



LOBBY DAY

2014

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Can't Wait





Dear Charter School Champion,

Since its inception 12 years ago, the Illinois Network of Charter Schools (INCS) has become the leading voice for Illinois charter public schools and a nationally recognized source of knowledge related to education reform. This year the mission of INCS has never been more relevant.

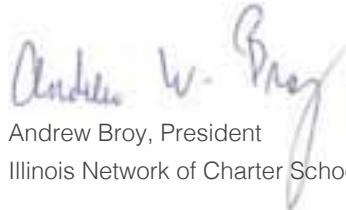
The 2014 legislative session has quickly become the most anti-charter school session in state history based on the number of bills filed. Despite these legislative attacks, charter public schools in Chicago and throughout Illinois continue to serve students and produce strong academic outcomes. INCS is building on the momentum from the Charter Funding Equity Task Force and supporting two bills that would lead to equal funding for charter schools: House Bill 4231 and Senate Bill 2923.

INCS Annual Lobby Day allows for the voices that matter most to be heard – parents and students. Your voices are needed now more than ever to help support the growing charter public school sector in the state of Illinois. Charters have come under attack in Springfield, and we have to make sure legislators know the importance of supporting schools that are changing lives.

Our work does not end with Lobby Day. We need your voice to make sure the broader community knows the amazing work that is happening in your schools. Make sure that you sign up to be part of our growing INCS Parent Leadership Network. PLN will be offering a variety of engagement opportunities to not only support your school, but other parents that are also deeply invested in their child's education. For more information, please contact Jasma Jones at jjones@incschools.org.

We are grateful and thankful that you have taken the time out of your busy schedule to make sure that our school communities are represented in the legislative process.

Sincerely,



Andrew Broy, President
Illinois Network of Charter Schools

Schedule

Lobby Day 2014 Tuesday, April 8

7:00 a.m.

Buses arrive at U.S. Cellular Field, 333 W 35th St, Chicago

7:15 a.m.

Send off rally begins

7:35 a.m.

Buses leave for Springfield
Breakfast served on buses
Welcome and overview of the day
Training & practice for legislative visits

11:30 a.m.

Buses arrive at Capitol Building

Noon

Rally in the Capitol Rotunda

12:45-3:00 p.m.

Meetings with legislators
(Lunch available for pickup between 1-2)

2:45 p.m.

Load buses

3:00 p.m.

Buses leave for Chicago
Write thank you notes
Debrief discussions

7:00 p.m.

Buses arrive in Chicago

TOP 10 TIPS ON MEETING WITH ELECTED OFFICIALS*

1. **PLAN YOUR MEETING.** Decide on who will take the lead in the meeting, and what each person will contribute to the conversation. You will likely have only 10-15 minutes for your meeting. If you are not familiar with the official, it is important to do research about them in advance.
2. **DEFINE YOUR MESSAGE IN ADVANCE.** Focus your comments on one primary issue. Plan two or three observations or arguments that emphasize the heart of your position.
3. **MAKE AN APPOINTMENT.** Meetings with legislators can occur in Springfield, their district office or at a school. It is important to be flexible and understanding if a confirmed meeting is changed.
4. **STATE THE REASON FOR YOUR VISIT.** Be clear about why you are there, why they should be interested and what you want them to do. Emphasize that you are a constituent of theirs. Keep your reason concise, focused and personalized.
5. **ENGAGE IN CONVERSATION.** The most productive meetings include a dialogue with the elected official. Make sure to answer questions to the best of your ability and offer to follow up on information you do not have on hand.
6. **ASK FOR A COMMITMENT.** If you don't ask your elected official for action, you likely won't see any. If they decline, encourage them to think about it and let them know you will be in touch.
7. **HAVE A "LEAVE-BEHIND."** These documents can include a one-pager on the information you presented, academic data on schools in their district and/or an invitation to an upcoming event at your school.
8. **REPORT ON YOUR VISIT.** Draft notes and next steps from the meeting as soon as possible. Let the Illinois Network of Charter Schools know that you made the visit and report what was discussed.
9. **FOLLOW UP.** A handwritten thank you note to the elected official is ideal. An email thank you is an acceptable alternative. If you promised to get them additional information, please include that in your communication or let them know when to expect it. If you took a picture, please send them a copy.
10. **VISIT MORE THAN ONCE.** Over time, visit with your elected official to continue to discuss charter school updates and pending legislation. Be sure to be a reliable source of information for them by delivering what you promise, avoid overstatements and communicate clearly.

Talking Points

For Today's Meeting

INTRODUCTIONS

1. Share a little about yourself.
2. Tell us how many children you have enrolled in Charter Schools. (*names and grades*)
3. Tell us which Charter Schools your children attend
4. Tell us how Charter Schools have changed the lives of your children.

SOME KEY FACTS

- **There are 145 charter schools serving over 58,000 public school students in Illinois.**
- **Statewide, 92% of charter school students are African American or Latino and 87% are low-income.**

AS A PARENT I TAKE THE EDUCATION OF MY CHILDREN VERY SERIOUSLY AND THAT'S WHY I'M HERE TODAY. SO I'M HERE TO ASK FOR 3 THINGS:

- We need your continued support for high-quality charter public schools.
 - We're asking you to support equal funding for public charter school students and traditional district students because ALL of our students should receive equal treatment.
 - We are asking you to come and visit
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- so you can see first hand the great work that is being done.

PROVIDE 1-2 EXAMPLES OF THE IMPROVEMENTS, SUCH AS:

- I've noticed that they are excited to go to school now
- Their grades have improved
- I don't have to fight with them to do their homework
- They have become more confident
- They are talking about the future
- They're making better decisions

HOW CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE

- The average Chicago charter public school student experiences twice the amount of academic growth from 9th grade to 11th grade on ACT-aligned exams compared to the average student at a non-selective district-run school.
- 19 of the top 20 open enrollment public high schools in Chicago based on academic growth are charters schools.
- Charter public schools represent the top 11 highest performing non-selective Chicago public high schools on the 2013 ACT.
- College persistence rates of Chicago charter school students are 10 percentage points higher (69% vs. 59%) than their non-selective counterparts for 2012, the latest year of available data.
- Renowned research institutions validate Charter performance:
 - A 2013 study from Stanford University found that from 2008-2012, charter school students experienced two weeks more growth in reading and a month more growth in math on average compared to their district-run public school counterparts.
 - A 2014 Mathematica Institute study found that charter high schools in Chicago boost students rates of graduation, college enrollment, and college persistence by 7 to 11 percentage points.

CAMPUS

With Districts

8 Points Charter School

State Senate District 50
Senator William McCann
State Legislative District 100
Representative C.D. Davidsmeyer

Academy for Global Citizenship

State Senate District 1
Senator Antonio Munoz
State Legislative District 1
Representative Daniel Burke

ACE Tech Charter High School

State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 5
Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Alain Locke Charter School

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 10
Representative Derrick Smith

Amandla Charter School

State Senate District 16
Senator Jacqueline Collins
State Legislative District 32
Representative Andre Thapedi

ASPIRA

Mirta Ramirez Computer Science Campus

State Senate District 2
Senator William Delgado
State Legislative District 4
Representative Cynthia Soto

ASPIRA

Early College

State Senate District 20
Senator Iris Martinez
State Legislative District 39
Representative Maria Berrios

ASPIRA

Haugan Middle School Campus

State Senate District 20
Senator Iris Martinez
State Legislative District 40
Representative Jaime Andrade

Barbara A. Sizemore Academy

State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 5
Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Beardstown Charter Learning Academy

State Senate District 47
Senator John Sullivan
State Legislative District 93
Representative Norine Hammond

Betty Shabazz

DuSable Leadership Academy

State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 5
Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Betty Shabazz International Charter School

State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 5
Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Bronzeville Lighthouse Charter School

State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 5
Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Cambridge Lakes Charter School

State Senate District 33
Senator Karen McConaughay
State Legislative District 65
Representative Timothy Schmitz

Catalyst Schools

Maria Campus

State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 6
Representative Esther Golar

Catalyst Schools

Howland Campus

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 9
Representative Arthur Turner

Catalyst Schools

Circle Rock Campus

State Senate District 4
Senator Kimberly Lightford
State Legislative District 8
Representative La Shawn Ford

Catalyst Schools

Howland Campus

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 9
Representative Arthur Turner



Catalyst Schools***Circle Rock Campus***

State Senate District 4
Senator Kimberly Lightford
State Legislative District 8
Representative La Shawn Ford

Chicago Collegiate Charter School

State Senate District 15
Senator Napoleon Harris
State Legislative District 29
Representative Thaddeus Jones

Chicago International Charter Schools***Avalon Park***

State Senate District 17
Senator Donne Trotter
State Legislative District 33
Representative Marcus Evans

Chicago International Charter Schools***Lloyd Bond***

State Senate District 15
Senator Napoleon Harris
State Legislative District 29
Representative Thaddeus Jones

Chicago International Charter Schools***Larry Hawkins***

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Chicago International Charter Schools***Prairie***

State Senate District 17
Senator Donne Trotter
State Legislative District 34
Representative Elgie Sims

Chicago International Charter Schools***Basil***

State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 6
Representative Esther Golar

Chicago International Charter Schools***Ralph Ellison***

State Senate District 16
Senator Jacqueline Collins
State Legislative District 31
Representative Mary Flowers

Chicago International Charter Schools***Wrightwood***

State Senate District 16
Senator Jacqueline Collins
State Legislative District 31
Representative Mary Flowers

Chicago International Charter Schools***Washington Park***

State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 5
Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Chicago International Charter Schools***Longwood***

State Senate District 14
Senator Emil Jones
State Legislative District 27
Representative Monique Davis

Chicago International Charter Schools***Loomis Primary***

State Senate District 14
Senator Emil Jones
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Chicago International Charter Schools***ChicagoQuest***

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
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Chicago International Charter Schools***ChicagoQuest***

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 9
Representative Arthur Turner

Chicago International Charter Schools***Bucktown***

State Senate District 6
Senator John Cullerton
State Legislative District 11
Representative Ann Williams

Chicago International Charter Schools***Irving Park***

State Senate District 20
Senator Iris Martinez
State Legislative District 40
Representative Jaime Andrade

Chicago International Charter Schools***West Belden***

State Senate District 2
Senator William Delgado
State Legislative District 3
Representative Luis Arroyo

Chicago International Charter Schools***Northtown Academy***

State Senate District 8
Senator Ira Silverstein
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**Chicago International Charter Schools
Jackson**

State Senate District 34
Senator Steven Stadelman
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Representative Charles Jefferson

Chicago Math and Science Academy

State Senate District 7
Senator Heather Steans
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Representative Kelly Cassidy

Chicago Talent Development High School

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Chicago Virtual Charter School

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State Legislative District 9
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Christopher House Charter School

State Senate District 2
Senator William Delgado
State Legislative District 3
Representative Luis Arroyo

EPIC Academy High School

State Senate District 13
Senator Kwame Raoul
State Legislative District 25
Representative Barbara Currie

Erie Elementary Charter School

State Senate District 2
Senator William Delgado
State Legislative District 4
Representative Cynthia Soto

**Frazier Preparatory Academy
Elementary School**

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 9
Representative Arthur Turner

**Galapagos Academy
Rockford**

State Senate District 34
Senator Steven Stadelman
State Legislative District 67
Representative Charles Jefferson

Galapagos Charter School

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 10
Representative Derrick Smith

Henry Ford Power House High

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 9

**Horizon Science Academy
McKinley Park**

State Senate District 1
Senator Antonio Munoz
State Legislative District 2
Representative Edward Acevedo

**Horizon Science Academy
Belmont**

State Senate District 4
Senator Kimberly Lightford
State Legislative District 8
Representative La Shawn Ford

**Instituto Health Science
Career Academy**

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 9
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**Instituto Justice and Leadership
Academy Charter School
Instituto Social Justice**

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Academy Charter School
Instituto Justice and Leadership
Alternative Charter**

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Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 9
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Intrinsic School Campus 1

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State Legislative District 5
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Bloom Campus**

State Senate District 3
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State Legislative District 6
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**KIPP Chicago
Create College Prep**

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State Senate District 18
Senator William Cunningham
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LEARN Charter School***Romano Butler***

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LEARN Charter School***8th Campus***

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 10
Representative Derrick Smith

LEARN Charter School***7th Campus***

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
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LEARN Charter School***Campbell (3rd Campus)***

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Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 10
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LEARN Charter School***6th Campus***

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Senator John Cullerton
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Legacy Academy of Excellence

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Legacy Charter School

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Legal Prep Charter Academies

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Montessori School of Englewood

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Namaste Charter School

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Noble Network of Charter Schools***Chicago Bulls Campus***

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Johnson College Prep

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Auburn Gresham College Prep

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Rauner College Prep

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Golder College Prep

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Pritzker College Prep

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and Science Academy

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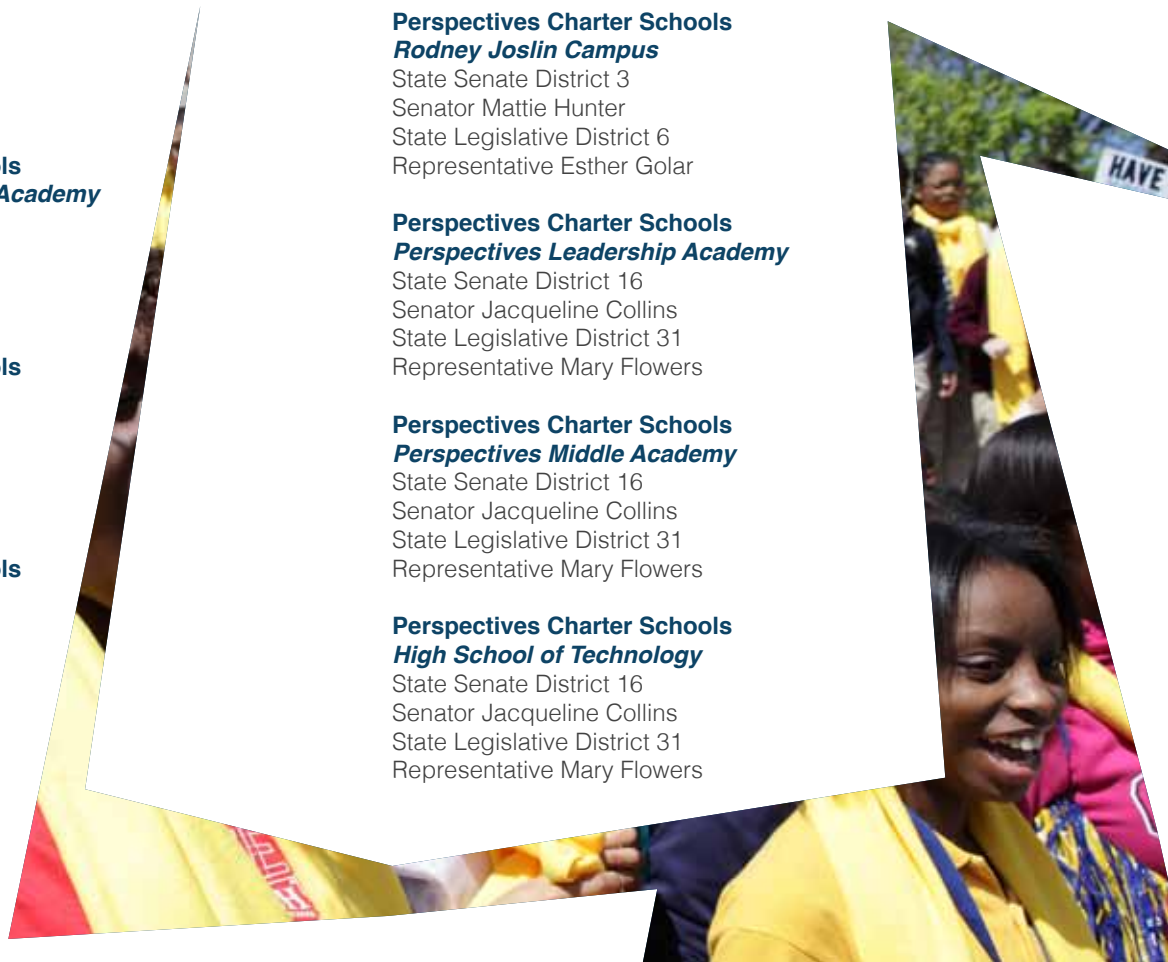
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Perspectives Charter Schools
High School of Technology

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Polaris Charter Academy

State Senate District 5
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Prairie Crossing Charter School

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Prologue***Joshua Johnston Charter School***

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Providence Englewood Charter School

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Quest Charter Academy

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Robertson Charter School

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Senator Andrew Manar
State Legislative District 96
Representative Sue Scherer

Rowe Elementary

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SIU***E East St. Louis Charter School***

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Senator James Clayborne
State Legislative District 114
Representative Eddie Jackson

Southland College Prep Charter High School

State Senate District 19
Senator Michael Hastings
State Legislative District 38
Representative Al Riley

Springfield Ball Charter School

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Senator Andrew Manar
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Tomorrow's Builders Charter School

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**University of Chicago Charter School
*North Kenwood/Oakland Campus***

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*Carter G. Woodson Campus***

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**University of Chicago Charter School
*Donoghue Campus***

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**University of Chicago Charter School
*Woodlawn HS Campus***

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*Sandra Cisneros Campus***

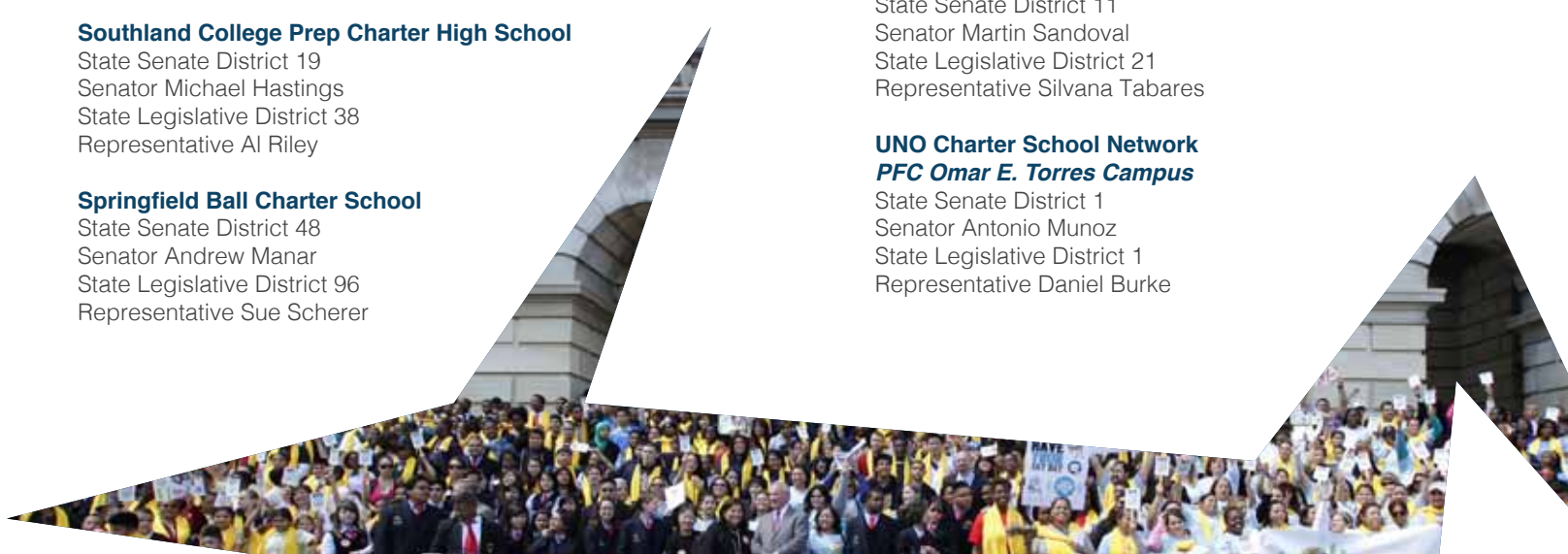
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*Brighton Park***

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**UNO Charter School Network
*PFC Omar E. Torres Campus***

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Senator Antonio Munoz
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Representative Daniel Burke



UNO Charter School Network
Major Hector P. Garcia M.D. High School

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UNO Charter School Network
Rufino Tamayo Campus

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UNO Charter School Network
SPC Daniel Zizumbo Campus

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Representative Daniel Burke

UNO Charter School Network
Soccer Academy Charter

Elementary School
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Senator Martin Sandoval
State Legislative District 22
Representative Michael Madigan

UNO Charter School Network
Bartolome de las Casas Campus

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UNO Charter School Network
Octavio Paz Campus

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UNO Charter School Network
Carlos Fuentes Campus

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UNO Charter School Network
Roberto Clemente

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State Legislative District 3
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UNO Charter School Network
Soccer High School

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UNO Charter School Network
Rogers Park Elementary

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UNO Charter School Network
Rogers Park High School

State Senate District 7
Senator Heather Steans
State Legislative District 14
Representative Kelly Cassidy

Urban Prep Charter Academy
West Campus

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 9
Representative Arthur Turner

Urban Prep Charter Academy
for Young Men

Bronzeville Campus
State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 6
Representative Esther Golar

Urban Prep Charter Academy
for Young Men

Englewood Campus
State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 5
Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Young Women's Leadership
Charter School

State Senate District 3
Senator Mattie Hunter
State Legislative District 5
Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Youth Connection Charter School
Ada S. McKinley

State Senate District 3
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State Legislative District 5
Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Youth Connection Charter School
YCCS Virtual High School

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
State Legislative District 9
Representative Arthur Turner

Youth Connection Charter School
Innovations High School of Art Integration

State Senate District 3
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State Legislative District 5
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Youth Connection Charter School
Youth Connection Leadership Academy

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Youth Connection Charter School
Charles Hamilton Houston

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Representative Kenneth Dunkin

Youth Connection Charter School
Chatham Academy

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Senator Donne Trotter
State Legislative District 34
Representative Elgie Sims

Youth Connection Charter School
Olive Harvey Middle College

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State Legislative District 34
Representative Elgie Sims

Youth Connection Charter School
Community Youth Development Institute

State Senate District 16
Senator Jacqueline Collins
State Legislative District 31
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Youth Connection Charter School
CCA - Community Services West

State Senate District 5
Senator Patricia Van Pelt
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Representative Arthur Turner

Youth Connection Charter School
Jane Addams High School

State Senate District 1
Senator Antonio Munoz
State Legislative District 2
Representative Edward Acevedo

Youth Connection Charter School
Dr. Pedro Albizu Campos

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Senator William Delgado
State Legislative District 4
Representative Cynthia Soto

Youth Connection Charter School
Association House El Cuarto Año

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Senator William Delgado
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Youth Connection Charter School
West Town Academy Alternative High School

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Youth Connection Charter School
Latino Youth High School

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Youth Connection Charter School
ASA Community Service West

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ASPIRA - Antonia Pantoja High school

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Austin Career Education Center

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Truman Middle College

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Senator Heather Steans
State Legislative District 13
Representative Greg Harris

Youth Connection Charter School
Sullivan House

State Senate District 17
Senator Donne Trotter
State Legislative District 33
Representative Marcus Evans

YouthBuild McLean County Charter School

State Senate District 53
Senator Jason Barickman
State Legislative District 105
Representative Dan Brady

MAP

INCS

Parent Core Pledge

Take the Pledge

1. Every public school student deserves a quality education
2. All public school students deserve equal funding for their education
3. As parents we will advocate for high quality charter school options

Today I pledge a one year commitment to partner with Illinois Network of Charter Schools as a:

- ☐ Ambassador – I pledge to participate in 4 INCS activities throughout the year
- ☐ Partner – I pledge to participate in 3 INCS activities throughout the year
- ☐ Friend – I pledge to participate in 2 INCS activities throughout the year

Activities to choose from include:

- Sign a pledge form supporting INCS' work and receive monthly correspondence throughout the year
- Participate in Parent Leadership Training
- Participate in media training / media interviews
- Attend and/or speak at a CPS board meeting
- Write / sign off on Letters to the Editor
- Participate in an INCS event
- Host a small group of parents at your home, church, or community space to discuss the state of education in Illinois and how to bring quality schools into your neighborhood
- Provide referrals to INCS of like-minded parents who would be interested in more information on how to get involved in the movement
- Participate in legislative visits either in Springfield or local offices
- Participate in a tour of your charter school with legislators/elected officials
- Attend and/or play a role in the annual INCS Conference

Name _____ Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____
School _____
Signature _____

MEMORIES

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