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ACTION MEMORANDUM

TO: SPCSA Board
FROM: Katie Broughton, Director of Authorizing
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SUBJECT: Somerset Academy of Las Vegas – Charter Renewal Recommendation
DATE: November 14, 2025

Background and Summary

Somerset Academy of Las Vegas (Somerset) submitted an application to renew its charter contract as the current charter contract expires on June 30, 2026. Somerset is a brick-and-mortar public charter school that currently serves 9534 students in kindergarten through 12th grade on seven campus in Clark County.

After a thorough review of the historical data and charter renewal application, SPCSA staff recommends that the Authority approve the charter renewal of Somerset Academy of Las Vegas for a six-year term, beginning July 1, 2026.

The Process Related to Renewal Applications and the Standards Under Which an Application for Renewal of a Charter Contract Will be Granted

The first step in the renewal process is the submission of a renewal report by SPCSA staff to the charter school¹. Specifically, on or before June 30 immediately preceding the final school year prior to expiration of a charter school's charter contract, the SPCSA submits to the governing body a report regarding renewal. The Somerset renewal report was sent to the school leader and board chair on June 26, 2025, and can be found within the supporting documentation for the item.

The renewal report summarizes the performance of the charter school under the terms of the charter contract, identifies any deficiencies related to performance of the charter school that might lead to non-renewal of the charter contract, sets forth the requirements of the renewal application, and identifies the criteria that the sponsor will apply when making a renewal determination. The charter school may submit a response to the renewal report².

Next, the governing body of the charter school must submit a written notice of intent to submit an application for renewal to the SPCSA 45 days prior to submitting a renewal application³. Somerset submitted its notice of Intent to Renew its

¹ [NAC 388A.415\(2\)](#) provides for an expedited and streamlined renewal process for high-performing charter schools. Generally, charter schools qualifying for expedited renewal review are those charter schools that are consistently rated as four-and five-star schools under the NSPF and have received no notices on the performance framework

² [NRS 388A.285\(1\)](#) and [NRS 388A.285\(2\)](#)

³ [NAC 388A.415\(1\)](#)

charter contract on July 29, 2025, and the notice of intent to renew can be found with the supporting documents.

The window to submit the actual renewal application is October 1 through October 15. The application for renewal must include, without limitation⁴:

- (a) The requirements for the application identified by the sponsor in the performance report prepared by the sponsor;
- (b) A description of the academic, financial and organizational vision and plans for the charter school for the next charter term;
- (c) Any information or data that the governing body of the charter school determines supports the renewal of the charter contract in addition to the information contained in the performance report prepared by the sponsor and any response submitted by the governing body; and
- (d) A description of any improvements to the charter school already undertaken or planned.

Somerset submitted its renewal application, which can be found with the supporting documents, on October 10th.

The Somerset Academy of Las Vegas renewal application describes the key design elements of the school. Somerset is a shared educational model that integrates rigorous, standards aligned instruction with student-centered practices, character development, and a focus on college and career readiness. Somerset's school configurations include K-5, K-8, and K-12 campuses, offering a range of enrichment opportunities, including Career and Technical Education (CTE), dual credit programs, and inclusive supports for English learners and students with disabilities.

Decisions to renew a charter school contract or deny a renewal application are made and based upon Nevada's charter school statutes and regulations; the collective record of a school's academic, financial, organizational frameworks; findings from the site evaluation process; and all data and information provided by the Department of Education⁵. It is important to note that no factor may be given more weight than the academic performance of pupils at the charter school⁶. As such, the academic performance of the charter school is the touchstone of any renewal decision.

In making its recommendation to the Authority regarding a renewal application, SPCSA staff considers the past performance of the charter school, including information contained in the application for renewal, any site evaluations, the academic achievement of pupils, and any other information that is determined to be relevant to whether the charter contract should be renewed, including financial and organizational performance⁷.

When determining whether to grant an application for renewal of a charter contract, the Authority Board considers the foregoing factors and any other information that the Authority Board determines is relevant to whether the charter contract should be renewed. The Authority Board will consider the "totality of the evidence" presented to it when making a renewal decision⁸. Again, as stated above, no factor is to be given more weight than the academic performance of pupils at the charter school.⁹

The Authority Board may accept or reject, in whole or part, the recommendation of the Executive Director¹⁰. At its sole discretion, the Authority Board may renew a charter contract for a term of three (3) to ten (10) years or deny the renewal application¹¹. Alternatively, the Authority Board may deny the renewal application for the purpose of reconstituting the governing body of the charter school or restarting the charter school and issuing a new charter contract pursuant [NRS 388A.330](#)¹².

⁴ [NRS 388A.285\(3\)](#).

⁵ [NRS 388A.285](#)

⁶ [NAC 388A.415\(10\)\(b\)](#)

⁷ [NAC 388A.415\(9\)](#)

⁸ [NAC 388A.415\(9\)](#)

⁹ [NAC 388A.415\(10\)](#). With regard to a second renewal, the Authority is required to place an even greater weight on academic performance than was assigned to it on the first renewal.

¹⁰ [NAC 388A.415\(10\)\(a\)](#) and [NAC 388A.415\(11\)\(b\) and \(c\)](#)

¹¹ [NRS 388A.285\(6\)](#) and [NAC 388A.415\(11\)](#)

¹² [NAC 388A.415\(11\)\(d\)](#)

Analysis

Academics

Somerset Academy of Las Vegas currently offers instruction at the elementary, middle, and high school levels, grades K-12, at seven campuses. Their academic performance has been rated on the Nevada School Performance Framework and SPCSA Academic Framework three times during this charter term. Somerset's Academic performance has been generally consistent across campuses and school levels. Copies of the Nevada School Performance Framework and SPCSA Academic Framework reports can be found in Appendix A and B.

- The Aliante campus has good academic performance over the charter contract term, with the elementary school generally meeting state and SPCSA academic standards and the middle school above or exceeding state and SPCSA academic standards.
- The Lone Mountain campus has solid academic performance over the charter contract term, with both the elementary and middle schools generally above or exceeding state and SPCSA academic standards.
- The Losee campus has adequate academic performance over the charter contract term. The elementary and middle schools met state and SPCSA academic standards in the 2021–2022 and 2022–2023 school years but performance declined in the 2023–2024 school year to partially meeting state standards and not meeting SPCSA academic standards. The high school has fluctuated between meeting and not meeting state and SPCSA academic standards but has achieved four-year graduation rates >95% in every year of the charter contract term.
- The North Las Vegas campus has mixed academic performance over the charter contract term, with the elementary school receiving variable scores and ratings that ranged from below to meeting academic standards. Due to academic underperformance, the elementary school is currently under an Academic Notice of Concern.
- The Sky Pointe campus has solid academic performance over the charter contract term, with both the elementary and middle schools exceeding state and SPCSA academic standards, and the high school meeting or above state and SPCSA academic standards. Additionally, the four-year graduation rate at the high school has been greater than 95% in every year of the charter contract term.
- The Skye Canyon campus has excellent academic performance over the charter contract term, with both the elementary and middle schools exceeding state and SPCSA academic standards.
- The Stephanie campus has solid academic performance over the charter contract term, with the elementary school meeting or above academic standards and the middle school exceeding state and SPCSA academic standards.

The Authority adopted its own Academic Performance Framework in 2019¹³ and most recently revised in July 2025. Full results for Somerset's NSPF and SPCSA Academic ratings through the entirety of the charter term can be found below.¹⁴

Aliante Campus

2022–2023 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 56.0 / 3-star Middle: 76.0 / 4-star
2022–2023 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 57.6 / Meets Standard Middle: 78.6 / Meets Standard
2023–2024 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 51.0 / 3-star Middle: 86.6 / 5-star
2023–2024 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 42.6 / Does Not Meet Standard Middle: 84.9 / Exceeds Standard
2024–2025 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 82.0 / 4-star Middle: 100.0 / 5-star

¹³ Despite being adopted in 2019, results under the SPCSA Academic Performance Framework were not adopted for the 2019 – 2020 and 2020 – 2021 school years due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the lack of NSPF scores. 2021 – 2022 was the first academic year with reported scores.

¹⁴ 2024-25 SPCSA Academic Framework Scores are preliminary until SPCSA board action on November 14, 2025, for all campuses.

2024–2025 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 75.0 / Meets Standard Middle: 94.4 / Exceeds Standard
Four-Year Graduation Rate	N/A
CSI, TSI, or ATSI Identification	Elementary: None Middle: None

Lone Mountain Campus

2022–2023 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 85.5 / 5-star Middle: 69.5 / 3-star
2022–2023 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 86.3 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 67.7 / Meets Standard
2023–2024 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 81.0 / 4-star Middle: 98.0 / 5-star
2023–2024 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 82.6 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 93.8 / Exceeds Standard
2024–2025 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 85.0 / 5-star Middle: 97.0 / 5-star
2024–2025 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 82.5 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 91.5 / Exceeds Standard
Four-Year Graduation Rate	N/A
CSI, TSI, or ATSI Identification	Elementary: None Middle: None

Losee Campus

2022–2023 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 53.0 / 3-star Middle: 44.5 / 2-star High: 57.0 / 3-star
2022–2023 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 61.8 / Meets Standard Middle: 54.7 / Meets Standard High: 58.2 / Meets Standard
2023–2024 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 43.0 / 2-star Middle: 38.0 / 2-star High: 52.5 / 3-star
2023–2024 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 47.8 / Does Not Meet Standard Middle: 44.8 / Does Not Meet Standard High: 47.5 / Does Not Meet Standard
2024–2025 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 85.5 / 5-star Middle: 62.0 / 3-star High: 61.0 / 3-star
2024–2025 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 84.7 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 61.0 / Meets Standard High: 58.8 / Meets Standard

Four-Year Graduation Rate	Class of 2022-23: >95.0 Class of 2023-24: >95.0
CSI, TSI, or ATSI Identification	Elementary: None Middle: None High: None

North Las Vegas Campus

2022–2023 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 24.5 / 1-star
2022–2023 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 30.7 / Does Not Meet Standard
2023–2024 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 46.0 / 2-star
2023–2024 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 55.6 / Meets Standard
2024–2025 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 73.5 / 4-star
2024–2025 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 82.7 / Exceeds Standard
Four-Year Graduation Rate	N/A
CSI, TSI, or ATSI Identification	Elementary: None

Sky Pointe Campus

2022–2023 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 90.0 / 5-star Middle: 97.7 / 5-star High: 67.5 / 3-star
2022–2023 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 85.0 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 91.6 / Exceeds Standard High: 55.5 / Meets Standard
2023–2024 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 88.0 / 5-star Middle: 96.6 / 5-star High: 81.0 / 4-star
2023–2024 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 83.8 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 89.9 / Exceeds Standard High: 72.6 / Meets Standard
2024–2025 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 86.6 / 5-star Middle: 92.2 / 5-star High: 92.0 / 5-star
2024–2025 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 86.4 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 92.8 / Exceeds Standard High: 92.7 / Exceeds Standard
Four-Year Graduation Rate	Class of 2022-23: >95.0 Class of 2023-24: >95.0

CSI, TSI, or ATSI Identification	Elementary: None Middle: None High: None
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Skye Canyon Campus

2022–2023 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 91.0 / 5-star Middle: 94.4 / 5-star
2022–2023 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 85.6 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 88.6 / Exceeds Standard
2023–2024 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 91.0 / 5-star Middle: 87.2 / 5-star
2023–2024 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 85.6 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 84.3 / Exceeds Standard
2024–2025 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 94.0 / 5-star Middle: 93.8 / 5-star
2024–2025 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 95.5 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 89.8 / Exceeds Standard
Four-Year Graduation Rate	N/A
CSI, TSI, or ATSI Identification	Elementary: None Middle: None

Stephanie Campus

2022–2023 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 65.5 / 3-star Middle: 85.5 / 5-star
2022–2023 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 65.3 / Meets Standard Middle: 86.3 / Exceeds Standard
2023–2024 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 68.5 / 4-star Middle: 86.5 / 5-star
2023–2024 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 70.1 / Meets Standard Middle: 86.9 / Exceeds Standard
2024–2025 NSPF Index Score / Star Rating	Elementary: 100.0 / 5-star Middle: 91.0 / 5-star
2024–2025 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework Score / Rating	Elementary: 97.2 / Exceeds Standard Middle: 86.0 / Exceeds Standard
Four-Year Graduation Rate	N/A
CSI, TSI, or ATSI Identification	Elementary: None Middle: None

Organizational

The SPCSA’s Organizational Performance Framework was adopted by the Authority in the summer of 2019 and most recently revised in July 2024. The organizational health and performance of the school has been strong over the current charter term. Somerset was rated as ‘Meets Standard’ or ‘In Compliance’ on all SPCSA Organizational Performance Framework cycles throughout the current charter term.

SPCSA Organizational Framework Findings:

Year	Findings & Framework Results
2022 – 2023	Meets the Standard
2023 – 2024	Meets the Standard
2024 – 2025	In Compliance

Financial

The SPCSA Financial Framework was adopted in January 2019 and most recently revised in August 2025. Regarding the financial performance and viability of the school, SPCSA staff finds the financial performance of Somerset to be strong. The school has been rated as ‘Meets the Standard’ on all SPCSA Financial Performance Framework cycles throughout the current charter term.

SPCSA Financial Framework Findings:

Year	Findings & Framework Results
2022 – 2023	Meets the Standard
2023 – 2024	Meets the Standard

Recommendation: Renew Somerset Academy of Las Vegas for a 6-year term.

As described above, Somerset has exhibited mostly strong academic performance over the charter term, earning at least 3-star ratings on the most recent academic rating cycle. The elementary, middle, and high school programs have historically mostly met performance expectations according to the NSPF with the exception of the Losee campus’s elementary and middle schools which were issued Notice of Concern for Academic Underperformance during the 2022–2023 school year. However, those two campuses improved academic performance for the 2024–2025 school year. Additionally, all campuses’ level of performance were reaffirmed by the 2022–2023, 2023–2024, and 2024–2025 SPCSA Academic Performance Framework ratings, as well as the star ratings issued by the Nevada Department of Education for the 2024–2025 school year.

Somerset has not exhibited any major organizational or financial performance concerns over the course of the current charter term.

Ultimately, because the academic performance of Somerset has been consistently at expected performance levels throughout the current charter term, SPCSA staff recommends that the Authority renew Somerset for a six term, beginning July 1, 2026. The new term would be subject to the enrollment caps outlined on the next page.

Aliante	2026–2027	2027–2028	2027–2028	2028–2029	2029–2030	2030–2031
Grade Levels	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8
Enrollment Cap	1110	1110	1110	1110	1110	1110

Lone Mountain	2026–2027	2027–2028	2027–2028	2028–2029	2029–2030	2030–2031
Grade Levels	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8
Enrollment Cap	960	960	960	960	960	960

Losee	2026–2027	2027–2028	2027–2028	2028–2029	2029–2030	2030–2031
Grade Levels	K – 12	K – 12	K – 12	K – 12	K – 12	K – 12
Enrollment Cap	2400	2400	2400	2400	2400	2400

North LV	2026–2027	2027–2028	2027–2028	2028–2029	2029–2030	2030–2031
Grade Levels	K – 5	K – 5	K – 5	K – 5	K – 5	K – 5
Enrollment Cap	750	750	750	750	750	750

Sky Pointe	2026–2027	2027–2028	2027–2028	2028–2029	2029–2030	2030–2031
Grade Levels	K – 12	K – 12	K – 12	K – 12	K – 12	K – 12
Enrollment Cap	2200	2200	2200	2200	2200	2200

Skye Canyon	2026–2027	2027–2028	2027–2028	2028–2029	2029–2030	2030–2031
Grade Levels	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8
Enrollment Cap	960	960	960	960	960	960

Stephanie	2026–2027	2027–2028	2027–2028	2028–2029	2029–2030	2030–2031
Grade Levels	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8	K – 8
Enrollment Cap	950	950	950	950	950	950

Proposed Motion

Approve the Somerset Academy of Las Vegas Renewal Application for a six-year term beginning July 1, 2026, and the enrollment caps as outlined above in the recommendation memo. In the event of academic, financial or organizational underperformance, the Authority may impose additional oversight.

Appendix: School Demographics since 2022¹⁵

Somerset Academy of Las Vegas Network

Year	Total Enrolled	A %	B %	C %	H %	I %	M %	P %	ELL %	FRL %	IEP %
2022–2023	9505	4.4	13.1	32.2	38.4	0.1	10.2	1.4	4.6	32.6	12.5
2023–2024	9423	4.5	14.0	30.6	38.3	0.1	10.6	1.5	4.8	30.3	12.6
2024–2025	9503	4.9	13.9	29.0	39.9	0.1	10.6	1.2	4.9	>95.0	12.7
2025–2026 ¹⁶	9534	5.2	14.2	27.7	40.4	0.1	10.9	1.3	4.2	34.3	13.1

Aliante Campus

Year	Total Enrolled	A %	B %	C %	H %	I %	M %	P %	ELL %	FRL %	IEP %
2022–2023	1188	5.8	13.0	29.5	37.7	0.1	11.2	2.3	<5.0	24.1	13.9
2023–2024	1163	6.2	12.2	28.4	38.0	0.1	12.7	2.0	<5.0	22.0	12.9
2024–2025	1182	6.8	12.2	27.4	38.7	0.1	13.0	1.4	<5.0	>95.0	12.0
2025–2026	1171	7.0	12.1	25.5	40.5	0.0	13.3	1.3	<5.0	24.7	11.1

Lone Mountain Campus

Year	Total Enrolled	A %	B %	C %	H %	I %	M %	P %	ELL %	FRL %	IEP %
2022–2023	1012	2.7	8.1	38.9	39.5	0.0	9.4	1.0	5.4	28.4	14.1
2023–2024	993	2.6	9.0	37.4	39.4	0.2	9.3	1.8	6.8	28.7	15.7
2024–2025	990	3.4	8.9	35.0	42.0	0.1	9.0	1.3	5.8	>95.0	15.9
2025–2026	992	3.9	10.4	31.3	43.1	0.1	9.5	1.4	<5.0	35.8	15.5

Losee Campus

Year	Total Enrolled	A %	B %	C %	H %	I %	M %	P %	ELL %	FRL %	IEP %
2022–2023	2451	4.0	21.2	11.5	52.9	0.1	8.7	1.3	8.6	45.3	10.8
2023–2024	2393	4.2	23.5	9.5	51.6	0.2	9.6	1.1	7.8	43.3	10.3
2024–2025	2428	4.0	23.6	8.7	52.3	0.2	9.7	1.1	8.4	>95.0	10.9
2025–2026	2460	3.8	24.9	8.1	51.5	0.3	9.8	1.3	7.1	51.5	11.4

North Las Vegas Campus

Year	Total Enrolled	A %	B %	C %	H %	I %	M %	P %	ELL %	FRL %	IEP %
2022–2023	774	5.1	28.5	13.4	39.5	0.0	12.6	0.6	5.8	49.7	12.0
2023–2024	770	4.2	29.8	14.0	36.6	0.1	13.8	1.1	5.4	45.3	12.9
2024–2025	764	5.3	29.5	13.7	38.3	0.1	11.9	0.9	5.7	>95.0	11.3
2025–2026	757	6.0	26.2	15.1	39.8	0.0	11.4	1.0	5.8	50.4	10.4

Sky Pointe Campus

Year	Total Enrolled	A %	B %	C %	H %	I %	M %	P %	ELL %	FRL %	IEP %
2022–2023	2114	3.1	7.0	50.2	28.9	0.1	9.0	1.3	<5.0	24.8	12.2
2023–2024	2152	3.9	6.6	47.8	30.5	0.0	9.4	1.3	<5.0	19.7	12.4
2024–2025	2172	4.1	6.5	46.0	31.7	0.0	10.1	1.2	<5.0	>95.0	13.5
2025–2026	2184	4.5	6.7	44.5	32.2	0.0	10.5	1.2	<5.0	20.6	15.0

¹⁵ Enrollment Count totals are from Nevada Department of Education's annual October Validated Count Day data.

¹⁶ Enrollment data for October 1, 2025, is preliminary.

Skye Canyon Campus

Year	Total Enrolled	A %	B %	C %	H %	I %	M %	P %	ELL %	FRL %	IEP %
2022–2023	1008	4.9	3.8	52.1	24.4	0.0	13.6	0.8	<5.0	15.6	12.3
2023–2024	996	4.6	4.6	49.4	26.5	0.0	13.6	1.1	<5.0	15.6	12.4
2024–2025	996	5.2	4.4	47.7	29.5	0.0	12.2	0.8	<5.0	>95.0	11.4
2025–2026	996	5.9	4.0	47.0	29.2	0.1	12.9	7.0	<5.0	13.6	12.8

Stephanie Campus

Year	Total Enrolled	A %	B %	C %	H %	I %	M %	P %	ELL %	FRL %	IEP %
2022–2023	958	7.2	8.4	35.9	35.6	0.4	10.2	2.0	<5.0	36.4	14.7
2023–2024	956	6.9	11.2	33.9	35.7	0.5	8.5	2.9	5.8	36.8	14.9
2024–2025	971	7.8	11.0	30.1	38.8	0.0	9.7	2.3	6.5	>95.0	14.9
2025–2026	974	8.0	11.3	28.1	39.6	0.0	10.7	2.0	6.0	40.3	15.9

A – Asian

B – Black

C – Caucasian

H – Hispanic

I – American Indian/Alaskan Native

M – Two or more races

P – Pacific Islander

FRL – A student who qualifies for Free or Reduced-Price Lunch

IEP – Individualized Education Plan – A student with a disability/special education student

ELL – English Language Learner

* Indicates data are suppressed to protect student privacy as the group size is less than 10.