

SCHOOL BOARD CHARTERING AUTHORITY

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6. Enrollment

- A. Pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §[17:10.7.1](#)(E)(4), each new, extended, or renewed charter school *Operating Agreement* shall include provisions requiring participation in the common enrollment system adopted by the School Board, and operated in a transparent and publically accountable manner in accordance with the provisions of Orleans Parish School Board policy and the terms of Orleans Parish School Board charter school *Operating Agreements*. Compliance with this provision shall be measured as a component of each school's annual evaluation.
- B. No new, extended, or renewal charter school *Operating Agreement* executed on or after January 1, 2016 may include a neighborhood, zip code, or geographic zone enrollment preference or priority that does not conform to the standard community preferences determined by the School Board in accordance with La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §[17:3991](#).

Any school first authorized prior to July 1st, 2015 and whose *Operating Agreement* incorporated a ZIP code-based neighborhood preference may retain such preference for up to two-thirds (67%) of seats (overall and in each grade level), effective either at renewal or upon entry into the common enrollment system.

- C. Any charter school first chartered prior to July 1st, 2012 and which maintains EITHER a letter grade of A, OR a School Performance Score (SPS) in the top 10% of all schools in the state serving the same grade levels, may be permitted to retain a waitlist upon entry into the common enrollment system. The provisions of this section shall expire once all charter schools have entered such system, pursuant to Section 6, *Enrollment*, Part A, of this policy.
- D. As set forth in La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §[17:10.7.1](#)(E)(7), OPSB may cooperatively and annually establish enrollment projections and targets for every school under the school board's jurisdiction and require enrollment of additional or fewer students throughout the school year as necessary.
- E. School Operator Enrollment Limit: Pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §[17:10.7.1](#), the Superintendent may limit the percentage of system enrollment that any single operator of schools or charter governing

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authority may serve, in order to ensure that a diverse system of schools led by multiple high quality operators exists at all times. For the purposes of this provision, “system enrollment” shall be defined to include all Orleans students enrolled in grades kindergarten through 12 in public schools under the jurisdiction of OPSB.

- 1) The School Board may, upon the Superintendent’s recommendation and by a two-thirds vote of the membership, authorize any operator to serve more than twenty percent (20%) of system enrollment.
- 2) Suspension of Enrollment Limit – In order to ensure that adequate seats are available to serve all students seeking public school seats in Orleans Parish, the Superintendent may authorize a one-year suspension of the percentage limit under this policy for one or more operators when it is determined that emergency or exigent conditions exist which necessitate the creation of additional capacity in the system
 - A. Prior to any such determination, the Superintendent shall collaborate with school operators in the establishment of enrollment projections, as provided for in this Policy.
 - B. The Superintendent shall then present a report regarding the determination to the School Board at its next regular meeting. Such report shall address the circumstances that required the suspension, the anticipated length of the suspension, and the school district’s plan to address the circumstances which necessitated the suspension
 - C. Any suspension of the percentage limit under this subsection of the policy extending beyond one school year shall require a two-thirds vote of the membership of the School Board. Such vote shall occur prior to the opening of the enrollment period for the subsequent school year.