

**16 NCAC 06G .0512 FAST TRACK REPLICATION OF HIGH QUALITY CHARTER SCHOOLS –
PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS**

(a) The State Board of Education (SBE) may grant permission for a non-profit corporation board of directors (board) to replicate either its own successful model, or to employ an educational management company (EMO) or a charter management organization (CMO) as defined Rule .0523 of this Section to replicate a successful model currently being operated under the management of the EMO or CMO. The SBE may also grant permission for a non-profit corporation board to "fast-track" such a replication by foregoing the planning year normally required for approved charter applicants. Rules .0512 through .0515 of this Section outline the criteria and process by which the SBE may authorize fast-track replication.

(b) Nothing in these Rules shall be construed to prohibit a North Carolina non-profit corporation board from applying to replicate another charter school through the regular application process in Rule .0508 of this Section and, upon approval, receive the planning year trainings from NCDPI.

(c) Definitions for terms used in Rules .0512 through .0515 of this Section.

- (1) "Charter school model" or "model" mean the mission as defined in the charter application and function of a charter school, including its governance, its curriculum, its organizational structure, its targeted population, and other key characteristics of the school, such as small class size, thematic academics, and extended day.
- (2) "Successful model" means a charter school model that meets the eligibility requirements in Rule .0513 of this Section.
- (3) "Replication" means the act of copying, recreating, or repeating, a successful charter school model. A "replication" requires the utilization of one charter school "model" to form the creation of a new charter school.
- (4) "Fast-Track Replication" is a special form of replication in which the approved applicant foregoes the planning year required of new charter school applicants.

(d) The "fast-track" applicant shall participate in a one-day basic training workshop that will be provided by the Department of Public Instruction. The State Board of Education shall make final decisions regarding "fast-track" replication applications in less than 120 days from the application submission.

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