

Updated SAISD Annual Call 7.1

In addition to the Annual Call 7.0, noted below, the district has added Graebner Elementary School.

To summarize, the following schools are identified for Turnaround Partnerships:

- Charles Graebner Elementary School
530 Hoover Ave
San Antonio, TX 78225
- Ferdinand Herff Elementary School
996 S Hackberry St.
San Antonio, TX 78210
- Herman Hirsch Elementary School
4826 Seabreeze
San Antonio, TX 78220
- John Greenleaf Whittier Middle School
2101 Edison Dr
San Antonio, TX 78201

One school is identified for an Innovative Partnership:

Young Men's Leadership Academy
415 Gabriel
San Antonio, TX 78202

Applications are due December 5, 2025

 Annual Call 7.0: SAISD_SB 1882 Partner-Application

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San Antonio ISD Annual Call for In-District Charter School Proposals
SY 2027–2028

Release Date: June 23, 2025

Deadline for Submission: October 31, 2025

Overview

San Antonio is issuing its Annual Call for Proposals for In-District Charter Schools aligned to the district’s strategic goals to improve student outcomes, increase innovation, and expand high-quality options for families. For the upcoming school year, the district is specifically seeking proposals for:

1. **A Turnaround Elementary and/or Middle School Model** – designed to address the needs of a persistently underperforming campus through proven school redesign strategies and strong school leadership.
2. **An Innovative School Model** – that reimagines traditional schooling to promote deeper learning, student engagement, and postsecondary readiness through unique instructional approaches, technology integration, or theme-based learning.

Proposal Priorities:

1. Turnaround Elementary and/or Middle School Charter

- Serves a designated elementary and/or middle school currently rated as low-performing
- Demonstrates capacity to significantly raise academic achievement within three years
- Outlines strong instructional leadership and teacher development strategies
- Prioritizes data-driven instruction and targeted student interventions
- Includes a sustainable plan for school culture transformation and family engagement

2. Innovative School Model Charter

- May serve any grade configuration (PK–12)
- Incorporates forward-thinking instructional models such as project-based learning, STEM/STEAM, competency-based learning
- Provides evidence of innovation aligned with improved student outcomes
- Demonstrates clear strategies for scaling, sustainability, and staff training
- Includes community input and demand for the model

Who Can Apply:

- Internal school leaders (principals, assistant principals, teacher leaders)
- Nonprofit organizations or charter management organizations (CMOs)
- Higher education institutions or community partnerships

Support and Resources:

- Interested applicants will have access to district data, campus needs assessments, and technical assistance sessions.
- Planning grants or startup funds may be available for approved proposals.
- Approved schools will operate under a performance contract with autonomy in exchange for accountability.

Submission Instructions:

Please submit the completed proposal, including all required attachments, by October 31, 2025. The proposal packet must include:

- Executive Summary

- Educational Program Design
- Leadership & Staffing Plan
- Operational and Financial Plan
- Performance Goals and Evaluation Plan
- Evidence of Community Engagement

Timeline:

- Information Session: July 14, 2025 via zoom link
- Letter of Intent Due: July 31, 2025
- Proposal Submission Deadline: October 31, 2025
- Review and Interview Period: November 2025 - December 2025
- Board Approval: February/March 2026

Questions?

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Join us in transforming education for our students. We look forward to your innovative and impactful proposals.