

Overview of Current Initiatives

Policy, Research, Services, and Training

State Charter
Schools
Commission
of Georgia



Guiding Principles of the SCSC

Mission Statement:

The mission of the State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia is to improve public education throughout the state by authorizing charter schools that provide students with **better** educational opportunities than they would otherwise receive in traditional district schools.

Core Values:

To achieve our mission and to carry out our statutory charges as an independent charter school authorizer, the SCSC conducts all business according to high standards of **transparency, accessibility, objectivity, and innovation.**

Current Initiatives

1. Policy Development
2. Research Program
3. School Services
4. Training Program

Policy Development

- SCSC Comprehensive Performance Framework
- Transparency
 - School Level
 - Authorizer Level
- SCSC Foundation

Research Program

■ Completed:

■ Virtual School Impact

- Partnered with the National Association of Charter School Authorizers and Public Impact

■ Underway:

■ Alignment Study: SCSC Value-Add Model and Beating the Odds

- Partnered with Indiana University and the University of California Riverside

■ Upcoming:

■ Economic Impact Study

■ Ongoing:

■ Value-Add Analysis

School Services

- **Currently Provided:**

- Independent Financial Audits
- Strategic Planning for Governing Boards
- Review of Financial Controls
- Charter School Accounting Program

- **In Development:**

- State Charter School Leaders' Cohort (for principals)
- Guidance Manuals for Schools
- Foundation Grant Awards

Training Program

- Charter Schools Financial Management Certification (Ongoing)
- Newly Approved Schools Orientation (December 2015)
- Petitioner Boot Camps (December 2015 and January 2016)
- Introductory Government Accounting for Charter Schools (February 2016)

- Other Needs?

Questions

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