

MATERIAL REVISION Board of Directors - 12/6/23











Material Revision to Increase LH K-8 Enrollment Rationale for MR

- 1. **Giving East Oakland and LCPS families deserved access to State Mandated TK programming, the first of a two year Kindergarten.** While we have room in our enrollment cap to do this at Lodestar, we do not have this at Lighthouse.
- 2. Adding an additional 70 students to our LH K-8 campus This is our most prescribed campus in terms of application and lottery demand. This would translate to an additional ~\$1M in LCFF revenue.
- 3. This would allow us to support two key areas our Special Education Encroachment and Overall Teacher compensation (we anticipate a 3%+ COLA based on FICMAT and adding 70 students would be a 4% increase in LCFF revenue).
- 4. **OUSD has been able to meet enrollment targets largely by expansion of TK this year** and remain more competitive because of this offering. We need to offer the same to LCPS families and create a pathway for families to join us when kids are 4.

Material Revision to Increase LH K-8 Enrollment MR Compliments broader revenue strategy

Three focus areas to increase revenue (beyond grants/giving)

- 1. Material Revision to increase enrollment at most proscribed school, LH K-8
- 2. Increase enrollment at Lodestar
 - a. Start with one section TK/K combo for the 24-25 school year
- 3. Continued, strong push on attendance
 - a. Now at 92%



Material Revision to Increase LH K-8 Enrollment Goal for MR

- Total 70 students for the LH K-8 LEA
 - Add ~40 students for TK (two sections)
 - Add 30 students in the K-8 for SPED encroachment.



Material Revision to Increase LH K-8 Enrollment Legal Guidance on MR

- YMC's interpretation of AB 1505 is consistent with CCSA which asserts that authorizers cannot set enrollment caps and cannot prevent a charter from serving kids on its waitlist if has space to accommodate those students
- MR is not required for adding TK (OUSD agrees with this)
 - If a charter is seeking to add more students, as long as not moving to a new facility or adding grade bands not authorized in the charter, they do not need to seek a material revision to add TK
- However, in further discussions with YMC, we believe we can take a non adversarial tone
 with OUSD and seek this material revision so we can:
 - Serve all/most of our student demand
 - Provide additional funds for our growing special education costs
 - o Provide additional funds for increases to teacher compensation
 - Allow us to eventually serve TK (first one site, then eventually at a new site) which we
 are required to start doing per UPK grant



Material Revision to Increase LH K-8 Enrollment Outreach-OCS and OUSD School Board

OCS:

- Kelly Krag Arnold, OUSD's Office of Charter Schools encouraged us to file a Material Revision for the additional students
 - She has taken the time to understand our special education encroachment challenges and the needs for TK programming per Newsom/CDE's state mandate.

School Board:

- To date, had conversations with 3 Board members
- By mid December, will have engaged with 5 members



Material Revision to Increase LH K-8 Enrollment Process and Timeline for MR

Process & Timeline:

- LCPS Board approval at December 6 Board meeting
- LCPS submits MR packet before the break (if LPCS Board approves)
- Work with OCS in Jan 2024
- Feb 2024 OUSD BOE presentation and subsequent vote
- Spring 2024 (if approved):
 - Lottery for Lighthouse K-8 at 565 K-8; Launch TK 1 or 2 sections in 2025-6
 - FYI: Lodestar is planning for 1 to 2 sections of TK in 2024-25, and does not require an enrollment cap increase at this time

