

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF
DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1**

(Regarding Approval of Renaissance Charter School Application with Conditions)

WHEREAS, a charter school application was submitted to open a new Renaissance charter school serving students in grades PK–5 (hereinafter referred to as “School” or “Renaissance”); and

WHEREAS, on or about April 1, 2025, an application (the “Application”) was submitted to the District requesting authorization from the District’s Board of Education (“Board”) to open a Renaissance charter school serving students in PK-5 with Expeditionary Learning and Project-Based Learning as the charter school’s guiding pedagogies; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Charter Application Review Team (the “CART”) and District staff have reviewed the Application; and

WHEREAS, District Staff has recommended to the Board that the Board deny the Application for the following reasons:

- Renaissance did not provide evidence that an adequate number of parents and pupils support the formation of the School.
 - a. Renaissance provided 239 letters of interest which is insufficient to support the formation of a PK-5 charter school which is economically sound and able to provide the educational program proposed by the charter school.
 - b. Renaissance’s assumption that the waitlist of the Renaissance Elementary Magnet School, a Douglas County School District Magnet School, will transfer to enrollments at the new Renaissance PK-5 charter school is not warranted.
 - c. The demographic evidence provided by Renaissance in its Application does not align with the demographic reports secured by the District. Further, Renaissance’s recognition of residential and population growth in the community targeted for the location of the PK-5 charter school does not viably support enrollment in the proposed PK-5 charter school.
- Renaissance did not select a viable school location even though it had engaged an architectural firm and identified a geographic region within Castle Rock for the PK-5 school location.

and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has considered the Application, District Policy, the Act, submissions from the public, information from CART, and the written recommendation from District staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board that School's Application is approved with conditions, and the charter contract with Renaissance Secondary Charter School shall be amended to include approval to authorize the operations of Renaissance's PK-5 charter school pursuant to that Charter Contract, subject to and pending satisfaction of the following terms and conditions, as well as other terms and conditions as may be required by law:

1. That an amended contract with Renaissance Secondary Charter School acceptable to the Board and the School be negotiated and executed no later than ninety (90) days after the effective date of this Resolution unless the parties jointly waive such timeline pursuant to C.R.S. § 22-30.5-106(2). Such contract shall include the District's standard terms and conditions, as well as the following provisions specific to School:
 - a. A provision requiring School to identify a viable school site no later than September 15, 2025.
 - b. A provision requiring School to submit to the District letters of intent evidencing at least 150% of the projected enrollment numbers at each grade level on or before January 1, 2026 applicable at the PK-5 grade levels.
 - c. A provision requiring School to submit to the District on or before January 15, 2026 a location lease or purchase agreement satisfactory to the District for an appropriate charter school facility to serve School students in grades PK-5 within the District's boundaries that complies with applicable planning, construction, and occupancy requirements for a public charter school that will be available for occupancy by the School on or before August 1 of its first year of operation.
 - d. A provision requiring construction on the school site which will serve School students in grades PK- 5 to begin no later than February 1, 2026.
 - e. A provision requiring School to submit to the District on or before June 30, 2026, a revised 5-year balanced budget, with adequate funding for facility, personnel, and programming costs to serve School's target population in accordance with applicable law.
 - f. A provision requiring School to use of the District's Enrollment Tool to demonstrate enrollments in alignment with year one projections by December 15, 2026.

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2. The Board hereby authorizes the Board President, the Superintendent, or their respective designees to negotiate and execute a charter contract consistent with this Resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of June, 2025.

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By _____
Christy Williams, President

Attest:

By _____
Becky Myers, Secretary