School LAND Trust Program Requirements

Charter Schools are not required to have a School Community Council or a School Improvement Plan as regular public schools are. However, Charter Schools that elect to receive School LAND Trust funds shall have a Charter Trust Land Committee. **The committee is the governing board of the charter school.** (R277-477-1(B)) They are required to prepare plans and reports consistent with the requirements of the School LAND Trust Program.

The **governing board shall prepare** a plan to enhance or improve student academic excellence consistent with R277-477-3(J, K(2-3), Q-U). (53A-16-101.5(1 & 5))

- Identify the schools **greatest academic needs**

- Recommend an action plan to meet the identified academic needs. The plan must:
  - Have a **direct impact on the instruction of students** and result in **measurable increased student performance**
  - Include a **specific listing** of programs, practices, materials, or equipment needed for implementation
  - Outline how the **School LAND Trust funds** will be used to implement the plan.

- Plans shall be **submitted online on the School LAND Trust website** by the due date determined by the Charter School Section (**usually mid-March**) for approval by the entity that authorized the charter. (R277-477-3(AA), R277-477-5(A-C) and 53A-16-101.5)

- Schools shall implement approved plans, and meet **financial reporting** and performance accountability. (53A-16-01.5(6)(a))

- Each school shall prepare an **annual report of the program at the end of the school year** detailing the use of program funds and an assessment of the results obtained from use of the funds. (53A-16- 101.5(6)(b))

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