

IC 20-25.7-5

Chapter 5. Participation of Charter School as an Innovation Network School

IC 20-25.7-5-1

Governing laws

Sec. 1. Except as expressly provided in this article, a participating innovation network charter school remains subject to all state laws that govern charter schools.

As added by P.L.214-2015, SEC.2.

IC 20-25.7-5-2

Agreement to establish participating innovation network charter school; terms

Sec. 2. (a) Notwithstanding IC 20-26-7-1, the board may enter into an agreement with an organizer to establish a participating innovation network charter school within a vacant, underutilized, or underenrolled school building, as determined by the board.

(b) The terms of the agreement entered into between the board and an organizer must specify the following:

(1) A statement that the organizer authorizes the department to include the charter school's performance assessment results under IC 20-31-8 when calculating the school corporation's performance assessment under rules adopted by the state board.

(2) The amount of state funding, including tuition support, and money levied as property taxes that will be distributed by the school corporation to the organizer.

(3) The performance goals and accountability metrics agreed upon for the charter school in the charter agreement between the organizer and the authorizer.

(c) If an organizer and the board enter into an agreement under subsection (a), the organizer and the board shall notify the department that the agreement has been made under this section within thirty (30) days after the agreement is entered into.

(d) Upon receipt of the notification under subsection (c), the department shall, for school years starting after the date of the agreement:

(1) include the participating innovation network charter school's performance assessment results under IC 20-31-8 when calculating the school corporation's performance assessment under rules adopted by the state board; and

(2) treat the participating innovation network charter school in the same manner as a school operated by the school corporation when calculating the total amount of state funding to be distributed to the school corporation.

As added by P.L.214-2015, SEC.2.

IC 20-25.7-5-3

Authority of school corporation; transportation; maintenance and repair; contracts for goods or services

Sec. 3. (a) For as long as a charter school remains a participating innovation network charter school, the school corporation may:

- (1) provide transportation for students attending the participating innovation network charter school; and
- (2) maintain and repair the buildings and grounds used by the participating innovation network charter school consistent with the maintenance and repair to the school corporation's other buildings and grounds.

(b) If an organizer contracts with a school corporation for goods or services, the school corporation may not charge the organizer more for the goods or services than the school corporation pays for the goods or services.

(c) For as long as a charter school remains a participating innovation network charter school, the school corporation may distribute money levied as property taxes to the charter school. Property taxes distributed to a charter school must be used only for a purpose for which the property taxes could have been used by the school corporation. Property taxes distributed under this subsection may supplement services and property provided under subsection (a) or (b). The parties may jointly modify an agreement described in section 2 of this chapter to implement this subsection.

As added by P.L.214-2015, SEC.2.

IC 20-25.7-5-4

Designated school corporation employee; conditions

Sec. 4. An employee of a school corporation who provides services to a participating innovation network charter school under this article remains an employee of the school corporation.

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