
Charter Renewal Staff Recommendation

Latitude 37.8 High School
September 25, 2025



**OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**
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Charter School Renewal Overview

Timeline

Background

Every 5 years (typically), a Charter School must submit a renewal petition to their authorizer in order to continue operating. The authorizer, the OUSD Board of Education, must evaluate the renewal petition based on criteria outlined in California Education Code and the school's Renewal Tier placement. The Board must vote within 90 days of submission to approve or deny the petition.

COVID-19 Impact on Charter Renewal

Due to the lack of Dashboard data after COVID, the State legislature extended all charters' terms by a total of **three years**. Therefore, all OUSD-authorized charter schools that are up for renewal this fall are currently in **year 8** of their charter term.

Day 0

Submission

By Day 60

Initial Public Hearing

**15 Days Before
Decision Hearing**

Staff Report Posted

By Day 90

Decision Hearing

Charter School Renewal Criteria



Criterion 1

Has the Charter School Presented a Sound Educational Program?



Criterion 2

Is the Charter School Demonstrably Likely to Successfully Implement the Proposed Educational Program?



Criterion 3

Is the Petition Reasonably Comprehensive?



Criterion 4

Is the Charter School Serving All Students Who Wish to Attend?*

**Limited to enrollment data from CDE and suspension, expulsion, and disenrollment compliance*

Renewal Analysis and Staff Recommendation

Latitude 37.8 High School

Charter School Overview

Latitude 37.8 High School (“Latitude”)

Charter Management Organization	Education for Change	OUSD Attendance Area	Fremont
Grade Span	9-12	Current Enrollment	394
OUSD Board District	District 5	5-Year Projected Enrollment	412, 419, 409, 400, 400

Latitude was placed in the Middle Tier

No default recommendation from State; Eligible for 5-year renewal term

CA Dashboard Overview

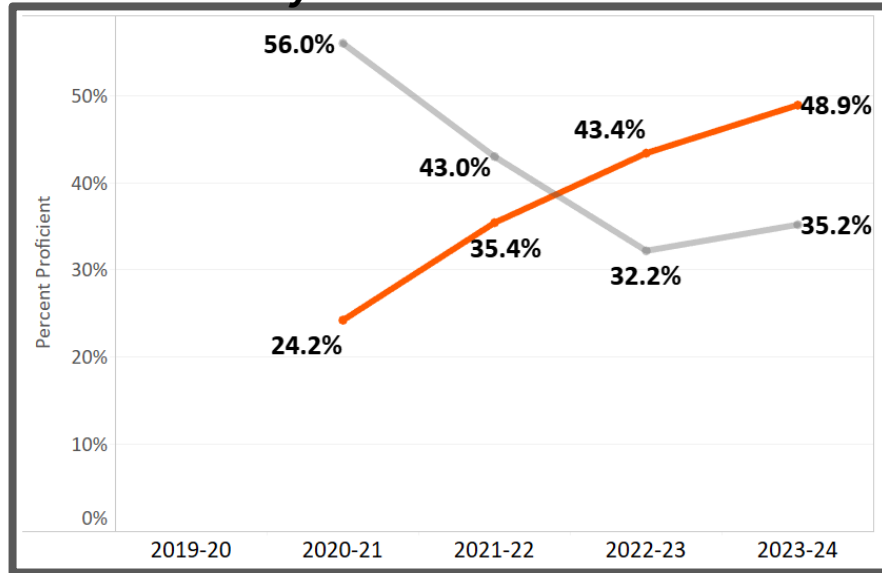
	ELA	Math	EL Progress	Suspension	College / Career	Graduation Rate
2022-23	Yellow 11.3 pts below standard <i>Increased 30.1 pts</i>	Yellow 80 pts below standard <i>Increased 44.6 pts</i>	Red 35.2% making progress Decreased 10.6%	Orange 4.2% suspended Increased 1.4%	High 58.2% prepared	Orange 82.1% graduated Decreased 6.2%
2023-24	Orange 11.6 pts below standard <i>Decreased 0.4 pts</i>	Orange 103.4 pts below standard <i>Decreased 23.3 pts</i>	Red 27.6% making progress Decreased 7.6%	Orange 7% suspended Increased 2.8%	Green 66.7% prepared Increased 8.5%	Green 92.7% graduated Increased 10.6%



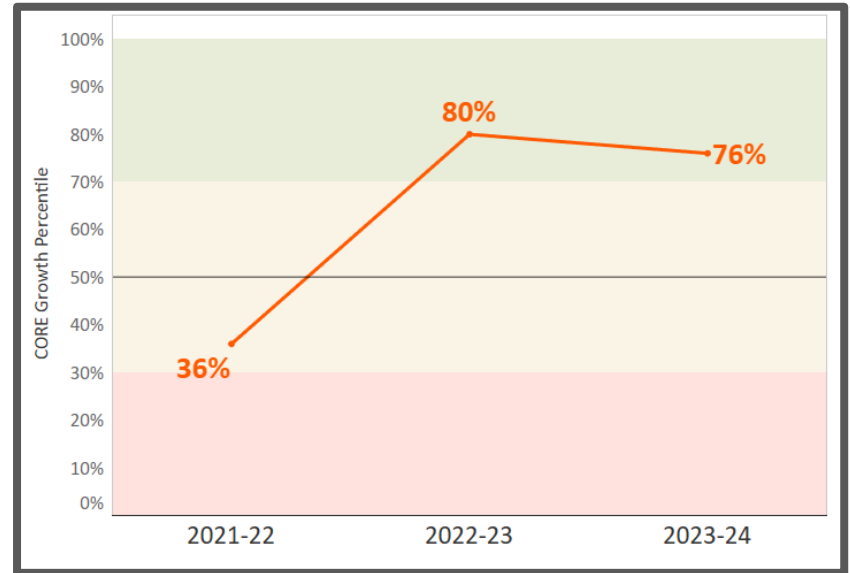
Renewal Criterion 1

Academic Performance - English Language Arts

ELA Proficiency



ELA CORE Growth

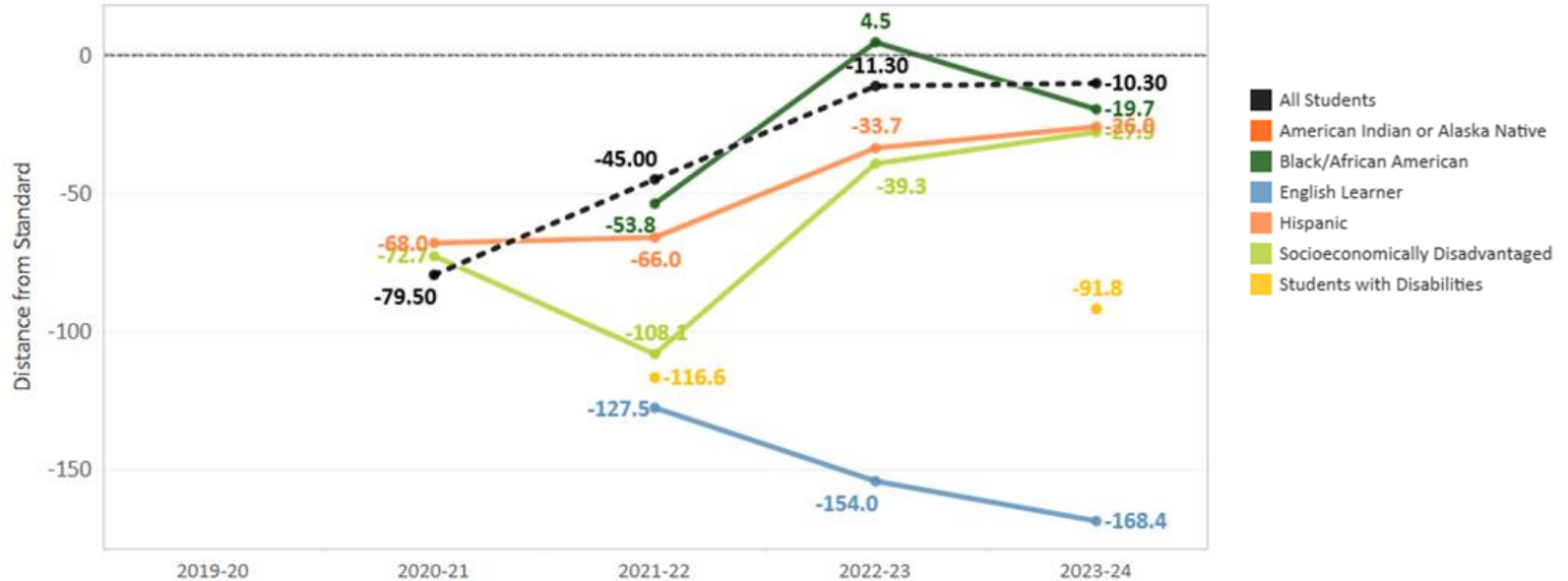


ELA Proficiency has increased consistently while CORE Growth has been considered high over the past two years.



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Academic Performance - English Language Arts



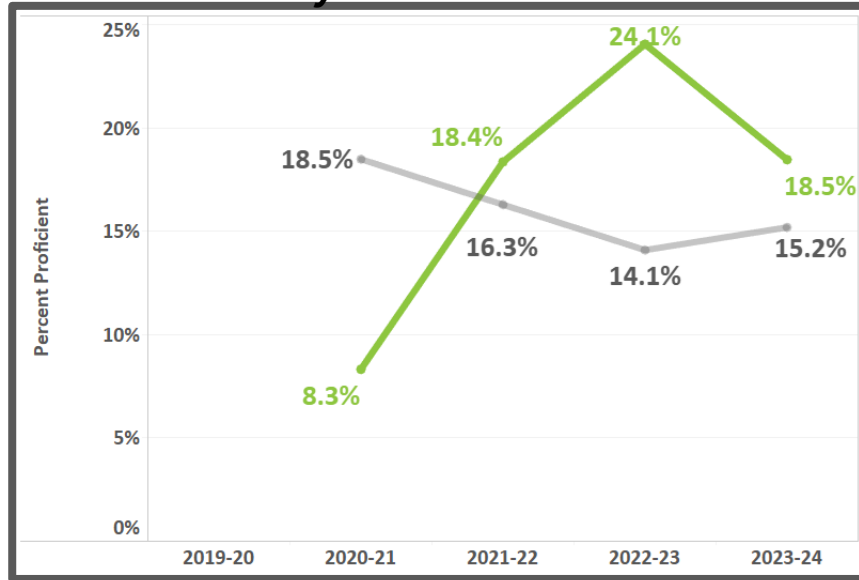
From 2021-22 to 2023-24, all student groups had a net increase in average DFS with the exception of the English Learner student group.



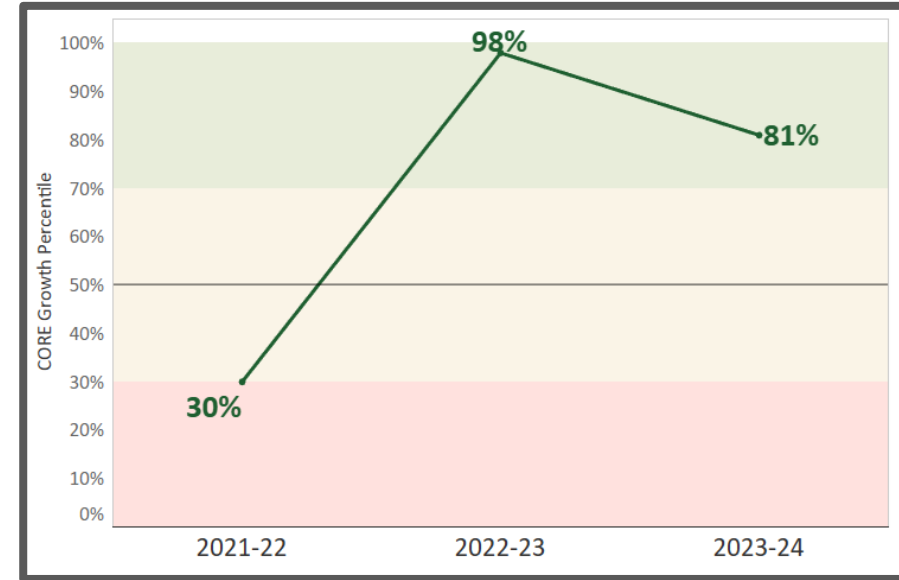
Renewal Criterion 1

Academic Performance - Math

Math Proficiency



Math CORE Growth

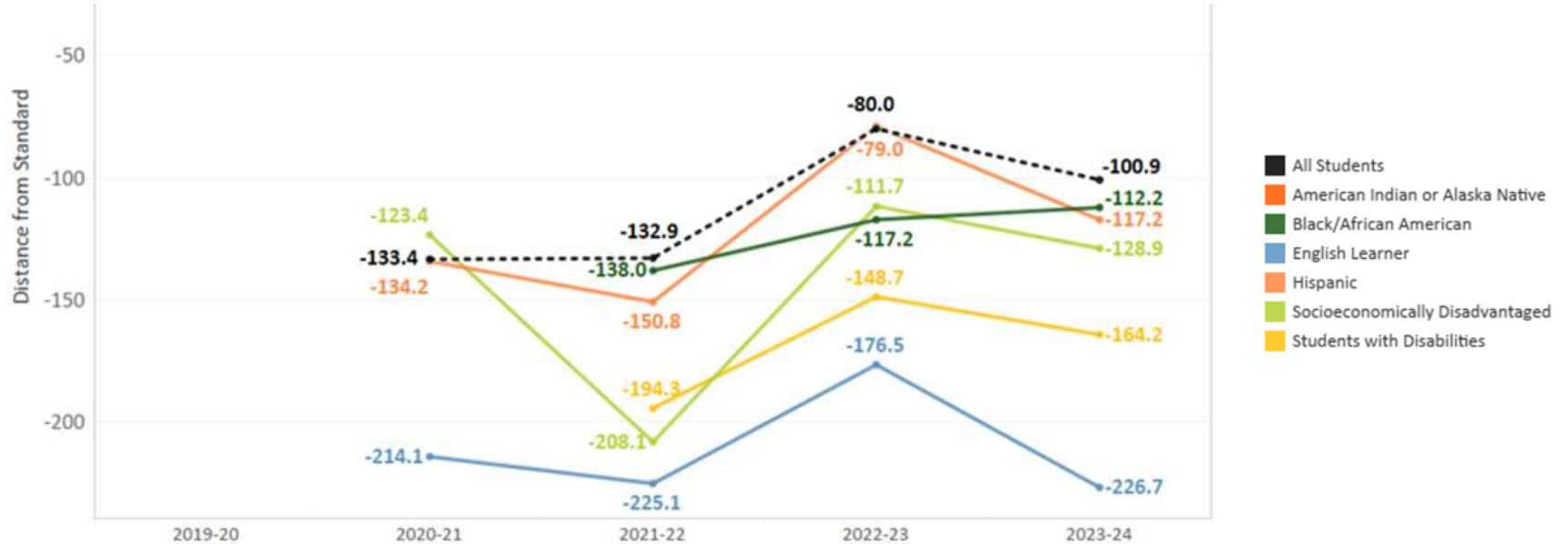


Math Proficiency increased consistently until 2023-24, while CORE Growth has been considered high over the past two years.



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Academic Performance - Math



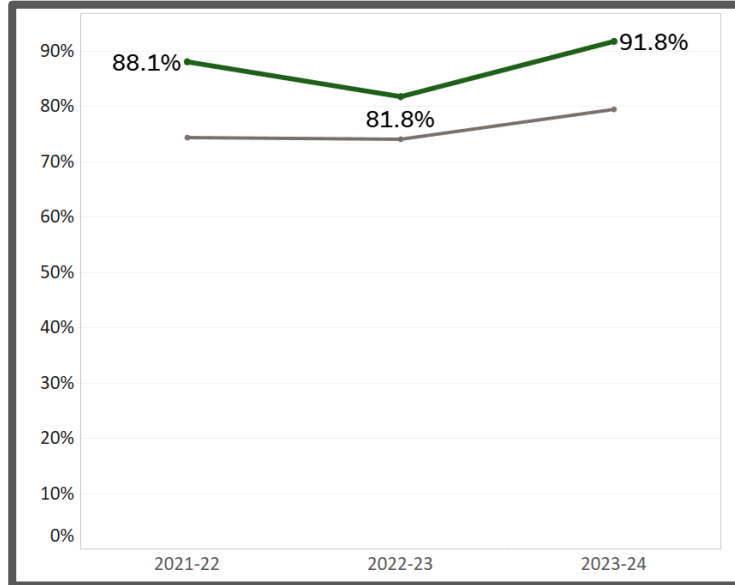
Average DFS increased for all student groups in 2022-23, but decreased for all in 2023-24 with the exception of the Black/African American student group.



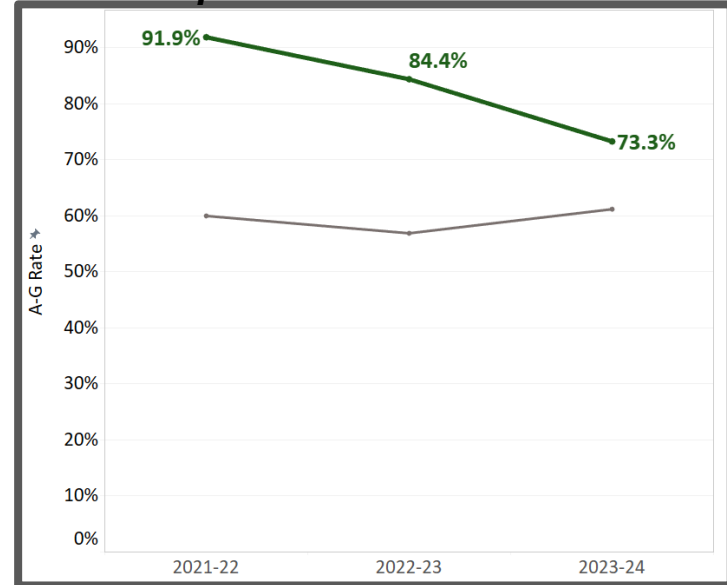
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Graduation Metrics

Four Year Grad Rate



A-G Completion Rate

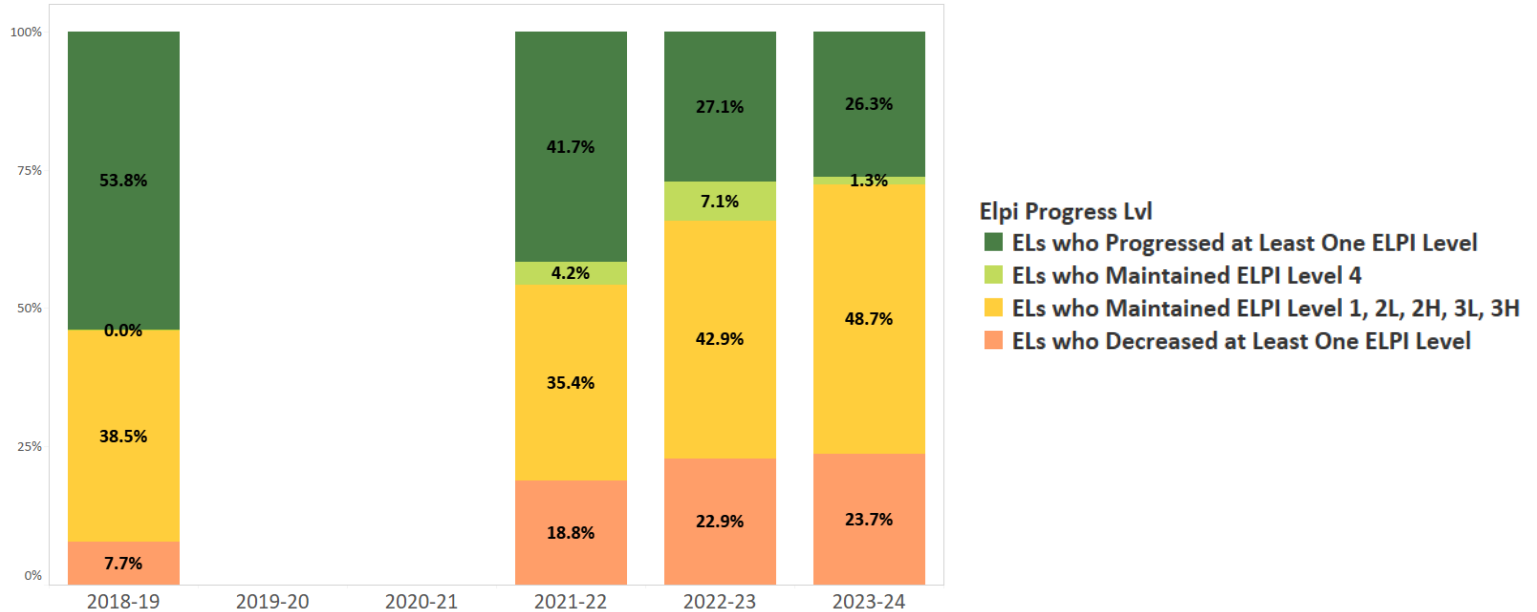


Although A-G rate has been declining, both the A-G Rate and the Grad Rate have been consistently high.



Renewal Criterion 1

English Learner Progress

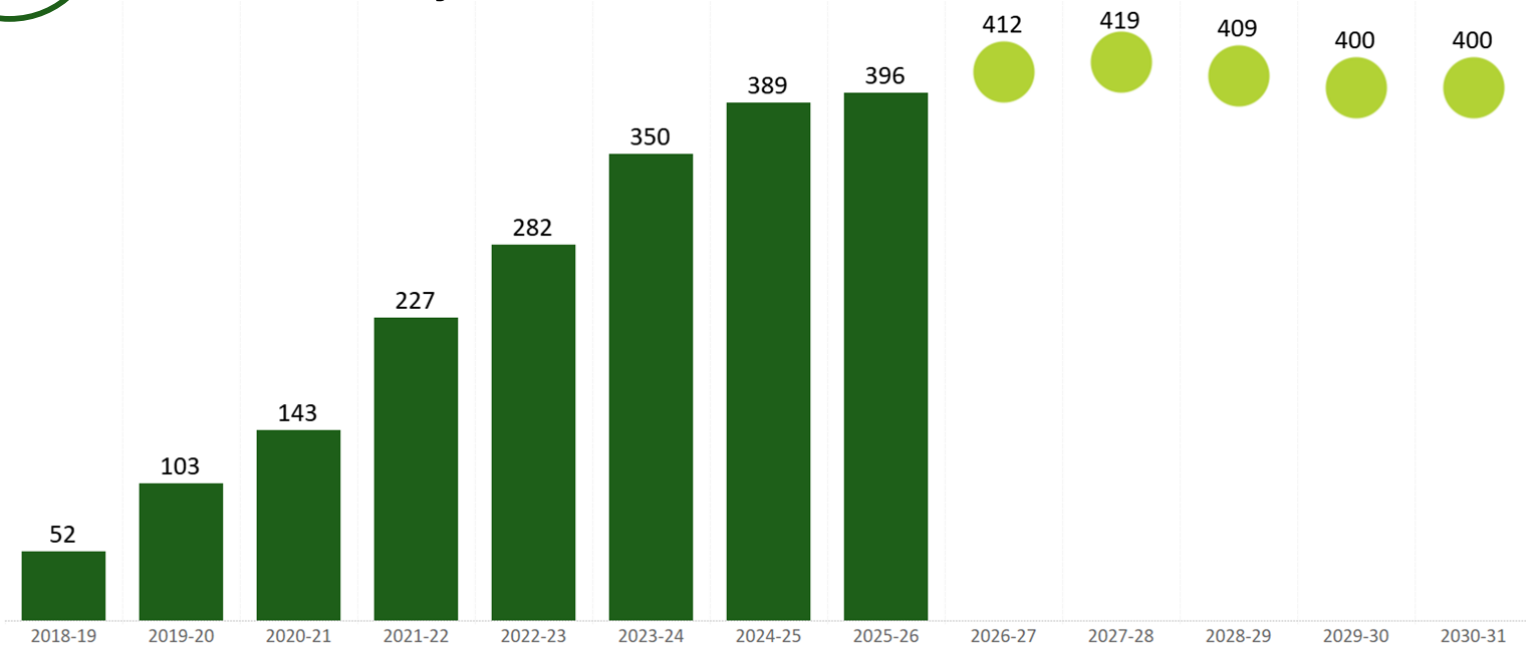


The percentage of students progressing at least one ELPI Level has decreased considerably, although the percentage decreasing at least one level has remained relatively consistent.



Renewal Criterion 2

Total and Projected Enrollment Over Time



Latitude's total enrollment has increased throughout the school's phase-in period and is projected to remain steady throughout a possible next charter term.



Renewal Criterion 2

Fiscal Health

	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25 2nd Interim
Ending Fund Balance	\$2,699,839	\$1,867,676	\$2,244,794	\$2,275,701
Annual Surplus or (Deficit)	\$451,177	(\$832,163)	\$377,118	\$30,907
Budgetary Reserve	54%	26%	27%	23%
Audit Findings	None	None	None	N/A

Latitude's fiscal health is good with strong fund balances and realistic budget projections.



Renewal Criterion 3

Renewal Petition Review

The charter petition included a reasonably comprehensive description, per State standards, of the 15 required elements outlined in California Education Code.



Renewal Criterion 4

CDE Enrollment Data and Complaints

There were no substantiated complaints related to noncompliance with suspension, expulsion, or involuntary disenrollment procedures and no evidence in the State-provided enrollment data which suggests the Charter School is not serving all students who wish to attend.

Staff Recommendation

**The OUSD Office of Charter Schools recommends
APPROVAL**

Strengths	Challenges
● Significant growth in ELA proficiency over charter term. ● Significant growth in Math proficiency and DFS between 2020-21 and 2022-23. ● Above average CORE growth in both Math and ELA. ● High CCI rates, with Green status on Dashboard. ● Unique school model that leverages extensive community partnerships. ● Stable enrollment, strong finances and governance, and well supported by a highly effective CMO.	● Decline in Math proficiency and DFS in 2022-23 after several years of improvement. ● Decline in A-G graduation rates, although still relatively high. ● Decline in percentage of ELs making progress, with Red ELPI status last two years.