00)</b>	<b>\$86,536.20</b>			<b>\$91,488.20</b>	
TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE (All Funds)	\$945,288.94	\$945,288.94	\$945,288.94			\$945,288.94	
TOTAL CHANGES (All Funds)	(\$792,659.00)	(\$829,447.00)	\$91,488.20			\$91,488.20	
ENDING BALANCE (All Funds)	\$152,629.94	\$115,841.94	\$1,036,777.14			\$1,036,777.14	

**COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY  
BUDGET SUMMARY FY 2014**

<b>ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>ORIGINAL BUDGET</b>	<b>AMENDED / WORKING BUDGET</b>	<b>FYTD ACTIVITY</b>	<b>UNRECEIVED / UNEXPENDED BALANCE</b>	<b>FYTD %</b>	<b>PROJECTED YEAR-END</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BY FUND</b>							
100 Beginning Fund Balance	\$838,390.00	\$838,390.00	\$838,390.00			\$838,390.00	
100 Changes in Fund Balance	(\$809,406.00)	(\$838,390.00)	\$56,588.16			\$56,588.16	
100 Ending Fund Balance	\$28,984.00	\$0.00	\$894,978.16			\$894,978.16	
23x Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
23x Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
23x Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
24x Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
24x Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
24x Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
245 Beginning Fund Balance	\$5,057.94	\$5,057.94	\$5,057.94			\$5,057.94	
245 Changes in Fund Balance	(\$5,253.00)	(\$5,057.00)	(\$1,386.96)			(\$1,386.96)	
245 Ending Fund Balance	(\$195.06)	\$0.94	\$3,670.98			\$3,670.98	
251 Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
251 Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
251 Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
257 Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
257 Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
257 Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
262 Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
262 Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
262 Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
271 Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
271 Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
271 Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
27X-28X Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
27X-28X Fed Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
27X-28X Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
290 Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
290 Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
290 Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
300 Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
300 Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
300 Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	

**COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY  
BUDGET SUMMARY FY 2014**

<b>ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>ORIGINAL BUDGET</b>	<b>AMENDED / WORKING BUDGET</b>	<b>FYTD ACTIVITY</b>	<b>UNRECEIVED / UNEXPENDED BALANCE</b>	<b>FYTD %</b>	<b>PROJECTED YEAR-END</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
310 Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
310 Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
310 Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
400 Beginning Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$0.00	
400 Changes in Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,647.00			\$11,647.00	
400 Ending Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,647.00			\$11,647.00	
700 Beginning Fund Balance	\$101,841.00	\$101,841.00	\$101,841.00			\$101,841.00	
700 Changes in Fund Balance	\$22,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$24,640.00			\$24,640.00	
700 Ending Fund Balance	\$123,841.00	\$115,841.00	\$126,481.00			\$126,481.00	

**Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy  
General Fund #100 FY 2014**

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET	AMENDED / WORKING BUDGET	FYTD ACTIVITY	UNRECEIVED / UNEXPENDED BALANCE	FYTD %	PROJECTED YEAR-END	NOTES
<b>REVENUE</b>								
100.414100	Tuition				-	#DIV/0!		
100.415000	Earnings on Investments	5,000.00	5,000.00	6,075.87	(1,075.87)	122%	6,075.87	
100.417100	Admissions / Activities				-	#DIV/0!		
100.417200	Bookstore Sales				-	#DIV/0!		
100.417300	Clubs / Organization Dues, etc.				-	#DIV/0!		
100.417400	School Fees & Charges	58,250.00	126,250.00	119,694.13	6,555.87	95%	119,694.13	
100.417900	Other Student Revenue				-	#DIV/0!		
100.419100	Rentals	10,000.00	10,000.00	12,800.00	(2,800.00)	128%	12,800.00	
100.419200	Contributions/Donations	40,000.00	40,000.00	50,517.98	(10,517.98)	126%	50,517.98	
100.419900	Other Local Revenue			513.75	(513.75)	#DIV/0!	513.75	
100.431100	Base Support	2,859,285.00	2,859,285.00	3,092,993.42	(233,708.42)	108%	3,092,993.42	Enrollment exceeded budget
100.431200	Transportation Support				-	#DIV/0!		
100.431400	Exceptional Child Support				-	#DIV/0!		
100.431600	Tuition Equivalency				-	#DIV/0!		
100.431800	Benefit Apportionment	394,706.00	394,706.00	421,355.55	(26,649.55)	107%	421,355.55	
100.431900	Other State Support	182,998.00	153,150.00	164,458.35	(11,308.35)	107%	164,458.35	
100.437000	Lottery / Addtl State Maintenance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.439000	Other State Revenue				-	#DIV/0!		
100.442000	Indirect Unrestricted Federal				-	#DIV/0!		
100.443000	Direct Restricted Federal				-	#DIV/0!		
100.445900	Other Indirect Restricted Federal				-	#DIV/0!		
100.460000	Transfers In	17,760.00	17,760.00	17,760.00	-	100%	17,760.00	
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES</b>		<b>\$3,567,999.00</b>	<b>\$3,606,151.00</b>	<b>\$3,886,169.05</b>	<b>(280,018.05)</b>	<b>108%</b>	<b>\$3,886,169.05</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>								
100.512100	Elementary Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.512200	Elementary Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.512300	Elementary Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.512400	Elementary Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.512500	Elementary Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.512600	Elementary Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.512700	Elementary Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.515100	Secondary Salaries	1,759,131.00	1,791,849.00	1,777,441.30	14,407.70	99%	1,777,441.30	
100.515200	Secondary Benefits	760,329.00	760,105.00	739,228.66	20,876.34	97%	739,228.66	
100.515300	Secondary Purchased Services	60,400.00	60,400.00	49,186.63	11,213.37	81%	49,186.63	
100.515400	Secondary Supplies	59,000.00	37,800.00	25,777.63	12,022.37	68%	25,777.63	
100.515500	Secondary Capital Outlay		35,000.00	32,357.45	2,642.55	92%	32,357.45	
100.515600	Secondary Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.515700	Secondary Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.517100	Alternative School Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		

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100.517200	Alternative School Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.517300	Alternative School Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.517400	Alternative School Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.517500	Alternative School Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.517600	Alternative School Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.517700	Alternative School Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.521100	Exceptional Child Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.521200	Exceptional Child Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.521300	Exceptional Child Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.521400	Exceptional Child Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.521500	Exceptional Child Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.521600	Exceptional Child Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.521700	Exceptional Child Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.524100	Gifted and Talented Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.524200	Gifted and Talented Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.524300	Gifted and Talented Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.524400	Gifted and Talented Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.524500	Gifted and Talented Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.524600	Gifted and Talented Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.524700	Gifted and Talented Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.531100	Interscholastic Program Salaries	60,900.00	60,900.00	47,200.00	13,700.00	78%	47,200.00	
100.531200	Interscholastic Program Benefits	12,259.00	12,259.00	6,022.61	6,236.39	49%	6,022.61	
100.531300	Interscholastic Program Purchased Services	22,500.00	22,500.00	19,832.75	2,667.25	88%	19,832.75	
100.531400	Interscholastic Program Supplies	1,000.00	1,000.00	897.15	102.85	90%	897.15	
100.531500	Interscholastic Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.531600	Interscholastic Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.531700	Interscholastic Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.532100	School Activity Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.532200	School Activity Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.532300	School Activity Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.532400	School Activity Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.532500	School Activity Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.532600	School Activity Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.532700	School Activity Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.541100	Summer School Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.541200	Summer School Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.541300	Summer School Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.541400	Summer School Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.541500	Summer School Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.541600	Summer School Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.541700	Summer School Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		

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<b>Subtotals: Instruction</b>		2,735,519.00	2,781,813.00	2,697,944.18	83,868.82	97%	2,697,944.18	
100.611100	Attendance-Guidance-Health Salaries	60,166.00	76,381.00	77,381.85	(1,000.85)	101%	77,381.85	
100.611200	Attendance-Guidance-Health Benefits	29,873.00	33,231.00	28,330.34	4,900.66	85%	28,330.34	
100.611300	Attendance-Guidance-Health Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.611400	Attendance-Guidance-Health Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.611500	Attendance-Guidance-Health Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.611600	Attendance-Guidance-Health Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.611700	Attendance-Guidance-Health Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.616100	Special Services Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.616200	Special Services Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.616300	Special Services Program Purchased Services	5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	0%		
100.616400	Special Services Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.616500	Special Services Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.616600	Special Services Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.616700	Special Services Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.621100	Instruction Improvement Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.621200	Instruction Improvement Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.621300	Instruction Improvement Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.621400	Instruction Improvement Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.621500	Instruction Improvement Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.621600	Instruction Improvement Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.621700	Instruction Improvement Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.622100	Educational Media Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.622200	Educational Media Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.622300	Educational Media Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.622400	Educational Media Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.622500	Educational Media Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.622600	Educational Media Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.622700	Educational Media Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.623100	Instruction-Related Technology Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.623200	Instruction-Related Technology Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.623300	Instruction-Related Technology Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.623400	Instruction-Related Technology Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.623500	Instruction-Related Technology Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.623600	Instruction-Related Technology Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.623700	Instruction-Related Technology Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.631100	Board of Education Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.631200	Board of Education Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.631300	Board of Education Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.631400	Board of Education Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.631500	Board of Education Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.631600	Board of Education Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.631700	Board of Education Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		

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100.632100	District Administration Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.632200	District Administration Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.632300	District Administration Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.632400	District Administration Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.632500	District Administration Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.632600	District Administration Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.632700	District Administration Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.641100	School Administration Program Salaries	212,241.00	222,572.00	222,571.86	0.14	100%	222,571.86	
100.641200	School Administration Program Benefits	104,693.00	104,833.00	101,679.71	3,153.29	97%	101,679.71	
100.641300	School Administration Program Purchased Services	49,000.00	49,000.00	24,583.61	24,416.39	50%	24,583.61	
100.641400	School Administration Program Supplies	11,000.00	11,000.00	7,894.05	3,105.95	72%	7,894.05	
100.641500	School Administration Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.641600	School Administration Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.641700	School Administration Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.651100	Business Operation Program Salaries	105,171.00	109,703.00	109,702.86	0.14	100%	109,702.86	
100.651200	Business Operation Program Benefits	46,480.00	59,419.00	60,123.29	(704.29)	101%	60,123.29	
100.651300	Business Operation Program Purchased Services	7,100.00	7,100.00	7,018.00	82.00	99%	7,018.00	
100.651400	Business Operation Program Supplies	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,012.32	1,987.68	34%	1,012.32	
100.651500	Business Operation Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.651600	Business Operation Program Debt Retirement	1,000.00	1,000.00	850.42	149.58	85%	850.42	
100.651700	Business Operation Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.655100	Central Service Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.655200	Central Service Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.655300	Central Service Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.655400	Central Service Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.655500	Central Service Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.655600	Central Service Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.655700	Central Service Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.656100	Administrative Technology Service Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.656200	Administrative Technology Service Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.656300	Administrative Technology Service Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.656400	Administrative Technology Service Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.656500	Administrative Technology Service Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.656600	Administrative Technology Service Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.656700	Administrative Technology Service Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.661100	Buildings - Care Program Salaries	77,578.00	84,144.00	80,170.04	3,973.96	95%	80,170.04	
100.661200	Buildings - Care Program Benefits	66,366.00	65,025.00	54,223.94	10,801.06	83%	54,223.94	
100.661300	Buildings - Care Program Purchased Services	65,500.00	65,500.00	56,964.16	8,535.84	87%	56,964.16	
100.661400	Buildings - Care Program Supplies	14,500.00	14,500.00	14,877.96	(377.96)	103%	14,877.96	
100.661500	Buildings - Care Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.661600	Buildings - Care Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.661700	Buildings - Care Program Insurance	9,000.00	9,000.00	8,713.00	287.00	97%	8,713.00	

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100.663100	Maintenance - Non-Student Occupied Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.663200	Maintenance - Non-Student Occupied Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.663300	Maintenance - Non-Student Occupied Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.663400	Maintenance - Non-Student Occupied Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.663500	Maintenance - Non-Student Occupied Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.663600	Maintenance - Non-Student Occupied Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.663700	Maintenance - Non-Student Occupied Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.664100	Maintenance - Student Occupied Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.664200	Maintenance - Student Occupied Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.664300	Maintenance - Student Occupied Purchased Services	6,000.00	6,000.00	4,418.23	1,581.77	74%	4,418.23	
100.664400	Maintenance - Student Occupied Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.664500	Maintenance - Student Occupied Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.664600	Maintenance - Student Occupied Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.664700	Maintenance - Student Occupied Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.665100	Maintenance - Grounds Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.665200	Maintenance - Grounds Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.665300	Maintenance - Grounds Purchased Services	4,000.00	4,000.00	2,327.31	1,672.69	58%	2,327.31	
100.665400	Maintenance - Grounds Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.665500	Maintenance - Grounds Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.665600	Maintenance - Grounds Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.665700	Maintenance - Grounds Capital Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.667100	Security Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.667200	Security Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.667300	Security Program Purchased Services	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,376.50	123.50	95%	2,376.50	
100.667400	Security Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.667500	Security Program Capital Outlay	20,000.00	20,000.00		20,000.00	0%		
100.667600	Security Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.667700	Security Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.681100	Pupil-to-School Transportation Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.681200	Pupil-to-School Transportation Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.681300	Pupil-to-School Transportation Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.681400	Pupil-to-School Transportation Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.681500	Pupil-to-School Transportation Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.681600	Pupil-to-School Transportation Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.681700	Pupil-to-School Transportation Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.682100	Pupil-Activity Transportation Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.682200	Pupil-Activity Transportation Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.682300	Pupil-Activity Transportation Purchased Services	5,000.00	5,000.00	940.00	4,060.00	19%	940.00	
100.682400	Pupil-Activity Transportation Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.682500	Pupil-Activity Transportation Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.682600	Pupil-Activity Transportation Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.682700	Pupil-Activity Transportation Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		

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100.683100	General Transportation Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.683200	General Transportation Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.683300	General Transportation Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.683400	General Transportation Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.683500	General Transportation Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.683600	General Transportation Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.683700	General Transportation Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.691100	Other Support Services Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.691200	Other Support Services Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.691300	Other Support Services Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.691400	Other Support Services Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.691500	Other Support Services Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.691600	Other Support Services Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.691700	Other Support Services Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
<b>Subtotals: Support Services</b>		905,168.00	957,908.00	866,159.45	91,748.55	90%	866,159.45	
100.710100	Child Nutrition Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.710200	Child Nutrition Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.710300	Child Nutrition Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.710400	Child Nutrition Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.710500	Child Nutrition Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.710600	Child Nutrition Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.710700	Child Nutrition Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.720100	Community Services Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.720200	Community Services Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.720300	Community Services Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.720400	Community Services Program Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.720500	Community Services Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.720600	Community Services Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.720700	Community Services Program Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.730100	Enterprise Operations Program Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
100.730200	Enterprise Operations Program Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
100.730300	Enterprise Operations Program Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.730400	Enterprise Operations Program Supplies		31,500.00	26,646.42	4,853.58	85%	26,646.42	
100.730500	Enterprise Operations Program Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.730600	Enterprise Operations Program Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
100.730700	Enterprise Operations Program Capital Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
100.810300	Capital Assets - Student Occupied Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.810400	Capital Assets - Student Occupied Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.810500	Capital Assets - Student Occupied Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.811300	Capital Assets - Non-Student Occupied Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
100.811400	Capital Assets - Non-Student Occupied Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
100.811500	Capital Assets - Non-Student Occupied Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		

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100.911500	Principal Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.911600	Principal Debt Retirement	150,000.00	159,000.00	152,509.48	6,490.52	96%	152,509.48	
100.912500	Interest Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.912600	Interest Debt Retirement	95,000.00	81,000.00	86,321.36	(5,321.36)	107%	86,321.36	
100.913500	Refunded Debt Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
100.913600	Refunded Debt - Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
<b>Subtotals: Non-Instruction</b>		245,000.00	271,500.00	265,477.26	6,022.74	98%	265,477.26	
100.920000	Transfers Out	350,918.00	292,520.00		292,520.00	0%		
100.950000	Contingency Reserve	140,800.00	140,800.00		140,800.00	0%		
<b>Subtotals: Other</b>		491,718.00	433,320.00	-	433,320.00	0%	-	
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES</b>		\$4,377,405.00	\$4,444,541.00	\$3,829,580.89	\$614,960.11	86%	\$3,829,580.89	
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>		(\$809,406.00)	(\$838,390.00)	\$56,588.16			\$56,588.16	
<b>BEGINNING FUND BALANCE (July 1, 2013)</b>		\$838,390.00	\$838,390.00	\$838,390.00			\$838,390.00	
<b>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE</b>		(\$809,406.00)	(\$838,390.00)	\$56,588.16			\$56,588.16	
<b>ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2014</b>		\$28,984.00	\$0.00	\$894,978.16			\$894,978.16	

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Technology Fund #245 FY 2014**

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET	AMENDED / WORKING BUDGET	FYTD ACTIVITY	UNRECEIVED / UNEXPENDED BALANCE	FYTD %	PROJECTED YEAR-END	NOTES
<b>REVENUE</b>								
245.431900	Other State Support	45,417.00	45,417.00	48,075.00	(2,658.00)	106%	48075	
245.439000	Other State Revenue				-	#DIV/0!		
245.460000	Transfers In				-	#DIV/0!		
<b>TOTAL FUND REVENUE</b>		<b>\$45,417.00</b>	<b>\$45,417.00</b>	<b>\$48,075.00</b>	<b>(\$2,658.00)</b>	<b>106%</b>	<b>\$48,075.00</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>								
245.512100	Elementary Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
245.512200	Elementary Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
245.512300	Elementary Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
245.512400	Elementary Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
245.512500	Elementary Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
245.512600	Elementary Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
245.512700	Elementary Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
245.515100	Secondary Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
245.515200	Secondary Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
245.515300	Secondary Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
245.515400	Secondary Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
245.515500	Secondary Capital Outlay	26,910.00	24,714.00	23,614.05	1,099.95	96%	23,614.05	
245.515600	Secondary Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
245.515700	Secondary Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
245.622100	Educational Media Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
245.622200	Educational Media Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
245.622300	Educational Media Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
245.622400	Educational Media Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
245.622500	Educational Media Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
245.622600	Educational Media Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
245.622700	Educational Media Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
245.623100	Instruction-Related Technology Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
245.623200	Instruction-Related Technology Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
245.623300	Instruction-Related Technology Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
245.623400	Instruction-Related Technology Supplies	6,000.00	8,000.00	8,087.91	(87.91)	101%	8,087.91	
245.623500	Instruction-Related Technology Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
245.623600	Instruction-Related Technology Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
245.623700	Instruction-Related Technology Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		

**Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy  
Technology Fund #245 FY 2014**

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET	AMENDED / WORKING BUDGET	FYTD ACTIVITY	UNRECEIVED / UNEXPENDED BALANCE	FYTD %	PROJECTED YEAR-END	NOTES
245.656100	Administrative Technology Service Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
245.656200	Administrative Technology Service Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
245.656300	Administrative Technology Service Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
245.656400	Administrative Technology Service Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
245.656500	Administrative Technology Service Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
245.656600	Administrative Technology Service Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
245.656700	Administrative Technology Service Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
245.920000	Transfers Out	17,760.00	17,760.00	17,760.00	-	100%	17,760.00	
<b>TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$50,670.00</b>	<b>\$50,474.00</b>	<b>\$49,461.96</b>	<b>\$1,012.04</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>\$49,461.96</b>	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>(\$5,253.00)</b>	<b>(\$5,057.00)</b>	<b>(\$1,386.96)</b>			<b>(\$1,386.96)</b>	
<b>BEGINNING FUND BALANCE (JULY 1, 2013)</b>		<b>\$5,057.94</b>	<b>\$5,057.94</b>	<b>\$5,057.94</b>			<b>\$5,057.94</b>	
<b>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE</b>		<b>(\$5,253.00)</b>	<b>(\$5,057.00)</b>	<b>(\$1,386.96)</b>			<b>(\$1,386.96)</b>	
<b>ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2014</b>		<b>(\$195.06)</b>	<b>\$0.94</b>	<b>\$3,670.98</b>			<b>\$3,670.98</b>	

**COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY  
FUND 400 (Capital Projects) FY 2014**

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET	AMENDED / WORKING BUDGET	FYTD ACTIVITY	UNRECEIVED / UNEXPENDED BALANCE	FYTD %	PROJECTED YEAR-END	NOTES
<b>REVENUE</b>								
400.451000	Proceeds		14,027.00	14,027.00	-	100%	14,027.00	
400.460000	Transfers In	350,918.00	292,520.00		292,520.00	0%		
<b>TOTAL FUND REVENUES</b>		<b>\$350,918.00</b>	<b>\$306,547.00</b>	<b>\$14,027.00</b>	<b>\$292,520.00</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>\$14,027.00</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>								
400.810300	Capital Assets - Student Occupied Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
400.810400	Capital Assets - Student Occupied Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
400.810500	Capital Assets - Student Occupied Capital Outlay	350,918.00	306,547.00	2,380.00	304,167.00	1%	2,380.00	Projects put on hold
400.811300	Capital Assets - Non-Student Occupied Purchased Services				-	#DIV/0!		
400.811400	Capital Assets - Non-Student Occupied Supplies				-	#DIV/0!		
400.811500	Capital Assets - Non-Student Occupied Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
400.920000	Transfers Out				-	#DIV/0!		
<b>TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$350,918.00</b>	<b>\$306,547.00</b>	<b>\$2,380.00</b>	<b>\$304,167.00</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>\$2,380.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL FUND REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$11,647.00</b>			<b>\$11,647.00</b>	
<b>BEGINNING FUND BALANCE (JULY 1, 2013)</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>			<b>\$0.00</b>	
<b>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$11,647.00</b>			<b>\$11,647.00</b>	
<b>ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2014</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$11,647.00</b>			<b>\$11,647.00</b>	

**COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY  
FUND 700 (Trust Funds) FY 2014**

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL BUDGET	AMENDED / WORKING BUDGET	FYTD ACTIVITY	UNRECEIVED / UNEXPENDED BALANCE	FYTD %	PROJECTED YEAR-END	NOTES
<b>REVENUE</b>								
700.419200	Contributions / Donations	50,500.00	34,700.00	40,388.00	(5,688.00)	116%	40,388.00	
700.460000	Transfers In				-	#DIV/0!		
<b>TOTAL FUND REVENUES</b>		<b>\$50,500.00</b>	<b>\$34,700.00</b>	<b>\$40,388.00</b>	<b>(\$5,688.00)</b>	<b>116%</b>	<b>\$40,388.00</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>								
700.691100	Other Support Services Salaries				-	#DIV/0!		
700.691200	Other Support Services Benefits				-	#DIV/0!		
700.691300	Other Support Services Purchased Services	21,500.00	13,700.00	9,102.00	4,598.00	66%	9,102.00	
700.691400	Other Support Services Supplies	7,000.00	7,000.00	6,646.00	354.00	95%	6,646.00	
700.691500	Other Support Services Capital Outlay				-	#DIV/0!		
700.691600	Other Support Services Debt Retirement				-	#DIV/0!		
700.691700	Other Support Services Insurance				-	#DIV/0!		
700.920000	Transfers Out				-	#DIV/0!		
<b>TOTAL FUND EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$28,500.00</b>	<b>\$20,700.00</b>	<b>\$15,748.00</b>	<b>\$4,952.00</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>\$15,748.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL FUND REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$22,000.00</b>	<b>\$14,000.00</b>	<b>\$24,640.00</b>			<b>\$24,640.00</b>	
	<b>BEGINNING FUND BALANCE (JULY 1, 2013)</b>	<b>\$101,841.00</b>	<b>\$101,841.00</b>	<b>\$101,841.00</b>			<b>\$101,841.00</b>	
	<b>CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$22,000.00</b>	<b>\$14,000.00</b>	<b>\$24,640.00</b>			<b>\$24,640.00</b>	
	<b>ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2014</b>	<b>\$123,841.00</b>	<b>\$115,841.00</b>	<b>\$126,481.00</b>			<b>\$126,481.00</b>	

COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY  
FISCAL YEAR 2014 - 2015 CASH FLOW (All Funds)

DESCRIPTION	Budgeted	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	FY TOTAL
<b>CASH ON HAND (Beginning Cash)</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>1,492,250</b>	<b>1,145,206</b>	<b>2,592,535</b>	<b>2,288,374</b>	<b>1,951,068</b>	<b>2,354,123</b>	<b>2,050,972</b>	<b>1,745,066</b>	<b>2,048,633</b>	<b>1,704,524</b>	<b>1,321,073</b>	<b>1,476,271</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>														
Base Support	2,994,367	0	1,539,668	0	0	618,100	0	0	418,300	0	0	418,300	0	2,994,368
Benefit Apportionment	407,825	0	203,912	0	0	81,900	0	0	61,000	0	0	61,000	0	407,812
Lottery / Maintenance	28,890	0	0	30,843	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30,843
Transportation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exceptional Child Support	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuition Equivalency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Special Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other State Support	257,157	0	0	0	0	15,661	0	0	64,998	0	0	0	176,498	257,157
Other State Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nutrition	30,000	0	900	5,113	4,373	3,300	3,200	3,300	3,200	3,400	2,700	3,200	500	33,186
Title I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Revenue	69,460	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	69,460	0	0	0	0	69,460
Local Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Fundraising	227,163	1,310	17,041	5,395	6,555	1,700	13,100	13,500	25,100	25,800	51,900	2,600	2,300	166,301
Other Revenue	5,000	256	390	581	494	570	570	480	400	460	1,000	330	300	5,831
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>4,019,862</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>1,761,911</b>	<b>41,932</b>	<b>11,422</b>	<b>721,231</b>	<b>16,870</b>	<b>17,280</b>	<b>642,458</b>	<b>29,660</b>	<b>55,600</b>	<b>485,430</b>	<b>179,598</b>	<b>3,964,958</b>
<b>OUTFLOW</b>														
Salaries	2,341,602	180,199	179,878	200,140	208,516	193,225	192,975	192,975	207,975	221,683	192,975	207,504	192,725	2,370,770
Benefits	1,064,456	77,130	89,674	86,506	87,901	87,041	86,966	86,966	88,221	92,041	86,966	88,183	86,841	1,044,436
<b>Subtotal - Payroll</b>	<b>3,406,058</b>	<b>257,329</b>	<b>269,552</b>	<b>286,646</b>	<b>296,417</b>	<b>280,266</b>	<b>279,941</b>	<b>279,941</b>	<b>296,196</b>	<b>313,724</b>	<b>279,941</b>	<b>295,687</b>	<b>279,566</b>	<b>3,415,206</b>
Facility Costs (All)	106,100	4,742	7,103	6,371	7,961	6,500	6,700	7,300	8,000	6,800	7,900	4,800	5,100	79,277
<b>Subtotal - Occupancy</b>	<b>106,100</b>	<b>4,742</b>	<b>7,103</b>	<b>6,371</b>	<b>7,961</b>	<b>6,500</b>	<b>6,700</b>	<b>7,300</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>6,800</b>	<b>7,900</b>	<b>4,800</b>	<b>5,100</b>	<b>79,277</b>
Elementary Supplies & Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Secondary Supplies & Services	99,900	3,131	10,259	7,870	7,549	3,150	3,600	3,100	2,650	2,700	5,500	4,000	25,800	79,309
Technology	8,000	431	2,206	624	405	0	0	500	0	0	500	0	0	4,666
Exceptional Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transportation	5,000	450	0	0	0	0	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	950
Nutrition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Support Services	232,223	17,387	4,713	4,031	3,900	2,500	4,120	5,685	7,585	24,585	6,085	2,585	5,085	88,261
Other Program Costs	24,500	1,943	(428)	983	2,663	1,900	2,400	2,800	1,700	3,200	1,500	1,000	200	19,861
<b>Subtotal - Educational Program</b>	<b>369,623</b>	<b>23,342</b>	<b>16,750</b>	<b>13,508</b>	<b>14,517</b>	<b>7,550</b>	<b>10,620</b>	<b>12,085</b>	<b>11,935</b>	<b>30,485</b>	<b>13,585</b>	<b>7,585</b>	<b>31,085</b>	<b>193,047</b>
Capital Outlay	509,715	43,233	1,215	13,200	5,655	1,100	0	1,500	0	0	111,500	0	0	177,403
Debt Retirement	241,000	19,964	19,962	19,968	19,998	20,060	20,060	20,060	20,060	20,060	20,060	20,060	20,060	240,372
Insurance	9,000	0	0	3,366	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,365	0	0	6,731
Other Costs	30,000	0	0	3,034	4,180	2,700	2,700	2,300	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,100	1,300	26,414
<b>Subtotal - Other Costs</b>	<b>789,715</b>	<b>63,197</b>	<b>21,177</b>	<b>39,568</b>	<b>29,833</b>	<b>23,860</b>	<b>22,760</b>	<b>23,860</b>	<b>22,760</b>	<b>22,760</b>	<b>137,625</b>	<b>22,160</b>	<b>21,360</b>	<b>450,920</b>
Other loan payments/obligations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOW</b>	<b>4,671,496</b>	<b>348,610</b>	<b>314,582</b>	<b>346,093</b>	<b>348,728</b>	<b>318,176</b>	<b>320,021</b>	<b>323,186</b>	<b>338,891</b>	<b>373,769</b>	<b>439,051</b>	<b>330,232</b>	<b>337,111</b>	<b>4,138,450</b>
<b>CHANGE IN CASH</b>	<b>(651,634)</b>	<b>(347,044)</b>	<b>1,447,329</b>	<b>(304,161)</b>	<b>(337,306)</b>	<b>403,055</b>	<b>(303,151)</b>	<b>(305,906)</b>	<b>303,567</b>	<b>(344,109)</b>	<b>(383,451)</b>	<b>155,198</b>	<b>(157,513)</b>	
<b>ENDING CASH</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>1,145,206</b>	<b>2,592,535</b>	<b>2,288,374</b>	<b>1,951,068</b>	<b>2,354,123</b>	<b>2,050,972</b>	<b>1,745,066</b>	<b>2,048,633</b>	<b>1,704,524</b>	<b>1,321,073</b>	<b>1,476,271</b>	<b>1,318,758</b>	

ASSUMPTIONS / NOTES: July through October based on actual cash flow. November through June based on historical cash flow and known factors that will change income and expenditures flows for the coming months.

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	Budgeted	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
<b>REVENUE</b>														
414100	Tuition													
415000	Earnings on Investments	5,000	256	390	581	494	570	570	480	400	460	1,000	330	300
416100	School Food Service													
416200	Meal Sales - non reimbursable													
416900	Other Food Sales	30,000	0	900	5,113	4,373	3,300	3,200	3,300	3,200	3,400	2,700	3,200	500
417100	Admissions / Activities													
417200	Bookstore Sales													
417300	Clubs / Organization Dues, etc.													
417400	School Fees & Charges	69,000	40	2,191	3,490	4,570	200	100	500	100	800	50,400	1,300	1,300
417900	Other Student Revenue													
418100	Community Services													
419100	Rentals	10,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,150	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
419200	Contributions/Donations	148,163	270	13,850	905	835	500	12,000	12,000	24,000	24,000	500	300	0
419300	Transportation Fees													
419900	Other Local Revenue													
431100	Base Support	2,994,367	0	1,539,668	0	0	618,100	0	0	418,300	0	0	418,300	0
431200	Transportation Support													
431400	Exceptional Child Support													
431600	Tuition Equivalency													
431800	Benefit Apportionment	407,825	0	203,912	0	0	81,900	0	0	61,000	0	0	61,000	0
431900	Other State Support	257,157	0	0	0	0	15,661	0	0	64,998	0	0	0	176,498
432100	Driver Education Program													
432400	Professional Technical Program													
437000	Lottery / Addtl State Maintenance	28,890	0	0	30,843	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
439000	Other State Revenue													
442000	Indirect Unrestricted Federal													
443000	Direct Restricted Federal													
445100	Title I													
445200	Title VI													
445300	Perkins III - Vocational Technical													
445500	Child Nutrition Reimbursement													
445600	Title VI-B	69,460	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	69,460	0	0	0	0
445900	Other Indirect Restricted Federal													
448200	Impact Aid													
451000	Proceeds: Bonds, Cap Leases, etc													
N/A	OTHER Revenue (any funds not included above)													
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>		<b>\$4,019,862</b>	<b>\$1,566</b>	<b>\$1,761,911</b>	<b>\$41,932</b>	<b>\$11,422</b>	<b>\$721,231</b>	<b>\$16,870</b>	<b>\$17,280</b>	<b>\$642,458</b>	<b>\$29,660</b>	<b>\$55,600</b>	<b>\$485,430</b>	<b>\$179,598</b>











ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	Budgeted	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
730100	Enterprise Operations Program Salaries													
730200	Enterprise Operations Program Benefits													
730300	Enterprise Operations Program Purchased Services													
730400	Enterprise Operations Program Supplies	30,000	0	0	3,034	4,180	2,700	2,700	2,300	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,100	1,300
730500	Enterprise Operations Program Capital Outlay													
730600	Enterprise Operations Program Debt Retirement													
730700	Enterprise Operations Program Capital Insurance													
810300	Capital Assets - Student Occupied Purchased Services													
810400	Capital Assets - Student Occupied Supplies													
810500	Capital Assets - Student Occupied Capital Outlay	100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80,000	0	0
811300	Capital Assets - Non-Student Occupied Purchased Services													
811400	Capital Assets - Non-Student Occupied Supplies													
811500	Capital Assets - Non-Student Occupied Capital Outlay	307,976	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
911500	Principal Capital Outlay													
911600	Principal Debt Retirement	155,000	12,961	13,053	12,596	13,524	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
912500	Interest Capital Outlay													
912600	Interest Debt Retirement	85,000	6,950	6,859	7,315	6,387	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
913500	Refunded Debt Capital Outlay													
913600	Refunded Debt - Debt Retirement													
N/A	Other Loan Payments & Obligations (line of credit, etc.)													
N/A	OTHER Costs (any not included above)													
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>\$4,671,496</b>	<b>\$348,610</b>	<b>\$314,582</b>	<b>\$346,093</b>	<b>\$348,728</b>	<b>\$318,176</b>	<b>\$320,021</b>	<b>\$323,186</b>	<b>\$338,891</b>	<b>\$373,769</b>	<b>\$439,051</b>	<b>\$330,232</b>	<b>\$337,111</b>

**Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy  
Annual Budget Template All Funds**

	2015			2016			2017		
	Number	Rate	Amount	Number	Rate	Amount	Number	Rate	Amount
Number of Students Best 28 ADA	658			658			658		
<b>Revenues:</b>									
State Apportionment & other state			\$3,805,848			\$3,920,023			\$4,037,624
State Transportation			0			0			0
Nutrition Program (non-Federal)			30,000			30,000			30,000
Federal Revenue			69,460			69,460			69,460
Contributions/Donations/Fees			227,163			233,978			240,997
Other Revenue			5,000			5,000			5,000
<b>Total Revenues</b>			<b>\$4,137,471</b>			<b>\$4,258,461</b>			<b>\$4,383,081</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>									
<u>Salaries:</u>				3.0%			3.0%		
Teachers/Counselors			\$1,845,757			\$1,901,130			\$1,958,164
Special Ed			30,000			30,900			31,827
Instructional Aids			12,000			12,360			12,731
Classified/Office Staff			186,117			191,701			197,452
Administration			142,744			147,026			151,437
Nutritional Program			0			0			0
Librarian			0			0			0
Maintenance/Other			124,984			128,734			132,596
<a href="#">Insert Salaries Lines Here</a>									
<b>Total Salaries</b>			<b>\$2,341,602</b>			<b>\$2,411,850</b>			<b>\$2,484,206</b>
<u>Benefits:</u>									
Retirement/PERSI			\$288,488			\$297,143			\$306,057
Health/Life Insurance			579,618			597,007			614,917
Payroll Taxes			179,133			184,507			190,042
Workers Compensation			17,217			17,734			18,266
<a href="#">Insert Benefits Lines Here</a>									
<b>Total Benefits</b>			<b>\$1,064,456</b>			<b>\$1,096,390</b>			<b>\$1,129,281</b>
<u>Operating Expenses:</u>									
Textbooks			\$10,000			\$10,000			\$10,000
Supplies			41,000			41,000			41,000
Equipment			95,000			50,000			40,000
Contract Services			69,460			69,460			69,460
Legal			6,000			6,000			6,000
Accounting			6,000			6,100			6,200
Advertising/Marketing			7,000			7,000			7,000
Gas/Electric			60,000			61,800			63,654
Telephone/communications			6,000			6,000			6,000
Liability & Property Insurance			6,731			10,000			10,330
Testing & Assessment			35,400			35,400			35,400
Staff Development			5,000			5,000			5,000
Consulting			20,000			20,000			20,000
Travel			2,000			2,000			2,000
Postage			4,000			4,000			4,000
Rents and Leases (machines)			22,000			22,000			22,000
Debt Retirement			241,000			241,000			241,000
Grounds & Maintenance			34,100			34,100			34,100
Miscellaneous			6,000			6,000			6,000
Extracurricular			21,000			21,000			21,000
Capital Improvements			80,000			0			0
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>			<b>\$777,691</b>			<b>\$657,860</b>			<b>\$650,144</b>
<u>Program Expenses:</u>									
Transportation			\$5,000			\$5,000			\$5,000
Nutrition Program			30,000			30,000			30,000
Trust Fund Expenses			20,000			20,000			20,000
<b>Total Benefits</b>			<b>\$55,000</b>			<b>\$55,000</b>			<b>\$55,000</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>			<b>\$4,238,749</b>			<b>\$4,221,100</b>			<b>\$4,318,631</b>
<b>Net Operating Income/(Loss)</b>			<b>-\$101,278</b>			<b>\$37,362</b>			<b>\$64,450</b>
<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>			<b>1,036,778</b>			<b>935,500</b>			<b>972,862</b>
<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>			<b>\$935,500</b>			<b>\$972,862</b>			<b>\$1,037,312</b>

# Idaho Public Charter School Commission Charter Petition: Budget Assumptions

School Name: Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

## Revenue

### Explanations Related to Key Revenue Line Items (required)

[Please insert rows as needed]

Line Item	FY14 (Current)	FY15	FY16	FY17	Assumptions / Details / Sources
	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	
State Support	3,740,909	3,805,848	3,920,023	4,037,624	Enrollment est. 700-715, ADA 658, SU 41-42, 3% increase 2016,17
Federal Revenue		69,460	69,460	69,460	All IDEA Part-B funds
All other Fees/Donations/other	229,990	242,163	268,978	275,997	Donations, Class and test fees, 3% increase 2016,17
<b>REVENUE TOTALS</b>	<b>3,970,899</b>	<b>4,137,471</b>	<b>4,258,461</b>	<b>4,383,081</b>	

## Expenses by Category & Budget

### Staffing (required)

[Please insert rows as needed]

CERTIFIED STAFF	FY14 (Current)		FY15		FY16		FY17		Assumptions / Details / Sources
	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	
<b>Classroom Teachers</b>									
Grades 6-12	32	1,700,373	32	1,693,217	32	1,744,014	32	1,796,334	Stable population, no anticipated change
Professional Dev Stipends				23,196		23,892		24,609	Special purpose state funding
Leadership Premiums		40,878		28,458		29,312		30,191	Additional State support
Substitute Teachers/Aides		36,190		42,000		43,260		44,558	Known avg. teacher leave needs
Classroom Teacher Subtotals	32	1,777,441	32	1,786,871	32	1,840,478	32	1,895,692	Average Classroom Size: 20.56
<b>Special Education</b>									
Part-time Teacher/Dir.			.33	20,000	.33	20,600	.33	21,218	New territory for us, previous done by
Part-time Nurse			.12	10,000	.12	10,300	.12	10,609	District/Authorizer, will likely change
Special Education Subtotals			.45	30,000	.45	30,900	.45	31,827	Anticipated % Special Education Students: 1-2%

Other Certified Staff	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount			FTE	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
Administration	2	145,626	2	142,744	2	147,026	2	151,437	Principal, VP
Counselors	1.5	77,382	1.67	70,886	1.67	73,013	1.67	75,203	.67 counselor is also .33 SPED teacher
Other Certified Staff Subtotals	3.5	223,008	3.67	213,630	3.67	220,039	3.67	226,640	
CERTIFIED STAFF TOTALS		2,000,449		2,030,501		2,091,417		2,154,159	

CLASSIFIED STAFF	FY14 (Current)		FY15		FY16		FY17		
Position	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
Office Staff	6	186,649	6	186,117	6	191,701	6	197,452	Current staffing no change anticipated.
Custodial Staff	3	80,170	3	79,384	3	81,766	3	84,218	We have only added 1 classified position
Activities Staff	1.5	47,200	1.5	45,600	1.5	46,968	1.5	48,377	In the last 10 years.
CLASSIFIED STAFF TOTALS		314,019		311,101		320,435		330,047	

BENEFITS	FY14 (Current)		FY15		FY16		FY17		
Position	Rate	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate	Amount	Rate	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
PERSI		276,906		288,488		297,143		306,057	12.48% of eligible salaries
Health/Life Ins.		518,388		579,618		597,007		614,917	Current Blue Cross Plan
Payroll Taxes		177,123		179,133		184,507		190,042	7.65% of all salaries
Workers Comp		17,191		17,217		17,734		18,266	Various rates applied to each position
BENEFITS TOTALS		989,608		1,064,456		1,096,390		1,129,281	

### Board of Directors (required)

[Please insert rows as needed]

	FY14 (Current)	FY15	FY16	FY17	
Line Item	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
5 Board members					No \$ are spent on Board activities
BOARD TOTALS					

### Educational Program / Curriculum (required)

[Please insert rows as needed]

	FY14 (Current)	FY15	FY16	FY17	
Line Item	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
Textbooks	5,688	10,000	10,000	10,000	Consistent with previous replacement needs
Classroom supplies	14,080	23,000	23,000	23,000	No anticipated needs beyond the norm
Testing and assessments	24,036	35,400	35,400	35,400	"
EDUC PROGRAM TOTALS	43,804	68,400	68,400	68,400	

### Technology (required)

[Please insert rows as needed]

	FY14 (Current)	FY15	FY16	FY17	
Line Item	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
Classroom Computer Equipment	54,996	52,216	20,000	10,000	2014/15 increased capacity, 2016/17 replace older units
Repairs and supplies	8,088	8,000	8,000	8,000	Repairs of existing building technology
Security and Safety	2,377	31,323	30,000	20,000	2015-17 \$80,000 Major upgrade to surveillance and access entry
TECHNOLOGY TOTALS	65,461	91,539	58,000	38,000	

### Facilities Details (required if not provided w/ facilities information)

[Please insert rows as needed]

	FY14 (Current)	FY15	FY16	FY17	
Line Item	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
Repairs, Maintenance, Supplies	34,100	34,100	34,100	34,100	Actual costs have been consistently well below this number
New Carpeting in middle school		80,000			Spring 2015
Debt Retirement	238,831	241,000	241,000	241,000	Changes may occur if project below goes forward
Major Building Project					Likely to begin within this time frame \$750-500K
FACILITIES TOTALS	272,931	355,100	275,100	275,100	

**Utilities** (required if not provided w/ facilities information)

[Please insert rows as needed]

	FY14 (Current)	FY15	FY16	FY17	
Line Item	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
Gas, electric, water, sewer, lights	56,789	65,000	65,000	65,000	Actual costs: 2013-\$54,251, 2012-\$55,941
trash					
UTILITIES TOTALS	56,789	65,000	65,000	65,000	

**Transportation** (optional)

[Please insert rows as needed]

	FY14 (Current)	FY15	FY16	FY17	
Line Item	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
Activities, contracted buses	940	5,000	5,000	5,000	See comments on transportation in petition
TRANSPORATION TOTALS	940	5,000	5,000	5,000	

**Other Expenses** (optional)

[Please insert rows as needed]

	FY14 (Current)	FY15	FY16	FY17	
Line Item	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount	Assumptions / Details / Sources
Contracted services Special Ed		69,460	69,460	69,460	As stated above this area will be a moving target until we have better information.
Extracurricular activities	19,485	21,000	21,000	21,000	Little change in current offerings
Lease, copy machines/meters	22,622	22,000	22,000	22,000	New leases this year will lower annual costs by \$3600
Authorizer fees		17,500	17,500	17,500	Based on Commission website, this should cover current cost
OTHER EXPENSES TOTALS	42,107	129,960	129,960	129,960	

## Narrative (Budgets & Cash Flow)

[If there is any additional information that you feel will be valuable for us to know in reviewing any of your budgets or your cash flow, please provide it here.]

Our income and expenses have been very stable and consistent over the last 4 years. We feel that our prudent use of funds enabled us to get through a very difficult economic time period with little impact on programs important to our success. This year our challenges will include new special education costs and pending decisions on building projects and upgrades. Our fund reserves will likely be drawn down significantly for those projects and costs. As usual, medical costs and state funding will also play a major role in spending decisions.

2014 assumptions are actual costs rather than budgeted costs

A 3% annual increase in income, salaries and benefits was included in budgeted line items.

## Paul Franz

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### Personal

- Born in Washington, D.C. Lived in Maryland, Berkley, California and Bayview, Idaho before graduating from Lakeland High School in Rathdrum, Idaho in 1979.
- Married to wife, Elizabeth, for 31 years. Father of six children, four of whom graduated from Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy, one of whom graduated from Kootenai Technical High School and one of whom is still attending grade school.

### Employment & Leadership

#### General Manager/VP

1983 – Present Central Pre-Mix Concrete Company, Spokane, WA

Interstate Concrete & Asphalt Company, Coeur d'Alene, ID

- Responsible for overall asphalt, readymix concrete, aggregate, shops and equipment operations involving \$80M in sales and 300 employees doing business in eastern Washington and northern Idaho.
- Has held positions of increasing responsibility within the company since 1983, including: QC engineer, contract administrator, construction manager, aggregate manager, and operations manager.

#### Past President & Board Member

Idaho Associated General Contractors

#### Board Member

2008 – Present Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

- Board Member
- Chairman of the Board since July 2010

### Education

1979 Lakeland High School, Rathdrum, Idaho

1982 University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho

- Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

### Other Experience

- Licensed Professional Engineer (civil)
- Numerous ongoing classes and seminars in Organizational Leadership, Management Theory and Financial Accounting
- Active member, president or treasurer of many community organizations over the years, including: Hayden Fire District, Hilltop Water Association, Emerald Estates Homeowners, Concerned Business of Idaho and Post Falls Little League

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**Education:**

**University of Idaho College of Law** – *Juris Doctorate* - December 1998

**University of Idaho** – Bachelor of Science – May 1996

Major - *Communication*

Secondary Education Certificate –Speech/Journalism

**Experience**

**Amendola Doty & Brumley, PLLC** - January '05 - Present

Formerly **Amendola, Andersen & Doty, PLLC** and **Amendola & Doty, PLLC**

*Partner* since 2008 - Handle family law, personal injury and criminal defense cases. Most family law cases involve divorce and/or custody but include adoption, termination and guardianship.

*Associate Attorney* - Handle family law cases and criminal defense. Most family law cases involve divorce and/or custody.

**Coeur d'Alene City Attorney's Office** - August '99 - January '05

*Deputy City Attorney* and *Managing Attorney* of Criminal Division. Handled various misdemeanors including domestic battery, domestic assault, civil protection order violations, no contact order violations, stalking and phone harassment. Member of Domestic Violence Diversion team. Assisted in training local law enforcement for the last two years about domestic violence. Attended National District Attorneys Association national seminar on domestic violence.

**Spokane City Prosecutors Office** –July '98- August '99

*Assistant City Attorney*. Handled various non-domestic violence related city misdemeanors and ordinance violations.

**Spokane County Public Defenders Office**– Summer '97

*Intern*. Handled various juvenile cases with mentor attorney.

**Community Activities**

Board Member of Board of Directors at Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

Former Board Member and Past President of the Board of Director for the North Idaho Violence Prevention Center

Volunteer at Lake City Community Church

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## ▶ Russell (Russ) D. Helgeson, Jr.

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### Personal

- ▶ Married to Colleen Helgeson since 1984.
- ▶ Russ and Colleen have three grown children, all of whom are graduates of Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy. Their oldest son was part of the student body on the first day the Academy opened their doors. All of their children have gone on to graduate from four-year colleges. Two of their children are involved in the education field, and one is involved in the financial field.

### Education

#### Washington State University (1980)

- ▶ Bachelor of Science in Forest Engineering

#### Mead High School (1975)

### Work Experience

Since graduation, Russ has worked in the civil engineering field.

- ▶ Seven years with a private civil engineering consulting firm in Ketchikan, Alaska.
- ▶ Four years with three different cities with their Public Works Departments.
- ▶ 24 years with a private civil engineering consulting firm in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Licensed civil engineer in Washington and Idaho.

### References

- ▶ Todd Ostlind, personal friend – 703.999.2941
  - ▶ Sam Meredith, pastor – 208.704.8667
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## EDUCATION

### University of Washington

Bachelor of Arts in Latin  
Minor in Sociology

## EMPLOYMENT & LEADERSHIP

### Coeur d'Alene School District 271 | 1964 – 1997

Teacher: Latin, English, Sociology and Driver's Education

### Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy Board of Directors | 1999 – Present

Appointed as Vice-Chairman in 2005.

## MEMBERSHIPS

- Member of the Coeur d'Alene Retired Teachers' Association since 1999.
- Past member of the American Classical League.
- Belonged to the National Education Association, Idaho Education Association and Coeur d'Alene Education Association during his teaching career.

## REFERENCES

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## Amy Verhaeghe

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### **Education:**

1982 Lewis and Clark High school

1987 University of Washington BS in Nursing

### **Personal:**

Grew up in Spokane, WA, lived in Seattle and Chicago and settled in Post Falls, ID in 1995

Married 25 years

Three children ages 23, 20, 17 - all attended Cd'A Charter Academy 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade

Hosted 3 foreign exchange students who attended the Cd'A Charter Academy

School years 2009-2010, 2011-2012, and 2013-2014

### **Work experience:**

Property owner/manager of business and residential rental properties 2006-present

Deaconess Medical Center RN PICU – Spokane, WA 1/1992 – 5/1997

Children's Hospital RN Pediatrics – Chicago, IL 9/1989-6/1990

Children's Hospital RN Pediatric Oncology – Seattle, WA 5/1987-9/1989 and 9/1990-10/1991

### **Volunteer/Leadership experience:**

School Board Cd'A Charter Academy 2012-present

Road Rally Fundraiser Coordinator Cd'A Charter Academy 2010-2011

Auction Fundraiser Coordinator Cd'A Charter Academy 2009

PTO Co-chair Cd'A Charter Academy 2007-2010

Camp Spalding Board member 2001-2013

Youth Group Leader/Director Community Presbyterian Church 2005-present

Elder, Session Board Community Presbyterian Church 2012-present

Trustee Board Community Presbyterian Church 2005-2011

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VBS director Community Presbyterian Church 1998-2000

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# Code of Ethics

## A Guide of Conduct for School Board Members of the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

This Code of Ethics signifies the strong commitment on the part of the School Board to base our decisions and actions on ethical standards. It recognizes the role and defines professional behavior needed in order to fulfill our obligations of being effective and responsible Board Members. This Code reflects the deeper sense of purpose and direction which governs our work. Our ethical behavior "speaks" loudly as an example to the young people we serve. It is, in fact, one of the wisest lessons in teaching and learning we can offer.

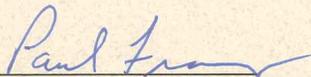
While serving as a member of the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy School Board, I will accept the responsibility to improve education, and I will:

1. Remember that my first and greatest concern must be the educational welfare of all students attending the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy;
2. Obey the laws of Idaho and the United States;
3. Respect the confidentiality of privileged information;
4. Recognize that as an individual Board Member I have no authority to speak or act for the Board;
5. Respect the right of other Board Members to have and express ideas that differ;
6. Work collaboratively with other Members to establish effective Board policies;
7. Delegate authority for the administration of the schools to the Principal and staff;
8. Encourage ongoing communication among Board Members, students, staff, and the community;
9. Be open, fair and honest;
10. Render all of my decisions based on available facts, appropriate public input and my independent judgment;
11. Make every effort to attend all Board meetings;
12. Come to Board meeting informed concerning the issues under consideration;
13. Give staff members the respect and consideration due skilled professional employees;
14. Improve my ability to serve as a School Board Member by studying educational issues and participating in appropriate professional development;
15. Support the employment of staff members based on qualifications;
16. Cooperate with other Board Members and Administrators to establish a system of regular and impartial evaluations of all staff;
17. Avoid conflicts of interest or the appearance thereof;
18. Refrain from using my Board position for benefit of myself, family or other business associates;
19. Maintain professional decorum when discussing school matters.

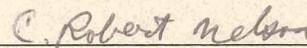
I acknowledge that the following are unethical behaviors and will refrain from such actions:

1. Seek personal advantage from membership on the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy School Board;
2. Make disparaging remarks about other Board Members;
3. Discuss confidential business in public or to anyone not privy to such information;
4. Place the interest of individuals or groups ahead of the interest of the school and all students in the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy; and
5. Conduct unauthorized activity on the Board's behalf away from the School Board meetings.

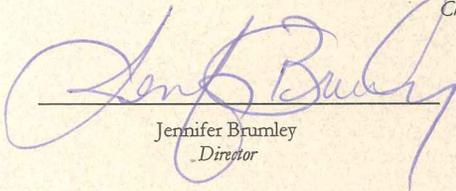
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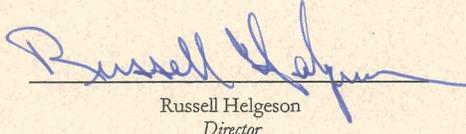
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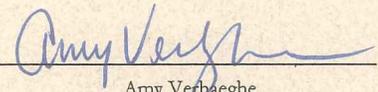
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Jennifer Brumley  
Director



Russell Helgeson  
Director



Amy Verhaeghe  
Director

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

Annual Evaluation of Board Meetings

Each member of the board is to complete the following survey independently and return it to the Board Clerk. The Board Clerk will compile the results and provide them to the Chair at the next meeting.

Instructions: Score each of the following items as either "S" (Satisfactory) or "I" (Needs improvement)

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|---|---|---|
| 1. The agendas are clear, supported by the necessary documents, circulated prior to meetings, and posted appropriately. | S | I |
| 2. All board members are prepared to discuss materials.   | S | I |
| 3. Reports are clear and contain needed information.  | S | I |
| 4. Board avoids getting into administrative/management details.   | S | I |
| 5. Diverse opinions are expressed and respected.  | S | I |
| 6. The chair guides meetings effectively and members participate responsibly.   | S | I |
| 7. All board members attend regularly.  | S | I |
| 8. Meetings begin and end on time.  | S | I |
| 9. Most members participate and no one monopolizes discussion.  | S | I |
| 10. The Board stays on the agenda.  | S | I |

## Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

### Board Member Self-Evaluation

This assessment tool is designed to help you evaluate your individual board service. The evaluation is for your personal use only. (This is not to be handed in or reviewed by anyone but you.) Its purpose is to help you assess how effective your role as a board member is in furthering the mission of the Academy.

1. I enthusiastically support the mission and values of the Academy.
2. I understand the role of the board and my legal and ethical responsibilities as a board member.
3. I further the mission with my time and skills.
4. I have attended all regular and special meetings and other events requiring board participation and notify the chairperson or clerk if I cannot attend.
5. I try to be an objective decision maker, considering the impact of issues on individuals, the organization, and the community.
6. I avoid participation in board issues which are self-serving or may be perceived as conflict of interest.
7. I read all materials I receive before the board meeting and come prepared with questions.
8. If I miss a meeting, I contact the Board Clerk for an update.
9. I can explain to friends and community members the value of the Academy.
10. I avoid involvement in matters of administration.



**COEUR D'ALENE CHARTER ACADEMY, INC.  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 21, 2014**

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- LOCATION** Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy  
4904 N. Duncan Drive  
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815
- CALL TO ORDER** Chairman Franz called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 6:00 PM.
- Board members present:** Paul Franz, Bob Nelson, Jen Brumley, Russ Helgeson and Amy Verhaeghe
- Board members absent:** None
- The board secretary confirmed a quorum was present.
- Other attendees:** Brett DePew, Glenn Mabile, Dan Nicklay, Bill Proser, Melissa Thompson, Jacques Croom, Lynne Stembridge, Lynda LeBlanc, Rob Bass, Kyle Mason, Sarah Marchese, Ellie Hughson, Adam Odell, Sophie McPhilomy, Clarie McPhilomy, Devan Karsann, Janet Stevens, Emilie White Hidalgo, Reilly Case, Nancy White.
- PLEDGE TO THE FLAG** Chairman Franz led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- ASB REPORT** Sarah Marchese, ASB President, reported that the ASB has been very busy planning for Teacher Appreciation Week and the annual talent show. Ms. Marchese asked to once again address the issue of student mental health. The Board members were provided with a binder that compiled the student's research. It included a list of goals that the students would like to see met, a survey, a letter from a former student and a grant application for expanding counseling services. Ms. Marchese reviewed the survey and the goals.
- Ms. Marchese exited the meeting at 6:08 PM
- Ms. Hughson introduced herself and said that this was an issue that was close to her heart. She spoke about teacher and student awareness, the need for creating a more nurturing environment and the grant that was included in the packet.
- Director Verhaeghe asked about teacher training. Mr. Nicklay said that he and Dr. Schaffer had discussed and will be spending time on training teachers to recognize students who may need help.
- Ms. Hughson said that she had discussed starting a mentoring program with Mrs. Chambers.
- Mr. Mabile said that the school is not currently eligible for the proposed grant because we are not our own LEA until July 1<sup>st</sup>, but that does not mean we cannot apply for it with the understanding that we will be our own LEA before the new school year starts.

**ASB REPORT, Cont.** Director Verhaeghe asked if the students think that some of this is cultural. Ms. Hughson said she did not think so. Students need to be aware of how they deal with their own problems; it is not the same for everyone.

Chairman Franz thanked Ms. Hughson for her comments.

Mrs. Stembridge and Dr. LeBlanc exited at 6:23 PM.

**PTO REPORT** Mr. Croom introduced himself as the new PTO President. Being newly elected, he does not have a lot to report, but wanted to share his vision for the PTO. He would like to see more efficiency in PTO meetings, enhanced communication and stronger relationships with the staff, parents and students. The PTO has done a great job of fundraising but has not spent a lot of money, so they will start meeting with Administrators to determine where the funds are needed. He is looking forward to a great year next year.

Chairman Franz thanked Mr. Croom for his report.

**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES** Chairman Franz called for a motion to approve the minutes.

**Motion:** Director Nelson moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 17, 2014 and the special meeting minutes of April 10, 2014, seconded by Director Helgeson, the motion carried unanimously.

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT- D. NICKLAY** Mr. Nicklay reported the current enrollment is 655. That is a net loss of 1 since the last meeting. There are waiting lists in grades 6, 7, and 8 for the 2014-2015 school year. Director Brumley asked how many students were on waiting lists. He reported that there were 16 on the 6<sup>th</sup> grade waiting list, 17 on the 7<sup>th</sup> grade waiting list, and 27 on the 8<sup>th</sup> grade waiting list.

**VICE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - B. DEPEW** Mr. DePew reviewed the activities and discipline report for the Board. He started by congratulating Emilie White Hidalgo, who was in the audience, on being named runner-up in the Distinguished Young Women of Coeur d'Alene program. Eighty-one students earned awards based on their national Latin exam score, including four students who had perfect scores. Chairman Franz asked where the Prom would be held this year. Mr. DePew said it would be at the Templin's Red Lion Hotel in Post Falls.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** Finance and Long Range Planning - Paul Franz, Chairman  
Chairman Franz said the Committee met before the regular Board meeting and the preliminary budget was reviewed.

Scholarship Committee - Jennifer Brumley, Chairman  
Director Brumley said letters and scholarship applications went out today. The Committee will meet in May for select the scholarship recipients.

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting - Bob Nelson, Chairman  
Director Nelson said he had nothing to report at this time.

Fundraising Committee - Amy Verhaeghe, Chairman  
Director Verhaeghe said she had nothing to report at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Public comment was made by Nancy White, Devan Karsann, Emilie White Hidalgo, Ellie Hughson regarding the student led initiative presented to the Board during the ASB report.

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

Chairman Franz called for a motion to hold an executive session to discuss matters pertaining to employment as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345 sub section (1) A.

**Motion:** Director Nelson moved to enter into executive session in order to discuss matters regarding employment as authorized by Idaho Code 67-2345 sub section (1) A.

Vice-Chairman Nelson led a roll call vote: Director Brumley – yes, Chairman Franz – yes, Director Helgeson – yes, Vice-Chairman Nelson – yes, Director Verhaeghe – yes, the motion carried.

Entered executive session 6:46 PM.

**Motion:** Director Helgeson moved to return to public session, seconded by Director Brumley, the motion carried unanimously.

Returned to open session at 6:55 PM.

Chairman Franz noted that during executive session, the Board discussed matters regarding Idaho Code 67-2345 sub section (1) A.

**UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS**

Authorizer Status

Mr. Nicklay said that he would address this and the adoption of the special education manual together. He sent the petition to change the charter authorizer off to the State last month. He received word back that there would need to be some changes. One of those changes, regarding our adherence to the special education manual, needs to be acted on tonight.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Adoption of Special Education Manual

**Motion:** Director Brumley moved to adopt the Idaho special education manual 2007 and all subsequent revisions, seconded by Director Nelson, the motion carried unanimously.

Motions from Executive Session

**Motion:** Director Verhaeghe moved to hire Sonja York as a 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, seconded by Director Helgeson, the motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Franz called for a motion to adjourn at 7:03 PM.

**Motion:** So moved by Director Nelson, seconded by Director Brumley, the motion carried unanimously.

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C. Robert Nelson, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer

## Teacher Performance Evaluation

Purpose: The purpose of this evaluation is to identify the strengths and weaknesses in instruction, and, if necessary outline a plan for improvement.

Teacher:

Grade/Subject:

Years Employed:

Evaluator: Dan Nicklay

Date:

## **Domain 1 – Planning and Preparation**

- 1a: Demonstrates knowledge of content and pedagogy
- 1b: Demonstrates knowledge of student skills, knowledge, and special needs
- 1c: Sets instructional goals appropriate to class goals and student level
- 1d: Demonstrates knowledge of resources to aid learning and improve delivery
- 1e: Designs coherent instruction
- 1f: Assesses student learning effectively

## **Domain 2 – Learning Environment**

- 2a: Creates an environment of respect and rapport

Evidence:

- 2b: Establishes a culture for learning with high expectations

Evidence:

- 2c: Manages classroom procedures to ensure efficient use of instructional time

Evidence:

- 2d: Manages student behavior to minimize disruptions

Evidence:

- 2e: Organizes physical space

Evidence:

## **Domain 3 – Instruction and Use of Assessment**

- 3a: Communicates clearly and accurately—expectations, directions, explanations

Evidence:

3b: Uses questioning and discussion techniques to challenge and engage students

Evidence:

3c: Engages students in learning

Evidence:

3d: Uses assessment in instruction

Evidence:

3e: Demonstrates flexibility and responsiveness

Evidence:

3f: Uses assessment to inform instruction and improve student achievement

Evidence:

#### **Domain 4 – Professional Responsibilities**

4a: Reflects on teaching to improve instruction

4b: Maintains accurate records

4c: Communicates with families in a way that fosters cooperation and teamwork

4d: Contributes to the school and district

4e: Grows and develops professionally

4f: Shows professionalism, integrity, and ethical conduct

Upholds and enforces Academy policies and standards

Responds positively and professionally to directives and input from supervisors

Consistently meets contractual obligations and performs duties as assigned

Number of uniform violations in this class session

This teacher's performance is \_\_\_\_\_, as defined by the Charlotte Danielson's Framework for Teaching model. For further clarification on the evaluation rubric, please visit <http://www.teachscape.com/binaries/content/assets/teachscape-marketing-website/products/ffteval/2013-framework-for-teaching-evaluation-instrument.pdf>.

**Evaluator's Comments:**

**Teacher's Response:** (If additional space is needed, attach a separate sheet.)

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_

Topic #1: Integration of Digital Content into Curriculum and Instruction and Sharing of Best Practices Regarding Technology Integration	
Goal(s):	To provide a 21st Century education to our students that is engaging, meaningful, and will prepare them for the future. (Our vision statement: Our goal is not to replace the current pedagogical practices, but to enhance what we are currently doing through the use of technology. We want to use the right tool for the right job. May we never fall into the practice of using technology for simply technology's sake.)
Action #1:	Introduce Teachers to digital resources (Discovery Education materials, Schoolnet, Moodle, Word Press, education apps, Web 2.0 tools, digital texts, etc.) that can be used in their classrooms and demonstrate their value in concrete ways.
Accountability:	Technology Coordinator, Technology Team, ICS Leadership Team, Principal
Completed:	Summer 2013: Tech Team attended i3C Conference in Middleton. January 2014 Inservice Day: Kick Off Technology Professional Development (4 hours: Watch "Tools of the Trade for 21st Century Kick Off:" Our Vision (Conducted at CCA Charter) for a 21st Century Education. Objectives: A Basic Orientation of School Net and Discovery Education) and practice time with both. Accountability Task: Every teacher found and posted a resource to a shared department folder under School Content on SchoolNet and then discussed the resources found within departments.
Timeline:	<p>2013-2014: Begin with small group instruction of teacher leaders through all 6 modules of Idaho Core Standards Leadership Academy training- substitutes to be covered by CDA Charter for this training. Thursday Tech Tutoring: Teachers helping teachers to use School Net, Discovery Education and to implement digital content in their classrooms. Build upon this by offering Discovery Education Idaho Core Standards Academy course through Boise State University - 3 masters level credits. CDA Charter will reimburse those teachers who register and complete this 48 hour course. Small group to attend the Google Apps for Education (GAPE) Festival in Coeur d'Alene in February. Small group will return and share knowledge gained. This will be instrumental in the efficient use of the new Chromebooks purchased by CDA Charter for the 2014-15 school year.</p> <p>2014-2015: Expand to a larger group (1st Tier: those interested in learning new skills will attend SUMMER Institute in 2014: Week long institute for building learning management system courses for teacher to use. Using Learning Management Systems to incorporate digital resources. (Fall: Day 1 of Teacher Prep Week - School wide goal of every teacher having and utilizing a learning management system: Moodle, Edmodo, Word Press). This will require determining who is using Moodle, Edmodo, or Word Press. 2nd Tier Adopters, 2014-2015 school year: They will meet EVERY Thursday from 3:00-4:00. Option 1 = Summer Session/Option 2= Thursdays after school. ONGOING: Thursdays Tech Tutoring for first semester focuses on helping teachers develop their management system. SECOND SEMESTER: Tech Tutoring focus on new innovative tech tools. Those who wish to opt out must demonstrate their regular use of a learning management system and use of digital content (like Discovery, etc.), and knowledge of SchoolNet.</p> <p>2015-2016: Expand training to ALL teachers. 3rd and final tier: Summer Academy 2015. Continuation of Tech Tutoring, Maintenance, Reassessing Technological Needs, and Introduction of Newly Discovered Tools and apps that work to improve educational outcomes.</p>
Budget:	First Year: ICS Leadership Team - Funds needed to cover substitutes to cover classes during (5) of the (6) Instructional Modules. All staff January Inservice Day - no funds needed as conducted in-house. In-house Technology Team for after school help - Voluntary positions - no funds needed. Discovery Education Idaho Core Standards Academy - Funds needed to reimburse registration of approx. 20 teachers at \$180 each. Google Apps for Education Festival will cost teachers \$150 each - all will apply for scholarships through University of Idaho and CDA Charter will cover (5) scholarships as well. Funds to pay stipend to teachers who attend the tier one 2014 Summer Institute training. Approximately \$11,850
Resources Needed:	Teacher will need their own laptops and access to Schoolnet and Discovery resources through ISEE. Extension cords needed for training. Substitutes will be needed for coverage for the (6) members of the ICS Leadership team as they complete the (6) training modules through Discovery Education. Facilities will need to be used during the summer for the 1st Tier and 2nd Tier Adopters in the Summer Academies.
Milestones:	Teachers will report to ICS Leadership team with updates. Curriculum Director will provide quarterly teacher surveys will help to gauge comfort level with technology and will be used to assess teacher interest in various technology training for more focused instructional drive. Tech team will identify reoccurring issues that teachers are experiencing to the ICS Leadership Team. Principal will build an element of technology usage/competency into the staff evaluations beginning in the 2014-2015 school year, adding accountability to school-wide technology knowledge and usage (expanding this requirement through the 3 tier system of adopters outlined above).

Action #2:	Procure and install the necessary projectors, computers, and interfaces for teachers to utilize digital resources within their classrooms and within online course management systems.	
	Accountability:	Technology Coordinator, Technology Team, and Business Office.
	Completed:	Phase 1: Classroom projectors in place. (Done with Phase II B grant funds.) Phase 2: Adequate access to technology for all teachers and technology training for all teachers. Equitable access to technology for all students (will continue through Phase 3 and 4 - will be dependent upon student population numbers).
	Timeline:	Phase 2 (2013-2014): Acquire (100) Chromebooks for use in school and for the Smarter Balanced Testing. Currently all teachers have laptops and students have access through (5) rolling computer carts - shared throughout the school. This expansion of technology hardware is necessary for equitable access for students.
		Phase 3 (2014-2015) : Repair / Replacement of worn computers and projectors. Building upon existing resources. Expansion of hardware may be possible through grants/donations.
		Phase 4: (2015-2016) Repair / Replacement of worn computers and projectors. Building upon existing resources. Expansion of hardware may be possible through grants/donations.
	Budget:	2013-2014: Funds to cover classroom projectors. (Completed) and funds to cover chromebook purchase. 2014-2015: Funds to cover repair/replacement of worn computers and projectors (20% depreciation rate). 2015-2016: Funds to cover repair/replacement of worn computers and projectors. Approximately \$42,000
	Resources Needed:	Funding to cover the cost of 100 Chromebooks. Funding to cover repair / replacement costs for other computers in successive years (20% depreciation rate).
	Milestones:	2013-2014: Aquisition of necessary software and hardware to support transition to 21st Century Education. 2014-2015: Technology Coordinator will reassess current technology status, student population numbers, teacher technology needs, hardware and software needs, and any changing technology needs and report this status to Principal and Business Manager. 2015-2016: Technology Coordinator will reassess current technology status, student population numbers, teacher technology needs, hardware and software needs, and any changing technology needs and report this status to Principal and Business Manager.
Action #3:	Teachers will be trained to seek and share new digital resources that can be used in their classrooms to address the Idaho Core Standards.	
	Accountability:	Department chairs, ICS Leadership Team, Technology coordinator, Tech Team, and Principal.
	Completed:	January In-Service Day with ICS Leadership Team instructing teachers in small group setting - followed by the sharing of resources within departments and linking those resources to the Idaho Core Standards.
	Timeline:	2013-2014: INTRODUCTION. Introduce teachers to technology resources that they can use in their classes and for their preparation. Provide training throughout the year (during the scheduled profession development days and during the Thursday tech time after school) that lays out how to use the various tools out there for educators. Tech Coordinator will disseminate technology equitably and make available to teachers who want to incorporate technology during the school year. CDA Charter will support teachers who are seeking extra external training (seminars, workshops, etc. - i.e. Google Education App Festival on February 15, 2014). Discovery Education Idaho Core Academy members will be sharing lesson plans and authentic formative assessments developed throughout the course through Schoolnet at the School Content Level as concrete examples to share with other teachers. Atmosphere of trust and sharing created through the use of non-evaluative teacher walk-throughs of other teacher's classrooms on a volunteer basis. Tech team help available on a consistent and ongoing basis for all teachers who need technology support.

	<p>2014-2015: IMPLEMENTATION. Identify teachers who are successfully using technology and other web tools. Organize mini-lessons throughout the year, during Tech Team support meeting, scheduled Professional Development days, and in quarterly departmental meetings. Create a “best practices” documents/mini-workshop(s)/video recorded lessons on Moodle for teachers who are looking for new resources and tools to add to their repertoire. Continue pulling in new teachers to the “First Year” plan. Expansion of atmosphere of sharing/trust created through continued use of non-evaluative teacher walk-throughs of classrooms. Quarterly department meetings to discuss and share resources/best practices and to develop department wide assessments that will serve as data to drive instruction towards better student outcomes on the Smarter Balanced Assessment. Tech team help available on a consistent and ongoing basis for all teachers who need technology support. Tech team will also start to offer structured mini-lessons on topics that teachers identify as valuable to them.</p>
	<p>2015-2016: EXPANSION. Continuation and expansion of non-evaluative teacher walk-throughs and sharing of best practices / lessons that incorporate digital media. Expansion of “best practices” documents and Moodle mini-workshop(s) for teachers who are looking for new tools and resources to add to their repertoire. This will be conducted on several levels: school-wide, department-wide, and based on general interest. Tech Team will continue to provide support on a consistent basis for all teachers who need technology support. Tech team will continue to offer structured mini-lessons on topics that teachers identify as valuable to them.</p>
Budget:	Funds to pay for substitutes or time from administrators to cover teacher classes as teachers conduct non-evaluative walk throughs in other teacher's classes. Approximately \$2100
Resources Needed:	Proper technology, staff who are willing to take a risk, non-evaluative tool for teacher walk-throughs (Success at the Core has non-evaluative walk-through forms) and support to retool lessons and to master the technology.
Milestones:	Teachers will respond to quarterly qualitative surveys: indicating their needs and their interests regarding technology. This information will be collected by the Curriculum Director and disseminated to the Tech Team for action (such as the creation of mini-courses or specialized support focus) for teachers. This bi-yearly qualitative environmental survey will also be conducted by the ICS Leadership Cadre to collect data regarding teacher perceptions about taking risks, sharing best practices, and to identify areas in which environmental insecurities might need to be addressed. (Trust Matters - Megan Tschannen-Moran has these qualitative surveys and normed scales for analysis.)

**Topic #2: Development of Formative Tools for Teachers and the Sharing of Best Practices Regarding the Idaho Core Standards**

Goal(s):	Teachers will learn how to build an authentic assessment and administer it in their classroom in different ways. Teachers will learn how to analyze and interpret data gained from assessments to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of individual learners. Additionally, teachers will develop grade appropriate, school-wide assessments in core areas that are aligned to the Idaho Core Standards and SBAC which will be used to drive instruction as well. (More on this in SBAC strategies portion of this plan.)	
Action #1:	Incorporation of digital, real-time formative assessment and feedback tools.	
	Accountability:	Technology Coordinator, Technology Team, Department Heads, Principal.
	Timeline:	First Year: CURRENT PRACTICES. Introduce staff to the formative assessment tools already in place at CCA. Moodle and Respondus have test-making capability that provides instant student feedback. CCA has a clicker system that would also provide instant results. Also, there are some Smartboards on campus. Identify other tools that are already available, and train/retrain staff to effectively and efficiently use those tools in their own classrooms.
		Second Year: CURRENT AND NEW PRACTICES. Continue training fledgling staff to use CCA resources. Identify teachers who are using these tools with success to share their knowledge. Identify teachers who are using other tools (web or tangible tools) with success, and share those tools with staff through in-service time and/or during the Thursday Tech time after school.
		Third Year: NEW PRACTICES. While still training staff through the three stages (years) of our PD plan, continue to introduce new tools that are available. Compile comprehensive “best practices” documents and mini-workshops to share with teachers looking to expand their technology knowledge.
	Budget:	Additional laptops/chromebooks may be needed if the concurrent assessment group is larger than the available number of student-use devices. Current estimates are \$300/device for Chromebooks. There is currently no plan to purchase additional clickers. Currently aggregator software is free/open source. Approximately \$30,000 for 100 chromebooks
	Resources Needed:	Devices capable of recording and forwarding student responses, and a central response aggregator. We currently have a limited number of SMART student response devices and SMART assessment software installed on a few teacher computers. Additional student response devices are needed to make this more wide-spread. Moodle sites and School net exam creator can be used. Wider access to respondus test creator program for teachers.
	Milestones:	Quarterly departmental meetings to share success stories (or stories of struggle) with regard to the use of tools to create real time formative assessments. Department heads would include in the annual report the results of these meetings. In the teacher check-out meeting with the principal, teachers would discuss their attempts to use such tools and what they learned from this process. ICS Leadership Cadre will assess bi-annually to determine if the number of staff providing these types of assessments increases over time, whether student perception of the usefulness of these tools improves over time, and qualitative staff responses will be used to determine whether increased satisfaction with student outcomes is directly linked to the use of this type of feedback.
Action #2:	Develop Bi-Yearly Department-wide Assessments that mirror the skills required on the SBAC - to be administered via computer, incorporating digital media, and test skills necessary to be successful on the SBAC. The data from these assessments will be analyzed by each department to identify areas of strength and areas in need of improvement/growth.	

	Accountability:	Principal, ICS Leadership Cadre, Department Chairs, and Teachers within core subject areas.
	Timeline:	<p>First Year: (2014-2015) DEVELOPMENT of assessment tool. Within departments, teachers will work through the Idaho Core Standards - unpacking them as they work through them and identifying the required skills necessary to be successful on the SBAC. Teachers will work to develop grade level assessments for their departments (to be combined with the other departments at each grade level) for school-wide assessments.</p> <p>Second Year: (2015-2016) IMPLEMENTATION of the assessment tool and ANALYSIS of DATA. Data gained from the school-wide assessment tool will be used to drive instruction. Analysis (by department) of data will highlight areas of strength and areas that need improvement. That information will be used to adjust pacing, depth, and for teachers to develop cross-curricular lessons in which specifically targeted skills are reinforced across several courses and subject areas. More clarification/discussion of Idaho Core Standards and SBAC types of questions will be incorporated.</p> <p>Third Year: (2016-2017) NEEDS ASSESSMENT and FURTHER REVISION of the assessment tool based upon lessons learned from the student data received. Expansion of cross-curricular lessons based upon targeting of specific skills and on-going needs assessment. Successful strategies shared and pacing/depth adjusted within curriculum models where necessary for improvement.</p>
	Budget:	Cost of substitutes needed to cover classes for core subject area teachers while these quarterly department planning meetings occur. No cost for administration of exam as it will be completed during school hours with school personnel on a bi-annual basis. Pay for teachers to work grading the written portions of this exam. Approximately \$2100
	Resources Needed:	Quarterly department meetings will give us the time to gather within departments and to develop, implement, and revise a school wide assessment tool that will help to drive our instruction towards successfully addressing the skills required on the SBAC. Substitutes needed to cover teachers' classes while these department meetings occur. Additionally, some class time will be needed to administer these exams at the end of each semester. Training materials on the Idaho Core, SBAC question types/difficulty level (Webb DOK), and Authentic Assessment (Stiggins).
	Milestones:	2014-2015 School Year: Development of grade level appropriate end of semester assessments that are aligned to the Idaho Core Standards and mirror the types of skills required for success on the SBAC. 2015-2016: Implementation of this assessment. It will be administered at the end of the first semester and at the end of second semester. Analysis of the results will be completed at the department level within the quarterly departmental meetings to drive instruction within the classroom level. 2016-2017: Results from our in-house assessment will be compared to that of the SBAC exam, and further revision of the assessment tool will be completed within each department.

Topic #3: Differentiating Instruction for Success for all Students, Expanding Opportunities for High Achievers, Closing Achievement Gaps, and Creating Cross-Curricular Safety Nets for Students.	
Goal(s):	Our school has a foundational mission to foster a rigorous, content rich, college preparatory education for all students who are willing to accept the challenge. At Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy, our focus is to help our high-achieving student population progress to the maximum possible level, while still supporting our lower achieving population. We see technology as offering an opportunity to differentiate instruction so that we can offer more challenge to our students.
Action #1:	Provide teachers with concrete examples of differentiated instruction that works within our school, give teachers access to the tools and information that can allow them to incorporate differentiated instructional techniques that they may not have seen yet, and provide teachers with access to the research behind these methodologies.
Accountability:	ICS Leadership Cadre, Teachers, and Principal.
Timeline:	2013-2014: Begin the process of finding concrete classroom examples where this is working effectively and utilize the examples created by our teachers in the Discover Education Idaho Core Standards course. Incorporate several of these examples within the planned professional development days and the quarterly department meetings. Illustrate in a concrete way how differentiation can improve learning outcomes at ALL academic levels.
	2014-2015: Produce a mini-course that will serve as a repository of these examples for teachers. Introduce apps and websites that offer teachers concrete examples and ways to differentiate within their own classrooms. Use Moodle training site as a repository for current theories in education that teachers can access. It will highlight the following subjects: Understanding by Design, Instructional Scaffolding, Taxonomy of Learning/Depth of Knowledge, Learning Modalities/Universal Design for Learning, Authentic Assessment, and Differentiated Instruction. We will encourage teachers to look through these mini-courses; knowing they will be required to provide a write up of their own differentiation during the following school year to the Principal.
	2015-2016: Require that ALL teachers provide one write-up describing and example of how they differentiate within their classrooms. These will be posted on the training course for other staff to learn from and possibly incorporate into their own classrooms. These examples, relevant educational theories and practices, and new research will be added to this site on an on-going basis by the Curriculum Director.
Budget:	No cost for training or implementation, and no cost for resources unless open-source resources are found not to be adequate.
Resources Needed:	Bi-annual training on differentiated instruction during scheduled staff development days. Training materials that focus on Understanding by Design (Wiggins and McTighe), Instructional Scaffolding (Sawyer/Zygotzky) , Taxonomy of Learning (Bloom)/Depth of Knowledge (Webb), Learning Modalities (Dunn and Dunn/Gardner), Authentic Assessment (Stiggins) and Differentiated Instruction (Tomlinson).
Milestones:	2013-2014: Curriculum Director will incorporate the teacher examples into the professional development days and the quarterly department meetings. Bi-annual mini-class will be conducted on differentiation; highlighting concrete strategies that work. 2014-2015: Curriculum Director will create a new Moodle course for teachers, will obtain and post training materials from the above listing, and will work with the Tech Team and Technology Coordinator to find new apps and websites available to teachers. 2015-2016: Curriculum Director will continue to post new teacher examples of differentiation within their classrooms and will maintain a digital "library" of educational materials for teachers to access on educational theory through our Moodle Online Learning Management System.

**Topic #4: Developing Strategies that help students to succeed on the Smarter Balanced Assessment System**

<p><b>Goal(s):</b></p>	<p>We wish to assess our students in a manner consistent with the testing that they will encounter on the SBAC. As such, our teachers will develop a grade appropriate, school-wide assessment to be implemented on a semester basis that is aligned with the Idaho Core Standards, incorporates digital media, and tests the skills that students need to demonstrate to be successful on the SBAC. The data that is gained from this testing will be analyzed within core subject area departments and used to drive our instructional programs - to focus on areas in need of improvement, provide a springboard for cross-curricular teaching of skills, and create a community that is focused on continuous improvement.</p>	
<p><b>Action #1:</b></p>	<p>The ICS Leadership Cadre members will participate in Professional Development to understand the characteristics of a balanced assessment system (both the content and item specifications of balanced assessment.)</p>	
	<p><b>Accountability:</b></p>	<p>ICS Leadership Cadre (Colleen Alves, Elisa Barry, Rob Bass, Virginia Hammond, Scott MacPhee, Heather Solsvik)</p>
	<p><b>Timeline:</b></p>	<p>October 2013 - March 2014. (6) Module Course through Discovery Education/Pearson.</p>
	<p><b>Budget:</b></p>	<p>N/A - Use of Schoolnet Phase II B grant funding to cover substitute fees and any applicable costs.</p>
	<p><b>Resources Needed:</b></p>	<p>Discovery Education Professional Development Specialist, Teacher computers and extension cords, and ICS Leadership Cadre members.</p>
	<p><b>Milestones:</b></p>	<p>1.) ICS Leadership Cadre will apply their understanding of the characteristics of a balanced assessment system to complete the District Comprehensive Balanced Professional Development and Assessment Plan. 2.) ICS Leadership Cadre will implement strategies to support teachers as they incorporate updated content and item specifications into daily instructional practice. ie. staff development days, during Tech team after school support sessions, and within the planned professional development academies. 3.) ICS Leadership Cadre will share this information in their respective quarterly department meetings for the purposes of developing assessments to drive instructional practices.</p>
<p><b>Action #2:</b></p>	<p>Determine technology needs related to online assessments and acquire the necessary computers for students to be able to complete the SBAC at our school site. (Computers that meet the specifications and requirements for the SBAC.)</p>	
	<p><b>Accountability:</b></p>	<p>Technology Coordinator &amp; Business Manager.</p>
	<p><b>Timeline:</b></p>	<p>September 2013 - December 2013: Determine technology needs. January 2014: Acquire computers. April 2014: Prep computers for use/carts and begin implementation.</p>
	<p><b>Budget:</b></p>	<p>Cost of (100) Chromebooks - approximately \$30,000 depending on market trends.</p>
	<p><b>Resources Needed:</b></p>	<p>Technology Coordinator will work with Idaho State Department of Education and technology providers to choose appropriate computers for SBAC Testing and will work with Business Manager to acquire funding for this technology. ICS Leadership Team and Technology team will assist Technology Coordinator in processing computers and setting them up for student use.</p>
	<p><b>Milestones:</b></p>	<p>Completed purchase of enough computers for our students to be able to successfully take the SBAC at our school site.</p>
<p><b>Action #3:</b></p>	<p>Develop Bi-Yearly grade-appropriate department-driven assessments (in core subject matter areas) that mirror the skills required on the SBAC - to be administered via computer, incorporating digital media, and similar to the SBAC. The data from these assessments will be analyzed by each department to identify areas of strength and areas in need of improvement/growth.</p>	

	Accountability:	Principal, ICS Leadership Cadre, Department chairs, and teachers within core subject areas.
	Timeline:	2014-2015: DEVELOPMENT of the assessment tool. Within departments, teachers will work through the Idaho Core Standards - unpacking them as they work through them and identifying the required skills necessary to be successful on the SBAC. Teachers will work to develop grade level assessments for their departments (to be combined with the other departments at each grade level) for a school-wide assessment.
		2015-2016: IMPLEMENTATION of the assessment tool and ANALYSIS of DATA. Assessment to be given at the end of first semester and again at the end of second semester. Data gained from the school-wide assessment tool will be used to drive instruction. Analysis (by department) of data will show areas of strength and areas that need improvement. That information will be used to adjust pacing, depth, and for teachers to develop cross-curricular lessons in which specifically targeted skills are reinforced across several courses and subject areas. More clarification/discussion of Idaho Core Standards and SBAC types of questions will be incorporated.
		2016-2017: NEEDS ASSESSMENT and FURTHER REVISION of Assessment tool based upon lessons learned from the student data received. Expansion of cross-curricular lessons based upon skills targetting and needs assessment. Successful strategies shared and pacing/depth adjusted within curriculum models where necessary for improvement.
	Budget:	Cost of substitutes needed to cover classes for core subject area teachers while these quarterly department planning meetings occur. (Already outlined under Section #2 of this plan.)
	Resources Needed:	Quarterly department meetings will give us the time to gather within departments and to develop, implement, and revise a school-wide assessment tool that will help to drive our instruction towards successfully addressing the skills required on the SBAC. Personnel will be needed to create the exam in a digital format. Substitutes needed to cover teachers' classes while these department meetings occur. Additionally, some class time will be needed to administer this exam at the end of each semester.
	Milestones:	2014-2015: Development of grade level-appropriate end-of-semester assessments that are aligned to the Idaho Core Standards and mirror the types of skills required for success on the SBAC. 2015-2016: Implementation of these assessments. They will be administered at the end of the first semester and at the end of second semester. Analysis of the results will be completed at the department level to drive instruction within the classroom level. 2016-2017: Results from our in-house assessment will be compared to that of the SBAC exam, and further revision of the assessment tool will be completed within each department.

Topic #5: Resident Training and Sharing - A formal process for sharing off-site training with teachers that were not able to attend the training themselves.

Goal(s):	Produce an archive of training resources for all teachers. Produce a written process for sharing training received off-site with the rest of the teaching staff.	
Action #1:	Develop a Moodle Course to describe training available, resources associated with the training (handout, videos, links), and a forum for interaction between trainers and trainees.	
	Accountability:	Principal, Curriculum Director, and Technology Team
	Timeline:	<p>DESIGN/DEPLOY HARDWARE: May 5, 2014 - May 30, 2014: Establish the web resource (cloud-based). We will utilize our existing teacherweb server unless products needed simply will not run on that platform. In that case, we will look to lease Amazon AWS resources (or a similar cloud solution) and deploy the appropriate products on that virtual server.</p> <p>PRE-POPULATE: June 2, 2014 - June 27, 2014: Populate the site with existing training resources, establish protocol for introducing and maintaining the training resources. The Technology Team will work with the Curriculum Director to compile the existing training resources and transfer them to the resource server. In the process, two to four team members will try different protocols for introducing new resources to the system and descide on the best process. This process will be documented and provided to all staff.</p> <p>ONGOING: June 30, 2014 - and beyond: Introduce staff to the resources, solicit topics, and begin resource and training sharing. Summer training will include a session on the resource sharing site, the process for adding new content, and the process for editing existing content. The staff will then be pooled for additional resources they would like to have available and those able to provide the resources will be tasked with compiling and uploading the resources accoring to the accepted process.</p>
	Budget:	If we use our exisitng teacher curriculum server and the exisiting software (Moodle), there is no additional cost. However if we use a new tool or server, there may be a software purchase and/or license price. Where possible we will use free/open-source tools. Possible 3rd party tools: Elluminate, CamStudio, Educreations and any others that the team deems necessary based on staff requirements.
	Resources Needed:	Staff Computers (laptops), Teacher curriculum server (teacherweb or leased server on Amazon AWS), Curriculum Director, and Technology Team.
	Milestones:	<p>April - May, 2014: Technology Team designs the resource sharing site.</p> <p>June 2, 2014 - June 15, 2014: Technology Team defines the process/protocol for training topic and resource sharing and produces a document outlining how training resources are introduced and maintained.</p> <p>June 15, 2014 - June 27, 2014: Technology Team pools existing training resources and pre-populates them into the site.</p> <p>June 30, 2014 - and beyond: Technology Team introduces the site to the staff and solicits ideas for future training and additional existing training resources. Technology Team will incorporate the summer 2014 training sessions into the training site and will continue to maintain and update this site on an on-going basis.</p>

<b>Three Year Professional Development Budget</b>			
<b>Budget Items</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Price Per Unit</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
Discovery Education Core Standards Academy	20	180	\$3,600
Google Apps for Education Festival - 5 Scholarships	5	150	750
Summer Institutes (Summer 2014 and Summer 2015)	30	250	7,500
Chromebooks	200	300	60,000
Replacement and Repairs 2yrs	40	300	12,000
Substitute Teachers	60	70	4,200
<b>Total Budget</b>			<b>\$88,050</b>

## Standards Statements

**Chris Baker, M.Ed.:** *FYI: I am familiar with the Common Core requirements and am confident my curriculum is fulfilling them.*

**Elisa Barry:** *I am in compliance with the Idaho standards for world languages.*

**Rob Bass:** *I am aware of the Idaho Mathematics Standards. I teach in a manner that is compliant with those standards.  
I am aware of the Idaho Science Standards. I teach in a manner that is compliant with those standards, though few of them rise to the level of skills required in Physics.  
I am aware of the Idaho Technology Standards. I teach in a manner that is compliant with those standards.*

**Darren Gabrielsen:** *I am aware of the common core standards and I am confident that I am addressing them in my curriculum*

**Nia Gillespie:** *I am aware of the standards for the areas I teach and they are being met.*

**Ralph Ginorio:** *Gentlemen, please find attached my letter formally affirming that my curricula effectively address Idaho's State Standards. If aught else on this matter needs my attention, please let me know.*

**Sandi Goggin:** *I am meeting and/or exceeding all standards for Pre-Algebra, Algebra I, and High School Health.*

**Geri Hagler:** *In the summer of 2010 I took a class called "The Initiative for Developing Mathematical Thinking," which was designed to show how math standards would be tested. During the summer 2012 I took a class that taught me to unpack the common core standards in language arts. In the spring of 2014 I took a class that addressed the common core standards using technology. In the summer of 2014 I took a class that designed lesson plans using technology and addressing common core standards. You can put down, 'yes' for Geri.*

**Jay Hall:** *No problem. I have read them, and am aware of the state standards for my discipline. I am very confident that I am meeting them.*

**Frank Hallett:** *I am in compliance with the State Standards for Idaho in the areas of Physical Science, Chemistry, and Life Science.*

**Virginia Hammond:** *I have reviewed the standards and continue to review the standards. I believe that I'm meeting them.*

**Michael Harrison:** *I have read, understand and am implementing the Idaho Core standards into the CDA Charter Academy Instrumental Music curriculum.*

**Bill Jaquette:** *Mr. Nicklay, I have read, understood, and continue to implement the Idaho music core standards for choral music grades 6-12.*

**Heather Ketchum:** *I am fully aware of the state standards for the visual arts division of the humanities and the visual art program at Charter does comply with them. While other high schools have several art teachers and numerous specialized classes ( drawing, art history, graphic design etc.) the Charter art program gives students some of it all in a single class, so is much more diverse and all encompassing than a single focus class.*

**Dr. Nancy Larsen:** *I have incorporated the Idaho Core Standards into my writing program to insure all content areas are addressed with students. This extensive program includes a year filled with writing activities for a variety of audiences, with presentation in oral and written forms. Students write for information, communication, personal awareness, sharing ideas, scientific inquiry, and creativity. They write in all points of view and are expected to include correct conventions of spelling, grammar, and punctuation. They use the drafting process throughout the year which includes the use of graphic organizers. The year culminates in an MLA formatted report on a given topic with a minimum of six paragraphs and includes a factual, unbiased reporting on a topic. I have incorporated the Idaho Core Standards into my mathematics program to extend beyond the adopted curriculum of the school. My extensions include math discovery of basic mathematical concepts which leads into algebraic understanding. I have also incorporated writing where students describe their process.*

**Lynda LeBlanc, D.A.:** *I am aware of the standards for 7<sup>th</sup> grade English and I am confident that I am meeting them.*

**Arthur Marshall:** *I have reviewed and am aware of the Idaho common core standards for 6<sup>th</sup> grade.*

**Mike McCormack:** *1) I am aware of the Core Standards and I am confident that I am meeting them in my classes. 2) I am in need of CPR/First Aid certification.*

**Robby Miles:** *I have looked over the Idaho Social Studies standards, Idaho Core English standards, and the National History standards. I will meet the expectations laid out in these standards through my courses of instruction.*

**Dr. Bill Proser:** *I am aware of these standards and intend to fulfill all requirements.*

**Jeff Rigg:** *I am aware of the standards and am meeting or exceeding them in my discipline.*

**Jean Robinson:** *I am aware of the Common core standards as well as the Next Generation Science Standards and I am confident in my knowledge of the practice of Common Core and NGSS.*

**Cindy Roth:** *I am aware of the standards for 6th grade English and I am confident I am meeting these standards.*

**Chris Sabatke:** *I hereby swear, placing my right hand on my Precalculus teachers' edition and raising my left hand to the heavens, that I am familiar with Idaho's state standards in regard to high school math and science, and will do everything in my power to accomplish them this year in my Charter classes.*

**Gabrielle Saurette:** *I have studied that Idaho Core Standards at length and am intentional about including them in my lesson planning, instruction and assessment. My Key Shift for this year (2014-2015) is: to teach Tier 2 vocabulary to my students every day and to encourage them to diversify their writing styles.*

**Stacy Smith:** *I am aware of the common core standards for pre-algebra, 7th grade PE/Health and civics.*

**Heather Solsvik:** *I am aware of the Core Standards, have taken a few classes related to Core Standards, and am attentive to them in class.*

**Lynne Stembridge:** *I am aware of the standards required for each of the grade levels and classes I am teaching, and am in compliance with those standards.*

**Steve Taylor:** *I am familiar with the standards and am confident I am meeting or exceeding them.*

**Tracey Vaughan:** *I have reviewed the Idaho State Core Standards for Theatre and Speech, and my courses meet or exceed these standards. I am confident that the programs we are offering in these areas at the CDA Charter Academy through my instruction are in step with the core standards/expectations.*

**Carla While:** *Last year I worked hard to familiarize myself with the Common Core for seventh grade mathematics, eighth grade mathematics, and algebra. I have read through the Common Core standards for all three and have found areas to improve and strengthen my teaching. I have also been working on the wording and style of the Smarter Balance test questions to help my students improve their testing abilities. I am continuing my work with the Common Core in Mathematics. In Science there are no 'Common Core' standards to go by. I have been familiarizing myself with the 'Next Generation' and the Idaho Content Standards for 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Earth Science. I have been incorporating the concepts from these into my classes.*

**Matt Williams:** *I am aware of the standards set for Latin and I am confident we will meet them.*

**Sonia York:** *I have read over and understand the Idaho State Standards. I am incorporating all learning expectations within my curriculum. I will regularly check with the Idaho Standards to make sure that my lessons and guided practices are in compliance with the state standards.*

Appendix W:  
Handbook

2014-2015

# Student Handbook



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Executive Assistant to CFO/Business Manager .....	Gayla Fleming
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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is dedicated to providing a rigorous, content-rich, college preparatory education for any students who are willing to accept the challenge.

## **DEFINITION OF A CHARTER SCHOOL**

Charter schools are nonsectarian public schools of choice that operate under the same regulations that apply to traditional public schools. They are financed by the same per-pupil funds that all public schools receive; therefore, there is no tuition charged to the students. The "charter" establishing each school is a performance contract detailing the school's mission, program, goals, students served, methods of assessment, and ways to measure success.

A charter school is accountable for both academic results and fiscal practices to several groups: the sponsor that grants its charter, the parents and students who choose it, and the public that funds it. This is a higher degree of accountability than is required of ordinary public schools.

Legislation enacted in 1998 authorized the establishment of charter schools in the State of Idaho. Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy received its charter from Coeur d'Alene School District 271 and opened in the fall of 1999. Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is accountable to District 271 to produce positive academic results and adhere to the charter contract. College preparation is the specific purpose of this school.

## **ADMISSION**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy accepts students in grades six through twelve. Full-time returning students will be accommodated, provided course registration forms are returned by the deadline indicated. Applications for new full-time students must be received by the second Friday in March to be eligible for the lottery drawing. If applications for admission exceed the enrollment maximum, acceptance will be determined by a lottery. Children of Academy founders, full-time returning students and their siblings, and children of full-time employees of the Academy seeking full-time enrollment will be accommodated, provided returning students complete course registration forms by the deadline indicated, and founders' children, siblings of returning students, and children of full-time employees of the Academy apply by the second Friday in March. Full time students who apply after the second Friday in March will be placed on a waiting list based on the date and time the application is received. Contact the registrar for information on part-time and exchange student admission.

The Academy does not discriminate against students of a particular race, color, national origin, sex, religion, or disability in our admission policy, or in providing access to programs or activities to students who, with or without special education or related aids and services, are able to meet the essential standards of the Academy.

## **ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is a college preparatory school and maintains high academic standards for its students. Course content is designed to challenge and educate students in the core curriculum.

### **Grading**

Grades will be computed and reported on a 4 point scale as follows:

A	4.0 (93-100)	B+	3.3 (87-89)	C+	2.3 (77-79)	D+	1.3 (67-69)	F	0.0 (0-59)
A-	3.7 (90-92)	B	3.0 (83-86)	C	2.0 (73-76)	D	1.0 (63-66)		
		B-	2.7 (80-82)	C-	1.7 (70-72)	D-	.7 (60-62)		

## ***Grading Continued***

For Advanced Placement (AP) classes one grade point will be added to student grades, effectively creating a 5-point scale. For classes designated as Honors classes, one-half point will be added, creating a 4.5-point scale. A grade of F will not receive this weighting, and will merit zero points.

## **Final Exams**

All teachers are required to give a comprehensive final exam for each course, each semester. The examination may take the form of a project, a written test, a presentation, or a combination of the three.

Final exams will be:

- Comprehensive – contain elements that will test the knowledge, understanding and/or application of the major concepts of the course.
- Given during the two hour examination schedule. Parts of the exam may be administered prior to the two hour exam period, however, significant assessment is required to be done during the two hour exam period.
- Graded and become an important part of the student's grade in the course.

## **Graduation Requirements**

Credit toward graduation will be awarded to high school students for high school coursework completed with a passing grade. For students in grades six through eight, credit will be awarded for high school classes completed with a grade of 'C' or better. High school credit earned in grades six through eight will appear on the student's high school transcript, but will not be calculated into the student's high school grade point average. For the class of 2011 and all subsequent classes, the minimum number of credits required for graduation from high school is forty-six (46) and includes the following:

- **Language Arts:** Nine (9) credits consisting of eight (8) English credits (full year each of Ancient Literature and European Literature, and four credits from American Literature, Advanced Placement Literature, Advanced Placement Language, World Literature, or approved college classes) and one (1) communication credit
- **Social Studies:** Eight (8) credits (one year each of Ancient History, European History, American History, and American Government).
- **Lab Science:** Six (6) credits (one year each of Physical Science, Biology, and Chemistry).
- **Math\*:** Six (6) credits\* (at least three sequential levels; e.g. Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II) \*Algebra 1 or higher (repeated classes do not accumulate duplicate math credits); \*Students are required to take a minimum of two semesters of math in each year of high school (beginning with the class of 2013).
- **Foreign Language:** Four (4) credits (two sequential levels of the same language, two credits per year; e.g. Spanish I, Spanish II)
- **Health:** One (1) credit
- **Economics:** One (1) credit
- **Fine Arts\*\*:** Two (2) credits \*\*Current offerings include art, choir, band, and theatre arts
- **Electives:** Nine (9) credits – may include additional credits in any of the above
- **Senior Project:** All students will complete a senior project that incorporates research and an oral presentation.

If a student transfers into the Academy with high school credits obtained elsewhere, his/her transcript must be evaluated by the principal or designee to determine which credits will be applied toward Academy graduation credits.

## **Promotion Requirements**

Promotion requirements grades 6-8, and freshman through senior standing:

### Sixth Grade Promotion

A student in the sixth grade will not be promoted to the seventh grade unless he/she has passed Language Arts and math, and has the recommendation of the teacher.

### Seventh Grade Promotion

A student in the seventh grade will not be promoted to the eighth grade until he or she has successfully completed two of the seventh-grade core classes of English, Geography, and Life Science. A seventh-grade student who receives promotion but fails any one of these classes will be required to retake that class in the place of an eighth-grade elective, while taking a full load of eighth-grade core classes. Students failing to gain promotion to eighth grade will not be enrolled in eighth-grade classes, but retake the entire seventh-grade schedule.

### Eighth Grade Promotion

A student in the eighth grade will not be promoted to the ninth grade until he or she has successfully completed two of the eighth grade core classes of English, Civics, Earth Science, and Latin I. An eighth-grade student who receives promotion but fails any of these classes will be required to repeat the failed classes. Students failing to gain promotion to ninth grade will not be enrolled in high school classes; rather, they will be required to repeat all eighth grade classes.

### Freshman Standing

A student does not have freshman standing until he or she has successfully completed two of the eighth-grade core classes of English, Civics, and Earth Science, and is on track to graduate in four years. Having failed any one of these classes, a student will be required to retake that class in the place of a ninth-grade elective, while taking a full load of ninth-grade core classes.

### Sophomore Standing

A student does not have sophomore standing until he or she has completed all of his or her ninth-grade core classes of literature, social studies, science, foreign language, and math, has accumulated at least ten credits, and is on track to graduate in three years.

### Junior Standing

A student does not have junior standing until he or she has successfully completed all of his or her tenth-grade core classes of English, social studies, science, foreign language, and at least two credits of high school math, has accumulated at least 22 credits, and is on track to graduate in two years.

### Senior Standing

A student does not have senior standing until he or she has successfully completed all of his or her eleventh-grade core classes of English, social studies, science, at least four credits of high school math, one credit of fine arts, two credits of foreign language, has accumulated at least 32 credits, and is on track to graduate by the end of the school year.

### **Elective Credit**

At the principal's discretion, the Academy will award elective credit for classes that are not offered at the Academy, and are needed to graduate or enhance a student's career objectives. In order to qualify, parents must present a copy of the curriculum covered, documentation of hours, and name and qualifications of instructor. One (1) credit for every seventy (70) hours of instruction may be awarded. Grades will be on a pass/fail basis and will not be calculated in the grade point average. Also, students can receive, on a one-time basis, one (1) credit for ninety (90) hours of documented volunteer activity. In addition to a log of hours, students will be required to write a minimum three-page report discussing the nature of the volunteer work, and any lessons learned and value gained from the experience.

## **Remediation**

If a student fails any course required for graduation, (or any course required for completion of grade seven or eight) the student must retake the course before continuing on to the next course level. In addition, to move forward in any sequential courses (e.g., math, foreign language), a student must have a minimum grade of C-. The course may be retaken at the Academy the next time it is offered, space permitting.

## **Dual Enrollment**

Dual enrollment is defined as taking classes for credit, including onsite, online or independent study courses, at or through another accredited learning institution while enrolled as a full time student at the Academy. To be classified as a full time high school student, a student must take more than 3 credits per semester at the Charter Academy. Junior and senior students may maintain full-time status through a combination of credits at the Charter Academy and an accredited post secondary institution.

Contact the school counselor for a complete copy of the dual enrollment policy.

## **ATTENDANCE AND TARDIES**

### **Philosophy**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy expects excellent attendance and punctuality to class and all other school commitments. Students should miss school only in cases of illness and personal or family emergencies. Health care appointments, vacations, and other non-emergencies should be scheduled whenever possible to avoid school absences. In order to maintain a high academic standard and develop an outstanding work ethic, attendance is of the utmost importance.

**An Absence** shall be defined as any class not attended for any reason. Absence in one class will not affect the attendance record in any other class. Attendance will be taken in each class and all absences (excused and unexcused) will be recorded.

- **Excused Arranged Absences** are defined as absences that occur with the parent's permission but do not meet the standard criteria for excused absences (for example, family vacations) *and for which the student and the parent have made prior arrangements with the student's teachers and the office.* The student will be required to obtain assignments and homework from his or her teacher prior to the absence(s) in order to receive credit. Missed schoolwork must be completed and turned in upon the day of return. Any additional work assigned by the teacher during the absence period will be due on a set date as prescribed by the teacher. Failure to make arrangements with the teacher and the office will result in the absence being counted as Unexcused.
- **Unexcused Absences** are defined as absences that occur with the parent's permission but do not meet the criteria for excused absences (i.e., for reasons other than illness or emergency). Students will not receive credit for work missed during an unexcused absence.
- **The primary difference between "excused arranged absences" and "unexcused absences" is whether the student's teachers and the attendance office have been notified PRIOR to the absence in sufficient time to obtain assignments and homework.**
- **Truancy** is defined as absence without the parent's permission, for reasons other than illness or emergency. Truancy is unexcused and will be reported to law enforcement as appropriate.

**Accumulated absences will result in the following action:**

### **1-6 absences per class per semester**

Parents will be notified of each absence. On the sixth absence the school will send home a letter that reiterates our attendance policy, and explains the consequences of continued absences.

Teachers have the prerogative to not allow make up work for classes missed due to unexcused absences.

### **11+ absences per class per semester**

Regardless of the nature of the absences (excused and/or unexcused), credit may be denied for any class in which a student has accumulated 11 or more absences. The determination to grant or deny credit will be made by the Principal, with input from the classroom teachers.

#### **Procedure:**

Parents should notify the office as soon as possible when their child will be absent. This can be done by calling the office. An absence will be registered as excused only when a parent or guardian contacts the office and verifies the date and reason for the absence. This verification must be provided within two (2) days of the student's return to school. If no verification is received within two (2) days, the absence will remain unexcused. Only the principal or his designee can excuse an absence. Their decision will be based on the documentation provided by the parent.

**Tardies: A Tardy** is defined as the condition or situation when a student is not in his/her assigned seat with all of the necessary study materials at the start of the class period.

Rationale: The first few minutes of class at the Academy set the stage for the day's lesson. Generally a teacher has an "anticipatory set" which engages the students' inquiry or curiosity and prepares the students for the day's lesson. Class time at the Academy is valuable. Teachers design lessons so that learning is maximized and interruptions are minimized within the allotted time.

When a student is late to class, the entire class is interrupted, the teacher is interrupted, and the tardy student has missed a vital part of the day's lesson. Timely attendance at the Academy is mandatory. Punctuality to class and all activities is paramount. There is no excuse for habitual tardiness.

Tardies are excused for dental, medical, and legal appointments, and for health reasons.

#### **Procedure:**

1. A student will be allowed up to three (3) unexcused tardies per class, per semester, regardless of the circumstances. The teacher will attend to the situation as they see fit considering the circumstances. A grade penalty or loss of score may result. Teachers may assign additional penalties as they see fit.
2. Upon the fourth unexcused tardy, the student will automatically be assigned one (1) hour of detention to be served after school and the parents of the child shall be notified.
3. Upon the fifth unexcused tardy, the student will automatically be assigned two (2) hours of detention to be served after school and the parents of the child shall be notified.
4. Upon the sixth unexcused tardy, the student will be suspended from attending school and student activities for one (1) day without the possibility of appeal.
5. Upon each subsequent unexcused tardy, up to and including eleven (11), the student will serve another two-hour detention and the parents of the student will be notified.
6. Upon the twelfth unexcused tardy, the student will be suspended from school and school activities for an additional two (2) days.

### **Continued Enrollment/Truancy**

If a student does not attend school for ten (10) consecutive days and the parent has not communicated with the school or responded to contacts from the school during that period of time, the student will be considered as having withdrawn from the school. Further, the student will be reported to juvenile authorities as truant.

## **Make-up Work**

The faculty is understanding about work missed during an excused absence and will allow a reasonable amount of time for such work to be completed. Parents will be responsible for picking up homework assignments during extended absences, by arrangement with the classroom teachers. However, a student who is absent on the day of a test or a major assignment being due, with no valid excuse, will be given a zero for the work missed.

## **CLASSROOM INTERRUPTIONS**

Classroom interruptions will not be permitted except in the event of an emergency. Non-emergency messages will not be delivered to the classroom. Students are **not** allowed to leave their class to use the phone or for any other non-emergency reason. Every effort will be made at all times to ensure the integrity of the classroom. The office staff does not accept or deliver items such as flowers, balloons, gifts, etc. to students. Only items such as homework, lunches, or uniforms may be left for a student on the drop off table (located by the front entry), the student may check for his/her item between classes or during lunch. Valuable items should be brought to the office.

## **CELL PHONES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES**



Cell phones, iPods, laptops, and all other personal electronic devices are not permitted during school hours [7:55 – 2:45, including passing time and lunch]. Students found to be in possession of these devices will have them confiscated. Repeated violations will result in short-term suspension.

## **COMMUNICATION**

### **Daily In-School Communication**

Daily bulletins will be announced to the student body and staff via the P.A. system. Parents receive the daily announcements by e-mail. Parents may also read the video screen in the commons.

### **School-to-Parent Communication**

School newsletters will be sent home via email each month. The newsletter can also be accessed through the school web site, [www.cdacharter.org](http://www.cdacharter.org). All written communication from the Academy will be identified by school logo.

### **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Parent-teacher conferences are held during the first semester. Parents are encouraged to schedule additional conferences with a teacher as soon as any concern or question arises. Teachers will respond as soon as practical, and in less than two (2) working days in the absence of unusual circumstances.

### **Grievance Policy**

The daily conduct of the business of the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is under the direction of the principal and he is the authority over all daily decisions, such as disciplinary issues, uniform compliance, and attendance/absentee issues

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy teachers strive to challenge our students academically, pushing them to achieve more and grow more than they have before. Sometimes this will result in frustrations from students who feel they are being pushed too hard. Students may have problems with the way class is conducted, with a teacher's disciplinary procedures, or with the content of the class. We encourage students to come to teachers with questions or concerns. Sometimes, however, a student may have a serious grievance that requires parental involvement. The Charter Academy has adopted the following procedure for dealing with such issues:

- Student approaches teacher outside of class with the problem. If the problem is not resolved,
- Parent contacts the teacher outside of class. If the problem is not resolved,

- Student, parent, and teacher meet with the vice principal. If the problem is not resolved,
- Student, parent, teacher, vice principal meet with the principal. If the problem is not resolved,
- Student, parent, teacher, vice principal, and principal meet with the Charter Academy Board of Directors. The student will be present but may be excused at the discretion of the board. The decision of the Board is final.

In exceptional circumstances, when the safety of any party is threatened, or when other legal authority prevails, this policy may be disregarded.

Along each step, the faculty, administration, and the Board of Directors will attempt to resolve the grievance to mutual satisfaction, consistent with the mission and policies of the school.

## **COMPUTER USE**



In order to access school computers, an Acceptable Use Policy form must be signed by parents and students. Computer use is a privilege, and the guidelines for use must be strictly adhered to. Students are liable for any damage they cause to computers, which may include the cost of repair or replacement.

## **DRIVING INFORMATION**

### **Driver's Education Policy**

In order to qualify for a driver's permit or license, students under the age of eighteen must obtain a letter from the Academy verifying that they are in compliance with Academy attendance requirements.

A letter will not be issued to a student who has been denied credit based on attendance in the previous or current term. In the case of a student who has exceeded the number of allowable absences and is appealing denial of credit, the verification letter will be withheld pending the outcome of the appeal.

### **Student Parking**

Any student who plans to drive to school must follow these rules:

- Each student must register with the office and obtain a parking permit.
- The permit must be hung on the rear view mirror. The permit is not transferable.
- Students will park in the designated parking area only.
- Students must enter and leave the campus according to the traffic patterns specified.
- Once students arrive on campus, **vehicles are off-limits until the time of departure.**
- Driving to school is a privilege and may be subject to forfeit if the student fails to observe all traffic laws and school regulations, or if the student operates his/her vehicle in any manner that endangers the health and safety of any person.

## **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**



Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy offers various activities beyond the classroom. All extracurricular activities will be supervised by a member of the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy staff plus parent chaperones, if needed. Participation is a privilege that can be revoked for failure to comply with any requirement of the activity in question. Permission slips from parents will be required for any activity that involves leaving the Academy property and must be on file prior to any trip. Academic probation procedures apply to all students involved in extracurricular activities.

**Extracurricular eligibility** will be based on official Charter Academy quarter grade reports. In the case of dual enrollment, college semester grade reports will also be used to determine

extracurricular eligibility. The minimum grade requirements for full eligibility are passing at least four classes, having no F's and no more than one D. Classes used to determine extracurricular eligibility include all Charter Academy classes, all dual enrollment classes, and all classes taken from non-traditional schools such as home schools or internet schools. Any class, regardless of duration, will be considered for eligibility purposes when the grade is reported on an official grade report. In no circumstance, may eligibility be regained during the summer.

Any student who receives one or more F's on a Charter Academy quarter grade report and/or a college semester grade report will be ineligible for participation in extracurricular activities until the next Charter Academy quarter grade report indicates he/she is no longer failing any Charter Academy class. If the failing grade(s) are on a college fall semester grade report, the Charter Academy third quarter grade report will present the first opportunity for a dual enrolled student to regain eligibility. During the period of ineligibility students will not be allowed to participate in sports and/or other extracurricular activities; they may not practice, rehearse, meet, compete, perform, assist, or in any way participate in an extracurricular activity.

Any student who receives two or more D's on a Charter Academy quarter grade report and/or a college semester grade report will be placed on **academic probation**. While a student is on academic probation, he/she may practice or rehearse, but may not participate in games or events. If the first Charter Academy school-wide progress report following a report card indicates a student on academic probation has raised his/her grades to meet the minimum grade requirements, he/she will be removed from academic probation and be allowed to participate in games or events. If a student does not sufficiently raise his/her grades during these time periods, he/she will become ineligible for any participation in extracurricular activities until the Charter Academy quarter grade report indicates the grades are at or above the minimum grade requirements. In lieu of Charter Academy grade reports and school-wide progress reports, the school administration will provide an alternative method of determining extracurricular eligibility for non-traditional students who are on academic probation. A non-traditional student is defined as a student who is not enrolled full time in Charter Academy and/or college dual enrolled courses.

For purposes of determining extracurricular eligibility, grades earned on fourth quarter Charter Academy grade reports and/or college spring semester grade reports will carry over to the Charter Academy first quarter of the following school year. All ninth graders are eligible to participate in first-quarter activities, with the exception of students who are repeating ninth-grade classes.

If a student who is ineligible to participate withdraws from the Academy for any reason and returns after any length of time, that student shall be ineligible to participate until an Academy quarter grade report indicates grades are at or above minimum grade requirements.

Sixth grade students new to the Charter Academy are eligible to participate in all extracurricular activities during their first quarter.

Eligibility status will be determined at the established deadline for grades to be submitted to the registrar for progress reports and grade reports.

In accordance with IHSAA 8-16-1, home school students and students who do not attend accredited schools shall demonstrate composite grade-level academic proficiency on any state board of education recognized achievement test or any nationally-normed test. It shall be the responsibility of the student to make all arrangements to take the required test and provide the

principal of the Academy with the results of the test prior to being granted eligibility for activities.

Also, at any time, regardless of probationary status, students may not be allowed to go on class trips that will cause them to miss classes where their grades are deficient, defined as a D grade or lower. This will be determined on a case-by-case basis, at the discretion of the teachers, with the principal having final determination in cases of disagreement. In this manner we expect to maintain the high academic standard for which this school was founded and to provide the proper expectation for student success.

### **Attendance Requirement for Student Participation in Extracurricular Activities**

Students who are absent from school one or more periods on the day of an extracurricular activity in which they are scheduled to take part, will not be allowed to participate in that activity. This includes games, practices, meetings and/or rehearsals. Exceptions may be made by the activities director for verified medical appointments, unavoidable circumstances, or other prearranged cases. This policy affects all Charter Academy extracurricular activities, i.e., sports, drama, music, debate, clubs, etc. Any extracurricular activity involving in-school time or out-of-school time requires attendance at school that day. Coaches/advisors of the various activities will advise their students of this requirement and be responsible for monitoring its implementation. Any students suspended from school for disciplinary reasons will not be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activity on the days they are out of school.

### **Sports Physicals and Interim Questionnaires**

Students are required to undergo a physical examination and have the Idaho Health Examination and Consent Form (Athletics & Activities Packet) on file in the school office prior to their first practice for any Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy sponsored sport. An Interim Questionnaire must be completed and on file in the school office in any year a physical exam is not taken. The required Idaho Health Examination and Consent Form and the Interim Questionnaire are available on the school website, in the school office, or from the coach of a specific sport. Physical exams must be conducted by a licensed physician, physician's assistant, or nurse practitioner.



For any student in grades 6-8 to participate in sports, a physical exam taken after May 1 of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade year will remain valid for the duration of middle school. The Idaho Health Examination and Consent Form is valid for all three years of middle school.

For any student in grade 9 to participate in sports, a physical exam must be taken after May 1 of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade year. For high school students, The Idaho Health Examination and Consent Form is valid for two calendar years.

### **FUNDRAISING**

In order to prevent overlap and duplication, all fundraising efforts (PTO, ASB, faculty) **must be coordinated through the Academy business manager.** (Policy Title: Student Activity Fund Management, Adopted: November 20, 2001).

### **LOCKERS**

Student lockers will be assigned during the first week of school. Locks are available from the office for a charge of \$10.00. At the end of the school year, locks must be returned to the office, and the student will receive a refund of \$5.00. Only school locks may be used on school lockers, and the office retains the right to open any locker for unannounced inspection at any time. Any change to locker assignment must be done by the administration.

## **LOST & FOUND**

A lost-and-found bin will be maintained during the school year. Students or parents may check the receptacle at any time for missing items. The bin will be emptied as needed, and all unclaimed items will be taken to a local charity outlet. All uniform articles look alike; therefore identify yours by putting your name on the label.

## **LUNCHES**



Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy does not participate in the federal student lunch program, which provides free and reduced lunches. Therefore, students need to bring a sack lunch from home or may purchase lunch from our approved vendors.

## **MEDIA POLICY**

All videos/movies shown in the classroom must have serious academic value and approval from the principal prior to being shown to students. G-rated videos/movies may be utilized by classroom teachers without parental notification. PG and PG-13 videos/movies will be shown only if parents have been notified in advance. Parents have the right to restrict their child from viewing those videos/movies without penalty to the student. R-rated videos/movies will not be shown at the Academy.

## **PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTO)**

All parents are encouraged to participate in their child's education. Parents are represented at Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy by the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). Through the PTO, parents may provide support for the mission and operation of the school. Because we are a charter school operating with limited public funds, we depend on parents and the community for many extras that provide opportunities for our students. Parents are encouraged to render assistance, either financial or in volunteer activities, as they are able.

## **SCHOOL SAFETY**

### **Closed Campus/Visitors**

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is a closed campus. A student may not leave the campus between the scheduled time of arrival and the scheduled time of departure without permission from the office and his/her parent or guardian. Students leaving and returning to school and all visitors must check in at the office before proceeding to class or other locations in the building. All visitors must wear a visible visitor pass while on campus. No loitering by any person on school grounds will be allowed.

### **Leaving Campus During Unscheduled Class Periods**

Juniors and seniors in 'good standing' will be given the privilege of leaving campus during periods they have no classes scheduled. In order to attain 'good standing', juniors and seniors must meet all of the following requirements:

- Juniors must have at least 22 credits earned and be on track to graduate with their class.
- Seniors must have at least 34 credits earned and be on track to graduate with their class.
- Have no suspensions for behavior or other school violations.
- Have a valid Permission to Leave Campus form on file in the office. This form must be signed by a student's legal parent or guardian, the school counselor, and the vice principal.

The following rules apply to students leaving campus.

- A student may not leave campus during Study Lab unless he/she has no class scheduled during period 2 or 3.
- Students leaving campus during the school day are required to sign in and out at the office. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in loss of privilege.
- Students who are tardy to class upon returning to campus more than 3 times in a semester will lose the privilege to leave campus during unscheduled class periods. Parents will be notified if privileges are revoked.
- Students who remain on campus during unscheduled class periods, or arrive on campus during unscheduled class periods must be in an assigned Study Hall or comply with other arrangements made with the vice principal.
- Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy will not monitor, nor take responsibility for transportation methods used by students leaving campus during unscheduled class period and/or returning to campus to attend scheduled classes.

### **Drop-off and Pick-up of Students**

All persons driving on campus will observe a safe and efficient traffic pattern established by the administration in cooperation with the Coeur d'Alene Police Department. The directions for drop-off and pick-up will be available in the office.

### **After School Supervision Procedures**

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy does not provide transportation to or from school for our students. It is the responsibility of each family to make all the necessary arrangements to provide this transportation for their child(ren). At the Academy, regular classes end at precisely 2:45 P.M. each day. After 2:45 the students have until 3:00 to gather their things, take care of any business, and vacate the building. **All students must be out of the halls and off the playground no later than 3:00 P.M.** Students who have made arrangements to be picked up by 3:00 may wait in front of the building for their ride to arrive. **Students who are going to be picked up after 3:00 must check into our supervised study hall room or be in a classroom with another teacher until their ride gets here.** Study hall is in the high school MPR and is open from 3:00 – 4:00 on Monday-Friday. **All students accessing the after school study hall must be picked up no later than 4:10 P.M.** (The only exception is that students beginning an activity at 4:00 must go immediately to their coach/advisor no later than 4:00 P.M.)

Students remaining at school after 3:00 P.M. will be allowed to use their cell phones or the phone in the commons to communicate regarding their pick up time. Also, before 4:00 P.M. you may come into the building and the office will call your child out of study hall for you.

These procedures also apply to students who are waiting after school for sports or other extracurricular activities. Please be aware of your child's extracurricular schedules and make all the necessary arrangements for transportation immediately at the end of the scheduled activity.

Other than the supervised study halls, meeting with individual teachers in their classrooms, and supervised extracurricular activities, the Academy does not provide supervision of students after 3:00 P.M. Again, it is the responsibility of the family to make all the necessary arrangements for transportation. Due to supervision and liability issues, the Academy will not allow students to 'hang out' in the hallways or playground areas after school.

We have a closed campus, so after your child arrives at school he or she **may not** leave campus without a parent or other adult pre-arranged, (i.e. carpool, relative).

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are committed to the safety and well being of our students, and having them on campus unsupervised is not acceptable to us.

## Emergency Drills/Procedures

Fire and lock-down drills will be conducted at unannounced times during the school year. During the first week of school, students will be instructed by their classroom teachers as to routes and procedures to be followed. Instructions will be given regarding responding to intruders in the building, hazardous material exposure, and other safety issues. It is crucial that all students follow these rules for the safety of all persons in the building. In addition, this school has a zero tolerance policy for weapons on campus (see Student Behavior/Discipline). A student who notices a condition that could be dangerous should inform a staff member immediately.

## Emergency Information File

Each student will have on file in the office all information required to assist the student in an emergency situation. Included will be phone numbers for contact persons, known medical conditions, doctor's numbers, and any other pertinent information. It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to keep this information current.

## Medication Policy



Students requiring prescription or nonprescription medication during the school day must bring the medication to the office upon arrival at school, in its original container with the student's name clearly visible on the bottle. (No Baggies or pillboxes allowed.) A completed Medication Administration form (copy attached) from the parent or guardian must accompany the medication, specifying the time(s) and amount(s) of required dosages. If the medication is to be administered at different times or in different amounts from what is specified on the label, a physician's signature is required. The medication will be administered to the student by the school secretary (or other authorized staff member) in the school office. No medicines of any kind may be retained by the student in lockers or backpacks, with the following exception: A student who has been instructed in the self-administration of medication for treatment of a serious condition (e.g. asthma, allergies, diabetes) shall be permitted to possess and use a prescribed medication (e.g. inhaler or Epi Pen) at all times, provided the school has received, and administration has approved, a signed prescription or written direction from his/her physician or health care provider stating that the carrying of such medication is medically necessary. There will be disciplinary action for students who violate this policy.

## Expected Behavior

Students at Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy are expected to be courteous and well mannered, respectful of teachers, staff members, and each other. They are expected to be honest and trustworthy. The following rules shall pertain to all students of Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy and shall be in effect during school hours and at all school-sponsored activities.

## Prohibited Behavior

The following is a partial list of some of the misbehaviors that will be dealt with by the staff of the Academy:

- Academic Dishonesty: Cheating, plagiarism, and other forms of academic fraud will not be tolerated. All teachers are required to report all incidents of academic dishonesty to the principal. The consequences of academic dishonesty are severe.
- Assault, provoking assault, and fighting
- Hazing/harassment
- Possession of a weapon
- Willful disobedience
- Disruptive behavior
- Vandalism
- Vulgarity or profanity
- Use of any kind of tobacco
- The use, sale, and/or distribution of controlled substances
- Stealing

- The operation of any motorized vehicle in a dangerous manner on or near school property
- Outward displays of affection
- Any behavior that is harmful to the school, the school community or any individual

The Academy expects appropriate conduct at all times. The range of consequences for any inappropriate behavior includes, but is not limited to, parent contact, detention, out-of-school suspension, and expulsion.

Multiple infractions or unacceptable behaviors will result in compound consequences. The Academy staff follows a progressive discipline model to encourage positive changes in behavior.

Only the Board of Directors can expel a student.

**Weapons**

Possession of any dangerous item while attending school or on school property at any time is prohibited. School administrators and staff are authorized to confiscate such items immediately. The Academy has a zero tolerance policy for weapons.

**Zero Tolerance Policy**

STUDENTS AND ALL VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL ARE FORBIDDEN TO KNOWINGLY AND/OR VOLUNTARILY POSSESS, HANDLE, TRANSMIT, OR USE ANY INSTRUMENT THAT CAN BE USED AS A WEAPON OF ANY KIND WHILE ON SCHOOL PROPERTY. ANY OBJECT WHICH COULD BE USED TO INJURE ANOTHER PERSON AND WHICH HAS NO SCHOOL-RELATED PURPOSE FOR BEING IN SCHOOL OR ON SCHOOL GROUNDS WILL BE CONSIDERED A WEAPON FOR PURPOSES OF THIS POLICY. THIS POLICY WILL EXTEND TO ANY PROPERTY IN USE FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES OR EVENTS.

**Possession/Use**

Any student found to be in possession, using, or attempting to use any object as a weapon will result in the student’s immediate suspension or possible expulsion. Any student expelled from the Academy for a weapons violation will be reported to appropriate law enforcement authorities.

Any person not a student at the Coeur d’Alene Charter Academy found similarly engaged will be removed from the school property and referred to law enforcement authorities.

The safety of our students will take priority over any other considerations.

**Suspension/Expulsion Procedure**

A student can be suspended for up to five (5) days for an offense. The Board of Directors, upon request of the principal, can extend a suspension for up to a total of fifteen (15) days. The Board of Directors can also add an additional five (5) days. Any student recommended for expulsion will immediately be placed on suspension pending Board of Directors’ approval of the expulsion.

In the case of a suspension or an expulsion proceeding, parents will be notified immediately regarding the nature of the offense and the consequence. Suspensions can be appealed first to the principal, and then to the Board of Directors.

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

The purpose of the Associated Student Body (ASB) organization is to provide an opportunity for students to express themselves through their elected representatives concerning those phases of the school program on which students may take action. They take an active role in serving as a liaison between the student body and the administration, where the students can assume as much responsibility for organizing their high school activities as they are able to handle. Student council consists of a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, plus ASB

representatives for each grade level, elected by the student body at large in each respective grade. Elections take place at the end of the school year for the upcoming year. There is an ASB organization for high school and a separate ASB for middle school.

## **TELEPHONE POLICY**

A telephone will be available at the office for students' use before and after school and during their lunch break. Students will not be excused from classes to use the phone except in emergencies.

Cell phones, MP3 players, laptops, and all other personal electronic devices are not permitted during school hours [7:55 – 2:45, including passing time and lunch]. Students found to be in possession of these devices will have them confiscated. Repeated violations will result in a short-term suspension.

## **UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS**

### **General Guidelines**

**All students will arrive on campus in uniform and stay in uniform until they leave for the day. Parents and students are expected to know and follow the uniform policy.**

**Team/activity/spirit wear clothing must be approved by the school administration before being worn as part of the uniform.**

### **Purchase of Uniform Items**

The Charter Academy strongly recommends that uniform items be purchased from an approved vendor. Uniform items are available and can be screen-printed and/or embroidered at Embroidered Corporate Image, Powell Ink, Spokane Uniform House (Dennis Uniforms), and Underground Expressions. Items may also be found at Land's End, JC Penney, and Sears.

Since all of these outlets sell many items that are not in compliance with the Academy's uniform policy, be sure the items you buy have been approved as uniform items. Employees at these stores can assist you to make sure the items you are purchasing conform to the policy.

The school office has a list of approved uniform items, complete with product numbers. Please check the official list before making any purchases. The school is not responsible for clothing items purchased that do not meet the requirements as defined and explained in the uniform policy.

There will be periodic uniform sales at the school. Contact the school office for information.

### **Commentary on the Expectations of the Uniform Policy**

School uniforms are an important facet of our school culture and an integral part of our mission and purpose. A distinctive uniform is a unifying factor within our school community and underscores the Academy's seriousness of purpose by encouraging students to think of their attire as an aspect of their work. In addition, neatness and modesty are important aspects of the Charter school environment. The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy is a college preparatory school, and we want our students to distinguish themselves by their academic performance, their citizenship, their behavior, and their attitude and effort on a day-to-day basis. Additionally, we strive to eliminate the self-consciousness and social competition which popular fashion trends tend to promote.

Clothing or accessories that are worn with the obvious intent of being different or unique are not in keeping with the purpose of the uniform policy.

### **Test for Appropriateness**

**If you were part of a group of students walking through the commons during the school day, would something about your dress or physical appearance draw attention to yourself? If so, you would be considered in violation of the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy uniform policy.**

## **Uniform Violations**

It is the responsibility of each student to be in uniform while on campus. Students who are out of uniform will not be allowed to remain in classes until the violations are corrected. It is the family's responsibility to provide proper uniform attire for any child out of uniform while at school. The school does not provide uniform clothing. Students who miss class to correct a uniform violation will receive an unexcused tardy or absence.

Students with repeated uniform violations will be referred to the vice principal for disciplinary action.

## **Specific Uniform Requirements**

### **I. PANTS**

Tan or navy blue cotton dress slacks must fit correctly and be worn appropriately. They must be long enough to touch the shoe, but must not touch the ground. Pants with sewn cuffs are allowed. The following are violations of the uniform policy:

- a. Excessively tight or baggy pants
- b. Pants made of stretch fabrics
- c. Capris, bellbottoms, or pants with pegged ankles
- d. Sewn-on pockets; cargo pant pockets; decorative zippers; snaps or rivets
- e. Stitching of a color other than the color of the pants

### **II. SHORTS**

Tan or navy blue walking shorts may be worn by either male or female students. Shorts may not fall below the middle of the knee or be shorter than one hand's width above the knee. All other standards for shorts are the same as those for long pants.

### **III. SKIRTS**

Tan, navy blue, or school plaid skirts may be worn by female students. Skirts must reach at least the **TOP OF THE KNEE when standing**. If a skirt extends below the knee it may have a slit that goes no higher than the knee. Skorts may be worn as long they meet the color and length requirements for skirts.

### **IV. UNDERGARMENTS**

- a. Solid white undershirts may show at the neck.
- b. Undergarments must not be visible, with the exception of undershirts showing at the neckline.
- c. Long-sleeved shirts may not be worn under short-sleeved shirts, even if the same color.

### **V. SHIRTS**

Turtleneck or short / long sleeved, collared polo shirts may be worn by either male or female students. The following are requirements for uniform shirts:

- a. Polo shirts must be red, navy blue, hunter green, or white.
- b. The approved Academy logo must be silk-screened or embroidered on the upper left chest of polo shirts.
- c. Students may wear long or short-sleeved white oxford dress shirts. Oxford shirts do not require an Academy logo. Oxford shirts must be tucked in.
- d. Students may wear a tie and properly fitting, solid-color sport coat with oxford shirts. Ties and sport coats may not be worn with polo shirts.
- e. Shirts with buttons must be buttoned in such a way as to maintain neatness and modesty.
- f. Shirts must be long enough so the midriff or back is not exposed while seated or during other normal school activities.
- g. Female students may wear plain white blouses that button in such a way as to maintain neatness and modesty.
- h. Shirts that extend below the side pockets must be tucked in.
- i. Shirts worn under sweatshirts or other outerwear must be tucked in and may not be visible other than at the neckline.

## **VI. SHOES/SOCKS**

- a. Flip-flops and slippers are not appropriate footwear at school and will not be allowed.
- b. Some classes require closed-toes shoes for safety reasons. This rule is applied at teacher discretion.
- c. Knee socks and tights must be a solid uniform color (red, navy blue, hunter green, or white), black, or skin toned.
- d. Students may wear traditional snow boots and flat-soled suede winter boots under the following conditions:
  - a. They may be worn with a skirt. If worn with a skirt, they must be worn with uniform-compliant tights.
  - b. The boots must be solid black, brown, or tan.
  - c. They may be worn over slacks.
  - d. No spike heels, decorations (eg. Buckles, tassles), fashion stitching, or baggy fabric.
  - e. They must fall below the knee.

Boots that do not meet the stated criteria must be covered by slacks at all times while on campus.

## **VII. JEWELRY/ACCESSORIES**

- a. Jewelry must pass the "Test for Appropriateness" explained above.
- b. Belts must be worn inside the belt loops and not hang down below the waistline.
- c. Neck scarves and hats, including hoods, may not be worn in the school buildings and must be removed immediately upon entering the school.

## **VIII. HAIR**

- a. Hair must be a natural hair color, worn neatly, and in such a style that passes the "Test for Appropriateness" explained above.
- b. Hair ribbons, pins, bands, etc. must pass the "Test for Appropriateness" explained above.

## **IX. OUTERWEAR**

- a. Only outerwear approved as school uniform items may be worn in classrooms.
  - a. Hooded sweatshirts including pullover sweatshirts or sweatshirts with zippers are not approved uniform items and may not be worn during the school day (Lunch period included). The only exception will be during P.E. when the class takes place outside.
- b. Non-uniform outerwear should be left in lockers during the school day, with the exception of lunch time for students going outside in colder weather.
- c. Fleece vests and fleece jackets may be red, navy blue, white, or hunter green with piping in black or of the same color as the garment. Vests and jackets may have, but are not required to have the approved Academy logo sewn or embroidered the upper left chest.
- d. V-neck sweaters, sweater vests, and cardigan (button up) sweaters must be worn as outerwear, over a Charter polo or other uniform shirt. They may be navy blue, white, hunter green, or red. These items may have, but are not required to have an approved Academy logo sewn, embroidered or silk-screened on the upper left chest.
- e. Sweatshirts must have the academy logo on the upper left chest, or a large Academy logo silk-screened in the center of the chest, or other approved designs/logos.
- f. Pea coats in black or navy blue, that are hoodless, may be worn at school. Pea coats do not need an Academy logo.
- g. Approved letter jackets, may be worn as uniform outerwear (must be worn as outerwear, over a Charter polo or other uniform shirt).
- h. Approved 'spirit wear' may be worn as part of the uniform.
- i. Any logos, designs, or words, other than the Charter Academy logo, or those on approved team and spirit wear are not allowed on uniform attire.
- j. Team warm-ups will not be allowed as uniform items for the school day.

## **X. P.E. UNIFORM**

### PE Shirt:

- Short or Long Sleeve
- Color: Athletic Grey with new Navy logo.
- Logo is approximately 8.5 inches on center front. Logo is in NAVY. Box in logo under Panthers is solid white.

### PE Shorts:

- Color: Navy with white colorblock (stripe), prefer SportTec by Port Authority (T-479 and Y-T-479) or if not doable navy mesh (with liner) basketball shorts.
- Logo is approximately four inches on lower left thigh in white. Box in logo under Panthers is solid white.

### **\*\*Optional:\*\***

#### Sweatshirt:

- Color-grey, crew neck only, with navy T-shirt logo center front (apx. 8.5") box on logo under Panthers is an outline only.

#### Sweatpants:

- Color: navy, with white shorts logo on left thigh in white (apx. 4") box in logo under Panthers is solid white.

## **XI. EXCEPTIONS**

- a. Performance attire, as defined by the teacher and approved by the administration, may be worn on concert days.
- b. Clothing for special class projects, as defined by the teacher, may be worn on the day of the event.

## **Definitions**

1. Uniform – having the same appearance as others of the same group; conforming to a given standard; being or looking the same; consistent in appearance.
2. Outerwear – coats, jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts, vests.
3. Oxford Shirt – a long or short-sleeved shirt with buttons up the front all the way to the collar.

## **ANY JUDGMENTS REGARDING CLOTHING OR APPEARANCE WILL BE MADE BY THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION.**

### **A COUPLE OF NOTES ON THE UNIFORM POLICY:**

**TEAM WARM-UPS:** Team warm-ups will not be allowed as uniform items for the school day, any more than a volleyball or basketball jersey would be. Teams sometimes purchase warm-up jackets or shirts, and in recent years these have been treated as uniform items. However, with the accumulation of activities and successive years of new items, it has become nearly impossible to determine when students are wearing team-specific warm-ups and when they aren't.

**TEAM UNIFORM ITEMS:** Teams or groups may get approval from administration to add a group logo to uniform items. For example, the track team might choose to modify an Academy sweatshirt to say "Track" under the existing logo or submit a new logo that is specific to their sport. Any modified item must be approved by administration before it may be worn in school.

**COLLEGE SHIRT WEEK:** During the last week before graduation, seniors will be encouraged to wear sweatshirts from the college or university they plan to attend. We want to honor these students for their achievements and allow them to sport their new colors.

# Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

## Student Acceptable Use Policy and Contract

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy (the Academy) provides students access to the Academy's electronic network and individual computing devices. This network includes Internet access, computer services, videoconferencing, computer equipment and related equipment for educational purposes. The purpose of this network and devices accessing this network is to assist in preparing students for success in life and work in the 21st century by providing students with electronic access to a wide range of information, simulation and modeling tools, document and presentation tools, and the ability to communicate with people throughout the world. This document contains the rules and procedures for students' acceptable use of the Academy's electronic network and all devices accessing this network.

Overall policy focus for network use:

- The Academy's electronic network has been established for a limited educational purpose. The term "educational purpose" includes classroom activities, career development, and limited high quality self-discovery activities.
- The Academy's electronic network has not been established as a public access service or a public forum. The Academy may place reasonable restrictions on material that is accessed or posted throughout the network.
- Parent/guardian permission is required for all students using this network.
- It is presumed that students will honor this agreement they and their parent/guardian have signed. The Academy is not responsible for the actions of students who violate this agreement and any state or federal laws while using school resources.
- The Academy reserves the right to monitor all activity on this electronic network. Students and their parents/guardians will indemnify and hold the Academy harmless for any damage that is caused by students' inappropriate use of the network.
- Students are expected to follow the same rules, good manners and common sense guidelines that are used with other daily school activities, as well as the law in the use of the Academy's electronic network.
- Access is a privilege — not a right.

Overall policy focus for the Academy's student-use devices:

- The student-use (a.k.a. one-to-one) devices are intended to assist the student with their studies at the Academy and not to serve as the primary home computer for a family. The devices are to be used for academic purposes by the student and their parents/guardians.
- Each student-use device is owned by the Academy (or through a leasing company). The Academy has final say regarding the use and care of the devices.
- Each student must complete appropriate training and sign the acceptable use contract before receiving their device.
- The student's parents/guardians must complete appropriate training and sign the acceptable use contract before their student may receive their device.
- At no time may a school-owned device be subject to "jail-breaking", "rooting", or any other process that would alter the Operating System provided by the Academy on the device.

- Students are responsible for the replacement or a pro-rated replacement cost for any device lost or damaged while the device is checked out to the student or borrowed by the student.
- If a device password is employed on the device, the student must make that available upon request to an Academy staff member or appointed representative. Such requests may be made in order to ensure compliance with the Academy's Acceptable Use Policy.
- Use of the devices is a privilege – not a right.

Overall policy focus for student-owned devices (HS only):

- Students who bring their own devices (a.k.a. BYOD) are expected to use the devices while at school in the same manner as they would when using the school-owned devices.
- The devices are to be used for academic purposes by the student.
- Any student-owned device whether it is allowed to connect to the school's network or not is subject to the same use monitoring as any school-owned device.
- Each student must complete appropriate training and sign the acceptable use contract before being allowed to bring their device to school and/or connect their device to the school's network.
- The student's parents/guardians must complete appropriate training and sign the acceptable use contract before their student may bring their device to school and/or connect their device to the school's network.
- No student-owned device may have the ability to connect to a 3<sup>rd</sup> party network (e.g. the device may not have 3G/4G data capabilities through an independent telecommunications company such as Verizon, AT&T, etc).
- The teacher in the classroom has the final say on procedures in the classroom. Students must comply with teacher directives as they relate to use of any device. Access is only available, not guaranteed for each classroom situation.
- If a device password is employed on the device, the student must make that available upon request to an Academy staff member or appointed representative. Such requests may be made in order to ensure compliance with the Academy's Acceptable Use Policy.
- Use of the student-owned devices while on the school's property is a privilege – not a right.

Bringing your own technology device to school can be useful; however some risks are involved as well. It is always a good idea to record the device's serial number in case of theft. The Academy is not responsible for the theft of a device, nor are we responsible for any damage done to the device while at school. Any time a theft occurs, you should contact the office or the Dean of Students immediately to make him/her aware of the offense.

Student filtering is required by federal law of all public schools. The Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) requires all network access to be filtered, regardless of the tool you use to access it while in a public school. Your laptop or tablet must be subject to this filtering. The network you are using while at school belongs to the Academy and will be filtered. The rationale for not allowing devices utilizing 3<sup>rd</sup> party networks is to ensure that we can honor these federal filtering laws.

Students may not use an audio recording device, video camera, or camera (or any device with one of these, e.g. cell phone, laptop, tablet, etc.) to record media or take photos during school unless they have permission from both a staff member and those whom they are recording.

Should the Academy's representatives determine that a school-owned device must be wiped (e.g. returned to factory conditions), the student is responsible for any data on the device and it is the student's responsibility to keep current backups of all their work and saved resources to prevent their permanent loss. Wiping may become necessary if the device is malfunctioning or becomes infected in some way. If and when wiping the device is required is solely at the discretion of the Academy. Any applications installed on the device must not be altered or removed by the student. Additional software (e.g. apps) may only be installed with advance permission from the Academy.

### **General Unacceptable Behavior**

While utilizing any portion of the Academy's electronic network, using a school-owned device, or using a student-owned device while on school property, unacceptable behaviors include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Posting information that, if acted upon, could cause damage or danger of disruption to the Academy's electronic network or equipment.
- Engaging in personal attacks, including prejudicial or discriminatory attacks.
- Harassing (bullying) another person. Harassment is persistently acting in a manner with the intent to distress or annoy another person. (If a student is told by a person to stop sending messages, they must stop).
- Knowingly or recklessly posting false or defamatory information about a person or organization.
- Using criminal speech or speech in the course of committing a crime such as threats to public officials, instructions on breaking into computer networks, pornography, drug dealing, purchase of alcohol, gang activities, and threats to an individual.
- Using speech that is inappropriate in an educational setting or violates Academy rules.
- Abusing network resources such as sending chain letters or "spamming."
- Displaying, accessing or sending offensive messages or pictures.
- Use of the Academy's devices and/or electronic network for commercial purposes. Students and their parents/guardians will not offer, provide, or purchase products or services using these devices or through this network.
- Use of the Academy's devices and/or electronic network for political lobbying. Students and their parents/guardians may use the system to communicate with elected representatives and to express their opinions on political issues.
- Attempting to access non-instructional Academy systems, such as student information systems or business systems.
- Use of Academy equipment, network, or credentials to threaten employees, or cause a disruption to the educational program.
- Use of Academy equipment, network, or credentials to send or post electronic messages that are abusive, obscene, sexually oriented, threatening, harassing, damaging to another's reputation, or illegal.

### **E-Mail**

- Students will not be provided email accounts through the Academy or email accounts hosted on Academy servers.
- Students may establish Web-based e-mail accounts on non-Academy systems such as gmail, Hotmail, etc. In fact students are encouraged to create and regularly manage such personal email accounts that are strictly for academic use.

- Students will not repost a message that was sent to them privately without the permission of the person who sent them the message.
- Students will not post private information about another person.
- Because the Academy is a public entity, all Internet communication on the Academy's electronic network is a matter of public record. That means no email sent or received by students while using Academy computers at home or at school is private. Any and all activity on Academy computers is archived and may be monitored by authorized Academy personnel at any time.

### **World Wide Web**

- Student access to information on the Web will generally be provided through prescreened sites and in a manner prescribed by the Academy.
- Federal law (CIPA) and State law (Section 33-131, Idaho Code) requires that all Internet activity be actively filtered. The filters put in place by the Academy are final.
- No student is permitted to alter the filter system or attempt to by-pass the filter by using 3<sup>rd</sup> party proxies.
- Filter and web site logging systems installed on the Academy's one-to-one devices must not be altered whether on the school's network on any external networks while away from the Academy, including home networks, Internet cafés, etc.

### **Telnet and FTP**

- Telnet and FTP services are not available to students on the Academy's network. Use or attempted use of these protocols is forbidden and therefore represents a violation of this Acceptable Use Policy.
- Telnet and FTP services may be utilized in a specific class (e.g. Computer Science) as part of its unit on networking and their use must be confined to this context.

### **Real-time, Interactive Communication Areas**

- Students may use chat or instant messaging only under the direct supervision of a teacher or in a moderated environment that has been established to support educational activities and has been approved by the Academy.
- Use of chat or instant messaging for personal use using Academy one-to-one devices or other Academy computing devices is prohibited.

### **Web Sites**

- Students may be identified by their full name with parental approval only. Group or individual pictures of students with student identification are permitted with parental approval only.
- Material placed on student Web pages is expected to meet academic standards of proper spelling, grammar and accuracy of information.
- Material (graphics, text, sound, etc.) that is the ownership of someone other than the student may not be used on Web sites unless formal permission has been obtained. Failure to secure permission is plagiarism and will be dealt with according to the Academy's plagiarism rules found in the Student Handbook.
- All student Web pages must contain a link back to the home page of the classroom, or school, as appropriate. Links to sites unaffiliated with the Academy will not be allowed.

### **Personal Safety**

- Students will not share personal contact information about themselves or other people. Personal contact information includes home address, telephone, school address, or work address.
- Students will not disclose personal contact information, except to education institutes for educational purposes, companies or other entities for career development purposes, or without specific Academy approval.
- Students will not agree to meet with someone they have met online.
- Students will promptly disclose to a teacher or other school employee any message received that is inappropriate or makes the student feel uncomfortable

### **System Security**

- Students are responsible for their individual accounts and should take all reasonable precautions to prevent others from accessing them. Under no conditions should students provide their password to another person.
- Students must immediately notify a teacher or the technology specialist of any possible security problem. Students should not explore for security problems, because this may be construed as an illegal attempt to gain access.
- Students will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to any portion of the Academy's electronic network. This includes attempting to log in through another person's account or access another person's folders, work, or files. These actions are illegal, even if only for the purposes of "browsing".
- Students will not make deliberate attempts to disrupt the computer system or destroy data by spreading computer viruses or by any other means. These actions are illegal.
- Users will not attempt to access Web sites blocked by Academy policy, including the use of proxy services, software, or Web sites.
- Users will not use sniffing or remote access technology to monitor the network or other user's activity.

### **Software and Files**

- Software is available to students to be used as an educational resource. No student may install, upload or download software without permission from the Academy's technology specialist.
- Files stored on the network are treated in the same manner as other school storage areas, such as lockers. Routine maintenance and monitoring of the Academy's electronic network may lead to discovery of violations of this contract or the law. Students should not expect that files stored on Academy servers or on Academy one-to-one devices are in any way private.
- The backup of all student and parent/guardian documents and other files are the responsibility of the student and not the Academy. In the event that a one-to-one device requires a system restore, all personal data on the one-to-one device will be erased without any attempt to preserve personal data by the Academy.

### **Technology Hardware**

- Hardware and peripherals are provided as tools for student use for educational purposes. Students are not permitted to relocate hardware (except for portable devices), install peripherals or modify settings to equipment without the consent of the Academy's technology specialist.

### **Damage to Academy Computing Equipment, Including Vandalism**

- Any attempt to harm or destroy data, the network, other network components connected to the network backbone, hardware or software will result in disciplinary measures in compliance with the Academy's discipline code and policies.
- Students and parents/guardians must obtain and keep current appropriate insurance to protect Academy one-to-one devices. A source for obtaining insurance protecting against unintentional damage to the device will be provided to students and parents/guardians by the Academy. Evidence of participation in appropriate insurance is required before the one-to-one device is released to the student.

### **Plagiarism and Copyright Infringement**

- Students will not plagiarize works found on the Internet. Plagiarism is taking the ideas or writings of others and presenting them as if they were one's own.
- Academy policies on copyright will govern the use of material accessed and used through the Academy system.
- Copyrighted material will not be placed on any system without the author's permission. Permission may be specified in the document, on the system or be obtained directly from the author.

### **Videoconference**

Videoconferencing is a way that students can communicate with other students, speakers, museums, etc. from other parts of the country and the world. With videoconferencing equipment, students can see, hear, and speak with other students, speakers, museum personnel, etc. in real-time.

- Videoconference sessions may be videotaped by Academy personnel or by a participating school involved in the exchange in order to share the experience within our building or their building or district.
- Students' voices, physical presence, and participation in the videoconference are transmitted to participating sites during each session. Rules and procedures relative to acceptable use and behavior by students apply during all videoconference sessions.

### **Student Rights**

- Students' limited right to free speech applies to communication on the Internet. The Academy's electronic network is considered a limited forum, similar to the school newspaper, and therefore the school may restrict a student's speech for valid educational reasons. The Academy will not restrict a student's speech on the basis of a disagreement with the opinions that are being expressed. All electronic student speech must be civil in a manner equivalent to that of spoken and written speech in the classroom.
- An individual search will be conducted if there is reasonable suspicion that a student has violated this policy or the law. The investigation will be reasonable and related to the suspected violation.

### **Violations of this Acceptable Use Contract**

Violations of this contract may result in loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action. Students' violation of this contract shall be subject to the consequences as indicated within this contract as well as other appropriate discipline, which includes but is not limited to:

- Use of the Academy's network only under direct supervision
- Suspension of network privileges
- Revocation of network privileges

- Revocation of Bring Your Own Device privileges.
- Surrender of one-to-one computing devices
- Suspension of computer privileges
- Suspension from school
- Expulsion from school and/or
- Legal action and/or criminal prosecution

The particular consequences for violations of this contract shall be determined by the school administrators. The principal or designee and the board shall determine when school expulsion and/or legal action or actions by other authorities are the appropriate course of action.

**Due Process**

- The Academy will cooperate fully with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation related to any illegal activities conducted through the school network.
- The Academy will cooperate fully with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation related to any illegal activities conducted using an Academy one-to-one device.
- The Academy will cooperate fully with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation related to any illegal activities conducted using a student-owned device.
- In the event there is an allegation that a student has violated the Academy’s acceptable use contract and policy, the student will be provided with a written notice of the alleged violation. An opportunity will be provided to present an explanation before a neutral administrator (the student will be provided with notice and an opportunity to be heard in the manner set forth in the disciplinary code).
- Disciplinary actions will be tailored to meet specific concerns related to the violation and to assist the student in gaining the self-discipline necessary to behave appropriately on an electronic network. Violations of this acceptable use contract and policy may result in a loss of access as well as other disciplinary or legal action.
- If the violation also involves a violation of other provisions of other school rules, it will be handled in a manner described in the school rules. Additional restrictions may be placed on a student's use of his/her network account.

**Limitation of Liability**

- The Academy makes no guarantee that the functions or the services provided by or through the school network will be error-free or without defect. The Academy makes no guarantee that the functions or the services provided by the use of Academy one-to-one devices will be error-free or without defect. The Academy will not be responsible for any damage suffered, including but not limited to, loss of data or interruptions of service.
- The Academy is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of the information obtained through or stored on the network. The Academy will not be responsible for financial obligations arising through the unauthorized use of the network.

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**Student Signature**

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**Date**

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

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**Date**



## *School District 271*

District Administrative Center  
1400 N. Northwood Center Court, Coeur d' Alene, ID 83814

Appendix Y:  
Student Records Agreement

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September 5, 2014

Idaho Public Charter School Commission  
Borah Building  
304 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street Room 242  
Boise, ID 83702

To Whom It May Concern:

The Coeur d'Alene School District 271 hereby agrees to accept, store, and manage the student records contained at the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy upon closure of the school. The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy's current address is 4904 N. Duncan Drive, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Handelman  
Superintendent

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy  
Longitudinal Assessment of Student Progress - 1999 through 2007

History & Background

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy started in the fall of 1999 with grades 7 through 10. By the year 2002, the grade range at the Academy was from 6 to 12, where it remains to this day. The students entering the Academy in these time frames displayed standardized test results that were relatively consistent with the general population nationally, and also in this geographic area.

In the fall of 1999 an internal educational evaluation plan was developed and approved which provided two major yearly components: 1) student, teacher, and parent surveys with a focus on curriculum, and 2) academic testing alternatives that focused on using performance assessment instruments, rather than multiple-choice tests, in assessing academic skills. The performance based instruments were key to this process since they required the students to know the answer, write it down, and in the case of math, explain the process they used to get the answer. These results were necessary in order to properly identify any skill deficiencies and establish the necessary instructional approaches to improve them. The longitudinal feature of this process was to analyze assessment data on the same students as they moved forward in time. These longitudinal data were designed to include students who attended the Academy for at least three or more years. The purpose was to first gather early baseline information as they started in the Academy, and to examine how they progressed over time in terms of local, state, and national standards.

The baseline data of entering students were found to be very similar to general statewide or national test results. Regardless of the type of test used, the results showed strong and steady growth as these students were followed through the grades. The most statistically significant gains were from the 8th to 11th grade, where the Academy students were averaging scores well above the national standards of the local public schools, selected high performing national public schools, and also the data reported by national private independent schools on the tests we were using. In summary, the data show that performance gains tend to grow significantly higher the longer the students are at the Academy.

The Basic Approach

In the first year for the Academy (1999), it was important to determine entering baseline data on each student. At that time, the ITBS and TAP were the tests mandated by the State Department of Public Instruction. The Academy also administered the TerraNova Performance Tests in **Communication Arts and Math** - since these tests required open-ended responses and a more in-depth analysis of skill deficiencies. The students did far better at all grade levels on the ITBS/TAP than on the Performance Assessment instruments, where numerous specific skill deficiencies were noted in the fall of grade 6 in both Communication Arts and Math. This result offered a good clue to the possibility that the ITBS/TAP multiple-choice tests were not providing the same level or quality of information that was needed for instructional purposes.

Longitudinal data from grade 7 through grade 9 on the Performance Assessment tests showed statistically significant gains, particularly from grade 8 to 9. There were two lower scores noted in Communication Arts in "Extend Meaning and Examine Strategies", and in Math, "Problem Solving" continued to have lower scores than the other content areas tested. These skill area deficiencies later became strengths as the students progressed through the grades.

### State Mandated Tests

The state ISAT test was first administered to all grades 6 through 10 students in the spring of 2003. The results for the Academy were relatively high in comparison with district and state group averages. Comparing our average (mean) spring scores with the Lexile Framework (the scale where the reader can expect to have at least 75% comprehension), the following results were obtained:

- 6<sup>th</sup> grade students were at the 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> grade reading level;
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade students were at the 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> grade reading level;
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade students were at the 11<sup>th</sup> grade reading level;
- 9<sup>th</sup> grade students were at the 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> grade reading level;
- 10<sup>th</sup> grade students were at the 12<sup>th</sup>/College Freshman year reading level.

Most of the Academy students surpassed the 75% comprehension level as indicated by their high Lexile scores.

The ISAT averages (mean) scores for the 2004 - 2007 longitudinal data have shown definite patterns of improvement, with Academy averages being above the Advanced Proficiency Level for Reading, Language, and Math and also the new area of Science. For example, the percentage of those who performed **above the Advanced Proficiency Level** by the 10th grade is: **Reading 90%, Language 60%, Math 83%, and Science 87%**. This was the first administration of the Science data, since it is a relatively new part of the ISAT.

There was a change in the vendor for the ISAT in 2006 which could influence the score scaling from the earlier test administrations. However, the technical report on the new ISAT definitely shows considerable competency in attempting to correct that possibility. When these 10th grade students were in the 7th grade, the average scores for these students at that time were much closer to the State and District averages on the ISAT. This trend was quite true even before the ISAT vendor change in 2006.

The Direct Writing Assessment (DWA) and Direct Math Assessment (DMA) are basically performance assessment tests that are required by the State. The state DWA and DMA longitudinal results placed the Academy substantially above the state and district norms. The scores for these tests are on a 5.0 point scale. The Academy had:

- 92% of 8<sup>th</sup> graders** were above 3.0 in **Writing** (Idaho had 62% above 3.0)
- 65% of 8<sup>th</sup> graders** were above 3.0 in **Math** (Idaho had 40% above 3.0)
- 95% of 11<sup>th</sup> graders** were above 3.0 in **Writing** (Idaho had 80% above 3.0)
- Math was not tested in the 11th grade in 2001.

### Some Correlation Coefficients Involving State Tests

Direct Writing and ISAT Reading	.70
Direct Writing and ISAT Language	.65
PSAT Critical Reading and ISAT Reading	.48
PSAT Math and ISAT Math	.59
PSAT Writing and ISAT Language Usage	.71

All the correlation coefficients are statistically significant. The relatively low (but still significant) correlation of .48 with PSAT and ISAT Reading is not very unusual - considering that they are quite different in the way they address the same academic areas. It is interesting to note the relatively high correlation with PSAT Writing and ISAT Language Usage. This was particularly

evidenced in the 10th grade ISAT data in the spring of 2007. Students who do well on one tend to do well on the other.

The Terra Nova Performance Assessment series was dropped by the Academy in 2003, primarily due to its high correlation with the Direct Math, the use of the Direct Writing test, and the abundance of State mandated tests - enough proved to be enough.

### **Performance Assessment Data**

Some of the data in this next section relates to a longitudinal group of 52 students who had been with the Academy for at least four years prior to graduation. The focus will be on both student performance and correlational data associated with the various tests used. Two performance assessment tests were obtained in the fall of 2004 from the Educational Records Bureau (ERB). These were the Writing Assessment Test (WrAP) and the CTP4 Math test. ERB provides assessment services to private independent schools and selected suburban public schools. Therefore, they usually produce several types of norms (or scores) for comparative purposes. These norms were National, Suburban, and Independent school norms. Both of these tests are open-ended - no multiple-choice item options. Students have to know the answer, and in Math, how they got the answer.

The CTP4 was administered to all Academy 10th graders in the spring of 2005. The Academy students averaged **387** points on the CTP4 which would compare to a **90th percentile** on the CTP4 National norms. In other words, the Academy's average 10th grade student was at the 90th percentile nationally. The CTP4 also correlated very high (.80) with the ISAT. By using only the **longitudinal sample** of students who were in the 10th grade, their average (mean) was **413**, putting that score at the **98th percentile**. One major characteristic of the CTP4 was its more definitive skill breakdown.

The WrAP (writing test), in addition to being a performance based instrument, had other traits going for it. The New SAT was about to appear with a writing test component, and though the Direct Writing Test was available through the State of Idaho, the WrAP was a bit more associated with the New SAT - since both had a similar family history. The WrAP also had great instructional feedback. Another major reason for using the WrAP was to verify local student writing abilities. The 10th grade was chosen as the subject of this test since it would provide information about the writing quality of these students up to this point, and still allow time for any skill deficiencies to be resolved prior to graduation. Also, the essays involved in the 10th grade WrAP test were focused on Persuasive essays - the kind that would be used in the New SAT.

The WrAP was designed to assess six domains of writing proficiency:

- Overall Development
- Organization
- Support
- Sentence Structure
- Word Choice
- Mechanics

With any test of writing ability, the key to useful results is reader reliability. One analysis of the data from the publisher's study of the fall 2002 WrAP results of 45,023 students tested in all levels showed reliability coefficients ranging from .93 to .95, and reader variance components of 0 to .00053. These data tend to indicate that the student's total score has almost nothing to do with which reader reads the paper, and nearly everything to do with the student's ability to write. The following shows the fall average (mean) norm data for **grade 10 WrAP students nationally**:

	<u>Suburban Schools</u>	<u>Independent (Private) Schools</u>
All Students	1089	1088
80th Percentile	1241	1307
90th Percentile	1368	1386

The Academy students obtained an average (mean) score of **1432** which would be at about the **95th percentile** for independent (private) school norms. Obviously, the Academy 10th grade students were scoring well above their Suburban or Independent school counterparts at a national level, based on the table above. Of the six domains tested by the WRAP, the 118 students from grade 10 through 12 received the higher level scores that ranged from **91% to 100% correct responses**.

In the longitudinal data from the TerraNova Performance Assessments in Communication Arts, very strong performances were noted in grades 9 and 10. The same thing was noted in the "Problem Solving" skills in the Math longitudinal skill areas that were very weak for these same students in the entry level grades. This was particularly evident from the 7th to the 10th grades. In general, the longitudinal data reflected strong and steady growth through the grades. It was apparent that this increase was related to the length of time these students attended the Charter Academy. What was becoming very clear was the impact on the test scores as a result of new students entering at various grade levels. This was another advantage to focusing on longitudinal data. New students coming into the Academy tended to have a detrimental impact on the resident group data, particularly in the early grades. However, many of these earlier lower scores were soon resolved, which was apparent in the total grade level data in the later grades.

In general, the longitudinal data gathered since 1999 on both multiple-choice item tests and performances assessment tests reflected strong and steady growth through the grades. It is even more apparent when this increase is related to the length of time these students attended the Charter Academy - the longer here, the higher the scores.

### College Admission Test Data

The current 11th grade class in the fall of 2007 is a group of 44 students with a fairly wide range of performance data. These data are part of the statistics reported in the areas above. However, they also are the most recent and one of the largest groups in the Academy to take the PSAT. Therefore, they are being used in some of the following data, particularly since they tend to reflect the basic characteristics of most classes that proceeded them.

The PSAT test is providing some very useful skill based data this year which is worth reporting. This may be out of the context of this document, but it does reflect typical Academy PSAT performance, and some new uses of this PSAT instrument. This 11th grade class has some impressive data - particularly when one examines the performance on items related to various academic skills tested. Listed below are the **average (mean) percentages of correct responses** for each one of the major content areas on the **PSAT for the 11th grade fall 2007 class**:

<u>Test Area</u>	<u>Academy</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>National</u>
Critical Reading	73	56	51
Writing	76	58	53
Math (MC)	74	60	53
Math (G-I)	61	46	40

The Math tests involve two item types. The multiple-choice (MC) test items and the grid-ins (G-I) which are not multiple-choice, but are open-ended response types. Note the difference between the percentage of correct responses for the two item types. In all cases, the Academy is performing at a much higher rate than the State or National data. However, there are three specific skill areas that are identified as being relatively low for the Academy - **even though they are well above the State and National data**. These are listed below:

- **Critical Reading:** Understanding difficult vocabulary. One approach to this, which is highly recommended, is to improve knowledge of root words to help determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.
- **Writing:** Understand the structure of long sentences, like breaking long sentences into smaller units of meaning; and also working on sentences with abstract ideas.
- **Math:** Recognize logical key words - words like "not", "possible", "at least", etc., words that determine the meaning of the question. Also, using logical reasoning - it may help to look at a problem from different perspectives, or solving problems that require you to justify your answer.

Since this type of skill information from the PSAT is new, it is difficult to know how common these skill deficiencies are, or have been in the past. However, they need to become a focus in any test-preparation activity involving future students.

A major score on the PSAT is the **Selection Index** - the PSAT score that is being used for the PSAT data in this document. This index is crucial in the selection of Nation Merit Scholars. This score is on a scale of from 60 to 240, and the average (mean) is approximately 147. Each State sets its own "cut" score for selecting National Merit Semifinalists. Idaho has used 204 to 208 in the past, but this can change. The table below shows the average (mean) of the Academy students in two of the most recent graduating classes. These data only deal with members of the longitudinal data set.

<u>Group</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Percentile</u>	<u>Percentage of Students above 90th Percentile</u>
Graduating Class of 2007	173	81	27
Graduating Class of 2008	175*	83	32

\*Five students were well within the range for National Merit Scholar consideration, with Selection Scores from 210 to 227.

The following are the correlation coefficients involving the PSAT, SAT, and ACT data:

PSAT and ACT scores	.83
PSAT and SAT Total	.83
PSAT and Grade Point Average	.68
SAT and Grade Point Average	.64
ACT and SAT Total	.78
ACT and Grade Point Average	.73

All the correlation coefficients are statistically significant. Note the lowest are dealing with the PSAT/SAT and Grade Point Average - which could possibly relate to the fact that GPA is proving to be a better predictor of college performance.

In the four-year longitudinal sample, 32% of the students took the ACT. **The average (mean) ACT score was 28, which is at the 93rd national percentile.** The standard deviation is only

3.9, so the distribution is relatively tight. The average (mean) composite score for the State of Idaho for 2007 is **21.4** (about the 58th national percentile). The highest state average for the ACT composite score is Massachusetts with **23.5** (about the 72nd national percentile).

Also in this four-year longitudinal group, 76% took the SAT. There was a total of 800 points on the Verbal and 800 points on the Math subtest, for a total SAT score of 1600 points. **Note that the SAT data for the longitudinal studies are based on only the Verbal and Math parts of the SAT, where the total score is 1600. This has to be done to accommodate the longitudinal data. In 2006, the SAT included the Writing test, which increased the total test score to 2400. As a result, SAT results in this document will be based on the traditional Verbal and Math scores and will not include the new Writing part of the SAT. So these data will be based on a 1600 max score, not the new 2400 score with the Writing component.** The Academy students in the longitudinal group scored an average of **612 on Verbal**, which is equivalent to about the **80th percentile**. The Academy average for **Math was 612** which is at about the **77th percentile**. The Academy total on the SAT was **1224**, which is at the **80th percentile**. This is not unusual for the Academy, for almost all yearly totals for the SAT have average (mean) scores at or above 1200.

The primary mission of the SAT is to be "selective" (the definition of that word in this context goes beyond the scope of this document), and to predict freshman college grades (which it does poorly). However, in light of all that, it does appear to measure two things relatively well: how test-wise students are in taking multiple-choice test items, and also critical thinking skills. It is apparent that at least most of the students in the Academy have either inherited or acquired a working level of critical thinking skills – and this will be to their advantage in the future.

In summary, most of the students in the Academy are performing very well. That does not mean that there are some students who may not be performing as well as they should, but the vast majority are scoring extremely well on various assessment instruments. One key to all of this seems to be how long the students are in the Academy. The longer, the better, in terms of test scores. Another reason is obviously the quality of the educational process.

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