



## 2022 Board Election Process

Oceanside Collegiate Academy has contracted with the Public Charter School Alliance of South Carolina (PCSASC) to administer this year's appointment and election process. This ensures integrity and confidentiality in the process. The governing board consists of 9 members. Three (3) seats are up during this election cycle.

### Timeline

**April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022:** Call for Candidates will be distributed to the public. Each prospective board member must complete an online filing form. PCSASC will have these available online for submission/distribution.

**Filing Form Link:** <https://forms.gle/UR5EHpbx1kXhLSDC8>

**April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022:** Candidate filing will close at 12:00 pm (Noon).

**April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022:** Election candidate information and form answers will be posted online.

**April 26<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022:** Voting open with e-ballot links emailed to each parent/guardian and employee of Oceanside Collegiate Academy. Voting will open on **April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 8:00 am** and close on **April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 4:00 pm**. There is one vote per child enrolled in the school and one vote per employee. Voting will be available via e-ballot allowing parents and employees to vote via the internet. Each ballot will have a unique pin number to ensure confidentiality and integrity of the process. Computers will be available at the school for families who need additional assistance with voting.

**April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022:** Election results will be certified and announced publicly.

**June 2022:** Newly elected board members will be sworn in at the regularly scheduled June Board Meeting. This will complete the election process.

### Meeting and Training Requirements

Oceanside Collegiate Academy Board Members are required to attend all board meetings.

**Mandated Board Training** – Per state law, all board members are required to attend board training within 1-year of taking office. Free trainings will be offered by South Carolina Department of Education.



Dear Oceanside Collegiate Academy Charter School Family Members and Stakeholders:

Oceanside Collegiate Charter School (OCACS) has contracted with the Public Charter School Alliance of South Carolina to manage its election process. This ensures integrity and confidentiality in the process. Board elections will be held electronically by e-ballot **April 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 2022**.

The governing board consists of nine (9) members as outlined in the South Carolina Charter Schools Act (SC Code of Laws Title 59, Chapter 40), as amended, and the OCACS Charter/Bylaws. Three (3) elected seats are up this cycle. The call for Board candidates will begin on Monday, April 4, 2022. The filing period will close at noon on April 18, 2022. Profiles of each candidate will be made available before voting begins. The role of the board is to advance the mission of the school by governing with policies which ensure the school complies with state regulations regarding charter schools in South Carolina and by ensuring the school is fiscally sound. OCACS needs board members who are eager to commit their time and energy to stay abreast of the latest legislative issues that impact the school and who have previous experience serving on nonprofit boards. OCACS seeks a diverse board with the skills needed to govern a public charter school. Board members are responsible for the long-term sustainability of the school. All board members must be South Carolina residents and clear a SLED background check.

Per South Carolina Charter Law, boards are elected by the families of charter school students and employees of the school. If a family has multiple children enrolled at OCACS, the family will receive an e-ballot for each student. Each employee of the school is given one vote per person. Please ensure the school has a current email address on file. The e-ballot will be sent to the official email on file in PowerSchool for the custodial parent. The official e-ballot will be available from **8:00 am on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022** to **4:00 pm on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022**, with a link sent to valid voters by email address [Elections@SCCharterSchools.org](mailto:Elections@SCCharterSchools.org) (please add this address to your email contacts so you receive your e-ballot). Once votes are tabulated, elected board members will be notified.

Timeline for voting:

**April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022:** Emails sent with e-ballot information to stakeholders at 8:00 am.

**April 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 2022:** Electronic voting occurs. If you need access to a computer or require assistance, you may come to the school during regular school hours on these days for assistance or use of a computer.

Thank you for your continued support of OCACS and South Carolina's charter schools. We hope your children have a great academic year! Please contact me at [Elections@SCCharterSchools.org](mailto:Elections@SCCharterSchools.org) if you have any questions during the process.

Kind Regards,

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