

STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORITY

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BRIEFING MEMORANDUM

TO: SPCSA Board

FROM: Rebecca Feiden, Executive Director; Mark Modrcin, Director of Authorizing

SUBJECT: New Schools Approved to Open in the 2023-24 School Year

DATE: January 27, 2023

Overview

The State Public Charter School Authority has approved four new charter school campuses to open for the 2023-24 school year.

School Name	Approval
Eagle Charter Schools of Nevada	Approved on 1/22/21
	(Subsequently the Authority approved
	requests for deferral on 3/19/21 and 1/28/22)
Pinecrest Academy – Springs Campus	Additional campus approved to open on
	10/7/22
Rooted School – Clark County	Approved on 11/18/2023
Southern Nevada Trades High School	Approved on 8/29/2023

New schools are required to complete the SPCSA's pre-opening process and meet any conditions that were included in the SPCAS's approval of the application. The pre-opening process requires schools to regularly submit evidence demonstrating progress towards readiness to open. The first set of submissions was due by January 15, 2023, and SPCSA staff is in the process of reviewing these submissions and providing feedback, as needed. Below is a summary of the progress each school has made in meeting the pre-opening requirements and fulfilling any conditions that were part of the application approval.

Eagle Charter Schools of Nevada

Eagle charter schools of Nevada has submitted all but one of the pre-opening requirements due by the January 15, 2023 deadline to the SPSCA. The school has submitted its tax-exempt application and is awaiting a determination by the IRS. Additionally, below is a summary of the status of additional conditions unique to the school:

Condition	Deadline	Status
Evidence that the principal has been selected	January 1	Approved
Written documentation of commitments by ECS	January 17	Submitted
Principal professional development plan	January 17	Submitted
Evidence that the principal has started work	January 17	Approved
Facility zoning and permitting requirements are complete	February 1	
Payroll provider has been selected	February 1	
COO has been hired and is working at least part time	February 1	
The following incubation year employees have been hired:		
- Bookkeeper/Consultant	February 1	
- Office Manager	April 1	

- "Approved" indicates that SPCSA staff has reviewed submitted documentation and has determined the condition to be met
- "Submitted" indicates that the documentation has been provided to SPCSA staff and is either under review or additional information/documentation has been requested to demonstrate that the condition is met.

Pinecrest Academy – Springs Campus

Pinecrest Academy – Springs Campus has submitted all of the pre-opening requirements due by the January 15, 2023 deadline to the SPCSA. Below is a summary of the status of additional conditions unique to the school:

Condition	Deadline	Status
Finalized student recruitment & enrollment plan	December 1	Approved
Evidence of an executed lease for identified facility	February 1	
Evidence that Student Recruitment and Enrollment Plan has	February 10	
been implemented	-	

Rooted School – Clark County

Rooted School – Clark County has submitted all of the pre-opening requirements due by the January 15, 2023 deadline to the SPCSA. Additionally, below is a summary of the status of additional conditions unique to the school:

Condition	Deadline	Status
Revised lottery policy	January 1	Submitted
A fully-executed lease for the 2023 – 24 facility	January 17	Submitted
Updated budget that reflects secured philanthropic funding	March 31	
Evidence the principal has been hired	March 31	
Updated list of partners along with evidence of these	March 31	
relationships including deliverables and responsibilities		
Evidence of CTE course compliance and work-based	July 30	
learning approval by NDE		
Notification of further expansion by Rooted School	Ongoing	
Foundation		

Southern Nevada Trades High School

Southern Nevada Trades High School has submitted all of the pre-opening requirements due by the January 15, 2023 deadline to the SPCSA. Additionally, below is a summary of the status of additional conditions unique to the school:

Condition	Deadline	Status
Finalize principal hiring plan	September 30	Approved
Evidence of fully executed agreement with ACE H.S.	November 30	Approved
Revised budget with ELL/TESOL teacher	November 30	Approved
Evidence that principal has been hired	March 1	