# LEGACIES OF EXCELLENCE CHARTER NOVEMBER 14, 2012

#### Oakland Unified School District Board Hearing

#### Nabeehah Shakir, Lead Petitioner/Executive Director

| FOUNDING DIRECTORS     | PETITIONERS                               |
|------------------------|---|
| Alexander, Mark Ph.D.  | Robert Coleman                            |
| Arabia, Hugo           | Ralph Peterson, M.D.                      |
| Bell, Gary L.          | Nabeehah Shakir: Curriculum & Design      |
| Edwards, Kamau         | Haywood Douresseau: Administrator         |
| Daigre, Charlene       | Joe Coates: Administrator                 |
| Foxworth, Marlin       | Lynn Martindale: UC Davis, Agriculture    |
| Francisco, Norma Ph.D. | Alison Wohlgemuth: Agriculture Curriculum |
| Hankins, Donna         | David Roach: MoBetter Foods               |
| Hill, Lorie            | Fred Clay: Agriculture                    |
| Newall, Robert         | Jason Newall: Mental Health               |
| Roberts, Henry (Hank)  | Andrea Lee: Educator                      |
|                        | Mary K. Lee: Special Education            |

# Legacies of Excellence Charter School

Educating our youth to think intensely and critically Intelligence plus character - that is the true goal of education Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

#### Historical Journey of Legacies of Excellence

- Ten years ago a group of concerned citizens in Oakland came together
- Discussion of the plight of families in the community who have suffered the brunt of at least four decades of poverty, drugs, and crime as a direct result of segregation, miseducation, and exploitation.
- Do-For-Self Philosophy of the 6os.

# Legacies Will Enroll All Students

- Focus on a safe teaching and learning environment
- Underserved students from Social Service Systems: Foster Care; Juvenile Justice; Group Home; Poor Attendance and Behavior
- Morally Conscious, Socially Adjusted and High Achieving

### **Response to Intervention**

- Systems that support teachers, students, and parents
- Legacies Innovative Education Learning Plan
- Emotional and Social Skills
- Special Effort to connect students with Mental Health and Social Services

#### **Community Partnerships**

## Omega Boys Club

- The first step is for Omega staff to train faculty and staff in Omega's Alive & Free Prescription a violence prevention methodology.
- This involves several hours of instruction. Faculty is expected to look at their own values and their own risk factors for violence.

### Academic Design

- High Academic Achievement
- Literacy Across the Curriculum
- Academic English Learners
- Connect students with course content
- Making meaning of the curriculum
- Extended time for learning and practice
- Linguistically Appropriate Instruction for ALL students
- Culturally Responsive to the diverse needs of each student

# Science & Agriculture State Adopted Curriculum

- California Environmental Education Initiative
- Integrated Science
- Integrated History
- Agricultural Engineering
- Careers and Jobs

#### Agriculture Engineering and Sustainable Living

- Lynn Martindale, University of California, Davis
- Volunteers
- Field Trips
- Five (5) Roof Gardens
- Kitchens for teaching

## Mathematics and its Grammar

- 90% of mathematics is about the language, the grammar of the subject
- teach the grammar, remove the fear
- repetition rhythm relevance
- performance based assessment

### Intervention/Acceleration

- Intervention Classes Daily
- Acceleration for advanced students
- Assessments & Re-teaching
- Project Based Assessments
- Oral Presentations
- After School Curriculum
- Field Trips

# Master Schedule

- English Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Science/Social Studies
- Physical Ed.
- Health & Wellness
- VAPA

90 Minutes 85-115 Minutes

- 60 Minutes
- 45 Minutes
- 25 Minutes
- 25 Minutes

#### After School

- Intervention/Agriculture
- Homework
- Counseling/Family Therapy

- 60 Minutes
- 50 Minutes
- 60 Minutes

| Period | Time         | Instructional   | Class A                    |                            | Class B                    |                                | Class C                        | Class D                        |
|--------|--------------|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|        |              | Minutes         |                            |                            |                            |                                |                                |                                |
| А      | 7:35-8:25    |                 | Breakfast/<br>Morning Mtg. |                            | Breakfast/<br>Morning Mtg. |                                | Breakfast/<br>Morning Mtg.     | Breakfast/<br>Morning Mtg.     |
| 1      | 8:30-10:00   | 90              | ELA*                       |                            | ELA                        |                                | ELA                            | ELA                            |
| 2      | 10:00-10:40  | 40              | Math                       |                            | P.E.                       |                                | Math                           | Math                           |
| 3      | 10:40 -11:20 | 45              | P.E./                      |                            | Math                       |                                | P.E.                           | Science/<br>Social Studies     |
| 4      | 11:20-12:05  | 10              | Math                       |                            | Math                       |                                | Math                           | Math                           |
| 5      | 12:05 -12:35 | 30              | Lunch & Spoken Word        |                            | Lunch & Spoken Word        |                                | Lunch &<br>Spoken Word         | Lunch &<br>Spoken Word         |
| 6      | 12:35-1:15   | 30              | Math                       |                            | Math                       |                                | Math                           | Math                           |
| 7      | 1:15-2:05    | 60              | Science/ Social Studies    |                            | Science/ Social Studies    |                                | Science/<br>Social Studies     | P.E.                           |
| 8      | 2:05-2:30    | 25              | Health & Wellness          |                            | Health & Wellness          |                                | Health & Wellness              | Health & Wellness              |
| 9      | 2:30-3:05    | 35              | VAPA*                      |                            | VAPA*                      |                                | VAPA*                          | VAPA*                          |
|        |              | 460             |                            |                            |                            |                                |                                |                                |
|        |              | Friday Schedule |                            |                            |                            |                                |                                |                                |
| 1      | 8:30-10:00   | 90              | ELA                        |                            | ELA                        |                                | ELA                            | ELA                            |
| 2      | 10:00-12:00  | 120             | Math                       |                            | Math                       |                                | Math                           | Math                           |
| 3      | 12:00-12:40  | 40              | History/Social S           | History/Social Science     |                            | ory/Social Science             | History/<br>Social Science     | History/<br>Social Science     |
|        | Total        | 250             |                            |                            |                            |                                |                                |                                |
|        |              |                 |                            |                            |                            |                                |                                |                                |
|        |              |                 |                            | After Sch                  |                            |                                |                                |                                |
|        | 3:05-3:10    | Program         | m Rotation                 |                            |                            |                                |                                |                                |
|        | 3:10-4:10    | 60              | Intervention or            | Intervention or Agricultur |                            | Intervention or<br>Agriculture | Intervention or<br>Agriculture | Intervention or<br>Agriculture |
|        | 4:10-6:00    | 50              | Homework or A              | Homework or Agricultur     |                            | Homework or<br>Agriculture     | Homework or<br>Agriculture     | Homework or<br>Agriculture     |
|        | 5:00-6:00    | 60              | Counseling/Fai             | Counseling/Family Therapy  |                            | Counseling/<br>Family Therapy  | Counseling/<br>Family Therapy  | Counseling/<br>Family Therapy  |
|        | Total        | Wa Aft 29 Sak   | ool Program                | $A \cdot 1 = D M$          |                            |                                |                                |                                |

<sup>To</sup>Fridays After School Program: 1:15 pm – 4:15 PM

#### Governance

- Diverse Board of Directors (5-13)
- Lawyers, Finance Experts, Community Leaders, Educators, Parents
- Multiple Parent Advisory & Fund Raising Groups
- Highly Qualified and Committed
- Educational Seminars & Training for all

# Fiscal Management Human Resources

- Back Office Service Provider, Neil Shah
- Conservative Budget
- Handbook of Fiscal Policies and Procedures
- Charter Capital to manage deferrals and Cash Flow Issues
- Grant Writer in place
- Several organizations small & large
  - -- verbal commitments for loans and grants
  - -- community partnerships

#### Fired Up & Ready to Meet the Challenge

NO ONE EVER SAID IT WOULD BE EASY WE ARE READY TO BEGIN THIS TASK August 2013 120 Students Year 1 300 Students Year 4 Grades 5-6 Self-Contained Classes Team Teaching