

**What is a charter?** A charter school is an independently run public school granted greater flexibility in its operations, in return for greater accountability for performance. The "charter" establishing each school is a performance contract detailing the school's mission, program, students served, performance goals, and methods of assessment.

The GLOBE Academy <u>charter</u> outlines the goals of our school and the milestones that we will reach on an annual basis as well as where our school should be at the five-year point.

You can also find general charter renewal information provided at our renewal stakeholder engagement session in Feb 2017 here.

Why do charters need to be renewed? The charter renewal process offers an opportunity for the county to assess if we are still in line with our charter promises and for us to provide an update on where our school is at in our progress.

**How long is our current charter good through and how long will the next charter last for?** Our current charter is good through the end of the 2017/2018 school year. The goal is to have GLOBE's charter renewed for an additional five years beginning 2018/2019 school year.

If our charter isn't up until the end of next year, why are we starting the process for renewal now? The charter renewal process needs to be submitted one year prior to when the current charter ends. Our renewal application was submitted on August. 7, 2017 to the county. We will be interviewed by the county board of education in the fall and a decision will follow. Our application will then move forward to the state of Georgia for consideration. We anticipate a final response on our charter renewal in Spring 2018.

Who is on our charter renewal committee? Our charter renewal committee consists of board members, administration, faculty and select parents. This committee has worked diligently to gather the documentation and information needed to file the charter renewal and will continue to lead us through this process and keep us updated.

The renewal committee includes.

- Board members: Sharon Camara (Chair), Anita Patel
- School Admin/Staff: Christi Elliott-Earby, Judy Limor, Susan Malloway, Sandra Daniel, Denise Clayton-Purvis, Susan Mellage
- Parent representatives: Namita Agravat (Vice Chair), Gil Hearn
- · Additional input is also being provided by board committees and GLOBE staff as needed

When will we file the renewal documents? We expect to file our charter renewal by the expected August 2017 due date.

What are examples of core elements that we need to report out on as part of renewal? The following are examples of criteria that we will be reporting on:

- Progress against original charter goals
- Changes implemented compared to what was described in the current charter Plans for the next five years

Who can I contact for more information about The GLOBE Academy's charter? Questions can be directed to Sharon Camara at scamara.globe@gmail.com