

2027 Renewal Cohort

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Statutory Framework for Renewal

§ 115C-218.6.

G.S. 115C-218.6 requires the Review Board to:

- Review each charter school before its charter expires to determine whether it meets expected academic, financial, and governance standards.
- Renew the charter for 10 years unless one or more of the following conditions applies:
 - The school has not provided financially sound audits for the immediately preceding three years.
 - Student academic outcomes have not been comparable to those of the local school administrative unit for the immediately preceding three years.
 - The school is not substantially in compliance with applicable laws, its bylaws, or its charter.
- Approve a shorter renewal term or not renew the charter when one or more of these conditions applies.

State Board Policy CHTR-007

Charter School Renewal Process

A. Process for Renewal

Section 1

Office of Charter Schools Actions

Evaluation of compliance, academic performance, and administrative requirements.

Section 2

Department of Public Instruction Portfolio

Compilation of multi-year operational, financial, and educational outcomes data.

B. Guidelines for Decisions

- **10 Years**
- **7 Years**
- **5 Years**
- **3 Years**
- **Non-Renewal or Assumption**

Renewal Process + Timeline

Renewal Process Timeline

INITIATION & PREPARATION (2025)

01 • JULY 2025

Begin Renewal Process

OCS sent notification to schools with Charter Agreements that end June 30, 2025. All Schools Sent Requests to enter the renewal process.

02 • AUG – OCT 2025

Renewal Training

OCS conducted Renewal Process Training for school leaders. Q1 Compliance Team Meeting was held with all DPI divisions to discuss Renewal schools.

03 • NOVEMBER 2025

Renewal Self-Study

Schools completed and submitted the Renewal Self-Study as required by 16 NCAC 06G.0507, evaluating school commitment and mission.

SITE VISITS & PORTFOLIO (2025–2026)

04 • DECEMBER 2025

Renewal Fee

Schools submitted the Renewal Fee of \$500, per NCGS 115C-218.1.(c). Additionally, OCS consultants worked with schools to schedule the upcoming Renewal Site Visits.

05 • JAN – MAY 2026

Renewal Site Visit

All renewal schools received a site visit from the OCS Renewals Team. Schools were sent feedback following the visits.

06 • SEP – OCT 2026

Final Data Collection

Once 2025-2026 accountability data is approved, OCS creates DPI Portfolios, makes Placements, and prepares schools for presentations.

REVIEW & EXECUTION (2026–2027)

07 • NOV – DEC 2026

Presentations to CSRB

Review Board Renewal Discussions including OCS reports and school presentations. Non-qualifying 10-year renewal schools speak before the Review Board.

08 • JAN – FEB 2027

Voting on Renewal Terms

School Business presents on renewal schools' financial compliance/health. The Review Board votes on the final renewal terms for each school.

09 • MAR – JUNE 2027

Execute Charter Agreements

Schools receive, sign, notarize, and return agreements. State superintendent signs and final executed agreements are emailed to schools.

Renewal Site Visits

Visit Delivery

All schools received either an **in-person** or a **virtual** visit.

Pre-Site Report

Prior to the site visit, OCS completed a **Pre-Site Visit Report** for each renewal school.

Comprehensive review covered:

- Academics
- Self-Study
- Compliance

Focus Groups

All visits included interviews with **4 stakeholder groups**:

Families

Teachers & Support Staff

Administrators

Board Members

Feedback

Schools received post-visit feedback encompassing:

- **Required action items**
- **Glowing practices** from the visit
- **Considerations for growth**

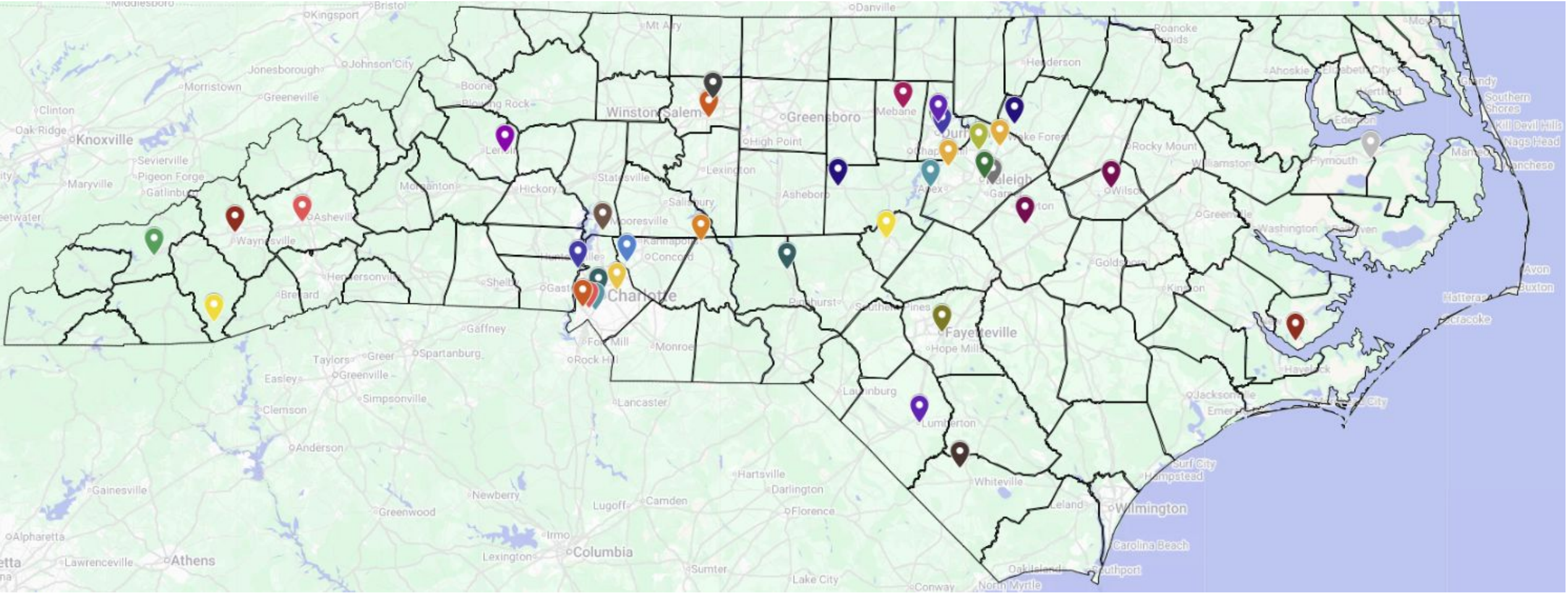
In the months following the site visits, OCS Consultants work with school leaders to ensure all required action items are completed.

2027 Renewal Cohort At A Glance

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#	School Name	#	School Name
11K	Francine Delany New School	61M	Charlotte Lab School
14B	Oak Hill Charter School	61N	TMSA Charlotte
19A	Chatham Charter	61Y	Steele Creek Preparatory Academy
24N	Classical Charter Schools of Whiteville	62A	Tillery Charter Academy
26C	The Capitol Encore Academy	62J	Southwest Charlotte STEM Academy
32A	Maureen Joy Charter	62P	Movement School Southwest
32K	Central Park School for Children	68A	Eno River Academy
32L	Voyager Academy	69A	Arapahoe Charter School
32S	KIPP Durham College Preparatory	78A	CIS Academy
34B	Quality Education Academy	84B	Gray Stone Day School
34D	Carter G. Woodson School	87A	Mountain Discovery Charter School
35B	Youngsville Academy	92B	The Exploris School
36C	Mountain Island Charter	92D	Magellan Charter
44A	Shining Rock Classical Academy: CFA	92E	Sterling Montessori Academy
49E	Pine Lake Preparatory	92M	PreEminent Charter School
50A	Summit Charter	92R	Casa Esperanza Montessori
51C	American Leadership Academy Johnston	93Y	TMSA Apex
53D	Central Carolina Academy Charter	94A	Pocosin Innovative Charter
60L	KIPP: Charlotte	98A	Sallie B Howard School

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Renewal Placements

- OCS assigns each school a preliminary renewal placement, based primarily on academic performance and the guidelines in CHTR-007.
- The Review Board determines the final renewal term after considering the statute, policy guidelines, DPI portfolio, and school interview.

DPI Renewal Portfolio

The Office of Charter Schools will prepare a DPI Portfolio for the Review Board to consider as they make their Renewal Decision. The following items will be included in the portfolio:

- School Data Sheet
- Renewal Self-Study
- Renewal Site Visit Feedback
- Performance Framework Results
- Letters of Non-Compliance (if applicable)

<SCHOOL NAME> <Number>

Board Input: School Data Sheet

Current Three-Year Data Included

- Enrollment and grades served
- Academic performance and growth
- School-to-LEA comparability
- Subgroup comparisons
- Low-performing status
- Charter history and completion of renewal requirements

Board Input Requested

What additional data, comparison, or context would help you determine the appropriate renewal term for each school?

School Information	
Grades Served	Comparable LEA

Enrollment – Final ADM		
2023 – 2024	2024 – 2025	2025 – 2026

Historical Charter Agreements		
Year	Charter Length	Start - End

Renewal Requirements		
Letter of Request to Renew	Renewal Self-Study	Renewal Site Visit

Academic Performance								
2023 - 2024			2024 - 2025			2025 - 2026		
SPG	GLP	Growth	SPG	GLP	Growth	SPG	GLP	Growth

Low-Performing Status		
2023 – 2024	2024 – 2025	2025 – 2026

Academic Comparability to LEA, Percent Level 3 and Above (GLP)								
2023 - 2024			2024 - 2025			2025 - 2026		
School	LEA	Comparison	School	LEA	Comparison	School	LEA	Comparison

Subgroup Comparability to LEA, Percent Level 3 and Above (GLP)									
Subgroup	2023 - 2024			2024 - 2025			2025 - 2026		
	School	LEA	Comparison	School	LEA	Comparison	School	LEA	Comparison
American Indian									
Asian									
Black									
Economically Disadvantaged									
English Learners									
Hispanic									
Students with Disabilities									
Two or More Races									
White									

CHTR 007 - The term "Comparable" is defined as a proficiency score that is no less than 5 points of the local school administrative unit's Composite score based on the EOG/EOC courses offered.
The minimum number of scores needed to report data is 10. If the data contains less than 10 scores/students the data is masked or not provided.
Performance results greater than 95 percent are masked as >95 and results less than 5 percent are masked as <5.

Presentations

November 2026

Interviews With

- 3-Year Preliminary Placements

December 2026

Interviews With

- Remaining Renewal Schools

OCS will Present Data on 10-year preliminary placements

January/February 2027

Any Remaining Interviews

School Business Presentation

Voting on Final Renewal Terms

Questions?

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