



INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Resolution Regarding Charter School Closure Protocols

WHEREAS, IC 20-24-9-4.5 governs the closure protocol for charter schools, unequivocally stating that charter authorizers are responsible for overseeing the closure process for charter schools. The statute states in relevant part:

(b) Before any charter school closure decision, an **authorizer shall develop a charter school closure protocol** to ensure:

- (1) timely notification to parents; and
- (2) orderly transition of each student's education records in accordance with subsection (d);

and proper disposition of school funds, property, and assets.

(c) **If a charter school closes for any reason, the authorizer shall oversee and work with the closing charter school to ensure a smooth and orderly closure and transition for students and parents**, as guided by the closure protocol.

(d) A charter school closure protocol developed under subsection (b) must include the following:

(1) A written notice sent to a student's parent regarding the closure of the charter school and the charter school's procedure for the transfer of the student's education records.

(2) A requirement that the written notice sent to a student's parent under subdivision (1) must include the following:

(A) A statement requiring that not later than thirty (30) days after the date the parent receives the written notice, the parent must inform the charter school of which school the parent plans to enroll the student in.

(B) A statement indicating that if a parent does not know which school the parent plans to enroll the student in within the period described in clause (A), the parent consents to the charter school's transfer of the student's education records to the student's school of legal settlement.

(e) If the parent responds to the notice under subsection (d) and indicates the school in which the parent plans to enroll the student, a charter school shall transfer the student's education records to the new school in which the parent plans to enroll the student.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, if Indiana Virtual School and/or Indiana Virtual Pathways Academy (“Schools”) cease operations for any reason, including decreased state tuition support from the Indiana Department of Education (“Department”), Daleville Community Schools is statutorily mandated to oversee and work with Schools to ensure a smooth and orderly closure and transition to ensure all students are placed in a new school in a timely fashion;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, to the extent possible, the Indiana State Board of Education directs the Department to assist the authorizer, Daleville Community Schools, in its efforts to place students attending Schools, if Schools cease operations.

ADOPTED ON: July 25, 2019