



**Minor Modification Request  
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## Minor Modification Application Narrative

### Section A Core Questions:

1. What modification does the school’s Board of Directors want to make to the term(s) of the charter? Identify the page number(s) on which the term(s) is/are stated in the currently approved charter. If the term(s) of the charter the school wants to modify is/are conditions placed on the charter by the Secretary of Education and members of the State Board of Education, state the condition(s) and the date(s) on which the condition(s) was/were placed on the school’s charter.

We seek to decrease the chartered enrollment from 830 to 790

2. What is the effective date of the proposed modification?

7/1/18 for the '18 – '19 school year.

3. The authorizer will review your most recent Performance Review Reports as part of your application. Discuss the school’s academic performance, compliance with the terms of its charter, and financial viability as measured by the Performance Framework.

CSNC saw an increase, from the '16-'17 school year, in student proficiency scores in ELA, Math and Science. School leadership is encouraged by the student growth, but strives to continue to improve over the next year. This is evident in the FY18 student goals we’ve set for each subject. All proficiency scores and goals can be found in the tables below.

CSNC	ELA			
Grade	Grad Year	Goal 2018	2017	2016
3	2031	Baseline		
4	2030	49%	34%	
5	2029	63%	48%	53%
6	2028	66%	51%	37%
7	2027	50%	35%	41%
8	2026	40%	25%	13%
Alum	2025		42%	
Average		54%	39.17	37%

CSNC	Math			
Grade	Grad Year	Goal 2018	2017	2016
3	2031	Baseline		
4	2030	57%	42	
5	2029	62%	47	41%
6	2028	36%	21	31%
7	2027	36%	21	21%
8	2026	47%	32	11%
Alum	2025		37	
Average		48%	33.33	26.00%

	15-16 Proficient	16-17 Proficient	17-18
Grade 5	31%	37%	50%
Grade 8	33%	47%	50%

Financially, the school had a clean audit for FY17 and expects to meet the overall standards set forth in the DOE financial framework. From a cash standpoint, the school spent a significant amount of money from their reserves in FY17 to improve our current facility. This will negatively affect some of our financial framework ratios, but was a strategic decision to help improve and accommodate all of our students in grades K – 8. The school has no plans for major capital improvements in FY18.

- Describe the rationale for the request(s). Discuss any relevant research base or evidence that supports this type of request. (*Attachments may be provided*)

The school’s FY15 renewal enrollment projections were based on data provided by the previous administration. The assumption in that application was our kindergarten class would be 110 students each year. After 2.5 years leading the school, the new administration realizes that 110 kindergarten students is an unrealistic estimate and actual enrollment is closer to 95 kindergarten students per year.

With this in mind, the school recreated their anticipated enrollment for the next 3 years as follows:

	Number of Students		
	Current Enrollment	Projected Enrollment	Projected Enrollment
Grade	2017 – 2018	2018 – 2019	2019 -2020
K	94	95	95
1	75	94	95
2	97	75	94
3	98	97	75
4	73	98	97
5	94	66	91
6	83	94	66
7	80	83	94
8	57	71	74
Total	<b>751</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>781</b>

- Describe how the proposed modification will impact the operation of the school. Include how student achievement, staffing, facilities, and financial viability of the school may be impacted in the current school year and for the remainder of the school’s charter term.

Changing the chartered enrollment won’t have any impact on the operations of the school as we’ve been operating with enrollment closer to these numbers for the last two years.

- Indicate the projected impact, if any, of the proposed modification on the school’s present financial position, and its financial position going forward. If the modification promises to create financial challenges, indicate how those will be remedied.

The proposed changes will have zero financial impact on the school. The school has operated for two years with a budget based on similar enrollments. If anything, the bottom line will improve if enrollment increases based on our current estimates.