



Charter School Policy Manual Agreement

Bringing your charter school consistency, collaboration, and clarity

Public charter school policies provide consistent standards for decision making and taking action. The PCSASC Model Charter School Policy Manual has been designed to aid charter school leaders in the operation and management of their schools and to guide governing boards in their duties and responsibilities.

What is included with the PCSASC Model Charter School Policy Manual and Annual Subscription?

- Federal
- Human Resources
- Financial
- Operational
- Board Governance

The Public Charter School Alliance of South Carolina, in partnership with The National Charter Schools Institute and the Georgia Charter Schools Association, has developed policy templates for critical policies needed in every charter school policy manual.

Why do we need policies?

- Policies establish a standard and recommended way of acting in challenging situations
- Policies clarify roles and implementations of the schools legal and fiduciary responsibilities
- The purpose is to serve as a guide when the board carries out its governance duties while staff conducts the organization's daily operations.
- Policies function as a protective mechanism for the organization and for individuals when a decision is questioned; those responsible can explain how they reached their conclusions by pointing to an approved policy that was followed

PCSASC Model Charter School Policy Manual:

\$3200

This is a one-time charge that includes initial support in implementation with access to webinars and technical assistance (an average of 6 hours per school) for one year.

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Schools will subscribe annually to access continuous policy updates and related trainings and supports - including at least 2 updates per year and ongoing access to trainings and related support. (Pricing subject to increase annually in the future based on actual costs from development partners.)

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