

Idaho Public Charter School Commission

Annual Performance Report 2020

PCSC School: The Village Charter School

***Mission Statement:** The Village Charter School provides a challenging, hands-on curriculum to cultivate students who are critical thinkers and confident leaders in a safe, supportive and loving environment.*

School Location:	1747 W Fairmeadow Dr., Boise, ID 83704
School Phone:	208-336-2000
Comparison Group:	Boise School District #001
Opening Year:	2011
Current Term:	July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2023
Model:	Limitless Learning Model
Grades Served:	K-8
Enrollment Approved:	550
Enrollment (Projected):	495
Mid Term ADA (Actual):	321
FY20 Full-Term ADA:	288

School Leadership

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Vice-Chair	Andrea Estes
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Introduction

Charter schools in Idaho operate on 5-year terms as defined in a [Performance Certificate](#) executed between the school's board and its authorizer. In addition, Idaho law requires that every certificate include a framework describing the expectations the school must meet in order to earn a next operational term. It also requires that charter school authorizers complete performance reports for the schools they oversee each year. The annual performance report serves the following purposes:

1. To provide transparent, data-driven information about charter school quality to the public;
2. To ensure charter school boards have access to clear expectations and are provided maximum opportunity to correct any deficiencies prior to the school's renewal year; and
3. To inform mid-term authorizing decisions (such as consideration of amendments).

This report, based on the performance framework adopted by the PCSC on October 8, 2020, reflects how the school's outcomes during the most recently completed school year measure up against the expectations established in the framework. At the end of each 5-year term, the authorizer reviews the school's annual reports and financial data to inform its decision to renew, conditionally renew, or non-renew, the school for a subsequent term of operation.

Each measure included in the PCSC's framework has a meets standard benchmark. A school that meets standard on all measures at the end of its current operational term is guaranteed an unconditional renewal. A school that does not meet standard on at least one measure at the end of its current operational term may be conditionally renewed or non-renewed. Because the outcomes on this report inform high-stakes decisions, schools are encouraged to use this information to support their strategic planning efforts each year.

COVID-19 NOTE: Please note that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, statewide assessments were canceled in the spring of 2020. No academic evaluation has been made in this report due to absent and incomplete data. The academic outcomes overview page only includes graduation rate (if applicable), though the measure is not rated.

The [performance framework](#) rubrics provide detail on calculations and data sources.

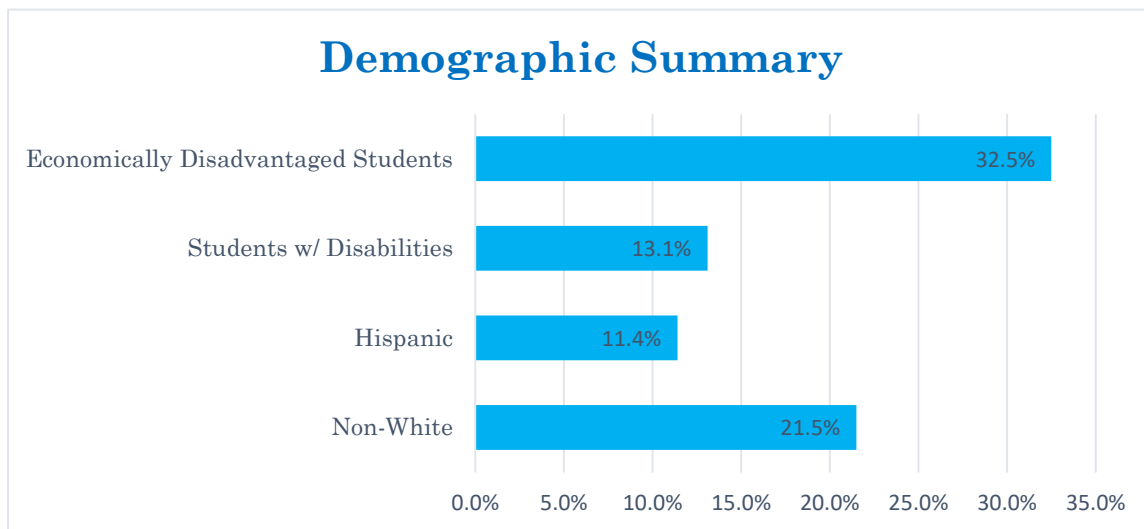
Each authorized chartering entity shall annually publish and make available to the public a performance report for each public charter school it oversees, in accordance with the performance framework set forth in the performance certificate and section 33-5209(C)(2), Idaho Code.

School Overview

Key Design Elements

- Achieving and maintaining Lighthouse School status;
- Teaching differentiation using the Limitless Learning Method;
- Teaching effective leadership principles using the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People;
- Teaching character development using the ACE Approach and Core Values; and
- Using teaching methods and curriculum that are challenging and engaging, research-based, hands-on, real-world applicable, and develop critical thinking skills.

Demographic Summary



Annual Snapshot



Schools are encouraged to use this information for strategic planning and to ensure that any identified weaknesses are addressed in advance of renewal consideration.

ACADEMIC	
Math Proficiency	<i>Not Applicable (2020)</i>
ELA Proficiency	<i>Not Applicable (2020)</i>
Literacy Proficiency	<i>Not Applicable (2020)</i>
Math Growth	<i>Not Applicable (2020)</i>
ELA Growth	<i>Not Applicable (2020)</i>

FINANCIAL HEALTH (NEAR TERM MEASURES)	
Current Ratio	<i>Exceeds Standard</i>
Unrestricted Days Cash	<i>Exceeds Standard</i>
Default	<i>Meets Standard</i>
Enrollment Variance	<i>Does Not Meet Standard</i>

BOARD STEWARDSHIP	
Governance Structure	<i>Meets Standard</i>
Governance Oversight	<i>Exceeds Standard</i>
Governance Compliance	<i>Meets Standard</i>

FINANCIAL HEALTH (SUSTAINABILITY MEASURES)	
Total Margin	<i>Does Not Meet Standard</i>
Cash Flow	<i>Meets Standard</i>
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	<i>Does Not Meet Standard</i>
Debt Asset Ratio	<i>Does Not Meet Standard</i>
Financial Compliance	<i>Does Not Meet Standard</i>

MANAGEMENT	
Student Services	<i>Exceeds Standard</i>
Data Security/Transparency	<i>Meets Standard</i>
Facility & Services	<i>Exceeds Standard</i>
Operational Compliance	<i>Meets Standard</i>

Academic Outcomes

Proficiency

(Data Source: NA FY20)

Math Proficiency	Standard Rating
Math proficiency data is not available for FY20.	N/A
ELA Proficiency	Standard Rating
ELA proficiency data is not available for FY20.	N/A
IRI Spring Proficiency	Standard Rating
IRI spring proficiency data is not available for FY20	N/A
Comments/ Context: <i>Academic ratings are not applicable for 2020 outcomes.</i>	

Growth

(Data Source: NA FY20)

Math Growth	Standard Rating
Math growth data is not available for FY20.	N/A
ELA Growth	Standard Rating
ELA growth data is not available for FY20.	N/A
Comments/ Context: <i>Academic ratings are not applicable for 2020 outcomes.</i> TVCS provided evidence of practices implemented at the end of FY20 into FY21 to improve standing with their Math & ELA condition for renewal. TVCS partnered with Regional Math Center (Boise State University) for coaching/training; implemented Professional Learning Community, Piloted Curriculum Associate Ready Classroom and iReady; implemented ISAT Interim Assessment for grades 3-8; and implemented Response Through Intervention System to target struggling learners.	

Operational Outcomes: Board Stewardship

STANDARD RATING: MEETS STANDARD	
Governance Structure	Data/Evidence Source
The board bylaws are compliant with ID law.	Bylaws 9/17/13 *Please provide an updated copy if any amendments have been made.
The school's articles of incorporation are current.	Articles of Incorporation initially filed on 9/17/13. Most recently updated on 7/16/2020.
The board does operate in compliance with its bylaws.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
Investigations were not conducted into either ethical behavior or conflict of interest regarding any board director this year.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The board did not experience Open Meeting Law violations that needed to be cured this year.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
Comments/ Context:	

STANDARD RATING: EXCEEDS STANDARD	
Governance Oversight	Data/Evidence Source
The board did review academic data in a timely and thorough manner.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The board did review financial reports in a timely and thorough manner.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The board did maintain compliant policies.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The board did engage in strategic planning.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The board did conduct a compliant evaluation of their school leader or management organization.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
Comments/ Context: The school has met this standard for 3 or more consecutive years.	

STANDARD RATING: MEETS STANDARD	
Governance Compliance	Data/Evidence Source
The PCSC did not issue courtesy letters to the school noting compliance concerns this year.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
Another investigative body was not notified of concerns at this school this year.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
Comments/ Context:	

Operational Outcomes: Management

STANDARD RATING: MEETS STANDARD	
Student Services	Data/Evidence Source
The school's English Language Learners program is in good standing.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The school's Special Education program is in good standing.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The school's college and career readiness program is in good standing.	Continuous Improvement Plan 2019-2020
Comments/ Context:	

STANDARD RATING: EXCEEDS STANDARD	
Data Security and Information Transparency	Data/Evidence Source
The school's website is compliant and updated appropriately.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The school did not experience issues involving data security this year.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The school did not experience compliance issues with public records requests.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
Comments/ Context: The school has met this standard for 3 or more consecutive years.	

STANDARD RATING: MEETS STANDARD	
Facility and Services	Data/Evidence Source
The school's occupancy certificate is current.	*No instances of non-compliance documented. <i>Please provide an updated copy for the 2020-2021 school year to PCSC staff.</i>
Safety inspections and evacuation drills are compliant.	*No instances of non-compliance documented. <i>Please provide an updated copy for the 2020-2021 school year to PCSC staff.</i>
The school does not provide daily transportation for students.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The school does provide a National School Lunch Program.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
Comments/ Context:	

STANDARD RATING: EXCEEDS STANDARD	
Operational Compliance	Data/Evidence Source
Required reports were submitted accurately and on time.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The enrollment process is compliant.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
The teachers are properly credentialed.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
Corrective action plans were not issued by the SDE this year.	*No instances of non-compliance documented.
Comments/ Context:	

Financial Outcomes

(Primary Data Source: FY20 Financial Audit.)

Near Term Measures		STANDARD RATING
The school has a current ratio of more than 1.5.	Current Ratio 1.58	Exceeds Standard
The school has more than 60 days cash on hand.	209 Days	Exceeds Standard
The school is currently in default of financial obligations related to its facility loan. The school negotiated a forbearance of principal payments on its facility for FY20.	Default	Does Not Meet Standard
Enrollment variance was less than 90% and the school did not provide evidence of mid-year budget amendments or operational changes evidencing at least a break-even budget based on mid-term enrollment and any resulting revenue adjustments.	Enrollment Variance 64.91%	Does Not Meet Standard
Comments/Context		

Sustainability Measures		STANDARD RATING
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.	CY Total Margin -6.77% 3-Year Aggregated -9.25%	Does Not Meet Standard
Multi-Year Cumulative Cash Flow is positive, and Cash Flow is positive in the most recent year.	Most Recent Year \$592,018.00 Previous Year \$479,477.00 3-Year \$1,071,495.00	Meets Standard
Debt Service Coverage Ratio is less than .9	Debt Service Coverage Ratio -1.12	Does Not Meet Standard
The school's Debt to Asset Ratio is greater than 1.0.	Debt/Asset Ratio 1.33	Does Not Meet Standard
Comment/Context		

STANDARD RATING: DOES NOT MEET STANDARD

Financial Operations	Data and/or Evidence Source
The school's finances are managed in compliance with GAAP.	Financial Audit 11/10/2020
Expenditures and contracts are posted online appropriately.	School's Expenditure Page 10/15/2020
The school maintains compliant internal controls.	*No instances of non-compliance documented
The school is operating under a Notification of Fiscal Concern.	TVCS was issued a notification of fiscal concern in 2016. The PCSC chose to maintain that concern through the 2020-21 school year. The decision will be reviewed again in June of 2021.
The school is not operating under a Notification of Possible or Imminent Closure.	NA
Comments/Context	

TVCS does operate under a Fiscal Concern in FY21. TVCS provided documentation for the FY21 school year, pertaining to the restructure of the current bond agreement. "In 2020-21, with new leadership, improved financial controls, and proactive strategic planning, the financial stability of the school will continue to improve."-TVCS Board

Longitudinal Snapshot

Operational Outcomes: Board Stewardship

2020 2021 2022 2023

Governance Structure	MEETS STANDARD	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Governance Oversight	EXCEEDS STANDARD	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Governance Compliance	MEETS STANDARD	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE

“Success is the sum of small efforts repeated day in and day out.”
-Anonymous

Operational Outcomes: Management

2020 2021 2022 2023

Student Services	EXCEEDS STANDARD	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Data Security & Transparency	MEETS STANDARD	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Facility & Services	EXCEEDS STANDARD	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE
Operational Compliance	MEETS STANDARD	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE	DATA NOT AVAILABLE

“Education is the MOST powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”
-Nelson Mandela

Conditional Certificate Status Update

The Village Charter School's Performance Certificate was renewed in 2018 subject to the conditions listed below. The school's status with regard to each condition is also provided.

Condition 1: Currently Approaches Standard

Future Assessments Apply

By June 30, 2021, at least fifty-nine percent (59%) of TVCS's students in grades K-8 will make adequate academic growth to achieve math proficiency on the ISAT within 3 years or by 10th grade, whichever comes first.

This condition is based upon a rate of increase sufficient to promote the school's ability to achieve a "meets standard" rating on Academic Measure 3a (Criterion-Referenced Growth in Math) in the performance framework adopted by the PCSC in May 2017, by the end of the next performance certificate term (June 30, 2023).

The outcome shall be calculated using Academic Measure 3a (Criterion-Referenced Growth in Math). References to the ISAT shall apply to any other statewide assessment selected to replace the ISAT by SBAC in the event of state-level requirement changes.

Status as of 2019-20 Annual Report Issuance:

As no ISAT data is available for the 2019-2020 school year, progress cannot be assessed at this time. However, in 2019, 49% of TVCS students in grades K-8 made adequate academic growth in math (as compared to 54% at the district). To meet standard on the revised framework, the school's score must meet or exceed that of the district.

This condition comes due at the end of the current school year and will be finally assessed on June 30, 2021. If the school's math growth scores meet standard at that time, this condition will be considered met, and no further action will be taken. If the school's math growth scores do not meet standard at that time, the PCSC will hold a hearing in August of 2021 to determine whether further action is necessary. If a hearing is necessary, the PCSC will take into consideration the school's past performance, the context of the pandemic, and recent revisions to the framework.

Condition 2: Currently Meets Standard

Future Assessments Apply

While TVCS improves its criterion-referenced growth in math, TVCS shall maintain an ISAT ELA proficiency rate comparable to, or better than, the state average.

Proficiency rates will be based upon the appealed data set. References to the ISAT shall apply to any other statewide assessment selected to replace the ISAT by SBAC in the event of state-level requirement changes.

Status as of 2019-20 Annual Report Issuance:

As no ISAT data is available for the 2019-2020 school year, progress cannot be assessed at this time. However, in 2019, TVCS's ELA proficiency rate was 57%, 1% higher than the state and 1%

below the district. To meet standard on the revised framework, the school's score must meet or exceed that of the district.

This condition comes due at the end of the current school year and will be finally assessed on June 30, 2021. If the school's math growth scores meet standard at that time, this condition will be considered met, and no further action will be taken. If the school's math growth scores do not meet standard at that time, the PCSC will hold a hearing in August of 2021 to determine whether further action is necessary. If a hearing is necessary, the PCSC will take into consideration the school's past performance, the context of the pandemic, and the recent revisions to the framework.