**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION** 

# **AZ Charter Schools Program**

## **Checklist Monitoring Handbook**

SY2022-2023

School Name

Address

Site Visit Date

1535 W. JEFFERSON STREET PHOENIX, AZ 85007

## Checklist for Subgrantee Monitoring

As part of the Charter School Programs (CSP) grant requirements for state entities (SEs), grantees must allocate at least 90% of their funds to subgrantees and perform subgrantee monitoring to ensure proper use of funds. AZCSP grant-awarded schools in their first year of operation should expect to participate in a checklist monitoring to ensure certain policies and procedures are in place. This checklist is not comprehensive and AZCSP staff/contractors may monitor and review subgrantees on additional factors beyond this checklist. All other AZCSP monitoring procedures remain in place and as posted on its website.

A. Verifications (some may be done during the application process)	
1.	The charter holder for the school provided an approved charter/contract with its
	authorizer.
2. 🗖	The school's website and/or promotional materials state(s) it does not charge tuition.
3. 🗖	The school's website states the school will admit students based on a lottery if more
	students apply than can be accommodated and provides a link to the school's lottery
	policy and process.
B. Check Subgrantee has these Policies	
1. 🗖	The school provided conflict of interest policies aligned with 34 CFR § 75.525.
2. 🗖	The school provided a school closure plan that includes the transfer of student records.
3. 🗖	The school provided a policy for disposition of assets aligned with 2 CFR § 200.313.
4. 🗖	The school provided a purchasing/procurement policy aligned with 2 CFR § 200.317.
C. Review Approved Application Against Current Reality	
1. 🗖	The school provided the number of grades currently being served versus the number
	proposed in its application.
2. 🗖	The school provided the number of students currently enrolled versus the number
	proposed in its application.
3. 🗖	The school provided the number of seats still available in each grade level.
4. 🗖	The school provided the number of faculty/staff versus the number proposed in its
	application.
5. 🗖	The school provided the percentage of educationally disadvantaged students (in its
	selected category) currently enrolled.
6.	The school provided benchmark assessment results.
7. 🗖	The educational program/grant activities observed matches the grant application
	description. (This item will be determined through classroom observations.)
	ner Documents to Review
1.	The school provided its two most-recent board meeting agendas and minutes.
2.	The school provided its school calendar and daily schedule for SY2022-2023.
3.	The school provided student recruitment samples.
4.	The school provided CMO/Operator contract (if applicable).
5.	The school provided evidence of activity related to its submitted/approved Logic Model.
6. 🗖	The school provided examples of how it engages/gathers input from
	families/community.
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The National Charter School Resource Center was instrumental in providing guidance on the content of AZCSP's checklist.

#### **Checklist Monitoring Process**

- Early in the first year of a grant-funded school's operation, AZCSP staff will notify the appropriate school personnel and schedule an information meeting to be held on the school site that will include a discussion of the checklist monitoring requirements and expectations.
- School personnel will submit documentation electronically to AZCSP staff to demonstrate compliance with checklist requirements AND/OR will submit a plan to provide any or all of the outstanding documentation at a later date.
- Once documentation has been received and reviewed, the school will receive feedback from AZCSP staff as to the status of compliance. A Corrective Action Plan (CAP), including a due date, may be assigned if required documentation is missing or problematic. A copy of the CAP will be forwarded to the AZCSP Project Director.

### Checklist Monitoring Resources

AZCSP School Closure Procedure

Statute and Regulations

Charter Schools Program Nonregulatory Guidance