

# Charter School Complaint Notice

## California *Education Code* Requirements

California *Education Code* (EC) Section 47605(d)(4) ([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)) 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:

Kern County Office of Education

1300 17th St., City Centre

Bakersfield, CA 93301

[camorris@kern.org](mailto:camorris@kern.org)

(661) 636-4000

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Problem: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Charter School (include address):

California *Education Code (EC)* Section 47605(d)(4) 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.

**Basis of complaint** (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 charter school before enrollment.
- Pupil was encouraged to disenroll from the charter 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.**