

COLORADO CHARTER SCHOOL INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL AGREEMENT

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School Golden View Classical Academy	Contract Type Renewal
Charter Term Start July 1, 2023	Contract Number R-2023-04
Charter Term Expiration June 30, 2028	Term Type 5-year
Maximum Charter Term Expiration June 30, 2028	Institute Resolution Number 22-12-02
Original Charter Term Start July 1, 2018	Geographic/Accounting District Jefferson County School District
Full-Time Grades Served K-12	Homeschool Enrichment Grades Served K-12
<p>School Mission The Mission, or how GVCA works to fulfill its Vision on a daily basis, is to train the minds and improve the hearts of young people through a classical, content-rich education in the liberal arts and sciences, with instruction in the principles of moral character and civic virtue in an orderly and disciplined environment.</p>	
<p>School Vision To develop the moral and intellectual skills, habits, and virtues upon which independent, responsible, and joyful lives are built, in the firm belief that such lives are the basis for a free and flourishing republic.</p>	
<p>Exhibits The following Exhibits are included with this Contract: Exhibit A – Milestones Exhibit B – Maximum Projected Enrollment Exhibit C – Requested Waivers Exhibit D – Resolution to Approve the Charter Application Exhibit E – Transportation Addendum Exhibit F – Food Service Addendum Exhibit G – Online Learning Addendum Exhibit H – Educational Service Provider Addendum Exhibit I – Preschool Addendum Exhibit J – Homeschool Enrichment Addendum</p>	
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THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THIS CONTRACT.





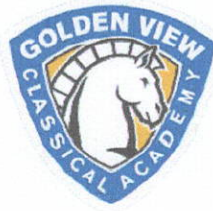
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EXHIBIT C: REQUESTED WAIVERS



GOLDEN VIEW CLASSICAL ACADEMY

Proposed Waivers - 2023 contract renewal

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Automatic Waivers	
State Statute Citation	Description
C.R.S. § 22-32-109(1)(f)	Local board duties concerning selection of staff and pay
C.R.S. § 22-32-109(1)(t)	Determine educational program and prescribe textbooks
C.R.S. § 22-32-110(1)(h)	Local board powers-Terminate employment of personnel
C.R.S. § 22-32-110(1)(i)	Local board duties-Reimburse employees for expenses
C.R.S. § 22-32-110(1)(j)	Local board powers-Procure life, health, or accident insurance
C.R.S. § 22-32-110(1)(k)	Local board powers-Policies relating the in-service training and official conduct
C.R.S. § 22-32-110(1)(ee)	Local board powers-Employ teachers' aides and other non-certificated personnel
C.R.S. § 22-32-126	Employment and authority of principals
C.R.S. § 22-33-104(4)	Compulsory school attendance-Attendance policies and excused absences
C.R.S. § 22-63-301	Teacher Employment Act- Grounds for dismissal
C.R.S. § 22-63-302	Teacher Employment Act-Procedures for dismissal of teachers
C.R.S. § 22-63-401	Teacher Employment Act-Teachers subject to adopted salary schedule
C.R.S. § 22-63-402	Teacher Employment Act-Certificate required to pay teachers
C.R.S. § 22-63-403	Teacher Employment Act-Describes payment of salaries
C.R.S. § 22-1-112	School Year-National Holidays

Requested Waivers	
State Statute Citation	Description
C.R.S. § 22-1-110	Alcohol & Controlled Substance Education
C.R.S. § 22-2-112(1)(q)(I)	Commissioner-Duties – Reporting Performance Evaluation Ratings
C.R.S. § 22-9-106	Local Board Duties Concerning Performance Evaluations
C.R.S. § 22-7-1014(2)(a)	Preschool individualized readiness plans - school readiness - assessments
C.R.S. § 22-30.5-505(3)(f)	Institute Charter Schools - board powers and duties - ICAP
C.R.S. § 22-30.5-525	Individual career and academic plans
1 CCR 301-81	Rules Governing Standards for Individual Career and Academic Plans
C.R.S. § 22-30.5-517	Institute Charter Schools - Nutritional Beverage Policy
C.R.S. § 22-32-120	Food services - facilities - school food authorities - rules.
C.R.S. § 22-32-134.5	Healthy Beverages Policy Required
1 CCR 302-2	Rules for the Administration of the Healthy Beverages Policy
C.R.S. § 22-30.5-524	Institute charter schools - children's nutrition - no trans fats in school foods - definitions - rules
C.R.S. § 22-32-109(1)(n)(I)	Board of Education-Specific Duties School Calendar
C.R.S. § 22-32-109(1)(n)(II)(B)	Board of Education-Specific Duties Adoption of District Calendar
C.R.S. § 22-32-109(1)(n)(II)(A)	Board of Education – Teacher Pupil Contact Hours
C.R.S. § 22-33-105(7)(b)	Process for Disciplinary Appeals
C.R.S. § 22-63-201	Employment Certificate Required

22-1-110 Alcohol & Controlled Substance Education

Rationale: The automatic waiver C.R.S. §22-32-109(1)(t) already grants Golden View Classical Academy the authority to determine its own educational program. The school adopts its own curriculum, including its own age-appropriate education program regarding alcohol and controlled substances.

Replacement Plan: Golden View Classical Academy offers a broad curriculum that meets the Colorado Academic Standards for Comprehensive Health and Physical Education, to include the sub-standards: Physical and Personal Wellness, Emotional and Social Wellness, and Prevention and Risk Management, to which alcohol and controlled substance education apply.

Duration: This waiver is requested for the duration of the charter contract

Financial Impact: *De minimis* positive fiscal impact on the school due to the savings through administrative duties being delegated to building-level charter school employees.

How the waiver will be evaluated: The impact of this waiver is measured by the performance criteria and assessments as set forth in the contract between Golden View Classical Academy and the Charter School Institute.

The expected outcome from waiving out of this law or policy: Golden View Classical Academy sets its own policies in keeping with its philosophy and mission as stated in the contract agreement between the School and the Charter School Institute. The school will continue to meet or exceed state and district minimum academic performance indicators. Administrative cost savings from reduced paperwork and procedures are reflected in the school's site-based budgeting and redirected to classroom supplies, materials, teacher compensation, and other student-centered priorities.

22-2-112(1)(q)(I) Commissioner-Duties – Reporting Performance Evaluation Ratings 22-9-106 Local Board Duties Concerning Performance Evaluations

Rationale: The school and its Principal or designee must have the ability to perform the evaluation of all personnel. Should any other designated administrator not have a Principal License, this should not preclude him or her from administering the evaluations under the direction of the Principal. The Board of Directors must also have the ability to perform the evaluation for the school leader.

Additionally, the school should not be required to report its teacher evaluation ratings as a part of the commissioner's report as required by C.R.S. § 22-2-112(1)(q)(I), but will still report on in-field/out-of-field.

Replacement Plan: Instead, the school uses its own evaluation system that meets the intent of the law as outlined in statute. Staff are annually trained in this evaluation system. The methods used for the school's evaluation system include quality standards that are clear and relevant to the administrators' and teachers' roles and responsibilities, are based on research-based practices guiding the science of reading, have the goal of improving student academic growth, and meet the intent of the quality standards established in C.R.S. §§ 22-9-101 et seq. The school will not be required to report its teacher evaluation data through applicable state collections; however, teacher performance ratings data will be reviewed by the school and used to inform hiring practices and professional development. Core course level participation will continue to be reported pursuant to C.R.S. § 22-11-503.5, as this is a non-waivable statute.

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22-7-1014(2)(a) Preschool individualized readiness plans - school readiness - assessments

Rationale: Golden View Classical Academy is constantly evaluating and assessing students' academic readiness, character development, and physical well-being in order to ensure student success. Golden View Classical Academy already has strong programs and assessments in place that assess students' school readiness relating to physical well-being, social-emotional development, language and comprehension development, cognition, and general knowledge (literacy and mathematics).

Replacement Plan: Every kindergarten student at Golden View Classical Academy will be administered a school readiness assessment within the first 60 calendar days of the school year. The assessment instruments used will be research based, reliable and valid. Methods and assessments used are clear and relevant and have the goal of improving student academic growth and meet the intent of the quality standards established in CRS § 22-7-1014(2)(a). The data collected from these assessments will be used to develop an individualized readiness plan for each kindergarten student and will inform programming accordingly. This school readiness data will not be used to deny admission to first grade. The data collected will be made readily available to the Charter School Institute, as required by State law.

Duration: This waiver is requested for the duration of the charter contract

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**22-30.5-505(3)(f) Institute Charter Schools - board powers and duties - ICAP 22-30.5-525
Individual career and academic plans
CCR 301-81 Rules Governing Standards for Individual Career and Academic Plans**

Rationale: Golden View Classical Academy's academic performance meets or exceeds state and district levels, especially requirements of postsecondary workforce readiness. The requirement of these rules would interfere with the successful and proven program currently in place.

Replacement Plan: Golden View Classical Academy will continue its existing post-graduation advisement services, which include information to parents and students, assistance with college and career essays, college visits, reflection on personal and academic goals, and opportunities to discuss plans for the future with faculty. The school will establish its own policies for what will be included in a student's ICAP, that at a minimum will:

- Begin in the 9th grade and be reviewed with students annually;
- Be captured in paper or electronic format to be saved with the student's record;
- Encompass individual/self-discovery, career exploration, and academic planning.

Duration: This waiver is requested for the duration of the charter contract

Financial Impact: *De minimis* positive fiscal impact on the school due to the savings through administrative duties being delegated to building-level charter school employees.

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22-30.5-517 Institute Charter Schools - Nutritional Beverage Policy 22-32-120 Food services - facilities - school food authorities - rules.

22-32-134.5 Healthy Beverages Policy Required

1 CCR 302-2 Rules for the Administration of the Healthy Beverages Policy

22-30.5-524 Institute charter schools - children's nutrition - no trans fats in school foods - definitions - rules

Rationale: As a matter of policy, all food and beverage choices made by students at Golden View Classical Academy are contingent upon parental approval. Golden View Classical Academy does not provide school lunches, and may establish agreements with food vendors to serve lunches on campus to students who do not bring their own lunches. Golden View Classical Academy operates independently, and therefore has the authority to develop, adopt, and implement its own operations policies, rules, and regulations, subject to the limitations of the contract agreement between the School and the Charter School Institute.

Replacement Plan: Golden View Classical Academy encourages its students and families to have the freedom and opportunity to make healthy lifestyle choices. This is consistent with the school's mission to develop students who embrace independence in concert with the virtues of moderation and prudence. The school's character education program will continue to promote the healthy environments and lifestyle choices afforded to free societies.

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22-32-109(1)(n)(I) Board of Education-Specific Duties School Calendar
22-32-109(1)(n)(II)(B) Board of Education-Specific Duties Adoption of District Calendar 22-32-109(1)(n)(II)(A) Board of Education – Teacher Pupil Contact Hours

Rationale: The school year at the school will total approximately 161 days per year, which exceeds the current contact hour requirement in state statute. The school will always meet at least the minimum required time as detailed in state law.

Replacement Plan: The school will prescribe the actual details of its own school calendar to best meet the needs of its students. As such, the school will have a calendar that may differ from the rest of the schools within the geographic district. The final calendar and the school's daily schedule will be designed by the school's Board of Directors and will meet or exceed the requirements in state statute. In accordance with Charter School Institute ("CSI") policy, the school will submit its calendar annually to CSI for review and will not make any material modifications to the calendar without notification to CSI.

Duration: This waiver is requested for the duration of the charter contract

Financial Impact: *De minimis* positive fiscal impact on the school due to the savings through administrative duties being delegated to building-level charter school employees.

How the waiver will be evaluated: The impact of this waiver is measured by the performance criteria and assessments as set forth in the contract between Golden View Classical Academy and the Charter School Institute.

The expected outcome from waiving out of this law or policy: As a result of this waiver, the school will be able to operate in accordance with its own schedule, designed to meet the needs of its community and educational program, which is vital to the success of its program.

22-33-105(7)(b) Process for Disciplinary Appeals

Rationale: As a Charter School Institute (“CSI”) charter school, the school’s governing board must have the ability to hear disciplinary and related appeals under C.R.S. § 22-33-105(2)(c).

Replacement Plan: The charter contract delegates the authority to implement the School Attendance Law of 1963 to the school administration, which is consistent with state law; however, as opposed to the Colorado Charter School Institute (“CSI”) carrying out the functions of a school district and its board, the governing board of the school will carry out those functions. To ensure that the school is meeting the intent of the law, the school will involve its legal counsel and CSI in any appeals to the governing board to ensure that students are being afforded appropriate due process. The school will develop a policy for carrying out the requirements of C.R.S. § 22-33-105 for review and approval by CSI. In addition, the school will report expulsion data pursuant to C.R.S. § 22-33-105(2.5).

Duration: This waiver is requested for the duration of the charter contract.

Financial Impact: *De minimis* positive fiscal impact on the school due to the savings through administrative duties being delegated to building-level charter school employees.

How the waiver will be evaluated: The school will be required to record all data involving suspensions and expulsions with access for review by both CSI and the school’s governing board. In addition, the school’s governing board will develop policies and procedures for suspensions, expulsions, and denial of admission for review and approval by CSI.

The expected outcome from waiving out of this law or policy: The outcome will be a fair and supportive process for the school to make appropriate determinations regarding the School Attendance Law of 1963 at the local level, with administrative oversight by CSI.

22-63-201 Employment Certificate Required

Rationale: The school must be granted the authority to hire teachers and principals that will support the school’s goals and objectives. The principal will not function as a traditional District school principal, but rather will be responsible for a wider range of tasks and act as the school’s chief executive officer.

Replacement Plan: The school will seek to attract principals and teachers from a wide variety of backgrounds, including, but not limited to teachers from out-of-state, teachers with a lapsed Colorado certificate, persons with several years of successful teaching experience in a setting not requiring a license, as well as persons with business or professional experience. All employees of the school will be employed on an at-will basis. All employees of the school will meet applicable fingerprinting and background check requirements. All school employees will meet the guidelines set forth in the Colorado state ESSA plan, specifically (1) endorsement on a Colorado teaching license; (2) holding at least a BA or higher in the relevant subject area; (3) completing 36 semester credit hours in the subject matter in which s/he teaches; or (4) passing a State Board approved content exam in the relevant subject area. Special Education Teachers will hold the requisite state license and endorsement. The school will report the number of in-field/out-of-field teacher designations, years of experience of teachers, or any other requirements promulgated by CDE.

Duration: This waiver is requested for the duration of the charter contract. Financial Impact: The school anticipates that the requested waivers will have no financial impact on CSI or the school.

How the waiver will be evaluated: The impact of this waiver will be measured by the same performance criteria and assessments that apply to the school, as set forth in the Charter Agreement.

The expected outcome from waiving out of this law or policy: As a result of this waiver, the school will be able to operate in accordance with its own program and hire teachers that best fit the school's design, which is vital to the success of its program.