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# California State Board of Education January 2025 Agenda Item #09

## Subject

Assignment of Charter School Numbers to Newly Established Charter Schools, Pursuant to California *Education Code* Section 47602.

## Type of Action

Action, Information, Consent

## Summary of the Issue

Pursuant to California *Education Code* (*EC*) Section 47602, the California State Board of Education (SBE) shall assign a number to each charter petition it grants and charter notice it receives, based on the chronological order in which the notice is received. The California Department of Education (CDE) presents this routine request for the assignment of charter numbers as a standard action item.

## Recommendation

The CDE recommends that the SBE assign charter numbers to the charter schools identified in Attachment 1.

## Brief History of Key Issues

Since the Charter Schools Act was enacted in 1992, the SBE has assigned charter numbers to 2,153 charter schools, including some approved by the SBE after denial by local educational agencies. Separate from that numbering system, seven all-charter districts have been jointly approved by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the SBE.

Regarding the assignment of a charter number, *EC* Section 47602(a) provides the following:

For the purposes of implementing this section, the State Board of Education shall assign a number to each charter petition that it grants…and to each charter notice it receives pursuant to this part, based on the chronological order in which the notice is received. Each number assigned by the state board on or after   
January 1, 2003, shall correspond to a single petition that identifies a charter school that will operate within the geographic and site limitations of this part…For purposes of this section, sites that share educational programs and serve similar pupil populations may not be counted as separate schools.

This numbering system ensures that the state stays within a statutory cap on the total number of charter schools authorized to operate within California. The cumulative statutory cap for the fiscal year 2025–26 is 2,950. The statutory cap is not subject to waiver.

The CDE received notice of the charter schools listed in Attachment 1 pursuant to *EC* Section 47602(a). Copies of the charter petitions are on file in the CDE, Charter Schools Division.

## Summary of Previous California State Board of Education Discussion and Action

Pursuant to *EC* Section 47602, the SBE shall assign a number to each charter petition it grants and charter notice it receives. The CDE presents this routine request for the assignment of charter numbers as a standard action item.

## Fiscal Analysis

There is no fiscal impact to the state resulting from the assignment of charter numbers to charter schools.

## Attachment

* **Attachment 1:** Assignment of Numbers for Charter School Petitions (1 Page)