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TO: Business Administrators

LACOE-Authorized Charter Schools

FROM: April Mitchell, Assistant Director

Business Advisory Services

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Charter School Financial Reporting Schedule

Pursuant to Education Code (EC) 47604.33, this bulletin lists the required FY 2024-25 financial reports, corresponding due dates, and instructions for the transmittal of documents to the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE).

Included in this bulletin are the following:

Attachment I Reporting Due Dates & Notes

Attachment II Standardized Account Code Structure (SACS) Web Financial

Reporting System

Attachment III Monthly Financial Reports & Statements

Attachment IV Charter School Fiscal Liaison Assignments

Some reporting dates are earlier than required by statute to facilitate the timely review and submission of financial reports. All statutory reports must be approved by the charter's governing board no later than the statutory due dates. LACOE may use any financial information it obtains from the charter school or other reporting agencies to assess the charter school's fiscal condition. Additional documents may be required, such as fiscal stabilization plans, monthly cash flow projections, loan documents, lease agreements, grant letters, and other financial information. Compliance with reporting requirements and requested information are some factors considered in evaluating good standing requests and charter renewals. Submittal of financial reports are not deemed complete until all required supporting documents have been received.

Other Reporting Requirements

Pursuant to the LACOE Monitoring and Oversight Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), other documents are required to be submitted periodically via the Charter School Office (CSO) Canvas. Fiscal policies and procedures must be submitted to LACOE by September 7, 2024,

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or immediately upon approval by the charter school's governing board. Contracts or agreements above \$5,000 must be submitted for review, and any contracts, amendments, or agreements executed throughout the fiscal year exceeding \$5,000 must also be submitted via the CSO Canvas.

This bulletin is available on the LACOE website at:

https://www.lacoe.edu/Bulletins.aspx

Use the "search" function to locate a specific bulletin by number.

Please contact your fiscal liaison on the attached Charter School Fiscal Liaisons List (Attachment IV) if you have questions. You may also contact Vo Chan, Financial Advisory Services Officer, at (562) 922-6226 or via e-mail at Chan Vo@lacoe.edu.

Approved: Octavio Castelo, Director Business Advisory Services

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Attachments

Reporting Due Dates & Notes

LACOE-authorized charter schools are required to prepare and submit the following reports to the county superintendent of schools:

Report Name	Due Date	Notes
FY 2024-25 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)	July 1, 2024	Charter schools are required to submit their LCAP to LACOE by July 1. Information on uploading an electronic copy of your Board-approved LCAP to LACOE can be found at the following link: https://elcap.lacoe.edu/
FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget	July 1, 2024	PDF Form CA with signatures page must be received Assumptions and Narrative LCFF Calculator (i.e. FCMAT) File Cash Flow Projection
Monthly Financial Reports and Statements	The 15 th of the following month	See the required items listed under Monthly Financial Reports and Statements section.
Final Unaudited Actuals (UA) Financial Report for FY 2023-24	August 30, 2024	Original Form CA with signatures must be received Mail the original UA Charter School Certification (Form CA) with wet signature to the address below: Los Angeles County Office of Education Business Advisory Services Attn: (your fiscal liaison) 9300 Imperial Highway Downey, CA 90242
First Interim Financial Report This report reflects changes through October 31	December 6, 2024	PDF Form CI signatures page must be received Assumptions and Narrative Variance Analysis LCFF Calculator (i.e. FCMAT) File Cash Flow Projection
Second Interim Financial Report This report reflects changes through January 31	March 7, 2025	Form CI with signatures page must be received Assumptions and Narrative Variance Analysis LCFF Calculator (i.e. FCMAT) File Cash Flow Projection
Annual Audit Contract	April 4, 2025	LACOE School Financial Services issues an annual Information Bulletin to all charter schools outlining the submission criteria

Reports Submission

Complete the SACS Web Financial Reporting and notify your charter school fiscal liaison via email once the submission has been completed. In your notification, attach all required supporting information (i.e., budget assumptions and narrative, enrollment, LCFF calculator file, explanations of material variances, cash flow projection, etc.)

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(SACS) Web Financial Reporting System

The SACS Web financial reporting system facilitates the preparation of the budget, interim reports, and unaudited actuals reporting that are submitted to oversight agencies and the California Department of Education (CDE). Information regarding the SACS Web System and the SACS Web System Application can be accessed from the CDE link below.

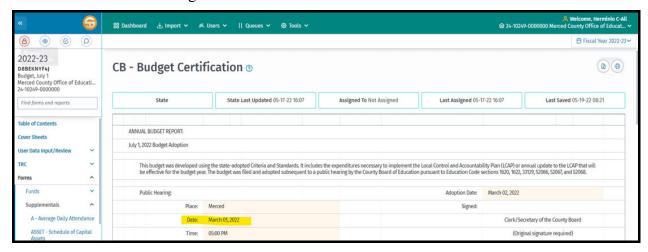
https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/sf/fr/

Starting with the 2022-23 budget and interim reports, SACS financial reporting is required to be prepared and submitted via the SACS Web System Application. To access the SACS Web System Application, all charter schools must complete and submit the SACS User Management Designation Form. Please email LACOE_SACS@lacoe.edu to request the user form and for assistance with SACS access and reporting. After a user account and password have been established for the designated User Manager, the designee can add additional users for their LEA and assign various roles for each user account to access multiple workflow features.

The following statutory reports must be approved by the charter's governing board, and the report submission, including the signed certification page, must be received by the following dates:

Adopted Budget – Board Approved	July 1, 2024
First Interim Report – Board Approved	December 6, 2024
Second Interim Report – Board Approved	March 6, 2025

Please ensure all required fields, including the board adoption date, are completed in the SACS Budget Certification section prior to submitting the budget to LACOE. Below is a sample screenshot of the CB – Budget Certification.



Should you have questions or need assistance regarding SACS financial reporting, please contact <u>LACOE_SACS@lacoe.edu</u>.

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Monthly Financial Reports & Statements

The financial statements and reports noted below are due in the specified format by the 15th of the following month:

Required Financial Report & Statement	Format
Bank statements	PDF
Bank reconciliations	Excel
Statement of revenues and expenditures (month-to-date/ year-to-date for actuals and budget and comparisons)	Excel
Statement of financial positions	Excel
Statement of net position	Excel
Notes to financial statements	Excel, Word, or PDF
General ledger	Excel
Schedule of debts/liabilities with dates of the origin of the debt, cost of borrowing, and repayment plan with timelines	Excel
Copies of quarterly payroll tax reports	PDF
Copies of annual tax returns	PDF
Monthly Cash Flow Projections - submit quarterly by the 15 th day after the end of each quarter. The projections should include actuals through the latest reporting period and projections for the remainder of the fiscal year.	Excel
For multiple related charter schools or CMOs, a quarterly Consolidated Financial Report must be submitted by the 15 th day after the end of each quarter.	Excel

If the due date occurs on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, the reporting due date shall be on the following business day.

Email your charter school fiscal liaison all documents in the formats noted above. Additionally, LACOE may request other reports and financial information to assess the fiscal condition of the charter school.

Charter School Fiscal Liaisons

Rick Chau – Business Services Consultant (562) 922-6505 Chau_Rick@lacoe.edu Location: ECW #329	 Alma Fuerte Public School Animo City of Champions Bridges Preparatory Academy Intellectual Virtues Academy Soleil Academy Charter School Westbrook Academy
Lily Lu – Administrative Analyst (562) 922-8840 Lu_Lily@lacoe.edu Location: ECW #2023	 Aspire Antonio Maria Lugo Aspire Ollin Preparatory Academy Environmental Charter MS- Gardena Environmental Charter MS - Inglewood Environmental Charter HS - Gardena Lashon Academy Lashon Academy - City
Merle Ordoñez – Business Services Consultant (562) 940-1704 Ordonez_Merle@lacoe.edu Location: ECW #312	 Da Vinci RISE High School Magnolia Science Academy #1 Magnolia Science Academy #2 Magnolia Science Academy #3 Magnolia Science Academy #5 SEED County of Los Angeles
Herhelina (Elli) Espino – Administrative Analyst (562) 922-8842 Espino_Herhelina@lacoe.edu Location: ECW #2024	Jardin de la InfanciaOdyssey Charter School

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