

**RENEWAL RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the charter of Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) be renewed for a five (5) year term.

## School Overview

### SUMMARY

Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) is a public charter school serving Moscow area students in grades K-8. PPCS uses the EL model to develop students' responsibility and enjoyment of learning in a collaborative environment.

The charter includes the following commitments:

- PPCS students' outcomes on required, summative assessments will be comparable to those of the surrounding district.
- 75% of continuously enrolled students will demonstrate fall-to-spring improvement on mid-term progress reports.

Although the standards detailed in the performance certificate supplant those in the charter, these commitments represent the nature and anticipated effectiveness of the school as promised by its founders.

The petition for PPCS was approved by the PCSC in June 2008. The school opened in fall 2009.

### MISSION

The mission of Palouse Prairie Charter School is to engage the children and the community of the Palouse in a rigorous and collaborative education of the highest standards by fostering a spirit of inquiry, a persistence towards excellence, a responsibility for learning, and an ethic of service.

### LEADERSHIP

Name	Title	Term
Amy Ball	Chairman	07/2015 – 05/2018
Tiffanie Braun	Vice Chairman	07/2016 – 06/2019
Zac Crist	Treasurer	07/2015 – 06/2018
Jessica Long	Secretary	07/2017 – 06/2020
Carole Bogden	Director	07/2017 – 06/2020
Brittany Cooper	Director	07/2017 – 06/2019
Robert Wilson	Director	07/2017 – 06/2020
Jeneille Branen	Administrator	N/A

## Academic Performance Summary

PPCS’s academic performance has remained strong throughout the performance certificate term; limited applicability of the original performance framework caused the school’s accountability designation to skew low in 2015 and 2016.

PPCS’s non-white student population is higher than that of the surrounding district, but lower than the state average; its LEP population is slightly lower than the district’s and lower than the state’s. PPCS’s special needs population is slightly lower than that of the district and state. Its FRL population is similar to that of the district, but lower than the state average.

### DURING CURRENT PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE TERM

Year	Academic Accountability Rating
2013-14*	Good Standing
2014-15**	Remediation
2015-16**	Remediation
2016-17***	Honor

The school’s annual performance reports, provided in Exhibit G, include details including proficiency rates, graduation rate, and outcome comparisons with surrounding districts and the state.

\*The 2013-14 annual report used 2012-13 academic data, which was the most recent available.

\*\*2014-15 and 2015-16 academic results reflect use of the ISAT by SBAC; however, the performance framework used in these years was designed based on the Star Rating System and former ISAT. As a result, framework outcomes general skewed low.

\*\*\*The school has asked the PCSC to consider its 2016-17 outcomes using the new performance framework which is designed to reflect continued use of the ISAT by SBAC, rather than the outdated framework.

### KEY DESIGN ELEMENTS

Element	Evident?
<p>The design principles of Expeditionary Learning are the best short statement of our philosophy of education. They focus our attention on what is important and give us something to go back to when we need guidance.</p> <p><b>Primacy of Self-Discovery</b> - Learning happens best with emotion, challenge and the requisite support. People discover their abilities, values, passions, and responsibilities in situations that offer adventure and the unexpected. In Expeditionary Learning schools, students undertake tasks that require perseverance, fitness, craftsmanship, imagination, self-discipline, and significant achievement. A teacher's primary task is to help students overcome their fears and discover they can do more than they think they can.</p> <p><b>The Having of Wonderful Ideas</b> - Teaching in Expeditionary Learning schools fosters curiosity about the world by creating learning situations that provide something important to think about, time to experiment, and time to make sense of what is observed.</p> <p><b>The Responsibility for Learning</b> - Learning is both a personal process of discovery and a social activity.</p> <p><b>Service and Compassion</b> - We are crew, not passengers. Students and teachers are strengthened by acts of consequential service to others, and one of an Expeditionary Learning school's primary functions is to prepare students with the attitudes and skills to learn from and be of service.</p>	Yes

# Operational Performance Summary

PPCS’s operational performance has remained strong throughout the performance certificate term.

## DURING CURRENT PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE TERM

Year	Operational Accountability Rating
2013-14	Honor
2014-15	Honor
2015-16	Honor
2016-17	Honor

The school’s annual performance reports, provided in Exhibit G, contain details including the nature of any operational shortcomings and contextual information, when applicable.

## ENROLLMENT HSITORY

Year of Operation	Maximum Enrollment	Actual Enrollment
5 (2013-14)	212	172
6 (2014-15)	212	166
7 (2015-16)	212	168
8 (2016-17)	212	170

PPCS’s enrollment has remained stable throughout the performance certificate term, though lower than the approved maximum enrollment.

## BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE TURNOVER

PPCS’s board membership has remained appropriately stable throughout the life of the school. Administrative turnover has been high, with at least four different administrators serving during the school’s nine years of operation.

## Financial Performance Summary

PPCS's financial status has remained strong throughout the performance certificate term.

### DURING CURRENT PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE TERM

Year	Financial Accountability Rating
2013-14	Good Standing
2014-15	Honor
2015-16	Honor
2016-17	Honor

The school's annual performance reports, provided in Exhibit G, include details regarding outcomes on specific, industry-based near-term and long-term financial measures.

## Renewal Process

### Palouse Prairie Charter School

EVENT	DATE	NOTES
Performance Certificate Executed by School and Authorizer	6/17/2014	Certificate execution was preceded by a series of meetings with school leadership, during which certificate and framework terms were discussed and customized.
2014 Annual Report Issued to School	3/2015	A draft of the report was initially issued in January 2014; the school did provide a response.
2015 Annual Report Issued to School	1/2016	A draft of the report was initially issued in December 2015; the school did provide a response.
2016 Annual Report Issued to School	1/2017	A draft of the report was initially issued in December 2016; the school did not provide a response.
Renewal Process Orientation Meeting	3/9/2017	PCSC staff met with school leadership (all school board members and administrators were invited) to discuss the renewal process and highlight any significant concerns/issues.
Renewal Process Follow-up Letter Provided to School	3/10/2017	This letter summarized material covered during renewal process orientation meeting
Renewal Guidance & Application Provided to School	3/20/2017	The statutory deadline for issuance of renewal guidance and applications is November 15.
Auxiliary Data Submission Opportunity (optional)	7/17/2017	The school did not provide auxiliary performance data.
Pre-Renewal Site Visit	10/19/2017	Two independent reviewers joined one PCSC staff member for a one-day site visit to the school.
2017 Annual Report Issued to School	11/15/2017	No draft was issued due to timing of data availability. However, the school had opportunity to respond in its renewal application. The annual report summarized the school's performance record to date and provided notice of any weaknesses or concerns that may jeopardize the school's position in seeking renewal. The school was provided with its academic results on both the old and new performance frameworks, and selected the new framework for renewal consideration purposes.
Renewal Application Received from School	12/15/2017	The statutory deadline for renewal applications is December 15.
PCSC Staff's Renewal Recommendation Issued to School	1/12/2018	Schools have four weeks in which to consider PCSC staff's recommendation and determine whether they wish to stipulate or request a public hearing.



# Palouse Prairie Charter School



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

### 2016-2017

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## Introduction

Each year, Idaho's Public Charter School Commission (PCSC) issues a performance report to every school in its portfolio. The annual report serves several purposes:

1. To provide transparent, data-driven information about charter school quality;
2. To ensure that charter school boards have access to clear expectations and are provided maximum opportunity to correct any deficiencies prior to their renewal year; and
3. To inform mid-term decision making, such as the evaluation of charter amendment proposals.

This report contains an overview of the school, including its history, mission, leadership, and demographics. The overview is followed by the school's performance framework, including outcomes for the most recently completed school year.

The performance framework is comprised of four sections: Academic, Mission-Specific, Operational, and Financial. Each section contains a number of measures intended to evaluate the school's performance against specific criteria. The scorecard pages of the framework offer a summary of the school's scores and accountability designation ranging from Honor (high) to Critical (low).

Due to significant and ongoing changes to the state's school accountability system, many of the academic measures in the performance framework could not be scored this year. Data for all of the growth measures and most of the post-secondary readiness measures was unavailable. As a result, academic framework scores cannot reflect the intended scope of information.

Additionally, although ISAT Math and English Language Arts proficiency data was available, it was gathered using an assessment that the state adopted subsequent to the framework's development. The cut scores used to establish proficiency remain under evaluation, and it cannot be determined at this time whether or not the rating categories within each framework measure are appropriate in the context of the new assessment.

For these reasons, we have eliminated academic framework scores from this report and instead provided comparisons of the public charter schools' proficiency rates to those of the state as a whole, as well as to area schools that serve similar grade ranges. In some cases, comparisons cannot be provided because the data is masked per state law or statistical irrelevance.

To facilitate a clearer context for the academic results contained in this report, the demographic, enrollment, and school leadership data provided is from the 2016-17 school year. Updated enrollment and school leadership information is available upon request from the school or PCSC office.

Schools had an opportunity to correct or clarify their framework outcomes prior to the publication of this report.

Public charter school operations are inherently complex. For this reason, readers are encouraged to consider the scores on individual measures within the framework as a starting point for gaining full, contextualized understanding of the school's performance.

Additional information about how the performance framework was developed and how results may be interpreted is available on the PCSC's website: [chartercommission.idaho.gov](http://chartercommission.idaho.gov).



## School Overview

<b>Mission Statement</b>	<p>The mission of Palouse Prairie Charter School is to engage the children and the community of the Palouse in a rigorous and collaborative education of the highest standards by fostering a spirit of inquiry, a persistence towards excellence, a responsibility for learning, and an ethic of service.</p>	
<b>Key Design Elements</b>	<p>The design principles of Expeditionary Learning are the best short statement of our philosophy of education. They focus our attention on what is important and give us something to go back to when we need guidance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Primacy of Self-Discovery</i> - Learning happens best with emotion, challenge and the requisite support. People discover their abilities, values, passions, and responsibilities in situations that offer adventure and the unexpected. In Expeditionary Learning schools, students undertake tasks that require perseverance, fitness, craftsmanship, imagination, self-discipline, and significant achievement. A teacher's primary task is to help students overcome their fears and discover they can do more than they think they can.</li> <li>• <i>The Having of Wonderful Ideas</i> - Teaching in Expeditionary Learning schools fosters curiosity about the world by creating learning situations that provide something important to think about, time to experiment, and time to make sense of what is observed.</li> <li>• <i>The Responsibility for Learning</i> - Learning is both a personal process of discovery and a social activity.</li> <li>• <i>Service and Compassion</i> - We are crew, not passengers. Students and teachers are strengthened by acts of consequential service to others, and one of an Expeditionary Learning school's primary functions is to prepare students with the attitudes and skills to learn from and be of service.</li> </ul>	
<b>School Contact Information</b>	Address: 1500 Levick Street Moscow, ID 83843	Phone: (208) 882-3684
<b>Surrounding District</b>	Moscow School District	
<b>Opening Year</b>	2009	
<b>Current Term</b>	June 17, 2014 – June 30, 2018	
<b>Grades Served</b>	K – 8	
<b>Enrollment</b>	Approved: 212	Actual: 170

School Leadership (2016-2017)	Role
Amy Ball	Chairman
Tiffanie Braun	Vice Chairman
Zac Crist	Treasurer
Brian Gardner	Secretary
Cassandra Holcomb	Member
Jessica Long	Member
Carol Bogden	Member
Jeneille Branen	Administrator

	School	Surrounding District	State
<b>Non-White</b>	██████	14.50%	25.64%
<b>Limited English Proficiency</b>	██████	1.92%	5.56%
<b>Special Needs</b>	██████	9.23%	9.62%
<b>Free &amp; Reduced Lunch</b>	██████	31.55%	48.73%

Academic Measure	Result
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Proficiency in Math	██████
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Proficiency in English Language Arts	██████
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Proficiency In Science	██████
Graduation Rate (4-year cohort data from 2016)	N/A

ACADEMIC	Measure	Points Possible	Points Earned	Points Possible	Points Earned	Points Possible	Points Earned	Points Possible	Points Earned
		K-8	K-8	9-12	9-12	K-12	K-12	Alternative	Alternative
State Proficiency Comparison	1a	50	50	50	0	50	0		
	1b	50	50	50	0	50	0		
District Proficiency Comparison	2a	50	37	50	0	50	0	50	0
	2b	50	42	50	0	50	0	50	0
Criterion-Referenced Growth	3a	100	65			50	0		
	3b	100	78			50	0		
Norm-Referenced Growth	4a			100	0	50	0	50	0
	4b			100	0	50	0	50	0
Post-Secondary Readiness	5a			125	0	125	0	100	0
Total Academic Points		400	322	525	0	525	0	300	0
% of Academic Points			81%		0%		0%		0%

MISSION-SPECIFIC	Measure	Points Possible	Points Earned
	1		
	2		
	3		
	4		
	5		
	6		
Total Mission-Specific Points		0	0
% of Mission-Specific Points			

OPERATIONAL	Measure	Points Possible	Points Earned	FINANCIAL	Measure	Points Possible	Points Earned
	1b	25	0		1b	50	0
	1c	25	0		1c	50	0
	1d	25	0		1d	50	0
Financial Management & Oversight	2a	25	0	Sustainability	2a	50	0
	2b	25	0		2b	50	0
	2c	25	0		2c	50	0
Governance & Reporting	3a	25	0		2d	50	0
	3b	25	0	Total Financial Points		400	0
	3c	25	0	% of Financial Points			0%
	3d	25	0				
	3e	25	0				
	3f	25	0				
School Environment	4a	25	0				
	4b	25	0				
Additional Obligations	5a	25	0				
Total Operational Points		400	0				
% of Operational Points			0%				

The financial measures above are based on industry standards. They are not intended to reflect nuances of the school's financial status. Please see the financial section of this framework for relevant contextual information that may alleviate concern.

ACCOUNTABILITY DESIGNATION	Range (% of Points Possible)	Academic Gen Ed Outcome	Academic Alt Outcome	Range	Mission Specific Outcome	Range	Operational Outcome	Range	Financial Outcome
Honor	75% - 100%	81%	0%	75% - 100%	NA	90% - 100%	0%	85% - 100%	0%
Good Standing	55% - 74%			55% - 74%		80% - 89%		65% - 84%	
Remediation	31% - 54%			31% - 54%		61% - 79%		46% - 64%	
Critical	0% - 30%			0% - 30%		0% - 60%		0% - 45%	

School outcomes will be evaluated in light of contextual information, including student demographics, school mission, and state/federal requirements.

**ACADEMIC K-8**

All proficiency and growth measures will be scored using the ISAT by SBAC, or any state-required standardized test as may replace it. Subject area (math and ELA) may be replaced by similar subject areas if necessary due to statewide changes. On all applicable measures, standard rounding to the nearest whole number will be used for scoring purposes. Measures based on ISAT outcomes exclude alternate ISAT data; as a result, the outcomes shown may differ slightly from those published on the State Department of Education's website.

<b>INDICATOR 1: STATE PROFICIENCY COMPARISON</b>			
<b>Measure 1a</b>	<b>Do math proficiency rates meet or exceed the state average?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
<b>Math Proficiency Rate Comparison to State</b>	<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in math exceeds the state average by 16 percentage points or more.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in math is equal to the state average, or exceeds it by 1 - 15 percentage points.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in math is 1 - 15 percentage points lower than the state average.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in math is 16 or more percentage points lower than the state average.</p>	X	50
			30 - 45
			15 - 29
			0 - 14
			50
<b>Notes</b>	The state average will be determined using the same grade set as is served by the public charter school.		
<b>Measure 1b</b>	<b>Do English Language Arts proficiency rates meet or exceed the state average?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
<b>ELA Proficiency Rate Comparison to State</b>	<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in ELA exceeds the state average by 16 percentage points or more.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in ELA is equal to the state average, or exceeds it by 1 - 15 percentage points.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in ELA is 1 - 15 percentage points lower than the state average.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in ELA is 16 or more percentage points lower than the state average.</p>	X	50
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INDICATOR 2: DISTRICT PROFICIENCY COMPARISON																				
<b>Measure 2a</b> <b>Math Proficiency Rate</b> <b>Comparison to District</b>	<b>Do math proficiency rates meet or exceed the district average?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in math either exceeds the district average by 16 percentage points or more, or is at least 80%.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in math is equal to the district average, or exceeds it by 1 - 15 percentage points.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in math is 1 - 15 percentage points lower than the district average.  <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in math is 16 or more percentage points lower than the district average.  The district average will be determined using the same grade set as is served by the public charter school.	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Result</th> <th>Points Possible</th> <th>Points Earned</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td>50</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>X</td> <td>30 - 45</td> <td>37</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>15 - 29</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>0 - 14</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black;">37</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned		50	0	X	30 - 45	37		15 - 29	0		0 - 14	0			37
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<b>Measure 2b</b> <b>ELA Proficiency Rate</b> <b>Comparison to District</b>	<b>Do ELA proficiency rates meet or exceed the district average?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in ELA either exceeds the district average by 16 percentage points or more, or is at least 80%.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in ELA is equal to the district average, or exceeds it by 1 - 15 percentage points.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in ELA is 1 - 15 percentage points lower than the district average.  <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's proficiency rate in ELA is 16 or more percentage points lower than the district average.  The district average will be determined using the same grade set as is served by the public charter school.	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Result</th> <th>Points Possible</th> <th>Points Earned</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td>50</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>X</td> <td>30 - 45</td> <td>42</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>15 - 29</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>0 - 14</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black;">42</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned		50	0	X	30 - 45	42		15 - 29	0		0 - 14	0			42
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ACADEMIC K-8

INDICATOR 3: CRITERION-REFERENCED STUDENT GROWTH (GRADES K-8)			
<b>Measure 3a</b>	<b>Are students making adequate academic growth to achieve math proficiency within 3 years or by 10th grade?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
<b>Criterion-Referenced Growth</b>			<b>Points Earned</b>
<b>Math</b>	<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth in math.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70% and 84% of students are making adequate academic growth in math.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50% and 69% of students are making adequate academic growth in math.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth in math.</p>	78	<p>76-100     0</p> <p>51-75     65</p> <p>26-50     0</p> <p>0-25     0</p> <hr/> <p>65</p>
<b>Notes</b>			
<b>Measure 3b</b>	<b>Are students making adequate academic growth to achieve English Language Arts proficiency within 3 years or by 10th grade?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
<b>Criterion-Referenced Growth</b>			<b>Points Earned</b>
<b>ELA</b>	<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth in ELA.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70% and 84% of students are making adequate academic growth in ELA.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50% and 69% of students are making adequate academic growth in ELA.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth in ELA.</p>	86	<p>76-100     78</p> <p>51-75     0</p> <p>26-50     0</p> <p>0-25     0</p> <hr/> <p>78</p>
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## PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION - PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK

Name of School: Palouse Prairie Charter School Year Opened: 2009 Operating Term: 6/17/14 - 6/30/18 Date Executed: 6/17/2014

### Introduction

Idaho's charter school legislation requires each public charter school authorizer to develop a Performance Framework on which the provisions of the Performance Certificate will be based. Performance Frameworks must clearly set forth the academic and operational performance indicators, measures, and metrics that will guide the authorizer's evaluations of each public charter school, and must contain the following:

- Indicators, measures, and metrics for student academic proficiency;
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for student academic growth;
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for college and career readiness (for high schools); and
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for board performance and stewardship, including compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and terms of the performance certificate.

The measurable performance targets contained within the framework must require, at a minimum, that each school meet applicable federal, state, and authorizer goals for student achievement. This Performance Framework was adopted by the Public Charter School Commission (PCSC) on August 30, 2013, and is intended for use with non-alternative public charter schools authorized by the PCSC.

### Performance Framework Structure

The Performance Framework is divided into four sections: Academic, Mission-Specific, Operational, and Financial. The Academic and Mission-Specific sections comprise the primary indicators on which most renewal or non-renewal decisions will be based. The Operational and Financial sections contribute additional indicators that will, except in cases of egregious failure to meet standards, be considered secondary.

#### Academic:

A high percentage (60%) of a school's total score for the Academic & Mission Specific Accountability Designation reflects the school's performance on a set of academic measures. These measures are the same for all non-alternative schools. The "Meets Standard" rating for each measure is designed to align closely with state minimum standards as established in Idaho's ESEA waiver and Star Rating System.

#### Mission-Specific:

A significant portion (40%) of a school's total score for the Academic & Mission Specific Accountability Designation reflects the school's performance on a set of mission-specific measures. These measures may be academic or non-academic in nature, but must be objective and data-driven. The number and weighting of mission-specific measures should be established during one-on-one negotiations between the school and authorizer.

*During their first Performance Certificate term only, schools authorized to open in or before Fall 2014 may choose to opt-out of the Mission-Specific section of the framework. Schools choosing to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for their first term agree that the weight of those measures will be placed instead on the Academic section, which then becomes the single, primary factor considered for purposes of renewal or non-renewal.*

#### Operational:

Operational indicators comprise a secondary element for consideration during the renewal process. While each school will receive a score in the operational section, this score should not be used as the primary rationale for non-renewal unless the non-compliance with organizational expectations is severe or systemic. Particularly for a school whose academic performance meets or exceeds standards, poor results in this area are more likely to lead to a conditional renewal decision than to non-renewal.

#### Financial:

Financial indicators comprise a secondary element for consideration during the renewal process. While each school will receive a score in the financial section, this score should not be used as the primary rationale for non-renewal unless the school's financial state at the time of renewal is dire. Particularly for a school whose academic performance meets or exceeds standards, poor results in this area are more likely to lead to a conditional renewal decision than to non-renewal. The PCSC may also elect to renew a financially troubled school that is clearly providing a high quality education, but notify the SDE of the situation so that the payment schedule may be modified in order to safeguard taxpayer dollars.

## **Accountability Designations**

Calculation of the percentage of eligible points earned for each school will guide the determination of that school's accountability designation: Honor, Good Standing, Remediation, or Critical. The accountability designation will, in turn, guide the PCSC's renewal or non-renewal decision-making. Measures for which a school lacks data due to factors such as grade configuration or small size will not contribute to that school's accountability designation. The PCSC will consider contextual factors affecting a school's accountability designation when making renewal or non-renewal decisions.

### **Honor:**

Schools achieving at this level in all categories (academic, mission-specific, operational, and financial) are eligible for special recognition and will be recommended for renewal. Replication and expansion proposals are likely to succeed. The Framework places schools that earn 75-100% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 5-star schools, high-range 4-star schools with solid mission-specific outcomes, and mid-range 4-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes to receive an honor designation. Schools that fall into this point-percentage category but have poor operational and/or financial outcomes will not be eligible for an honor designation.

### **Good Standing:**

Schools achieving at this level will be recommended for renewal; however, conditional renewal may be recommended if operational and/or financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals will be considered. To be placed in this category, schools must receive the appropriate percentage of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible and have at least a 3-star rating. The Framework places schools that earn 55-74% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 3-star or 4-star schools with solid mission-specific outcomes, or 5-star schools with poor mission-specific, financial, and/or operational outcomes to receive a good standing designation. Although 2-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes could fall into this point-percentage range, they would not be eligible to receive a good standing designation due to their star ratings; the Framework is drafted thus in recognition of Idaho's statutory provision that the performance framework shall, at a minimum, require that each school meet applicable federal and state goals for student achievement.

### **Remediation:**

Schools achieving at this level may be recommended for non-renewal or conditional renewal, particularly if operational and/or financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals are unlikely to succeed. The Framework places schools that earn 31-54% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 3-star schools with poor mission-specific outcomes, 2-star schools, or 1-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes to receive a remediation designation.

### **Critical:**

Schools achieving at this level face a strong likelihood of non-renewal, particularly if operational and/or financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals should not be considered. The Framework places schools that earn less than 30% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 1-star schools or 2-star schools with poor mission-specific outcomes to receive a Critical designation.



PPCS --- PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK SCORING

ACADEMIC	Measure	Possible Elem / MS Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED	Possible HS Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED
State/Federal Accountability	1a	25	0%	0.00	Palouse Prairie Charter School has requested that the PCSC consider its 2017 academic outcomes on the new performance framework.		
	1b	25	0%	0.00			
Proficiency	2a	75	0%	0.00			
	2b	75	0%	0.00			
	2c	75	0%	0.00			
Growth	3a	100	0%	0.00			
	3b	100	0%	0.00			
	3c	100	0%	0.00			
	3d	75	0%	0.00			
	3e	75	0%	0.00			
	3f	75	0%	0.00			
	3g	100	0%	0.00			
College & Career Readiness	4a						
	4b1 / 4b2						
	4c						
Total Possible Academic Points		900	0%				
- Points from Non-Applicable		750					
Total Possible Academic Points for This School		150					
<b>Total Academic Points Received</b>				<b>0.00</b>			
<b>% of Possible Academic Points for This School</b>				<b>0.00%</b>			

MISSION-SPECIFIC	Measure	Possible Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED	Possible Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED
Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for this Performance Certificate term.							
Total Possible Mission-Specific Points							
<b>Total Mission-Specific Points Received</b>							
<b>% of Possible Mission-Specific Points Received</b>							
<b>TOTAL POSSIBLE ACADEMIC &amp; MISSION-SPECIFIC POINTS</b>		<b>150</b>					
<b>TOTAL POINTS RECEIVED</b>				<b>0.00</b>			
<b>% OF POSSIBLE ACADEMIC &amp; MISSION-SPECIFIC POINTS</b>				<b>0.00%</b>			

OPERATIONAL	Measure	Points Possible	% of Total Points	Points Earned
Educational Program	1a	25	6%	25.00
	1b	25	6%	25.00
	1c	25	6%	25.00
	1d	25	6%	25.00
Financial Management & Oversight	2a	25	6%	25.00
	2b	25	6%	25.00
Governance & Reporting	3a	25	6%	25.00
	3b	25	6%	25.00
Students & Employees	4a	25	6%	25.00
	4b	25	6%	25.00
	4c	25	6%	25.00
	4d	25	6%	25.00
School Environment	5a	25	6%	25.00
	5b	25	6%	25.00
	5c	25	6%	25.00
Additional Obligations	6a	25	6%	25.00
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL POINTS</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>400.00</b>
<b>% OF POSSIBLE OPERATIONAL POINTS</b>				<b>100.00%</b>

FINANCIAL	Measure	Points Possible	% of Total Points	Points Earned
Near-Term Measures	1a	50	13%	50.00
	1b	50	13%	50.00
	1c	50	13%	50.00
	1d	50	13%	50.00
Sustainability Measures	2a	50	13%	50.00
	2b	50	13%	50.00
	2c	50	13%	50.00
	2d	50	13%	50.00
<b>TOTAL FINANCIAL POINTS</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>400.00</b>
<b>% OF POSSIBLE FINANCIAL POINTS</b>				<b>100.00%</b>

The financial measures included here are based on industry standards. They are not intended to reflect the nuances of a school's financial status. A low score on any single measure indicates only the *possibility* of a problem. In many cases, contextual information that alleviates concern is provided in the notes that accompany individual measures. Please see the financial section of this framework for additional detail.

PPCS --- PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK SCORING

ACCOUNTABILITY DESIGNATION	Academic & Mission-Specific		Operational		Financial	
	Range	% of Points Possible Earned	Range	% of Points Possible Earned	Range	% of Points Possible Earned
<p><b>Honor</b> Schools achieving at this level in all categories are eligible for special recognition and will be recommended for renewal. Replication and expansion proposals are likely to succeed.</p>	75% - 100% of points possible		90% - 100% of points possible	<b>100.00%</b>	85% - 100% of points possible	<b>100.00%</b>
<p><b>Good Standing</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific will be recommended for renewal; however, conditional renewal may be recommended if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals will be considered. To be placed in this category for Academic &amp; Mission-Specific, schools must receive the appropriate percentage of points and have at least a Three Star Rating.</p>	55% - 74% of points possible		80% - 89% of points possible		65% - 84% of points possible	
<p><b>Remediation</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific may be recommended for non-renewal or conditional renewal, particularly if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals are unlikely to succeed.</p>	31% - 54% of points possible		61% - 79% of points possible		46% - 64% of points possible	
<p><b>Critical</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific level face a strong likelihood of non-renewal, particularly if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals should not be considered.</p>	0% - 30% of points possible		0% - 60% of points possible		0% - 45% of points possible	

PPCS --- MISSION-SPECIFIC FRAMEWORK

MISSION-SPECIFIC GOALS				
Measure 1	Is the school ***?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
	<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b>  <b>Meets Standard:</b>  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b>  <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b></p>			<hr/> <b>0.00</b>
<b>Notes</b>	<p>Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning (PPSEL) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for the initial Performance Certificate term ending June 30, 2018. PPSEL acknowledges and agrees that the weight that would have been placed on the Mission-Specific section of this Framework will be placed instead on the Academic section of this Framework, which therefore becomes the single, primary factor considered for purposes of renewal or non-renewal.</p>			

INDICATOR 1: EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM				
<b>Measure 1a</b> <b>Implementation of Educational Program</b>	<b>Is the school implementing the material terms of the educational program as defined in the performance certificate?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school implements the material terms of the mission, vision, and educational program in all material respects and the implementation of the educational program reflects the essential elements outlined in the performance certificate, or the school has gained approval for a charter modification to the material terms.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School has deviated from the material terms of the mission, vision, and essential elements of the educational program as described in the performance certificate, without approval for a charter modification, such that the program provided differs substantially from the program described in the charter and performance certificate.</p>	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
<b>Notes</b>			0	<hr/> 25.00
<b>Measure 1b</b> <b>Education Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with applicable education requirements?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
	<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to education requirements, including but not limited to: Instructional time requirements, graduation and promotion requirements, content standards including the Common Core State Standards, the Idaho State Standards, State assessments, and implementation of mandated programming related to state or federal funding.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school has exhibited non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the education requirements; however, matters of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to education requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
<b>Notes</b>			15	0
				<hr/> 25.00
<b>Measure 1c</b> <b>Students with Disabilities</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of students with disabilities?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
	<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability, including but not limited to: Equitable access and opportunity to enroll; identification and referral; appropriate development and implementation of IEPs and Section 504 plans; operational compliance, including provision of services in the LRE and appropriate inclusion in the school's academic program, assessments, and extracurricular activities; discipline, including due process protections, manifestation determinations, and behavioral intervention plans; access to the school's facility and program; appropriate use of all available, applicable funding.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
<b>Notes</b>			15	0
				<hr/> 25.00

		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 1d</b> <b>English Language Learners</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of English Language Learner (ELL) students?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to requirements regarding ELLs, including but not limited to: Equitable access and opportunity to enroll; required policies related to the service of ELL students; compliance with native language communication requirements; proper steps for identification of students in need of ELL services; appropriate and equitable delivery of services to identified students; appropriate accommodations on assessments; exiting of students from ELL services; and ongoing monitoring of exited students. Matters of non-compliance, if any, are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school has exhibited non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of ELL students; however, matters of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to requirements regarding ELLs; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
				25.00
<b>Notes</b>				
<b>INDICATOR 2: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT</b>				
<b>Measure 2a</b> <b>Financial Reporting and Compliance</b>	<b>Is the school meeting financial reporting and compliance requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements, including but not limited to: Complete and on-time submission of financial reports including annual budget, revised budgets (if applicable), periodic financial reports as required by the PCSC, and any reporting requirements if the board contracts with and Education Service Provider; on-time submission and completion of the annual independent audit and corrective action plans (if applicable); and all reporting requirements related to the use of public funds.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
				25.00
<b>Notes</b>				
<b>Measure 2b</b> <b>GAAP</b>	<b>Is the school following Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)?</b>			
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial management and oversight expectations as evidenced by an annual independent audit, including but not limited to: An unqualified audit opinion; an audit devoid of significant findings and conditions, material weaknesses, or significant internal control weaknesses; and an audit that does not include a going concern disclosure in the notes or an explanatory paragraph within the audit report.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits failure to comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial management and oversight expectations as evidenced by an annual independent audits; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
				25.00
<b>Notes</b>				

GOVERNANCE AND REPORTING				
<b>Measure 3a</b> <b>Governance Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with governance requirements?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board, including but not limited to: board policies; board bylaws; state open meetings law; code of ethics; conflicts of interest; board composition; and compensation for attendance at meetings.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00
<b>Measure 3b</b> <b>Reporting Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with reporting requirements?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities, including but not limited to: accountability tracking; attendance and enrollment reporting; compliance and oversight; additional information requested by the authorizer.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00
INDICATOR 4: STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES				
<b>Measure 4a</b> <b>Student Rights</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of all students?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students, including but not limited to: policies and practices related to recruitment and enrollment; the collection and protection of student information; due process protections, privacy, civil rights, and student liberties requirements; conduct of discipline.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00

		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 4b Credentialing</b>	<b>Is the school meeting teacher and other staff credentialing requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
<b>Notes</b>				<b>25.00</b>
<b>Measure 4c Employee Rights</b>	<b>Is the school complying with laws regarding employee rights?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations, including those relating to the Family Medical Leave Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and employment contracts.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations or employee rights. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
<b>Notes</b>				<b>25.00</b>
<b>Measure 4d Background Checks</b>	<b>Is the school completing required background checks?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
<b>Notes</b>				<b>25.00</b>

INDICATOR 5: SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 5a</b> <b>Facilities and Transportation</b>	<b>Is the school complying with facilities and transportation requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, and transportation, including but not limited to: American's with Disabilities Act, fire inspections and related records, viable certificate of occupancy or other required building use authorization, documentation of requisite insurance coverage, and student transportation.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, or transportation. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, and transportation; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00
<b>Measure 5b</b> <b>Health and Safety</b>	<b>Is the school complying with health and safety requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to safety and the provision of health-related services.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to safety or the provision of health-related services. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to safety and the provision of health-related services; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00
<b>Measure 5c</b> <b>Information Handling</b>	<b>Is the school handling information appropriately?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information, including but not limited to: maintaining the security of and providing access to student records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and other applicable authorities; accessing documents maintained by the school under the state's Freedom of Information law and other applicable authorities; Transferring of student records; proper and secure maintenance of testing materials.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00



PPCS --- OPERATIONAL FRAMEWORK

ADDITIONAL OBLIGATIONS		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
Measure 6a Additional Obligations	<p><b>Is the school complying with all other obligations?</b></p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school materially complies with all other material legal, statutory, regulatory, or contractual requirements contained in its charter contract that are not otherwise explicitly stated herein, including but not limited to requirements from the following sources: revisions to state charter law; and requirements of the State Department of Education. Matters of non-compliance, if any, are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with with all other material legal, statutory, regulatory, or contractual requirements contained in its charter contract that are not otherwise explicitly stated herein; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>	<p>No instances of non-compliance documented</p>   <p>0</p>	<p>25</p>   <p>0</p>	<p>25.00</p>   <hr/> <p>25.00</p>
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PPCS --- FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK

INDICATOR 1: NEAR-TERM MEASURES																					
<p><b>Measure 1a</b></p> <p><b>Current Ratio</b></p> <p><b>Current Ratio</b></p> <p><b>Notes</b></p>	<p><b>Current Ratio: Current Assets divided by Current Liabilities</b></p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> Current Ratio is greater than or equal to 1.1 OR Current Ratio is between 1.0 and 1.1 and one-year trend is positive (current year ratio is higher than last year's). <i>Note: For schools in their first or second year of operation, the current ratio must be greater than or equal to 1.1.</i></p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Current Ratio is between 0.9 and 1.0 or equals 1.0 OR Current Ratio is between 1.0 and 1.1 and one-year trend is negative.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Current ratio is less than or equal to 0.9.</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Result</th> <th>Points Possible</th> <th>Points Earned</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="3">Current Ratio is:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4.12</td> <td>50</td> <td>50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>10</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>0</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black;">50.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned	Current Ratio is:			4.12	50	50.00		10			0				50.00	
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			EARNED*	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
State/Federal Accountability	1a	25	20.00	0.00	0.00	See New Framework	
	1b	25	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Proficiency	2a	75	59.11	0.00	0.00		
	2b	75	55.85	36.78	31.83		
Growth	2c	75	47.34	40.50	38.82		
	3a	100	75.97	0.00	0.00		
	3b	100	80.77	0.00	0.00		
	3c	100	52.95	0.00	0.00		
	3d	75	55.17	0.00	0.00		
	3e	75	69.41	0.00	0.00		
	3f	75	52.70	0.00	0.00		
College & Career Readiness	3g	100	83.87	0.00	0.00		
	4a						
	4b1 / 4b2 4c						
Total Possible Academic Points Received		900	653.13	77.27	70.65	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Academic Points for This School			72.57%	44.15%	47.10%	0.00%	0.00%

\*2013-14 academic results are based on 2012-13 ISAT. Subsequent outcomes are based on the ISAT by SBAC and should not be directly compared to 2013-14 data.

MISSION-SPECIFIC	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for this Performance Certificate term.							
Total Possible Mission-Specific Points Received		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Mission-Specific Points for This School			N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

OPERATIONAL	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
Educational Program	1a	25	25	25	25	25	
	1b	25	25	25	25	25	
	1c	25	25	25	25	25	
	1d	25	25	25	25	25	
Financial Management & Oversight	2a	25	15	25	25	25	
	2b	25	25	25	25	25	
Governance & Reporting	3a	25	25	25	25	25	
	3b	25	25	25	25	25	
Students & Employees	4a	25	25	25	25	25	
	4b	25	25	25	25	25	
	4c	25	25	25	25	25	
	4d	25	25	25	25	25	
School Environment	5a	25	25	25	25	25	
	5b	25	25	25	25	25	
	5c	25	25	25	25	25	
Additional Obligations	6a	25	25	0	25		
Total Possible Operational Points Received		400	390.00	400.00	375.00	400.00	0.00
% of Possible Operational Points for This School			97.50%	100.00%	93.75%	100.00%	0.00%

FINANCIAL	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
Near-Term Measures	1a	50	50	50	50	50	
	1b	50	50	50	50	50	
	1c	50	30	50	50	50	
	1d	50	50	50	50	50	
Sustainability Measures	2a	50	10	50	50	50	
	2b	50	50	50	50	50	
	2c	50	30	50	50	50	
	2d	50	50	50	50	50	
Total Possible Financial Points Received		400	320.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	0.00
% of Possible Financial Points for This School			80.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%

ACCOUNTABILITY DESIGNATION	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION
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Financial	Good Standing	Honor	Honor	Honor	



# Palouse Prairie Charter School



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

### 2015-2016

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## Introduction

Each year, Idaho's Public Charter School Commission (PCSC) issues a performance report to every school in its portfolio. The annual report serves several purposes:

1. To provide transparent, data-driven information about charter school quality;
2. To ensure that charter school boards have access to clear expectations and are provided maximum opportunity to correct any deficiencies prior to their renewal year; and
3. To inform mid-term decision making, such as the evaluation of charter amendment proposals.

This report contains an overview of the school, including its history, mission, leadership, and demographics. The overview is followed by the school's performance framework, including outcomes for the most recently completed school year.

The performance framework is comprised of four sections: Academic, Mission-Specific, Operational, and Financial. Each section contains a number of measures intended to evaluate the school's performance against specific criteria. The scorecard pages of the framework offer a summary of the school's scores and accountability designation ranging from Honor (high) to Critical (low).

Due to significant and ongoing changes to the state's school accountability system, many of the academic measures in the performance framework could not be scored this year. Data for all of the growth measures and most of the post-secondary readiness measures was unavailable. As a result, academic framework scores cannot reflect the intended scope of information.

Additionally, although ISAT Math and English Language Arts proficiency data was available, it was gathered using an assessment that the state adopted subsequent to the framework's development. The cut scores used to establish proficiency remain under evaluation, and it cannot be determined at this time whether or not the rating categories within each framework measure are appropriate in the context of the new assessment.

For these reasons, we have eliminated academic framework scores from this report and instead provided comparisons of the public charter schools' proficiency rates to those of the state as a whole, as well as to area schools that serve similar grade ranges. In some cases, comparisons cannot be provided because the data is masked per state law or statistical irrelevance.

To facilitate a clearer context for the academic results contained in this report, the demographic, enrollment, and school leadership data provided is from the 2014-15 school year. Updated enrollment and school leadership information is available upon request from the school or PCSC office.

Schools had an opportunity to correct or clarify their framework outcomes prior to the publication of this report.

Public charter school operations are inherently complex. For this reason, readers are encouraged to consider the scores on individual measures within the framework as a starting point for gaining full, contextualized understanding of the school's performance.

Additional information about how the performance framework was developed and how results may be interpreted is available on the PCSC's website: [chartercommission.idaho.gov](http://chartercommission.idaho.gov).

## School Overview

<b>Mission Statement</b>	The mission of Palouse Prairie Charter School is to engage the children and the community of the Palouse in a rigorous and collaborative education of the highest standards by fostering a spirit of inquiry, a persistence towards excellence, a responsibility for learning, and an ethic of service.	
<b>Key Design Elements</b>	<p>The design principles of Expeditionary Learning are the best short statement of our philosophy of education. They focus our attention on what is important and give us something to go back to when we need guidance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Primacy of Self-Discovery</i> - Learning happens best with emotion, challenge and the requisite support. People discover their abilities, values, passions, and responsibilities in situations that offer adventure and the unexpected. In Expeditionary Learning schools, students undertake tasks that require perseverance, fitness, craftsmanship, imagination, self-discipline, and significant achievement. A teacher's primary task is to help students overcome their fears and discover they can do more than they think they can.</li> <li>• <i>The Having of Wonderful Ideas</i> - Teaching in Expeditionary Learning schools fosters curiosity about the world by creating learning situations that provide something important to think about, time to experiment, and time to make sense of what is observed.</li> <li>• <i>The Responsibility for Learning</i> - Learning is both a personal process of discovery and a social activity.</li> <li>• <i>Service and Compassion</i> - We are crew, not passengers. Students and teachers are strengthened by acts of consequential service to others, and one of an Expeditionary Learning school's primary functions is to prepare students with the attitudes and skills to learn from and be of service.</li> </ul>	
<b>School Contact Information</b>	Address: 1500 Levick Street Moscow, ID 83843	Phone: (208) 882-3684
<b>Surrounding District</b>	Moscow School District	
<b>Opening Year</b>	2009	
<b>Current Term</b>	June 17, 2014 – June 30, 2018	
<b>Grades Served</b>	K – 8	
<b>Enrollment</b>	Approved: 212	Actual: 168

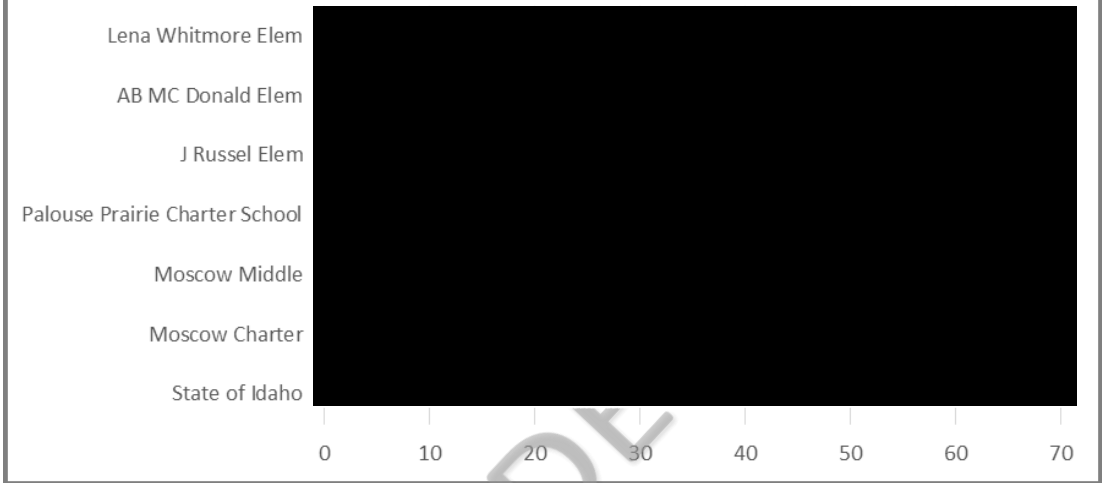
School Leadership (2015-2016)	Role
Brian Gardner	Board Chair
Greg Larson	Secretary
Zac Crist	Treasurer
Amy Ball	Member
Della Bayly	Member
Carole Bogden	Member
Jessica Long	Member
Jacob Ellsworth	Administrator

	School	Surrounding District	State
<b>Non-White</b>	██████	14.87%	23.84%
<b>Limited English Proficiency</b>	██████	2.16%	8.61%
<b>Special Needs</b>	██████	9.09%	9.76%
<b>Free &amp; Reduced Lunch</b>	██████	30.97%	47.27%

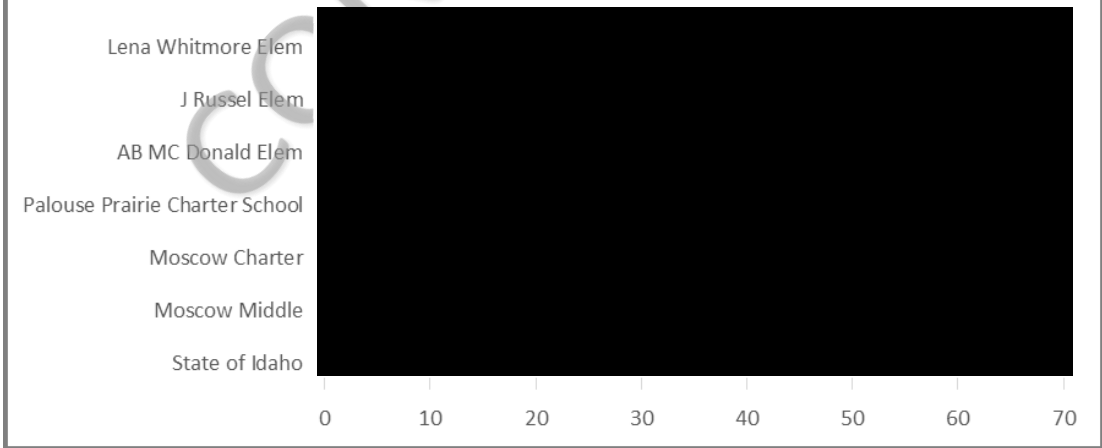
Academic Measure	Result
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Proficiency in Math	██████
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Proficiency in English Language Arts	██████
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Proficiency In Science	██████
Graduation Rate (4-year cohort data from 2014)	N/A



### Moscow Area Grades K-8 Math Percentage Proficient/Advanced



### Moscow Area Grades K-8 ELA Percentage Proficient/Advanced



## PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION - PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK

Name of School: Palouse Prairie Charter School Year Opened: 2009 Operating Term: 6/17/14 - 6/30/18 Date Executed: 6/17/2014

### Introduction

Idaho's charter school legislation requires each public charter school authorizer to develop a Performance Framework on which the provisions of the Performance Certificate will be based. Performance Frameworks must clearly set forth the academic and operational performance indicators, measures, and metrics that will guide the authorizer's evaluations of each public charter school, and must contain the following:

- Indicators, measures, and metrics for student academic proficiency;
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for student academic growth;
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for college and career readiness (for high schools); and
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for board performance and stewardship, including compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and terms of the performance certificate.

The measurable performance targets contained within the framework must require, at a minimum, that each school meet applicable federal, state, and authorizer goals for student achievement. This Performance Framework was adopted by the Public Charter School Commission (PCSC) on August 30, 2013, and is intended for use with non-alternative public charter schools authorized by the PCSC.

### Performance Framework Structure

The Performance Framework is divided into four sections: Academic, Mission-Specific, Operational, and Financial. The Academic and Mission-Specific sections comprise the primary indicators on which most renewal or non-renewal decisions will be based. The Operational and Financial sections contribute additional indicators that will, except in cases of egregious failure to meet standards, be considered secondary.

#### **Academic:**

A high percentage (60%) of a school's total score for the Academic & Mission Specific Accountability Designation reflects the school's performance on a set of academic measures. These measures are the same for all non-alternative schools. The "Meets Standard" rating for each measure is designed to align closely with state minimum standards as established in Idaho's ESEA waiver and Star Rating System.

#### **Mission-Specific:**

A significant portion (40%) of a school's total score for the Academic & Mission Specific Accountability Designation reflects the school's performance on a set of mission-specific measures. These measures may be academic or non-academic in nature, but must be objective and data-driven. The number and weighting of mission-specific measures should be established during one-on-one negotiations between the school and authorizer.

*During their first Performance Certificate term only, schools authorized to open in or before Fall 2014 may choose to opt-out of the Mission-Specific section of the framework. Schools choosing to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for their first term agree that the weight of those measures will be placed instead on the Academic section, which then becomes the single, primary factor considered for purposes of renewal or non-renewal.*

#### **Operational:**

Operational indicators comprise a secondary element for consideration during the renewal process. While each school will receive a score in the operational section, this score should not be used as the primary rationale for non-renewal unless the non-compliance with organizational expectations is severe or systemic. Particularly for a school whose academic performance meets or exceeds standards, poor results in this area are more likely to lead to a conditional renewal decision than to non-renewal.

**Financial:**

Financial indicators comprise a secondary element for consideration during the renewal process. While each school will receive a score in the financial section, this score should not be used as the primary rationale for non-renewal unless the school's financial state at the time of renewal is dire. Particularly for a school whose academic performance meets or exceeds standards, poor results in this area are more likely to lead to a conditional renewal decision than to non-renewal. The PCSC may also elect to renew a financially troubled school that is clearly providing a high quality education, but notify the SDE of the situation so that the payment schedule may be modified in order to safeguard taxpayer dollars.

**Accountability Designations**

Calculation of the percentage of eligible points earned for each school will guide the determination of that school's accountability designation: Honor, Good Standing, Remediation, or Critical. The accountability designation will, in turn, guide the PCSC's renewal or non-renewal decision-making. Measures for which a school lacks data due to factors such as grade configuration or small size will not contribute to that school's accountability designation. The PCSC will consider contextual factors affecting a school's accountability designation when making renewal or non-renewal decisions.

**Honor:**

Schools achieving at this level in all categories (academic, mission-specific, operational, and financial) are eligible for special recognition and will be recommended for renewal. Replication and expansion proposals are likely to succeed. The Framework places schools that earn 75-100% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 5-star schools, high-range 4-star schools with solid mission-specific outcomes, and mid-range 4-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes to receive an honor designation. Schools that fall into this point-percentage category but have poor operational and/or financial outcomes will not be eligible for an honor designation.

**Good Standing:**

Schools achieving at this level will be recommended for renewal; however, conditional renewal may be recommended if operational and/or financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals will be considered. To be placed in this category, schools must receive the appropriate percentage of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible and have at least a 3-star rating. The Framework places schools that earn 55-74% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 3-star or 4-star schools with solid mission-specific outcomes, or 5-star schools with poor mission-specific, financial, and/or operational outcomes to receive a good standing designation. Although 2-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes could fall into this point-percentage range, they would not be eligible to receive a good standing designation due to their star ratings; the Framework is drafted thus in recognition of Idaho's statutory provision that the performance framework shall, at a minimum, require that each school meet applicable federal and state goals for student achievement.

**Remediation:**

Schools achieving at this level may be recommended for non-renewal or conditional renewal, particularly if operational and/or financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals are unlikely to succeed. The Framework places schools that earn 31-54% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 3-star schools with poor mission-specific outcomes, 2-star schools, or 1-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes to receive a remediation designation.

**Critical:**

Schools achieving at this level face a strong likelihood of non-renewal, particularly if operational and/or financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals should not be considered. The Framework places schools that earn less than 30% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 1-star schools or 2-star schools with poor mission-specific outcomes to receive a Critical designation.

PPCS --- PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK SCORING

ACADEMIC	Measure	Possible Elem / MS Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED	Possible HS Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED
State/Federal Accountability	1a	25	0%	0.00			
	1b	25	0%	0.00			
Proficiency	2a	75	0%	0.00			
	2b	75	50%	31.83			
	2c	75	50%	38.82			
Growth	3a	100	0%	0.00			
	3b	100	0%	0.00			
	3c	100	0%	0.00			
	3d	75	0%	0.00			
	3e	75	0%	0.00			
	3f	75	0%	0.00			
	3g	100	0%	0.00			
College & Career Readiness	4a						
	4b1 / 4b2						
	4c						
Total Possible Academic Points		900	100%				
- Points from Non-Applicable		750					
Total Possible Academic Points for This School		150					
<b>Total Academic Points Received</b>				<b>70.65</b>			
<b>% of Possible Academic Points for This School</b>				<b>47.10%</b>			

MISSION-SPECIFIC	Measure	Possible Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED	Possible Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED
Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for this Performance Certificate term.							
Total Possible Mission-Specific Points							
<b>Total Mission-Specific Points Received</b>							
<b>% of Possible Mission-Specific Points Received</b>							
<b>TOTAL POSSIBLE ACADEMIC &amp; MISSION-SPECIFIC POINTS</b>		<b>150</b>					
<b>TOTAL POINTS RECEIVED</b>				<b>70.65</b>			
<b>% OF POSSIBLE ACADEMIC &amp; MISSION-SPECIFIC POINTS</b>				<b>47.10%</b>			

OPERATIONAL	Measure	Points Possible	% of Total Points	Points Earned
Educational Program	1a	25	6%	25.00
	1b	25	6%	25.00
	1c	25	6%	25.00
	1d	25	6%	25.00
Financial Management & Oversight	2a	25	6%	25.00
	2b	25	6%	25.00
Governance & Reporting	3a	25	6%	25.00
	3b	25	6%	25.00
Students & Employees	4a	25	6%	25.00
	4b	25	6%	25.00
	4c	25	6%	25.00
	4d	25	6%	25.00
School Environment	5a	25	6%	25.00
	5b	25	6%	25.00
	5c	25	6%	25.00
Additional Obligations	6a	25	6%	0.00
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL POINTS</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>375.00</b>
<b>% OF POSSIBLE OPERATIONAL POINTS</b>				<b>93.75%</b>

FINANCIAL	Measure	Points Possible	% of Total Points	Points Earned
Near-Term Measures	1a	50	13%	50.00
	1b	50	13%	50.00
	1c	50	13%	50.00
	1d	50	13%	50.00
Sustainability Measures	2a	50	13%	50.00
	2b	50	13%	50.00
	2c	50	13%	50.00
	2d	50	13%	50.00
<b>TOTAL FINANCIAL POINTS</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>400.00</b>
<b>% OF POSSIBLE FINANCIAL POINTS</b>				<b>100.00%</b>

The financial measures included here are based on industry standards. They are not intended to reflect the nuances of a school's financial status. A low score on any single measure indicates only the possibility of a problem. In many cases, contextual information that alleviates concern is provided in the notes that accompany individual measures. Please see the financial section of this framework for additional detail.

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ACCOUNTABILITY DESIGNATION	Academic & Mission-Specific		Operational		Financial	
	Range	% of Points Possible Earned	Range	% of Points Possible Earned	Range	% of Points Possible Earned
<p><b>Honor</b> Schools achieving at this level in all categories are eligible for special recognition and will be recommended for renewal. Replication and expansion proposals are likely to succeed.</p>	75% - 100% of points possible		90% - 100% of points possible	<b>93.75%</b>	85% - 100% of points possible	<b>100.00%</b>
<p><b>Good Standing</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific will be recommended for renewal; however, conditional renewal may be recommended if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals will be considered. To be placed in this category for Academic &amp; Mission-Specific, schools must receive the appropriate percentage of points and have at least a Three Star Rating.</p>	55% - 74% of points possible		80% - 89% of points possible		65% - 84% of points possible	
<p><b>Remediation</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific may be recommended for non-renewal or conditional renewal, particularly if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals are unlikely to succeed.</p>	31% - 54% of points possible	<b>47.10%</b>	61% - 79% of points possible		46% - 64% of points possible	
<p><b>Critical</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific level face a strong likelihood of non-renewal, particularly if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals should not be considered.</p>	0% - 30% of points possible		0% - 60% of points possible		0% - 45% of points possible	

PPCS --- ACADEMIC FRAMEWORK

INDICATOR 1: STATE AND FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY								
<b>Measure 1a</b> <b>Overall Star Rating</b>	<b>Is the school meeting acceptable standards according to existing state grading or rating systems?</b>	<b>Result (Stars)</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>				
		5	25					
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School received five stars on the Star Rating System	4	20					
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> School received three or four stars on the Star Rating System	3	15					
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School received two stars on the Star Rating System	2	0					
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School received one star on the Star Rating System	1	0					
Notes				0				
<b>Measure 1b</b> <b>State Designations</b>	<b>Is the school meeting state designation expectations as set forth by state and federal accountability systems?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>				
		Reward	25					
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School was identified as a "Reward" school.	None	15					
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> School does not have a designation.	Focus	0					
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School was identified as a "Focus" school.	Priority	0					
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School was identified as a "Priority" school.							
Notes				0				
INDICATOR 2: STUDENT ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY								
<b>Measure 2a</b> <b>ISAT / SBA % Proficiency</b> <b>Reading</b>	<b>Are students achieving reading proficiency on state examinations?</b>	<b>Result (Percentage)</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Possible in this Range</b>	<b>Percentile Targets</b>	<b>Percentile Points</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>	
			57-75	19	90-100	11	0	
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> 90% or more of students met or exceeded proficiency.		38-56	19	65-89	25	0	
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 65-89% of students met or exceeded proficiency.		20-37	18	41-64	24	0	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 41-64% of students met or exceeded proficiency.		0-19	19	1-40	40	0	
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 41% of students met or exceeded proficiency.					0		
Notes				0				
<b>Measure 2b</b> <b>ISAT / SBA % Proficiency</b> <b>Math</b>	<b>Are students achieving math proficiency on state examinations?</b>	<b>Result (Percentage)</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Possible in this Range</b>	<b>Percentile Targets</b>	<b>Percentile Points</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>	
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	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 41-64% of students met or exceeded proficiency.		0-19	19	1-40	40	0	
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 41% of students met or exceeded proficiency.					0		
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		Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
<b>Measure 2c</b> <b>ISAT / SBA % Proficiency</b> <b>Language Arts</b>	<b>Are students achieving language proficiency on state examinations?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> 90% or more of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 65-89% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 41-64% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 41% of students met or exceeded proficiency.		57-75	19	90-100	11	0
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			20-37	18	41-64	24	0
			0-19	19	1-40	40	0
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<b>INDICATOR 3: STUDENT ACADEMIC GROWTH</b>							
<b>Measure 3a</b> <b>Criterion-Referenced</b> <b>Growth in Reading</b>	<b>Are students making adequate annual academic growth to achieve proficiency in reading with 3 years or by 10th grade?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70-84% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50-69% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth.		76-100	25	85-100	16	0
			51-75	25	70-84	15	0
			26-50	25	50-69	20	0
			0-25	25	1-49	49	0
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<b>Measure 3b</b> <b>Criterion-Referenced</b> <b>Growth in Math</b>	<b>Are students making adequate annual academic growth to achieve math proficiency within 3 years or by 10th grade?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70-84% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50-69% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth.		76-100	25	85-100	16	0
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<b>Measure 3c</b> <b>Criterion-Referenced</b> <b>Growth in Language</b>	<b>Are students making adequate annual academic growth to achieve language proficiency within 3 years or by 10th grade?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70-84% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50-69% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth.		76-100	25	85-100	16	0
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<p><b>Measure 3d</b> Norm-Referenced <b>Growth in Reading</b></p> <p><b>Are students making expected annual academic growth in reading compared to their academic peers?</b></p> <p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls between the 66<sup>th</sup> and 99<sup>th</sup> percentile.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls between the 43<sup>rd</sup> and 65<sup>th</sup> percentile.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls between the 30<sup>th</sup> and 42<sup>th</sup> percentile.  <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls below the 30<sup>th</sup> percentile.</p> <p>Notes</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Result (Percentile)</th> <th>Points Possible</th> <th>Possible in this Range</th> <th>Percentile Targets</th> <th>Percentile Points</th> <th>Points Earned</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td>57-75</td> <td>19</td> <td>66-99</td> <td>34</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>38-56</td> <td>19</td> <td>43-65</td> <td>23</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>20-37</td> <td>18</td> <td>30-42</td> <td>13</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>0-19</td> <td>19</td> <td>1-29</td> <td>29</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td><u>0</u></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Result (Percentile)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned		57-75	19	66-99	34	0		38-56	19	43-65	23	0		20-37	18	30-42	13	0		0-19	19	1-29	29	0						<u>0</u>
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INDICATOR 4: COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS							
<b>Measure 4a</b> <b>Advanced Opportunity Coursework</b>	<b>Are students participating successfully in advance opportunity coursework?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School earned 5 points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Advanced Opportunity	5	50				
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> School earned 3-4 points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Advanced Opportunity	3-4	30				
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School earned 2 points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Advanced Opportunity	2	10				
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School earned 1 or fewer points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Adv Oppty	1	0				
Notes				0			
<b>Measure 4b1</b> <b>College Entrance Exam Results</b>	<b>Does students' performance on college entrance exams reflect college readiness?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, at least 35% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	5	50				
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, between 25-34% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.)	3-4	30				
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, between 20-24% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.)	2	10				
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, fewer than 20% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	1	0				
Notes				0			
<b>Measure 4b2</b> <b>College Entrance Exam Results</b>	<b>Does students' performance on college entrance exams reflect college readiness?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, at least 45% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	5	50				
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, between 35-44% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	3-4	30				
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, between 30-34% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	2	10				
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, fewer than 30% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	1	0				
Notes				0			
<b>Measure 4c</b> <b>Graduation Rate</b>	<b>Are students graduating from high school?</b>	<b>Result (Percentage)</b>	<b>Possible Overall</b>	<b>Possible in this Range</b>	<b>Percentile Targets</b>	<b>Percentile Points</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 90% of students graduated from high school.		39-50	12	90-100	11	0
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> 81-89% of students graduated from high school.		26-38	13	81-89	9	0
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> 71%-80% of students graduated from high school.		14-25	12	71-80	10	0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 70% of students graduated from high school.		0-13	13	1-70	70	0
Notes							0

PPCS --- MISSION-SPECIFIC FRAMEWORK

MISSION-SPECIFIC GOALS		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
Measure 1	Is the school ***?  Exceeds Standard: Meets Standard: Does Not Meet Standard: Falls Far Below Standard:			
Notes	Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning (PPSEL) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for the initial Performance Certificate term ending June 30, 2018. PPSEL acknowledges and agrees that the weight that would have been placed on the Mission-Specific section of this Framework will be placed instead on the Academic section of this Framework, which therefore becomes the single, primary factor considered for purposes of renewal or non-renewal. PPSEL further acknowledges and agrees that, if the Certificate is renewed effective July 1, 2018, Mission-Specific measures must be included in the renewal Certificate at that time. PPSEL has been advised to spend the initial Certificate term developing and testing Mission-Specific measures for future use.			0.00

INDICATOR 1: EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM				
<b>Measure 1a</b> <b>Implementation of Educational Program</b>	<b>Is the school implementing the material terms of the educational program as defined in the performance certificate?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school implements the material terms of the mission, vision, and educational program in all material respects and the implementation of the educational program reflects the essential elements outlined in the performance certificate, or the school has gained approval for a charter modification to the material terms.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School has deviated from the material terms of the mission, vision, and essential elements of the educational program as described in the performance certificate, without approval for a charter modification, such that the program provided differs substantially from the program described in the charter and performance certificate.		0	<hr/> 25.00
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<b>Measure 1b</b> <b>Education Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with applicable education requirements?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to education requirements, including but not limited to: Instructional time requirements, graduation and promotion requirements, content standards including the Common Core State Standards, the Idaho State Standards, State assessments, and implementation of mandated programming related to state or federal funding.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school has exhibited non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the education requirements; however, matters of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to education requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	<hr/> 25.00
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<b>Measure 1c</b> <b>Students with Disabilities</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of students with disabilities?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability, including but not limited to: Equitable access and opportunity to enroll; identification and referral; appropriate development and implementation of IEPs and Section 504 plans; operational compliance, including provision of services in the LRE and appropriate inclusion in the school's academic program, assessments, and extracurricular activities; discipline, including due process protections, manifestation determinations, and behavioral intervention plans; access to the school's facility and program; appropriate use of all available, applicable funding.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	<hr/> 25.00
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		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 1d</b> <b>English Language Learners</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of English Language Learner (ELL) students?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to requirements regarding ELLs, including but not limited to: Equitable access and opportunity to enroll; required policies related to the service of ELL students; compliance with native language communication requirements; proper steps for identification of students in need of ELL services; appropriate and equitable delivery of services to identified students; appropriate accommodations on assessments; exiting of students from ELL services; and ongoing monitoring of exited students. Matters of non-compliance, if any, are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school has exhibited non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of ELL students; however, matters of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to requirements regarding ELLs; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
<b>Notes</b>				25.00
<b>INDICATOR 2: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT</b>				
<b>Measure 2a</b> <b>Financial Reporting and Compliance</b>	<b>Is the school meeting financial reporting and compliance requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements, including but not limited to: Complete and on-time submission of financial reports including annual budget, revised budgets (if applicable), periodic financial reports as required by the PCSC, and any reporting requirements if the board contracts with and Education Service Provider; on-time submission and completion of the annual independent audit and corrective action plans (if applicable); and all reporting requirements related to the use of public funds.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
<b>Notes</b>				25.00
<b>Measure 2b</b> <b>GAAP</b>	<b>Is the school following Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)?</b>			
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial management and oversight expectations as evidenced by an annual independent audit, including but not limited to: An unqualified audit opinion; an audit devoid of significant findings and conditions, material weaknesses, or significant internal control weaknesses; and an audit that does not include a going concern disclosure in the notes or an explanatory paragraph within the audit report.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits failure to comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial management and oversight expectations as evidenced by an annual independent audits; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
<b>Notes</b>				25.00

GOVERNANCE AND REPORTING			
<b>Measure 3a</b> <b>Governance Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with governance requirements?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board, including but not limited to: board policies; board bylaws; state open meetings law; code of ethics; conflicts of interest; board composition; and compensation for attendance at meetings.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0
<b>Notes</b>		<hr/> <b>25.00</b>	
INDICATOR 4: STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES			
<b>Measure 3b</b> <b>Reporting Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with reporting requirements?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities, including but not limited to: accountability tracking; attendance and enrollment reporting; compliance and oversight; additional information requested by the authorizer.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0
<b>Notes</b>		<hr/> <b>25.00</b>	
<b>Measure 4a</b> <b>Student Rights</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of all students?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students, including but not limited to: policies and practices related to recruitment and enrollment; the collection and protection of student information; due process protections, privacy, civil rights, and student liberties requirements; conduct of discipline.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0
<b>Notes</b>		<hr/> <b>25.00</b>	

Measure 4b Credentialing	Is the school meeting teacher and other staff credentialing requirements?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
		<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>		No instances of non-compliance documented
			15	
			0	
Notes		<u>25.00</u>		

Measure 4c Employee Rights	Is the school complying with laws regarding employee rights?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
		<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations, including those relating to the Family Medical Leave Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and employment contracts.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations or employee rights. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>		No instances of non-compliance documented
			15	
			0	
Notes		<u>25.00</u>		

Measure 4d Background Checks	Is the school completing required background checks?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
		<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>		No instances of non-compliance documented
			15	
			0	
Notes		<u>25.00</u>		

INDICATOR 5: SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 5a</b> <b>Facilities and Transportation</b>  <b>Is the school complying with facilities and transportation requirements?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, and transportation, including but not limited to: American's with Disabilities Act, fire inspections and related records, viable certificate of occupancy or other required building use authorization, documentation of requisite insurance coverage, and student transportation.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, or transportation. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, and transportation; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
			15	
			0	
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<b>Measure 5b</b> <b>Health and Safety</b>  <b>Is the school complying with health and safety requirements?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to safety and the provision of health-related services.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to safety or the provision of health-related services. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to safety and the provision of health-related services; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
			15	
			0	
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<b>Measure 5c</b> <b>Information Handling</b>  <b>Is the school handling information appropriately?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information, including but not limited to: maintaining the security of and providing access to student records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and other applicable authorities; accessing documents maintained by the school under the state's Freedom of Information law and other applicable authorities; Transferring of student records; proper and secure maintenance of testing materials.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
			15	
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PPCS --- OPERATIONAL FRAMEWORK

ADDITIONAL OBLIGATIONS		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
Measure 6a Additional Obligations	Is the school complying with all other obligations?		25	
	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school materially complies with all other material legal, statutory, regulatory, or contractual requirements contained in its charter contract that are not otherwise explicitly stated herein, including but not limited to requirements from the following sources: revisions to state charter law; and requirements of the State Department of Education. Matters of non-compliance, if any, are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with with all other material legal, statutory, regulatory, or contractual requirements contained in its charter contract that are not otherwise explicitly stated herein; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>	See note	0	0.00
Notes	The school's 2014-15 annual performance report was not published on the school's website in accordance with §33-5209C, Idaho Code. The school has not posted a Continuous Improvement Plan on its website as required by §33-320, Idaho Code. These matters had not been remedied as of July 1, 2016.			0.00



INDICATOR 1: NEAR-TERM MEASURES				
<b>Measure 1a</b>	<b>Current Ratio: Current Assets divided by Current Liabilities</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
<b>Current Ratio</b>	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> Current Ratio is greater than or equal to 1.1 OR Current Ratio is between 1.0 and 1.1 and one-year trend is positive (current year ratio is higher than last year's). <i>Note: For schools in their first or second year of operation, the current ratio must be greater than or equal to 1.1.</i></p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Current Ratio is between 0.9 and 1.0 or equals 1.0 OR Current Ratio is between 1.0 and 1.1 and one-year trend is negative.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Current ratio is less than or equal to 0.9.</p>	Current Ratio is: 3.39	50	50.00
<b>Notes</b>			10	
			0	50.00
<b>Measure 1b</b>	<b>Unrestricted Days Cash: Unrestricted Cash divided by (Total Expenses minus Depreciation Expense / 365)</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
<b>Unrestricted Days Cash</b>	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> 60 Days Cash OR Between 30 and 60 Days Cash and one-year trend is positive. <i>Note: Schools in their first or second year of operation must have a minimum of 30 Days Cash.</i></p> <p><b>Does Note Meet Standard:</b> Days Cash is between 15-30 days OR Days Cash is between 30-60 days and one-year trend is negative.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 15 Days Cash.</p>	No. of Days Cash: 109	50	50.00
<b>Notes</b>			10	
			0	50.00
<b>Measure 1c</b>	<b>Enrollment Variance: Actual Enrollment divided by Enrollment Projection in Charter School Board-Approved Budget</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
<b>Enrollment Variance</b>	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> Enrollment Variance equals or exceeds 95 percent in the most recent year.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Enrollment Variance is between 85-95 percent in the most recent year.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Enrollment Variance is less than 85 percent in the most recent year.</p>	Variance is: 101.93%	50	50.00
<b>Notes</b>			30	
			0	50.00
<b>Measure 1d</b>	<b>Default</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
<b>Default</b>	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> School is not in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is not delinquent with debt service payments.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Not applicable</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School is in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is delinquent with debt service payments.</p>	No instances of non-compliance documented	50	50.00
<b>Notes</b>			0	
				50.00

INDICATOR 2: SUSTAINABILITY MEASURES																			
<p><b>Measure 2a</b></p> <p><b>Total Margin and Aggregated 3-Year Total Margin</b></p> <p><b>Total Margin: Net Income divided by Total Revenue AND Aggregated Total Margin: Total 3-Year Net Income divided by Total 3-Year Revenues</b></p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> Aggregated 3-year Total Margin is positive and the most recent year Total Margin is positive OR Aggregated 3-Year Total Margin is greater than -1.5 percent, the trend is positive for the last two years, and the most recent year Total Margin is positive. <i>Note: For schools in their first or second year of operation, the cumulative Total Margin must be positive.</i></p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Aggregated 3-Year Total Margin is greater than -1.5 percent, but trend does not "Meet Standard"</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Aggregated 3-Year Total Margin is less than or equal to -1.5 percent OR The most recent year Total Margin is less than -10 percent.</p> <p><i>Due to the Restatement of Pension Liability, as required by GASB 68, Net Position may be higher than expected. Changes in Net Position due to pension restatement that do not provide or require current financial resources have been removed from the Net Position calculation. This restatement had no material effect on the standard outcome.</i></p> <p><b>Notes</b></p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Result</th> <th>Points Possible</th> <th>Points Earned</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="3">Aggregated 3-Year Totals:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7.53%</td> <td>50</td> <td>50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>10</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>0</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black;">50.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned	Aggregated 3-Year Totals:			7.53%	50	50.00		10			0				50.00
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PPCS --- LONGITUDINAL RESULTS

ACADEMIC	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED*	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
State/Federal Accountability	1a	25	20.00	0.00	0.00		
	1b	25	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Proficiency	2a	75	59.11	0.00	0.00		
	2b	75	55.85	36.78	31.83		
	2c	75	47.34	40.50	38.82		
	3a	100	75.97	0.00	0.00		
Growth	3b	100	80.77	0.00	0.00		
	3c	100	52.95	0.00	0.00		
	3d	75	55.17	0.00	0.00		
	3e	75	69.41	0.00	0.00		
	3f	75	52.70	0.00	0.00		
	3g	100	83.87	0.00	0.00		
	College & Career Readiness	4a					
	4b1 / 4b2						
	4c						
Total Possible Academic Points Received		900	653.13	77.27	70.65	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Academic Points for This School			72.57%	44.15%	47.10%	0.00%	0.00%


\*2013-14 academic results are based on 2012-13 ISAT. Subsequent outcomes are based on the ISAT by SBAC and should not be directly compared to 2013-14 data.

MISSION-SPECIFIC	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for this Performance Certificate term.							
Total Possible Mission-Specific Points Received		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Mission-Specific Points for This School			N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

OPERATIONAL	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
Educational Program	1a	25	25	25	25		
	1b	25	25	25	25		
	1c	25	25	25	25		
	1d	25	25	25	25		
Financial Management & Oversight	2a	25	15	25	25		
	2b	25	25	25	25		
Governance & Reporting	3a	25	25	25	25		
	3b	25	25	25	25		
Students & Employees	4a	25	25	25	25		
	4b	25	25	25	25		
	4c	25	25	25	25		
	4d	25	25	25	25		
School Environment	5a	25	25	25	25		
	5b	25	25	25	25		
	5c	25	25	25	25		
Additional Obligations	6a	25	25	0			
Total Possible Operational Points Received		400	390.00	400.00	375.00	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Operational Points for This School			97.50%	100.00%	93.75%	0.00%	0.00%

FINANCIAL	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
Near-Term Measures	1a	50	50	50	50		
	1b	50	50	50	50		
	1c	50	30	50	50		
	1d	50	50	50	50		
Sustainability Measures	2a	50	10	50	50		
	2b	50	50	50	50		
	2c	50	30	50	50		
	2d	50	50	50	50		
Total Possible Financial Points Received		400	320.00	400.00	400.00	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Financial Points for This School			80.00%	100.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%

ACCOUNTABILITY DESIGNATION	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION
Academic & Mission-Specific	Good Standing	Remediation	Remediation		
Operational	Honor	Honor	Honor		
Financial	Good Standing	Honor	Honor		

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“Performance-based accountability is the cornerstone of charter schools.”

Alison Consoletti, The Center for Education Reform



# Palouse Prairie Charter School



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

### 2014-2015

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## Introduction

Each year, Idaho's Public Charter School Commission (PCSC) issues a performance report to every school in its portfolio. The annual report serves several purposes:

1. To provide transparent, data-driven information about charter school quality;
2. To ensure that charter school boards have access to clear expectations and are provided maximum opportunity to correct any deficiencies prior to their renewal year; and
3. To inform mid-term decision making, such as the evaluation of charter amendment proposals.

This report contains an overview of the school, including its history, mission, leadership, and demographics. The overview is followed by the school's performance framework, including outcomes for the most recently completed school year.

The performance framework is comprised of four sections: Academic, Mission-Specific, Operational, and Financial. Each section contains a number of measures intended to evaluate the school's performance against specific criteria. The scorecard pages of the framework offer a summary of the school's scores and accountability designation ranging from Honor (high) to Critical (low).

Due to significant and ongoing changes to the state's school accountability system, many of the academic measures in the performance framework could not be scored this year. Data for all of the growth measures and most of the post-secondary readiness measures was unavailable. As a result, academic framework scores cannot reflect the intended scope of information.

Additionally, although ISAT Math and English Language Arts proficiency data was available, it was gathered using an assessment that the state adopted subsequent to the framework's development. The cut scores used to establish proficiency remain under evaluation, and it cannot be determined at this time whether or not the rating categories within each framework measure are appropriate in the context of the new assessment.

For these reasons, we have eliminated academic framework scores from this report and instead provided comparisons of the public charter schools' proficiency rates to those of the state as a whole, as well as to area schools that serve similar grade ranges. In some cases, comparisons cannot be provided because the data is masked per state law or statistical irrelevance.

To facilitate a clearer context for the academic results contained in this report, the demographic, enrollment, and school leadership data provided is from the 2014-15 school year. Updated enrollment and school leadership information is available upon request from the school or PCSC office.

Schools had an opportunity to correct or clarify their framework outcomes prior to the publication of this report.

Public charter school operations are inherently complex. For this reason, readers are encouraged to consider the scores on individual measures within the framework as a starting point for gaining full, contextualized understanding of the school's performance.

Additional information about how the performance framework was developed and how results may be interpreted is available on the PCSC's website: [chartercommission.idaho.gov](http://chartercommission.idaho.gov).

## School Overview

<b>Mission Statement</b>	The mission of Palouse Prairie Charter School is to engage the children and the community of the Palouse in a rigorous and collaborative education of the highest standards by fostering a spirit of inquiry, a persistence towards excellence, a responsibility for learning, and an ethic of service.	
<b>Key Design Elements</b>	<p>The design principles of Expeditionary Learning are the best short statement of our philosophy of education. They focus our attention on what is important and give us something to go back to when we need guidance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Primacy of Self-Discovery</i> - Learning happens best with emotion, challenge and the requisite support. People discover their abilities, values, passions, and responsibilities in situations that offer adventure and the unexpected. In Expeditionary Learning schools, students undertake tasks that require perseverance, fitness, craftsmanship, imagination, self-discipline, and significant achievement. A teacher's primary task is to help students overcome their fears and discover they can do more than they think they can.</li> <li>• <i>The Having of Wonderful Ideas</i> - Teaching in Expeditionary Learning schools fosters curiosity about the world by creating learning situations that provide something important to think about, time to experiment, and time to make sense of what is observed.</li> <li>• <i>The Responsibility for Learning</i> - Learning is both a personal process of discovery and a social activity.</li> <li>• <i>Service and Compassion</i> - We are crew, not passengers. Students and teachers are strengthened by acts of consequential service to others, and one of an Expeditionary Learning school's primary functions is to prepare students with the attitudes and skills to learn from and be of service.</li> </ul>	
<b>School Contact Information</b>	Address: 1500 Levick Street Moscow, ID 83843	Phone: (208) 882-3684
<b>Surrounding District</b>	Moscow School District	
<b>Opening Year</b>	2009	
<b>Current Term</b>	June 17, 2014 – June 30, 2018	
<b>Grades Served</b>	K – 8	
<b>Enrollment</b>	Approved: 212	Actual: 166

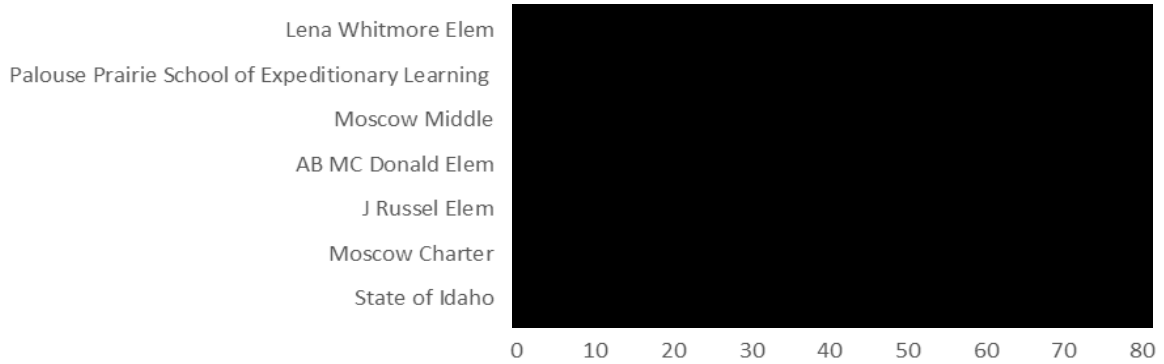
School Leadership (2014-2015)	Role
Brian Gardner	Board Chair
Amy Ball	Member
Della Bayly	Member
Greg Larson	Secretary
Sarah Deming	Treasurer
Carole Bogden	Member
Jessica Long	Member
Jacob Ellsworth	Administrator

	School	Surrounding District	State
<b>Non-White</b>	██████	14.03%	23.59%
<b>Limited English Proficiency</b>	██	2.03%	8.52%
<b>Special Needs</b>	██████	10.32%	10.43%
<b>Free &amp; Reduced Lunch</b>	██████	34.24%	49.62%

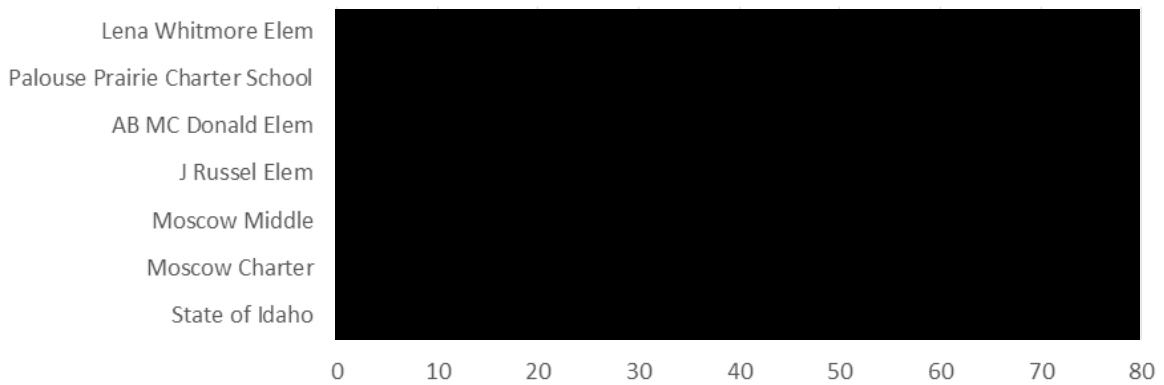
Academic Measure	Result
State Accountability Designation (if applicable)	██████
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Proficiency in Math	██████
Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Proficiency in English Language Arts	██████
Graduation Rate (4-year cohort data from 2014)	N/A



### Moscow Area Grades K-8 ELA Percengage Proficient/Advanced



### Moscow Area Grades K-8 Math Percentage Proficient/Advanced



## PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION - PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK

Name of School: Palouse Prairie Charter School Year Opened: 2009 Operating Term: 6/17/14 - 6/30/18 Date Executed: 6/17/2014

### Introduction

Idaho's charter school legislation requires each public charter school authorizer to develop a Performance Framework on which the provisions of the Performance Certificate will be based. Performance Frameworks must clearly set forth the academic and operational performance indicators, measures, and metrics that will guide the authorizer's evaluations of each public charter school, and must contain the following:

- Indicators, measures, and metrics for student academic proficiency;
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for student academic growth;
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for college and career readiness (for high schools); and
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for board performance and stewardship, including compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and terms of the performance certificate.

The measurable performance targets contained within the framework must require, at a minimum, that each school meet applicable federal, state, and authorizer goals for student achievement. This Performance Framework was adopted by the Public Charter School Commission (PCSC) on August 30, 2013, and is intended for use with non-alternative public charter schools authorized by the PCSC.

### Performance Framework Structure

The Performance Framework is divided into four sections: Academic, Mission-Specific, Operational, and Financial. The Academic and Mission-Specific sections comprise the primary indicators on which most renewal or non-renewal decisions will be based. The Operational and Financial sections contribute additional indicators that will, except in cases of egregious failure to meet standards, be considered secondary.

#### **Academic:**

A high percentage (60%) of a school's total score for the Academic & Mission Specific Accountability Designation reflects the school's performance on a set of academic measures. These measures are the same for all non-alternative schools. The "Meets Standard" rating for each measure is designed to align closely with state minimum standards as established in Idaho's ESEA waiver and Star Rating System.

#### **Mission-Specific:**

A significant portion (40%) of a school's total score for the Academic & Mission Specific Accountability Designation reflects the school's performance on a set of mission-specific measures. These measures may be academic or non-academic in nature, but must be objective and data-driven. The number and weighting of mission-specific measures should be established during one-on-one negotiations between the school and authorizer.

*During their first Performance Certificate term only, schools authorized to open in or before Fall 2014 may choose to opt-out of the Mission-Specific section of the framework. Schools choosing to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for their first term agree that the weight of those measures will be placed instead on the Academic section, which then becomes the single, primary factor considered for purposes of renewal or non-renewal.*

#### **Operational:**

Operational indicators comprise a secondary element for consideration during the renewal process. While each school will receive a score in the operational section, this score should not be used as the primary rationale for non-renewal unless the non-compliance with organizational expectations is severe or systemic. Particularly for a school whose academic performance meets or exceeds standards, poor results in this area are more likely to lead to a conditional renewal decision than to non-renewal.

**Financial:**

Financial indicators comprise a secondary element for consideration during the renewal process. While each school will receive a score in the financial section, this score should not be used as the primary rationale for non-renewal unless the school's financial state at the time of renewal is dire. Particularly for a school whose academic performance meets or exceeds standards, poor results in this area are more likely to lead to a conditional renewal decision than to non-renewal. The PCSC may also elect to renew a financially troubled school that is clearly providing a high quality education, but notify the SDE of the situation so that the payment schedule may be modified in order to safeguard taxpayer dollars.

**Accountability Designations**

Calculation of the percentage of eligible points earned for each school will guide the determination of that school's accountability designation: Honor, Good Standing, Remediation, or Critical. The accountability designation will, in turn, guide the PCSC's renewal or non-renewal decision-making. Measures for which a school lacks data due to factors such as grade configuration or small size will not contribute to that school's accountability designation. The PCSC will consider contextual factors affecting a school's accountability designation when making renewal or non-renewal decisions.

**Honor:**

Schools achieving at this level in all categories (academic, mission-specific, operational, and financial) are eligible for special recognition and will be recommended for renewal. Replication and expansion proposals are likely to succeed. The Framework places schools that earn 75-100% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 5-star schools, high-range 4-star schools with solid mission-specific outcomes, and mid-range 4-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes to receive an honor designation. Schools that fall into this point-percentage category but have poor operational and/or financial outcomes will not be eligible for an honor designation.

**Good Standing:**

Schools achieving at this level will be recommended for renewal; however, conditional renewal may be recommended if operational and/or financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals will be considered. To be placed in this category, schools must receive the appropriate percentage of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible and have at least a 3-star rating. The Framework places schools that earn 55-74% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 3-star or 4-star schools with solid mission-specific outcomes, or 5-star schools with poor mission-specific, financial, and/or operational outcomes to receive a good standing designation. Although 2-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes could fall into this point-percentage range, they would not be eligible to receive a good standing designation due to their star ratings; the Framework is drafted thus in recognition of Idaho's statutory provision that the performance framework shall, at a minimum, require that each school meet applicable federal and state goals for student achievement.

**Remediation:**

Schools achieving at this level may be recommended for non-renewal or conditional renewal, particularly if operational and/or financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals are unlikely to succeed. The Framework places schools that earn 31-54% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 3-star schools with poor mission-specific outcomes, 2-star schools, or 1-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes to receive a remediation designation.

**Critical:**

Schools achieving at this level face a strong likelihood of non-renewal, particularly if operational and/or financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals should not be considered. The Framework places schools that earn less than 30% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 1-star schools or 2-star schools with poor mission-specific outcomes to receive a Critical designation.

PPCS --- PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK SCORING

ACADEMIC	Measure	Possible Elem / MS Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED	Possible HS Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED
State/Federal Accountability	1a	25	0%	0.00			
	1b	25	14%	0.00			
Proficiency	2a	75	0%	0.00			
	2b	75	43%	36.78			
	2c	75	43%	40.50			
Growth	3a	100	0%	0.00			
	3b	100	0%	0.00			
	3c	100	0%	0.00			
	3d	75	0%	0.00			
	3e	75	0%	0.00			
	3f	75	0%	0.00			
	3g	100	0%	0.00			
College & Career Readiness	4a						
	4b1 / 4b2						
	4c						
Total Possible Academic Points		900	100%				
- Points from Non-Applicable		725					
Total Possible Academic Points for This School		175					
<b>Total Academic Points Received</b>				<b>77.27</b>			
<b>% of Possible Academic Points for This School</b>				<b>44.15%</b>			

MISSION-SPECIFIC	Measure	Possible Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED	Possible Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED
Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for this Performance Certificate term.							
Total Possible Mission-Specific Points							
<b>Total Mission-Specific Points Received</b>							
<b>% of Possible Mission-Specific Points Received</b>							
<b>TOTAL POSSIBLE ACADEMIC &amp; MISSION-SPECIFIC POINTS</b>		<b>175</b>					
<b>TOTAL POINTS RECEIVED</b>				<b>77.27</b>			
<b>% OF POSSIBLE ACADEMIC &amp; MISSION-SPECIFIC POINTS</b>				<b>44.15%</b>			

OPERATIONAL	Measure	Points Possible	% of Total Points	Points Earned
Educational Program	1a	25	6%	25.00
	1b	25	6%	25.00
	1c	25	6%	25.00
	1d	25	6%	25.00
Financial Management & Oversight	2a	25	6%	25.00
	2b	25	6%	25.00
Governance & Reporting	3a	25	6%	25.00
	3b	25	6%	25.00
Students & Employees	4a	25	6%	25.00
	4b	25	6%	25.00
	4c	25	6%	25.00
	4d	25	6%	25.00
School Environment	5a	25	6%	25.00
	5b	25	6%	25.00
	5c	25	6%	25.00
Additional Obligations	6a	25	6%	25.00
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL POINTS</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>400.00</b>
<b>% OF POSSIBLE OPERATIONAL POINTS</b>				<b>100.00%</b>

FINANCIAL	Measure	Points Possible	% of Total Points	Points Earned
Near-Term Measures	1a	50	13%	50.00
	1b	50	13%	50.00
	1c	50	13%	50.00
	1d	50	13%	50.00
Sustainability Measures	2a	50	13%	50.00
	2b	50	13%	50.00
	2c	50	13%	50.00
	2d	50	13%	50.00
<b>TOTAL FINANCIAL POINTS</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>400.00</b>
<b>% OF POSSIBLE FINANCIAL POINTS</b>				<b>100.00%</b>

The financial measures included here are based on industry standards. They are not intended to reflect the nuances of a school's financial status. A low score on any single measure indicates only the possibility of a problem. In many cases, contextual information that alleviates concern is provided in the notes that accompany individual measures. Please see the financial section of this framework for additional detail.

PPCS --- PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK SCORING

ACCOUNTABILITY DESIGNATION	Academic & Mission-Specific		Operational		Financial	
	Range	% of Points Possible Earned	Range	% of Points Possible Earned	Range	% of Points Possible Earned
<p><b>Honor</b> Schools achieving at this level in all categories are eligible for special recognition and will be recommended for renewal. Replication and expansion proposals are likely to succeed.</p>	75% - 100% of points possible		90% - 100% of points possible	<b>100.00%</b>	85% - 100% of points possible	<b>100.00%</b>
<p><b>Good Standing</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific will be recommended for renewal; however, conditional renewal may be recommended if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals will be considered. To be placed in this category for Academic &amp; Mission-Specific, schools must receive the appropriate percentage of points and have at least a Three Star Rating.</p>	55% - 74% of points possible		80% - 89% of points possible		65% - 84% of points possible	
<p><b>Remediation</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific may be recommended for non-renewal or conditional renewal, particularly if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals are unlikely to succeed.</p>	31% - 54% of points possible	<b>44.15%</b>	61% - 79% of points possible		46% - 64% of points possible	
<p><b>Critical</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific level face a strong likelihood of non-renewal, particularly if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals should not be considered.</p>	0% - 30% of points possible		0% - 60% of points possible		0% - 45% of points possible	

INDICATOR 1: STATE AND FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY							
Measure 1a Overall Star Rating	Is the school meeting acceptable standards according to existing state grading or rating systems?  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School received five stars on the Star Rating System <b>Meets Standard:</b> School received three or four stars on the Star Rating System <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School received two stars on the Star Rating System <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School received one star on the Star Rating System	Result (Stars)	Points Possible	Points Earned			
		5	25				
		4	20				
		3	15				
		2	0				
		1	0	<hr/> 0			
Notes							
Measure 1b State Designations	Is the school meeting state designation expectations as set forth by state and federal accountability systems?  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School was identified as a "Reward" school. <b>Meets Standard:</b> School does not have a designation. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School was identified as a "Focus" school. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School was identified as a "Priority" school.	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned			
		Reward	25				
		None	15				
		Focus	0	<hr/> 0			
		Priority	0				
Notes							
INDICATOR 2: STUDENT ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY							
Measure 2a ISAT / SBA % Proficiency Reading	Are students achieving reading proficiency on state examinations?  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> 90% or more of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 65-89% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 41-64% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 41% of students met or exceeded proficiency.	Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
			57-75	19	90-100	11	0
			38-56	19	65-89	25	0
			20-37	18	41-64	24	0
			0-19	19	1-40	40	0
Notes						<hr/> 0	
Measure 2b ISAT / SBA % Proficiency Math	Are students achieving math proficiency on state examinations?  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> 90% or more of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 65-89% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 41-64% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 41% of students met or exceeded proficiency.	Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
			57-75	19	90-100	11	0
			38-56	19	65-89	25	0
		63.70	20-37	18	41-64	24	37
			0-19	19	1-40	40	0
Notes						<hr/> 37	

		Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
<b>Measure 2c</b> ISAT / SBA % Proficiency Language Arts	<b>Are students achieving language proficiency on state examinations?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> 90% or more of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 65-89% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 41-64% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 41% of students met or exceeded proficiency.		57-75	19	90-100	11	0
		68.60	38-56	19	65-89	25	40
			20-37	18	41-64	24	0
			0-19	19	1-40	40	0
							40
<b>Notes</b>							
<b>INDICATOR 3: STUDENT ACADEMIC GROWTH</b>							
<b>Measure 3a</b> Criterion-Referenced Growth in Reading	<b>Are students making adequate annual academic growth to achieve proficiency in reading with 3 years or by 10th grade?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70-84% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50-69% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth.		76-100	25	85-100	16	0
			51-75	25	70-84	15	0
			26-50	25	50-69	20	0
			0-25	25	1-49	49	0
							0
<b>Notes</b>							
<b>Measure 3b</b> Criterion-Referenced Growth in Math	<b>Are students making adequate annual academic growth to achieve math proficiency within 3 years or by 10th grade?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70-84% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50-69% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth.		76-100	25	85-100	16	0
			51-75	25	70-84	15	0
			26-50	25	50-69	20	0
			0-25	25	1-49	49	0
							0
<b>Notes</b>							
<b>Measure 3c</b> Criterion-Referenced Growth in Language	<b>Are students making adequate annual academic growth to achieve language proficiency within 3 years or by 10th grade?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70-84% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50-69% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth.		76-100	25	85-100	16	0
			51-75	25	70-84	15	0
			26-50	25	50-69	20	0
			0-25	25	1-49	49	0
							0
<b>Notes</b>							

PPCS --- ACADEMIC FRAMEWORK (2014-2015 data)

		Result (Percentile)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
<b>Measure 3d</b> <b>Norm-Referenced</b> <b>Growth in Reading</b>	<b>Are students making expected annual academic growth in reading compared to their academic peers?</b>						
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls between the 66 <sup>th</sup> and 99 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		57-75	19	66-99	34	0
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls between the 43 <sup>rd</sup> and 65 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		38-56	19	43-65	23	0
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls between the 30 <sup>th</sup> and 42 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		20-37	18	30-42	13	0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls below the 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		0-19	19	1-29	29	0
Notes							0
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<b>Measure 3e</b> <b>Norm-Referenced</b> <b>Growth in Math</b>	<b>Are students making expected annual academic growth in math compared to their academic peers?</b>						
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in math falls between the 66 <sup>th</sup> and 99 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		57-75	19	66-99	34	0
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in math falls between the 43 <sup>rd</sup> and 65 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		38-56	19	43-65	23	0
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in math falls between the 30 <sup>th</sup> and 42 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		20-37	18	30-42	13	0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in math falls below the 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		0-19	19	1-29	29	0
Notes							0
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<b>Measure 3f</b> <b>Norm-Referenced</b> <b>Growth in Language</b>	<b>Are students making expected annual academic growth in language compared to their academic peers?</b>						
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in language arts falls between the 66 <sup>th</sup> and 99 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		57-75	19	66-99	34	0
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in language arts falls between the 43 <sup>rd</sup> and 65 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		38-56	19	43-65	23	0
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in language arts falls between the 30 <sup>th</sup> and 42 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		20-37	18	30-42	13	0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in language arts falls below the 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		0-19	19	1-29	29	0
Notes							0
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<b>Measure 3g</b> <b>Subgroup Growth</b> <b>Combined Subjects</b>	<b>Is the school increasing subgroup academic performance over time?</b>	Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School earned at least 70% of possible points in SRS Accountability Area 3.		76-100	25	70-100	31	0
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> School earned 45-69% of possible points in SRS Accountability Area 3.		51-75	25	45-69	25	0
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School earned 30-44% of possible points in SRS Accountability Area 3.		26-50	25	30-44	15	0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School earned fewer than 30% of possible points in SRS Accountability Area 3.		0-25	25	1-29	29	0
Notes							0



INDICATOR 4: COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS							
<b>Measure 4a</b> <b>Advanced Opportunity Coursework</b>	<b>Are students participating successfully in advance opportunity coursework?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School earned 5 points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Advanced Opportunity	5	50				
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> School earned 3-4 points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Advanced Opportunity	3-4	30				
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School earned 2 points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Advanced Opportunity	2	10				
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School earned 1 or fewer points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Adv Oppty	1	0				
Notes				0			
<b>Measure 4b1</b> <b>College Entrance Exam Results</b>	<b>Does students' performance on college entrance exams reflect college readiness?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, at least 35% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	5	50				
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, between 25-34% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.)	3-4	30				
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, between 20-24% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.)	2	10				
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, fewer than 20% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	1	0				
Notes				0			
<b>Measure 4b2</b> <b>College Entrance Exam Results</b>	<b>Does students' performance on college entrance exams reflect college readiness?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, at least 45% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	5	50				
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, between 35-44% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	3-4	30				
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, between 30-34% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	2	10				
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, fewer than 30% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	1	0				
Notes				0			
<b>Measure 4c</b> <b>Graduation Rate</b>	<b>Are students graduating from high school?</b>	<b>Result (Percentage)</b>	<b>Possible Overall</b>	<b>Possible in this Range</b>	<b>Percentile Targets</b>	<b>Percentile Points</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 90% of students graduated from high school.		39-50	12	90-100	11	0
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> 81-89% of students graduated from high school.		26-38	13	81-89	9	0
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> 71%-80% of students graduated from high school.		14-25	12	71-80	10	0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 70% of students graduated from high school.		0-13	13	1-70	70	0
Notes						0	

PPCS --- MISSION-SPECIFIC FRAMEWORK

MISSION-SPECIFIC GOALS				
Measure 1	Is the school ***?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
	<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b>  <b>Meets Standard:</b>  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b>  <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b></p>			0.00
<b>Notes</b>	<p>Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning (PPSEL) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for the initial Performance Certificate term ending June 30, 2018. PPSEL acknowledges and agrees that the weight that would have been placed on the Mission-Specific section of this Framework will be placed instead on the Academic section of this Framework, which therefore becomes the single, primary factor considered for purposes of renewal or non-renewal. PPSEL further acknowledges and agrees that, if the Certificate is renewed effective July 1, 2018, Mission-Specific measures must be included in the renewal Certificate at that time. PPSEL has been advised to spend the initial Certificate term developing and testing Mission-Specific measures for future use.</p>			

INDICATOR 1: EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM				
<b>Measure 1a</b> <b>Implementation of Educational Program</b>	<b>Is the school implementing the material terms of the educational program as defined in the performance certificate?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school implements the material terms of the mission, vision, and educational program in all material respects and the implementation of the educational program reflects the essential elements outlined in the performance certificate, or the school has gained approval for a charter modification to the material terms.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School has deviated from the material terms of the mission, vision, and essential elements of the educational program as described in the performance certificate, without approval for a charter modification, such that the program provided differs substantially from the program described in the charter and performance certificate.		0	<hr/> 25.00
Notes				
<b>Measure 1b</b> <b>Education Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with applicable education requirements?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to education requirements, including but not limited to: Instructional time requirements, graduation and promotion requirements, content standards including the Common Core State Standards, the Idaho State Standards, State assessments, and implementation of mandated programming related to state or federal funding.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school has exhibited non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the education requirements; however, matters of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to education requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	<hr/> 25.00
Notes				
<b>Measure 1c</b> <b>Students with Disabilities</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of students with disabilities?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability, including but not limited to: Equitable access and opportunity to enroll; identification and referral; appropriate development and implementation of IEPs and Section 504 plans; operational compliance, including provision of services in the LRE and appropriate inclusion in the school's academic program, assessments, and extracurricular activities; discipline, including due process protections, manifestation determinations, and behavioral intervention plans; access to the school's facility and program; appropriate use of all available, applicable funding.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	<hr/> 25.00
Notes				

		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 1d</b> <b>English Language Learners</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of English Language Learner (ELL) students?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to requirements regarding ELLs, including but not limited to: Equitable access and opportunity to enroll; required policies related to the service of ELL students; compliance with native language communication requirements; proper steps for identification of students in need of ELL services; appropriate and equitable delivery of services to identified students; appropriate accommodations on assessments; exiting of students from ELL services; and ongoing monitoring of exited students. Matters of non-compliance, if any, are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school has exhibited non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of ELL students; however, matters of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to requirements regarding ELLs; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
				25.00
<b>Notes</b>				
<b>INDICATOR 2: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT</b>				
<b>Measure 2a</b> <b>Financial Reporting and Compliance</b>	<b>Is the school meeting financial reporting and compliance requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements, including but not limited to: Complete and on-time submission of financial reports including annual budget, revised budgets (if applicable), periodic financial reports as required by the PCSC, and any reporting requirements if the board contracts with and Education Service Provider; on-time submission and completion of the annual independent audit and corrective action plans (if applicable); and all reporting requirements related to the use of public funds.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
				25.00
<b>Notes</b>				
<b>Measure 2b</b> <b>GAAP</b>	<b>Is the school following Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)?</b>			
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial management and oversight expectations as evidenced by an annual independent audit, including but not limited to: An unqualified audit opinion; an audit devoid of significant findings and conditions, material weaknesses, or significant internal control weaknesses; and an audit that does not include a going concern disclosure in the notes or an explanatory paragraph within the audit report.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits failure to comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial management and oversight expectations as evidenced by an annual independent audits; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
				25.00
<b>Notes</b>				

GOVERNANCE AND REPORTING		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 3a</b> <b>Governance Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with governance requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board, including but not limited to: board policies; board bylaws; state open meetings law; code of ethics; conflicts of interest; board composition; and compensation for attendance at meetings.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00
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<b>Measure 3b</b> <b>Reporting Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with reporting requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities, including but not limited to: accountability tracking; attendance and enrollment reporting; compliance and oversight; additional information requested by the authorizer.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00
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INDICATOR 4: STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 4a</b> <b>Student Rights</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of all students?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students, including but not limited to: policies and practices related to recruitment and enrollment; the collection and protection of student information; due process protections, privacy, civil rights, and student liberties requirements; conduct of discipline.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00

Measure 4b Credentialing	Is the school meeting teacher and other staff credentialing requirements?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
		<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>		No instances of non-compliance documented
			15	
			0	
Notes		<u>25.00</u>		

Measure 4c Employee Rights	Is the school complying with laws regarding employee rights?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
		<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations, including those relating to the Family Medical Leave Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and employment contracts.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations or employee rights. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>		No instances of non-compliance documented
			15	
			0	
Notes		<u>25.00</u>		

Measure 4d Background Checks	Is the school completing required background checks?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
		<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>		No instances of non-compliance documented
			15	
			0	
Notes		<u>25.00</u>		

INDICATOR 5: SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 5a</b> <b>Facilities and Transportation</b>	<b>Is the school complying with facilities and transportation requirements?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, and transportation, including but not limited to: American's with Disabilities Act, fire inspections and related records, viable certificate of occupancy or other required building use authorization, documentation of requisite insurance coverage, and student transportation.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, or transportation. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, and transportation; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
			15	
			0	
				25.00
Notes				
<b>Measure 5b</b> <b>Health and Safety</b>	<b>Is the school complying with health and safety requirements?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to safety and the provision of health-related services.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to safety or the provision of health-related services. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to safety and the provision of health-related services; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
			15	
			0	
				25.00
Notes				
<b>Measure 5c</b> <b>Information Handling</b>	<b>Is the school handling information appropriately?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information, including but not limited to: maintaining the security of and providing access to student records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and other applicable authorities; accessing documents maintained by the school under the state's Freedom of Information law and other applicable authorities; Transferring of student records; proper and secure maintenance of testing materials.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
			15	
			0	
				25.00
Notes				

PPCS --- OPERATIONAL FRAMEWORK

ADDITIONAL OBLIGATIONS		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
Measure 6a Additional Obligations	Is the school complying with all other obligations?			
	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school materially complies with all other material legal, statutory, regulatory, or contractual requirements contained in its charter contract that are not otherwise explicitly stated herein, including but not limited to requirements from the following sources: revisions to state charter law; and requirements of the State Department of Education. Matters of non-compliance, if any, are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with with all other material legal, statutory, regulatory, or contractual requirements contained in its charter contract that are not otherwise explicitly stated herein; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>	See note	25	25.00
			0	
				25.00
Notes	The school's 2013-14 annual performance report was not published on the school's website in accordance with §33-5209C, Idaho Code. Continued failure to meet this requirement may impact scores on future annual performance reports.			



PPCS --- FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK

INDICATOR 1: NEAR-TERM MEASURES			Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 1a</b>	<b>Current Ratio: Current Assets divided by Current Liabilities</b>				
<b>Current Ratio</b>	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> Current Ratio is greater than or equal to 1.1 OR Current Ratio is between 1.0 and 1.1 and one-year trend is positive (current year ratio is higher than last year's). <i>Note: For schools in their first or second year of operation, the current ratio must be greater than or equal to 1.1.</i></p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Current Ratio is between 0.9 and 1.0 or equals 1.0 OR Current Ratio is between 1.0 and 1.1 and one-year trend is negative.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Current ratio is less than or equal to 0.9.</p>	Current Ratio is:	3.37	50	50.00
				10	
				0	50.00
<b>Notes</b>					
<b>Measure 1b</b>	<b>Unrestricted Days Cash: Unrestricted Cash divided by (Total Expenses minus Depreciation Expense / 365)</b>				
<b>Unrestricted Days Cash</b>	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> 60 Days Cash OR Between 30 and 60 Days Cash and one-year trend is positive. <i>Note: Schools in their first or second year of operation must have a minimum of 30 Days Cash.</i></p> <p><b>Does Note Meet Standard:</b> Days Cash is between 15-30 days OR Days Cash is between 30-60 days and one-year trend is negative.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 15 Days Cash.</p>	No. of Days Cash:	125	50	50.00
				10	
				0	50.00
<b>Notes</b>					
<b>Measure 1c</b>	<b>Enrollment Variance: Actual Enrollment divided by Enrollment Projection in Charter School Board-Approved Budget</b>				
<b>Enrollment Variance</b>	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> Enrollment Variance equals or exceeds 95 percent in the most recent year.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Enrollment Variance is between 85-95 percent in the most recent year.</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Enrollment Variance is less than 85 percent in the most recent year.</p>	Variance is:	101.73%	50	50.00
				30	
				0	50.00
<b>Notes</b>					
<b>Measure 1d</b>	<b>Default</b>				
<b>Default</b>	<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> School is not in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is not delinquent with debt service payments.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Not applicable</p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School is in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is delinquent with debt service payments.</p>	No default or delinquency noted in audit		50	50.00
				0	
					50.00
<b>Notes</b>					

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INDICATOR 2: SUSTAINABILITY MEASURES																				
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PPCS --- LONGITUDINAL RESULTS

ACADEMIC	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED*	EARNED*	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
State/Federal Accountability	1a	25	20.00	0.00			
	1b	25	0.00	0.00			
Proficiency	2a	75	59.11	0.00			
	2b	75	55.85	36.78			
	2c	75	47.34	40.50			
	3a	100	75.97	0.00			
Growth	3b	100	80.77	0.00			
	3c	100	52.95	0.00			
	3d	75	55.17	0.00			
	3e	75	69.41	0.00			
	3f	75	52.70	0.00			
	3g	100	83.87	0.00			
	4a						
College & Career Readiness	4b1 / 4b2						
	4c						
Total Possible Academic Points Received		900	653.13	77.27	0.00	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Academic Points for This School			72.57%	44.15%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
*NOTE: 2013-14 Academic results are based on 2012-13 standardized tests. 2014-15 results are based on a different test and should not be directly compared.							

MISSION-SPECIFIC	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for this Performance Certificate term.							
Total Possible Mission-Specific Points Received		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Mission-Specific Points for This School			N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

OPERATIONAL	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
Educational Program	1a	25	25	25			
	1b	25	25	25			
	1c	25	25	25			
	1d	25	25	25			
Financial Management & Oversight	2a	25	15	25			
	2b	25	25	25			
Governance & Reporting	3a	25	25	25			
	3b	25	25	25			
Students & Employees	4a	25	25	25			
	4b	25	25	25			
	4c	25	25	25			
	4d	25	25	25			
School Environment	5a	25	25	25			
	5b	25	25	25			
	5c	25	25	25			
Additional Obligations	6a	25	25	25			
Total Possible Operational Points Received		400	390.00	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Operational Points for This School			97.50%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

FINANCIAL	Measure	Possible Points	2013-14 POINTS	2014-15 POINTS	2015-16 POINTS	2016-17 POINTS	2017-18 POINTS
			EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED	EARNED
Near-Term Measures	1a	50	50	50			
	1b	50	50	50			
	1c	50	30	50			
	1d	50	50	50			
Sustainability Measures	2a	50	10	50			
	2b	50	50	50			
	2c	50	30	50			
	2d	50	50	50			
Total Possible Financial Points Received		400	320.00	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
% of Possible Financial Points for This School			80.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

ACCOUNTABILITY DESIGNATION	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION	DESIGNATION
Academic & Mission-Specific	Good Standing	Remediation			
Operational	Honor	Honor			
Financial	Good Standing	Honor			



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Alison Consoletti, The Center for Education Reform



# Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2013-2014

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## Introduction

Each year, Idaho's Public Charter School Commission (PCSC) issues a performance report to every school in its portfolio. The annual report serves several purposes:

1. To provide transparent, data-driven information about charter school quality;
2. To ensure that charter school boards have access to clear expectations and are provided maximum opportunity to correct any deficiencies prior to their renewal year; and
3. To inform mid-term decision making, such as the evaluation of charter amendment proposals.

This report contains an overview of the school, including its history, mission, leadership, and demographics. The overview is followed by the school's performance framework, including outcomes for the most recently completed school year.

The performance framework is comprised of four sections: Academic, Mission-Specific, Operational, and Financial. Each section contains a number of measures intended to evaluate the school's performance against specific criteria. The scorecard pages of the framework offer a summary of the school's scores and accountability designation ranging from Honor (high) to Critical (low).

Schools have an opportunity to correct or clarify their framework outcomes prior to the publication of this report.

Public charter school operations are inherently complex. For this reason, readers are encouraged to consider the scores on individual measures within the framework as a starting point for gaining full, contextualized understanding of the school's performance.

Additional information about how the performance framework was developed and how results may be interpreted is available on the PCSC's website: [chartercommission.idaho.gov](http://chartercommission.idaho.gov).

## School Overview

<b>Mission Statement</b>	The mission of Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning is to engage the children and the community of the Palouse in a rigorous and collaborative education of the highest standards by fostering a spirit of inquiry, a persistence towards excellence, a responsibility for learning, and an ethic of service.	
<b>Key Design Elements</b>	<p>The design principles of Expeditionary Learning are the best short statement of our philosophy of education. They focus our attention on what is important and give us something to go back to when we need guidance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Primacy of Self-Discovery</i> - Learning happens best with emotion, challenge and the requisite support. People discover their abilities, values, passions, and responsibilities in situations that offer adventure and the unexpected. In Expeditionary Learning schools, students undertake tasks that require perseverance, fitness, craftsmanship, imagination, self-discipline, and significant achievement. A teacher's primary task is to help students overcome their fears and discover they can do more than they think they can.</li> <li>• <i>The Having of Wonderful Ideas</i> - Teaching in Expeditionary Learning schools fosters curiosity about the world by creating learning situations that provide something important to think about, time to experiment, and time to make sense of what is observed.</li> <li>• <i>The Responsibility for Learning</i> - Learning is both a personal process of discovery and a social activity.</li> <li>• <i>Service and Compassion</i> - We are crew, not passengers. Students and teachers are strengthened by acts of consequential service to others, and one of an Expeditionary Learning school's primary functions is to prepare students with the attitudes and skills to learn from and be of service.</li> </ul>	
<b>School Contact Information</b>	Address: 1500 Levick Street Moscow, ID 83843	Phone: (208) 882-3684
<b>Surrounding District</b>	Moscow School District	
<b>Opening Year</b>	2009	
<b>Current Term</b>	June 17, 2014 - June 30, 2018	
<b>Grades Served</b>	K - 8	
<b>Enrollment</b>	Approved: 212	Actual: 172



	School	Surrounding District	State
Non-White	██████	14.59%	22.56%
Limited English Proficiency	■	1.24%	6.24%
Special Needs	██████	9.91%	9.46%
Free & Reduced Lunch	██████	33.37%	47.07%

School Leadership	Role
Brian Gardner	Board Chair
Amy Ball	Member
Della Bayly	Member
Greg Larson	Secretary
Sarah Deming	Treasurer
Carole Bogden	Member
Jessica Long	Member
Jacob Ellsworth	Administrator

To facilitate a clearer context for the academic results, the demographic data provided above is from the 2012-13 school year. The enrollment and school leadership information provided above is from the 2013-14 school year. Updated enrollment and school leadership information is available upon request from the school or PCSC office.

## PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION - PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK

Name of School: Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning Year Opened: 2009 Operating Term: 6/17/14 - 6/30/18 Date Executed: 6/17/2014

### Introduction

Idaho's charter school legislation requires each public charter school authorizer to develop a Performance Framework on which the provisions of the Performance Certificate will be based. Performance Frameworks must clearly set forth the academic and operational performance indicators, measures, and metrics that will guide the authorizer's evaluations of each public charter school, and must contain the following:

- Indicators, measures, and metrics for student academic proficiency;
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for student academic growth;
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for college and career readiness (for high schools); and
- Indicators, measures, and metrics for board performance and stewardship, including compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and terms of the performance certificate.

The measurable performance targets contained within the framework must require, at a minimum, that each school meet applicable federal, state, and authorizer goals for student achievement. This Performance Framework was adopted by the Public Charter School Commission (PCSC) on August 30, 2013, and is intended for use with non-alternative public charter schools authorized by the PCSC.

### Performance Framework Structure

The Performance Framework is divided into four sections: Academic, Mission-Specific, Operational, and Financial. The Academic and Mission-Specific sections comprise the primary indicators on which most renewal or non-renewal decisions will be based. The Operational and Financial sections contribute additional indicators that will, except in cases of egregious failure to meet standards, be considered secondary.

#### **Academic:**

A high percentage (60%) of a school's total score for the Academic & Mission Specific Accountability Designation reflects the school's performance on a set of academic measures. These measures are the same for all non-alternative schools. The "Meets Standard" rating for each measure is designed to align closely with state minimum standards as established in Idaho's ESEA waiver and Star Rating System.

#### **Mission-Specific:**

A significant portion (40%) of a school's total score for the Academic & Mission Specific Accountability Designation reflects the school's performance on a set of mission-specific measures. These measures may be academic or non-academic in nature, but must be objective and data-driven. The number and weighting of mission-specific measures should be established during one-on-one negotiations between the school and authorizer.

*During their first Performance Certificate term only, schools authorized to open in or before Fall 2014 may choose to opt-out of the Mission-Specific section of the framework. Schools choosing to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for their first term agree that the weight of those measures will be placed instead on the Academic section, which then becomes the single, primary factor considered for purposes of renewal or non-renewal.*

#### **Operational:**

Operational indicators comprise a secondary element for consideration during the renewal process. While each school will receive a score in the operational section, this score should not be used as the primary rationale for non-renewal unless the non-compliance with organizational expectations is severe or systemic. Particularly for a school whose academic performance meets or exceeds standards, poor results in this area are more likely to lead to a conditional renewal decision than to non-renewal.

**Financial:**

Financial indicators comprise a secondary element for consideration during the renewal process. While each school will receive a score in the financial section, this score should not be used as the primary rationale for non-renewal unless the school's financial state at the time of renewal is dire. Particularly for a school whose academic performance meets or exceeds standards, poor results in this area are more likely to lead to a conditional renewal decision than to non-renewal. The PCSC may also elect to renew a financially troubled school that is clearly providing a high quality education, but notify the SDE of the situation so that the payment schedule may be modified in order to safeguard taxpayer dollars.

**Accountability Designations**

Calculation of the percentage of eligible points earned for each school will guide the determination of that school's accountability designation: Honor, Good Standing, Remediation, or Critical. The accountability designation will, in turn, guide the PCSC's renewal or non-renewal decision-making. Measures for which a school lacks data due to factors such as grade configuration or small size will not contribute to that school's accountability designation. The PCSC will consider contextual factors affecting a school's accountability designation when making renewal or non-renewal decisions.

**Honor:**

Schools achieving at this level in all categories (academic, mission-specific, operational, and financial) are eligible for special recognition and will be recommended for renewal. Replication and expansion proposals are likely to succeed. The Framework places schools that earn 75-100% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 5-star schools, high-range 4-star schools with solid mission-specific outcomes, and mid-range 4-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes to receive an honor designation. Schools that fall into this point-percentage category but have poor operational and/or financial outcomes will not be eligible for an honor designation.

**Good Standing:**

Schools achieving at this level will be recommended for renewal; however, conditional renewal may be recommended if operational and/or financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals will be considered. To be placed in this category, schools must receive the appropriate percentage of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible and have at least a 3-star rating. The Framework places schools that earn 55-74% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 3-star or 4-star schools with solid mission-specific outcomes, or 5-star schools with poor mission-specific, financial, and/or operational outcomes to receive a good standing designation. Although 2-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes could fall into this point-percentage range, they would not be eligible to receive a good standing designation due to their star ratings; the Framework is drafted thus in recognition of Idaho's statutory provision that the performance framework shall, at a minimum, require that each school meet applicable federal and state goals for student achievement.

**Remediation:**

Schools achieving at this level may be recommended for non-renewal or conditional renewal, particularly if operational and/or financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals are unlikely to succeed. The Framework places schools that earn 31-54% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 3-star schools with poor mission-specific outcomes, 2-star schools, or 1-star schools with strong mission-specific outcomes to receive a remediation designation.

**Critical:**

Schools achieving at this level face a strong likelihood of non-renewal, particularly if operational and/or financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals should not be considered. The Framework places schools that earn less than 30% of the combined academic and mission-specific points possible in this accountability designation. It is possible for 1-star schools or 2-star schools with poor mission-specific outcomes to receive a Critical designation.

PALOUSE PRAIRIE SCHOOL OF EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING --- PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK SCORECARD

ACADEMIC	Measure	Possible Elem / MS Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED	Possible HS Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED
State/Federal Accountability	1a	25	3%	20.00	25	1%	20.00
	1b	25	3%	0.00	25	1%	0.00
Proficiency	2a	75	8%	59.11	75	4%	59.11
	2b	75	8%	55.85	75	4%	55.85
	2c	75	8%	47.34	75	4%	47.34
Growth	3a	100	11%	75.97	100	6%	75.97
	3b	100	11%	80.77	100	6%	80.77
	3c	100	11%	52.95	100	6%	52.95
	3d	75	8%	55.17	75	4%	55.17
	3e	75	8%	69.41	75	4%	69.41
	3f	75	8%	52.70	75	4%	52.70
	3g	100	11%	83.87	100	6%	83.87
College & Career Readiness	4a				50	3%	0.00
	4b1 / 4b2				50	3%	0.00
	4c				50	3%	0.00
Total Possible Academic Points		900			1050		
- Points from Non-Applicable							
Total Possible Academic Points for This School		900			1050		
<b>Total Academic Points Received</b>				<b>653.13</b>			<b>653.13</b>
<b>% of Possible Academic Points for This School</b>				<b>72.57%</b>			<b>62.20%</b>

MISSION-SPECIFIC	Measure	Possible Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED	Possible Points	% of Total Points	POINTS EARNED
Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning (PPSEL) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for the initial Performance Certificate term ending June 30, 2018. PPSEL acknowledges and agrees that the weight that would have been placed on the Mission-Specific section of this Framework will be placed instead on the Academic section of this Framework, which therefore becomes the single, primary factor considered for purposes of renewal or non-renewal. PPSEL further acknowledges and agrees that, if the Certificate is renewed effective July 1, 2018, Mission-Specific measures must be included in the renewal Certificate at that time. PPSEL has been advised to spend the initial Certificate term developing and testing Mission-Specific measures for future use.							
Total Possible Mission-Specific Points		0	0%		700	40%	
<b>Total Mission-Specific Points Received</b>				<b>0.00</b>			<b>0.00</b>
<b>% of Possible Mission-Specific Points Received</b>				<b>#DIV/0!</b>			<b>0.00%</b>
<b>TOTAL POSSIBLE ACADEMIC &amp; MISSION-SPECIFIC POINTS</b>		<b>900</b>			<b>1750</b>		
<b>TOTAL POINTS RECEIVED</b>				<b>653.13</b>			<b>653.13</b>
<b>% OF POSSIBLE ACADEMIC &amp; MISSION-SPECIFIC POINTS</b>				<b>72.57%</b>			<b>37.32%</b>

OPERATIONAL	Measure	Points Possible	% of Total Points	Points Earned
Educational Program	1a	25	6%	25.00
	1b	25	6%	25.00
	1c	25	6%	25.00
	1d	25	6%	25.00
Financial Management & Oversight	2a	25	6%	15.00
	2b	25	6%	25.00
Governance & Reporting	3a	25	6%	25.00
	3b	25	6%	25.00
Students & Employees	4a	25	6%	25.00
	4b	25	6%	25.00
	4c	25	6%	25.00
	4d	25	6%	25.00
School Environment	5a	25	6%	25.00
	5b	25	6%	25.00
	5c	25	6%	25.00
Additional Obligations	6a	25	6%	25.00
<b>TOTAL OPERATIONAL POINTS</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>390.00</b>
<b>% OF POSSIBLE OPERATIONAL POINTS</b>				<b>97.50%</b>

FINANCIAL	Measure	Points Possible	% of Total Points	Points Earned
Near-Term Measures	1a	50	13%	50.00
	1b	50	13%	50.00
	1c	50	13%	30.00
	1d	50	13%	50.00
Sustainability Measures	2a	50	13%	10.00
	2b	50	13%	50.00
	2c	50	13%	30.00
	2d	50	13%	50.00
<b>TOTAL FINANCIAL POINTS</b>		<b>400</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>320.00</b>
<b>% OF POSSIBLE FINANCIAL POINTS</b>				<b>80.00%</b>

The financial measures included here are based on industry standards. They are not intended to reflect the nuances of a school's financial status. A low score on any single measure indicates only the possibility of a problem. In many cases, contextual information that alleviates concern is provided in the notes that accompany individual measures. Please see the financial section of this framework for additional detail.

PALOUSE PRAIRIE SCHOOL OF EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING --- PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK SCORECARD

ACCOUNTABILITY DESIGNATION	Academic & Mission-Specific		Operational		Financial	
	Range	% of Points Possible Earned	Range	% of Points Possible Earned	Range	% of Points Possible Earned
<p><b>Honor</b> Schools achieving at this level in all categories are eligible for special recognition and will be recommended for renewal. Replication and expansion proposals are likely to succeed.</p>	75% - 100% of points possible		90% - 100% of points possible	<b>97.50%</b>	85% - 100% of points possible	
<p><b>Good Standing</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific will be recommended for renewal; however, conditional renewal may be recommended if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are poor. Replication and expansion proposals will be considered. To be placed in this category for Academic &amp; Mission-Specific, schools must receive the appropriate percentage of points and have at least a Three Star Rating.</p>	55% - 74% of points possible	<b>72.57%</b>	80% - 89% of points possible		65% - 84% of points possible	<b>80.00%</b>
<p><b>Remediation</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific may be recommended for non-renewal or conditional renewal, particularly if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals are unlikely to succeed.</p>	31% - 54% of points possible		61% - 79% of points possible		46% - 64% of points possible	
<p><b>Critical</b> Schools achieving at this level in Academic &amp; Mission-Specific face a strong likelihood of non-renewal, particularly if Operational and/or Financial outcomes are also poor. Replication and expansion proposals should not be considered.</p>	0% - 30% of points possible		0% - 60% of points possible		0% - 45% of points possible	

INDICATOR 1: STATE AND FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY							
Measure 1a Overall Star Rating	Is the school meeting acceptable standards according to existing state grading or rating systems?  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School received five stars on the Star Rating System. <b>Meets Standard:</b> School received three or four stars on the Star Rating System. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School received two stars on the Star Rating System. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School received one star on the Star Rating System.	Result (Stars)	Points Possible	Points Earned			
		5	25				
		4	20	20			
		3	15				
		2	0				
		1	0	20			
Notes							
Measure 1b State Designations	Is the school meeting state designation expectations as set forth by state and federal accountability systems?  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School was identified as a "Reward" school. <b>Meets Standard:</b> School does not have a designation. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School was identified as a "Focus" school. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School was identified as a "Priority" school.	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned			
		Reward	25				
		None	15				
		Focus	0	0			
		Priority	0				
				0			
Notes PPSEL's academic results have shown significant improvement since the 2011-12 school year, when poorer results placed the school in Focus status for three years. The Focus designation is expected to be removed at the earliest possible date, that is, at the end of the 2014-15 school year.							
INDICATOR 2: STUDENT ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY							
Measure 2a ISAT / SBA % Proficiency Reading	Are students achieving reading proficiency on state examinations?  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> 90% or more of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 65-89% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 41-64% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 41% of students met or exceeded proficiency.	Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
		█	57-75	19	90-100	11	59
			38-56	19	65-89	25	0
			20-37	18	41-64	24	0
			0-19	19	1-40	40	0
							59
Notes							
Measure 2b ISAT / SBA % Proficiency Math	Are students achieving math proficiency on state examinations?  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> 90% or more of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 65-89% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 41-64% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 41% of students met or exceeded proficiency.	Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
		█	57-75	19	90-100	11	0
			38-56	19	65-89	25	56
			20-37	18	41-64	24	0
			0-19	19	1-40	40	0
							56
Notes							
Measure 2c ISAT / SBA % Proficiency Language Arts	Are students achieving language proficiency on state examinations?  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> 90% or more of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 65-89% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 41-64% of students met or exceeded proficiency. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 41% of students met or exceeded proficiency.	Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
		█	57-75	19	90-100	11	0
			38-56	19	65-89	25	47
			20-37	18	41-64	24	0
			0-19	19	1-40	40	0
							47
Notes							

INDICATOR 3: STUDENT ACADEMIC GROWTH		Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
<b>Measure 3a</b> Criterion-Referenced Growth in Reading	Are students making adequate annual academic growth to achieve proficiency in reading with 3 years or by 10th grade?	84.62	76-100	25	85-100	16	76
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70-84% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50-69% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth.		51-75	25	70-84	15	0
			26-50	25	50-69	20	0
			0-25	25	1-49	49	0
							<u>76</u>
Notes							
<b>Measure 3b</b> Criterion-Referenced Growth in Math	Are students making adequate annual academic growth to achieve math proficiency within 3 years or by 10th grade?	87.69	76-100	25	85-100	16	81
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70-84% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50-69% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth.		51-75	25	70-84	15	0
			26-50	25	50-69	20	0
			0-25	25	1-49	49	0
							<u>81</u>
Notes							
<b>Measure 3c</b> Criterion-Referenced Growth in Language	Are students making adequate annual academic growth to achieve language proficiency within 3 years or by 10th grade?	70.77	76-100	25	85-100	16	0
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 85% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Meets Standard:</b> Between 70-84% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Between 50-69% of students are making adequate academic growth. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 50% of students are making adequate academic growth.		51-75	25	70-84	15	53
			26-50	25	50-69	20	0
			0-25	25	1-49	49	0
							<u>53</u>
Notes							
<b>Measure 3d</b> Norm-Referenced Growth in Reading	Are students making expected annual academic growth in reading compared to their academic peers?	64.00	57-75	19	66-99	34	0
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls between the 66 <sup>th</sup> and 99 <sup>th</sup> percentile. <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls between the 43 <sup>rd</sup> and 65 <sup>th</sup> percentile. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls between the 30 <sup>th</sup> and 42 <sup>th</sup> percentile. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in reading falls below the 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		38-56	19	43-65	23	55
			20-37	18	30-42	13	0
			0-19	19	1-29	29	0
							<u>55</u>
Notes							
<b>Measure 3e</b> Norm-Referenced Growth in Math	Are students making expected annual academic growth in math compared to their academic peers?	89.00	57-75	19	66-99	34	69
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in math falls between the 66 <sup>th</sup> and 99 <sup>th</sup> percentile. <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in math falls between the 43 <sup>rd</sup> and 65 <sup>th</sup> percentile. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in math falls between the 30 <sup>th</sup> and 42 <sup>th</sup> percentile. <b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in math falls below the 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		38-56	19	43-65	23	0
			20-37	18	30-42	13	0
			0-19	19	1-29	29	0
							<u>69</u>
Notes							

Measure 3f Norm-Referenced	Are students making expected annual academic growth in language compared to their academic peers?	Result (Percentile)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
Growth in Language	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in language arts falls between the 66 <sup>th</sup> and 99 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		57-75	19	66-99	34	0
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in language arts falls between the 43 <sup>rd</sup> and 65 <sup>th</sup> percentile.	61.00	38-56	19	43-65	23	53
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in language arts falls between the 30 <sup>th</sup> and 42 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		20-37	18	30-42	13	0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> The school's Median SGP in language arts falls below the 30 <sup>th</sup> percentile.		0-19	19	1-29	29	0
							53

Measure 3g Subgroup Growth Combined Subjects	Is the school increasing subgroup academic performance over time?	Result (Percentage)	Points Possible	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
Notes	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School earned at least 70% of possible points in SRS Accountability Area 3.	80.00	76-100	25	70-100	31	84
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> School earned 45-69% of possible points in SRS Accountability Area 3.		51-75	25	45-69	25	0
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School earned 30-44% of possible points in SRS Accountability Area 3.		26-50	25	31-44	14	0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School earned fewer than 30% of possible points in SRS Accountability Area 3.		0-25	25	1-30	30	0
							84

**INDICATOR 4: COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS**

Measure 4a Advanced Opportunity	Are students participating successfully in advance opportunity coursework?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
Coursework	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> School earned 5 points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Advanced Opportunity	5	50	
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> School earned 3-4 points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Advanced Opportunity	3-4	30	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School earned 2 points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Advanced Opportunity	2	10	
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School earned 1 or fewer points in SRS Post-Secondary Content Area: Adv Oppty	1	0	
				0

Measure 4b1 College Entrance Exam Results	Does students' performance on college entrance exams reflect college readiness?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
Notes	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, at least 35% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	5	50	
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, between 25-34% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.)	3-4	30	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, between 20-24% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.)	2	10	
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Effective in 2013-14, fewer than 20% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	1	0	
				0

Measure 4b2 College Entrance Exam Results	Does students' performance on college entrance exams reflect college readiness?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
Notes	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, at least 45% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	5	50	
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, between 35-44% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	3-4	30	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, between 30-34% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	2	10	
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Effective in 2014-15 and thereafter, fewer than 30% of students met or exceeded the college readiness benchmark on an entrance or placement exam.	1	0	
				0



PALOUSE PRAIRIE SCHOOL OF EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING --- ACADEMIC FRAMEWORK (2012-2013 data)

Measure 4c Graduation Rate	Are students graduating from high school?	Result (Percentage)	Possible Overall	Possible in this Range	Percentile Targets	Percentile Points	Points Earned
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> At least 90% of students graduated from high school.		39-50	12	90-100	11	0
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> 81-89% of students graduated from high school.		26-38	13	81-89	9	0
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> 71%-80% of students graduated from high school.		14-25	12	71-80	10	0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 70% of students graduated from high school.		0-13	13	1-70	70	0
<b>Notes</b>							<b>0</b>

PALOUSE PRAIRIE SCHOOL OF EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING --- MISSION-SPECIFIC FRAMEWORK

MISSION-SPECIFIC GOALS				
<b>Measure 1</b>	<b>Is the school ***?</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
	<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b></p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b></p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b></p> <p><b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b></p>			<hr/> <b>0.00</b>
<b>Notes</b>	<p>Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning (PPSEL) has elected to opt out of Mission-Specific measures for the initial Performance Certificate term ending June 30, 2018. PPSEL acknowledges and agrees that the weight that would have been placed on the Mission-Specific section of this Framework will be placed instead on the Academic section of this Framework, which therefore becomes the single, primary factor considered for purposes of renewal or non-renewal. PPSEL further acknowledges and agrees that, if the Certificate is renewed effective July 1, 2018, Mission-Specific measures must be included in the renewal Certificate at that time. PPSEL has been advised to spend the initial Certificate term developing and testing Mission-Specific measures for future use.</p>			

INDICATOR 1: EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM				
<b>Measure 1a</b> <b>Implementation of Educational Program</b>	<b>Is the school implementing the material terms of the educational program as defined in the performance certificate?</b>  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school implements the material terms of the mission, vision, and educational program in all material respects and the implementation of the educational program reflects the essential elements outlined in the performance certificate, or the school has gained approval for a charter modification to the material terms. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> School has deviated from the material terms of the mission, vision, and essential elements of the educational program as described in the performance certificate, without approval for a charter modification, such that the program provided differs substantially from the program described in the charter and performance certificate.	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
		Meets	25	25.00
			0	
				25.00
Notes				
<b>Measure 1b</b> <b>Education Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with applicable education requirements?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to education requirements, including but not limited to: Instructional time requirements, graduation and promotion requirements, content standards including the Common Core State Standards, the Idaho State Standards, State assessments, and implementation of mandated programming related to state or federal funding. <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school has exhibited non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the education requirements; however, matters of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to education requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
		No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
			15	
			0	25.00
Notes				
<b>Measure 1c</b> <b>Students with Disabilities</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of students with disabilities?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability, including but not limited to: Equitable access and opportunity to enroll; identification and referral; appropriate development and implementation of IEPs and Section 504 plans; operational compliance, including provision of services in the LRE and appropriate inclusion in the school's academic program, assessments, and extracurricular activities; discipline, including due process protections, manifestation determinations, and behavioral intervention plans; access to the school's facility and program; appropriate use of all available, applicable funding. <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of students with identified disabilities and those suspected of having a disability; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
		No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
			15	
			0	25.00
Notes				

Measure 1d English Language Learners	Is the school protecting the rights of English Language Learner (ELL) students?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to requirements regarding ELLs, including but not limited to: Equitable access and opportunity to enroll; required policies related to the service of ELL students; compliance with native language communication requirements; proper steps for identification of students in need of ELL services; appropriate and equitable delivery of services to identified students; appropriate accommodations on assessments; exiting of students from ELL services; and ongoing monitoring of exited students. Matters of non-compliance, if any, are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school has exhibited non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the treatment of ELL students; however, matters of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant non-compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to requirements regarding ELLs; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00	
			15	
			0	
				<u>25.00</u>
Notes	<b>INDICATOR 2: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT</b>			
Measure 2a Financial Reporting and Compliance	Is the school meeting financial reporting and compliance requirements?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<p><b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements, including but not limited to: Complete and on-time submission of financial reports including annual budget, revised budgets (if applicable), periodic financial reports as required by the PCSC, and any reporting requirements if the board contracts with an Education Service Provider; on-time submission and completion of the annual independent audit and corrective action plans (if applicable); and all reporting requirements related to the use of public funds.</p> <p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial reporting requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>		25		
		See note	15	15.00
			0	
				<u>15.00</u>
Notes	FY13 fiscal audit (due Nov 15, 2013) was submitted 12/18/13.			
Measure 2b GAAP	Is the school following Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)?	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<p><b>Meets Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial management and oversight expectations as evidenced by an annual independent audit, including but not limited to: An unqualified audit opinion; an audit devoid of significant findings and conditions, material weaknesses, or significant internal control weaknesses; and an audit that does not include a going concern disclosure in the notes or an explanatory paragraph within the audit report.</p> <p><b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits failure to comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to financial management and oversight expectations as evidenced by an annual independent audits; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.</p>	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00	
			0	
				<u>25.00</u>

Notes

GOVERNANCE AND REPORTING		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 3a</b> <b>Governance Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with governance requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board, including but not limited to: board policies; board bylaws; state open meetings law; code of ethics; conflicts of interest; board composition; and compensation for attendance at meetings.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to governance by its board; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00
<b>Measure 3b</b> <b>Reporting Requirements</b>	<b>Is the school complying with reporting requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities, including but not limited to: accountability tracking; attendance and enrollment reporting; compliance and oversight; additional information requested by the authorizer.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to relevant reporting requirements to the PCSC, the SDE, and/or federal authorities; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00
INDICATOR 4: STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 4a</b> <b>Student Rights</b>	<b>Is the school protecting the rights of all students?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students, including but not limited to: policies and practices related to recruitment and enrollment; the collection and protection of student information; due process protections, privacy, civil rights, and student liberties requirements; conduct of discipline.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or provisions of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the rights of students; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
Notes				25.00

		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 4b Credentialing</b>	<b>Is the school meeting teacher and other staff credentialing requirements?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to state and federal certification requirements; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
<b>Notes</b>				<u>25.00</u>
<b>Measure 4c Employee Rights</b>	<b>Is the school complying with laws regarding employee rights?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations, including those relating to the Family Medical Leave Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and employment contracts.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations or employee rights. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to employment considerations; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
<b>Notes</b>				<u>25.00</u>
<b>Measure 4d Background Checks</b>	<b>Is the school completing required background checks?</b>			
	<b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		15	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to background checks of all applicable individuals; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.		0	
<b>Notes</b>				<u>25.00</u>

INDICATOR 5: SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT			Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 5a</b> <b>Facilities and Transportation</b>	<b>Is the school complying with facilities and transportation requirements?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, and transportation, including but not limited to: American's with Disabilities Act, fire inspections and related records, viable certificate of occupance or other required building use authorization, documentation of requisite insurance coverage, and student transportation. <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, or transportation. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the school facilities, grounds, and transportation; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.				
		No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00	
			15		
			0		
				<u>25.00</u>	
Notes					
<b>Measure 5b</b> <b>Health and Safety</b>	<b>Is the school complying with health and safety requirements?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to safety and the provision of health-related services.  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to safety or the provision of health-related services. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to safety and the provision of health-related services; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.				
		No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00	
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				<u>25.00</u>	
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<b>Measure 5c</b> <b>Information Handling</b>	<b>Is the school handling information appropriately?</b>  <b>Exceeds Standard:</b> The school materially complies with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and requirements of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information, including but not limited to: maintaining the security of and providing access to student records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and other applicable authorities; accessing documents maintained by the school under the state's Freedom of Information law and other applicable authorities; transferring of student records; proper and secure maintenance of testing materials. <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school largely exhibits compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, or requirements of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information. Instances of non-compliance are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board. <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and provisions of the performance certificate relating to the handling of information; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.				
		No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00	
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PALOUSE PRAIRIE SCHOOL OF EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING --- OPERATIONAL FRAMEWORK


ADDITIONAL OBLIGATIONS		Result	Points Possible	Points Earned
<b>Measure 6a</b> <b>Additional Obligations</b>	<b>Is the school complying with all other obligations?</b>  <b>Meets Standard:</b> The school materially complies with all other material legal, statutory, regulatory, or contractual requirements contained in its charter contract that are not otherwise explicitly stated herein, including but not limited to requirements from the following sources: revisions to state charter law; and requirements of the State Department of Education. Matters of non-compliance, if any, are minor and quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.  <b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> The school exhibits frequent and/or significant failure to materially comply with with all other material legal, statutory, regulatory, or contractual requirements contained in its charter contract that are not otherwise explicitly stated herein; and/or matters of non-compliance are not quickly remedied, with documentation, by the governing board.	No instances of non-compliance documented	25	25.00
			0	25.00
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PALOUSE PRAIRIE SCHOOL OF EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING --- FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK

INDICATOR 1: NEAR-TERM MEASURES			
<b>Measure 1a</b> <b>Current Ratio</b>	<b>Current Ratio: Current Assets divided by Current Liabilities</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Current Ratio is greater than or equal to 1.1 OR Current Ratio is between 1.0 and 1.1 and one-year trend is positive (current year ratio is higher than last year's). <i>Note: For schools in their first or second year of operation, the current ratio must be greater than or equal to 1.1.</i>	Ratio is 3.35	50
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Current Ratio is between 0.9 and 1.0 or equalis 1.0 OR Current Ratio is between 1.0 and 1.1 and one-year trend is negative.		10
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Current ratio is less than or equal to 0.9.		0
Notes			50.00
<b>Measure 1b</b> <b>Unrestricted Days Cash</b>	<b>Unrestricted Days Cash: Unrestricted Cash divided by (Total Expenses minus Depreciation Expense / 365)</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> 60 Days Cash OR Between 30 and 60 Days Cash and one-year trend is positive. <i>Note: Schools in their first or second year of operation must have a minimum of 30 Days Cash.</i>	109 days cash	50
	<b>Does Note Meet Standard:</b> Days Cash is between 15-30 days OR Days Cash is between 30-60 days and one-year trend is negative.		10
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Fewer than 15 Days Cash.		0
Notes			50.00
<b>Measure 1c</b> <b>Enrollment Variance</b>	<b>Enrollment Variance: Actual Enrollment divided by Enrollment Projection in Charter School Board-Approved Budget</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Enrollment Variance equals or exceeds 95 percent in the most recent year.		50
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Enrollment Variance is between 85-95 percent in the most recent year.	Variance is 94.86%	30
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Enrollment Variance is less than 85 percent in the most recent year.		0
Notes			30.00
<b>Measure 1d</b> <b>Default</b>	<b>Default</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> School is not in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is not delinquent with debt service payments.	No default or delinquency noted in audit	50
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Not applicable		0
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> School is in default of loan covenant(s) and/or is delinquent with debt service payments.		0
Notes			50.00

INDICATOR 2: SUSTAINABILITY MEASURES					
<b>Measure 2a</b> Total Margin and Aggregated 3-Year Total Margin	<b>Total Margin:</b> Net Income divided by Total Revenue AND <b>Aggregated Total Margin:</b> Total 3-Year Net Income divided by Total 3-Year Revenues	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned	
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Aggregated 3-year Total Margin is positive and the most recent year Total Margin is positive OR Aggregated 3-Year Total Margin is greater than -1.5 percent, the trend is positive for the last two years, and the most recent year Total Margin is positive. <i>Note: For schools in their first or second year of operation, the cumulative Total Margin must be positive.</i>		50		
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Aggregated 3-Year Total Margin is greater than -1.5 percent, but trend does not "Meet Standard"	Agg = .04 Total = .08	10	10.00	
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Aggregated 3-Year Total Margin is less than or equal to -1.5 percent OR The most recent year Total Margin is less than -10 percent.		0		10.00
Notes	Aggregated 3-year Total Margin is positive, but most recent year Total Margin is negative, so trend does not meet standard. However, this is due to the school's prudent decision to pay of a loan of approximately \$100,000 during FY14, and does not represent cause for concern.				
<b>Measure 2b</b> Debt to Asset Ratio	<b>Debt to Asset Ratio:</b> Total Liabilities divided by Total Assets	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned	
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Debt to Asset Ratio is less than 0.9	Ratio is 0.17	50	50.00	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Debt to Asset Ratio is between 0.9 and 1.0		30		
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Debt to Asset Ratio is greater than 1.0		0		50.00
Notes					
<b>Measure 2c</b> Cash Flow	<b>Cash Flow:</b> Multi-Year Cash Flow = Year 3 Total Cash - Year 1 Total Cash AND One-Year Cash Flow = Year 2 Total Cash - Year 1 Total Cash	Result	0	Points Earned	
	<b>Meets Standard (in one of two ways):</b> Multi-Year Cumulative Cash Flow is positive and Cash Flow is positive each year OR Multi-Year Cumulative Cash Flow is positive, Cash Flow is positive in one of two years, and Cash Flow in the most recent year is positive. <i>Note: Schools in their first or second year of operation must have positive cash flow.</i>		50		
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Multi-Year Cumulative Cash Flow is positive, but trend does not "Meet Standard"	Multi year is \$2,790 and most recent is (\$50,105)	30	30.00	
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Multi-Year Cumulative Cash Flow is negative		0		30.00
Notes	FY14 cash flow is negative due to the school's prudent decision to pay of a loan of approximately \$100,000 during FY14, and does not represent cause for concern.				
<b>Measure 2d</b> Debt Service Coverage Ratio	<b>Debt Service Coverage Ratio:</b> (Net Income + Depreciation + Interest Expense)/(Annual Principal, Interest, and Lease Payments)	Result	Points Possible	Points Earned	
	<b>Meets Standard:</b> Debt Service Coverage Ratio is equal to or exceeds 1.1	Ratio is 5.83	50	50.00	
	<b>Does Not Meet Standard:</b> Debt Service Coverage Ratio is less than 1.1		0		
	<b>Falls Far Below Standard:</b> Not Applicable				50.00
Notes					

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“Performance-based accountability is the cornerstone of charter schools.”

Alison Consoletti, The Center for Education Reform

# Palouse Prairie Charter School

## Pre-Renewal Site Visit Report

11/08/2017

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## **PURPOSE OF EVALUATION**

Idaho Statute 33-5209B states that a charter may be renewed for successive five-year terms of duration. Palouse Prairie Charter School will be considered for renewal during the spring of 2018. The purpose of the site visit is to gain contextual information impacting the academic, operational, and financial conditions of the school, prior to the formation of renewal recommendations.

The authorizer's renewal decision will not be based on site visit findings, except as they may inform the school's rating on the performance framework, which is incorporated into the performance certificate. In accordance with Idaho statute, renewal decisions will be based on the performance of the public charter school on the performance indicators, measures, and metrics contained in the performance certificate and framework. Information gathered during the site visit will serve primarily to provide an independent opinion and fuller picture of the context in which the school's performance outcomes have accrued.

During the site visit, the evaluation team applied a rubric, which is based on nationally-recognized best practices, to assess the school in the following areas: mission and key design elements, program delivery, access and equity, organizational capacity, governance, and finance. The evaluators assigned a rating to each indicator establishing whether a school is exceeding, meeting, approaching, or not meeting the standard described. The basis of each rating was established through document review, observations, and interviews with the school and stakeholders.

The rubric was provided to the school prior to the evaluation process. A copy of the report was provided to the school prior to its finalization, and schools were invited to respond with corrections to any inaccuracies.

It is our hope that this report will serve not only to broaden the authorizer's contextual understanding of the school, but also to assist school leaders in their ongoing efforts to serve Idaho students with a high quality educational experience.

## **MISSION AND KEY DESIGN ELEMENTS**

**Is the school faithful to its mission, implementing the key design elements outlined in its performance certificate?**

Rating: Exceeds

Evidence: Classroom Observation; Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: It is evident that the EL model permeates the entire school ethose. Stakeholders consistently speak the EL language and implement structures and institutional strategies that speak to sustainability and increased student achievement.

**To what extent is the charter school implementing distinctive instructional practices as outlined in their charter?**

Rating: Exceeds

Evidence: Classroom Observations; Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: Classroom observations and stakeholder conversations, as well as student work samples, indicate that the school is fully implementing EL practices at a high level. Documentation panels also demonstrate understanding and implementation. Teachers express an atmosphere of mutual support and training in EL cultural and instructional practices. Students are able to describe learning targets. Shared leadership and teacher collaboration are hallmarks of the school.

**Does the school have a culture of high expectations and a strong emphasis on student learning?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Classroom Observations; Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: The school has begun implementation of a comprehensive data system that includes benchmark assessments and progress monitoring. The administrator uses resources around her to build capacity in herself and her leadership team. Similarly, the special education teacher is building capacity through mentoring another staff member. A strong emphasis on student learning is evident through the school, including its professional development and assessment structures.

## **PROGRAM DELIVERY: CURRICULUM**

**Does the school's curriculum provide the opportunity for academic success for all students?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Classroom Observations; School Tour; Document Review; Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: Expeditions appear to support all learners as students enter various opportunities at their current levels. Students are supported in achieving each project's learning targets as evidenced by work samples and student engagement.

**Does the school provide clear, appropriate, and skilled delivery of curriculum content?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Classroom Observations

Detail: Activities are aligned to standards. Learning targets and ongoing assessment were evident during classroom observations

**Has the school developed a well-defined feedback loop for revising curriculum on an interim and year-end basis?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews; Document Review

Detail: Teachers are able to make instructional adjustments in accordance with carefully-chosen assessments. A data inquiry team was recently implemented.

**Does the school effectively provide opportunities for student engagement?**

Rating: Exceeds

Evidence: Classroom Observations

Detail: In most classrooms visited, student engagement was very high. All students had opportunities to engage in the curriculum. Teacher/student interaction included higher-level questioning and higher-level activities that included student research and synthesis as well as problem-solving and decision-making.



## **PROGRAM DELIVERY: INSTRUCTION**

### **Does the school recruit, support, and retain highly effective staff?**

Rating: Exceeds

Evidence: Classroom Observations; Document Review; Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: Staff express contentment and joy in working for a school where they feel able to implement a model that resonates with them. Strong support is available from fellow teachers and the administration. Staff is active in shared leadership, an EL practice. The administrator is well-respected, appreciated, and described by her board and staff as “amazing” and “inspirational.” She is clearly knowledgeable and committed to the success of the school’s staff and students.

### **Does the school have leadership sustainability?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: The administrator is committed to her work and expressed her goal of building capacity within the school. The board is aware of the taxing role of administration and recently approved a new behavior specialist position to ease some of this burden. A leadership team, to which staff members apply, guides the school in key areas with input from all staff.

### **Does the school offer professional development that supports the schools goals and the needs of individuals?**

Rating: Exceeds

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews; Document Review

Detail: PD is planned in collaboration with the leadership team and other staff members. The school looks at need based on assessment outcomes, benchmarking, EL Implementation Review, and internal needs (such as culture). The implemented PD aligns to practices expected in the school as a whole, as well as student needs. This year, the school’s board and families provided support for the entire teaching staff to attend the national EL conference. Teachers were looking forward to this opportunity with clear, personal learning goals in mind.

## **PROGRAM DELIVERY: ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION**

**Does the school have an adequate assessment system in place to evaluate instructional effectiveness and student learning?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews; Document Review

Detail: Last February, the school used the SBAC Interim assessment to gauge whether or not students were targeted for proficiency on the spring assessment. This year, the school is using the SBAC “block assessments” and plans to compare the two types of assessments in order to determine what works best for the school. Additional assessments are used to benchmark student achievement.

**Does the school promote a culture that is safe, respectful, and supportive?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Classroom Observations; Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: Overall, it is evident that students are respected and respectful. Students are engaged so behavior issues are at a minimum in most classrooms. Supports, such as additional adult presence in classrooms and a new behavior specialist position, have been put in place to deal with classroom management and individual behavior challenges.

## **ACCESS AND EQUITY**

### **Does the school offer adequate support for special populations?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Classroom Observation; Document Review; Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: Strong instructional practices, engaging curriculum, and high expectations for academic and behavior allow all learners to engage at their level. The school has contracted with an online speech pathologist to serve students in a pilot program that reduces missed therapy time.

### **Does the school address and support the needs of English Language Learners (ELLs)?**

This measure was not rated and does not represent an area of concern.

### **Does the school demonstrate an adequate demographic representation of the surrounding district(s)?**

This measure was not rated and does not represent an area of concern.

### **Does the school have a strong, steady retention rate for students?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Document Review

Detail: The school has a strong waiting list and moderately increased its enrollment over the past year.

## **ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY**

**Does the school create and sustain a well-functioning organizational structure and professional working climate for all staff?**

Rating: Exceeds

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: Teachers expressed strong satisfaction with the school. They appreciate the flexibility to create expeditions around their own interests, continually improve themselves, and support their close-knit community of colleagues.

**Are there effective communication channels between stakeholders?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: The school has systems in place to ensure that parents can communicate with teachers and one another.

**Does the school have procedures in place to facilitate parental involvement?**

This measure was not rated and does not represent an area of concern.

**Does the school facility support high quality teaching and learning?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: School Tour; Classroom Observations; Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: Although the facility is unconventional and needs improvement, it does not appear to impact the academic program at a high level, though small group or individual instruction may be challenging. The school is actively working toward securing a new facility.

**Are health, safety, and accessibility standards being met and is documentation being kept current?**

This measure was not rated and does not represent an area of concern.

## **GOVERNANCE**

**Do members of the school's board act as public agents authorized by the state and provide competent and appropriate governance to ensure the transparency of school operations?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews; Document Review

Detail: The school's board appears to understand its role and legal obligations. Meeting materials and minutes evidence appropriate focus and transparency.

**Does the board have policies in place that establish standards for the overall management of the school?**

This measure was not rated and does not represent an area of concern.

**Does the board demonstrate alignment with the school's mission, vision, and core values while remaining a governing authority?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: There appears to be a clear delineation between governance and administration. The board understands the school model, is engaged with student outcome data, and respects the leadership ability of the administrator.

**Has the school's board developed a strategic plan?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Document Review

Detail: The school has a strategic plan and structure for reference back to it to guide ongoing work.

**Does the school's board provide appropriate academic oversight?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews; Document Review

Detail: The board understands the EL model and can speak knowledgeably about educational issues. It is clear that the board and administration share a strong working relationship. Both parties expressed a need for additional board training in the area of administrative evaluation. The board feels that its relationship with EL tracks with the quality of the school's outcomes.

**Does the school's board provide appropriate operational oversight?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews

Detail: The board, administration, and business management staff are presently working toward securing a new facility. Board members expressed their desire to address the high administrative workload. One way they plan to do this is by handling the capital campaign themselves.

**GOVERNANCE: FINANCIAL**

**Does the school's board provide appropriate financial oversight?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews; Document Review

Detail: The board regularly receives financial updates from experienced business management personnel. The business manager has been with the school since its opening year, and works well with the board and administration.

**Does the school maintain appropriate internal controls and procedures?**

This measure was not rated and does not represent an area of concern.

**Does the school maintain adequate financial resources to ensure stable operations?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews; Document Review

Detail: The school manages its finances well and is positioned to move toward a new facility, though this will require a successful capital campaign. As with most public charter schools, finances are tight, particularly in the area of classified staff due to limited state funding made available for this purpose.

**Is the school demonstrating strong short and long-term fiscal viability?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Document Review

Detail: The school's financial status, as evaluated in accordance with nationally identified best practices, is strong.

**Does the school operate pursuant to a long-range financial plan in which it creates realistic budgets that it monitors and adjusts when appropriate?**

Rating: Meets

Evidence: Stakeholder Interviews; Document Review

Detail: The school's business management staff, administrator, and board can all speak knowledgably regarding the school's budget and financial plan, including the challenge of an upcoming facility purchase and ongoing need for additional personnel.



## Idaho PCSC Pre-Renewal Site Visit Rubric

*Please Note: This rubric contains a wide range of indicators based upon best practices nationwide. This rubric is designed to apply to most school models, but in the case of unique programs, it may be tailored slightly to better evaluate those programs. Due to limited time, the evaluators may not evaluate schools on all sections of the rubric; typically, unrated sections represent areas in which the evaluators have no cause for concern.*

### Mission, Key Design Elements & School Culture

#### Is the school faithful to its mission, implementing the key design elements outlined in its performance certificate?

Indicators: All stakeholders share a common and consistent understanding of the school's mission and key design elements as outlined in the charter or subsequent amendments. The school has fully implemented its mission and key design elements in the approved charter or subsequent amendments.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding mission and key design elements.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding mission and key design elements.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding mission and key design elements.
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#### To what extent is the charter school implementing distinctive instructional practices as outlined in their charter?

Indicators: The school implements the instructional practices that are consistent with the educational program described in its charter. Teachers demonstrate understanding and skill in the stated instructional practices. The instructional strategies are consistently implemented.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding distinctive instructional practices.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding distinctive educational practices.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding distinctive educational practices.
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#### Does the school have a culture of high expectations and a strong emphasis on student learning?

Indicators: The school puts a primacy upon student learning and achievement. Qualitative and quantitative data, which assesses student learning, is regularly collected and analyzed by all relevant stakeholders. The school plan for improvement is implemented and progress towards goals is regularly evaluated.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding strong instructional leadership.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding strong instructional leadership.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding strong instructional leadership.
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**Program Delivery: Curriculum**

**Does the school's curriculum provide the opportunity for academic success for all students?**

<p>Indicators: The school's documented curriculum is aligned with the school's mission. There are horizontally and vertically aligned scope and sequence documents that outline grade level and subject learning objectives. The curriculum is reviewed and modified. The curriculum supports opportunities for all students, including diverse learners, to master skills and concepts.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding curriculum.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding curriculum.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding curriculum.</p>
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**Does the school provide clear, appropriate, and skilled delivery of curriculum content?**

<p>Indicators: Teachers deliver purposeful lessons with clear objectives aligned to the school's curriculum. Lesson objectives are clearly communicated to students with connections made to the larger rationale and prior knowledge. Lessons are designed and implemented with appropriate supports to ensure all students can meet the targeted objectives. Teachers ensure all students' active and appropriate use of academic language. Instructions promote higher order thinking, precise academic language, and problem solving skills with appropriate supports (including digital supports) to ensure success for all students.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding delivery of curriculum content.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding delivery of curriculum content.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding delivery of curriculum content.</p>
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PCSC Site Visit Evaluation Rubric

<b>Has the school developed a well-defined feedback loop for revising curriculum on an interim and year-end basis?</b>				
Indicators: There is a benchmarking system in place to adjust strategies and curriculum when appropriate. Stakeholders can identify the process by which curriculum is adopted, updated, or re-written. The feedback loop process is clear and involves multiple stakeholders.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding curriculum feedback loop.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding curriculum feedback loop.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding curriculum feedback loop.
Notes:				
<b>Does the school effectively provide opportunities for student engagement?</b>				
Indicators: Questioning techniques consistently promote the equitable involvement of all students. Varied and frequent checks for understanding are observed throughout lessons and used to monitor all students progress towards mastery. The balance of teacher to student talk is aligned with chosen teaching methodology and gives all students the opportunity to demonstrate mastery.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding student engagement.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding student engagement.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding student engagement.
Notes:				

**Program Delivery: Instruction**

**Does the school recruit, support, and retain highly effective staff?**

<p>Indicators: The school has developed and implemented policies and strategies to recruit, hire, and retain highly effective personnel. The school hires staff who can effectively implement the mission of the school. The school has developed and implemented policies regarding supports for staff. The school has developed and implemented policies and procedures for evaluation of staff. Teacher turnover is less than 15% each year. The school has clear procedures and criteria around dismissal that include opportunity for improvement.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding highly effective staff.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding highly effective staff.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding highly effective staff.</p>
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PCSC Site Visit Evaluation Rubric

<b>Does the school have leadership sustainability?</b>				
Indicators: The school has leadership team job descriptions that include clear job responsibilities and qualifications. The school has a low turnover rate for the leadership team. When needed, there is a leadership succession plan in place to ensure consistency in implementing the mission and vision of the school during transition. There is a strong plan for developing/maintaining a leadership pipeline, including both internal candidate development and external partnerships for leadership development.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding leadership sustainability.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding leadership sustainability.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding leadership sustainability.
Notes:				
<b>Does the school offer professional development that supports the schools goals and the needs of individuals?</b>				
Indicators: Professional development (PD) is differentiated based on teacher experience, need, and content area. The school has established annual PD goals and priorities aligned with the mission, values, and goals of the school. Professional development activities are interrelated with classroom practice. The school regularly evaluates the effectiveness of PD.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding professional development.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding professional development.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding professional development.
Notes:				

**Program Delivery: Assessment and Evaluation**

**Does the school have an adequate assessment system in place to evaluate instructional effectiveness and student learning?**

<p>Indicators: The school regularly administers valid and reliable assessments that align to the school's curriculum. The school has a valid and reliable process for scoring and analyzing assessments. The school's assessment system includes measures of student performance for the purpose of interim, and summative evaluations of all students in each core content area. Data from the school's assessment system is used to analyze school wide performance and identify areas of improvement. Assessment data is available to teachers, school leaders, and board members.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding adequate assessment systems.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding adequate assessment systems.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding adequate assessment systems.</p>
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**Does the school promote a culture that is safe, respectful, and supportive?**

<p>Indicators: The school's behavior and safety policies are documented and shared with all stakeholders. All stakeholders in the school share a common set of expectations for student behavior. Classroom routines are established and implemented. The classroom environment is conducive to learning.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding school culture.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding school culture.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding school culture.</p>
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**Access and Equity**

**Does the school offer adequate support for special populations?**

<p>Indicators: Lessons are differentiated to meet the needs of all students including accelerated, remediation, and ELLs. The school consistently meets the needs of special education students, high-risk students, and ELL's through appropriate interventions, staffing, protocols, and programming. Students regularly meet IEP goals, and the school is in full compliance. The school adequately monitors the progress and success of all students, including diverse learners.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding support for special populations.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding support for special populations.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding support for special populations.</p>
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<b>Does the school address and support the needs of English Language Learners (ELLs)?</b>				
Indicators: Observed instruction explicitly addresses academic language and vocabulary, builds on background knowledge, and provides opportunities for students to interact and practice oral language throughout the lesson. Teachers use various strategies and supports to ensure student mastery and provide regular opportunities for students to practice English skills. Teachers differentiate for varying language levels through intentional grouping adapted materials/tasks and/or the use of supports. There are opportunities for student interactions and student talk throughout the lesson.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding English Language Learners.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding English Language Learners.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding English Language Learners.
Notes:				
<b>Does the school demonstrate an adequate demographic representation of the surrounding district(s)?</b>				
Indicators: The student body reflects the demographics of the target populations and/or surrounding district(s). The school has a student recruitment and retention plan that includes deliberate, specific strategies that ensure the provision of equity before, during, and after enrollment. The school eliminates barriers to program access by ensuring all information regarding non-discriminatory enrollment practices and availability of specialized services are readily available to parents, students, and the general public.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding demographic representation.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding demographic representation.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding demographic representation.
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<b>Does the school have a strong, steady retention rate for students?</b>				
Indicators: Strong efforts are in place to monitor and minimize attrition to ensure stable and equitable enrollment. The school shows a low rate of student transfers out of the school. The school has procedures in place to monitor its progress toward meeting enrollment targets. The school maintains adequate student enrollment.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding student retention.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding student retention.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding student retention.
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**Organizational Capacity**

**Does the school create and sustain a well functioning organizational structure and professional working climate for all staff?**

<p>Indicators: The school has clearly defined and delineated roles for staff, administration, and board members. There is a clear and well-understood system for decision making and communication among all members of the school community. School leadership has implemented a clearly defined mission and set of goals for all staff. The school provides opportunity for professional development and regular and frequent collaboration.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding organizational structure.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding organizational structure.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding organizational structure.</p>
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**Are there effective communication channels between stakeholders?**

<p>Indicators: Decision makers follow a defined process and structure inclusive of stakeholder voice and perspective. The leadership team meets regularly with the Board. Two-way communication mechanisms are established between parents and the school. If contracting with an ESP, the Board effectively communicates with the ESP to ensure it receives value in exchange for contracts.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding communication channels.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding communication channels.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding communication channels.</p>
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**Does the school have procedures in place to facilitate parental involvement?**

<p>Indicators: The school has systems in place to communicate policies or student performance to parents. Families are able to use the school's communication system to access information. The school has a clear process to act upon parental feedback to drive school improvement.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding parental involvement.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding parental involvement.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding parental involvement.</p>
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**Does the school facility support high quality teaching and learning?**



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<p>Indicators: The classrooms and facility are appropriately equipped to support the learning needs of all students. The academic program can be supported in the current facility.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding school facility.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding school facility.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding school facility.</p>
<p>Notes:</p>				
<p><b>Are health, safety, and accessibility standards being met and is documentation being kept current?</b></p>				
<p>Indicators: The school facility is well maintained. Any necessary maintenance is up to date and complete. Regularly scheduled reports, inspections, and monitoring procedures have been completed on-time. The school has documentation supporting that health, safety, and accessibility standards have been met. All documentation related to above standards is available for review on-site.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding health and safety compliance.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding health and safety compliance.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding health and safety compliance.</p>
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**Governance**

**Do members of the school's Board act as public agents authorized by the state and provide competent and appropriate governance to ensure the transparency of school operations?**

<p>Indicators: School board members follow all requirements of Idaho's Open Meeting Law. The Board keeps appropriate minutes of all meetings, and minutes are available to the public. The Board has systems and structures in place to ensure meetings are effectively run to allow for governance level decision making (including agendas and advance materials for Board members).</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding appropriate governance.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding appropriate governance.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding appropriate governance.</p>
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**Does the Board have policies in place that establish standards for overall management of the school?**

<p>Indicators: The Board approves appropriate school policies to ensure compliance with all legal requirements. Decisions are made in alignment with policies. The Board has all required officers in place and is actively fulfilling the role as outlined in the job descriptions included in the bylaws. The Board has key policies in place that they regularly review and revise, including but not limited to: bylaws, articles of incorporation, financial policies/ procedures, and governance processes. The Board operates in compliance with all bylaws.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding board systems and structures.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding board systems and structures.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding board systems and structures.</p>
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**Does the Board demonstrate alignment with the school's mission, vision, and core values while remaining a governing authority?**

<p>Indicators: The Board maintains governance, rather than management responsibilities, in accordance with the school's mission. The Board has a clear definition of its role as a governance body aligned with achieving the mission, vision, policies, and procedures that define the responsibilities between governance and management. The Board regularly conducts self-evaluations and secures training in any needed areas. The Board has a clear policy and procedure for recruiting, selecting, and onboarding new board members.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding board mission and vision.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding board mission and vision.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding board mission and vision.</p>
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<b>Has the school's Board developed a strategic plan?</b>				
Indicators: The Board regularly engages in strategic planning to influence the school's short and long-term direction as appropriate for its stage of development. The Board spends the majority of its time on strategic conversation and decisions that are key at its stage of development, as opposed to reactive conversations and decisions. Long term planning conversations are data-driven and focused on student outcomes and organizational health.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding strategic planning.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding strategic planning.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding strategic planning.
Notes:				
<b>Does the school's Board provide appropriate academic oversight?</b>				
Indicators: The Board has members with expertise in K-12 education, and all board members are able to understand student achievement data. Student achievement metrics, both interim and summative and aggregate as well as disaggregated, are regularly monitored by the Board. The Board sets student achievement goals aligned with authorizer expectation and the performance certificate and regularly monitors progress towards these goals. Decision making, including around resource allocation and human resources, is driven by student performance data.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding board academic oversight.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding board academic oversight.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding board academic oversight.
Notes:				
<b>Does the school's Board provide appropriate operational oversight?</b>				
Indicators: The Board has expertise in school operations. The Board regularly monitors the school's growth and related facility needs, taking action as appropriate. The Board evaluates the school leader on at least an annual basis. The Board takes effective action when there are organizational, leadership, management, facilities, or fiscal deficiencies; or where the management or partner organization fails to meet expectations.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding board operational oversight.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding board operational oversight.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding board operational oversight.
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**Governance: Financial**

**Does the school's Board provide appropriate financial oversight?**

<p>Indicators: The Board sets and regularly monitors progress around key financial metrics that are both short and long-term, including budget vs. actuals. There is a comprehensive, board adopted financial policies document in place that is followed by both the board and school leadership. The Board has members with finance expertise, and all board members are able to understand budgets, audits, and development. The Board sets and regularly monitors progress towards financial goals. The budget creation process is based on data, including sound revenue and enrollment projections, includes contingencies, and involves multiple stakeholders.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding board financial oversight.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding board financial oversight.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding board financial oversight.</p>
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**Does the school maintain appropriate internal controls and procedures?**

<p>Indicators: The school follows a set of comprehensive, written fiscal policies and procedures. The school accurately records and appropriately documents transactions in accordance with school leadership's direction, laws, regulations, grants, and contracts. Duties are appropriately segregated or the school has implemented compensating controls. There is an established system in place to provide the appropriate information needed by leadership and the Board to make sound financial decisions and to fulfill compliance requirements. The school takes corrective action in a timely manner to address any internal control or compliance deficiencies identified by its external auditor.</p>	<p>Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.</p>	<p>Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding internal controls and procedures.</p>	<p>Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding internal controls and procedures.</p>	<p>Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding internal controls and procedures.</p>
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<b>Does the school maintain adequate financial resources to ensure stable operations?</b>				
Indicators: The school maintains sufficient cash on hand to pay current bills and those that are due shortly. The school has liquid reserves to fund expenses in the event of income loss. Cash flow projections are prepared and monitored. Financial needs of the school are not dependent on variable income (grants, donations, and fundraising).	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding financial resources.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding financial resources.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding financial resources.
Notes:				
<b>Is the school demonstrating strong short and long-term fiscal viability?</b>				
Indicators: The school has met enrollment projections. Revenue and funding projections are reasonable and certain. Margins, cash flow, and debt levels are appropriate.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding fiscal viability.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding fiscal viability.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding fiscal viability.
Notes:				
<b>Does the school operate pursuant to a long-range financial plan in which it creates realistic budgets that it monitors and adjusts when appropriate?</b>				
Indicators: The school has outlined clear budgetary objectives and budget preparation procedures. Board members, school leadership, and staff contribute to the budget process, as appropriate. The school frequently compares its long-range fiscal plan to actual progress and adjusts it to meet changing conditions. The school routinely analyzes budget variances, the Board addresses material variances and makes necessary revisions. Actual expenses are equal to or less than actual revenue with no material exceptions.	Exceeds: All indicators are met and the school engages in activities and practices that go beyond the indicators.	Meets: The school presents no material concerns in any of the indicators regarding a long-range financial plan.	Approaches: The school presents a material concern in one of the indicators regarding a long-range financial plan.	Does not meet: The school presents a material concern in more than one of the indicators regarding a long-range financial plan.
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# CHARTER SCHOOL PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE

This performance certificate is executed on this 17th day of June, 2014, by and between the Idaho Public Charter School Commission (the “Authorizer”), and Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning (the “School”), an independent public school organized as an Idaho nonprofit corporation and established under the Public Charter Schools Law, Idaho Code Section 33-5201 *et seq.*, as amended (the “Charter Schools Law.”)

## RECITALS

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2008, the Authorizer approved a charter petition for the establishment of the School; and

WHEREAS, the School began operations in the year 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Schools Law was amended effective as of July 1, 2013 to require all public charter schools approved prior to July 1, 2013 to execute performance certificates with their authorizers no later than July 1, 2014;

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of the foregoing recitals and mutual understandings, the Authorizer and the School agree as follows:

## SECTION 1: AUTHORIZATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL

- A. Continued Operation of School.** Pursuant to the Charter Schools Law, the Authorizer hereby approves the continued operation of the School on the terms and conditions set forth in this Charter School Performance Certificate (the “Certificate”). The approved Charter is attached to this Certificate as Appendix B.
- B. Pre-Opening Requirements.** Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 33-5206(6), the Authorizer may establish reasonable pre-opening requirements or conditions (“Pre-Opening Requirements”) to monitor the start-up progress of a newly approved public charter school to ensure that the school is prepared to open smoothly on the date agreed. The School shall not commence instruction until all pre-opening requirements have been completed to the satisfaction of the Authorizer. Pre-opening requirements are attached as Appendix C. If all pre-opening conditions have been completed to the satisfaction of the Authorizer, the School shall commence operations/instruction with the first day of school in Fall 2009. In the event that all pre-opening conditions have not been completed to the satisfaction of the Authorizer, the School may not commence instruction on the scheduled first day of school. In such event, the Authorizer may exercise its authority on or before July 20 to prohibit the School from commencing operation/instruction until the start of the succeeding semester or school

year.

- C. Term of Agreement.** This Certificate is effective as of **June 17, 2014**, and shall continue through **June 30, 2018**, unless earlier terminated as provided herein.

## SECTION 2: SCHOOL GOVERNANCE

- A. Governing Board.** The School shall be governed by a board (the “Charter Board”) in a manner that is consistent with the terms of this Certificate so long as such provisions are in accordance with state, federal, and local law. The Charter Board shall have final authority and responsibility for the academic, financial, and organizational performance of the School. The Charter Board shall also have authority for and be responsible for policy and operational decisions of the School, although nothing herein shall prevent the Charter Board from delegating decision-making authority for policy and operational decisions to officers, employees and agents of the School, as well as third party management providers.
- B. Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.** The articles of incorporation and bylaws of the entity holding the charter shall provide for governance of the operation of the School as a nonprofit corporation and public charter school and shall at all times be consistent with all applicable law and this Certificate. The articles of incorporation and bylaws are attached to this Certificate as Appendix D (the “Articles and Bylaws”). Any modification of the Articles and Bylaws must be submitted to the Authorizer within five (5) business days of approval by the Charter Board.
- C. Charter Board Composition.** The composition of the Charter Board shall at all times be determined by and consistent with the Articles and Bylaws and all applicable law and policy. The roster of the Charter Board is attached to this Certificate as Appendix E (the “Board Roster”). The Charter Board shall notify the Authorizer of any changes to the Board Roster and provide an amended Board Roster within five (5) business days of their taking effect.

## SECTION 3: EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

- A. School Mission.** The mission of the School is as follows: **The mission of Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning is to engage the children and the community of the Palouse in a rigorous and collaborative education of the highest standards by fostering a spirit of inquiry, a persistence towards excellence, a responsibility for learning, and an ethic of service.**
- B. Grades Served.** The School may serve students in **kindergarten through grade 8.**
- C. Design Elements.** The School shall implement and maintain the following essential design elements of its educational program:  
**The ten design principles of Expeditionary Learning are our best short statement of our philosophy of education. They focus our attention on what is important and give**

us something to go back to when we need guidance.

- *Primacy of Self-Discovery* - Learning happens best with emotion, challenge and the requisite support. People discover their abilities, values, passions, and responsibilities in situations that offer adventure and the unexpected. In Expeditionary Learning schools, students undertake tasks that require perseverance, fitness, craftsmanship, imagination, self-discipline, and significant achievement. A teacher's primary task is to help students overcome their fears and discover they can do more than they think they can.
- *The Having of Wonderful Ideas* - Teaching in Expeditionary Learning schools fosters curiosity about the world by creating learning situations that provide something important to think about, time to experiment, and time to make sense of what is observed.
- *The Responsibility for Learning* - Learning is both a personal process of discovery and a social activity. Everyone learns both individually and as part of a group. Every aspect of an Expeditionary Learning school encourages both children and adults to become increasingly responsible for directing their own personal and collective learning. *Solitude and Reflection* - Students and teachers need time alone to explore their own thoughts, make their own connections, and create their own ideas. They also need time to exchange their reflections with other students and with adults.
- *Service and Compassion* - We are crew, not passengers. Students and teachers are strengthened by acts of consequential service to others, and one of an Expeditionary Learning school's primary functions is to prepare students with the attitudes and skills to learn from and be of service.

**D. Standardized Testing.** Students of the School shall be tested with the same standardized tests as other Idaho public school students.

**E. Accreditation.** The School shall be accredited as provided by rule of the state board of education.

#### **SECTION 4: AUTHORIZER ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

**A. Oversight allowing autonomy.** The Authorizer shall comply with the provisions of Charter School Law and the terms of this Certificate in a manner that does not unduly inhibit the autonomy of the School. The Authorizer's Role will be to evaluate the School's outcomes according to this Certificate and the Performance Framework rather than to establish the process by which the School achieves the outcomes sought.

**B. Charter School Performance Framework.** The Charter School Performance Framework ("Performance Framework") is attached and incorporated into this agreement as Appendix F. The Performance Framework shall be used to evaluate the School's academic, financial and operational performance, and shall supersede and replace any and all assessment measures, educational goals and objectives, financial operations metrics,



and operational performance metrics set forth in the Charter and not explicitly incorporated into the Performance Framework. The specific terms, form and requirements of the Performance Framework, including any required indicators, measures, metrics, and targets, are determined by the Authorizer and will be binding on the School.

- C. Authorizer to Monitor School Performance.** The Authorizer shall monitor and report on the School's progress in relation to the indicators, measures, metrics and targets set out in the Performance Framework. The School shall be subject to a formal review of its academic, mission-specific, operational, and financial performance at least annually.
- D. School Performance.** The School shall achieve an accountability designation of *Good Standing* or *Honor* on each of the three sections of the Performance Framework. In the event the School is a party to a third party management contract which includes a deficit protection clause, the School shall be exempt from some or all measures within the financial portion of the Performance Framework. In accordance with Charter School Law, the Authorizer shall renew any charter in which the public charter school met all of the terms of its performance certificate at the time of renewal.
- E. Performance Framework As Basis For Renewal of Charter.** The School's performance in relation to the indicators, measures, metrics and targets set forth in the Academic and Mission-Specific, Operational and Financial sections of the Performance Framework shall provide the basis upon which the Authorizer will decide whether to renew the School's Charter at the end of the Certificate term. As part of the Performance Framework, the Authorizer agrees to consider mission-specific, rigorous, valid, and reliable indicators of the School's performance. These negotiated indicators will be included in the Mission-Specific portion of the Academic and Mission Specific section of the Performance Framework.
- F. Authorizer's Right to Review.** The School will be subject to review of its academics, operations and finances by the Authorizer, including related policies, documents and records, when the Authorizer deems such review necessary. The Authorizer shall conduct its reviews in a manner that does not unduly inhibit the autonomy granted to the School.
- G. Site Visits.** In addition to the above procedures, the Charter School shall grant reasonable access to, and cooperate with, the Authorizer, its officers, employees and other agents, including allowing site visits by the Authorizer, its officers, employees, or other agents, for the purpose of allowing the Authorizer to fully evaluate the operations and performance of the School. The Authorizer may conduct a site visit at any time if the Authorizer has reasonable concern regarding the operations and performance of the School. The Authorizer will provide the School reasonable notice prior to its annual site visit to the School. The School shall have an opportunity to provide a written response to the site visit report no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting at which the report is to be considered by the Authorizer. If no written response is provided, the School shall have the opportunity to respond orally to the site visit report at the meeting.
- H. Required Reports.** The School shall prepare and submit reports regarding its governance,

operations, and/or finances according to the established policies of and upon the request of the Authorizer. However, to the extent possible, the Authorizer shall not request reports from the School that are otherwise available through student information systems or other data sources reasonably available to the Authorizer.

## SECTION 5: SCHOOL OPERATIONS

**A. In General.** The School and the Charter Board shall operate at all times in accordance with all federal and state laws, local ordinances, regulations and Authorizer policies applicable to charter schools. Authorizer policies in effect for the duration of this Certificate are attached as Appendix G.

**B. Maximum Enrollment.** The maximum number of students who may be enrolled in the school shall be 216 students. The maximum number of students who may be enrolled per class/grade level shall be as follows:

Kindergarten – Grade 8: 24 students per grade

Due to PPSEL’s multi-age classroom structure, actual grade sizes may vary as follows:

The school administrator will develop a schedule of single and multi-age classrooms and enrollment caps for each classroom such that: (1) all students who wish to return have a place, (2) no classroom exceeds 24 students and (3) the total enrollment does not exceed the school’s enrollment cap. The Board will approve this enrollment plan prior to the opening of the lottery application period, and the plan will be published as part of the lottery information.

Within the classroom schedule set in the step above, grade-level enrollments will be determined as follows: First, students who elect to continue in the school for the next year will be distributed into classrooms. Second, in multi-age classrooms, the open seats will be distributed to give the most uniform age distribution possible in each room. At its meeting just prior to the start of the lottery enrollment period, the grade level enrollments and open seats will be finalized by the Board and reported to the Authorizer. This schedule of classrooms, enrollment cap, and open seats will be advertised to families.

Following the lottery, if any open seats remain in a multi-age classroom, the remaining seats can be taken by students in either grade, first from the waiting list(s) and when the waiting lists are exhausted, then on a first-come basis.

**C. Enrollment Policy.** The School shall make student recruitment, admissions, enrollment and retention decisions in a nondiscriminatory manner and without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, sex, marital status, religion, ancestry, disability or need for special education services. In no event may the School limit admission based on race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, gender, income level, athletic ability, or proficiency in the English language. If there are more applications to enroll in the charter school than there are spaces available, the charter school shall select students to attend using a random

selection process that shall be publicly noticed and open to the public. The School shall follow the enrollment policy approved by the Authorizer and incorporated into this agreement as Appendix H.

- D. School Facilities.** 1500 Levick Street, Moscow, ID 83843. The School shall provide reasonable notification to the Authorizer of any change in the location of its facilities.
- E. Attendance Area.** The School's primary attendance area is as follows: Moscow School District #281.
- F. Staff.** Instructional staff shall be certified teachers as provided by rule of the state board of education. All full-time staff members of the School will be covered by the public employee retirement system, federal social security, unemployment insurance, worker's compensation insurance, and health insurance.
- G. Alignment with All Applicable Law.** The School shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations. In the event any such laws, rules, or regulations are amended, the School shall be bound by any such amendment upon the effective date of said amendment.

## SECTION 6: SCHOOL FINANCE

- A. General.** The School shall comply with all applicable financial and budget statutes, rules, regulations, and financial reporting requirements, as well as the requirements contained in the School Performance Framework incorporated into this contract as Appendix F.
- B. Financial Controls.** At all times, the Charter School shall maintain appropriate governance and managerial procedures and financial controls which procedures and controls shall include, but not be limited to: (1) commonly accepted accounting practices and the capacity to implement them (2) a checking account; (3) adequate payroll procedures; (4) procedures for the creation and review of monthly and quarterly financial reports, which procedures shall specifically identify the individual who will be responsible for preparing such financial reports in the following fiscal year; (5) internal control procedures for cash receipts, cash disbursements and purchases; and (6) maintenance of asset registers and financial procedures for grants in accordance with applicable state and federal law.
- C. Financial Audit.** The School shall submit audited financial statements from an independent auditor to the Authorizer no later than October 15 of each year.
- D. Annual Budgets.** The School shall adopt a budget for each fiscal year, prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. The budget shall be in the Idaho Financial Accounting Reporting Management Systems (IFARMS) format and any other format as may be reasonably requested by the Authorizer.

## SECTION 7: TERMINATION, NON-RENEWAL AND REVOCATION

- A. Termination by the School.** Should the School choose to terminate its Charter before the expiration of the Certificate, it may do so upon written notice to the Authorizer. Any school terminating its charter shall work with the Authorizer to ensure a smooth and orderly closure and transition for students and parents, as guided by the public charter school closure protocol established by the Authorizer attached as Appendix I.
- B. Nonrenewal.** The Authorizer may non-renew the Charter at the expiration of the Certificate if the School failed to meet one (1) or more of the terms of its Certificate. Any school which is not renewed shall work with the Authorizer to ensure a smooth and orderly closure and transition for students and parents, as guided by the public charter school closure protocol established by the Authorizer attached as Appendix I.
- C. Revocation.** The School's Charter may be revoked by the Authorizer if the School has failed to meet any of the specific, written renewal conditions attached, if applicable, as Appendix A for necessary improvements established pursuant to Idaho Code § 33-5209B(1) by the dates specified. Revocation may not occur until the public charter school has been afforded a public hearing, unless the Authorizer determines that continued operation of the public charter school presents an imminent public safety issue. If the School's Charter is revoked, the School shall work with the Authorizer ensure a smooth and orderly closure and transition for students and parents, as guided by the public charter school closure protocol established by the Authorizer attached as Appendix I.
- D. Dissolution.** Upon termination of the Charter for any reason by the Charter Board, or upon nonrenewal or revocation, the Charter Board will supervise and have authority to conduct the winding up of the business and other affairs of the School; provided, however, that in doing so the Authorizer will not be responsible for and will not assume any liability incurred by the School. The Charter Board and School personnel shall cooperate fully with the winding up of the affairs of the School.
- E. Disposition of School's Assets upon Termination or Dissolution.** Upon termination of the Charter for any reason, any assets owned by the School shall be distributed in accordance with Charter Schools Law.

## SECTION 8: MISCELLANEOUS

- A. No Employee or Agency Relationship.** None of the provisions of this Certificate will be construed to create a relationship of agency, representation, joint venture, ownership, or employment between the Authorizer and the School.
- B. Additional Services.** Except as may be expressly provided in this Certificate, as set forth in any subsequent written agreement between the School and the Authorizer, or as may

be required by law, neither the School nor the Authorizer shall be entitled to the use of or access to the services, supplies, or facilities of the other.

**C. No Third-Party Beneficiary.** This Certificate shall not create any rights in any third parties, nor shall any third party be entitled to enforce any rights or obligations that may be possessed by either party to this Certificate.

**D. Amendment.** This Certificate may be amended by agreement between the School and the Authorizer in accordance with Authorizer policy, attached as Appendix G. All amendments must be in writing and signed by the School and the Authorizer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Authorizer and the School have executed this Performance Certificate to be effective June 17, 2014.

Alan Reed

**Chairman, Idaho Public Charter School Commission**

Brian Gardner

**Chairman, Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning Board**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Authorizer and Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning (PPSEL) have executed this Amendment to their Performance Certificate that revises Article V of their bylaws as they pertain to the process of recruiting and approving new board members. This Amendment to PPSEL's Performance Certificate is effective as of February 13, 2014.



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Alan Reed  
Chairman, Idaho Public Charter School Commission



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Brian Gardner  
Chairman of the Board, Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Authorizer and Palouse Prairie Charter School (PPCS) have executed this Amendment to their Performance Certificate to increase their overall enrollment cap from 200 to 216, and to change their board composition to allow for up to nine members. This Amendment to PPCS's Performance Certificate is effective as of July 5, 2017.



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Alan Reed  
Chairman, Idaho Public Charter School Commission



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Amy Ball  
Chairman of the Board, Palouse Prairie Charter School



- Appendix A: Conditions of Authorization/Renewal**
- Appendix B: Charter**
- Appendix C: Pre-Opening Requirements**
- Appendix D: Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws**
- Appendix E: Board Roster**
- Appendix F: School Performance Framework**
- Appendix G: Authorizer Policies**
- Appendix H: Enrollment Policy**
- Appendix I: Public Charter School Closure Protocol**

The Performance Certificate Appendices are excluded from this document due to their substantial length. However, they are available upon request from the PCSC office.



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**Application for Charter Renewal  
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## Executive Summary

### **Mission and Key Design Elements**

#### **Mission**

Palouse Prairie Charter School's mission is to engage the children and the community of the Palouse in a rigorous and collaborative education of the highest standards by fostering a spirit of inquiry, a persistence towards excellence, a responsibility for learning, and an ethic of service.

#### **Design Elements**

The school is distinguished by the EL Education Model, formerly known as Expeditionary Learning Schools model, EL Education has been recognized nationally as an innovative, research-based, school improvement model and has been credited with producing high performing public charter schools. The model is based on five key dimensions of life in school: Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, Culture and Character and Leadership. These dimensions of student achievement guide our work and professional learning.

#### **Curriculum**

Academically rigorous learning expeditions, case studies, projects, fieldwork, and service learning inspire students to think and work as professionals do, contributing high-quality work to authentic audiences beyond the classroom. Our staff regularly analyze the curriculum to check alignment to Idaho Core State Standards and opportunities for all students to meet those standards.

#### **Instruction**

Our classrooms are alive with discovery, inquiry, critical thinking, problem-solving, and collaboration. Lessons have explicit purpose, guided by standards-based learning targets. In all subject areas, teachers differentiate instruction and maintain high expectations in order to bring out the best in all students and cultivate a culture of high achievement.

#### **Assessment**

Student-engaged assessment is key in our assessment practices. It builds student ownership of learning, focuses students on reaching learning targets, and drives achievement. Students continually assess and improve the quality of their work through the use of models, reflection, critique, rubrics, and feedback from teachers and experts. Staff members regularly engage in data inquiry and analysis, examining patterns in student work and results from summative and standardized assessments, disaggregating data to recognize and address gaps in instruction and achievement.

#### **Culture and Character**

Our school structures and traditions such as crew, community circle meetings, exhibitions of student work, and service learning ensure that every student is known and cared for, that student leadership is nurtured, and that contributions to the school and world are celebrated.



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## **Leadership**

Our school leader builds a cohesive school vision focused on student achievement and continuous improvement, and she aligns all activities in the school to that vision. Our school leader uses data to shape school structures to best meet student needs, celebrate joy in learning, and build a school-wide culture of trust and collaboration.

## **Major Successes and Challenges**

Since Palouse Prairie Charter School opened in 2009, enrollment has increased from 60 K-5 students to 191 K-8 students, with waitlist in several grades. One contributing success to our enrollment is the retention of our fifth grade students moving into middle school, which is creating class sizes ranging from 18-21 students.

Another major accomplishment for PPCS is the high student achievement on the ISAT 2.0 in English Language Arts, Math and the Science ISAT. On the Math ISAT 2.0, 68.2% of our students were proficient or advanced, 76.6% were proficient or advanced on the ELA ISAT 2.0 and 87.2% were proficient or advanced on the Science ISAT. On the spring IRI, 80.9% were proficient, which was 20 percentage points higher than the fall IRI. Another notable achievement for PPCS is the recognition of student work on the EL national platform.

Challenges Palouse Prairie faces include teacher retention and Director sustainability. Related to academics, one challenge we are focused on is to develop a more systematic support for students who are not at grade level and for students who are advanced through a cohesive, consistent RTI. We also continue to strive to build a facility that better supports our students and it has been a challenge to secure all the funding needed for a down payment.

## **Summary of Four Central Questions**

PPCS has shown to be an academic success and continues to outperform the state and district proficiency averages on the Idaho Standards Achievement Test (SBAC) in both ELA and Math. All students produce work that is high quality in complexity, craftsmanship, and authenticity and often meets an authentic service learning need in our community.

PPCS is organizationally sound and compliant with all laws and regulations and continues to be consistently rated in the honor category in operations on the Annual Report. The school is fiscally sound with enough reserve funds to move forward with the goal of purchasing property for a new school.

Palouse Prairie Charter School's plan for the new performance certificate term includes nurturing the school's emphasis on the EL Education model, cementing critical systems, focusing on staff well-being and retention and building a green, safe school facility.

*Amy Ball*

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(Board Chair Signature)

*Jenell Branen*

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(Administrator Signature)



### Application Narrative

#### Is the school an academic success?

Palouse Prairie School is focused on achieving academic success for every student. Over the last three years, staff have implemented a more data driven RTI process to focus on differentiating support for students that are not proficient in ELA and math. In 2016, Palouse Prairie Charter School created a work plan, in collaboration with EL Education, that included three multi-year impact goals. One of the goals included that PPCS students in 3rd - 8th grades will outperform the state and district proficiency averages on the Idaho Standards Achievement Test (ISAT 2.0) in both ELA and math. Since 2014, when ISAT 2.0 was first reported, Palouse Prairie Charter School has outperformed the State in both ELA and Math. The overall proficiency for math was 63.2% and 67.9% for ELA in the 2014-2015 test.

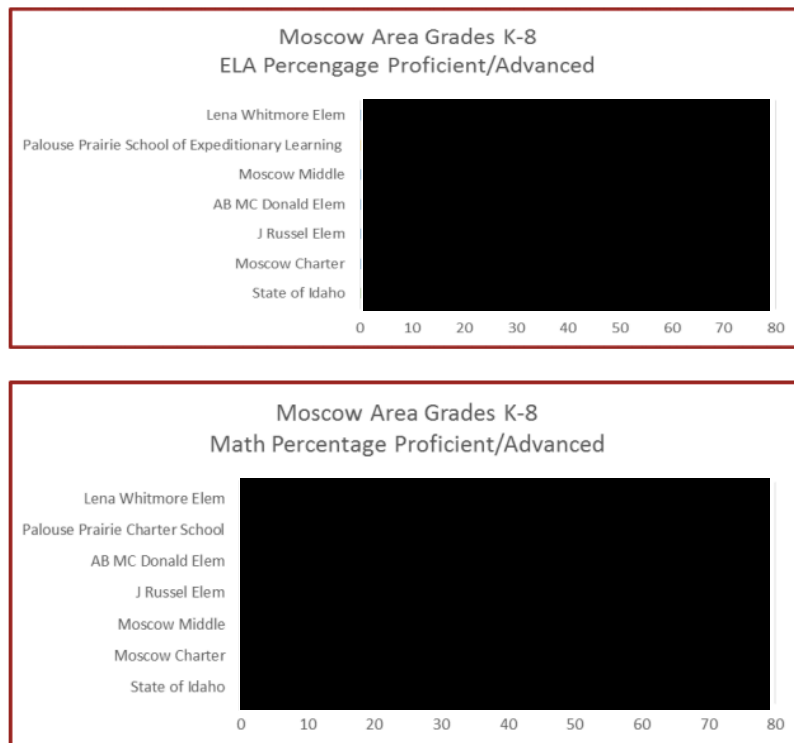


Figure 1: Palouse Prairie Charter School's percent of students proficient and advanced on the ISAT 2.0 in comparison to the State of Idaho and other Moscow Schools from the 2014-2015 Charter Commission Annual Performance Report.

The overall percent of students proficient or advanced in the 2015-2016 ISAT 2.0 for math was 66.4% and 55.1% for ELA. We saw a growth in math and a decline in ELA.



Although, we continued to outperform the State of Idaho and many of the district schools, we made intentional decision to increase student achievement. Due to a high turnover of students in the recent years, we focused on supporting teachers to become proficient at designing and delivering effective lessons. We believed that students at PPCS will benefit academically if ALL teachers are proficient at 5 powerful and generative lessons and protocols. In addition, PPCS's staff focused on implementing schoolwide interim assessments, creating a structure for data inquiry teams, and increasing staff proficiency in analyzing and using student achievement data. Staff then set student achievement goals after the first set of interim assessments.

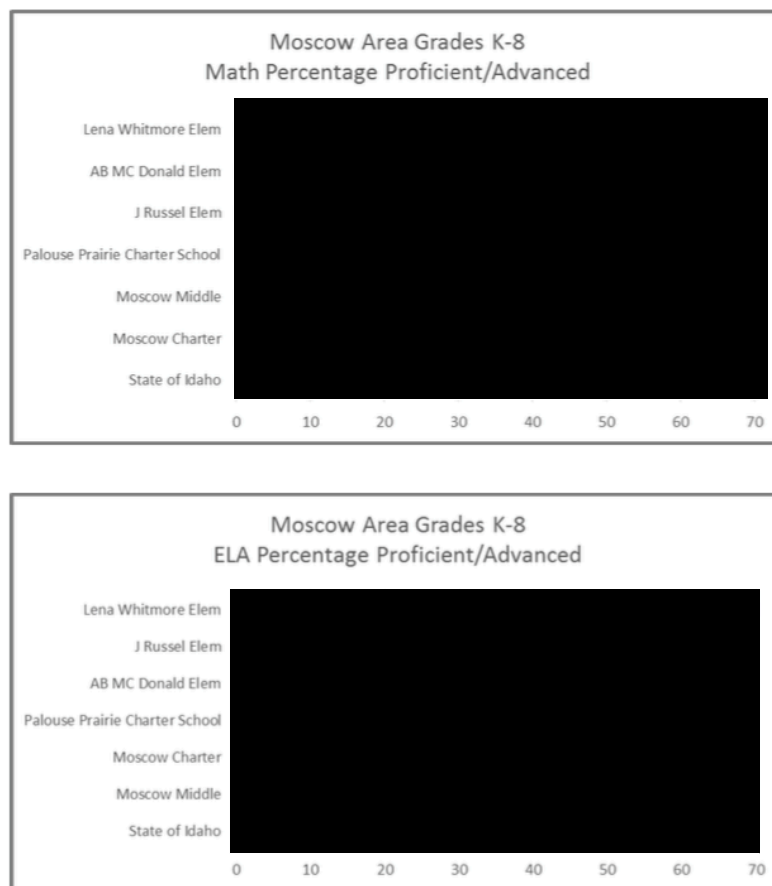


Figure 2: Palouse Prairie Charter School's percent of students proficient and advanced on the ISAT 2.0 in comparison to the State of Idaho and other Moscow Schools from the 205-2016 Charter Commission Annual Performance Report.

After reviewing the data at the end of the school year, staff focused on areas of the math and ELA and set goals for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year. Although PPCS outperforms state and generally district in standardized measures, the goal was to involve more systematic support for students who are not at grade level and for students who are advanced.





Teachers also focused on supporting students in tracking their progress on interim assessments by analyzing their own errors for patterns and describe what the data tells them about their current level of performance. New teachers attended additional math professional development and worked with our Math Regional Director to ensure highly effective math teaching practices were present in all classrooms.

Entering into the 2016-2017, there was a stronger focus on implementing a highly effective data inquiry process. The staff implemented the ISAT 2.0 interim assessments and conducted a school wide data analysis to identify school wide strengths, weakness and specific areas of support for students. Teachers identified students who are not at grade level in math and provided support and interventions.

Teachers also provided additional literacy instruction for students who are not at grade level as measured by the schoolwide screener. We saw growth for all grades in math from the mid-year ISAT 2.0 interims to the final ISAT. We saw a significant amount of growth in grades 3-5 in ELA. However, we noticed our students didn't have any or much growth in grades 6-8. We also noticed a high percent of proficient/advanced in grades 6-8 on the interim assessment, which could have impacted the amount of growth.

ELA Interim and Summative ISAT 2.0 Data

Grade	Average Raw Score/Percent Proficient or Advanced on mid-year Interim ISAT	Average Raw Score/Percent Proficient or Advanced on Summative ISAT	Growth in Raw Score/Percentage Points
3rd	2423/53%	2471/67%	+48/+14 p.p.
4th	2458/43%	2484/50%	+26/+7 p.p.
5th	2555/62%	2574/84%	+20/+22 p.p.
*6th	2602/80%	2593/81%	-9/+1 p.p.
7th	2643/86%	2638/82%	-5/-4 p.p.
8th	2621/77%	2620/77%	-1/+0 p.p.

Figure 3 \*Not all students took the summative interim.



Math Interim and Summative ISAT 2.0 Data

Grade	Average Raw Score/Percent Proficient or Advanced on mid-year Interim ISAT	Average Raw Score/Percent Proficient or Advanced on Summative ISAT	Growth in Raw Score/Percentage Points
3rd	2471/67%	2492/80%	+21/+13 p.p.
4th	2444/28%	2470/30%	+26/+2 p.p.
5th	2530/46%	2577/80%	+47/+34p.p.
*6th	2541/49%	2591/53%	+50/+4p.p.
7th	2614/75%	2640/86%	+26/+11p.p.
8th	2561/38%	2586/46%	+25/+8 p.p.

Figure 4 \*Not all students took the summative interim.

As we analyzed entire school proficiency levels, 68.2% of PPCS's met or exceeded proficiency in math and 76.6% met or exceeded proficiency in ELA. In addition, 87.2% met or exceeded proficiency on the Science ISAT. These proficient levels outperformed the State of Idaho and as a whole, the entire school district in Moscow.

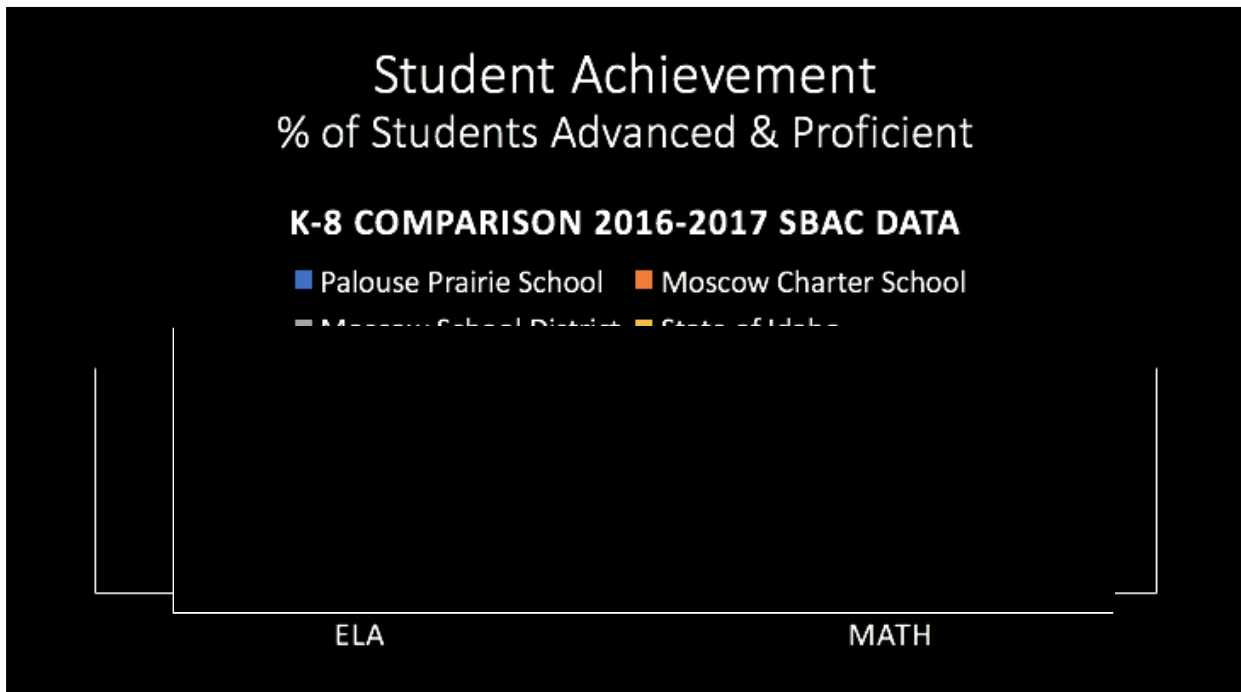


Figure 5: PPCS's percent of students advanced or proficient on the ISAT 2.0 in comparison to the State of Idaho and local districts based on 2016-2017 SBAC Data.



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Our commitment is to ensure students are demonstrating proficiency and a deeper understanding of the Idaho Core Standards. We plan to continue to exceed both the state of Idaho and the Moscow School District on student ISAT 2.0 scores. Mastery of content standards are very important. However, good test scores are just a starting place to prepare students for success in college, career, citizenship and life. We have a broader vision of high student achievement.

PPCS 's staff also focus on supporting students to high quality work that is publicly displayed and has an authentic audience. High quality work is defined as complex work that demonstrates higher-order thinking, allows for multiple perspectives and transfers student understanding of the content. High quality work demonstrates original thinking and voice, is connected to real world issues and formats, and is meaningful to the community beyond the school. Students create work that demonstrates craftsmanship, it is work that is accurate and beautiful in conception and execution. PPCS's student work is making a difference at the local and national level. Our school has 11 expeditions featured in [EL Education Models of Excellence](#), a very selective resource of exemplary student work open to educators across the country.

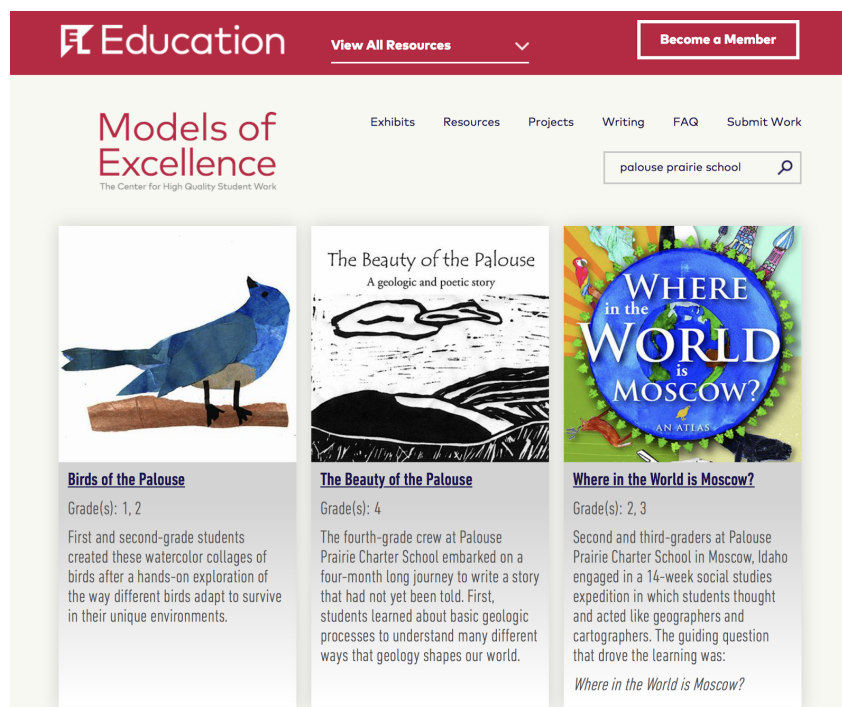


Figure 6: Examples of PPCS's high quality work featured in EL Education's Models of Excellence.

In addition, our fourth grade teacher, Renée Hill, was just published in the environmental education magazine [CLEARING](#). This article highlights the Confluence of Cultures expedition curriculum and canoe-building process of the 2017 fourth grade crew. Our 5th grade students [presented](#) at the Kenworthy to give endangered animals a voice. The producers of the film Racing Extinction thanked our 5th grade



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students for their work related to animal extinction. The voices of seventh-grade students were included in a [Huffington Post](#) piece from Robert Benz, co-founder of Frederick Douglass Family Initiatives. These are a few of many examples of our commitment to supporting students to produce work that is high quality in complexity, craftsmanship, and meets an authentic service learning need in the community and world with the goal of becoming future leaders.

Since opening in 2009, we have maintained our commitment to the EL Education model and our Charter. The reason for our longevity is that while the details of our design have evolved, there is a foundation of beliefs and values in which we have never wavered. Palouse Prairie Charter School's students are academically achieving and creating work that is meaningful to their local community and world, which aligns with the design elements in our charter. Director and Teachers ensure that curriculum, instruction, and assessments are rigorous, meaningful, and aligned with standards. Schoolwide, teachers engage all students in daily lessons that require critical thinking about complex, worthy ideas, texts and problems. Over the last several years, we have continued to grow in our implementation of the EL Education model. EL Education conducts an annual implementation report, which assess our effectiveness in implementing the model. In 2014-2015, PPCS received a score of [97](#), which is one point away from the target score of applying to become a credentialed EL School. In 2015-2016, we received a score of [107](#). In 2016-2017, we received a score of [112](#), which is a score similar to mentor schools in the EL network.

The design element we will continue to focus on to improve is assessment. We will continue to focus on increasing student achievement by utilizing quality assessments and data inquiry cycles and a more robust RTI process.

## **Is the school organizationally sound and compliant with applicable laws and regulations?**

PPCS is organizationally sound and compliant with all laws and regulations. The PCSC has consistently rated our operations in the honor category in our Annual Report. PPCS is up to date with all required state reporting. The school follows generally accepted accounting principles and also meets all financial reporting requirements. We complete required background checks and our staff meets certification requirements. There are no known operational deficiencies at this time.

The school is implementing our mission and has received high marks on our annual Expeditionary Learning Implementation Review for several years. This year the school will be submitting a credentialing packet to EL Learning, a portfolio of evidence to assess progress against clear and consistent criteria:

- **Student Mastery of Knowledge and Skills** as measured by student performance on state assessments.
- **High Quality Student Work** as measured by evidence drawn from annual Quality Work Protocol focused on attributes of complexity, craftsmanship and authenticity.
- **Student Character** as measured by evidence of student data showing growth over time in essential character habits such as collaboration, effort and responsibility.
- **Implementation of Expeditionary Learning** as measured by the annual Implementation Review.



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Comparing PPCS's school demographics with our surrounding district, Moscow School District, we identify similar percentages of non-white, free/reduced lunch, and special needs populations. Our area's LEP percentage is low, around 2%, and we currently have no LEP students. Our school has a higher percentage of diversity in comparison to the local district (6.68 percentage points higher). However, most subgroups are too small to be reported by Idaho State Law. In analyzing these subgroups as a staff, there isn't a group that stands out as specifically requiring additional support. In addition, our students that are economically disadvantaged are not consistently identified as the students that need additional interventions. This is likely due to the unique demographic of Moscow with a high level of low wage earners attending the local Universities. Our approach is to support any student that isn't meeting grade level standards and continue to evaluate the make-up of our school to determine if, and when, specialized populations require focused assistance.

Each year, the Special Education Department from the Idaho State Department of Education conducts an annual file review of current Special Education files for compliance in laws related to Individualized Educational Plans, Written Notice and Eligibility Reports and procedures. Since 2015, PPCS has been 100% compliant in the Special Education file reviews. In addition, we have established a complete and compliant set of paperwork and forms for 504's. The District has had a 504 District Coordinator. The District Coordinator and Director work closely with all staff to ensure all 504 and IEP accommodations are met in the classroom.

Our Executive Director, Jeneille Branen has been with the school since its inception and has served as an administrator for the last 5 years, first as Director of Curriculum and Instruction and now as our Executive Director. Our Board of Directors has grown from 5 members in our early years to 7 members reflecting growing community confidence in our success and sustainability. Due to increased number of candidates to fill Board seats over the last three years, PPCS has recently increased its maximum Board size from 7 to 9 members.

The PPCS strives to be open in transparent in all of its operations and fully complies with all laws regarding our operations. In 2014 the PPCS Board contracted with the ISBA to provide model school policies. These policies were reviewed by the Board between April 2014 and December 2016 and edited to suit the unique circumstances of the school, replacing our original policies which were adapted from the Moscow School District. The ISBA sends quarterly policy updates reflecting changes necessary to comply with current new legal requirements and directives. The Board reviews policy bi-annually, incorporating any needed changes.

## **Is the school a fiscally sound, viable organization?**

PPCS is financially sound and there are not any concerns in this area at present. The school has faced leadership turnover, and the success of being financially sound is contributed to having the same highly competent business manager since the opening of the school in 2009. We have strong cash reserves and enrollment continues to increase. In fall 2017, our enrollment was up ~20 students compared to the prior year. Our annual fiscal audits contain unmodified opinions since inception and there have been no concerns noted related to internal controls. In addition, the school's financial status with the Commission has been honor standing since 2014.



Looking to the future, the board is intending to build a new facility. The prudent financial management of school funds has made it possible for reserves to be set aside. The board is considering using part of these reserve funds to purchase property for a new facility. A development committee is actively engaged in a capital campaign, has secured some grant funds, and held two fundraising events this fall. The board is working with a local bank to secure funding for a facility. The hope is to break ground for this facility in 2018.

**If renewed, what is the school's plan for its next performance certificate term?**

Palouse Prairie Charter School's plan for the future fall into four broad categories: Nurturing the school's emphasis on CREW culture, EL principles, and the distinctive EL pedagogy; Cementing critical systems, including volunteer management, family involvement, fundraising and operations; Focusing on staff well-being, including compensation, support, professional development, and work environment; and Building a green, safe school facility with adequate grounds for play and gardens.

*Nurturing the school's emphasis on CREW culture, EL principles, and the distinctive EL pedagogy*

During our next performance certificate PPCS plans to build and maintain positive school wide culture with traditions and routines to celebrate success for both students and teachers, build trust, support relationships, and foster open communication between all stakeholders in the school community.

PPCS is committed to high student achievement and engagement. We plan to continue to exceed both the state of Idaho and the Moscow School District on student SBAC scores. As Moscow School District is a high performing district we feel that this sets a high bar for success but is achievable given our track record of excellent student outcomes. However, PPCS will continue to define success more broadly than performance on standardized tests. Our students will demonstrate proficiency or progress toward proficiency in habits of scholarship; collaboration, responsibility, craftsmanship; and grit. All PPCS students will produce two pieces of work annually that are high quality in complexity, craftsmanship, and authenticity. PPCS students in grades 3, 5 and 8 will present passage presentations, presentations to parents, staff and community members that reflect on their learning and set goals for the future. Finally, we will continue to maintain a strong partnership with EL Education and plan to meet all benchmarks necessary to become an EL credentialed school in the near future.

*Cementing critical systems, including volunteer management, family involvement, fundraising and operations*

The Palouse Prairie Charter School Board plans to continue to expand its capacity through education, evaluation, and the implementation of structures and procedures that maximize effectiveness. In particular, the Board has identified a need for yearly training in school governance as well as regular training in Administrator evaluation. In recent years the PPCS Board is in the fortunate position of having more interested, qualified candidates for Board positions than there are available seats. As PPCS's success has become more broadly visible in Moscow the PCSC Board has had more interested candidates from outside the pool of the families that we serve. This is a very positive change however, it has highlighted the need for us to improve our systems for annual assessment of Board strengths and needs, Board recruitment procedures, on new member orientation.



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The PPCS Board also plans to examine and improve our fundraising capacity and systems for tracking donations, developing donors, and identifying grant opportunities. The PPCS Development Committee will identify and recommend donor database software and systems that will allow the Board and school administrators to track donations and compare data from year to year. This will assist in the creation of a comprehensive development plan which encourages new donors and cultivates relationships with existing donors. Finally, the Development Committee will provide grant writing support to the Executive Director, alleviating the burden that this necessary activity places upon her time.

Palouse Prairie School plans to build on the recent success of our Parent CREW to increase parent engagement through a more formal series of community events throughout the year including social community events and more formal educational opportunities around the unique pedagogy offered at PPCS. The Board will work with the Parent CREW align fundraising efforts and make sure that the Parent CREW is financially, sustainable. PPCS will continue yearly evaluation of our community communication, including email, social media, and applications such as Bloomz to make sure that we are reaching the families and the community.

*Focusing on staff well-being, including compensation, support, professional development, and work environment*

PPCS is committed to hiring and retaining excellent staff including administrators, teachers, and office staff. PPCS provides a high level of professional development to our Executive Director and teachers through peer coaching, site visits from our EL Education School Designer, and attendance at regional and national conferences. This investment in our staff makes it especially important to have high staff retention rates. Staff retention is especially challenging for PPCS given the economic realities that we face an Idaho Charter School and our location in a University town with a transient population. The PPCS Board is committed to compensating our excellent staff as fairly as possible. We will review our teacher pay scale and Executive Director and staff salaries annually to ensure that they are as comparable to the Moscow District as possible.

Of particular concern to the PPCS is the sustainability of our Executive Director position. As we have moved from a co-director to a single director leadership model, it has been crucial to identify administrative duties that can be shifted to other employees maximizing the time that Mrs. Branen can spend on those tasks which most directly affect student achievement. The Board plans to continue to prioritize Executive Director sustainability by budgeting for needed supports and working to make her pay more competitive.

*Building a green, safe school facility with adequate grounds for play and gardens.*

At Palouse Prairie Charter School, we've proven that a school is much more than a building. In makeshift classrooms in a converted furniture store, we've built a vibrant and nurturing educational community, a place where students think critically, inquire for themselves, and push courageously to try new things. We've made the most of our current facility over the past 8 years, but now it's time to build a home for our future. Our school is poised to put down permanent roots as a center for authentic learning on the Palouse. We have signed a sale agreement for 3.25 acres of land near a future city park. We have an ambitious plan to build a new school designed to inspire the next generation of community leaders.



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The new school will provide a place for students to exercise their bodies as well as their minds, gather as a community to share learning, and explore the natural world as an extension of the classroom.

With 190 students, we've reached capacity at our current space. The former furniture store has never been ideal for education—particularly the kind of hands-on, minds-on education that PPCS employs—and we lack the outdoor space needed for students to energize their bodies while they exercise their minds. We need a school building and grounds that support and exemplify the incredible learning at the heart of our community, a building where our students and our school can continue to thrive for many years to come.

PPCS has saved the money to buy the land for our future building site. The school plans to close on the land Jan 5th 2018 and start construction in April 2018. Our plan is to start the 2019 School year in our new space. Due to budgetary restrictions, we will build the future home for Palouse Prairie School in two phases. Our first phase, costing 2.5 million (excluding land), will consist of classrooms for grades K-5, two middle school classrooms, a special education classroom, office space and a multipurpose room. Two additional middle school classrooms will be housed in a rented portable classroom unit. Our new building will feature a safe & spacious learning environment focused on student achievement, an energy efficient design with healthy indoor air quality, sustainable design features and natural daylighting, a large, open playground area, and convenient location and parent pick-up/drop-off circulation.

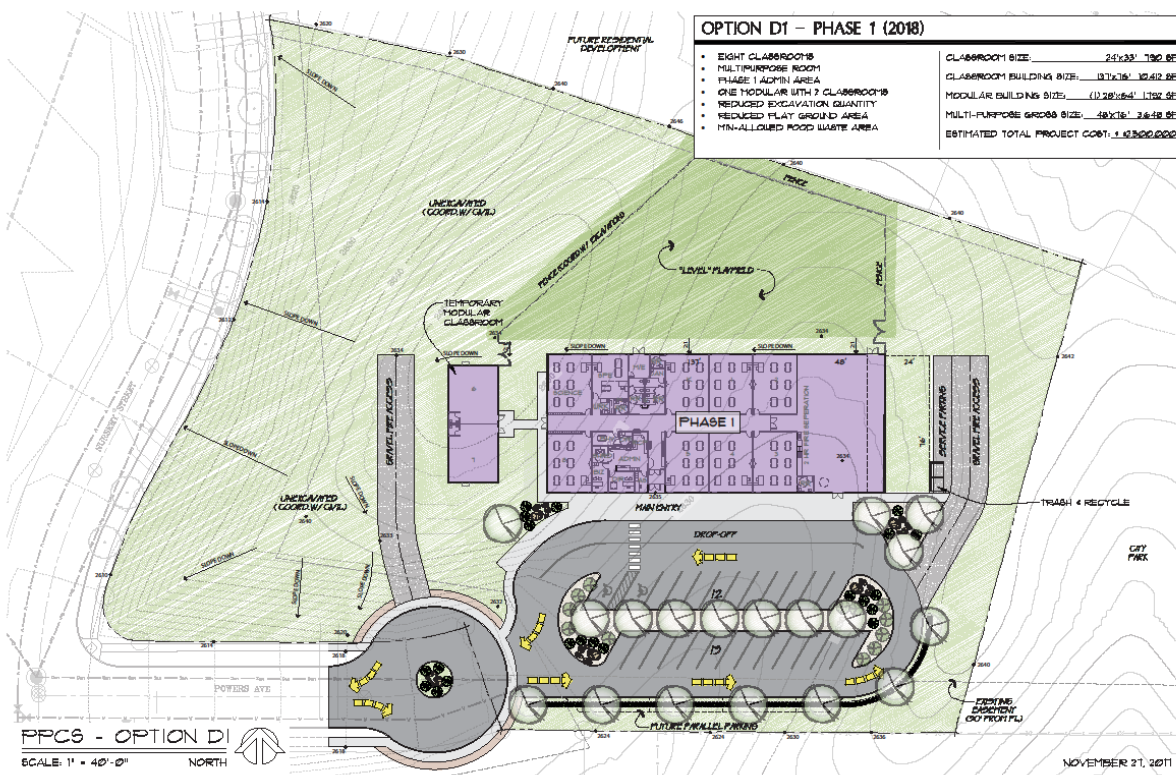


Figure 7: PPCS's phase one future building plans





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The second phase of construction is estimated to cost another \$750,000 and will add five classrooms to the school building, expand the size of the multipurpose room, and build a kitchen suitable for use in our own school lunch program. This expansion will allow us to house all of our classes in the main school building as well as providing space for an EL preschool and a flexible classroom space for specialty subjects such as art or language. PPCS also plans to increase the size of our playground space in the future by grading another ¼ acre of land. We anticipate starting a Capital Campaign for the future additions in 2021 and may consider completing future additions in phases.

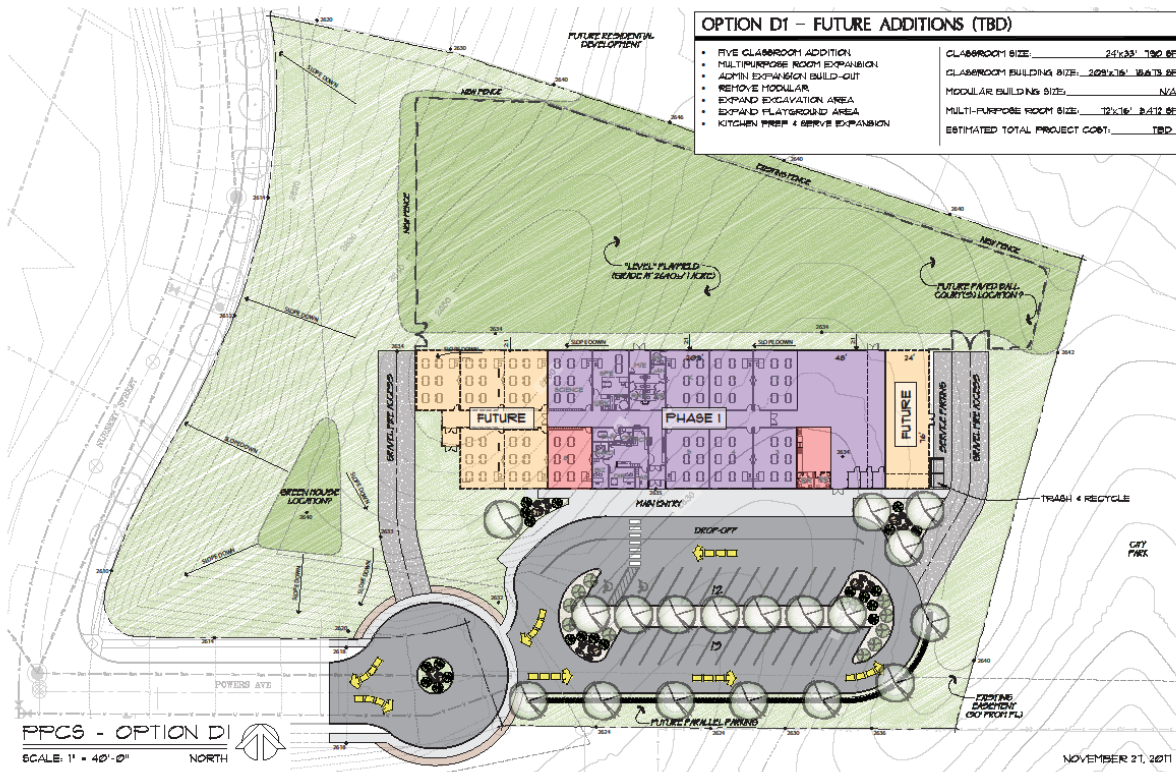


Figure 8: PPCS's phase two future building plans.

## **AUXILIARY DATA SUBMITTED BY SCHOOL**

The renewal process included an optional opportunity for schools to submit auxiliary performance data of which the PCSC may not otherwise be aware. Schools were invited to make their case for renewal by providing academic, mission-specific, operational, or financial information that was not already captured by the performance framework.

In March of the pre-renewal year, PCSC staff discussed with each school's leadership the kinds of auxiliary data that would be particularly helpful for that individual school. The Renewal Guidance and Application document provided instructions and examples to assist schools in submitting meaningful data.

PPCS chose not to submit auxiliary data.