

TO: Tennessee Public Charter School Commission

FROM: Tess Stovall, Executive Director, Tennessee Public Charter School Commission

DATE: October 5, 2023

SUBJECT: Executive Director Updates

Commission Staffing

- As of the last week of September, the Commission team is fully staffed with 18 FTEs.
- An updated staff organization chart is posted on our staffing page on the website.
- We will continue to assess capacity as the portfolio and student enrollment grows to determine where we need either additional staff or contracted capacity to support schools.

2023 Remaining Meeting Dates

- December 4, 2023 (Special-Called Virtual Meeting)
 - o Amendment Petitions Received
 - o Any other necessary business in front of the Commission

Accountability Timeline & ASD Application Pathway

- The Tennessee Department of Education has shared that accountability data and letter grades will be released in November.
- Pursuant to T.C.A. 49-1-614, ASD operators who earn priority exit status on the state's accountability system may apply to the Commission for continued operations.
- In accordance with the Commission rule on the ASD application process, letters of intent are due on October 15th from operators to maintain eligibility to apply to this Commission.
- We will adjust our receipt of applications to November 30th (from November 15th) to allow for the Department of Education to notify schools if they achieve priority exit status.
- If any applications are received, the Commission will consider these at the January 2024 meeting.