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**BRIEFING MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** SPCSA Board  
**FROM:** Melissa Mackedon  
**SUBJECT:** Executive Director Report  
**DATE:** July 25, 2025

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**School Highlight**

Mater Mountain Vista, East, and Bonanza

These three Mater campuses take safe school pick-up and drop-off to the next level. Due to planning ahead for success, the school's process appeared well-organized, secure, and student-friendly. Protocols were shared with families at the beginning of the school year, so expectations and traffic rules appeared to be well understood. Several members of the staff were available outside of the school and had smiles, calmness, and a watchful eye for traffic safety.

Somerset Lone Mountain

School drop-off lanes were well-marked and followed by family members. Families knew where to drive and in which direction. Drivers maintained a slower speed, and young students had rear car doors opened for them. Students were given a hand when exiting the car. Staff greeted the students cheerfully with smiles. Students were guided into the school.

## Delinquent PERS Update

Delinquent PERS payments as of 7/1/25. For a complete accounting of payments, please refer to the “Outstanding Charter Contribution Balance” sheet provided by PERS and included in the board materials.

### NV Prep

As of . . .	Total <b>Estimated</b> Amount Due
12/31/2023	<b>\$477,305.47</b>
2/12/2024	<b>\$466,966.09</b>
3/31/2002	<b>\$501,862.79</b>
5/1/2024	<b>\$481,609.99</b>
5/31/24	<b>\$353,263.60</b>
6/30/24	<b>\$332,565.80</b>
7/31/2024	<b>\$375,643.40</b>
9/3/2024	<b>\$411,635.51</b>
11/1/2024	<b>\$373,726.56</b>
1/2/2025	<b>\$238,856.91</b>
2/28/2025	<b>\$191,590.18</b>
3/31/2025	<b>\$176,928.63</b>
5/1/2025	<b>\$175,455.90</b>
6/2/2025	<b>\$135,087.38</b>
7/1/2025	<b>\$124,997.10</b>

### Sage Collegiate

As of . . .	Total <b>Estimated</b> Amount Due
2/28/2025	<b>\$72,527.09</b>
3/31/25	<b>\$73,782.57</b>
5/1/2025	<b>\$71,861.50</b>
6/2/2025	<b>\$70,357.58</b>
7/1/2025	<b>\$72,243.43</b>

### Equipo Academy

As of . . .	Total <b>Estimated</b> Amount Due
5/31/24	<b>\$384,299.83</b>
6/30/2024	<b>\$340,741.73</b>
7/31/24	<b>\$216,164.78</b>
9/3/2024	<b>\$215,393.17</b>
11/4/2024	<b>\$179,076.14</b>
12/2/2024	<b>\$158,089.08</b>

1/2/25	<b>\$147,049.18</b>
2/28/25	<b>\$107,169.92</b>
3/31/2025	<b>\$93,835.97</b>
6/2/2025	<b>\$73,929.39</b>
7/1/2025	<b>\$34,942.04</b>

### **Pre-Kindergarten in SPCSA Schools**

During the 2024-2025 school year, the SPCSA had two schools offering pre-kindergarten seats: Mater Academy and Coral Academy. Mater Academy had 212 seats, and Coral Academy had 40 seats. Nevada Ready Pre-K funds both programs. The SPCSA has one contractor, Connie Zeller, who supports these schools as a member of the School Support Team under the leadership of Marinna Cutler.

In January 2025 the SPCSA board approved the transfer of sponsorship of Rainbow Dreams Early Learning Academy from Clark County School District to the SPCSA. Rainbow Dreams served approximately 230 pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students in Las Vegas.

During the 2025 legislative session, the number of pre-k seats available through Nevada Ready was expanded. As such, in the 2025-2026 school year, both CIVICA, Somerset Academy, and Futuro will be adding pre-K. The SPCSA will have a total of 448 seats.

To ensure high-quality programming and maintain transparency and equity, the SPCSA has completed its “Pre-Kindergarten Manual,” which is aligned to match the standards outlined in the Nevada Ready Pre-K Procedures Manual. The SPCSA manual outlines the purpose and the process by which schools in the SPCSA portfolio can add pre-k seats. Adding pre-k seats requires the executive director’s approval, and that process is outlined. Additionally, the manual outlines quality program requirements to define how our Pre-K programs achieve and maintain a 5-star status, including teacher qualifications, student eligibility, curriculum expectations, and a developmentally appropriate environment. Research indicates that high-quality pre-K programs have a significant impact on school readiness, enhancing early literacy, math, and social-emotional skills. Long-term studies also link pre-K attendance to better academic achievement, higher graduation rates, and reduced need for special education or grade retention. The SPCSA staff is happy to see more schools in our portfolio offering this programming.