

## ISBE POLICY ON CHARTER SCHOOL RENEWAL/REVOCATION DECISIONS

To all Illinois School Boards:

Section 5/27A-9(c) of the Illinois Charter Schools Law provides that a charter may be revoked or not renewed if the local school board or State Board, as the chartering entity, clearly demonstrates that the charter school did any of the following, or otherwise failed to comply with the requirements of the Charter Schools Law:

- (1) Committed a material violation of any of the conditions, standards, or procedures set forth in the charter.
- (2) Failed to meet or make reasonable progress toward achievement of the content standards or pupil performance standards identified in the charter.
- (3) Failed to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management.
- (4) Violated any provision of law from which the charter school was not exempted. (105 ILCS 5/27A-9(c)).

As a charter school authorizer, you should consider factor (c)(2), *i.e.*, the charter school's progress toward or achievement of the content standards or pupil performance standards identified in the charter, as the most important factor when determining whether to renew or revoke a school's charter.

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