691-2-.08 State Charter School Expansion

- (1) **Enrollment Limits**. Each charter between the SCSC and a state charter school shall specifically state the total maximum number of students that the state charter school can enroll at any point during its charter term. Charter enrollment limits may only be modified after SCSC approval through amendment of the charter. For any charter contract that does not include an enrollment limit as of the effective date of this rule, the enrollment limit shall be set at 1.05 times that state charter school's preceding October total Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) enrollment count, as reported by the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE).
- (2) Amendment of Enrollment Limits. State charter schools may not undergo expansion without prior approval by the SCSC. A state charter school seeking to amend the enrollment limit in its charter shall submit a written charter amendment request from its governing board chairperson or his or her authorized designee to the SCSC Executive Director. The SCSC Executive Director shall determine whether the requested expansion constitutes a significant increase to the school's enrollment limit. Requests for charter school expansion shall, at a minimum, include the following:
 - (a) The number of grades or classes to be added, if applicable;
 - (b) The new proposed grade range and the proposed performance measures for additional grades, if applicable;
 - (c) The rationale and/or justification for the requested modification;
 - (d) The new proposed enrollment limit;
 - (e) The rationale for increasing the state charter school's enrollment limit;
 - (f) A proposed budget for the increase or decrease in total students served; and,
 - (g) Contact information for the designated point of contact.

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