California Department of Education Charter Schools Division Revised March 2023

#### **Charter School Complaint Notice and Form**

Authorizer: Oakland Unified School District 1011 Union Street Oakland, CA 94607 (510) 879-8000

If you have questions about completing this form, please contact the Charter Schools Division by phone at 916-322-6029 or via email at <a href="mailto:charters@cde.ca.gov">charters@cde.ca.gov</a>.

#### **Information for Parents:**

Please review the information on the Charter School Complaint Notice web page at <a href="https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/ch/cscomplaint.asp">https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/ch/cscomplaint.asp</a> for information on how to obtain the correct form from your charter school.

## **Charter School Complaint Notice**

#### California Education Code Requirements

California *Education Code* (*EC*) Section 47605(e)(4)(A) through (E) (<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=47605&lawCode=EDC">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=47605&lawCode=EDC</a>) states the following:

- A charter school shall not discourage a pupil from enrolling or seeking to enroll in a charter school for any reason, including, but not limited to, academic performance of the pupil or because the pupil exhibits any of the following characteristics:
  - Academically low-achieving
  - Economically disadvantaged (determined by eligibility for any free or reduced price meal program)
  - English learner
  - Ethnicity
  - Foster youth
  - Homeless
  - Nationality
  - Neglected or delinquent
  - Race
  - Sexual orientation
  - Pupils with disabilities
- A charter school shall not request a pupil's records or require the parent, guardian, or pupil to submit the pupil's records to the charter school before enrollment.
- A charter school shall not encourage a pupil currently attending the charter school to disenroll from the charter school or transfer to another school for any reason (except for suspension or expulsion).
- This notice shall be posted on a charter school's Internet website and a charter school will provide copies of this notice (1) when a parent, guardian, or pupil inquires about enrollment; (2) before conducting an enrollment lottery, and (3) before disenrollment of a pupil.

### **Complaint Procedures**

In order to submit a complaint, complete the Charter School Complaint Form and submit the form to the charter school authorizer, electronically or in hard copy, to the following location:

# **Charter School Complaint Form**

Name:	Email Address:
Mailing Address:	
Date of Problem:	Phone Number:
Charter School (include address):	
California <i>Education Code</i> ( <i>EC</i> ) Section 47605(e)(4)(A) through (E) allows a parent or guardian to submit a complaint to the charter school authorizer when a charter school discourages a pupil's enrollment, requires records before enrollment, or encourages a pupil to disenroll. Please identify the basis for this complaint below, with specific facts, which support your complaint. <b>Basis of complaint</b> (check all that apply):	
☐ Pupil was discouraged from enrolling or seeking	to enroll in the charter school.
☐ Records were requested to be submitted to the o	charter school before enrollment.
☐ Pupil was encouraged to disenroll from the chart	ter school or transfer to another school.

Please provide further details:	
Please file this complaint with the authorizer of the charter school listed on the preceding page electronically or in hard copy.	