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# Board Cover Memorandum

**To** Board of Education

**From** Dr. Denise Saddler, Interim Superintendent  
Jenine Lindsey, General Counsel  
Kelly Krag-Arnold, Director, Office of Charter Schools

**Meeting Date** September 25, 2025

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

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

**Background** On January 24, 2018, the OUSD Board of Education voted to approve a five-year term for Aspire College Academy (“ACA”). 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, 2026.

On August 1, 2025, ACA submitted its renewal petition. ACA was placed in the Middle tier by the California Department of Education and is consequently eligible for a 5-year term beginning July 1, 2026.

As outlined in Education Code Section 47605(b), the Initial Public Hearing for ACA 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)**

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