

**2020 Charter Application Timeline
Adopted ---- by the State Board of Education**

<p>May 25, 2020</p>	<p><u>2020 Application accessible to new applicant groups (Acceleration/Fast-track schools opening 2021 and Regular Timeline schools opening 2022)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application documents posted on Office of Charter Schools (OCS) website. •
<p>July 24, 2020</p>	<p align="center">***<u>ALL ONLINE APPLICATIONS ARE DUE</u>***</p> <p><u>Fast-track and Acceleration (2021 school opening) online applications are due by 5:00 PM Eastern Standard Time</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-refundable \$1,000 application fee and Application Fee Payment Form must have been received by the Office of Charter Schools by this date and time. • An application submitted without the non-refundable fee or submitted after 5:00 PM EST will <u>not</u> be considered. <p><u>Regular Timeline (2022 school opening) online applications are due at 5:00 PM Eastern Standard Time</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-refundable \$1,000 application fee and Application Fee Payment Form must have been received by the Office of Charter Schools by this date and time. • An application submitted without the non-refundable fee or submitted after 5:00 PM EST will <u>not</u> be considered.

<p>August – October 2020</p>	<p>CSAB Committee Review / Full CSAB Board Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All information from the Initial Application Review (external comments plus the responses from the applicants; and completed evaluation rubrics) submitted to the CSAB committees. • CSAB committee members discuss each application in-depth. • Staff presents the information from the initial review, answers questions. <p><i>Fast-track Replication and Acceleration applications will receive a priority review. CSAB will proceed to Regular Timeline applicants in order of the date of receipt and signed check-off of all requirements. Notice will be sent to all applicants of final check-off.</i></p>
<p>September - October 2020</p>	<p>CSAB Committee Review / Full CSAB Board Review Continue Round One Interviews for Fast-track and Acceleration Begin*</p> <p><i>Fast-track Replication and Acceleration applications will receive a priority review. Applicants will be notified of their status at the conclusion of Round One interviews.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview – for each applicant, members of the Board of Directors (BOD) for the proposed school make themselves available to address questions/concerns posed by CSAB. • CSAB conducts in-depth one-hour interviews of each invited applicant BOD before the full CSAB (Round One Interviews). • The full CSAB deliberates following each applicant interview with three recommendation options: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CSAB forwards recommendation for approval to SBE 2. CSAB advances application to Round Two interview 3. CSAB denies application • Applicant receives official written notification (<i>via the online application system</i>) of the CSAB recommendation. • Fast-track recommendations are forwarded to SBE for final approval. <p><i>* Fast-track applications will be prioritized based on statutory deadlines.</i></p>

	<p><i>Decisions by the State Board of Education on whether to grant a charter through the replication process are completed in less than 120 days from the application submission date. The State Board shall provide a decision no later than October 15 of the year immediately preceding the year of the proposed school opening. GS § 115C-218.3.</i></p>
<p>November 2020</p>	<p>Full CSAB Board Reviews Continue Round One Acceleration Interviews Continue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSAB Fast-track Applicant Recommendations forwarded to the SBE for discussion and decision at its October 2020 meeting. • CSAB reviews Regular Timeline Applicants. • Round Two Interviews scheduled based on the number of applications.
<p>December 2020</p>	<p>CSAB Round One Interviews for Regular Timeline Applicants Begin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview – for each applicant, members of the Board of Directors (BOD) for the proposed school make themselves available to address questions/concerns posed by CSAB. • CSAB conducts in-depth one-hour interviews of each invited applicant BOD before the full CSAB (Round One Interviews). • The full CSAB deliberates following each applicant interview with three recommendation options: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CSAB forwards recommendation for approval to SBE 2. CSAB advances application to Round Two interview 3. CSAB denies application • Applicant receives official written notification (<i>via the online application system</i>) of the CSAB recommendation.
<p>January 2021</p>	<p>CSAB Round Two Interviews</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The full CSAB deliberates following each applicant interview with two recommendation options: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CSAB forwards recommendation for approval to SBE 2. CSAB denies application

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant receives official written notification (<i>via the online application system</i>) of the CSAB recommendation. • CSAB recommendations for Acceleration (if applicable) and Regular Timeline applicants are forwarded to SBE for discussion at its February 2021 meeting. <p>*Acceleration applicants and Regular TimeLine applicants may advance through this process.</p>
February 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SBE considers CSAB recommendations for each acceleration applicant opening in 2021-22 and may grant approval of the charter contingent upon successful completion of the Planning Year (also known as “Ready to Open” Process). • CSAB Continues Interviews as necessary
March 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SBE votes on Accelerated Timeline applicants. • CSAB makes recommendations to SBE for consideration in the April SBE meeting of all regular applicants
April 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SBE considers all regular applicants forwarded by CSAB • CSAB reconsiders SBE initially denied applications. • CSAB forwards reconsidered recommendations to SBE. • SBE votes for final decisions from reconsiderations from CSAB.
May – June 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SBE votes on all regular applicants • CSAB reconsiders SBE initially denied applications. • CSAB forwards reconsidered recommendations to SBE. • SBE votes for final decisions from reconsiderations from CSAB.

Tentative Application Training Schedule (all Virtual at present)

- Wednesday, June 13th**
- Wednesday, June 20th**
- Wednesday, June 27th**