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SUMMARY:

The Board of Regents is required to report annually to the Governor, the Temporary President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the Assembly on the status of charter schools in New York State, per §2857(3) of the Education Law. This report contains all of the required elements as well as a section on pages 39 – 42 that includes the same recommendations made by the Board at its December 2003 meeting in the five-year *Report to the Governor and the Legislature on the Educational Effectiveness of the Charter School Approach*.

VOTED: That the Board of Regents approve the 2002-03 Annual Report to the Governor, the Temporary President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the Assembly on the status of charter schools in New York State in the 2002-03 school year, pursuant to §2857(3) of the Education Law.

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Background and Introduction

The New York Charter Schools Act, now Article 56 of the Education Law, was enacted on December 17, 1998. This Act amended existing Education Law to allow for the creation of charter schools. The stated purpose of the Article “is to authorize a system of charter schools to provide opportunities for teachers, parents, and community members to establish and maintain schools that operate independently of existing schools and school districts in order to accomplish the following objectives:

- (a) Improve student learning and achievement;
- (b) Increase learning opportunities for all students, with special emphasis on expanded learning experiences for students who are at risk of academic failure;
- (c) Encourage the use of different and innovative teaching methods;
- (d) Create new professional opportunities for teachers, school administrators and other school personnel;
- (e) Provide parents and students with expanded choices in the types of educational opportunities that are available within the public school system; and
- (f) Provide schools with a method to change from rule-based to performance-based accountability systems by holding the schools established under this article accountable for meeting measurable student achievement results” (§2850(2) of Education Law).

Article 56 also requires the Board of Regents to report annually to the Governor, the Temporary President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the Assembly on the status of charter schools in New York State (§2857(3) of Education Law). This report covers the 2002-03 school year.

This report includes data submitted by the charter schools and local school districts.

Executive Summary

This report provides data required by §2857(3) of the Education Law and covers the 2002-03 school year, during which a total of 38 charter schools were open for instruction. Of these 38 schools, eight were chartered by the Board of Regents, 25 were chartered by the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York, and five were chartered by the Chancellor of the New York City Public Schools. Fifteen had management companies as partners, while 23 did not. There were six schools with Edison Schools, Inc. as a partner, three schools with Victory Schools, Inc. as a partner, two schools with Beacon Education Management, LLC as a partner, one school each with SABIS and Mosaica Education Inc. as a management partner, and two schools with National Heritage Academies as the management partner. There were 18 charter schools located in New York City, four in Buffalo, four in Rochester, three in Albany, two in Syracuse, and one each in East Hampton (Wainscott Common School District), Kenmore, Lackawanna, Riverhead, Roosevelt, Schenectady, and Troy. The largest student enrollment reported was 952 at the Charter School of Science and Technology in Rochester, and the smallest was 43 at the Brighter Choice Charter School for Boys in Albany. There were 27 schools that served K-6 students in a variety of grade configurations (e.g., K-1, K-2), two served students in grades 5-8, four served students in grades K-8, and one each served students in grades K-7; 1-8; 2,3,7, and 8; 8-12; and K-12.

According to the Basic Educational Data System (BEDS) forms that were submitted in October 2002, 10,585 students were reported enrolled in these 38 charter schools during 2002-03. Most (7,112) were reported as Black (not Hispanic origin) and the fewest (47) were reported as being American Indian or Alaskan Native. There were 153 Asian or Pacific Islander students reported. Hispanics made up the second largest population, with 1,675 students enrolled. The number of White (not Hispanic origin) students was reported to be 1,598. Most students (8,913) were enrolled in grades K-6, while 1,672 were enrolled in grades 7-12. No students were reported as either "Ungraded Elementary" or "Ungraded Secondary." Among the elementary students, most (4,793) continue to be enrolled in grades K-3, but enrollment in grades 4-6 is becoming similar, with 4,120 enrolled in those grades during 2002-03. Grade 6 had the lowest enrollment (720) at the elementary level. At the secondary level, most students (1,125) continue to be enrolled in grades 7 and 8, while 547 were enrolled in grades 9-12.

The adjusted expense per pupil (AEP) is the amount of money that a student's district of residence pays to the charter school for each student while s/he is enrolled in the charter school. The funds are to be paid in six installments throughout the year. The AEP varies by district. The lowest AEP paid was \$6,177 per student in the Gananda Central School District, and the highest was \$18,681 per pupil paid by the Shelter Island Union Free School District. The mean AEP was \$7,103.

Fiscal impact is calculated using the number of students reported on each charter school's BEDS form multiplied by the average expense per pupil (AEP) for that

district. That figure is then compared with the annual operating budget of the resident district and a percent is derived. This figure may be different from what the districts actually end up paying to a charter school since such payments are based upon a full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment figure that must be derived per Commissioner's Regulation 119.1. Those FTEs are not reported herein since final reconciliation of payments occurs in July of each year and the data are not readily available. The figures reported herein are a reasonable estimate, however, of the potential fiscal impact upon any district.

Overall fiscal impact in New York City appeared to be negligible (0.27 percent impact on the district budget). In 2002-03, fiscal impact ranged from .01 percent of the school budget for several school districts with a small number of students attending charter schools to 5.30 percent of the Lackawanna City School District budget. Cumulative impact was 5.01 percent on the Albany City School District budget, 3.34 percent on the Buffalo City School District budget, 3.15 percent on the Roosevelt Union Free School District budget, 2.94 percent on the Rochester City School District budget, and 2.02 percent on the Syracuse City School District budget.

According to the information provided by the financial statements, the largest per pupil expenditure was reported to be \$21,416 for the Child Development Center of the Hamptons Charter School, with the Harlem Day Charter School second at a reported \$14,730 per pupil. The third highest was for the Southside Academy Charter School at a reported \$14,160 per student. The lowest per pupil expenditures reported were for the South Buffalo Charter School at a reported \$7,768 per student, the John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School at \$8,199 per student, and the Carl C. Icahn Charter School at \$8,484 per student.

Academic achievement, as measured by State exams, was mixed. For those schools for which the 2002-03 school year was the first year of instruction, the test results should be interpreted as a baseline by which all future test results will be judged. The grade 4 English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics scores for the Ark Community Charter School, the King Center Charter School, and the Southside Academy Charter School placed them among those farthest from State standards. The Ark Community Charter School had nearly 86 percent of its students scoring at or below Level 2 on the grade 4 ELA exam. The King Center Charter School had nearly 78 percent of its students scoring at or below Level 2 on the grade 4 ELA exam. The Southside Academy Charter School (for which 2002-03 was its first year of operation and thus the baseline year) had 100 percent of its students scoring at or below Level 2 on the grade 4 ELA exam.

In contrast, the Tapestry Charter School had 90 percent of its students at or above Level 3 on the grade 4 ELA exam, the Beginning with Children Charter School had nearly 86 percent of its students so score, and the Renaissance Charter School had nearly 83 percent of its students also score at or above Level 3 on the grade 4 ELA exam.

On the grade 4 math exam, the Renaissance Charter School had nearly 96 percent of its students at or above Level 3, the Tapestry Charter School had nearly 95 percent of its students so score, and the Beginning with Children Charter School had nearly 94 percent of its students score at or above Level 3. In contrast, the King Center Charter School had slightly more than 26 percent of its students at or above Level 3, the Stepping Stone Academy Charter School had nearly 28 percent of its students so score, and the Ark Charter School had slightly more than 33 percent of its student score at or above Level 3.

On the grade 8 ELA exams, the results for the John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School place it among the farthest from State standards. All of its students (100 percent) scored at or below Level 2 on the grade 8 ELA exam. The results for the Charter School of Science and Technology and the Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School (both located in Rochester) as well as the Harbor Science and Arts Charter School and the New Covenant Charter School also place them among those schools farthest from the State standards. The Charter School of Science and Technology had nearly 78 percent of its students at or below Level 2 on the grade 8 ELA exam, while the Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School had slightly more than 78 percent of its students so score on the grade 8 ELA exam. The Harbor Science and Arts Charter School had slightly more than 83 percent of its students and the New Covenant Charter School had slightly more than 79 percent of its students scoring at or below Level 2 on the grade 8 ELA exam.

In contrast, the KIPP Academy Charter School results show nearly 72 percent of its students at or above Level 3 for the grade 8 ELA exam. The Beginning with Children Charter School had slightly more than 68 percent of its students so score.

For the grade 8 math results, the KIPP Academy Charter School had nearly 79 percent of its students score at or above Level 3, and the Beginning with Children Charter School had nearly 57 percent of its students so score. In contrast, the John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School had no students scoring at or above Level 3, and the New Covenant Charter School had 1.4 percent of its students score at or above Level 3, placing both schools farthest from State standards. The John A. Reisenbach Charter School had slightly more than seven percent of its students score at or above Level 3, just meeting the threshold performance index.

Results for the 1999 grade 9 cohort show that most students in both the John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School (67.0 percent) and the Renaissance Charter School (87.0 percent) scored between 55 and 100 on the Regents exam in English. The results further show that most students (92.0 percent) attending the Renaissance Charter School scored between 55 and 100 on the Regents exam in mathematics. In the John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School, most students (67.0 percent) did not take the Regents exam in mathematics. The remaining students (33.0 percent) scored between 55 and 100 on the Regents exam in mathematics.

In the 2002-03 school year, the charter schools reported a total of 207 English language learners, with 173 being enrolled in grades K-6 and the remaining 34 students enrolled in grades 7-12.

A total of 897 students with disabilities was reported in grades K-12.

One charter school, the Sullivan Charter School in Wyandanch, surrendered its charter at the June 2003 meeting of the Board of Regents.

Additional information is provided that describes many of the issues and concerns that have been raised regarding the implementation of Article 56, the New York Charter Schools Act. Suggestions are made for possible amendments to the legislation.

The Number, Distribution, and Brief Description of New Charter Schools Operating in New York State in 2002-03

Appendix A contains a list of all charter schools in New York.

Table 1 provides information for each charter school open for instruction during the 2002-03 school year and includes the grades and number of students to be served, the management company (if applicable), the specific educational approach to be used, the date that instruction commenced, and the charter entity.

Table 2 shows the distribution of students reported enrolled by grade, ethnicity, and gender.

Table 1

Approved Charter Schools Open for Instruction in New York State During 2002-03

Name and Address	New or Conversion	District of Location	Grades Served	Total Number of Students	Management Company	Educational Approach	Opening Date	Charter Entity
Amber Charter School 220 East 106 th Street New York, NY 10029	New	NYC (CSD 5)	K-3	200	None	Leonard Bernstein Center Artful Learning Model; dual language immersion (Spanish/English)	9/00	SUNY
Ark Community Charter School 2247 13 th Street Troy, NY 12180-3017	New	Troy	K-5	96	None	Essential Questions; multiple intelligences	9/01	SUNY
Beginning with Children Charter School 11 Bartlett Street Brooklyn, NY 11206-5001	Conversion	NYC (CSD 14)	K-8	450	None	Continuous assessment	9/01	Chancellor
Brighter Choice Charter Schools for Boys 250 Central Avenue Albany, NY 12206-2610	New	Albany	K-1	45	None	Liberal Arts, Core Knowledge	9/02	Regents
Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls 250 Central Avenue Albany, NY 12206-2610	New	Albany	K-1	45	None	Liberal Arts, Core Knowledge	9/02	Regents
Bronx Preparatory Charter School 1508 Webster Avenue Bronx, NY 10457	New	NYC (CSD 9)	5-8	200	None	Classical, college-preparatory curriculum	9/00	SUNY
Carl C. Icahn Charter School 1525 Brook Avenue Bronx, NY 10457-8005	New	NYC (CSD 9)	K-3	144	None	Core Knowledge	9/01	SUNY

Name and Address	New or Conversion	District of Location	Grades Served	Total Number of Students	Management Company	Educational Approach	Opening Date	Charter Entity
Central New York Charter School for Math and Science 601 East Genesee Street Syracuse, NY 13202	New	Syracuse	K-6	594	Beacon Education Management, LLC	Core Knowledge	8/00	SUNY
Charter School for Applied Technologies 2303 Kenmore Avenue Buffalo, NY 14207	New	Kenmore-Tonawanda	K-7	800	Edison Schools, Inc.	Integrated subject matter in five domains	9/01	Regents
Charter School of Science and Technology 690 St. Paul Street Rochester, NY 14605	New	Rochester	K-8	1,021	Edison Schools, Inc.	Integrated subject matter in five domains	9/00	SUNY
Child Development Center of the Hamptons Charter School 175 Daniels Hole Road Wainscott, NY 11975	New	Wainscott	K-5	72	None	Thematic approach in a community-based setting	1/01	SUNY
Clearpool Charter School 644 McDonough Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11233	New	NYC (CSD 16)	K-3	154	None	Project-based instruction	9/00	Chancellor
Community Partnership Charter School 171 Clermont Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11205	New	NYC (CSD 13)	K-3	240	None	Hands-on learning	9/00	SUNY
Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School 938 Clifford Avenue Rochester, NY 14621	New	Rochester	K-4	200	None	New Standards of the America's Choice Design	9/00	SUNY
Explore Charter School 250 Jay Street Brooklyn, NY 11201	New	NYC (CSD 13)	K-3	160	None	Interdisciplinary with a focus on literacy.	9/02	Chancellor
Family Life Academy Charter School 14 West 170 th Street Bronx, NY 10452-3227	New	NYC (CSD 9)	K-2	156	None	English/Spanish immersion	9/01	SUNY

Name and Address	New or Conversion	District of Location	Grades Served	Total Number of Students	Management Company	Educational Approach	Opening Date	Charter Entity
Genesee Community Charter School 657 East Avenue Rochester, NY 14607-2177	New	Rochester	K-4	150	None	Expeditionary Learning-Outward Bound	9/01	Regents
Global Concepts Charter School 1001 Ridge Road Lackawanna, NY 14218	New	Lackawanna	K-3	172	None	Global education, Success for All	9/02	Regents
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School 1 East 104 th Street New York, NY 10029	New	NYC (CSD 4)	1-8	176	None	Constructivist	9/00	SUNY
Harlem Day Charter School 240 East 123 rd Street New York, NY 10035-2038	New	NYC (CSD 4)	K-2	120	None	Core Knowledge	9/01	SUNY
Harriet Tubman Charter School 3565 Third Avenue Bronx, NY 10456-3403	New	NYC (CSD 9)	K-4	138	Edison Schools, Inc.	Integrated subject matter in five domains	9/01	Regents
International Charter School of Schenectady 408 Eleanor Street Schenectady, NY 12306-3122	New	Schenectady	K-4	300	SABIS	College preparatory	9/02	SUNY
John A. Reisenbach Charter School 257 W. 177 th Street New York, NY 10026-2115	New	NYC (CSD 5)	2,3,7,8	300	The Learning Project, Inc.	DISTAR, Saxon Math, Success for All, Grapho-Phonix	9/99	SUNY
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School 17 Battery Place New York, NY 10004	Conversion	NYC (CSD 2)	8-12	410	None	Cooperative learning; thematic projects/units	9/00	Chancellor

Name and Address	New or Conversion	District of Location	Grades Served	Total Number of Students	Management Company	Educational Approach	Opening Date	Charter Entity
King Center Charter School 938 Genesee Street Buffalo, NY 14211-3025	New	Buffalo	K-4	100	None	Individualized	9/00	SUNY
KIPP Academy Charter School 250 East 156 th Street Bronx, NY 10451	Conversion	NYC (CSD 7)	5-8	240	None	Extended-day, college preparatory program	9/00	Chancellor
Merrick Academy – Queens Public Charter School 207-01 Jamaica Avenue Queens Village, NY 11428	New	NYC (CSD 29)	K-4	350	Victory Schools, Inc.	Direct Instruction, Core Knowledge	9/00	SUNY
New Covenant Charter School 50 North Lark Street Albany, NY 12210	New	Albany	K-8	813	Edison Schools, Inc.	Integrated subject matter in five domains	9/99	SUNY
Our World Neighborhood Charter School 36-12 35 th Avenue Astoria, NY 11106	New	NYC (CSD 30)	K-5	375	Mosaica Education, Inc.	Constructivist, Core Knowledge	9/02	SUNY
Renaissance Charter School 35-59 81 st Street Jackson Heights, NY 11372	Conversion	NYC (CSD 30)	K-12	500	None	Core studies, project-based learning, and community involvement	9/00	Chancellor
Riverhead Charter School 3685 Middle Country Road Calverton, NY 11933	New	Riverhead	K-5	290	Edison Schools, Inc.	Integrated subject matter in five domains	9/01	Regents
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School 82 St. Paul Street Rochester, NY 14604	New	Rochester	K-8	460	National Heritage Academies	Back-to-basics academics, character development	9/00	SUNY

Name and Address	New or Conversion	District of Location	Grades Served	Total Number of Students	Management Company	Educational Approach	Opening Date	Charter Entity
Roosevelt Children's Academy Charter School 105 Pleasant Avenue Roosevelt, NY 11575	New	Roosevelt	K-4	250	Victory Schools, Inc.	Direct Instruction and Core Knowledge	9/00	SUNY
Sisulu Children's Charter School 125 W. 115 th Street New York, NY 10026-2908	New	NYC (CSD 5)	K-5	327	Victory Schools, Inc.	Direct Instruction and Core Knowledge	9/99	SUNY
South Buffalo Charter School 2219 South Park Avenue Buffalo, NY 14220	New	Buffalo	K-6	383	Beacon Educational Management, LLC	Core Knowledge	9/00	SUNY
Southside Academy Charter School 800 South Wilbur Avenue, Bldg. 1C Syracuse, NY 13204	New	Syracuse	K-5	148	National Heritage Academies	Back-to-basics academics, character development	9/02	Regents
Stepping Stone Academy Charter School 907 East Ferry Street Buffalo, NY 14211-1423	New	Buffalo	K-6	712	Edison Schools, Inc.	Integrated subject matter in five domains	9/01	SUNY
Tapestry Charter School 40 North Street Buffalo, NY 14202-1106	New	Buffalo	K-5	132	None	Thematic; multi-age classrooms	9/01	SUNY

Table 2
Student Enrollment by Grade, Ethnicity and Gender
Summary of Data Reported by All Charter Schools
2002-03

Grade	American Indian or Alaskan Native		Asian or Pacific Islander		Black (not Hispanic origin)		Hispanic		White (not Hispanic origin)		Total Enrollment	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Kindergarten (full-day)	4	7	13	15	480	561	92	107	141	155	730	845
First	2	5	15	14	529	526	104	109	132	130	782	784
Second	5	2	8	9	564	606	95	117	129	117	801	851
Third	3		7	6	497	572	72	80	120	94	699	752
Fourth	2	3	4	5	354	385	62	60	106	83	528	536
Fifth	4	1	3	3	295	295	65	73	85	61	452	433
Sixth	1	2	2	3	229	243	53	66	72	49	357	363
Ungraded Elementary												
Seventh	2	1	3	4	203	211	54	65	40	27	302	308
Eighth		1	1	3	178	144	69	103	8	8	256	259
Ninth			3	6	29	30	28	23	4	4	64	63
Tenth			7	3	52	48	51	57	5	10	115	118
Eleventh		1	3	4	15	21	13	20	3	4	34	50
Twelfth	1		3	6	22	23	17	20	5	6	48	55
Ungraded Secondary*												
Totals	24	23	72	81	3,447	3,665	775	900	850	748	5,168	5,417

Note: Ungraded Elementary and Ungraded Secondary refer to students with disabilities who spend 60% or more of their time in special education classes. Ungraded students who are not students with disabilities should be assigned, according to age, to a grade above.

Fiscal and Programmatic Impact of Charter Schools

Article 56 requires that this report contain information on the current and projected fiscal impact of charter schools on the delivery of services by the public school system. Appendix B contains information obtained from the public school districts in which charter schools are located. They were asked to provide such information from their point of view. It was assumed that the districts themselves would be in the best position to ascertain what type and level of impact, if any, the charter schools had upon the districts. A copy of the letter that was sent to the superintendent of each district is also included in Appendix B.

Table 3 shows the fiscal information for each charter school for the 2002-03 school year. Included are the name of each charter school, the reported sending districts, the number of students reported enrolled for the 2002-03 school year, the adjusted expense per pupil (AEP) for the 2002-03 school year, and the AEP multiplied by the number of students. It should be noted that this fiscal analysis is based upon the assumption that all charter school students would have been enrolled in their district of residence if the charter school had not been in existence, and that the school districts would not have incurred costs for special education, transportation, textbooks, and health services beyond the costs that the districts would have incurred if the charter school students had been enrolled in their districts of residence.

It should also be noted that the total AEP per district calculated herein may be different from what the districts actually end up paying to a charter school, since such payments are based upon a full-time equivalent (FTE) figure that must be derived per Commissioner's Regulation 119.1. Those FTEs are not reported herein since final reconciliation of payments occurs in July of each year and the data are not readily available. The figures reported herein are a reasonable estimate, however, of the potential fiscal impact upon any district.

Projections for the same categories of information are also provided in Table 4 for the charter schools' subsequent years of operation, based upon the enrollments anticipated in their applications and an initial charter term of five years. Given that returning students, students residing in the district of location, and siblings must be given preference in admission, it is assumed for the purpose of Table 4 that all students enrolled in these charter schools will come from the district of location. The reader is cautioned that the actual distribution of students will likely vary in many instances.

To provide a more comprehensive picture of the potential fiscal impact of charter schools during 2002-03, those charter schools commencing instruction during 2003-04 are also included in Table 4 and are denoted by use of *italic* script.

Table 3

**Current Fiscal Impact of Charter Schools
Open for Instruction During 2002-03**

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2002-03*	AEP Per Student 2002-03	Total AEP 2002-03	District's 2002-03 Approved General Fund Budget	Percent of Impact on District Budget
Amber Charter School	NYC	168	\$7,967	\$1,338,456	\$12,360,782,961	0.01
Ark Community Charter School	Lansingburgh	9	\$7,197	\$64,773	\$25,403,338	0.25
	Troy	86	\$8,769	\$754,134	\$62,652,468	1.20
	Watervliet	1	\$6,349	\$6,349	\$15,401,926	0.04
Beginning with Children Charter School	NYC	435	\$7,967	\$3,465,645	\$12,360,782,961	0.03
Brighter Choice Charter School for Boys	Albany	43	\$7,897	\$339,571	\$128,456,981	0.26
Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls	Albany	45	\$7,897	\$355,365	\$128,456,981	0.28
Bronx Preparatory Charter School	NYC	191	\$7,967	\$1,521,697	\$12,360,782,961	0.01
Carl C. Icahn Charter School	NYC	144	\$7,967	\$1,147,248	\$12,360,782,961	0.01
Central New York Charter School for Math and Science	Central Square	1	\$6,480	\$6,480	\$45,963,503	0.01
	E. Syracuse-Minoa	2	\$9,041	\$18,082	\$50,560,330	0.04
	Jamesville-DeWitt	7	\$8,635	\$60,445	\$31,472,973	0.19
	Liverpool	6	\$8,383	\$50,298	\$95,114,606	0.05
	N. Syracuse	4	\$7,139	\$28,556	\$97,247,767	0.03
	Onondaga	1	\$7,327	\$7,327	\$12,102,869	0.06
	Syracuse	481	\$6,759	\$3,251,079	\$208,800,000	1.56
	Westhill	1	\$7,424	\$7,424	\$21,274,600	0.03
W. Genesee	2	\$6,810	\$13,620	\$46,065,065	0.03	

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2002-03*	AEP Per Student 2002-03	Total AEP 2002-03	District's 2002-03 Approved General Fund Budget	Percent of Impact on District Budget
Charter School for Applied Technologies	Amherst	4	\$8,501	\$34,004	\$34,707,551	0.10
	Buffalo	703	\$8,783	\$6,174,449	\$444,644,182	1.39
	Cheektowaga	2	\$6,801	\$13,602	\$26,318,754	0.05
	Clarence	1	\$6,734	\$6,734	\$48,165,000	0.01
	Cleveland Hill	4	\$6,568	\$26,272	\$20,726,805	0.13
	Depew	1	\$8,696	\$8,696	\$30,652,493	0.03
	Grand Island	3	\$7,832	\$23,496	\$35,991,736	0.07
	Hamburg	1	\$7,300	\$7,300	\$42,832,728	0.02
	Kenmore-Tonawanda	41	\$8,073	\$330,993	\$107,816,566	0.31
	Lackawanna	18	\$8,091	\$145,638	\$29,360,000	0.50
	Lancaster	4	\$6,805	\$27,220	\$58,310,984	0.05
	Lewiston-Porter	1	\$8,643	\$8,643	\$32,159,330	0.03
	Maryvale	1	\$8,228	\$8,228	\$29,475,285	0.03
	Niagara Falls	2	\$8,384	\$16,768	\$102,628,945	0.02
	Niagara-Wheatfield	2	\$8,682	\$17,364	\$46,589,772	0.04
	N. Tonawanda	4	\$7,615	\$30,460	\$53,331,920	0.06
	Sloan	2	\$9,486	\$18,972	\$20,645,398	0.09
	Sweet Home	4	\$8,398	\$33,592	\$48,873,381	0.07
	Tonawanda	13	\$7,065	\$91,845	\$26,089,442	0.35
Williamsville	2	\$7,870	\$15,740	\$115,000,313	0.01	

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2002-03*	AEP Per Student 2002-03	Total AEP 2002-03	District's 2002-03 Approved General Fund Budget	Percent of Impact on District Budget
Charter School of Science and Technology	E. Irondequoit	205	\$7,000	\$1,435,000	\$43,483,082	3.30
	Hilton	1	\$7,194	\$7,194	\$46,214,100	0.02
	Greece	27	\$7,575	\$204,525	\$152,686,488	0.13
	Rochester	715	\$8,485	\$6,066,775	\$422,042,816	1.44
	Rush-Henrietta	3	\$9,336	\$28,008	\$80,986,943	0.03
	Webster	1	\$7,755	\$7,755	\$98,088,413	0.01
Child Development Center of the Hamptons Charter School	E. Hampton	22	\$13,183	\$290,026	\$35,100,490	0.83
	Hampton Bays	2	\$8,066	\$16,132	\$22,900,167	0.07
	Montauk	4	\$11,836	\$47,344	\$10,237,572	0.46
	Sag Harbor	9	\$14,154	\$127,386	\$19,762,860	0.64
	Shelter Island	4	\$18,681	\$74,724	\$6,240,635	1.20
	Southampton	4	\$15,660	\$62,640	\$37,771,361	0.17
	Springs	14	\$11,835	\$165,690	\$12,366,796	1.34
Clearpool Charter School	NYC	96	\$7,967	\$764,832	\$12,360,782,961	0.01
Community Partnership Charter School	NYC	200	\$7,967	\$1,593,400	\$12,360,782,961	0.01
Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School	E. Irondequoit	1	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$43,483,082	0.02
	Rochester	199	\$8,485	\$1,688,515	\$422,042,816	0.40
Explore Charter School	NYC	168	\$7,967	\$1,338,456	\$12,360,782,961	0.01
	Yonkers	1	\$9,729	\$9,729	\$353,120,165	0.01
Family Life Academy Charter School	NYC	145	\$7,967	\$1,155,215	\$12,360,782,961	0.01

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2002-03*	AEP Per Student 2002-03	Total AEP 2002-03	District's 2002-03 Approved General Fund Budget	Percent of Impact on District Budget
Genesee Community Charter School	Brighton	2	\$8,788	\$17,576	\$44,002,655	0.04
	E. Irondequoit	1	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$43,483,082	0.02
	Fairport	2	\$7,786	\$15,572	\$78,795,263	0.02
	Gananda	1	\$6,177	\$6,177	\$15,004,972	0.04
	Gates-Chili	1	\$8,189	\$8,189	\$61,834,829	0.01
	Palmyra-Macedon	1	\$7,783	\$7,783	\$26,117,935	0.03
	Penfield	4	\$8,510	\$34,040	\$61,756,402	0.06
	Rochester	138	\$8,485	\$1,170,930	\$422,042,816	0.28
	Rush-Henrietta	1	\$9,336	\$9,336	\$80,986,943	0.01
	Spencerport	2	\$7,134	\$14,268	\$50,335,097	0.03
	Webster	1	\$7,755	\$7,755	\$98,088,413	0.01
W. Irondequoit	2	\$7,828	\$15,656	\$43,312,359	0.04	
Global Concepts Charter School	Buffalo	8	\$8,783	\$70,264	\$444,644,182	0.02
	Hamburg	1	\$7,300	\$7,300	\$42,832,728	0.02
	Lackawanna	161	\$8,091	\$1,302,651	\$29,360,000	4.44
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School	NYC	174	\$7,967	\$1,386,258	\$12,360,782,961	0.01
Harlem Day Charter School	NYC	120	\$7,967	\$956,040	\$12,360,782,961	0.01
Harriet Tubman Charter School	NYC	152	\$7,967	\$1,210,984	\$12,360,782,961	0.01

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2002-03*	AEP Per Student 2002-03	Total AEP 2002-03	District's 2002-03 Approved General Fund Budget	Percent of Impact on District Budget
International Charter School of Schenectady	Albany	1	\$7,897	\$7,897	\$128,456,981	0.01
	Cohoes	1	\$7,963	\$7,963	\$27,132,306	0.03
	Guilderland	1	\$7,636	\$7,636	\$63,316,079	0.01
	Mohonasen	10	\$6,444	\$64,440	\$32,152,382	0.20
	Niskayuna	2	\$7,892	\$15,784	\$46,909,206	0.03
	N. Colonie	1	\$7,667	\$7,667	\$57,530,000	0.01
	Schalmont	5	\$8,639	\$43,195	\$28,315,511	0.15
	Schenectady	248	\$7,464	\$1,851,072	\$93,467,189	1.98
	S. Colonie	2	\$8,266	\$16,532	\$63,320,313	0.03
John A. Reisenbach Charter School	NYC	285	\$7,967	\$2,270,595	\$12,360,782,961	0.02
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School	NYC	411	\$7,967	\$3,274,437	\$12,360,782,961	0.03
King Center Charter School	Buffalo	102	\$8,783	\$895,866	\$444,644,182	0.20
KIPP Academy Charter School	NYC	240	\$7,967	\$1,912,080	\$12,360,782,961	0.02
Merrick Academy – Queens Public Charter School	NYC	349	\$7,967	\$2,780,483	\$12,360,782,961	0.02

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2002-03*	AEP Per Student 2002-03	Total AEP 2002-03	District's 2002-03 Approved General Fund Budget	Percent of Impact on District Budget
New Covenant Charter School	Albany	726	\$7,897	\$5,733,222	\$128,456,981	4.46
	Menands	1	\$12,330	\$12,330	\$5,113,853	0.24
	Rensselaer	1	\$8,766	\$8,766	\$14,135,869	0.06
	Schenectady	6	\$7,464	\$44,784	\$93,467,189	0.05
	Troy	19	\$8,769	\$166,611	\$62,652,468	0.27
	Watervliet	6	\$6,349	\$38,094	\$15,401,926	0.25
Renaissance Charter School	NYC	490	\$7,967	\$3,903,830	\$12,360,782,961	0.03

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2002-03*	AEP Per Student 2002-03	Total AEP 2002-03	District's 2002-03 Approved General Fund Budget	Percent of Impact on District Budget
Riverhead Charter School	Bayshore	1	\$10,554	\$10,554	\$90,331,502	0.01
	Center Moriches	2	\$11,533	\$23,066	\$21,255,700	0.11
	E. Moriches	2	\$12,319	\$24,638	\$14,181,982	0.17
	Eastport	1	\$7,327	\$7,327	\$11,308,348	0.06
	Greenport	1	\$11,685	\$11,685	\$10,256,631	0.11
	Hampton Bays	1	\$8,066	\$8,066	\$22,900,167	0.04
	Longwood	116	\$9,523	\$1,104,668	\$142,034,272	0.78
	Middle Country	1	\$8,648	\$8,648	\$136,492,202	0.01
	Riverhead	120	\$9,660	\$1,159,200	\$71,120,126	1.63
	Rocky Point	1	\$8,452	\$8,452	\$44,720,164	0.02
	Sachem	2	\$10,412	\$20,824	\$210,079,331	0.01
	Shoreham-Wading River	1	\$11,621	\$11,621	\$36,162,587	0.03
	S. Country	1	\$10,640	\$10,640	\$71,969,858	0.01
	S. Manor	7	\$8,422	\$58,954	\$10,893,613	0.54
	Westhampton	1	\$11,888	\$11,888	\$29,895,292	0.04
William Floyd	34	\$8,633	\$293,522	\$132,691,991	0.22	
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School	Rochester	408	\$8,485	\$3,461,880	\$422,042,816	0.82

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2002-03*	AEP Per Student 2002-03	Total AEP 2002-03	District's 2002-03 Approved General Fund Budget	Percent of Impact on District Budget
Roosevelt Children's Academy Charter School	Copiague	1	\$9,250	\$9,250	\$64,705,935	0.01
	East Meadow	1	\$10,946	\$10,946	\$119,805,050	0.01
	Freeport	15	\$9,857	\$147,855	\$98,418,384	0.15
	Hempstead	40	\$13,159	\$526,360	\$108,721,513	0.48
	Malverne	1	\$11,766	\$11,766	\$31,494,671	0.04
	NYC	1	\$7,967	\$7,967	\$12,360,782,961	NA
	Roosevelt	152	\$9,680	\$1,471,360	\$46,735,734	3.15
	Uniondale	10	\$13,694	\$136,940	\$108,543,488	0.13
Sisulu Children's Charter School	NYC	304	\$7,967	\$2,421,968	\$12,360,782,961	0.02
South Buffalo Charter School	Buffalo	364	\$8,783	\$3,197,012	\$444,644,182	0.72
	Lackawanna	13	\$8,091	\$105,183	\$29,360,000	0.36
	W. Seneca	6	\$6,725	\$40,350	\$79,076,297	0.05
Southside Academy Charter School	Baldwinsville	2	\$7,357	\$14,714	\$60,418,659	0.02
	Liverpool	3	\$8,383	\$25,149	\$95,114,606	0.03
	Syracuse	142	\$6,759	\$959,778	\$208,800,000	0.46
Stepping Stone Academy Charter School	Buffalo	380	\$8,783	\$3,337,540	\$444,644,182	0.75
	Cheektowaga	1	\$6,801	\$6,801	\$26,318,754	0.03
	Maryvale	1	\$8,228	\$8,228	\$29,475,285	0.03
	Sloan	1	\$9,486	\$9,486	\$20,645,398	0.05
	Tonawanda	1	\$7,065	\$7,065	\$26,089,442	0.03
Tapestry Charter School	Buffalo	129	\$8,783	\$1,133,007	\$444,644,182	0.25
	Sloan	1	\$9,486	\$9,486	\$20,645,398	0.05
	W. Seneca	1	\$6,725	\$6,725	\$79,076,297	0.01
Totals	NA	10,210	NA	\$83,718,543	NA	NA

Average AEP per Student: \$8,200

*From Schedule U of the State Aid Claim Worksheet and Projections (§3601 and §3604(11) of Education Law). The total number of students differs from that in Table 2 because the data are reported at different times of the year, and the difference represents the mobility of the students.

Table 4

**Projected Fiscal Impact of Charter Schools
Open for Instruction During 2003-04**

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2003-04*	AEP Per Student 2003-04	Total Projected AEP 2003-04	District's 2003-04 Approved General Fund Budget	Projected Percent of Impact on District Budget
Amber Charter School	NYC	240	\$7,848	\$1,883,520	\$12,478,737,903	0.02
Ark Community Charter School	Troy	96	\$9,135	\$876,960	\$65,154,997	1.35
Beginning with Children Charter School	NYC	450	\$7,848	\$3,531,600	\$12,478,737,903	0.03
Brighter Choice Charter School for Boys	Albany	70	\$8,435	\$590,450	\$137,306,652	0.43
Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls	Albany	70	\$8,435	\$590,450	\$137,306,652	0.43
<i>Bronx Charter School for Better Learning</i>	<i>NYC</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>\$7,848</i>	<i>\$392,400</i>	<i>\$12,478,737,903</i>	<i>0.003</i>
<i>Bronx Charter School for the Arts</i>	<i>NYC</i>	<i>160</i>	<i>\$7,848</i>	<i>\$1,255,680</i>	<i>\$12,478,737,903</i>	<i>0.01</i>
Bronx Preparatory Charter School	NYC	250	\$7,848	\$1,962,000	\$12,478,737,903	0.02
<i>Brooklyn Excelsior Charter School</i>	<i>NYC</i>	<i>240</i>	<i>\$7,848</i>	<i>\$1,883,520</i>	<i>\$12,478,737,903</i>	<i>0.02</i>
<i>Buffalo United Charter School</i>	<i>Buffalo</i>	<i>240</i>	<i>\$7,910</i>	<i>\$1,898,400</i>	<i>\$507,507,167</i>	<i>0.37</i>
Carl C. Icahn Charter School	NYC	180	\$7,848	\$1,412,640	\$12,478,737,903	0.01
Central New York Charter School for Math and Science	Syracuse	660	\$7,041	\$4,647,060	\$207,426,834	2.24
Charter School for Applied Technologies	Buffalo**	700	\$7,910	\$5,537,000	\$507,507,167	1.10
	Kenmore-Tonawanda	900	\$8,034	\$7,230,600	\$111,821,726	6.47
Charter School of Science and Technology	Rochester	1,100	\$8,193	\$9,012,300	\$430,376,036	2.09
Child Development Center of the Hamptons Charter School	Wainscott	57	\$48,601	\$2,770,257	\$1,890,812	***146.5
Clearpool Charter School	NYC	194	\$7,848	\$1,522,512	\$12,478,737,903	0.01
<i>COMMUNITY Charter School</i>	<i>Buffalo</i>	<i>246</i>	<i>\$7,910</i>	<i>\$1,945,860</i>	<i>\$507,507,167</i>	<i>0.38</i>
Community Partnership Charter School	NYC	300	\$7,848	\$2,354,400	\$12,478,737,903	0.02

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2003-04*	AEP Per Student 2003-04	Total Projected AEP 2003-04	District's 2003-04 Approved General Fund Budget	Projected Percent of Impact on District Budget
East Harlem Village Academy Charter School	NYC	104	\$7,848	\$816,192	\$12,478,737,903	0.01
<i>Enterprise Charter School</i>	<i>Buffalo</i>	405	\$7,910	\$3,203,550	\$507,507,167	0.63
Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School	Rochester	240	\$8,193	\$1,966,320	\$430,376,036	0.46
Explore Charter School	NYC	200	\$7,848	\$1,569,600	\$12,478,737,903	0.01
Family Life Academy Charter School	NYC	182	\$7,848	\$1,428,336	\$12,478,737,903	0.01
Genesee Community Charter School	Rochester	180	\$8,193	\$1,474,740	\$430,376,036	0.34
Global Concepts Charter School	Lackawanna	256	\$7,698	\$1,970,688	\$30,734,000	6.41
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School	NYC	196	\$7,848	\$1,538,208	\$12,478,737,903	0.01
Harlem Day Charter School	NYC	160	\$7,848	\$1,255,680	\$12,478,737,903	0.01
Harriet Tubman Charter School	NYC	170	\$7,848	\$1,334,160	\$12,478,737,903	0.01
International Charter School of Schenectady	Schenectady	425	\$7,451	\$3,166,675	\$96,908,149	3.27
John A. Reisenbach Charter School	NYC	300	\$7,848	\$2,354,400	\$12,478,737,903	0.02
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School	NYC	410	\$7,848	\$3,217,680	\$12,478,737,903	0.03
King Center Charter School	Buffalo	100	\$7,910	\$791,000	\$507,507,167	0.16
KIPP Academy Charter School	NYC	240	\$7,848	\$1,883,520	\$12,478,737,903	0.02
<i>KIPP Sankofa Charter School</i>	<i>Buffalo</i>	90	\$7,910	\$711,900	\$507,507,167	0.14
<i>KIPP S.T.A.R. College Preparatory Charter School</i>	<i>NYC</i>	90	\$7,848	\$706,320	\$12,478,737,903	0.01
Merrick Academy – Queens Public Charter Schools	NYC	400	\$7,848	\$3,139,200	\$12,478,737,903	0.03
New Covenant Charter School	Albany	813	\$8,435	\$6,857,655	\$137,306,652	4.99
Our World Neighborhood Charter School	NYC	530	\$7,848	\$4,159,440	\$12,478,737,903	0.03
<i>Pinnacle Charter School</i>	<i>Buffalo</i>	160	\$7,910	\$1,265,600	\$507,507,167	0.25
<i>ReadNet Bronx Charter School at Metropolitan College</i>	<i>NYC</i>	80	\$7,848	\$627,840	\$12,478,737,903	0.01

Name	Sending District	Number of Students 2003-04*	AEP Per Student 2003-04	Total Projected AEP 2003-04	District's 2003-04 Approved General Fund Budget	Projected Percent of Impact on District Budget
Renaissance Charter School	NYC	500	\$7,848	\$3,924,000	\$12,478,737,903	0.03
Riverhead Charter School	Riverhead	474	\$9,946	\$4,714,404	\$74,253,460	6.35
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School	Rochester	648	\$8,193	\$5,309,064	\$430,376,036	1.23
Roosevelt Children's Academy Charter School	Roosevelt	547	\$9,881	\$5,404,907	\$49,184,834	10.99
Sisulu Children's Charter School	NYC	647	\$7,848	\$5,077,656	\$12,478,737,903	0.04
South Buffalo Charter School	Buffalo	458	\$7,910	\$3,622,780	\$507,507,167	0.71
Southside Academy Charter School	Syracuse	308	\$7,041	\$228,228	\$207,426,834	0.11
Stepping Stone Academy Charter School	Buffalo	820	\$7,910	\$6,486,200	\$507,507,167	1.28
<i>Syracuse Academy of Science Charter School</i>	<i>Syracuse</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>\$7,041</i>	<i>\$1,408,200</i>	<i>\$207,426,834</i>	<i>0.68</i>
Tapestry Charter School	Buffalo	162	\$7,910	\$1,281,420	\$507,507,167	0.25

*As described in the charter.

** Since CSAT draws most of its students from Buffalo, the projected impact for a proportionate number of students from Buffalo is provided, as well as for the district of location as if all students would come from Kenmore-Tonawanda. The two projections are mutually exclusive.

***Not all students will come from the district of location; the CDCHCS draws students from several districts.

Academic Progress of Students Attending Charter Schools

Article 56 requires that this annual report contain a comparison of the academic progress of students attending charter schools with that of students attending comparable public and non-public schools, wherever practicable. Students attending charter schools are required to take State tests to the same extent required of other public school students. In 2002-03, 28 charter schools served grades in which State tests were required. Tables 5 and 6 show the grade 4 State test results for each charter school as compared with the State test results for its district of location. Tables 7 and 8 show the grade 8 State test results for each charter school as compared with the State test results for its district of location. Table 9 shows the Regents Exam results for all charter schools serving students in grades 9-12. For comparison purposes in New York City, the district of location is either the community school district in which the charter school is located or all other high schools citywide (including alternative high schools).

A comparison with all non-public schools was not practicable.

Note that the description for each of the performance levels on the grades 4 and 8 State tests is as follows:

Level 1: These students have serious academic deficiencies.

Level 2: These students need extra help to meet the standards and pass the Regents examination.

Level 3: These students meet the standards and, with continued steady growth, should pass the Regents examination.

Level 4: These students exceed the standards and are moving toward high performance on the Regents examination.

Table 5

**Grade 4 English Language Arts (ELA)
2002-03 School Year Results**

Charter School and District of Location	Percent of Students Scoring At:			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Ark Community Charter School Troy City School District	7.1 6.7	78.6 40.1	7.1 38.2	7.1 15.0
Beginning with Children Charter School NYC CSD#14	0.0 6.0	14.3 31.9	42.9 40.4	42.9 21.6
Central New York Charter School for Math & Science Syracuse City School District	15.3 9.4	50.0 42.1	29.2 36.9	5.6 11.6
Charter School for Applied Technologies Kenmore-Tonawanda Union Free School District Buffalo City School District*	8.7 2.1 16.7	52.4 22.8 49.4	32.0 48.0 27.3	6.8 27.1 6.6
Charter School of Science and Technology Rochester City School District	13.0 11.9	50.0 45.1	31.5 35.4	5.6 7.5
Child Development Ctr. of the Hamptons Charter School** Wainscott Union Free School District*				
Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School Rochester City School District	22.9 11.9	42.9 45.1	22.9 35.4	11.4 7.5
Genesee Community Charter School Rochester City School District	3.2 11.9	32.3 45.1	32.3 35.4	32.3 7.5
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School NYC CSD #4	0.0 11.1	43.5 50.1	52.2 31.8	4.3 7.0
Harriet Tubman Charter School NYC CSD#9	25.0 13.7	45.0 49.0	15.0 30.5	15.0 6.8
International Charter School of Schenectady Schenectady City School District	16.7 7.9	36.7 44.6	40.0 37.9	6.7 9.5
King Center Charter School Buffalo City School District	11.1 16.7	66.7 49.4	22.2 27.3	0.0 6.6
Merrick Academy – Queens Public Charter School NYC CSD#29	4.3 5.8	28.3 40.1	58.7 39.6	8.7 14.6
New Covenant Charter School Albany City School District	19.6 10.1	40.2 43.2	32.6 34.6	7.6 12.1

Charter School and District of Location	Percent of Students Scoring At:			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Our World Neighborhood Charter School NYC CSD #30	11.1 6.2	44.4 35.9	33.3 41.8	11.1 16.1
Renaissance Charter School NYC CSD#30	4.3 6.2	13.0 35.9	65.2 41.8	17.4 16.1
Riverhead Charter School Riverhead Central School District	12.1 5.1	33.3 25.1	45.5 46.7	9.1 23.1
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School Rochester City School District	6.4 11.9	57.4 45.1	34.0 35.4	2.1 7.5
Roosevelt Children's Academy Charter School Roosevelt Union Free School District	4.0 4.2	36.0 26.5	32.0 42.3	28.0 27.0
Sisulu Children's Charter School NYC CSD#5	19.1 11.3	44.1 47.6	32.4 34.1	4.4 6.9
South Buffalo Charter School Buffalo City School District	1.9 16.7	46.2 49.4	36.5 27.3	15.4 6.6
Southside Academy Charter School Syracuse City School District	20.0 9.4	80.0 42.1	0.0 36.9	0.0 11.6
Stepping Stone Academy Charter School Buffalo City School District	7.3 16.7	63.6 49.4	27.3 27.3	1.8 6.6
Tapestry Charter School Buffalo City School District	0.0 16.7	10.0 49.4	50.0 27.3	40.0 6.6

*Since the CSAT draws most of its students from Buffalo, comparisons with that district are also provided.

**Too few students to report.

Table 6
Grade 4 Mathematics
2002-03 School Year Results

Charter School and District of Location	Percent of Students Scoring At:			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Ark Community Charter School Troy City School District	13.3 5.8	53.3 23.9	33.3 55.0	0.0 15.3
Beginning with Children Charter School NYC CSD#14	0.0 5.3	6.1 20.5	65.3 47.9	28.6 26.3
Central New York Charter School for Math & Science Syracuse City School District	15.7 7.5	25.7 23.9	51.4 47.4	7.1 21.1
Charter School for Applied Technologies Kenmore-Tonawanda Union Free School District Buffalo City School District*	2.9 1.3 9.7	35.6 7.0 32.7	50.0 52.7 46.9	11.5 39.0 10.7
Charter School of Science and Technology Rochester City School District	8.7 9.0	47.6 33.6	39.8 47.2	3.9 10.2
Child Development Ctr. of the Hamptons Charter School Wainscott Union Free School District**	0.0	40.0	60.0	0.0
Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School Rochester City School District	7.5 9.0	50.0 33.6	37.5 47.2	5.0 10.2
Genesee Community Charter School Rochester City School District	0.0 9.0	32.3 33.6	41.9 47.2	25.8 10.2
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School NYC CSD #4	4.3 7.8	39.1 30.2	56.5 47.6	0.0 14.5
Harriet Tubman Charter School NYC CSD#9	14.3 12.2	28.6 29.8	47.6 44.0	9.5 14.0
International Charter School of Schenectady Schenectady City School District	17.2 5.6	10.3 24.9	51.7 52.1	20.7 17.5
King Center Charter School Buffalo City School District	21.1 9.7	52.6 32.7	26.3 46.9	0.0 10.7
Merrick Academy – Queens Public Charter School NYC CSD#29	4.2 7.0	39.6 26.7	52.1 45.8	4.2 20.5
New Covenant Charter School Albany City School District	10.6 7.7	30.9 27.6	46.8 49.0	11.7 15.7

Charter School and District of Location	Percent of Students Scoring At:			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Our World Neighborhood Charter School NYC CSD #30	10.0 6.7	18.0 19.4	56.0 48.3	16.0 25.5
Renaissance Charter School NYC CSD#30	0.0 6.7	4.3 19.4	39.1 48.3	56.5 25.5
Riverhead Charter School Riverhead Central School District	9.4 3.0	31.3 16.9	43.8 49.6	15.6 30.5
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School Rochester City School District	14.6 9.0	50.0 33.6	35.4 47.2	0.0 10.2
Roosevelt Children's Academy Charter School Roosevelt Union Free School District	4.0 2.1	28.0 18.9	68.0 50.2	0.0 28.8
Sisulu Children's Charter School NYC CSD#5	18.8 11.7	40.6 33.4	36.2 44.4	4.3 10.5
Southside Academy Charter School Syracuse City School District	30.0 7.5	20.0 23.9	50.0 47.4	0.0 21.1
Stepping Stone Academy Charter School Buffalo City School District	35.3 9.7	37.3 32.7	25.5 46.9	2.0 10.7
Tapestry Charter School Buffalo City School District	5.3 9.7	0.0 32.7	31.6 46.9	63.2 10.7

*Since the CSAT draws most of its students from Buffalo, comparisons with that district are also provided.

**Too few students to report.

Table 7

**Grade 8 English Language Arts (ELA)
2002-03 School Year Results**

Charter School and District of Location	Percent of Students Scoring At:			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Beginning with Children Charter School NYC CSD#14	0.0 8.6	31.8 52.4	50.0 31.9	18.2 7.1
Bronx Preparatory Charter School NYC CSD#9	4.9 23.1	63.4 60.8	26.8 14.7	4.9 1.3
Charter School of Science and Technology Rochester City School District	10.8 21.2	66.7 61.1	22.6 16.6	0.0 1.1
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School NYC CSD #4	16.7 18.8	66.7 57.6	16.7 20.8	0.0 2.8
John A. Reisenbach Charter School NYC CSD#5	19.0 18.8	66.7 58.5	14.3 20.5	0.0 2.1
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School NYC CSD#2	52.9 4.1	47.1 36.7	0.0 45.4	0.0 13.8
KIPP Academy Charter School NYC CSD#7	0.0 26.3	28.1 58.0	57.9 15.0	14.0 0.7
New Covenant Charter School Albany City School District	26.4 14.7	52.8 58.7	19.4 23.0	1.4 3.6
Renaissance Charter School NYC CSD#30	2.0 13.9	52.0 53.8	40.0 27.1	6.0 5.2
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School Rochester City School District	17.4 21.2	60.9 61.1	21.7 16.6	0.0 1.1

Table 8

**Grade 8 Mathematics
2002-03 School Year Results**

Charter School and District of Location	Percent of Students Scoring At:			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Beginning with Children Charter School NYC CSD#14	0.0 24.4	43.2 36.2	50.0 33.9	6.8 5.5
Bronx Preparatory Charter School NYC CSD#	2.4 35.5	59.5 39.7	31.0 2.7	7.1 2.2
Charter School of Science and Technology Rochester City School District	34.8 52.0	46.7 38.5	18.5 9.1	0.0 0.4
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School NYC CSD #4	16.7 35.8	58.3 41.5	25.0 20.9	0.0 1.7
John A. Reisenbach Charter School NYC CSD#	52.2 39.1	40.6 39.5	7.2 20.4	0.0 1.1
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School NYC CSD#	80.0 8.9	20.0 25.2	0.0 49.3	0.0 16.5
KIPP Academy Charter School NYC CSD#7	0.0 53.3	21.1 36.4	71.9 10.2	7.0 0.1
New Covenant Charter School Albany City School District	53.6 27.1	44.9 45.8	1.4 22.5	0.0 4.6
Renaissance Charter School NYC CSD#30	14.3 25.4	46.9 38.3	38.8 29.9	0.0 6.4
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School Rochester City School District	34.6 52.0	46.2 38.5	19.2 9.1	0.0 0.4

Table 9

**General Education Students First Entering Grade 9 in September 1999
Summary of Regents English and Mathematics Graduation Requirements
Results as of June 2003**

Test and School	Number of General Education Students in Cohort	Percent of Cohort:						
		Not Tested	Receiving Regents Credit for Approved Alternative	Scoring 0-54	Scoring 55-64	Scoring 65-84	Scoring 85-100	Scoring 55-100 or Receiving Regents Credits for an Approved Alternative
Regents English								
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School	3	33%		NA	NA	67%	NA	67%
Renaissance Charter School	39	10%		3%	10%	67%	10%	87%
NYC Public HS	48,878	17%		7%	15%	43%	18%	76%
Regents Mathematics								
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School	3	67%		NA	33%	NA	NA	33%
Renaissance Charter School	39	NA		8%	26%	59%	8%	92%
NYC Public HS	48,878	17%		13%	16%	32%	22%	70%

Financial Audits of Charter Schools

Education Law Article 56 requires that charter schools obtain annual independent financial audits by a licensed certified public accountant or public accountant as set forth in their charter. These independent audits must be conducted in accordance with generally accepted accounting and audit standards.

The following tables present data obtained from charter school annual financial statement audits for the 2002-03 school year. Information from the statements was consolidated where possible to facilitate comparisons among schools.

Table 10 summarizes the financial position of each charter school as well as the net results of operations for the year. Fifteen of the schools submitting statements had a decrease in unrestricted net assets (fund balance) for the year and ten schools had total liabilities exceeding total assets. Overall, unrestricted net assets increased by \$4.0 million to a net total of \$15.5 million for all schools.

Table 11 shows a breakdown of revenues and expenses. Revenue and Support totaled \$111.6 million, an increase of \$35.4 million from the 2001-02 school year. The base funding that a charter school receives depends on the number of students enrolled and the adjusted expense per pupil (AEP). The base funding is received from the districts of residence for the enrolled students and represents the primary source of funds for charter schools. Base funding amounts are reported under the heading of Government Contracts and Grants on Table 11. Schools may also receive private grants, contributions, and other revenue (such as interest). Government contracts and grants accounted for 90 percent of total Revenue and Support for the charter schools reporting fiscal data. Private grants, contributions, and other revenue accounted for about seven percent of total.

Expenses totaled \$107.7 million, an increase of \$36.4 million from the 2001-02 school year. Most school financial statements show a breakdown of expenses by the categories of program and management and general expenses. For schools reporting expenses in this manner, program expenses were 79 percent of total expenses.

Table 10**Charter Schools Data Related to Financial Position and Change in Net Assets 2002-03**

School Name	Assets	Liabilities	Total Net Assets or Fund Balance	Change in Unrestricted Net Assets or Fund Balance (see Table 11)
Amber Charter School	\$1,603,380	\$140,697	\$1,462,683	\$155,554
Ark Community Charter School	798,666	158,402	640,264	73,672
Beginning with Children Charter School	1,406,061	809,923	596,138	189,185
Brighter Choice Charter School for Boys	3,501,604	3,551,043	(49,439)	(133,968)
Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls	3,550,696	3,573,192	(22,496)	(106,623)
Bronx Preparatory Charter School	1,739,959	178,188	1,561,771	792,575
Carl C. Icahn Charter School	1,090,887	525,028	565,859	315,346
Central New York CS for Math and Science	6,882,623	7,657,749	(775,126)	(379,608)
Charter School for Applied Technologies	8,249,889	7,415,457	834,432	456,726
Charter School of Science and Technology	991,660	969,313	22,347	(100,005)
Child Development Center of the Hamptons Charter School	341,842	387,737	(45,895)	(78,056)
Clearpool Charter School	80,256	78,712	1,544	97,191
Community Partnership Charter School	607,253	360,163	247,090	2,335
Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School	575,013	146,551	428,462	144,496
Explore Charter School	598,555	217,761	380,794	(117,737)
Family Life Academy Charter School	440,086	63,035	377,051	(17,463)
Genesee Community Charter School	865,430	61,194	804,236	235,253
Global Concepts Charter School	792,845	748,414	44,431	(3,148)
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School	303,525	392,409	(88,884)	(1,181)
Harlem Day Charter School	3,363,448	31,817	3,331,631	954,735
Harriet Tubman Charter School	504,311	494,245	10,066	(169,362)
International Charter School of Schenectady	803,409	708,126	95,283	16,016
John A. Reisenbach Charter School	3,085,681	2,799,080	286,601	(65,586)
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School	1,824,772	397,060	1,427,712	666,229

School Name	Assets	Liabilities	Total Net Assets or Fund Balance	Change in Unrestricted Net Assets or Fund Balance (see Table 11)
King Center Charter School	416,911	93,663	323,248	39,859
KIPP Academy Charter School	2,686,658	276,400	2,410,258	1,322,096
Merrick Academy-Queens Public Charter School	1,589,798	1,745,180	(155,382)	(398,757)
New Covenant Charter School	14,628,042	14,875,967	(247,925)	(94,594)
Our World Neighborhood Charter School	3,413,231	3,138,430	274,801	275,773
Renaissance Charter School	1,842,609	12,100	1,830,509	905
Riverhead Charter School	5,615,527	5,855,165	(239,638)	(218,807)
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School	522,259	486,333	35,926	874
Roosevelt Children's Academy Charter School	2,188,869	2,341,835	(152,966)	22,586
Sisulu Children's Charter School	741,494	3,311,655	(2,570,161)	(691,450)
South Buffalo Charter School	2,373,630	700,961	1,672,669	814,955
Southside Academy Charter School	172,145	156,339	15,806	15,806
Stepping Stone Academy Charter School	4,585,077	4,716,947	(131,870)	(205,230)
Tapestry Charter School	515,726	207,293	308,433	90,992
Totals	\$85,293,827	\$69,783,564	\$15,510,263	\$3,901,584

Source: Audited Financial Statements July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2003.

Table 11

Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Unrestricted Net Assets for Charter Schools 2002-03

School Name	Revenues				Expenses			Change in Unrestricted Net Assets or Fund Balance
	Government Contracts and Grants	Private Grants, Contributions and Other Revenue	Net Assets Released from Restrictions or Proceeds From Long-Term Debt	Total Revenue & Support	Program	Mgmt. & General	Total Expenses	
Amber Charter School	\$1,827,891	\$278,694	\$0	\$2,106,585	\$1,737,773	\$213,258	\$1,951,031	\$155,554
Ark Community Charter School	1,181,055	43,032	0	1,224,087	963,876	186,539	1,150,415	73,672
Beginning with Children Charter School	4,142,919	170,561	0	4,313,480	3,714,372	409,923	4,124,295	189,185
Brighter Choice Charter School for Boys	397,549	37,208	156,005	590,762	638,101	86,629	724,730	(133,968)
Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls	471,101	42,604	156,006	669,711	687,149	89,185	776,334	(106,623)
Bronx Preparatory Charter School	1,924,306	1,096,884	0	3,021,190	1,848,727	379,888	2,228,615	792,575
Carl C. Icahn Charter School	1,081,812	59,341	395,832	1,536,985	1,066,128	155,511	1,221,639	315,346
Central New York CS for Math and Science	4,277,693	(231,163)	0	4,046,530	3,333,376	1,092,762	4,426,138	(379,608)
Charter School for Applied Technologies	8,334,396	21,947	0	8,356,343	5,544,471	2,355,146	7,899,617	456,726
Charter School of Science and Technology	9,135,568	316,853	0	9,452,421	8,172,683	1,379,743	9,552,426	(100,005)
Child Development Center of the Hamptons CS	775,005	112,924	297,550	1,185,479	1,086,678	176,857	1,263,535	(78,056)
Clearpool Charter School	837,371	151,366	0	988,737	812,081	79,465	891,546	97,191
Community Partnership Charter School	1,826,064	81,885	0	1,907,949	1,680,727	224,887	1,905,614	2,335
Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School	1,969,946	107,841	145,000	2,222,787	1,771,960	306,331	2,078,291	144,496
Explore Charter School	1,797,985	47,317	0	1,845,302	1,661,856	301,183	1,963,039	(117,737)
Family Life Academy Charter School	1,166,268	52,835	271,087	1,490,190	1,027,834	479,819	1,507,653	(17,463)
Genesee Community Charter School	1,299,106	291,321	0	1,590,427	1,164,109	191,065	1,355,174	235,253
Global Concepts Charter School	1,881,004	9,268	0	1,890,272	1,536,683	356,737	1,893,420	(3,148)
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School	1,530,677	126,734	0	1,657,411	1,594,214	64,378	1,658,592	(1,181)
Harlem Day Charter School	1,013,593	1,158,703	550,000	2,722,296	1,288,851	478,710	1,767,561	954,735
Harriet Tubman Charter School	1,254,980	19,111	0	1,274,091	810,959	632,494	1,443,453	(169,362)
International Charter School of Schenectady	2,393,274	10,991	0	2,404,265	1,799,060	589,189	2,388,249	16,016

School Name	Revenues				Expenses			Change in Unrestricted Net Assets or Fund Balance
	Government Contracts and Grants	Private Grants, Contributions and Other Revenue	Net Assets Released from Restrictions or Proceeds From Long-Term Debt	Total Revenue & Support	Program	Mgmt. & General	Total Expenses	
John A. Reisenbach Charter School	2,667,597	436,899	0	3,104,496	2,347,002	823,080	3,170,082	(65,586)
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy CS	3,898,156	137,962	0	4,036,118	3,093,623	276,266	3,369,889	666,229
King Center Charter School	899,905	9,799	147,224	1,056,928	590,033	427,036	1,017,069	39,859
KIPP Academy Charter School	2,122,739	2,193,695	0	4,316,434	2,698,445	295,893	2,994,338	1,322,096
Merrick Academy-Queens Public CS	3,005,909	100,928	0	3,106,837	2,764,934	740,660	3,505,594	(398,757)
New Covenant Charter School	7,176,765	160,229	71,239	7,408,233	5,500,581	2,002,246	7,502,827	(94,594)
Our World Neighborhood Charter School	3,722,346	24,899	0	3,747,245	2,719,484	751,988	3,471,472	275,773
Renaissance Charter School	4,311,539	65,157	0	4,376,696	3,385,064	990,727	4,375,791	905
Riverhead Charter School	2,838,173	0	0	2,838,173	2,342,785	714,195	3,056,980	(218,807)
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School	4,201,341	6,587	0	4,207,928	4,153,703	53,351	4,207,054	874
Roosevelt Children's Academy Charter School	2,823,186	81,714	0	2,904,900	2,186,392	695,922	2,882,314	22,586
Sisulu Children's Charter School	2,610,924	171,126	0	2,782,050	2,796,708	676,792	3,473,500	(691,450)
South Buffalo Charter School	3,756,020	33,880	0	3,789,900	2,348,453	626,492	2,974,945	814,955
Southside Academy Charter School	1,111,631	985,749	0	2,097,380	2,056,338	25,236	2,081,574	15,806
Stepping Stone Academy Charter School	3,482,662	169,762	339,034	3,991,458	1,652,780	2,543,908	4,196,688	(205,230)
Tapestry Charter School	1,178,904	47,837	91,757	1,318,498	877,200	350,306	1,227,506	90,992
Totals	\$100,327,360	\$8,632,480	\$2,620,734	\$111,580,574	\$85,455,193	\$22,223,797	\$107,678,990	\$3,901,584

Source: Audited Financial Statements July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2003.

Other Information Regarding Charter Schools

Article 56 authorizes the Board of Regents to include in this report any other information that it deems necessary. This section includes observations and reflections based on concerns that have arisen since the enactment of Article 56. Though the Department has developed policies and procedures to address both the letter and the spirit of the statute, concerns remain. The most relevant of these concerns are listed below in an attempt to help focus future discussion on potential amendment recommendations to the Legislature.

Application Process

1. §2852(1) of the Education Law should be amended to require the submission of applications by July 1 instead of September 30. This will allow the charter entities more time to interact meaningfully with the applicants to reach a decision regarding approval, and will also provide earlier notification to districts regarding the possible establishment of a charter school within their boundaries.
2. §2852(2)(c) of the Education Law should be clarified to describe under what circumstances preferences might be given to students who are at-risk of academic failure. This would help to better describe the characteristics of an “at-risk” student rather than relying solely or primarily upon poverty measures.
3. §2852(3) of the Education Law should be amended to allow for the administrative disapproval of unacceptable applications without formal action of the charter entity. This would allow for a more timely review and decision-making process, and would alleviate the need to take up meeting time with routine matters. The charter entity would be informed monthly of all such actions being taken.
4. §2852(5-a) of the Education Law should be amended to allow the Board of Regents 120 days to review and approve proposed charters submitted by other charter entities. This would allow for a more meaningful interaction between the charter entities as well as provide sufficient time for the review process itself.
5. §2852(7) of the Education Law should be amended to provide the Commissioner of Education with the discretionary authority to approve non-material changes to existing charters as recommended by any charter entity. This will allow for emergency action to be taken and will also alleviate the need to take up meeting time with non-material matters.
6. §2854(2)(b) of the Education Law should be amended to provide that, in New York City, the student’s district of residence would be the community school district in which s/he resides.

Conversion Process

1. §2851(3)(c) of the Education Law should be amended to require that a Board of Education, when acting in its capacity of a charter entity, enter into a memorandum of agreement with the school before its conversion, to define the support and the services that will be provided by the Board to the charter school. It should also specify any agreements that have been reached regarding facilities, disposition of supplies and equipment, and personnel issues such as pension benefits. This will help to alleviate confusion after the fact and will more clearly describe ahead of time the roles and responsibilities of all parties.
2. §2851(3)(c) of the Education Law should be further amended to allow the Commissioner of Education to promulgate regulations describing the process by which the parents or guardians of a majority of the students then enrolled in the existing public school shall vote on the issue of conversion. This will help ensure that consistent processes are enacted to provide for a fair and meaningful vote.
3. §2856 of the Education Law should be amended to clarify the extent to which the district of location, in the case of a conversion charter school, can provide services to charter school students and claim State aid for those services, as if the students were enrolled in a district-operated program. This will help to clarify requirements and assist districts and charter schools to operate in a fiscally sound manner.

Renewal Process

1. §2851(4) of the Education Law sets forth the current process for the renewal of charters. Charters may be renewed for a term of up to five years. It is recommended that this portion of the law be amended to allow for charters to be renewed for up to ten (10) years. The discretion for the actual length of the renewed charter should remain with the charter entity. This will allow successful charter schools to more successfully negotiate leases, loans, and lines of credit when seeking to expand their facilities. The charter entities would maintain their right and responsibility to oversee and monitor the continued educational and fiscal soundness of the schools, and to require corrective action as necessary. The Department would also maintain its role as the ultimate overseer of all public schools.

Financing of Charter Schools

1. §2853(1)(d) and §2853(3)(b) should be amended to allow charter schools access to financing of the construction or renovation of facilities through the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York, including the ability to pledge or assign monies provided under §2856.
2. §2857(2)(c) and various other provisions of the Education Law should be amended to make charter schools eligible for certain State categorical aids, such as limited

English proficiency aid and transportation aid, as they relate to services provided to students by the charter school, directly or by contract.

3. §2856(1) of the Education Law and Commissioner's Regulation 119.1 set forth the current process for the financing of charter schools. This has been perhaps the most contentious area surrounding charter schools. While the Legislature correctly determined that public school districts were not entitled to keep certain State aid funds for students whom they were no longer educating, it appears that other measures should be taken to help initially offset the financial impact of charter schools on a district. It is recommended that the Legislature annually fully fund a Charter Schools Impact Fund to be administered by the Commissioner of Education. Regulations would be promulgated for this program. Criteria to determine the initial and on-going eligibility of each district would be set.

One method would be to use the percent of district students attending charter schools as a threshold measure to determine eligibility for financial assistance. Each affected district would then be eligible to receive financial assistance on a sliding scale (relative to the projected impact; not a dollar-for-dollar reimbursement) for a maximum of three years, and on a decreasing basis for each of those three years. No funds would be provided to an affected district after the third year. Each district would thus have three years to plan for and adjust to the financial impact of having resident students attend charter schools. This would not be retroactive but would be intended for districts with charter schools commencing operation or significantly expanding in the 2004-05 school year. Any district that has had resident students attending an existing charter school for the 2001-02, 2002-03, and 2003-04 school years would not be able to claim those students under this program, since they have already had three years to adjust their operations.

The first per-pupil payment to a charter school on July 1st would trigger the first such impact payment to an eligible district, to lessen the need for borrowing.

4. §2856(2) of the Education Law should be amended to allow the Commissioner of Education to impose a financial penalty or other sanction upon a school district for its persistent failure to pay monies owed to charter schools. Commissioner's Regulation 119.1 would also be amended to reflect this proposed change in the law. This will help to ensure timely payments to the charter schools. If the districts dispute the enrollment figures, they must use the complaint procedure described in §2855(4) of the Education Law.
5. The current method for determining the level of per pupil payments to charter schools should be reviewed by the Legislature to determine if differential funding by grade level would be more appropriate and, if so, the formula by which such determinations would be made.

Facilities

1. §2853(3) of the Education Law should be amended to require charter schools to adhere to the Department's health, sanitary, and fire safety requirements. This would not be retroactive but would pertain to all charter school applications approved after February 1, 2004 for charter schools that seek to commence instruction in September 2005.

Charter School Operation

1. §2856 and §1950 of the Education Law should be amended to provide Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) with the authority to provide the same services to charter schools, at cost, as they do for public school districts. This will allow charter schools to operate in a more efficient manner, and will also provide BOCES with the ability to provide services to new customers.
2. §2857(2)(c) should be amended to provide that the date for the receipt of financial statements and audits is October 1, in order to coincide with the due date for other public schools. This will help to streamline the audit review process.

APPENDIX A

Approved Charter Schools in New York State

As of November 1, 2004

**Approved Charter Schools in New York State
November 1, 2004**

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
310500860806				Renewal year 2004-05.
Amber Charter School	2000-01	K-1	120	
220 E. 106 th St., New York, NY 10029-4007	2001-02	K-2	120	
Evelyn Marzan: 212-534-9667 fax 212-534-6225	2002-03	K-3	180	
SUNY	2003-04	K-4	240	
No management company	2004-05	K-5	280	
491700860034				
Ark Community Charter School	2001-02	K-5	96	
762 River St., Troy NY 12180-3017	2002-03	K-5	96	
Mary Theresa Streck 518-274-6312 fax 518-274-3615	2003-04	K-5	96	
SUNY	2004-05	K-5	140 (96)	
No management company	2005-06	K-5	160 (96)	
331400860825				
Beginning with Children Charter School	2001-02	K-8	450	
11 Bartlett St., Brooklyn NY 11206-5001	2002-03	K-8	450	
Cynthia Bailey: 718-388-8847 fax 718-388-8936	2003-04	K-8	450	
Chancellor (conversion)	2004-05	K-8	450	
No management company	2005-06	K-8	450	
010100860829				
Brighter Choice Charter School for Boys	2001-02	*	*	
250 Central Ave., Albany NY 12206-2610	2002-03	K-1	45	
Todd McKee: 518-694-4100 fax 518-694-4123	2003-04	K-2	70	
Regents	2004-05	K-3	95	
No management company	2005-06	K-4	120	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
01011860830				
Brighter Choice Charter School for Girls	2001-02	*	*	
250 Central Ave., Albany NY 12206-2610	2002-03	K-1	45	
Todd McKee: 518-694-4100 fax 518-694-4123	2003-04	K-2	70	
Regents	2004-05	K-3	95	
No management company	2005-06	K-4	120	
321100860855				
Bronx Charter School for Better Learning	2003-04	1	50	
3740 Baychester Avenue, Bronx, NY 10466	2004-05	1-2	100	
Shubert Jacobs: 718-655-6660 fax 718-655-5555	2005-06	1-3	150	
SUNY	2006-07	K-4	250	
No management company	2007-08	K-4	250	
320700860852				
Bronx Charter School for Children	2003-04	* (K-1)	*(132)	
388 Willis Avenue, Bronx, NY 10455	2004-05	K-1 (K-2)	132 (176)	
Karen Drezner: 718-402-3300 fax 718-402-3528	2005-06	K-2 (K-3)	176 (220)	
Regents	2006-07	K-3 (K-4)	220 (264)	
No management company	2007-08	K-4 (K-5)	264 (308)	
321100860859				
Bronx Charter School for Excellence	2003-04	*	*	
1508 Webster Avenue, Bronx, NY 10457	2004-05	K-1	100	
Marc Etienne: 718-294-7327 fax 718-294-1497	2005-06	K-2	150	
SUNY	2006-07	K-3	200	
No management company	2007-08	K-4	250	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
320800860846				
Bronx Charter School for the Arts	2002-03	*	*	Comprehensive monitoring 2004-05
950 Longfellow Avenue, Bronx NY 10474	2003-04	K-3	160	
Verta Maloney: 718-893-1042 fax 718-893-7910	2004-05	K-4	200	
Regents	2005-06	K-5	240	
No management company	2006-07	K-6	280	
Bronx Lighthouse Charter School	2004-05	K-2	120	
977 Fox Street, Bronx, NY 10459	2005-06	K-3	160	
Dorian Mendez-Vaz: 718-991-1310 fax 212-225-3999	2006-07	K-4	180	
Chancellor	2007-08	K-4	180	
Lighthouse Academies	2008-09	K-4	180	
320900860807				
Bronx Preparatory Charter School	2000-01	5-6	100	
3872 Third Avenue, Bronx NY 10457	2001-02	5-7	150	
Abby Farber: 718-294-0841 fax 718-294-2381	2002-03	5-8	200	
SUNY	2003-04	5-9	250	
No management company	2004-05	5-10	300	
331600860809				Renewal year 2004-05
Brooklyn Charter School	2000-01	K-1	74	
545 Willoughby Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11233	2001-02	K-2	114	
Omigbade Escayg: 718-452-3423 fax 718-452-3435	2002-03	K-3	154	
Chancellor	2003-04	K-4	194	
No management company	2004-05	K-5	234	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
331800860847				
Brooklyn Excelsior Charter School	2003-04	K-5	187	
856 Quincy Street, Brooklyn NY 11201-5215	2004-05	K-6	480	
Alan Handel: 718-246-5681 fax 718-246-5864	2005-06	K-7	555	
SUNY	2006-07	K-8	630	
National Heritage Academies	2007-08	K-8	655	
140600860861				
Buffalo Academy of Science Charter School	2004-05	7-9	225	
15 Jewett Parkway, Buffalo, NY 14214	2005-06	7-10	300	
Metin Cetiner: 716-446-5681 fax 716-446-5682	2006-07	7-11	375	
Regents	2007-08	7-12	450	
No management company	2008-09	7-12	450	
140600860851				
Buffalo United Charter School	2002-03	*	*	Comprehensive monitoring 2004-05
325 Manhattan Avenue, Buffalo NY 14215	2003-04	K-4	240	
David Bouie: 716-835-9862 fax 716-835-6272	2004-05	K-6	405	
SUNY	2005-06	K-6	480	
National Heritage Academies	2006-07	K-7	555	
320900860035				
Carl C. Icahn Charter School	2001-02	K-2	108	
1525 Brook Ave., Bronx NY 10457-8005	2002-03	K-3	144	
Jeffrey Litt: 718-716-8105 fax 718-716-6716	2003-04	K-4	180	
SUNY	2004-05	K-4	180	
No management company	2005-06	K-4	180	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
421800860008				
Central New York Charter School for Math and Science	2000-01	K-6	504	Formerly with Beacon Educational
601 East Genesee St., Syracuse NY 13202-3100	2001-02	K-7	576	Management/Chancellor Beacon
Larry Williams: 315-472-5914 fax 315-472-5917	2002-03	(K-8) K-6	(648) (660) 594	Academies. Renewal year 2004-05.
SUNY	2003-04	(K-9) K-6	(720) 660	
Imagine Schools, Inc.	2004-05	(K-10) K-6	(792) 660	
142601860031				
Charter School for Applied Technologies	2001-02	K-6	700	Renewal application due 7/1/05
2303 Kenmore Ave., Buffalo NY 14207	2002-03	K-7	800	
J. Efrain Martinez: 716-876-7505 fax 716-876-9758	2003-04	K-8	900	
Regents	2004-05	K-9	1,000	
Edison Schools, Inc.	2005-06	K-10	1,100	
662300860862				
Charter School of Educational Excellence	2004-05	*(K-4)	*(250)	
C/o 46 Argyle St., Yonkers, NY 10701	2005-06	K-4(K-5)	250 (300)	
Migda L. Agosto: 914-375-2124 fax 718-537-3195	2006-07	K-5	300 (350)	
Regents	2007-08	K-5	350 (400)	
Victory Schools, Inc.	2008-09	K-5	400 (450)	
261600860018				Renewal year 2004-05
Charter School of Science and Technology	2000-01	K-8	876	
690 St. Paul St., Rochester NY 14605-1742	2001-02	K-9	976	
Iris Banister: 585-454-0100 fax 585-454-3215	2002-03	(K-10) K-8	(1,076) 1,021	
SUNY	2003-04	(K-10) K-8	(1,176) 1,100	
Edison Schools, Inc.	2004-05	(K-12) K-8	(1,276) 1,100	

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580302860027				Renewal year 2004-05.
Child Development Center of the Hamptons Charter School	2000-01	K-4	24	
110 Stephen Hands Path, PO Box 404, Wainscott, NY 11975-0404	2001-02	K-4	50	
Patricia Desiderio: 631-537-6330 fax 631-537-6965	2002-03	(K-4) K-5	(96) (60) 72	
SUNY	2003-04	(K-4) (K-5) K-6	(72) 57	
No management company	2004-05	(K-4) K-5	(72) (120) 85	
140600860843				Comprehensive monitoring
COMMUNITY Charter School	2001-02	*	*	2004-05. Renewal application
404 Edison Ave., Buffalo NY 14215-2936	2002-03	(K-4)*	(246)*	due 7/1/05.
Karen D'Aurizio: 716-833-5967 fax 716-833-6392	2003-04	(K-5) K-4	(424) 246	Formerly with Beacon Educational
Regents	2004-05	(K-6) K-5	(496) 424	Management/Chancellor
Imagine Schools, Inc.	2005-06	(K-7) K-6	(568) 496	Beacon Academies
331300860010				Renewal year 2004-05
Community Partnership Charter School	2000-01	K-1	100	
241 Emerson Place, Brooklyn NY 11205	2001-02	K-2	170	
John Jenkins: 718-399-1495 fax 718-399-2149	2002-03	K-3	240	
SUNY	2003-04	K-4	300	
No management company	2004-05	K-5	350	
310400860848				
East Harlem Village Academy Charter School	2002-03	*	*	Comprehensive monitoring
413 E. 120 th St., New York, NY 10035	2003-04	5(6)	76 (104)	2004-05.
Diallo Dphrepaulezz: 212-874-2690	2004-05	5-6(6-7)	125 (208)	
SUNY	2005-06	5-7(6-8)	312	
No management company	2006-07	5-8(6-9)	416	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
331900860849				Comprehensive monitoring
East New York Village Academy Charter School	2002-03	*	*	2004-05
c/o Village Academies, 330 Madison Ave., New York NY 10017	2003-04	* (5)(6)	*(104)	
Deborah Kenny: 646-495-5397 fax: 212-202-4047	2004-05	5 (5-6) (6-7)	104 (208)	
SUNY	2005-06	5-6 (5-7) (6-8)	208 (312)	
No management company	2006-07	5-7 (5-8) (6-9)	312 (416)	
140600860856				
Enterprise Charter School	2003-04	K-8	405	
275 Oak Street, Buffalo, NY 14203-1638	2004-05	K-9 (K-8)	460 (405)	
Gary Stillman: 716-855-2114 fax 716-855-2967	2005-06	K-9 (K-8)	460 (405)	
Buffalo Board of Education	2006-07	K-9 (K-8)	460 (405)	
No management company	2007-08	K-9 (K-8)	460 (405)	
261600860811				Renewal year 2004-05
Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School	2000-01	K-2	120	
938 Clifford Ave., Rochester NY 14621-4808	2001-02	K-3	160	
Miriam Vasquez: 585-544-6170 fax 585-544-3848	2002-03	K-4	200	
SUNY	2003-04	K-5	240	
No management company	2004-05	K-6	280	
331600860860				
Excellence Charter School of Bedford Stuyvesant	2004-05	K-1	88	
598 Lafayette Ave., 3 rd Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11216	2005-06	K-2	152	
Jabali Sawicki: 718-638-1840 fax 718-638-2548	2006-07	K-3	214	
SUNY	2007-08	K-4	273	
No management company	2008-09	K-5	329	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
310100860041				
Explore Charter School	2001-02	*	*	
15 Snyder Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11226	2002-03	(K-2) K-3	(120) 160	
Morton Ballen: 718-703-4484 fax 718-703-8550	2003-04	(K-3) K-4	(160) 200	
Chancellor	2004-05	(K-4) K-5	(200) 240	
No management company	2005-06	(K-5) K-6	(240) 280	
xxxxxx860850				
Family Academy Charter School of New York	2002-03	*	*	Comprehensive monitoring
c/o 240 W. 113 th St., Rm. 213, New York NY 10026	2003-04	(K-2)*	(162)*	2004-05.
Nancy McDonnell: 212-749-1581 fax 212-749-1581	2004-05	(K-3) (K-2)*	(216) (162)*	Opening delayed until 2005-06.
SUNY	2005-06	K-2 (K-4) (K-3)	162 (270) (216)	
No management company	2006-07	K-3 (K-5) (K-4)	216 (324) 2(70)	
320800860039				
Family Life Academy Charter School	2001-02	K-1	100	
14 W. 170 th St., Bronx NY 10452-3227	2002-03	K-2	(142) 156	
Marilyn Calo: 718-410-8100 fax 718-410-8800	2003-04	K-3	192	
SUNY	2004-05	K-4	219	
No management company	2005-06	K-5	255	
261600860026				Institutional partner Rochester
Genesee Community Charter School	2000-01	*	*	Museum and Science Center.
657 East Ave., Rochester NY 14607-2177	2001-02	K-3	120	Renewal application received
Lisa A. Wing: 585-271-4552 ext. 265 fax 585-271-5904	2002-03	K-4	150	7/1/04.
Regents	2003-04	K-5	180	
No management company	2004-05	K-6 (K-5)	200 (180)	

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310100860866				
Girls Preparatory Charter School of New York	2004-05	* (K-1)	* (80)	
C/o 2680 Broadway, #3B New York, NY 10025	2005-06	K-1 (K-2)	80 (140)	
Miriam Lewis Raccah: 212-662-6230 fax 212-666-0717	2006-07	K-2 (K-3)	140 (200)	
SUNY	2007-08	K-3 (K-4)	200 (260)	
No management company	2008-09	K-4 (K-5)	260 (320)	
141800860044				Comprehensive monitoring
Global Concepts Charter School	2002-03	K-3	(150) 172	2004-05
1001 Ridge Rd., Lackawanna NY 14218	2003-04	K-4	(240) 256	
Lawrence Ljungberg: 716-821-1903 fax 716-821-9563	2004-05	K-5	360	
Regents	2005-06	K-5	360	
No management company	2006-07	K-5	360	
320900860872				
Grand Concourse Charter School	2004-05	K-2	175	
118-116 East 169 th St., Bronx, NY 10456	2005-06	K-3	225	
Ira Victor: 718-220-3505 fax 718-590-1065	2006-07	K-4	275	
SUNY	2007-08	K-4	275	
No management company	2008-09	K-4	275	
310400860012				Renewal year
Harbor Science and Arts Charter School	2000-01	1-6	132	
1 East 104 th St., Suite 603, New York NY 10029-4495	2001-02	1-7	154	
Joanne Hunt: 212-427-2244 fax 212-360-7429	2002-03	1-8	176	
SUNY	2003-04	K-8	196	
No management company	2004-05	K-8	196	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
310500860864				
Harlem Children's Zone Promise Academy Charter School	2004-05	K, 6	200	Institutional partner: Harlem Children's Zone, Inc.
175 West 134 th Street, New York, NY 10030-3101	2005-06	K-1, 6-7	400	
Doreen Land: 212-234-6200 fax 212-234-2340	2006-07	K-2, 6-8	600	
Chancellor	2007-08	K-3, 6-9	800	
No management company	2008-09	K-4, 6-10	1,000	
310400860040				
Harlem Day Charter School	2001-02	K-1	80	
240 E. 123 rd St., New York NY 10035-2038	2002-03	K-2	120	
Gwen Stephens: 212-876-9953 fax 212-876-9926	2003-04	K-3	160	
SUNY	2004-05	K-4	200	
No management company	2005-06	K-5	240	
31050086-875				
Harlem Link Charter School	2004-05	*	*	
c/o 481 Ft. Washington Ave., #58, NY, NY 10033	2006-07	K-1	108	
Steven Evangelista: 917-670-4770 fax 718-667-1181	2007-08	K-3	216	
SUNY	2008-09	K-3	216	
No management company	2009-10	K-4	270	
320900860823				Renewal application received
Harriet Tubman Charter School	2000-01	*	*	7/1/04
3565 Third Ave., Bronx NY 10456-3403	2001-02	K-3	120 (246)	
Michele Pierce: 718-537-9912 fax 718-537-9858	2002-03	K-4	138 (321)	
Regents	2003-04	K-5	170 (396)	
Edison Schools, Inc.	2004-05	K-6	471	

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530600860813				Renewal year 2004-05.
International Charter School of Schenectady	2000-01	*	*	
408 Eleanor St., Schenectady NY 12306-3122	2001-02	*	*	
Lillian Turner: 518-344-5107 or -5105 fax -5106	2002-03	K-4	300	
SUNY	2003-04	K-5	425	
Schenectady Education Management LLC (SABIS)	2004-05	K-6	550	
310300860803				Charter was terminated as of June 30, 2004.
John A. Reisenbach Charter School	1999-00	K-5	120	
257 West 117 th St., New York NY 10026-2115	2000-01	K-1, 5-6	240	
Karolyn Belcher: 212-666-3941 fax 212-666-3944	2001-02	(K-2, 5-7) 1-2, 6-7	360	
SUNY	2002-03	(K-3, 5-8) 2,3,7,8	(480) 300	
The Learning Project	2003-04	(K-9) K-4, 8	(600) 450	
310200860019				Renewal year 2004-05.
John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School	2000-01	9-12	150	
1239 Lafayette Ave, Bronx NY 10474-5307 (gr. 8-9) 17 Battery Place, New York NY 10004-1207	2001-02	9-12	160	
Ronald Tabano: 212-635-3800 fax 212-635-3874	2002-03	8-12 (9-12)	410	
Chancellor (conversion)	2003-04	8-12 (9-12)	410	
No management company	2004-05	8-12 (9-12)	(200) 485	
140600860014				Renewal year 2004-05
King Center Charter School	2000-01	K-3	80	
938 Genesee St., Buffalo NY 14211-3025	2001-02	K-4	100	
Claity Massey: 716-891-7912 fax 716-895-2058	2002-03	K-4	100	
SUNY	2003-04	K-4	100	
No management company	2004-05	K-4	100	

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320700860820				Renewal year 2004-05
KIPP Academy Charter School	2000-01	5-8	234	
250 East 156 th St., Rm. 418, Bronx NY 10451-4796	2001-02	5-8	240	
Quinton Vance: 718-665-3555 fax 718-585-7982	2002-03	5-8	240	
Chancellor (conversion)	2003-04	5-8	240	
No management company	2004-05	5-8	240	
140600860857				
KIPP Sankofa Charter School	2003-04	5	90	
140 Central Park Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14214	2004-05	5-6	180	
Uchenna Smith: 716-446-5708 fax 509-757-5902	2005-06	5-7	270	
SUNY	2006-07	5-8	360	
No management company	2007-08	5-8	360	
310500860858				
KIPP S.T.A.R. College Preparatory Charter School	2003-04	5	90	
433 W. 123 rd St., New York, NY 10027	2004-05	5-6	180	
Maggie Runyan-Shefa: 212-769-7615 fax 212-769-7616	2005-06	5-7	270	
SUNY	2006-07	5-8	360	
No management company	2007-08	5-8	360	
010100860867				
KIPP Tech Valley Charter School	2004-05	*	*	
502 North Road, Troy, NY 12180	2005-06	5	90	
John P. Reilly: 518-283-4654 fax 518-283-0930	2006-07	5-6	180	
SUNY	2007-08	5-7	270	
No management company	2008-09	5-8	360	
310100860873				
Manhattan Charter School	2004-05	*	*	
c/o 32 Gramercy Park South, #14G, NY, NY 10019	2005-06	K-1	200	
Diane Conniff: 917-733-8060 fax 212-499-4281	2006-07	K-2	300	
Chancellor	2007-08	K-3	390	
No management company	2008-09	K-4	471	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
342900860821				Renewal year 2004-05
Merrick Academy - Queens Public Charter School	2000-01	K-2	125 (350)	
207-01 Jamaica Ave., Queens Village NY 11428-1544	2001-02	K-3 (K-4)	175	
Alma L. Alston: 718-479-3753 fax 718-468-4773	2002-03	K-4 (K-6)	(600) 350	
SUNY	2003-04	K-5 (K-8)	(725) (650) 400	
Victory Schools, Inc.	2004-05	K-6 (K-10)	450 (850)	
010100860005				Charter renewed for five years
New Covenant Charter School	1999-00	K-4	550	by operation of law 9/15/04.
50 North Lark St., Albany NY 12210-1518	2000-01	K-5	***400	On probation 2004-05.
Eleanor P. Bartlett: 518-463-3912 fax 518-626-9916	2001-02	K-7	701	
SUNY	2002-03	K-8	813	
Edison Schools, Inc.	2003-04	K-8	813	
	2004-05	K-6	911	
Opportunity Charter School	2004-05	6-7	108	
222 West 34 th St, New York, NY 10030	2005-06	6-8	162	
Betty Marsella: 917-623-6228 fax 914-631-8184	2006-07	6-9	216	
Chancellor	2007-08	6-10	270	
No management company	2008-09	6-11	324	
Oracle Charter School	2004-05	*	*	
c/o 27 Ketchum Place, Buffalo, NY 14213	2005-06	7-9	180	
Julie Jackson-Forsberg 716-882-8156 fax 716-885-4482	2006-07	7-10	240	
SUNY	2007-08	7-11	300	
No management company	2008-09	7-12	360	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
343000860036				
Our World Neighborhood Charter School	2001-02	*	*	
36-12 35 th Ave., Astoria NY 11106	2002-03	K-5	375(450) (249)	
Brian Ferguson: 718-392-3135 fax 718-392-2840	2003-04	K-6	530(525) (475)	
SUNY	2004-05	K-7	600(550)	
Mosaica Education, Inc.	2005-06	K-8	675	
342700860869				
Peninsula Preparatory Academy Charter School	2004-05	K-2	150	
10-45 Nameoke St., Far Rockaway, NY 11961	2005-06	K-3	200	
Gwendolyn S. McEvilley: 718-471-2220 fax 718-471-7385	2006-07	K-4	250	
Chancellor	2007-08	K-5	300	
No management company	2008-09	K-5	300	
140600860853				
Pinnacle Charter School	2003-04	K-3	165 (160)	
115 Ash St. Buffalo, NY 14204	2004-05	K-6	300 (280)	
Heidi Rotella: 716-842-1244 fax 716-842-1242	2005-06	K-8	360	
Regents	2006-07	K-8	360	
No management company	2007-08	K-8	540	
320700860842				
The ReadNet Bronx Charter School at Metropolitan College	2001-02	*	*	
429 East 148th St., Bronx, NY 10455	2002-03	*	*	
Juan Pena: 212-838-2344 fax 212-644-0871	2003-04	K-1 (K-2)	80 (120)	
Regents	2004-05	K-2 (K-3)	120 (160)	
No management company	2005-06	K-3 (K-4)	160 (200)	

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343000860022				Renewal year 2004-05
Renaissance Charter School	2000-01	K-12	500	
35-59 81 st St., Jackson Heights NY 11372-5033	2001-02	K-12	500	
Monte Joffe: 718-803-0060 fax 718-803-3785	2002-03	K-12	500	
Chancellor (conversion)	2003-04	K-12	500	
No management company	2004-05	K-12	500	
580602860032				On probation 2004-05.
Riverhead Charter School	2001-02	K-4	175 (246)	Renewal application due
3685 Middle Country Rd., Calverton NY 11933	2002-03	K-5	290 (408)	7/1/05.
Robert Pinckney: 631-369-5252 fax 631-369-6687	2003-04	K-6 (K-5)	425 (474)	
Regents	2004-05	K-5	216 (540)	
Edison Schools, Inc.	2005-06	K-5	600	
261600860816				Renewal year 2004-05.
Rochester Leadership Academy Charter School	2000-01	K-8	436	
1020 Maple St., Rochester NY 14604	2001-02	K-8	332 (576)	
Barry Singleton: 585-454-5000 fax 585-454-5123	2002-03	K-8	460 (624)	
SUNY	2003-04	K-8	516 (648)	
National Heritage Academies	2004-05	K-8	648	

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280208860024				Renewal year 2004-05
Roosevelt Children's Academy Charter School	2000-01	K-2	247	
105 Pleasant Ave., Roosevelt NY 11575-2126	2001-02	(K-3)	(187)	
30 Union Place (K-1 only)		1-3	147	
Roxanne Greco-Ashley: 516-867-6202 fax 516-867-6206	2002-03	K-4	250 (447)	
SUNY	2003-04	K-5	300 (547)	
Victory Schools, Inc.	2004-05	K-6	300 (647)	
310300860804				Charter renewed for two-year term
Sisulu Children's Charter School	1999-00	K-2	247	July 2004.
Grade 1: 125 West 115 th St., New York NY 10026-2908	2000-01	K-3	346	
Grades 2-4: 441 Manhattan Ave., New York NY 10026	2001-02	1-4 (K-4)	322	
Norma Figueroa-Hurwitz: 212-663-8216 fax 212-866-5793	2002-03	(K-5) K, 2-5	327 (547)	
SUNY	2003-04	(K-6) K, 3-5	(647) 300	
Victory Schools, Inc.	2004-05	K-5	225	
140600860017				Renewal year 2004-05.
South Buffalo Charter School	2000-01	K-4	234	
2219 South Park Ave., Buffalo NY 14220-2202	2001-02	K-5	(432) 305	
Larry Gustina: 716-826-7213 fax 716-826-7168	2002-03	K-6	(504) 383	
SUNY	2003-04	K-7	(576) 458	
Beacon Educational Management, LLC	2004-05	K-8	(648) 533	
421800860045				Comprehensive monitoring
Southside Academy Charter School	2002-03	K-5	148 (240)	2004-05
800 South Wilbur Ave., Bldg. 1C, Syracuse NY 13204	2003-04	K-6	308 (480)	
Piri Taborosi: 315-476-3019 fax 315-476-6639	2004-05	K-7	555	
Regents	2005-06	K-8	630	
National Heritage Academies	2006-07	K-8	655	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
140600860037				
Stepping Stone Academy Charter School	2001-02	K-5	300	
909 East Ferry St., Buffalo NY 14211-1423	2002-03	K-6	400 (712)	
Betty Davis: 716-895-5766 x. 2105 fax 716-894-7931	2003-04	K-7	487 (820)	
SUNY	2004-05	K-8	556 (928)	
Edison Schools, Inc.	2005-06	K-8	928	
421800860854				
Syracuse Academy of Science Charter School	2003-04	7-9	200	
1001 Park Avenue, Syracuse NY 13204	2004-05	7-10	250	
Haaki Karaman: 315-428-8997 fax 315-428-9109	2005-06	7-11	300	
Regents	2006-07	7-12	350	
No management company	2007-08	7-12	350	
140600860038				
Tapestry Charter School	2001-02	K-4	100	
40 North St., Buffalo NY 14202-1106	2002-03	K-5	(120) 132	
Joy Pepper: 716-332-0754 fax 716-332-0758	2003-04	K-6	(140) (162) 163	
SUNY	2004-05	(K-6)K-7	(160)192	
No management company	2005-06	(K-6) K-8	(180)216	
140600860874				Institutional partner M&T Bank
Westminster Community Charter School	2004-05	K-8	500	
24 Westminster Street, Buffalo, NY 14215	2005-06	K-8	525	
Yvonne Minor-Ragan: 716-838-7456	2006-07	K-8	535	
Buffalo Board of Education (conversion)	2007-08	K-8	550	
No management company	2008-09	K-8	550	

Name of School	School Year	Grades	Students	Other
140600860863				Institutional partner US Navy
Western New York Maritime Charter School	2004-05	9	150	
833 Michigan Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14203-1207	2005-06	9-10	300	
Richard Middaugh: 716-842-4240 fax 716-842-4241	2006-07	9-11	450	
Regents	2007-08	9-12	600	
No management company	2008-09	9-12	600	
331500860865				
Williamsburg Charter School	2004-05	9	125	
424 Leonard Street, 4 th Fl., Brooklyn, NY 11222	2005-06	9-10	250	
Eddie Calderon-Melendez: 718-782-9830 fax 718-782-9830	2006-07	9-11	375	
Chancellor	2007-08	9-12	500	
No management company	2008-09	9-12	500	

* Opening delayed

** Specific increments not provided by grade, just total number of students by end of initial 5-year charter.

*** Per agreement with the charter entity.

() Figures in parentheses indicate original grades and/or numbers of students as compared to the new grades and/or number of students per agreement with charter entity.

Charters Issued to Date: 75 (includes 6 discontinued)

Total Approved 2004-05: 61

Opening in 2005-06: 8

Board of Regents: 17 (plus 2 discontinued – Austin L. Carr, Sullivan)

SUNY: 38 (plus 1 discontinued - John A. Reisenbach)

Chancellor: 12 (8 new, 4 conversions) (plus 3 discontinued, REACH, Middle College HS, and International HS, all of which were conversions)

Buffalo BOE: 2 (1 new, 1 conversion)

APPENDIX B

Fiscal and Programmatic Impact Statements from Districts