#### The Florida Senate

#### **COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

#### **APPROPRIATIONS** Senator Lee, Chair Senator Benacquisto, Vice Chair

**MEETING DATE:** Thursday, March 5, 2015

TIME:

1:00 —3:00 p.m.

Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building PLACE:

**MEMBERS**: Senator Lee, Chair; Senator Benacquisto, Vice Chair; Senators Altman, Flores, Gaetz, Galvano,

Garcia, Grimsley, Hays, Hukill, Joyner, Latvala, Margolis, Montford, Negron, Richter, Ring, Simmons,

and Smith

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	COMMITTEE ACTION				
1	Workshop - Discussion and testimony					
	Charter Schools	Discussed				
	Other Related Meeting Documents					



### Florida Charter School Sector

March 5, 2015
Senate Appropriations Committee

Adam Miller, Executive Director,

Office of Independent Education and Parental Choice, Florida Department of Education



## Agenda

- Overview
- Accountability and Performance
- Models
- Funding
- Panel



### What is a Charter School?

- Public school of choice
- Governed by independent non-profit governing board
- Autonomy in exchange for increased accountability

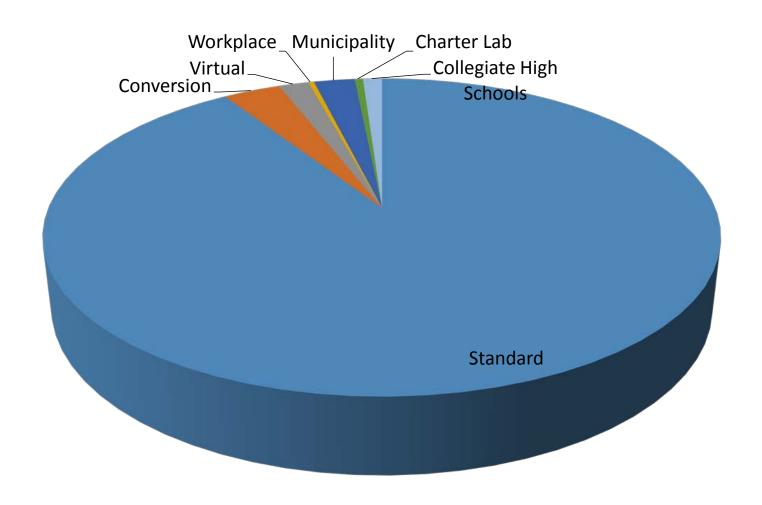


# **Types of Charter Schools**

- Start-Up
  - Brick and mortar or Virtual
    - Standard, Municipality, Workplace, Collegiate High School
- Conversion
  - Parents and Teachers vote to convert traditional public school
    - Majorities needed for both votes
  - Application submitted to local school board after vote
- Developmental Research Laboratory Charters
  - Sponsored and operated by State University

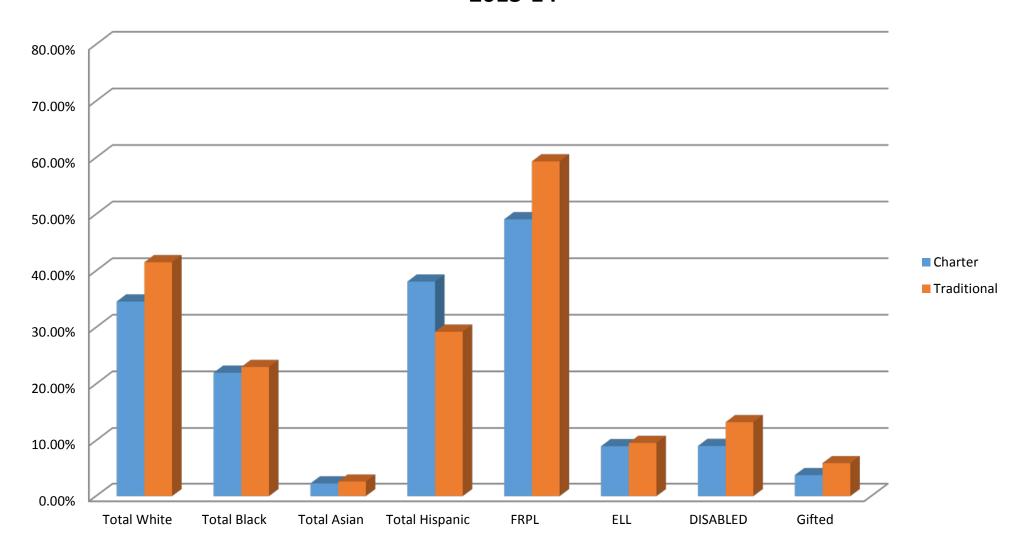


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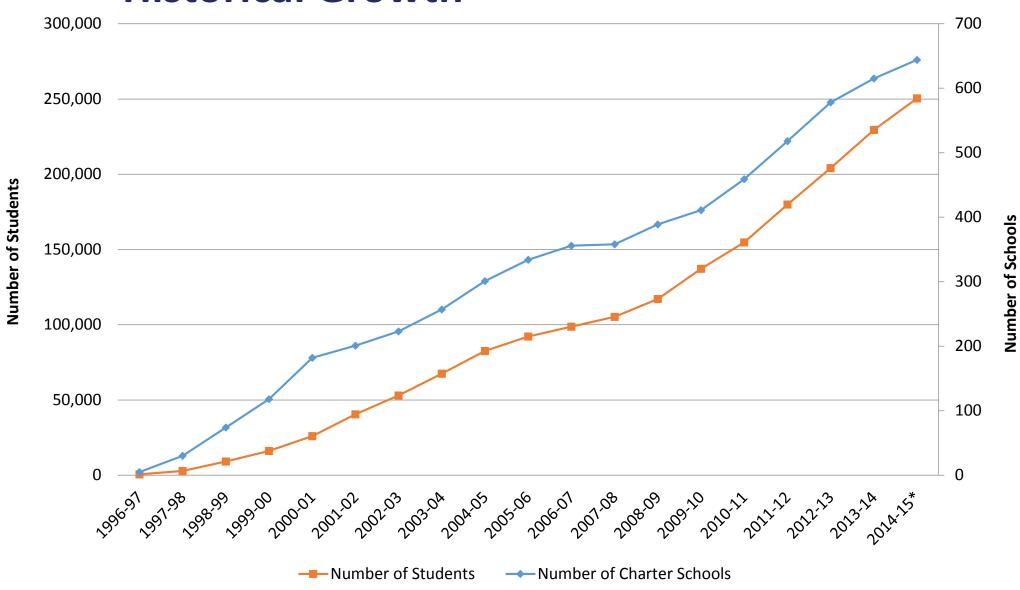


# Demographic Comparisons 2013-14





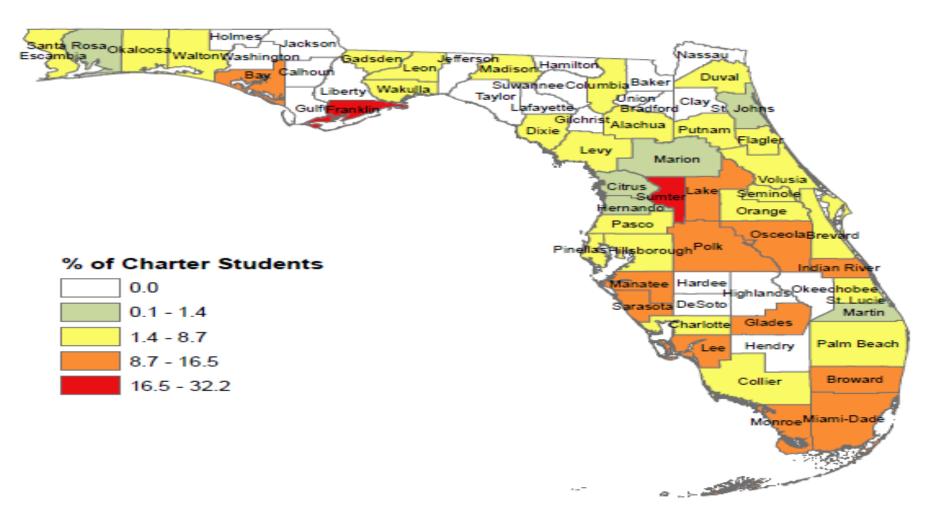
### **Historical Growth**





#### 2013-14

#### Charter School Students as a Percentage of Total Public School Membership by District





# **Charter School Autonomy**

- Exempt from School Board policies
- Exempt from Education Code, with exceptions:
  - Florida Standards
  - State required assessments
  - School grades
  - Accountability
  - Graduation requirements
  - Services to students with disabilities
  - Civil rights
  - Teacher certification, evaluation, salary schedules
  - Public records and meetings
  - Class size (measured at school-wide average)



### **Charter School Process**

#### **Applications**

Application Review
Applicant Interview
Due Diligence

#### **Contract Negotiations**

Academic Expectations
Renewal/Non Renewal
Terms

Financial Accountability

#### **Monitoring and Oversight**

Academic, Financial,
Operational Performance
Compliance
Renewal/Closure Decisions



# **Model Charter School Application**

- Required for all applicants
- Developed in consultation with districts, operators, and national experts
- Districts may request additional information
- Revisions underway



# **Model Application**

<b>Educational Plan</b>	Organizational Plan	Business Plan
Mission, Guiding Principles and Purpose (4)	Governance (8)	Facilities (5)
Target Population and Student Body (3)	Management (4)	Transportation Service (1)
Educational Program Design (5)	Education Service Providers (7)	Food Service (1)
Curriculum Plan (6)	Human Resources and Employment (2)	Budget (6)
Student Performance, Assessment and Evaluation (7)	Student Recruitment and Enrollment (5)	Financial Management and Oversight (5)
Exceptional Students (9)		Action Plan (1)
English Language Learners (3)	-	
School Climate and Discipline (2)		



# **Model Application: Budget**

- Provide an operating budget covering each year of the requested charter term that contains revenue projections, expenses and anticipated fund balances. The budget should be based on the projected student enrollment indicated on the cover page of the application.
- Provide a start-up budget that contains a balance sheet, revenue projections, including source of revenues, expenses, and anticipated fund balance. The start-up budget must cover any period prior to the beginning of FTE payments in which the school will expend funds on activities necessary for the successful start-up of the school.
- Provide a detailed narrative description of the revenue and expenditure assumptions on which the operating and start-up budget are based. The budget narrative should provide sufficient information to fully understand how budgetary figures were determined.
- Explain how the governing board will monitor the budget, including a strategy for addressing revenue shortfalls due to lower than expected enrollment.
- Provide monthly cash flow projections for the school's start-up period (i.e. from the date on which the application is approved to the beginning of the first fiscal year of operation) through the first year of operation.
- Describe the school's fundraising plan, if applicable. Report on the current status of any fundraising efforts, including verification of any fundraising monies reported in the school's start-up or operating budgets.

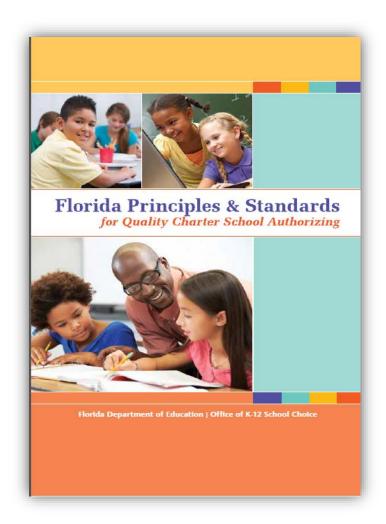


### **Application Review Process**

- Statutory language is broad
- Process varies by District
  - Whole team reviews, section reviews, interviews, etc.
- 60 days to approve or deny, unless extension is agreed upon



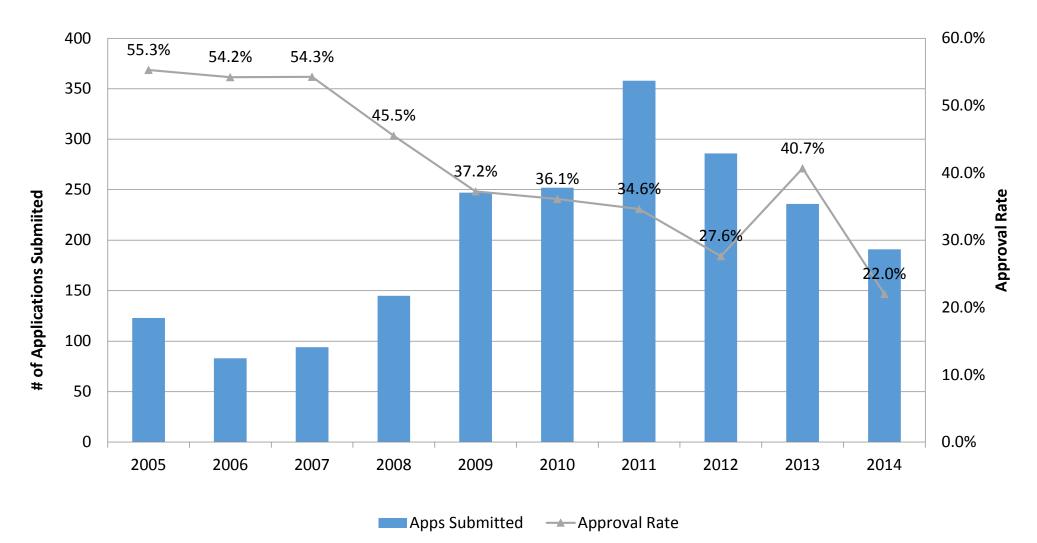
# Florida Principles and Standards for Quality Charter School Authorizing



- Standard 2: Application Process and Decision Making
  - Exercise due diligence in reviewing applications
  - Grant charters only to applicants that have demonstrated competence and capacity to succeed in all aspects of school consistent with approval criteria
  - Rigorously evaluate each application through review of written application, substantive interview with the applicant group, and other due diligence to examine the applicant's experience and capacity



### **History of Applications and Approvals 2005-Present**



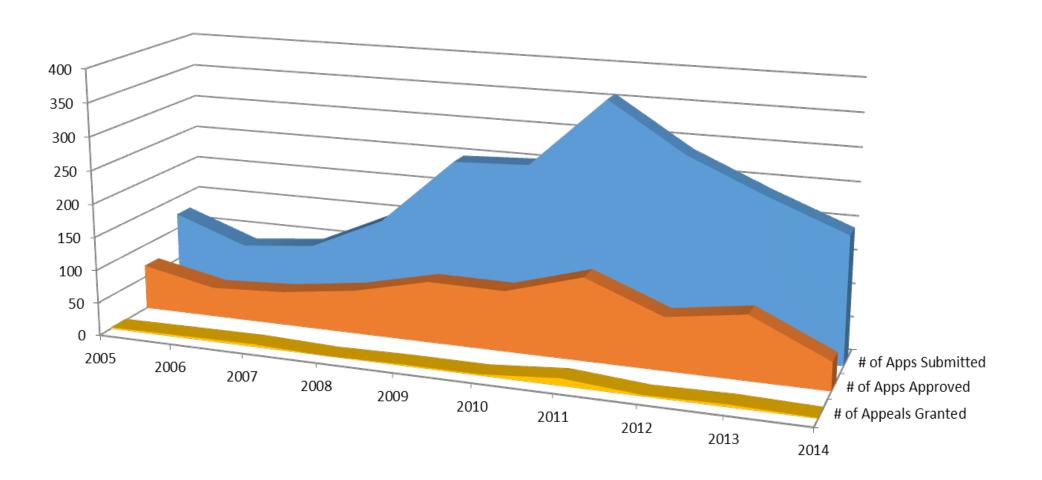


### **Appeals Process**

- Applicants denied by School Board may appeal
- Charter School Appeal Commission (CSAC)
   convenes to hear case and issue recommendation
   to State Board of Education
  - Appeal Commission made up of 9 members
    - Four represent Districts
    - Four represent charter schools
    - Chaired by Commissioner's designee
- State Board of Education votes to accept or reject recommendation of CSAC and grants or denies appeal



### **2005-Present: Charter School Applications**





# **Accountability and Performance**

#### **Applications**

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# **Multi-Layered Accountability**

#### **District**

District must approve school. School operates under performance-based contract with District.

#### **Parents**

Parents must choose to send students and can leave at any time.

#### **State**

Charter school that receives 2 consecutive grades of "F" must be closed.

School



# **Statutory Accountability: Academic**

- Default Closure
  - Consecutive grades of F
- Corrective Action
  - DDD, DDF, 2 grades of F in 3 years
    - Contract for educational services
    - Contract with outside entity
    - Reorganize under new Principal
    - Voluntarily close



# **Statutory Accountability: Academic**

- Termination
  - Sponsor shall make academic achievement for all students the most important factor when determining whether to renew or terminate the charter
  - Sponsor may terminate charter if school fails to meet requirements for student performance stated in the charter contract



# **Statutory Accountability: Financial**

- Sponsor shall monitor the revenues and expenditures of the charter school
- Charter school may be terminated for failure to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management
- Charter school may be terminated if charter school has two consecutive audits with a financial emergency condition



### **Reporting Requirements in Law**

- Monthly financial statement that contains balance sheet and statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance
- Annual audit
- Annual program cost report
- Annual progress report
  - Student achievement data
  - Financial status
  - Documentation of current facilities in use
  - Descriptive information about personnel, including salaries and benefits



# **Uniform Monthly Financial Statement**

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Monthly Financial Form

(School Name) with MSID Number (\_\_\_\_\_)

County, Florida

Balance Sheet (Unaudited)

(DATE)

ASSETS	Accounts	General Fur		Special Revenue Fund		Debt Service		Capital Outlay		Total Governmental Funds	
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Grant receivables Other current assets Deposits Due from other funds Other long-term assets	1110 1160 1130 12XX 1210 1140 1400	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total Assets		\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE											
Liabilities Accounts payable Salaries, benefits, and payroll taxes payable Deferred revenue Notes/bonds payable Lease payable Other liabilities	2120 2110, 2170, 2330 2410 2180, 2250, 2310, 2320 2315 21XX, 22XX, 23XX	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	s	-
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# **Uniform Monthly Financial Statement**

(School Name) with MSID Number (\_\_\_\_)
County, Florida
Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance (Unaudited)
For Month or Quarter Ended and For the Year Ending \_\_\_(DATE)\_\_\_

FTE Projected FTE Actual		•	% Percent of Pr	rojected																	
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### **Expedited Reviews and Financial Corrective Action**

- Districts can require financial corrective action plans if:
  - Charter fails to comply with reporting requirements
  - Audit reveals financial condition or deteriorating financial condition
  - Review of monthly financial statement reveals deteriorating financial condition
    - Enrollment less than 70% of projected
    - Enrollment insufficient to generate necessary revenues
    - Actual expenses exceed budgeted expenses for three consecutive months
    - Unbudgeted need arises for which school has insufficient reserves
    - Other

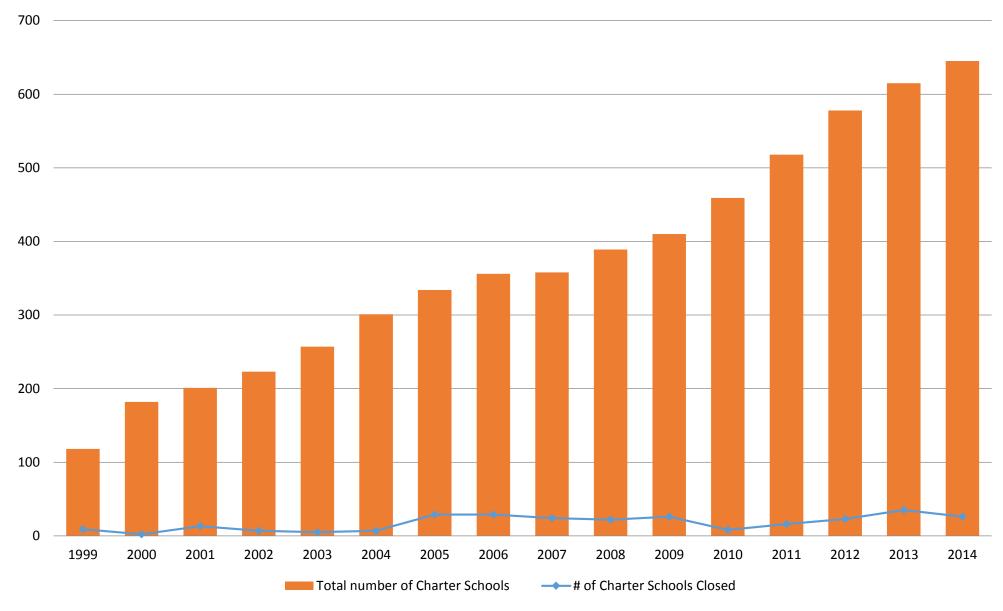


# **District Authority to Close Charter School**

- Statutory authority
  - Failure to participate in the state's education accountability system created in section 1008.31, Florida Statutes
  - Failure to meet the requirements for student performance stated in the charter contract
  - Failure to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management
  - Violation of law
  - Other good cause shown
- Contractual terms
  - Standard contract includes 18 good cause reasons for termination or non-renewal

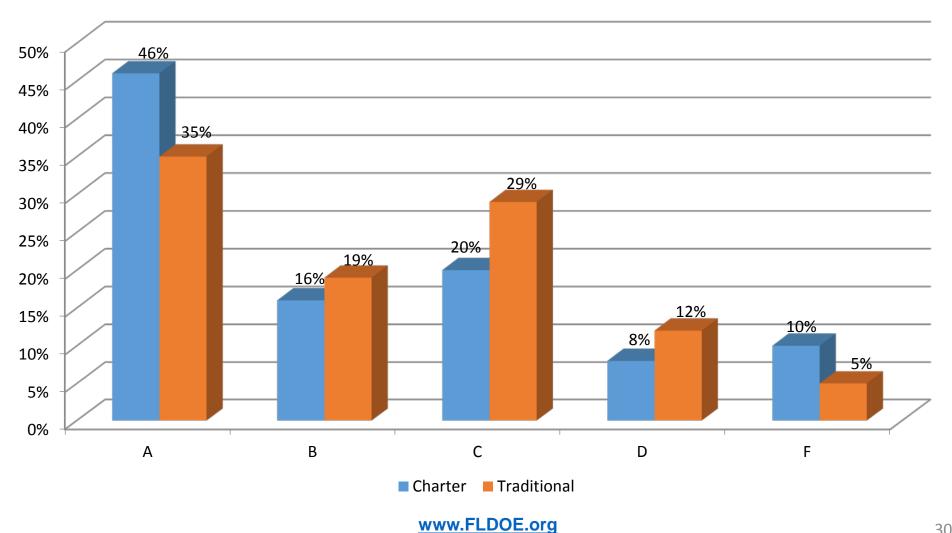


### **Number of Charter Schools Closed by Year**





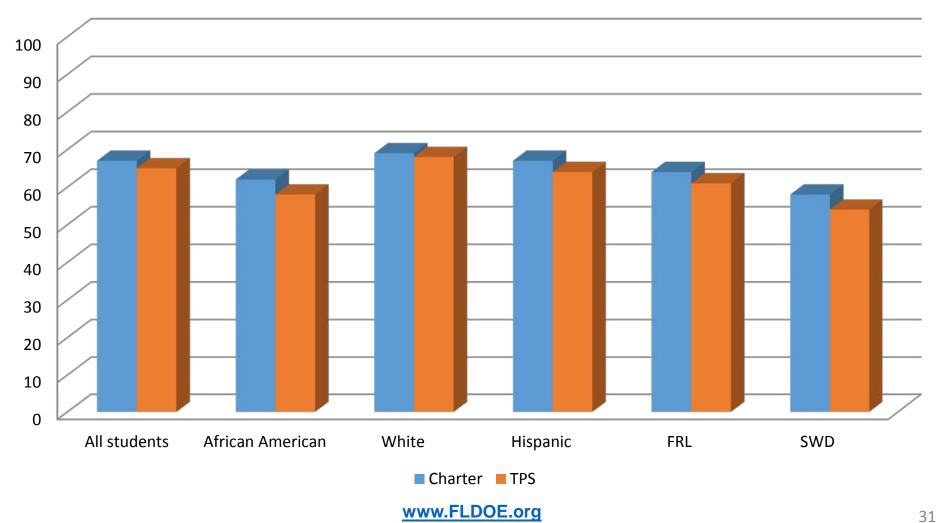
### **Performance: School Grades 2014**





### **Performance**

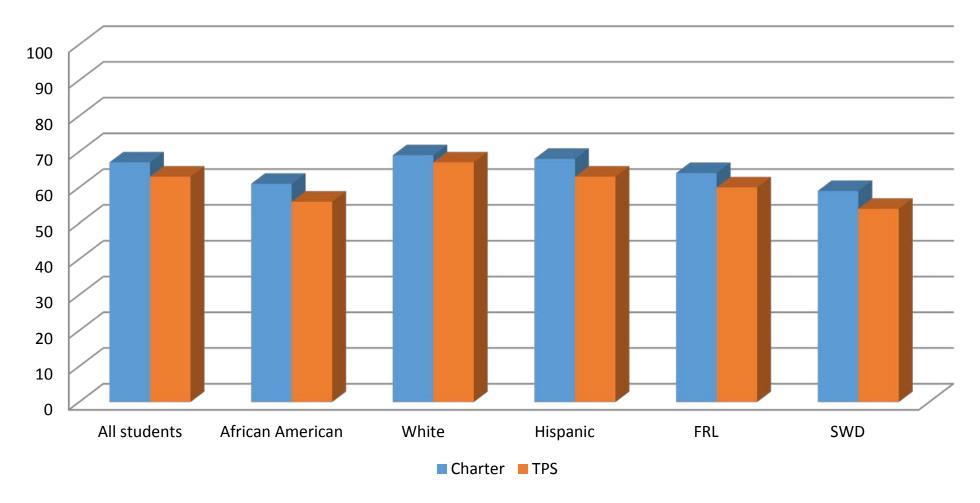
#### **Learning Gains: Mathematics**





### **Performance**

#### **Learning Gains: Reading**





# National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Results: 2013

All Students	Charter	Traditional					
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math	245	241					
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math	288	280					
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading	234	227					
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading	275	265					
Students Eligible for Free/Reduced Lunch	Charter	Traditional					
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math	239	233					
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math	279	270					
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading	227	217					
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading	268	257					



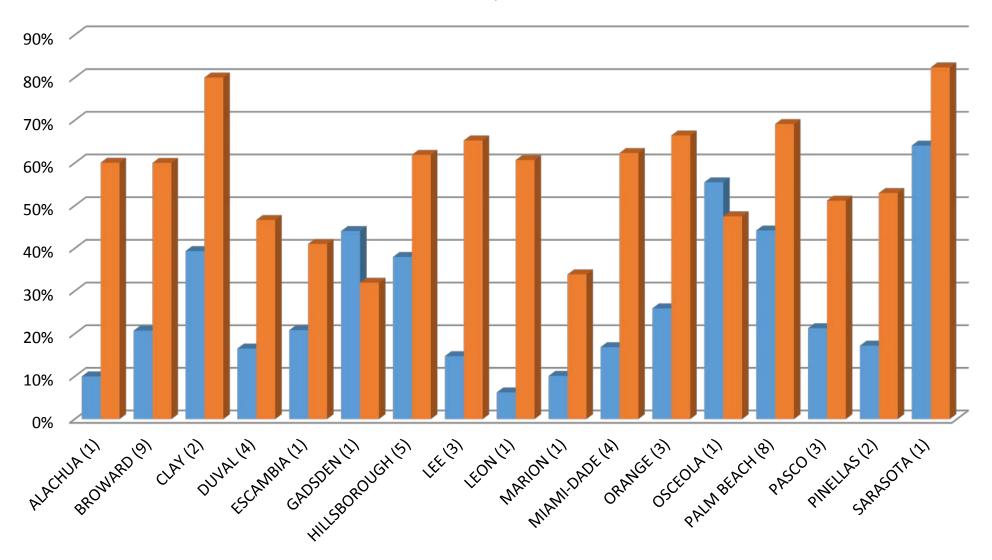
### **Charter School Locations**

- Representation in high-need/low-need areas
  - Location does not always correlate with enrollment
- Analysis of enrollment in new charter schools
  - 50 new charter schools opened in 2014-15
  - Enrolled 10,000 students
    - What school did students previously attend?
    - School grade of previously attended school?



#### Percentage of New Charter School Students Previously Enrolled in A or B School

**New Charter Schools Opened in 2014-15** 



■ % Charter Students Previously in A/B

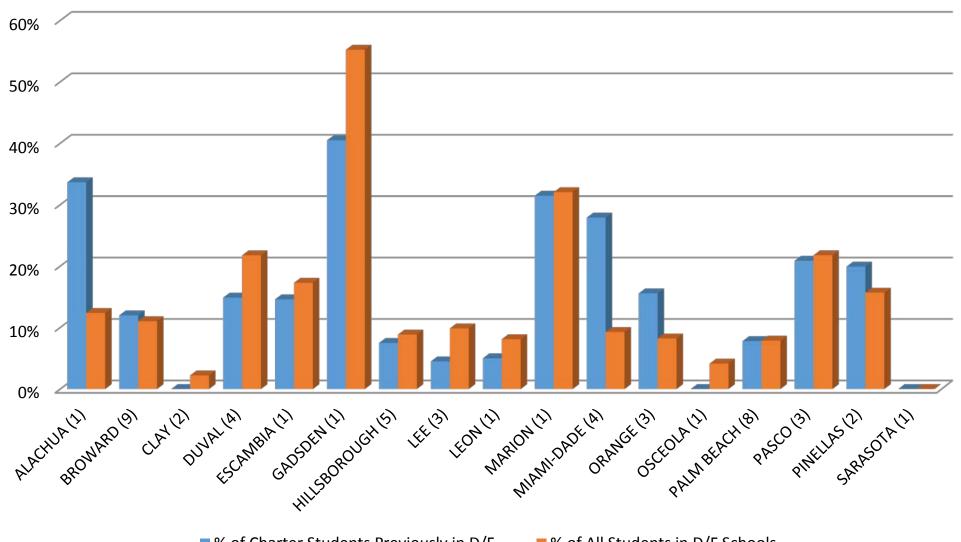
■ % of All Students in A/B Schools

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## Percentage of New Charter School Students Previously Enrolled in D or F School

**New Charter Schools Opened in 2014-15** 

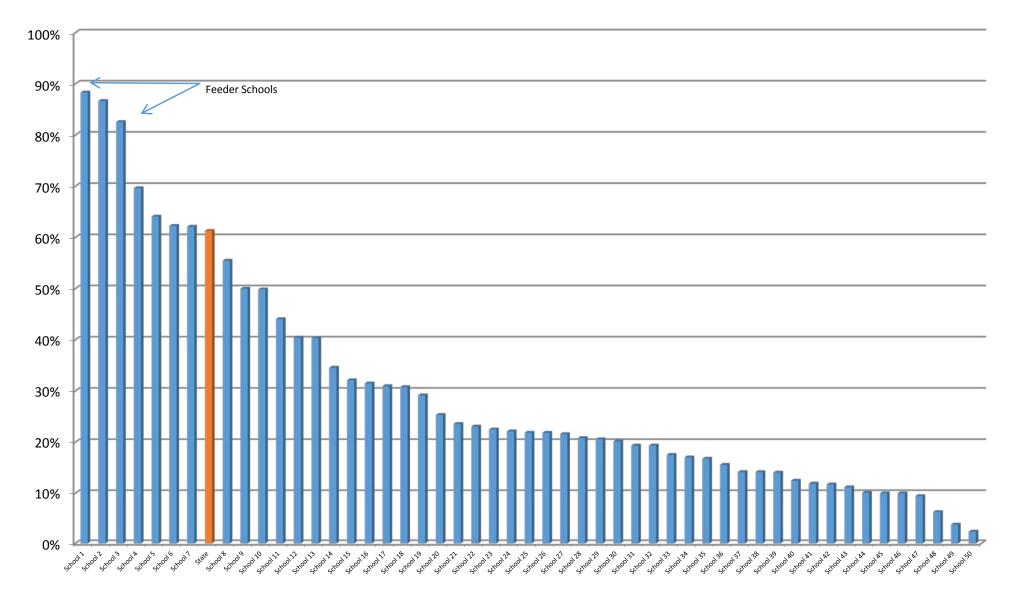


■ % of Charter Students Previously in D/F

■ % of All Students in D/F Schools

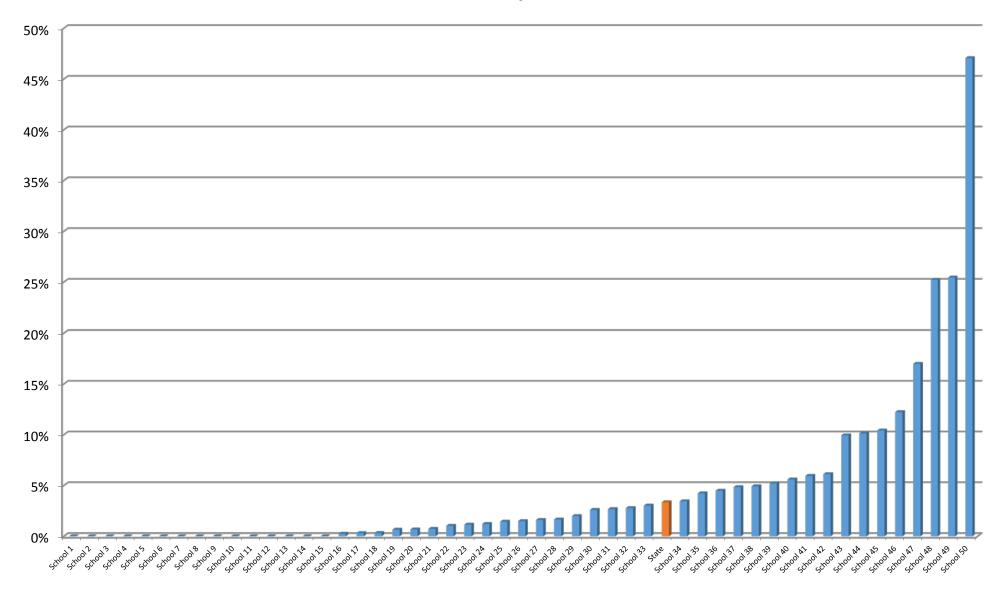


#### % of Students from Previsous A or B School





#### % of Students Previously Enrolled in F School



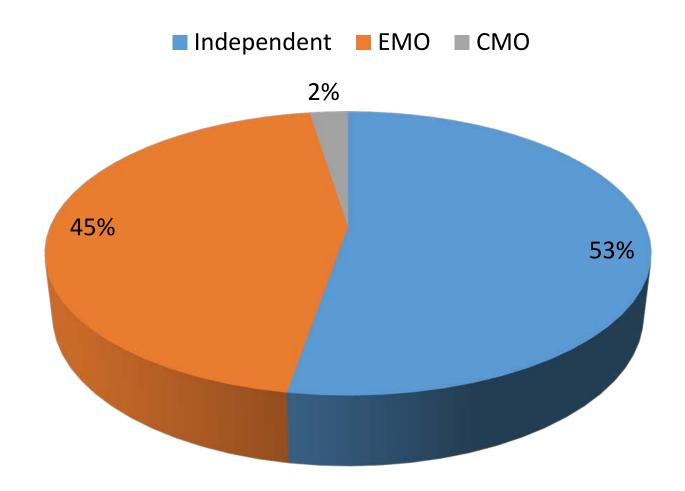


# **Models**

- Independent
  - Non-Profit governing board
  - May have contracts with individual vendors
  - No contract for comprehensive services
- Charter Management Organization (CMO)
  - Non-profit governing board
  - Non-profit network affiliation
- Educational Management Organization (EMO)
  - Non-profit governing board
  - Performance-based contract with EMO for comprehensive services



# Models: 2013-2014 School Year





# **Funding: Operational**

- Students enrolled in a charter school, regardless of the sponsorship, shall be funded as if they are in a basic program or a special program, the same as students enrolled in other public schools in the school district
- District withholds administrative fee of up to 5% of FEFP
  - 5% for up to 250 students
    - 2% for charter schools designated as high-performing
  - 250 student middle school- \$75,000



# **Funding: Federal**

 If the district school board is providing programs or services to students funded by federal funds, any eligible students enrolled in charter schools in the school district shall be provided federal funds for the same level of service provided students in the schools operated by the district school board

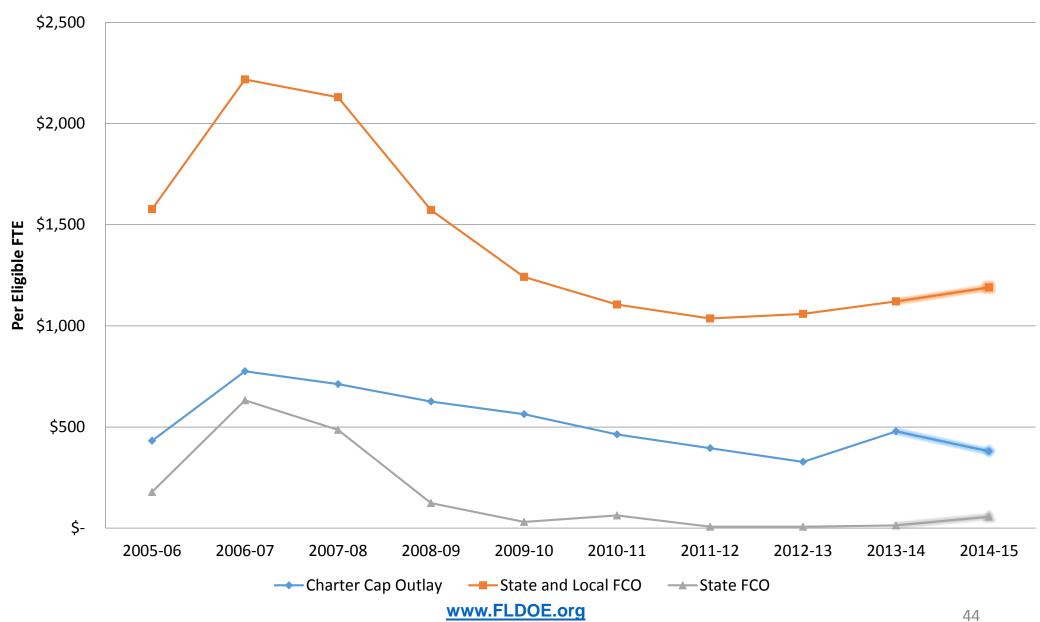


# **Charter School Capital Outlay**

- Annual appropriation
- Eligibility criteria (s. 1013.62, F.S.)
  - 3 full years of operation complete
    - Several exceptions, including SACS accreditation
  - Financial and academic standing
  - Approved by District to operate
  - Cannot operate in District owned facility
- Approximately 75% of existing charter schools receive charter school capital outlay
- Allocated to school by formula
  - FTE
  - Grade levels served



## **Charter School Capital Outlay and District Fixed Capital 2005-Present**





# **Funding: Fixed Capital Outlay**

- Allocation (s. 1013.62 (1)(b), F.S.)
  - Priority I
    - Charter schools that received capital outlay during 2005-06 at the lesser of current year capital outlay FTE or 2005-06 capital outlay FTE
  - Priority II: Funds Remaining After Priority 1
    - Excess funds allocated in an amount equal to the capital outlay FTE to eligible schools not included in priority I and to those priority I schools experiencing growth from 2005-06
  - Funds Remaining After Priority II
    - Allocated to all eligible charter schools
- Maximum of 1/15<sup>th</sup> of cost per student station pursuant to s. 1013.64(6)(b), F.S.



# **Funding: Fixed Capital**

- Charter School Capital Outlay Allowable Uses
  - Purchase of real property
  - Construction of school facilities
  - Purchase, lease-purchase, or lease of permanent or relocatable school facilities
  - Purchase of vehicles to transport students to and from the charter school
  - Renovation, repair, and maintenance of school facilities that the charter school owns or is purchasing through a lease-purchase or long-term lease of 5 years or longer



# **Funding: Fixed Capital**

- Charter School Capital Outlay
  - Effective July 1, 2008, purchase, lease-purchase, or lease of new and replacement equipment, and enterprise resource software applications that are classified as capital assets in accordance with definitions of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, have a useful life of at least 5 years, and are used to support schoolwide administration or state-mandated reporting requirements
  - Payment of the cost of premiums for property and casualty insurance necessary to insure the school facilities
  - Purchase, lease-purchase, or lease of driver's education vehicles; motor vehicles used for the maintenance or operation of plants and equipment; security vehicles; or vehicles used in storing or distributing materials and equipment



# **Reversion Upon Closure**

- When a charter school is nonrenewed or terminated, any unencumbered funds and all equipment and property purchased with district public funds shall revert to the ownership of the district school board
- The reversion of all property secured with public funds is subject to the complete satisfaction of all lawful liens or encumbrances. If there are additional local issues such as the shared use of facilities or partial ownership of facilities or property, these issues shall be agreed to in the charter contract prior to the expenditure of funds



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While it is a Senate tradition to encourage public testimony, time may not permit all persons wishing to speak to be heard at this meeting. Those who do speak may be asked to limit their remarks so that as many persons as possible can be heard.

SENATOR JACK LATVALA

20th District

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100

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March 5, 2015

The Honorable Tom Lee, Chairman Senate Committee on Appropriations 201 The Capitol 404 S. Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

Dear Chairman Lee:

Per my earlier conversation with you, I respectfully request to be excused from the meeting of the Appropriations Committee which is scheduled for Thursday, March 5, 2015.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jack Latvala State Senator District 20

Cc: Cindy Kynoch, Staff Director Alicia Weiss, Administrative Assistant

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