



## Sage Collegiate Public Charter School

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**Our Mission:** Driven by excellence for all in a supportive, rigorous, and ambitious school community, Sage Collegiate Public Charter School educates K-8 students for academic achievement, college success, and a life of opportunity.

TO: Melissa Mackedon, SPCSA Board Chair  
Rebecca Feiden, SPCSA Executive Director  
FROM: Alejandro Rodriguez, Board Chair, Sage Collegiate  
Sandra Kinne, Executive Director, Sage Collegiate  
RE: May 2021 Update  
DATE: Thursday, May 13, 2021

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### FACILITIES

As of the writing of this memo, a Facilities Use agreement has been reviewed by legal counsel for Sage Collegiate and is awaiting follow up of a few minor questions. The Sage Collegiate Board plans to meet in a Special Meeting on Wednesday, May 19 to vote on the Facility Use agreement for the 2021-22 school year, pending timely follow up on a few clarifying items. It is expected that we will be temporarily located in the Lied Memorial Boys and Girls Club for Year 1.

We are also working with Building Hope, with whom the Sage Collegiate Board entered into a formal agreement, to secure long-term/permanent facilities. Building Hope provided an update on facilities to two Board Members and the ED on Monday, May 10. We are exploring the pursuit of our long-identified strong option on Vegas Drive, as well as pursuing the possibility of buying land and building anew. Building Hope will meet with the ED and 1-2 board members in a few weeks with updates on current next steps.

We also identified a potential location just outside of our authorized zip codes, but given the lease rates, it ultimately proved cost-prohibitive. (Coupled with our desire to stay focused on our authorized zip codes.)

### PARTNERSHIPS

We have partnerships in place with Stone Bridge Learning Academy, Kids Our Us Academy, and Leaders in Training, with their Little Leaders program. Little Leaders will provide mentoring, academic support/tutoring, and leadership activities to 42 students (1/4 of our Year 1 student enrollment) during our abbreviated Fridays while staff is in weekly Professional Development. We have meetings on the calendar with Acelero and TNTP related to partnerships.

We will formalize our partnership with Special Education Support Services in June. They come recommended by other school leaders and are one of the few special education supports in the region (and the most cost efficient).

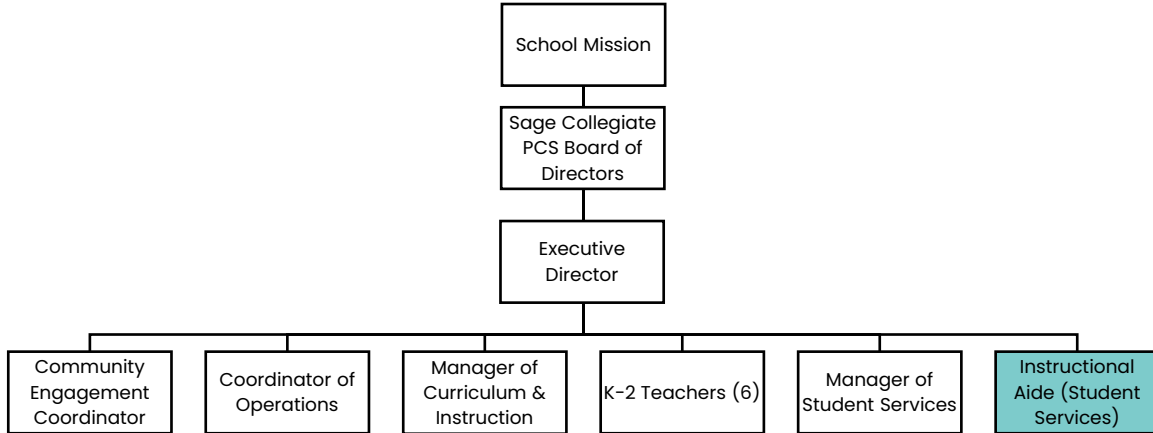
We have also participated in several events in the last month with community partners, including the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District, the downtown Farmer's Market, and the Mexican Patriotic Committee.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

We have hired a Manager of Student Services (our naming for all things Special Education) who comes highly recommended from a BES-affiliated school in Los Angeles. We have also allotted in our 2021-22 budget for the hiring of an Instructional Aide, to support students in Special Education. Should we have more than the anticipated number of students in Special Education, we will adjust the budget to hire for additional Instructional Aides. We have adjusted our Year 1 Organizational Chart (below) to reflect this change.



Further, we will contract with Special Education Support Services to support students' Special Education needs.



#### **OTHER ITEMS**

- We have not received, as of this memo, final word on our CSP grant, but we have been told to anticipate approval of a significant amount requested.
- We anticipate adding at least 3 more Board Members to our current governance team at our Annual meeting in June.

We look forward to answering questions at the May 21 SPCSA Board meeting and hope this meets with the Authority's approval.