

**State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia**  
**2018 Governance and Policy Retreat**  
**The James Madison Inn and Conference Center, Madison, Georgia**  
**January 11-12, 2018**

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**GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

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**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.

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**CHARGE TO COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF DURING RETREAT**

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The SCSC was created to revolutionize Georgia's K-12 education system. As a result, the SCSC staff and commissioners must examine with intentionality the following question and commit to A) resolving issues when possible and B) identifying the appropriate next steps when more information is required.

**DAY 1: Overarching Question:**

Do existing renewal standards still reflect the SCSC's fundamental priorities?

1:15 PM – 5:00 PM

**DAY 2: Overarching Question:**

What logistical considerations must be considered to ensure a smooth renewal process?

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM