

September 28, 2020

CDN: 101-807

Mrs. Joann Gama  
IDEA Public Schools  
2115 W. Pike Blvd.  
Weslaco, Texas 78596

Dear Mrs. Gama:

The commissioner has **partially approved** the following amendment request:

(PARTIAL #059-20/4) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to increase the charter school's maximum student enrollment from 63,200 to 78,200, effective July 1, 2020.

The commissioner has **approved** the following amendment requests:

(#060-20/1) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Yukon Academy, to be located in the Parks Bell Ranch neighborhood in Odessa, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5), effective July 1, 2021;

(#060-20/2) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Yukon College Preparatory, to be located in the Parks Bell Ranch neighborhood in Odessa, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), effective July 1, 2021;

(#060-20/5) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add Andrew ISD, Crane ISD, Ector County ISD, Grady ISD, Greenwood ISD, Midland ISD, Monahans-Wikett-Pyote ISD, and Stanton ISD to the charter's geographic boundary, effective July 1, 2021;

(#061-20/1) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA La Joya Academy, to be located in the La Joya area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5), effective July 1, 2021;

(#061-20/2) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA La Joya College Preparatory, to be located by the intersection of Salomon Chapa Drive and North Tabasco Road in La Joya, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), effective July 1, 2021;

(#062-20/1) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Amber Creek Academy, to be located in the San Antonio area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5), effective July 1, 2021;

(#062-20/2) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Amber Creek College Preparatory, to be located in the San Antonio area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), effective July 1, 2021;

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(#063-20/1) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Mesquite Hills Academy, to be located in the El Paso area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5), effective July 1, 2021;

(#063-20/2) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Mesquite Hills College Preparatory, to be located in the El Paso area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), effective July 1, 2021;

(#064-20/1) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Southeast Academy, to be located in the Fort Worth area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5), effective July 1, 2021;

(#064-20/2) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Southeast College Preparatory, to be located in the Fort Worth area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), effective July 1, 2021;

(#065-20/1) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Lake Houston Academy, to be located in the Houston area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5), effective July 1, 2021; and

(#065-20/2) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Lake Houston College Preparatory, to be located in the Houston area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), effective July 1, 2021.

If the charter holder fails to open any new campus (expansion amendments #060-20/1-2, #061-20/1-2, #062-20/1-2, #063-20/1-2, #064-20/1-2, and #065-20/1-2) by the beginning of the 2021 school year, the agency's approval of that specific campus is withdrawn. The approval of any new campus is contingent upon the receipt of a certificate of occupancy (COO), or equivalent certificate, appropriate for the proposed use of the facility. Please submit the COO, or equivalent certificate, for the new facility to the Division of Charter School Administration prior to serving students. Failure to provide the COO, or appropriate certificate, may result in funding being denied or reclaimed.

The commissioner of education has considered and **denied** the following amendment requests submitted by IDEA Public Schools:

(#059-20/1) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA South Houston College Preparatory, to be located in the South Houston area, to serve students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12);

(#059-20/2) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add Angleton ISD, Barbers Hills ISD, Brazos ISD, Damon ISD, Danbury ISD, Galveston ISD, and Needville ISD to the charter's geographic boundary;

(#059-20/3) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to Anahuac ISD, Bridgeport ISD, Cleveland ISD, Covington ISD, Dayton ISD, Krum ISD, Garland ISD, Granbury ISD, Hitchcock ISD, Lamar CISD, Liberty ISD, Magnolia ISD, Maypearl ISD, Montgomery ISD, Pilot Point ISD, Prosper ISD, Santa Gertrudis ISD, Texas City ISD, Waller ISD, and Willis ISD to the charter's geographic boundary;

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(#060-20/3) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Permian Basin Academy 2, to be located in the Odessa area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5);

(#060-20/4) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Permian Basin College Prep 2, to be located in the Odessa area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12);

(#061-20/3) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Edinburg East Academy, to be located in the Edinburg area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5);

(#061-20/4) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA East Edinburg College Prep, to be located in the Edinburg area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12);

(#061-20/5) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Mid-Valley Academy 1, to be located in Cameron County or Hidalgo County, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5);

(#061-20/6) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Mid-Valley College Prep 1, to be located in the Edinburg area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12);

(#062-20/3) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA San Antonio Academy 16, to be located in the New Braunfels area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5);

(#062-20/4) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA San Antonio College Prep 16, to be located in the New Braunfels, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12);

(#062-20/5) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Austin Academy 9, to be located in the Austin area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5);

(#062-20/6) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Austin College Prep 9, to be located in the Austin area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12);

(#062-20/7) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Austin Academy 10, to be located in the Manor area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5);

(#062-20/8) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA Austin College Prep 10, to be located in the Manor area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12);

(#063-20/3) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA El Paso Academy 6, to be located in the El Paso area, to serve students in prekindergarten through grade five (5); and

(#063-20/4) IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS to add a campus to be called IDEA El Paso College Prep 6, to be located in the El Paso area, to serve students in grades six (6) through twelve (12).

The voluntary amendment of an existing contract for charter is not a matter of right or entitlement, but the commissioner is required to consider the factors set forth in Title 19, TAC, §100.1033(b).

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Considerations include the performance of the charter holder in carrying out its current public school obligations, including, but not limited to, student performance, the financial position of the charter, and compliance with all laws and rules governing charter schools.

If you have any questions, please contact Nina Gonzalez in the Division of Charter School Administration by phone at (512) 463-9575 or by email at [nina.gonzalez@tea.texas.gov](mailto:nina.gonzalez@tea.texas.gov).

Sincerely,



[Heather Mauze \(Sep 28, 2020 14:37 CDT\)](#)

Heather Mauzé, Director  
Division of Charter School Administration





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