

NCDPI Office of Charter Schools

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Please share these updates with appropriate staff at your school.

NCDPI Office of Charter Schools Updates

Training Opportunity for New Board Members, School Leaders

Board members from charter schools that are opening in 2016 are required to attend five face-to-face planning year sessions from September to January. The school leader and some of the board members are also required to attend the New Charter School Leaders Institute in June.

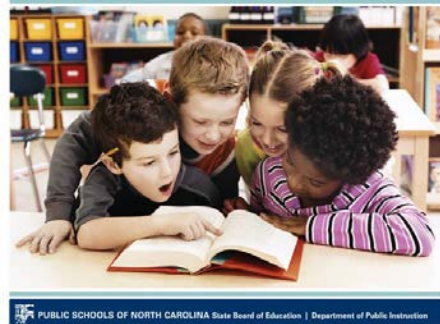
In order to provide opportunities for new school leaders at existing charter schools to benefit from this same training, the Office of Charter Schools is now opening up these sessions to all charter schools. If you have a new school leader and/or a new board member interested in attending any of the sessions, he or she must register to attend.

The next Planning Year session is scheduled for Wednesday, January 27th. The topic is *Planning for Day One and Beyond*. Registration for this session ends on Sunday, January 17th.

Please register using this link - [Planning Year Registration Link](#)

Please direct questions to Kebbler Williams at
kebbler.williams@dpi.nc.gov

Office of Charter Schools



Upcoming Events

January 6 – 7, 2016

State Board of Education
Meeting

January 11 – 12, 2016

Charter Schools Advisory
Board Meeting

Important Announcement

**The NCDPI Charter
Schools Newsletter will
not be distributed next
week.**

**Happy Holidays to
Everyone!!**

NC Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) Updates

New Educator Effectiveness Online Professional Development Opportunity!!

The NCDPI Educator Effectiveness section is excited to offer districts and charter schools the opportunity to participate in a new online professional development opportunity. To participate please register by January 15, 2016 using the following [link](#).

Attachment: [New On-Line PD Opportunity Memo](#)

NCDPI Web Highlights

[Superintendents' Weekly Message](#)

[Principals' Biweekly Message](#)

[NCDPI Important Website Information](#)

Grade Conversion - Letter Grades to Numeric Grades in PowerSchool (if using 10-point scale)

Charter schools are not required to use a 10-point grading scale, but may choose to do so.

The attached document outlines how grades should be coded *if your school chooses to adopt* the 10-point grading scale. Please contact Sneha Shah Coltrane with questions or concerns at sneha.shahcoltrane@dpi.nc.gov.

Attachment: [Conversion Memo 2015](#)

Language Instructional Education Program (LIEP) Report – Due December 18, 2015!!

In order to meet statutory requirements associated with federal funding for Limited English Proficient (LEP) students Title III subgrantees and non-subgrantees in local agencies and charter schools who have these students must complete the NC LIEP Services Chart. 119 Charters have identified one or more LEP students.

Title III Subgrantees must complete the chart as part of the Title III Application process. Non-subgrantees must complete the chart (word format) and submit to ivanna.anderson@dpi.nc.gov via email by **December 18, 2015**. Please see the attached documents to help facilitate this process.

Attachments: [2015-16 LIEP Guidance](#)

[Non-Title III Subgrantee Guidance Webinar](#)

[Non-Title III Subgrantee Guidance PowerPoint](#)

[Sample Low Incidence and Charter LIEP Plans](#)

[Review Checklist](#)

[Charter LEP Coordinator Wiki](#)

[LEP Coordinator Wiki](#)

Other News

BB & T Capital Markets Blackboard December/Winter Publication

BB & T often releases finance newsletters for charter schools. You can access the BB&T quarterly publication and subscribe to their newsletter should you desire to receive future information.

Attachment: [BB & T Capital Markets Quarterly Newsletter](#)

Annual Immunization Reporting

The North Carolina Immunization Branch needs all charter schools to complete the annual **Immunization and Kindergarten Health Assessment Compliance Report** required by statute. The report was due by November 1, 2015. Please verify with Amanda Bakovic at amanda.bakovic@dhhs.nc.gov that your school has submitted the report.

An extension was granted to complete the statutory reporting requirement by **December 16, 2015**. If you have not completed the report, please do so immediately. The instructions and link for the immunization report is available at http://www.immunize.nc.gov/schools/air_k-12.htm.

Questions and concerns can be emailed to amanda.bakovic@dhhs.nc.gov. Please include the LEA number and address of your school in your email.