

California Department of Education
Fiscal Year 2014- 15
Nonclassroom-Based Funding Determination - Mitigating Circumstances Summary Sheet

A. Charter Information

Charter School:	Coronado Pathways Charter School	Charter No.:	1421
Years in operation:	2013-2014, 2014-2015	CDS Code:	37-68031-0126110

B. Nonclassroom-Based Funding Determination

1. (Check One) Requested Funding Determination	Certificated Staff to Total Public Revenues Ratio	Instruction and Related Services to Total Revenues Ratio	Pupil to Teacher Ratio
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(3)]	= or > 40%	= or > 80%	< 25 : 1 by Grade Span
<input type="checkbox"/> 85% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(2)]	= or > 40%	= or > 70%	Not Applicable
<input type="checkbox"/> 70% Funding [5 CCR, Sec. 11963.4 (a)(1)]	= or > 35%	= or > 60%	Not Applicable

2. Charter School's Ratios (source: Form FDF)

	Certificated Staff Costs to Total Public Revenues Ratio	Instruction and Instruction Related Services Costs to Total Revenues Ratio	
Enter the charter school's calculated ratios from the FDF:	151.01%	62.95%	

If the charter school does not meet the funding determination criteria, review Section C, complete Section D and E, sign, and attach any supporting documentation.

C. Regulations

California *Code of Regulations*, Title 5 (5 CCR), Sec. 11963.4(e): A reasonable basis for the ACCS to make a recommendation other than one that results from the criteria specified in subdivision (a) may include, but not be limited to, the following: the information provided by the charter school (FDF) pursuant to paragraphs (2) through (8), inclusive, of subdivision (b) of section 11963.3, documented data regarding individual circumstances of the charter school (e.g., one-time or unique or exceptional expenses for facilities, acquisition of a school bus, acquisition and installation of computer hardware not related to the instructional program, special education charges levied on the charter school by a local educational agency, restricted state, federal, or private grants of funds awarded to the charter school that cannot be expended for teacher salaries, or contracted instructional services other than those for special education), the size of the charter school, and how many years the charter school has been in operation.

D. Mitigating Circumstances (attach any supporting documentation)

1.	<p>Explain why the charter school did not meet the criteria for the funding determination requested. Include specific measures or actions taken by the charter school to comply.</p>
<p>There are two areas of expenditures that contribute to the out-of-standard percentage for the Instruction and Instruction Related Services Costs to Total Revenues Ratio:</p> <p>1) The Marketing expenses from PCSPG funds are a larger percentage of total expenses than would typically be the case. These expenditures will not be a part of the 2015-16 budget for Coronado Pathways.</p> <p>2) The school is only paying \$2,165 in the 2% addition for substantially rent-free facilities. While the operating loss for 2013-14 would increase, paying closer to market rent would significantly increase the numerator for Instruction Related Services Costs and thus bring the school into compliance with the 80% ratio. The actual rent paid should increase for Coronado Pathways in 2015-16 given projected student growth, and the denominator of this ratio will also decrease in 2015-16 given the expiration of the Public Charter School grant.</p>	
2.	<p>List and explain the mitigating circumstance(s) to be considered by the CDE and Advisory Commission on Charter Schools (ACCS).</p>
<p>Coronado Pathways grew at a significantly lower rate than originally projected. As such the PCSGP funds outweighed other sources and uses of funds that would have allowed compliance with the Instruction Related Services Costs to Total Revenues Ratio to a greater degree than would happen with greater Average Daily Attendance.</p> <p>Coronado Pathways is requesting mitigation, in part, on the basis of having less than 100 ADA, as specified in the regulation governing mitigation (Title 5, CCR, section 11963.2 (e)). See below, emphasis added.</p> <p>(e) A reasonable basis for the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools to make a recommendation other than one that results from the criteria specified in subdivision (a) may include...restricted state, federal, or private grants of funds awarded to the charter school that cannot be expended for teacher salaries, or contracted instructional services other than those for special education), the size of the charter school, and how many years the charter school has been in operation. The Advisory Commission on Charter Schools shall give charter schools with less than a total of one hundred (100) units of prior year second period average daily attendance or that are in their first year of operation serious consideration of full funding.</p>	
3.	<p>Provide any other pertinent information that may assist the CDE and ACCS in conducting a detailed review or develop a reasonable basis for a recommendation.</p>

E. Certification

	<p>I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the information is true and correct.</p>	
	<p>_____ Signature of Charter School's Director, Principal, or Governing Board Chairperson</p>	
	<p>Kevin Nicolls _____ Print Name of Charter School's Director, Principal, or Governing Board Chairperson</p>	
	<p>Director _____ Title of Authorized Individual</p>	<p><u>25-Feb-15</u> _____ Date</p>