

## **CHARTER SCHOOL COMPLIANCE MONITORING 2021-2022**

Dear Charter School Governing Board President and Charter School Leaders:

As part of its oversight responsibility set forth in California Education Code § 47604.32, the LAUSD, through the Charter Schools Division (CSD), monitors each charter public school's compliance with applicable legal, charter, and policy requirements. The CSD's compliance oversight process encompasses three important actions by each charter school:

- (1) **School Administrator's Certification**: As the CSD continues its focus on ensuring that the well-being of students remains first and foremost, **by October 29, 2021**, (designed to be aligned with the six-week deadline for Child Abuse Mandated Reporter training) as part of the school's Q1 electronic submission of documents, we request that the school site administrator submit the attached certification confirming the school's implementation of safety measures at the beginning of the school year. This beginning of the year certification by the school administrator informs the governing board and supports the school in ensuring that critical organizational and management systems are in place as the school year begins, as these requirements greatly impact students, staff, and the public. **Please return the entire document with only the school administrator's columns completed, along with the administrator's signature no later than October 29, 2021.**
  
- (2) **Certification of Board Compliance Review**: As in previous years, and as part of the Governing Board's fulfillment of its fiduciary governance responsibility to ensure that the charter school complies with all applicable laws and other requirements, it is critical that the school's Governing Board periodically review, discuss, monitor, and modify, if necessary, the school's policies and systems for compliance with such requirements. **Please complete and sign the *final certification at the end of the attached document, Compliance Monitoring and Certification of Board Compliance Review 2021-2022*, and return the entire document, (including the administrator's certification from the first submission). Please include the relevant Board agenda(s) and minutes as evidence of the Governing Board's review of these items and submit to the Charter Schools Division via Dropbox no later than January 14, 2022.**

The CSD is very much aware and acknowledges that governing boards provide fiduciary oversight and hire a leader (or leaders) to execute day-to-day operations and appropriately delegated functions. Moreover, the charter school's governing board is the first line of charter school oversight. As part of the District's oversight process, this certification is intended to serve as a formal acknowledgement from charter school governing boards of their review and appropriate due diligence in these key areas as part of their own organizational oversight function. As stated in the *LAUSD Policy and Procedures for Charter Schools*, "While LAUSD is

responsible to provide oversight of its charter schools and the entities managing charter schools, the primary oversight of each charter school must first and foremost be performed by the charter school’s own governing board. The governing board of a charter school has an ongoing responsibility to oversee the operations of its charter school(s), ensuring that every charter school it oversees is providing a high-quality educational program for students enrolled, is successfully fulfilling the terms of their charter, is fiscally sound, and complies with applicable laws, regulations, and court orders.” This annual certification also provides charter governing boards an opportunity to confirm with their school leadership that systems are/remain in place to fulfill these critical requirements that impact students, staff, and the public.

- (3) Documentation of Compliance: As we have historically done, the CSD will review documentation of compliance with several key legal requirements as part of this year’s annual performance-based oversight visit to each charter school. To facilitate effective and efficient compliance review on the day of the visit, please adhere to the guidance provided in the *Annual Performance-Based Oversight Visit Preparation Guide 2021-2022* for the preparation of the school’s compliance documentation. Please ensure that this documentation is current, complete, and accurate. The “Supporting Documentation” column of the table in the attached *Compliance Monitoring and Certification of Board Compliance Review 2021-2022* may provide useful support and assistance in this endeavor.

We appreciate your continued collaboration and cooperation as we work together so that all youth achieve in healthy and safe environments. Should you have questions, please contact your assigned CSD administrator.

Best wishes,

José Cole-Gutiérrez

Director, Charter Schools Division **COMPLIANCE MONITORING AND  
CERTIFICATION OF BOARD COMPLIANCE REVIEW  
2021-2022**

School Name:	Ocean Charter School
Board President Name:	Laura Stoland
Charter Management Organization:	N/A
LAUSD Loc. Code:	5962

**INSTRUCTIONS:** This Compliance Monitoring and Certification Checklist needs to be submitted twice but both certifications must be completed on the same form.

**First submission** should be completed by checking each appropriate box (Compliant **OR** In Process) for items 1-23; school administrator needs sign and date the certification page and submitted all pages

no later than October 29, 2021 via Dropbox.

**Second submission** needs to be completed by checking each appropriate items 1-23 under the board certification column, Board Chair needs to sign the certification page and submit with supporting documentation such as the Board Agenda where item was discuss, Board Minutes and Board Agenda approving the minutes no later than January 14, 2022 via Dropbox.

**Note:** Checklist boxes cannot be left uncheck for any of the items unless you indicated Not Applicable (N/A). Compliance Certification with wet signatures must remain at the school site and be available for review upon request by the oversight team at any time.

Compliance Requirements*	Supporting Documentation	SCHOOL ADMIN		BOARD CERTIFICATION BY JANUARY 14, 2022
		COMPLIANT	REQUIREMENT IN PROCESS	
1. The charter school maintains timely and current verification of <b>criminal background and TB clearances</b> for all employees (including substitutes, part-time staff, and temporary employees) and contracting entities (service providers, vendors, and independent contractors). See, e.g., Ed. Code § 47605(b)(5)(F); Ed. Code §§ 45122.1 and 45125.1; Ed. Code § 49406; Ed. Code § 44237.  Submitted via the ESSA Grid by 10/29/21	Documentation that the school has at least one DOJ-confirmed Custodian of Records	X		
	Completed and signed "Certification of Clearances, Credentialing and Mandated Reporter Training 2021-2022" form	X		

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		COMPLIANT	REQUIREMENT IN PROCESS	
Submitted via the ESSA Grid by 10/29/21  Submitted via the ESSA Grid by 10/29/21	Completed and signed "Criminal Background Clearance Certification" for each faculty and staff member to certify criminal background clearance prior to employment.	X		
	Certification of timely DOJ and TB clearances by all contracting entities.	X		

	Documentation of compliance with applicable volunteer clearance requirements, including tuberculosis (TB) risk assessment/clearance requirements. Ed Code § 49406; Health & Safety Code §§ 121525, 121535, 121545, and 121555.	X		
2.	Teachers (including but not limited to English language arts, social studies, science, and mathematics) hold an EL Certification and a valid Commission on <b>Teacher Credentialing</b> Certificate, permit, or other documents equivalent to that which a teacher in other public schools would be required to hold per federal and state law, ESSA. See Ed. Code § 47605(l).  Submitted via the ESSA Grid by 10/29/21	For each certificated staff member: Credential(s) are appropriate for the position(s) to which the person has been assigned, and are in alignment with Ed. Code § 47605(l) and other applicable law	X	
		Master schedule that shows all assignment(s) of each certificated staff member.	X	
2a.	The administration and board have a system in place for reporting applicable employee misconduct to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing.	Internal human resources procedures	X	
3.	The Charter Schools Division has been provided with, and parents have access to, the school's most current <b>contact information</b> for each Governing Board member and the <b>2021-2022 Board meetings calendar</b> . See current <i>Federal, State, and District Required Language for Independent Charter School Petitions (New and Renewal) and Material Revisions (FSDRL)</i> .  Provided by Dropbox to LAUSD as of 10/29/21, for parents, the information is on the school's website	Accurate and updated school contact information	X	
		Accurate and updated list/roster of Governing Board members and contact information	X	
		Calendar of Governing Board meeting dates and location(s)	X	
4.	Charter school complies with the <b>pre- and post-lottery and enrollment forms</b> guidelines. See <i>Admissions Requirements and Materials</i> (August 2011). Provided by Dropbox to LAUSD by 1/14/22	Lottery form and enrollment packet	X	

<p>5. Charter school shall ensure that staff receives annual <b>training on the charter school's health, safety, and emergency procedures</b>, and shall maintain a calendar for, and conduct, emergency response drills for students and staff including, but not limited to:</p> <p>a. Health, Safety and Emergency Preparedness Plan (School Safety Plan) (see, e.g., Ed Code §§ 32280-32289)</p>	Comprehensive Health, Safety, and Emergency Plan	x		
	Documentation of emergency drills and preparedness training	x		
	Documentation of timely and compliant Child Abuse Mandated Reporter training	x		
	Documentation of annual Blood borne Pathogens training	x		
<p>b. Child Abuse Mandated Reporter training as outlined in Ed. Code § 44691; Penal Code § 11165.7</p> <p>c. Blood borne Pathogens training (see 8 CCR § 5193)</p> <p>d. Pupil Suicide Prevention Policy, as outlined in Ed. Code, § 215</p>	Documentation of Pupil Suicide Prevention Policy training	x		
	<p>6. <b>Co-location Charters only-</b> The school administrator and governing board acknowledges and understands that the independent charter school follows applicable District policy, including the District School Safety Plan, as a co-location school.</p> <p>Participation in District and site level co-location meetings</p> <p>Review of Policy Bulletin-5532.1</p> <p>Meeting with local district site principal for additional information and questions</p>	N/A		
<p>7. The charter school has either implemented the LAUSD <b>Master Plan for English Learners and Standard English Learners</b> or updated and implemented its own master plan in accordance with English Language Master Plan requirements. See current FSDRL and 2021-2022 Welcome Letter.</p>	EL Certification Form	x		
	EL Master Plan has been updated (if the school has not adopted the LAUSD EL Master Plan)	x		
<p>8. The charter school's school climate and student discipline systems and procedures align with LAUSD's <b>Discipline Foundation Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights</b>. See current FSDRL.</p>	Description of the school-wide student behavior and discipline system that aligns with Discipline Foundation Policy and School Climate Bill of Rights	x		

Submitted via the ESSA Grid by 10/29/21

Submitted via the ESSA Grid by 10/29/21

submitted to the LAUSD dropbox 10/25/21



Evidence of the tiered behavior intervention, alternatives to suspension, and school positive behavior support that the school provides

x

<p>9. Charter School shall maintain all data involving placement, tracking, and monitoring of student <b>suspensions, expulsions, and reinstatements</b>, and make such outcome data readily available to the LAUSD upon request. The charter school submits student suspension and expulsion data to the Office of Data and Accountability on a monthly basis. See current FSDRL.</p>	<p>Monthly suspension and expulsion reports</p>	<p>X</p>		
<p>Tracked in PowerSchool; submits data monthly</p>				
<p>10. Charter School ensures that any and all school <b>communications, including the Parent Student Handbook</b>, are consistent with the provisions of school's approved charter as well as applicable law (e.g., translation required in the target language if Charter School has 15% of more of Stakeholders who speak that language.)</p>	<p>Parent Student Handbook</p>	<p>X</p>		
<p>11. The charter school's occupancy and use of <b>facilities shall be in compliance</b> with applicable building codes, standards and regulations adopted by the city and/or county agencies responsible for building and safety standards, including but not limited to, the Americans with Disabilities Act. See 42 U.S.C.A. § 12182; Ed. Code § 47610; see also current FSDRL.</p>	<p>Current and appropriate Certificate of Occupancy or equivalent; documentation of compliance with fire-life-safety requirements; other required documentation (for any school site not located on District property)</p>	<p>X</p>		
<p>12. The charter school complies with all <b>federal and state laws related to public entities</b>, including, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ralph M. Brown Act, Gov. Code §§ 54950, et seq.</li> <li>• Political Reform Act of 1974, Gov. Code §§ 81000, et seq.</li> <li>• California Public Records Act, Gov. Code § 6250, et seq.</li> <li>• Conflicts of Interest, Gov. Code § 1090.</li> </ul> <p>See current FSDRL.</p>	<p>Board meeting agendas and minutes for the past 12 months</p>	<p>X</p>		
	<p>Verification of compliant public posting of Board agendas, including on the school website</p>	<p>X</p>		
	<p>Evidence of Brown Act training</p>	<p>X</p>		
	<p>Forms 700</p>	<p>X</p>		
	<p>School policy for responding to Public Records Act requests</p>	<p>X</p>		

<p>13. The charter school ensures that its <b>Articles of Incorporation</b> are current and appropriate for the operation of the charter school.</p>	<p>Corporate papers, including any and all Articles of Incorporation (initial documents and any subsequent amendments), for entities affiliated with the charter school</p>	<p>x</p>		
<p>14. <b>By-laws</b> are current and consistent with approved charter, Governing Board-approved, and signed by the Governing Board secretary.</p>	<p>Current and signed Board-approved bylaws</p>	<p>x</p>		
<p>15. The charter school meets the provisions of eligibility and/or is a participant of state and <b>federal programs and/or grants</b>, which may include but not limited to, the following: Title I, II, III, and other programs, child nutrition programs, Proposition 20 – State Lottery (e.g., Gov. Code § 8880.4), Education Protection Act (Proposition 30), Special Education (Ed. Code § 56000, et seq.), Ed. Code § 47614.5, and all other federal and state programs in which the charter school participates.</p>	<p>{See “Fiscal Review” in the <i>Annual Performance-Based Oversight Visit Preparation Guide</i> for list of documentation to be provided to the CSD Fiscal Team]</p>	<p>x</p>		
<p>16. The charter school implements Uniform Complaint Procedure (UCP) policies and procedures with appropriate corresponding forms and documents, readily available to stakeholders at the school site and on the school’s website, that are compliant with federal and state requirements., See, e.g., guidance provided at <a href="http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/cp/uc/">http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/cp/uc/</a></p>	<p>The governing board has reviewed the school’s:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UCP policies</li> <li>• UCP procedures</li> <li>• UCP forms</li> </ul>	<p>x</p>		
<p>17. The charter school, as a recipient of federal reimbursement for the National School Lunch/Breakfast program and/or as a school on District property, has adopted a <b>Local School Wellness Policy</b>. See 42 U.S.C.A. § 1751, et seq.; 42 U.S.C.A. § 1771, et seq.</p> <p>Note: Even if the charter school is not participating in the National School Lunch or Breakfast program, and is not located on District property, development and adoption of an equivalent Wellness Policy likely would benefit the school and its students.</p>	<p>Local School Wellness Policy, including evidence of stakeholder input in the development of the policy and annual progress report</p> <p><b>Wellness Policy is available to all at <a href="http://oceanscs.org/lunch-program/">oceanscs.org/lunch-program/</a></b></p>	<p>x</p>		



<p>18. The governing board oversees the development of and approves/adopts the <b>stakeholder engagement</b> process, goals, actions, measurable outcomes, and expenditures in the school's <b>Learning Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)</b> and annual update in consultation with teachers, staff, administrators, parents, and students. See Ed. Code § 47606.5.</p>	<p>Documentation of stakeholder engagement, including Board Meeting Agendas, Board Minutes, LCAP, and related documents (e.g., Annual Update, and Budget Overview for Parents).</p>	<p>Board approved revised LCAP in December 2021; submitted to LAUSD and LACOE in December 2021</p>		
<p>19. The charter school ensures compliance with the LAUSD's <b>Keeping Parents Informed: Charter Public School Transparency Resolution</b> of January 12, 2016, which includes documents available both manually and electronically, and if the charter school occupies a building on the AB300 list (seismic safety survey), it has posted a notice of such status in its main office. Ed. Code §§ 17280 to 17317.</p>	<p>Documentation of discussion by the Governing Board including Board Meeting Agendas and Board Minutes and review that documentation is available both manually and electronically</p>	<p>x</p>		
<p>20. The charter school ensures that it is in compliance with all applicable state law regarding students experiencing homelessness and foster youth, including but not limited to the provisions of Ed. Code §§ 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2 and 48850, as amended from time to time.</p>	<p>Documentation of compliance with the requirements, which may include but is not limited to, the name of the charter school's designee and the partial credit policy, if applicable</p>	<p>x</p>		
<p>21. <b>Schools Serving Grade 9 only:</b> The charter school complies with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code § 51224.7.</p>	<p>Documentation of the adoption of the charter school's established policy in compliance with Education Code section 51224.7, including the Board Meeting Agendas and Board Minutes</p>	<p>N/A</p>		

<p>22. The charter school complies with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code, § 215: Pupil Suicide Prevention Policies. (Schools serving Grades 7-12). If the charter school is co-located on District property (Prop 39), the charter school must comply with the District's policy (BUL: 2637.4 <i>Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention</i>) and must access training via the District's website through MyPLN.</p>	<p>Documentation of the adoption of the charter school's policy as outlined in Ed. Code, § 215, including the Board Meeting Agendas and Board Minutes</p>	<p>x</p>		
<p>23. <b>For High Schools Only:</b> The charter school has obtained WASC accreditation and UCOP Doorways Course Approval.</p>	<p>Charter school approvals are listed on the WASC website and UCOP Doorways website</p>	<p>N/A</p>		
<p>24. The charter school complies with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code §§ 231.5 and 231.6 regarding sexual harassment notifications (Schools serving Grades 9-12).</p>	<p>Verification of pupils being notified in accordance with applicable legal requirements (Ed. Code §§ 231.5 and 231.6), displaying a poster in bathrooms and locker rooms at the schoolsite.</p>	<p>x</p>		
<p>25. Charter school must comply with all online posting requirements related to the filing of a Title IX complaint pursuant to Education Code section 221.61.</p>	<p>Documentation of the charter school's online posting(s) containing all the required information set forth in Education Code section 221.61.</p>	<p>x</p>		
<p>26. Charter school must comply with all Title IX federal requirements including the adoption and publishing of grievance procedures. These procedures are intended to provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of student and employee complaints set forth in 34 C.F.R. § 106.8.</p>	<p>Documentation of the charter school's adoption and publishing of its grievance procedures including the Board Meeting Agenda(s) and Board Minute(s).</p>	<p>x</p>		

<p>27. The charter school complies with all applicable requirements of Ed. Code § 56040.3 pertaining to school-purchased technology devices for individuals with exceptional needs.</p>	<p>Documentation of compliance with the requirements, which may include but is not limited to, how students were provided access to devices in order to receive a free appropriate public education.</p>	<p>x</p>		
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**CERTIFICATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S COMPLIANCE REVIEW**  
**(By Friday, October 29, 2021)**

<b>The undersigned hereby certifies that,</b>		<b>the School Administrator</b>
<b>on</b> 10/29/21		<b>of</b>

Ocean Charter School

10/29/21  
Date(s)

Ocean Charter School  
Name of Charter School

**reviewed the school's compliance with legal, charter, and District policy requirements.**

Stephanie Edwards



10/29/21

**Printed Name of School Administrator**

**Signature of School Administrator**

**Date Signed**

# CERTIFICATION OF BOARD COMPLIANCE REVIEW

(By Friday, January 14, 2022)

The undersigned hereby certifies that,  
on

, the Governing Board of

Date(s)

Name of Charter School

reviewed the school's compliance with legal, charter, and District policy requirements.

This certification includes the following relevant documentation:

Board Agenda where item was discussed

Board Minutes

Board Agenda Approving the Minutes

Printed Name of Governing Board  
Chair

Signature of Governing Board Chair

Date Signed