



Book	Policy Manual
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Charter schools that operate within the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District are schools established under Alaska Statutes 14.03.250 – 14.03.290.

Charter schools are established upon the approval of an application by the KPBSD Board of Education (KPBSD BOE) and the Alaska State Board of Education and Early Development (State Board).

Charter schools will operate under a written contract between the charter school and the KPBSD BOE.

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education (KPBSD BOE) desires to support innovations which improve student learning and views charter schools as an opportunity for parents, teachers, and community members to take responsible risks and create new, innovative, and more flexible ways of educating children.

A charter school is a public school in the KPBSD, except that the charter school:

1. is exempt from the KPBSD's textbook adoption, programs, curriculum, and scheduling requirements.
2. principal is selected by the Academic Policy Committee. The principal selects, appoints, or otherwise supervises employees of the charter school. The principal is exempt from AS 14.14.130(c) Chief School Administrator (Superintendent).
3. operates under an annual program budget as set out in the contract between the KPBSD Board of Education and the charter school.
4. **AR 6187 Charter School Guidelines defines the process for initial applications and renewals of KPBSD charter schools.**
5. **The Board will has the final authority to approve or deny both initial and renewal applications through a voting process.**

The charter school may be exempt from other KPBSD requirements if the exemption is set out in the contract.

The District administration will work cooperatively with parents/guardians, students, teachers and principals in their efforts to design new schools and alternative approaches to the existing state laws and regulations that govern public schools.

Legal Reference:

ALASKA STATUTES

14.03.250 Establishment of charter schools

14.03.255 Organization and operation of a charter school

14.03.260 Funding for charter schools

14.03.265 Admission

14.03.270 Teacher or employee transfers, evaluations, and negotiated agreements

14.03.275 Contracts; duration

14.03.280 Regulations

14.03.290 Definitions