Charter Renewal Criteria

Evidence of Meeting Charter Renewal Standards Pursuant to Education Code Section 47607(b) and the California Code of Regulations, Title 5, Section 11966.4(b)(1).

Education Code Section 47607(b) requires that a charter school must meet at least one of the following renewal criteria prior to receiving a charter renewal:

- (1) Attained its Academic Performance Index (API) growth target in the prior year or in two of the last three years, both school wide and for all groups of pupils served by the charter school.
- (2) Ranked in deciles 4 to 10, inclusive, on the API in the prior year or in two of the last three years.
- (3) Ranked in deciles 4 to 10 inclusive, in the API for a demographically comparable school in the prior year or in two of the last three years.
- (4) The entity that granted the charter determines that the academic performance of the charter school is at least equal to the academic performance of the public schools that the charter school pupils would otherwise have been required to attend, as well as the academic performance of the schools in the school district in which the charter school is located, taking into account the composition of the pupil population that is served at the charter school.

The following shall serve as documentation confirming that Santa Ynez Valley Charter School exceeds the statutory criteria required for renewal as set forth in Education Code Section 47607(b)

- SYVCS has attained its API growth target in the last four years, both school wide and for all groups of pupils served by the charter school exceeding the requirement of Education Code Section 47607(b)(1).
- SYVCS has achieved a statewide API rank of 7 or higher in the last three years, exceeding the minimum threshold rank of 4 required in Education Code Section 47607(b)(2).
- SYVCS demonstrates academic performance that exceeds the academic performance
 of the public schools that pupils would otherwise have been required to attend,
 exceeding the minimum threshold of performance that is at least equal to the
 performance required in Education Code Sections 47607(b)(4).

Over the prior charter term, SYVCS earned the following API scores:

Group/Significant Subgroup	3-Year Average	2013	2012	2011	2010
Schoolwide	866	851	881	867	888
White	901	877	926	901	916

Santa Ynez Valley Charter School's API exceeds 800 in the most current year, 3 of 3 prior years, and the average of the three most recent years on a schoolwide basis and for our one significant subgroup (white).

Note on 2013-14 and 2014-15 Testing Data

Assembly Bill 484 amended Education Code sections 52052(e)(2)(F) and 52052(e)(4) to allow schools that do not have an API calculated in 2013–14 and 2014–15 to use one of the following criteria to meet legislative and/or programmatic requirements:

- The most recent API calculation;
- An average of the three most recent annual API calculations; or
- Alternative measures that show increases in pupil academic achievement for all groups of pupils schoolwide and among significant groups.

The decision to use one of the above criteria may be made on a program by program basis and is a local decision. (Source: CDE Information Guide, *Status of the Academic Performance Index and 3-Year Average*, May 2014, available at: http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ap/.)

SYVCS has attained its API growth target in the last four years, both school wide and for all groups of pupils served by the charter school exceeding the requirement of Education Code Section 47607(b)(1).

Over the prior charter term, SYVCS earned the following statewide API rankings:

2013	2012	2011	2010
7	8	8	9

Santa Ynez Valley Charter-School ranks higher than "4" on the API statewide rank in 4 of 4 prior years.

SYVCS has achieved a statewide API rank of 7 or higher in the last four years, exceeding the minimum threshold rank of 4 required in Education Code Section 47607(b)(2).

Over the prior charter term, SYVCS earned the following API scores compared to other schools pupils would be required to attend:

The majority of students attending SYVCS reside within the College School District. The remaining students, based upon residency, would attend Solvang, Oak Valley and Jonata (Buellton), Los Olivos and Olga Reed (Orcutt). The following table illustrates the academic performance of the public schools that SYVCS pupils would otherwise have been required to attend.

School	3-Year Average	2013	2012	2011	2010
Santa Ynez Valley Charter	866	851	881	867	888
Santa Ynez Elementary	860	847	852	882	837
Solvang	849	852	839	855	842
Oak Valley	876	890	888	853	844
Jonata	852	831	866	858	849
Olga Reed	802	795	789	822	766
Los Olivos	902	915	902	890	872

SYVCS's API score exceeds all other schools in 21/30 (70%) scores reported over the term of the current charter. This illustrates that the academic performance of students at SYVCS exceeds the performance of the public schools they would otherwise have been required to attend.

SYVCS demonstrates academic performance that exceeds the academic performance of the public schools that pupils would otherwise have been required to attend, exceeding the minimum threshold of performance that is at least equal to the performance required in Education Code Sections 47607(b)(4).

Santa Ynez Valley Charter School exceeds the minimum criteria for renewal based upon pupil academic achievement.