

## Phase I: Letter of Intent to Apply

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### Letter of Intent to Apply for a Charter

If you plan to submit a charter school application to the New York State Education Department, please submit the following Letter of Intent and authorizer representative's contact information form to the Office of Innovative School Models by **Wednesday, January 19, 2011**. This will help the Office of Innovative School Models to more effectively communicate with applicant groups and to gather information about interest in expanding choice options in New York.

Please email this letter to [charterschools@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:charterschools@mail.nysed.gov).  
Subject line of the Email: Letter of intent: [name of proposed school]

I understand that this letter and any other general application documentation that I submit will be posted on the NYSED website and made accessible to the public. Personal contact information will not be posted. (Media contact information for each application will be posted separately).

Date of Submission *January 17, 2011*

Name of proposed school (the words "charter" and "school" must appear in the proposed school name.) *Hudson River Charter School*

Conversion from an existing public school  Yes  No

Lead Applicant or authorized representative *Gail Bryant Osterman*

Media Contact (if different from Lead Applicant) \_\_\_\_\_

Media Contact email *Gailosterman@gmail.com*

Media Contact phone number **914-588-2426**

District or CSD in which the school will be located **Yonkers Public Schools**

Physical address of the school (if known)

**1061 North Broadway, Yonkers, NY 10701-1113**

Composition of founding group  
(e.g., parents, teachers, non-profits)

- **Retired school administrator**
- **Retired chief executive officer; finance committee chair of non-profit organization**
- **Special education administrator with business experience**
- **Attorney at law**
- **Development specialist; founder of a non-profit organization; Yonkers resident; parent of children who attended Yonkers Public Schools**
- **Environmentalist and former involved parent of a Colorado charter school**
- **Civil engineer**
- **Science educator and journalist who grew up in Yonkers**
- **University student who speaks for children**
- **Founder of an innovative New York City high school**
- **Pastor of a Yonkers church serving under-privileged families**
- **Vice-President of a Bio-Hud company in Yonkers**

Proposed opening date (school year for which the school intends to open): **Fall of 2012-2013**. No new charter schools will be able to open earlier than the 2012-13 school year. If a later opening date is anticipated, please indicate the school year: Fall 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Total Projected Grade Levels and Enrollment

Grade Levels Served: **K-6, with anticipation of continuing 7-12**

Projected Enrollment: **506 students K-6**

Are you planning to work with a charter management organization (CMO)?

Yes  **No X**

If so, please indicate the name of the CMO. \_\_\_\_\_

Are you planning to work with a partner organization (such as a university, academic program partner, or whole school change model)?

Yes  **No X**

If so, please indicate the name of the organization. \_\_\_\_\_

Is this proposed school part of an existing network of charter schools?

Yes  **No X**

If so, please indicate the name of the charter school network. \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever applied to this or another charter entity to open this proposed school or another charter school?

**Yes X** No

If so, please indicate the date the application(s) was/were submitted and to which charter entity (use additional lines as necessary):

1.

- **Application and submission date, May 2010**
- **SUNY Charter School Institute**

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_



**Gail Bryant Osterman**

**January 17, 2011**

Signature of Lead Applicant or Authorized Representative

Date