



Wangari Maathai
Local Impact Analysis for New Charter Request
Local Community: Providence

Proposal Overview

Proposed Charter Overview			
Charter Type:	Independent	Year Opening:	2021-22
Location of School:	Providence	Grade Level (At-Scale):	K-8
Enrolling Communities:	Providence	Enrollment (At-Scale):	378

Summary of Proposal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sponsored by the Southside Community Land Trust Proposes an immersive, place-based learning model that implements a student-centered, experiential curriculum and integrates health and wellbeing, social justice, and environmental sustainability Intends to serve students and families of diverse racial, social, and economic backgrounds The applicant submitted new school applications to RIDE in 2016 and 2017, and was preliminarily approved in 2017; however, it was unable to open due to a lack of facility.

Proposed Enrollment			
Charter Year	School Year	Grades	Total Student Enrollment
Year 1	2021-22	K-2, 4, 6	130
Year 2	2022-23	K-3, 5-7	194
Year 3	2023-24	K-4, 6-8	236
Year 4	2024-25	K-8	278
Year 9 (at-scale)	2029-30	K-8	378

Enrollment Assumptions & Comparisonⁱ

Demographics of Enrolling Communities		
Demographics (%)	Providence	State Avg.
Economically Disadvantaged	84.5%	47.7%
Multi-Lingual Learners	33.1%	10.7%
Differently-abled students	14.7%	15.7%
Minority students	91.8%	44.8%



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How does the charter's projected enrollment fit within the overall portfolio of Providence students?	
Enrollment Category	Student Enrollment
Total # of students enrolled in Providence Public School District (PPSD)	23,836
Wangari's at-scale enrollment as a % of PPSD's enrollment	1.6%
Total # of students residing in Providence ⁱⁱ	29,650
Wangari's at-scale enrollment as a % of total # of students residing in Providence	1.3%

Educational & Programmatic Impact Analysisⁱⁱⁱ

2019 RICAS Grades Performance Comparison

RICAS Results	English Language Arts (% Meets & Exceeds)			Mathematics (% Meets & Exceeds)		
	Proposed Charter	Providence	State	Proposed Charter	Providence	State
Grade 3	-	26.4	47.9	-	17.0	36.1
Grade 4	-	15.2	37.2	-	14.1	32.6
Grade 5	-	19.9	39.1	-	12.9	30.1
Grade 6	-	18.0	39.1	-	12.2	27.9
Grade 7	-	8.6	31.5	-	8.0	27.6
Grade 8	-	14.9	36.3	-	7.0	24.5

2019 RICAS Subgroup Performance Comparison

RICAS Results All Tested Grades Demographic Breakdown	English Language Arts (% Meets/Exceeds)				Mathematics (% Meets/Exceeds)			
	All	Econ Disadv.	Multi-Lingual	Differently-abled	All	Econ Disadv.	Multi-Lingual	Differently-abled
Proposed Charter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Providence	17.2	15.2	5.5	11.4	11.9	10.4	**	**
State	36.5	22.5	7.9	6.1	29.8	15.7	6.3	5.0

Student Demand Analysis for Grade K-8 Charter Seats^{iv}	
Number of 2020-21 Charter Applications for grades K-8 from Students Residing in Providence:	9,728
Number of 2020-21 Charter seats offered for grades K-8 from Students Residing in Providence:	682
What % of 2020-21 Providence K-8 lottery applicants were offered a seat?	7%



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Fiscal Impact Analysis

Educational funding dollars follow each child to the school of their choice. The following analysis projects the total amount of funding that would follow students to the school of their choice, commensurate with the size of the requested expansion.

Providence Student Funding Projections	Projected Per-Pupil Funding
Local Share – Projected FY21 per-pupil funding for each Providence student ^v	\$4,570 per-pupil
State Share – Projected FY21 per-pupil funding for each Providence student ^{vi}	\$11,806 per-pupil
Federal Share – Projected FY21 per-pupil funding for each Providence student ^{vii}	\$2,000 per-pupil
Projected FY21 total per-pupil funding for each Providence Student (i.e. RIDE projects this amount of total local + state federal per-pupil funding for each Providence student in FY21)	\$18,376 per-pupil
Less: 7% withheld from the local share of per pupil funding for “fixed or unique” costs ^{viii}	\$320 per-pupil
Local Share – Projected FY21 per-pupil funding for each Providence student, less the 7% withheld for “fixed or unique” costs	\$4,250 per-pupil
Projected FY21 total per-pupil funding for each Providence Student (excluding funds withheld for “fixed or unique costs”)	\$18,056 per-pupil

Total Pupil Funding Projections, Commensurate with New School Proposal:

Fiscal Year	Proposed Charter Projected Enrollment	Projected Total Local Share Pupil Funding commensurate with the requested new charter proposal	Projected Total Local Share Pupil Funding as % of PVD FY19 Total Expenditures ^{ix}	Projected Total Pupil Funding (Local+State+Federal) commensurate with the requested new charter proposal	Projected Total Withholding for Fixed or Unique Costs (to district)
FY 2021-22 (Opening)	130	\$552,500	0.13%	\$2,347,280	\$41,600
FY 2022-23	194	\$824,500	0.19%	\$3,502,864	\$62,080
FY 2023-24	236	\$1,003,000	0.23%	\$4,261,216	\$75,520
FY 2024-25 (at-scale grades)	278	\$1,181,500	0.27%	\$5,019,568	\$88,960
FY 2029-30 (at-scale enrollment)	378	\$1,606,500	0.37%	\$6,825,168	\$120,960

Key implication: RIDE projects on an annual basis by FY2029-30, commensurate with the new school proposal reaching full enrollment at-scale, total funding of \$6,825,168. \$1,606,500 of this \$6,825,168 will be contributed through local share funding. This \$1,606,500 represents 0.37% of PPSD’s total reported FY19 expenditures.



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ⁱ Enrollment Assumptions and Comparison based off 10/1/19 reported data publicly available through RIDE's FRED database.

ⁱⁱ Inclusive of independent and catholic schools as available through RIDE's FRED database.

ⁱⁱⁱ Academic Outcome data is based off published assessment results for 2019 available through the public Rhode Island Assessment Data Portal. *Data is suppressed to ensure confidentiality because the minimum reporting size requirement (10 students) is not met. **Data is suppressed to ensure confidentiality because greater than 95% of students did not meet expectations.

^{iv} Demand analysis is based on the most recent lottery data available through the RIDE Charter School Applicant Report. Reporting sizes of less than 10 are suppressed for student privacy.

^v Assumes constant Local per-pupil funding, net of a constant withholding for fixed or unique costs.

^{vi} Assumes constant state per-pupil funding.

^{vii} Federal funding assumed constant and based off district averages.

^{viii} Withholding for fixed or unique costs is the greater of either: 1) 7% of the per-pupil local share funding; or, 2) the per-pupil value of the districts' fixed or unique costs district's statutorily defined expenditure categories minus the average expenses incurred by all public schools of choice for those same categories of expenses. Assumed constant in projections.

^{ix} Total FY19 PPSD Expenditures: \$438,019,645 (all expenditures based on most recent, audited UCOA data)