

## Charter School Complaint Notice

### Information for Parents:

Please review the information on the Charter School Complaint Notice web page at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/ch/cscomplaint.asp> for information on how to obtain the correct form from your charter school.

## Charter School Complaint Notice California *Education Code* Requirements

California *Education Code* (EC) Section 47605(d)(4)

([https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=47605&lawCode=EDC)

[codes\\_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=47605&lawCode=EDC](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=47605&lawCode=EDC)) states the following:

- A charter school shall not discourage a pupil from enrolling or seeking to enroll in a charter school for any reason, including, but not limited to, academic performance of the pupil or because the pupil exhibits any of the following characteristics:
  - Academically low-achieving
  - Economically disadvantaged (determined by eligibility for any free or reduced price meal program)
  - English learner
  - Ethnicity
  - Foster youth
  - Homeless
  - Nationality
  - Neglected or delinquent
  - Race
  - Sexual orientation
  - Pupils with disabilities
- A charter school shall not request a pupil's records or require the parent, guardian, or pupil to submit the pupil's records to the charter school before enrollment.
- A charter school shall not encourage a pupil currently attending the charter school to disenroll from the charter school or transfer to another school for any reason (except for suspension or expulsion).
- This notice shall be posted on a charter school's Internet website and a charter school will provide copies of this notice (1) when a parent, guardian, or pupil inquires about enrollment; (2) before conducting an enrollment lottery, and (3) before disenrollment of a pupil.

## **Complaint Procedures**

In order to submit a complaint, complete the Charter School Complaint Form and submit the form to the charter school authorizer:

The Santa Clara County Office of Education

1290 Ridder Park Drive

San Jose, California 95131

408-453-6500

# Charter School Complaint Form

Please include:

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_.

Your Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_.

Date of Problem: \_\_\_\_\_.

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_.

Charter School (include address): \_\_\_\_\_.

California *Education Code (EC)* Section 47605(d)(4) allows a parent or guardian to submit a complaint to the charter school authorizer when a charter school discourages a pupil's enrollment, requires records before enrollment, or encourages a pupil to disenroll. Please identify the basis for this complaint below, with specific facts, which support your complaint.

**Basis of complaint** (check all that apply):

- Pupil was discouraged from enrolling or seeking to enroll in the charter school.
  
- Records were requested to be submitted to the charter school before enrollment.
  
- Pupil was encouraged to disenroll from the charter school or transfer to another school.

Please provide further details:

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**Please file this complaint with the authorizer of the charter school listed on the preceding page electronically or in hard copy.**