



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 3301-39-04 Oversight/revocation of charter.

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(A) A nonpublic school holding a charter issued by the department shall be subject to monitoring and oversight by the department's office of nonpublic educational options, including periodic reviews through site-visit, desk audit, investigations of complaints and other means to determine if the nonpublic school is in compliance with rule 3301-35-09 of the Administrative Code and other applicable Ohio laws and rules. In fulfilling its obligation to provide monitoring and oversight, the department will consider evidence provided by an accrediting association if the school is accredited by an association whose standards have been reviewed by the department director's advisory committee on chartered nonpublic schools and approved by the department pursuant to paragraph (A)(1) of rule 3301-35-09 of the Administrative Code.

(B) If a chartered nonpublic school leaves an accrediting association through which the school has received its charter in accordance with rule 3301-35-09 of the Administrative Code, the school will notify the department within thirty days and provide assurances that they continue to meet the requirements of rule 3301-35-09 of the Administrative Code.

(1) The department will conduct a site visit of a chartered nonpublic school within six months of notice that the school is leaving an accrediting organization.

(C) Should any dispute or complaint arise regarding a chartered nonpublic school's compliance with rule 3301-35-09 of the Administrative Code or other applicable Ohio laws and rules, the department is the final authority in the resolution of the dispute or complaint.

(1) The department will review all complaints, including any evidence supporting the position of the complainant, provided by the aggrieved party to the office of nonpublic education options. Prior to making a determination, the department will do all of the following:

(a) Notify the chartered nonpublic school's governing authority and accrediting organization and provide a description of the complaint and process for investigating complaints;



(b) Consider any evidence, if applicable, from the accrediting organization and the governing authority of the school;

(c) Review all available evidence and make a determination.

(2) Upon completing its investigation, the department may permit the chartered nonpublic school to satisfactorily complete a corrective action plan in lieu of revocation under rule 3301-35-09 of the Administrative Code.

(D) If a chartered nonpublic school ceases K-12 operations, it shall notify the department within thirty days and may request a one-year suspension of its charter with the intention of re-opening within twelve months. If the school does not resume K-12 operations within one year of being issued the suspension of charter, the school is to notify the department that K-12 operations have permanently ceased under that charter.

(E) If a determination is made by the department that a chartered nonpublic school is not in compliance with rule 3301-35-09 of the Administrative Code or other applicable Ohio laws and rules and the school does not fully address all compliance issues within the time period specified in a corrective active plan established by the department, the office of nonpublic educational options will notify the chartered nonpublic school of its intent to recommend to the department director that its charter be revoked and of the school's right to a hearing pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(F) If a hearing is requested, upon conclusion of the hearing and consideration of a designated hearing officer's report and recommendation, the director may approve or deny the recommendation of the office of nonpublic educational options and revoke the charter of the nonpublic school.