State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia

Staff Recommendation for the 2018 Cycle February 28, 2018

School: Fulton Leadership

Attendance Zone: Atlanta Public Schools, Clayton County Public Schools and the

southern portion of Fulton County Schools

Grade Levels: 6-12

Staff Recommendation: SCSC staff recommends that the renewal petition for Fulton Leadership

Academy be **approved** by authorizing the SCSC Chair to execute a 5-year

charter contract for the operation of a state charter school.

Rationale:

Fulton Leadership Academy (FLA) met the expectations established by the Comprehensive Performance Framework (CPF). All evidence indicates that the school will continue to operate as a high-quality charter school consistent with the SCSC's mission and the educational goals of Georgia.

1. Academic Performance

Fulton Leadership Academy met SCSC academic expectations as measured by the SCSC Comprehensive Performance Framework (CPF) in three out of the four years of its current charter term for which academic data is available when considering FLA's proposed amended attendance zone. FLA outperformed the comparison district in its proposed amended attendance zone (schools located in the southern portion of the Fulton County Schools school district, Atlanta Public Schools, and Clayton County Public Schools) in all grade bands served utilizing CCRPI measures.

2. Financial Performance

Fulton Leadership Academy met standards in three out of four years for which data is available on the Financial portion of the CPF. On-site monitoring during the charter term revealed no significant deficiencies relating to financial performance. Audits were submitted in a timely manner prior to the established deadline and appear to demonstrate the school's ability to adequately manage cash and debt.

3. Operational Compliance

Fulton Leadership Academy met standards on the Operational portion of the CPF in three out of four years. On-site monitoring revealed minimal findings and the school has a history of quickly remedying any identified deficiencies.

Link to Petition and Related Materials:

View the petition for Fulton Leadership Academy here.