



Comments on Draft 2019 SUNY Request for Proposals (“RFP”)

**To Establish New Charter School Education Corporations to Operate
Charter Schools in New York State; and,**

**For Existing SUNY Authorized Charter School Education Corporations
to Operate Additional Schools**

*Collected by the SUNY Charter Schools Institute on behalf of the State University of New York
Board of Trustees*

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Defined Terms

Act: the Charter Schools Act of 1998, as amended

Institute: the SUNY Charter Schools Institute

Proposal: document submitted in response to a RFP by an applicant seeking to establish a New York State charter school

RFP: Request for Proposals

SUNY Trustees: the State University of New York Board of Trustees (or its designee, as appropriate)

Comments/Discussion/Changes as Noted

Comment 1: The Institute received a comment that suggested extending the submission deadline for applications for proposed schools inside New York City.

Discussion: The Institute determined the new application timeline to allow the SUNY Charter Schools Committee and the Institute to appropriately perform a number of authorizing duties, including the renewal of existing charters, review of charters in the middle of their current charter terms, and accepting and reviewing new applications submitted pursuant to the requirements of the Act.

Changes to RFP: None

Comment 2: The Institute received a comment suggesting an increase to the number of preference points awarded to proposed middle school programs.

Discussion: A majority of the criteria in the preference scoring rubric are defined in the Act, with additional elements designed to preference applications that are likely to maximize the potential use of any one charter.

Changes to RFP: None