



MEMORANDUM

To: School Board Members
Sarasota County Public Schools

From: Dr. Natalie Roca, Executive Director
Division of Integrated Instructional Services

Charter Review Committee Members

Date: September 11, 2015

Re: 2015-16 Charter School Application Review Preliminary Findings

On August 3, 2015 the district received one application for a new charter school, The North Port Collegiate Military Academy (NPCMA), to open in the fall of 2016. The district Charter Review Committee (CRC) used the *Florida Charter School Application Evaluation Instrument* to evaluate the application for compliance with state statutes and its evidence of meeting standards necessary for the operation of a high quality charter school. An electronic and copy of the original application were made available to you a few weeks ago.

The attached *Preliminary Ratings* chart and the *CRC Analysis and Initial Findings, September 11, 2015* report for NPCMA reflects the CRC's preliminary findings and ratings reflective of the extent to which the CRC believes the standards have been met in the application. Hopefully, this review will be helpful to you as you prepare for your Work Session with the NPCMA Founding Board members next Tuesday, September 15, 2015. The applicant and founding members of the proposed school are aware that the School Board will have questions that they may be called upon to address. In addition to the School Board Work Session, the applicant will have the opportunity to clarify information in their application based upon the CRC's specific questions and submit their written response to the CRC on September 18, 2015.

On September 29, 2015, the NPCMA applicant and founding members are invited to a final clarification interview with the CRC to discuss any unresolved issues and to corroborate the information in the application. Final evaluation ratings will be determined at that time. The charter school application is scheduled for the October 20, 2015 School Board meeting at which time the Board will take action to approve or deny the application.

Please feel free to call on me if there is anything I can do to assist.

Attachments

cc: Lori White, Superintendent, Sarasota County Schools
Katrina Ward, Supervisor, School Choice & Charter Schools
Charter Review Committee Members

**Sarasota County Public Schools
2015-2016 Charter School Application Process
Charter Review Committee (CRC) Ratings**

Applicant: North Port Collegiate Military Academy

Charter School Application Section	Preliminary CRC Rating
Educational Plan	0% Meets 37.5% Partially Meets 62.5% Does Not Meet
1. Mission, Guiding Principles and Purpose	Partially Meets
2. Target Population and Student Body	Partially Meets
3. Educational Program Design	Does Not Meet
4. Curriculum Plan	Does Not Meet
5. Student Performance, Assessment and Evaluation	Does Not Meet
6. Exceptional Students	Does Not Meet
7. English Language Learners	Does Not Meet
8. School Climate and Discipline	Partially Meets
Organizational Plan	0% Meets 100% Partially Meets 0% Does Not Meet
9. Governance	Partially Meets
10. Management	Partially Meets
11. Education Service Providers	Not Applicable
12. Human Resources & Employment	Partially Meets
13. Student Recruitment and Enrollment	Partially Meets
Business Plan	17% Meets 83% Partially Meets 0% Does Not Meet
14. Facilities	Partially Meets
15. Transportation Service	Partially Meets
16. Food Service	Meets
17. Budget	Partially Meets
18. Financial Management and Oversight	Partially Meets
19. Action Plan	Partially Meets
Initial Ratings Summary – All Standards (1-19) (excludes Standard 11)	5.5% Meets 66.6% Partially Meets 27.7% Does Not Meet

Note: These are not considered the final ratings. Preliminary ratings are solely based on CRC's review of the written charter application submitted on August 3, 2015. The "CRC Analysis and Initial Findings – North Port Collegiate Military Academy Charter Application" report dated September 11, 2015 provides the CRC's analysis and findings.

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