

PETITION TIMELINE: SCS 2026 START-UP PETITION CYCLE

Access Petition Materials Here: <https://scsc.georgia.gov/office-charter-school-compliance/local-start-petition>

Petitioner's Letter of Intent Due to SCS	TBD
Petitioner's Workshop	TBD
Petition Due by 4 p.m. (SCS Central Office)	TBD
SCS Review Petitions for Completeness	TBD
Notice of Completeness	TBD
Founding Board Capacity Interview: <i>All Founding Board Members are required to attend.</i>	TBD
Letter of Clarification: This letter is sent to the Founding Board Chair and includes feedback and instructions on how to submit the final revised petition. Petitioner submits a written itemized response to the Letter of Clarification via the SCS Central Office	TBD
SCS Board of Education Action on Clarification Re-submittals: Superintendent recommendation for approval or denial, and SCS-BOE Decision.	TBD
Letter of Denial Sent to any petitioner who was not approved by the Board (Electronic and USPS)	TBD
Approved and Resubmitted Petitions Submitted to Georgia DOE for Review and Recommendation to the State BOE Charter Committee	TBD
Re-submitted Clarification Denial Letters Mailed	Within 90 days of the SCS Board Denial
Dougherty County Schools Charter School Agreement	TBD based on State Approval
State Board of Education Action	TBD

SCS-BOE reserves the right to adjust this petition cycle as necessary, in accordance with SBOE Rule 160-4-9-.05.

NOTE:

*Only petitions from Governing Boards that filed a letter of intent with SCS by <Date TBD>, and that met the <Date TBD>, deadline for petition submissions will be reviewed for completeness. NO EXCEPTIONS will be made. Be advised that this timeline is based upon the tentative SY 2025-2026 meeting schedules of the SCS-BOE and SBOE and is subject to change. ** Petitions must be received by a representative in the Charter Office, located at 801 W. Residence Avenue, Suite #229, Albany, GA 31701, 229-483-6300 ext. 5450.*