
Charter School Appeals, Rule 0520-14-01-.02

The Background:

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 49-13-108, if a local board of education denies an amended charter school application, the sponsor may appeal the decision to the State Board. State Board Rule 0520-14-01-.02 Appeals sets forth the process for submitting an appeal of the denial of a charter school application by the local board of education to the State Board.

Upon completion of the charter school appeals cycle, State Board staff collected feedback from applicants, local districts, and review committee members. Additionally, the staff reviewed all State Board policies governing the appeal process to ensure our process, as defined in policy, is solidified in rule, including the process for appealing the denial of a charter school renewal application or appealing the revocation decision of a local board of education.

Since first reading, changes to the rule include:

- Changing the use of “will” to “shall,” where appropriate;
- Further alignment to State Board appeals policies; and
- Updates based on legislation passed during the 111th General Assembly.

The Recommendation:

State Board staff recommends approval of this item on final reading.