

Alpine Academy Charter High School

Request for Amendment to Charter Contract – Enrollment Reduction

Application Coversheet

Name of Charter School	Alpine Academy Charter High School	
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Amendment Sought <i>(select all that apply)</i>		
Enrollment adjustment		
o Expand enrollment in existing grade levels		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Expand enrollment in new grade levels		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Reduce enrollment in existing grade levels		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
o Eliminate a grade level or other educational service		<input type="checkbox"/>
Add/adjust educational program components		
o Distance education		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Dual credit		<input type="checkbox"/>
Management Organizations		
o Entering into a new contract		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Terminating the current contract		<input type="checkbox"/>
Facilities		
o Acquire/construct a new facility		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Occupy a new or additional facility		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Occupy a temporary facility		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Consolidate existing locations		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Closure of a campus within a charter network		<input type="checkbox"/>
Other		
o Change the mission statement, vision, or goals		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Change the name of the school		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Change conditions in the original or most recent contract		<input type="checkbox"/>
o Transportation		<input type="checkbox"/>
Acknowledgement		

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<input type="checkbox"/>	The board of the charter school has approved this request. Attach the agenda and minutes from the applicable board meeting.
Authorization	
School Leader Name	Lewis Perlin
Signature	
Board Chair Name	Chris Romm
Signature	

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Executive Summary – Eligibility

Alpine Academy Charter High School is submitting this amendment request to ensure compliance with enrollment cap requirements established by the Nevada State Public Charter School Authority (SPCSA).

Alpine Academy remains operationally stable and continues to implement improvement strategies focused on strengthening student engagement, improving attendance outcomes, and increasing enrollment stability. The school maintains responsible financial management practices and works closely with its financial management partner, Charter School Management Corporation (CSMC), to ensure accurate budgeting and financial oversight.

Alpine Academy has maintained compliance with the SPCSA Academic, Financial, and Organizational Performance Frameworks and continues to work collaboratively with SPCSA staff to address enrollment-related financial monitoring.

The school recently received a Financial Notice of Concern from the SPCSA related to enrollment levels and associated financial monitoring. Alpine Academy has been working collaboratively with SPCSA staff and CSMC to review enrollment trends, update financial projections, and ensure responsible fiscal planning moving forward.

This amendment reflects Alpine Academy's proactive approach to addressing enrollment fluctuations and aligning the charter contract with current enrollment trends. Updated multi-year financial projections included with this application demonstrate that the school remains financially viable and capable of maintaining stable operations under the revised enrollment projections.

Amendment Synopsis – Statement of Need

Alpine Academy's current charter contract includes previously approved enrollment caps that increase over time, reaching up to 400 students in future school years. The State Public Charter School Authority monitors enrollment levels to ensure schools remain within 10 percent of their approved enrollment cap.

During the 2025–2026 school year, Alpine Academy has experienced steady enrollment growth; however, enrollment fluctuations throughout the year have resulted in the school remaining slightly below the threshold required to remain within the 10 percent range.

As of March 2026, Alpine Academy's enrollment is approximately 259 students. While the school has continued to enroll new students, the pattern of both new enrollments and student withdrawals has resulted in slower net growth than originally projected.

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Because the school's enrollment currently falls outside of the required threshold, Alpine Academy is requesting an amendment to adjust enrollment projections in order to remain compliant with SPCSA enrollment cap requirements.

Additionally, Alpine Academy recently received a Financial Notice of Concern related to enrollment levels and financial monitoring. Aligning enrollment projections with current enrollment trends ensures that the school's financial projections, operational planning, and charter contract expectations are consistent and reflect realistic growth assumptions.

Statement of Request

Alpine Academy is requesting approval from the State Public Charter School Authority to reduce previously approved enrollment caps to better align with current enrollment trends and responsible growth projections.

The school proposes the following revised enrollment projections:

2025–2026: 251 students
2026–2027: 285 students
2027–2028: 295 students
2028–2029: 305 students
2029–2030: 315 students

This amendment does not request an increase to the school's previously approved enrollment caps, which currently allow enrollment to grow to 400 students in future years. Instead, Alpine Academy is requesting a reduction in those future caps so that enrollment projections better reflect current enrollment trends, financial planning, and operational capacity.

Rationale

The proposed amendment allows Alpine Academy to align its charter contract enrollment projections with current enrollment trends and responsible financial planning.

Over the past year, the school has expanded marketing, community outreach, and recruitment efforts, which have increased awareness and interest among prospective families. While these efforts are expected to support continued enrollment growth in future years, enrollment during the current school year has included both new enrollments and student withdrawals, resulting in slower net growth than originally anticipated.

Adjusting enrollment projections ensures that Alpine Academy's financial forecasts accurately reflect anticipated revenue and supports responsible budgeting and staffing decisions. This alignment also supports the school's response to the Financial Notice of

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Concern by ensuring that enrollment expectations, financial planning, and charter contract requirements are consistent.

In addition, Alpine Academy continues to strengthen systems that support student engagement, attendance, and retention. The school has implemented enhanced attendance monitoring practices, expanded family communication systems, and increased student support interventions aimed at reducing chronic absenteeism and improving student persistence.

Aligning enrollment projections with current trends allows the school to focus on strengthening these systems while continuing to pursue responsible and sustainable growth that benefits students, families, and staff.

Alpine Academy continues to pursue long-term enrollment growth and may revisit enrollment expansion in the future once enrollment trends and operational capacity support such growth.

Timeline

March 2026 – Alpine Academy Governing Board reviews and approves the amendment request.

April 2026 – The board-approved amendment application and supporting documentation are submitted to SPCSA staff.

April 17, 2026 – The SPCSA Board considers the amendment request.

Following approval – Alpine Academy will incorporate the revised enrollment projections into future financial planning, budgeting, and operational forecasting.

School Community – Stakeholder Notice

The proposed amendment primarily impacts the following stakeholder groups:

- Current students
- Prospective students and families
- School staff
- The Alpine Academy Governing Board
- Community partners

The need for the amendment has been communicated internally among school leadership and the governing board as part of the school's ongoing enrollment monitoring and compliance process.

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The amendment will be presented for discussion and approval during a public meeting of the Alpine Academy Governing Board. Because the amendment does not involve changes to academic programming, grade levels, or student services, broader stakeholder communication beyond the public board meeting has not been necessary.

Stakeholder Impact

The proposed amendment is not expected to negatively impact students, families, staff, or the broader school community.

The amendment simply aligns the school's charter contract enrollment projections with current enrollment trends and ensures compliance with SPCSA requirements.

Students will continue to receive the same educational programs, services, and supports currently offered by Alpine Academy. Staffing structures, academic programs, and student services will remain unchanged.

Aligning enrollment projections with current trends supports responsible financial planning and helps ensure the long-term stability and sustainability of the school.

Financial Impact

The proposed amendment does not create new costs for Alpine Academy.

Instead, the amendment aligns enrollment projections within the charter contract with the school's updated financial forecasts and enrollment assumptions.

Because state funding is directly tied to student enrollment, adjusting enrollment projections ensures that revenue projections accurately reflect anticipated enrollment levels. This alignment supports responsible financial planning and long-term sustainability.

The school recently received a Financial Notice of Concern related to enrollment levels and associated financial monitoring. In response, Alpine Academy has worked closely with its financial management partner, Charter School Management Corporation (CSMC), to review enrollment projections and update multi-year financial forecasts.

Updated financial projections demonstrate that the school remains financially stable under the revised enrollment assumptions and is capable of maintaining balanced budgets as enrollment gradually increases in future years.

There are no additional expenditures associated with the amendment itself. The amendment simply aligns enrollment projections, financial planning, and charter contract expectations.

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The following financial documents are attached in support of this amendment request:

- The board-approved budget for the current school year
- Updated multi-year financial projections reflecting the revised enrollment projections

Aligning enrollment projections with current trends supports responsible fiscal management and strengthens the school's response to the Financial Notice of Concern.

Facilities

Alpine Academy Charter High School currently operates at its campus located at 1421 Pullman Drive, Sparks, Nevada. The facility supports the school's current educational program and provides sufficient classroom, administrative, and student support spaces necessary to operate the school's academic model.

The current facility is capable of accommodating approximately 330 students and provides adequate space for administrative staff, instructional personnel, and student support services.

The facility includes multiple classrooms used for core academic instruction, as well as spaces used for elective courses, student support services, and administrative functions. The campus also provides common areas for student gatherings and collaborative learning, as well as outdoor space that can be used for student breaks and school activities.

The proposed amendment does not involve any changes to the school's facility. Alpine Academy is not requesting a relocation, expansion, renovation, or acquisition of additional facilities as part of this amendment. The amendment solely adjusts enrollment projections to align with current enrollment trends and ensure compliance with SPCSA enrollment cap requirements.

Because the amendment does not change the school's physical capacity needs, the existing facility continues to adequately support the school's academic, operational, and enrollment needs. Classroom space, administrative offices, and student support areas remain sufficient for the projected enrollment levels included in this amendment.

The current facility allows Alpine Academy to effectively deliver its instructional program while providing students with access to appropriate learning spaces, support services, and safe campus operations.

ALPINE COLLEGE PREP ACADEMY
Multi-Year Projection Summary



DSA Increase(Reduction) # of Students \$ Per Pupil Approval Date	DSA Reduction # of Students \$ Per Pupil Approval Date				
		285	295	305	315
		9,486.00	9,580.86	9,676.67	9,773.44
		3/12/2026	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
		FY2627 Tentative	FY2728	FY2829	FY2930
Revenue Limit		2,874,614.00	2,996,250.00	3,121,764.00	3,249,502.00
Federal Revenue		79,749.00	78,598.00	78,598.00	78,598.00
Local Revenue		343,472.00	343,472.00	343,472.00	343,472.00
Total Revenues		3,297,835.00	3,418,320.00	3,543,834.00	3,671,572.00
Certified		1,237,364.00	1,299,232.20	1,364,193.81	1,432,403.50
Classified		56,732.00	59,568.60	62,547.03	65,674.38
Total Salaries		1,294,096.00	1,358,800.80	1,426,740.84	1,498,077.88
Total Benefits		523,549.00	549,726.45	577,212.77	606,073.41
Total Personnel Expenses		1,817,645.00	1,908,527.25	2,003,953.61	2,104,151.29
Total Purchased Services		313,460.00	325,998.40	339,038.34	352,599.87
Total Books & Supplies		79,150.00	82,316.00	85,608.64	89,032.99
Total Capital Outlay		654,653.00	654,653.00	654,653.00	654,653.00
Total Other Outgo		430,069.00	430,825.44	431,612.14	432,430.30
Total Expenditures		3,294,977.00	3,402,320.09	3,514,865.73	3,632,867.45
Net Income		2,858.00	15,999.91	28,968.27	38,704.55

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DSA Increase(Reduction)	0%
# of Students	251
\$ Per Pupil	9,416.00
Approval Date	11/20/2025
	FY2526 1st Interim
Revenue Limit	2,586,441.14
Federal Revenue	100,978.00
Local Revenue	166,302.00
Total Revenues	2,853,721.14
Total Salaries	1,230,189.00
Total Benefits	467,475.00
Total Personnel Expenses	1,697,664.00
Total Purchased Services	274,571.38
Total Books & Supplies	69,555.70
Total Capital Outlay	652,708.41
Total Other Outgo	206,909.88
Total Expenditures	2,901,409.36
Net Income w/ GASB 86	(47,688.22)
Net Income w/out GASB 86	5,126.56