

## Charter School Annual Review Form

**Charter School: Aurora Borealis**

**Year: 2024-25**

**Purpose of this Form:** Pursuant to the State of Alaska Charter School law (AS 14.03.255(b) (4)), the Academic Policy Committee shall meet with administration at least six times annually to monitor progress in achieving the committee's policies and goals in accordance with Kenai Peninsula Borough School District AR 6187. Pursuant to Kenai Peninsula School Board Policy 6187: this report will include information on the attainment of student performance expectations, meetings of the governing bodies of the charter school, descriptions of charter school activities, and other information of interest to the local School Board.

**Use of this Form:** This form should be filled out first by the Charter School's Academic Policy Committee during their annual review meeting. This form will then be signed by the APC chair and the administrator and sent to the KPBSD Board President, the Superintendent and the KPBSD Charter School Committee Chair.

Once signed by the KPBSD Charter School Committee Chair, a copy will be provided to the Charter School Administrator, Board President, and Superintendent. All Charter School Annual Review Forms submitted by KPBSD Charter Schools will be provided to the Board as a general information packet item.

### **Section 1: Breach of Contract**

Examples of breach of contract include but are not limited to:

- failure to meet or make reasonable progress toward achievement of the content standards or pupil performance standards identified in the contract,
- failure to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management
- violating any provision of law from which the charter school was not specifically exempted.

Describe any possible Breach of Contract Concerns that have been brought forward this school year: No concerns were brought to the APC Board by KPBSD.

Remedies for the possible Breach of Contracts described above: None

### **Section 2: Charter School Review by APC**

#### Meeting Dates

APC Meeting Dates this school year: 7-30-24, 8-12-24, 9-12-24, 9-17-24, 10-17-24, 10-21-24, 11-05-24, 12-19-24, 1-14-25, 1-31-25, 2-11-25, 3-31-25, 4-7-25, 4-21-25, 5-20-25

Policies & Goals: Reflections on the committee's policies and goals: The APC reviews policies throughout the year as concerns by the staff are brought to them.

Recommendations for next year: The APC wants to have Mr. McCanna notify them of every contract that is being implemented.

Budget: KPBSD Charter school budgets are developed using the Average Daily Membership (ADM) of the school entered into the State of Alaska foundation formula to determine that amount of funding. The Finance department reviews all finance transactions. The Charter schools budgets are developed during the preliminary budget process based on projected enrollment and then adjusted after the 20 day student count that takes place in the Fall of each year. ABC will be rolling over 10% of the budget.

Any Budget Concerns from APC: The timing of the funding has affected Aurora's ability to post open positions.

#### Enrollment:

Enrollment this Year: Enrollment updates were addressed in every APC meeting in the Administrator Report to the board. October count was 199 students. End of the year count was 195 students. Enrollment in the Fall should be 199 again. Students were not added mid-year.

Enrollment Concerns: None

#### Curricula:

Curriculum Concerns: Saxon math is currently scheduled to stop printing in 12/31/2027 according to Debra White, the Alaska Account Executive for HMH. Our language arts curriculum, Journeys, is also going out of print and thus we will need to start looking at a possible replacement for the 2026-27 school year. A curriculum review team will be put together to review possible Language Arts curriculums.

#### Activities

Co-Curricular Activities: ABC had a cross-country team, an A and B basketball team for girls and boys. Students went to KMS and NMHS for Track. We competed in Future Problem Solving, Battle of the Books, Lego Robotics and the Science Olympiad.

Reflections on Activities: No concerns were brought up.

#### Academic Performance

Review of Academic Performance: AK Star Math: ABC 90% Proficiency; KPBSD 37% Proficiency; AK Star LA: ABC 70% Proficiency; KPBSD 36% Proficiency. mCLASS and NWEA MAP benchmarking data was done and reviewed in the Fall, Winter and Spring. Intervention data was compiled weekly by the classroom teacher and the Interventionist. Classroom assessment data was reviewed by classroom teachers and administration.

List Academic Performance Concerns: Language arts is always the lowest of our scores. Not a concern, but an area the staff will be reviewing to determine specific areas where instruction can improve.

Policies and Goals: (Reflections on the committee's policies and goals)

The implantation of the school mission is the goal of the school each year. Recognizing a Student of the Month using our new Foundation Stones was reported as a positive change by staff and parents.

Stakeholder Feedback

Review of Feedback: Survey Monkey entitled "Parent Feedback for Mr. McCanna's Evaluation" was reviewed. There is a Parent/Staff Comment section at the beginning and at the end of every APC meeting. Feedback from parents is usually provided to teachers and the administrator through phone calls and e-mails.

Other Areas of Discussion:

  
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APC Chair Signature:

Date: 5-23-2025

  
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Charter School Administrator Signature

Date: 5-23-2025

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KPBSD Charter School Committee Chair Signature:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_