

# **Charter and Contract School Contract Renewal Recommendations**

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### **Charter Renewal Process:** 2013-2014 Renewal Cohort

**Five charter schools** and **three contract schools** have agreements that are set to expire on June 30, 2014. The schools are:

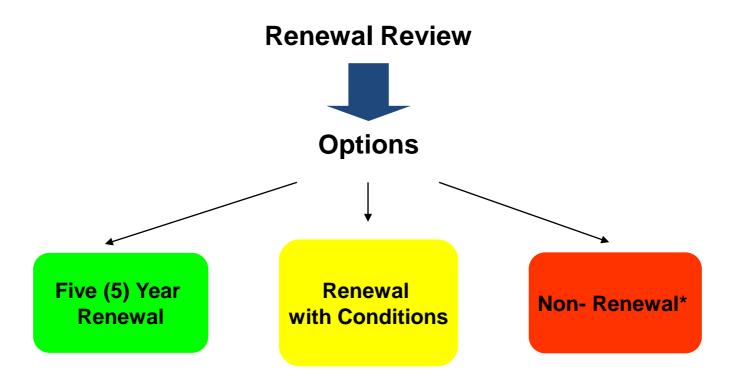
School	Neighborhood	Grades Served	SY14 20 <sup>th</sup> Day Enrollment
Charter Schools			
Alain Locke*	East Garfield Park	K-8	490
Chicago Math and Science Academy (CMSA)	Rogers Park	6-12	606
Namaste	McKinley Park	K-8	483
Noble Network of Charter Schools (14 campuses)	Citywide	6-12	9,072
Providence-Englewood	West Englewood	K-8	471
Contract Schools			
ChiArts	Douglas	9-12	575
Chicago Tech Academy	Near West Side	9-12	387
Hope Institute Learning Academy	Near West Side	K-5	398
Total			12,562

The renewal process for both school types is similar

### **Charter Renewal Process: Illinois Charter School Law**

Illinois Charter Schools Law 27A, requires that the local school district conduct a review of charter schools prior to granting a renewal agreement

Contract Schools undergo a similar review per their agreement; they are held accountable to their agreement and applicable Board Policies and Illinois School Law



<sup>\*</sup> Criteria per Illinois Charter School (ILCS) and Section 13 of charter and contract school agreements

# **Charter Renewal Process: Comprehensive Framework**

The final recommendation considers the following evidence across three domains.

#### **Academic Performance**

- Renewal Application
- Renewal Site Visit\*
- Parental Issues Review
- Academic Performance Accountability Report
- Comparison School Performance Data

#### **Financial Management**

- Renewal Application
- Renewal Site Visit
- Financial Accountability Report
- Financial Audits
- Five Year Budget
- Facility and ADA Review

#### **Governance & Compliance**

- Renewal Application
- Renewal Site Visit
- Governance Review
- Parental Issues Review
- Facility and ADA Review
- OLCE Compliance Report
- ODLSS Snapshots
- ODLSS Litigation/Cases

# **Charter Renewal Process: Staff Recommendations**

School	Recommendation	School Type
Chicago Tech Academy	1-Year Renewal, with conditions	Contract
Providence - Englewood	3- Year Renewal, with conditions	Charter
ChiArts	5- Year Renewal, with conditions	Contract
Chicago Math and Science Academy (CMSA)	5- Year Renewal, with conditions	Charter
Noble Network of Charter Schools	5- Year Renewal, with conditions	Charter
Hope Institute	5- Year Renewal	Contract
Namaste	5- Year Renewal	Charter
Alain Locke*	5- Year Renewal	Charter

<sup>\*</sup>Postponed for a later board vote due to ongoing contractual negotiations