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To Board of Education

From Dr. Denise Saddler, Superintendent
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Meeting Date August 24, 2026

Subject Charter Renewal Initial Public Hearing – **Aspire Monarch Academy**

Ask of the Board Board members will have the opportunity to ask the lead charter petitioners questions following the presentation.

Background On November 7, 2018, the OUSD Board of Education voted to approve a five-year term for Aspire Monarch Academy (“Aspire Monarch”). Due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, Education Code Section 47607.4 extended this term an additional three years, resulting in a charter term which currently expires on June 30, 2027.

On July 15, 2026, Aspire Monarch submitted its renewal petition. Aspire Monarch was placed in the Middle tier by the California Department of Education and is consequently eligible for a 5-year term beginning July 1, 2027.

As outlined in Education Code Section 47605(b), the Initial Public Hearing for Aspire Monarch is taking place within 60 days of the renewal submission. Representatives from the school will present and the OUSD Board will have an opportunity to ask the lead charter petitioners questions following the presentation.

The OUSD Office of Charter Schools is conducting an evaluation of the renewal request and will prepare and post a Staff Report 15 days prior to the Decision Public Hearing, in accordance with California Education Code.

Discussion Board members will have the opportunity to ask the lead charter petitioners questions following the presentation.

Fiscal Impact No direct fiscal impact.

Attachment(s)

- Aspire Monarch Renewal Petition – Redline
- Aspire Monarch Renewal Petition – Clean
- Aspire Monarch Renewal Performance Report
- Aspire Monarch Renewal Fiscal Packet
- Aspire Monarch Initial Public Hearing Presentation