

ATTACHMENT

Commissioner of Education's Generation 20 Open-Enrollment Charter Proposals

Texas Education Code (TEC) 12.101, amended in the 83rd Texas Legislative Session, 2013, granted the Commissioner of Education (COE) the authority to award Open-Enrollment Charters to eligible entities that are considered both capable of carrying out the responsibilities of the charter and are likely to operate a school of high-quality. Pursuant to statute, the Commissioner must notify the State Board of Education (SBOE) of all approved charters.

This document provides the members of the SBOE an opportunity to review the commissioner's list of six proposed Subchapter D Open-Enrollment Charter Schools scheduled to open in school year 2016-2017. If awarded, the charters will have an initial five-year term with a July 31, 2021 contract end date.

The Commissioner has proposed the following charters for the Generation Twenty application cycle:

- A+ Unlimited Potential (Houston);
- Athlos Academy (Dallas/Fort Worth);
- Kaufmann Leadership Academy (Cleburne);
- Pioneer Technology & Arts Academy (Dallas/Fort Worth);
- The Lone Star Language Academy (Plano/Carrollton); and
- Trivium Academy (Collin/Denton County).

Note: *Athlos Academy (Dallas/Fort Worth)* - The original request for six campuses has been modified to limit the charter to a total of two campuses.

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Dear State Board of Education Members,

After a careful review of the Generation Twenty charter applications, applicant interview testimony, impact statements, staff recommendations, and input from State Board of Education members, I am pleased to propose the granting of the following six charters:

- A+ Unlimited Potential (Houston);
- Athlos Academy (Dallas/Fort Worth);
- Kaufmann Leadership Academy (Cleburne);
- Pioneer Technology & Arts Academy (Dallas/Fort Worth);
- The Lone Star Language Academy (Plano/Carrollton); and
- Trivium Academy (Collin/Denton County).

Pursuant to provisions outlined in Texas Education Code §12.101(b-0), please consider this your formal notification of the charters proposed for award.

Sincerely,



Michael Williams
Commissioner of Education

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