

2015 FAST TRACK APPLICATION TIMELINE

Timeframe	Actions	Description of events
March 16- April 1 Open window	Submit prequalification Potential Applicant to Register for NCIS https://ncid.nc.gov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Prequalification's submissions completed • Prequalification will not be accepted after April 1.
April 1-April 30	OCS Eligibility Review Applicant can start application process upon approval of prequalification.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OCS will notify eligible schools. (Must be a current nonprofit corporation who holds a charter to operate a public charter school that is both financially and academically successful for the past three years.) • Must have unqualified audits without fiscal compliance issues for three preceding years and No warning letters from DPI. (All applications that are found ineligible will be stopped and not move forward.)
July 1 by 5:00PM (Eastern Standard Time) Non-refundable fee may be submitted with completed application on or before.	Application and fee are due for all applicants Form will be posted on the OCS website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed application for replication submitted electronically (Must address the special or unique needs of the proposed students and community) • \$1,000 non-refundable fee to the OCS (may submit up to 2 applications per cycle, each assessed of its own merits and be tailored to identified population or targeted locale.)
July	OCS Reviews with external evaluators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OCS review & Evaluate and • Recommend to CSAB. • Reject incomplete and late submissions • Evaluate academic an financial plan for related educational need • The nonprofit board's

		organizational capacity to expand its portfolio by a thorough review of the board's operation and governance model
August	CSAB committee reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OCS conference call to CSAB committees review and evaluate each application for replication and move towards interview by the CSAB.
September-Interviews	CSAB Interviews and recommends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full CSAB interviews qualified candidates recommended by the committees. • Interview with the proposed BOD will be a 45 minute time frame. • CSAB will deliberate following the interview • Recommendation made
October	CSAB Recommendations forwarded to SBE	SBE Review
November 5	SBE Decision	SBE makes final decision.
Fall 2016	New Replicated School Starts	Approved Schools open next academic year (foregoing planning year)