

State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia

Staff Recommendations of Renewal Petitions for the 2014 Expedited Review Petition Cycle

School: Scholars Academy Charter School

Attendance Zone: Clayton County Schools

Grade Levels: K-5

First Charter Began: July 1, 2008

Current Charter Ends: June 30, 2014

Recommendation: It is recommended that the renewal petition for Scholars Academy Charter School be **denied** and that the charter be **nonrenewed**.

Rationale: While data regarding the school's current year of student performance is not yet available, the school has a long history of academic performance well below Clayton County and state averages, and the school did not demonstrate its ability to increase academic performance this year or in the future. When controlling for student population in GOSA's value-add analysis, the school remains an under-performing school compared to both Clayton County and the state.