

Miami-Dade County Public Schools

# Charter High School Of The Americas



2022-23 Schoolwide Improvement Plan

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988 FLAGLER ST, Miami, FL 33130

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## Demographics

Principal: **Barbara Sanchez**

Start Date for this Principal: 8/20/2015

<b>2019-20 Status</b> (per MSID File)	Active
<b>School Type and Grades Served</b> (per MSID File)	High School 9-12
<b>Primary Service Type</b> (per MSID File)	K-12 General Education
<b>2021-22 Title I School</b>	Yes
<b>2021-22 Economically Disadvantaged (FRL) Rate</b> (as reported on Survey 3)	0%
<b>2021-22 ESSA Subgroups Represented</b> (subgroups with 10 or more students) (subgroups below the federal threshold are identified with an asterisk)	English Language Learners Hispanic Students Economically Disadvantaged Students
<b>School Grades History</b>	2021-22: A (69%) 2018-19: A (68%) 2017-18: I (%)
<b>2019-20 School Improvement (SI) Information*</b>	
<b>SI Region</b>	Southeast
<b>Regional Executive Director</b>	<a href="#">LaShawn Russ-Porterfield</a>
<b>Turnaround Option/Cycle</b>	N/A
<b>Year</b>	
<b>Support Tier</b>	
<b>ESSA Status</b>	N/A
* As defined under Rule 6A-1.099811, Florida Administrative Code. For more information, <a href="#">click here</a> .	

## School Board Approval

N/A

## SIP Authority

Section 1001.42(18), Florida Statutes, requires district school boards to annually approve and require implementation of a Schoolwide Improvement Plan (SIP) for each school in the district that has a school grade of D or F. This plan is also a requirement for Targeted Support and Improvement (TS&I) and Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CS&I) schools pursuant to 1008.33 F.S. and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

To be designated as TS&I, a school must have one or more ESSA subgroup(s) with a Federal Index below 41%. This plan shall be approved by the district. There are three ways a school can be designated as CS&I:

1. have a school grade of D or F
2. have a graduation rate of 67% or lower
3. have an overall Federal Index below 41%.

For these schools, the SIP shall be approved by the district as well as the Bureau of School Improvement.

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) SIP template meets all statutory and rule requirements for traditional public schools and incorporates all components required for schools receiving Title I funds. This template is required by State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.099811, Florida Administrative Code, for all non-charter schools with a current grade of D or F, or a graduation rate 67% or less. Districts may opt to require a SIP using a template of its choosing for schools that do not fit the aforementioned conditions. This document was prepared by school and district leadership using the FDOE's school improvement planning web application located at [www.floridacims.org](http://www.floridacims.org).

## Purpose and Outline of the SIP

The SIP is intended to be the primary artifact used by every school with stakeholders to review data, set goals, create an action plan and monitor progress. The Florida Department of Education encourages schools to use the SIP as a "living document" by continually updating, refining and using the plan to guide their work throughout the year. This printed version represents the SIP as of the "Date Modified" listed in the footer.

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<p><b>Primary Service Type</b> (per MSID File)</p> <p>K-12 General Education</p>	<p><b>Charter School</b></p> <p>Yes</p>	<p><b>2018-19 Minority Rate</b> (Reported as Non-white on Survey 2)</p> <p>99%</p>

## School Grades History

Year	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20	2018-19
Grade	A	A	A	A

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## Part I: School Information

### School Mission and Vision

#### Provide the school's mission statement.

The mission of Charter High School of the Americas is to provide a challenging curriculum in which academic excellence, character development and individual growth are nurtured in a safe and positive environment that includes the active participation of students, teachers, parents and community stakeholders.

#### Provide the school's vision statement.

At Charter High School of the Americas we believe that the quality of any nation, state, city, community and family must be judged by the preparation and advancement of the individuals who comprise them.

### School Leadership Team

#### Membership

For each member of the school leadership team, select the employee name and email address from the dropdown. Identify the position title and job duties/responsibilities.:

Name	Position Title	Job Duties and Responsibilities
Sanchez, Barbara	Principal	
Diaz, Marilyn	Assistant Principal	
Forjans, Licety	ELL Compliance Specialist	
Ruiz, Yindira	School Counselor	

### Demographic Information

#### Principal start date

Thursday 8/20/2015, Barbara Sanchez

**Number of teachers with a 2022 3-year aggregate or a 1-year Algebra state VAM rating of Highly Effective.** *Note: For UniSIG Supplemental Teacher Allocation, teachers must have at least 10 student assessments.*

6

**Number of teachers with a 2022 3-year aggregate or a 1-year Algebra state VAM rating of Effective.** *Note: For UniSIG Supplemental Teacher Allocation, teachers must have at least 10 student assessments.*

1

**Total number of teacher positions allocated to the school**

17

**Total number of students enrolled at the school**

160

**Identify the number of instructional staff who left the school during the 2021-22 school year.**

0

Identify the number of instructional staff who joined the school during the 2022-23 school year.

1

**Demographic Data**

**Early Warning Systems**

Using prior year's data, complete the table below with the number of students by current grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator listed:

Indicator	Grade Level													Total	
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
Number of students enrolled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	38	33	41	160
Attendance below 90 percent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	5	13	26	
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Level 1 on 2022 statewide FSA ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	19	15	61	
Level 1 on 2022 statewide FSA Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	
Number of students with a substantial reading deficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Using the table above, complete the table below with the number of students by current grade level who have two or more early warning indicators:

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Students with two or more indicators	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	7	6	16

Using current year data, complete the table below with the number of students identified as being "retained.":

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Retained Students: Current Year	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Date this data was collected or last updated**

Wednesday 9/7/2022

**The number of students by grade level that exhibit each early warning indicator:**

Indicator	Grade Level													Total	
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
Number of students enrolled	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44	51	55	45	195
Attendance below 90 percent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	10	13	8	42
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	1	8
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	4	1	12
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	5	32
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	7
Number of students with a substantial reading deficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

**The number of students with two or more early warning indicators:**

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Students with two or more indicators	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	5	13	4	32

**The number of students identified as retainees:**

Indicator	Grade Level													Total
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Retained Students: Current Year	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Attendance below 90 percent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	10	13	8	42
One or more suspensions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Course failure in ELA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	1	8
Course failure in Math	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	4	1	12
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA ELA assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	5	32
Level 1 on 2019 statewide FSA Math assessment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	7
Number of students with a substantial reading deficiency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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Students retained two or more times	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Part II: Needs Assessment/Analysis**

**School Data Review**

Please note that the district and state averages shown here represent the averages for similar school types (elementary, middle, high school, or combination schools).

School Grade Component	2022			2021			2019		
	School	District	State	School	District	State	School	District	State
ELA Achievement	51%	54%	51%				61%	59%	56%
ELA Learning Gains	75%						62%	54%	51%
ELA Lowest 25th Percentile	58%						62%	48%	42%
Math Achievement	74%	42%	38%				90%	54%	51%
Math Learning Gains	81%						63%	52%	48%
Math Lowest 25th Percentile	55%						74%	51%	45%
Science Achievement	74%	41%	40%				79%	68%	68%
Social Studies Achievement	89%	56%	48%				91%	76%	73%

**Grade Level Data Review - State Assessments**

**NOTE: This data is raw data and includes ALL students who tested at the school. This is not school grade data.**

ELA						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison

MATH						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison

SCIENCE						
Grade	Year	School	District	School-District Comparison	State	School-State Comparison

BIOLOGY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					

BIOLOGY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2019	75%	68%	7%	67%	8%
CIVICS EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					
2019					
HISTORY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					
2019	84%	71%	13%	70%	14%
ALGEBRA EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					
2019	75%	63%	12%	61%	14%
GEOMETRY EOC					
Year	School	District	School Minus District	State	School Minus State
2022					
2019	89%	54%	35%	57%	32%

**Subgroup Data Review**

2022 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS											
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2020-21	C & C Accel 2020-21
ELL	29	72	58	73	81		67	85		96	46
HSP	51	75	58	74	81	55	74	89		92	43
FRL	51	74	58	74	80	55	74	89		92	44
2021 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS											
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2019-20	C & C Accel 2019-20
ELL	39	58	50	51	32		57	48		94	69
HSP	52	60	52	58	35	57	69	57		95	63
FRL	49	59	50	57	35	53	67	54		95	76
2019 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS											
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2017-18	C & C Accel 2017-18
ELL	47	59	65	88	60	69	76	88		59	40

2019 SCHOOL GRADE COMPONENTS BY SUBGROUPS											
Subgroups	ELA Ach.	ELA LG	ELA LG L25%	Math Ach.	Math LG	Math LG L25%	Sci Ach.	SS Ach.	MS Accel.	Grad Rate 2017-18	C & C Accel 2017-18
HSP	60	62	62	90	62	72	79	91		52	46
FRL	60	63	65	90	61	72	79	93		57	50

### ESSA Data Review

This data has not been updated for the 2022-23 school year.

ESSA Federal Index	
ESSA Category (TS&I or CS&I)	N/A
OVERALL Federal Index – All Students	68
OVERALL Federal Index Below 41% All Students	NO
Total Number of Subgroups Missing the Target	0
Progress of English Language Learners in Achieving English Language Proficiency	51
Total Points Earned for the Federal Index	743
Total Components for the Federal Index	11
Percent Tested	100%
Subgroup Data	
Students With Disabilities	
Federal Index - Students With Disabilities	
Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Students With Disabilities Subgroup Below 32%	0
English Language Learners	
Federal Index - English Language Learners	66
English Language Learners Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years English Language Learners Subgroup Below 32%	0
Native American Students	
Federal Index - Native American Students	
Native American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Native American Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Asian Students	
Federal Index - Asian Students	
Asian Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A

Asian Students	
Number of Consecutive Years Asian Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Black/African American Students	
Federal Index - Black/African American Students	
Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Black/African American Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Hispanic Students	
Federal Index - Hispanic Students	68
Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Hispanic Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Multiracial Students	
Federal Index - Multiracial Students	
Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Multiracial Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Pacific Islander Students	
Federal Index - Pacific Islander Students	
Pacific Islander Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years Pacific Islander Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
White Students	
Federal Index - White Students	
White Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	N/A
Number of Consecutive Years White Students Subgroup Below 32%	0
Economically Disadvantaged Students	
Federal Index - Economically Disadvantaged Students	68
Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 41% in the Current Year?	NO
Number of Consecutive Years Economically Disadvantaged Students Subgroup Below 32%	0

### Part III: Planning for Improvement

#### Data Analysis

Answer the following analysis questions using the progress monitoring data and state assessment data, if applicable.

**What trends emerge across grade levels, subgroups and core content areas?**

There is a general improvement across all grade levels and subjects from the 2020 - 2021 to 2021 - 2022 school year.

**What data components, based off progress monitoring and 2022 state assessments, demonstrate the greatest need for improvement?**

There is always a need for improvement in ELA, as most of our students are from the ESOL population or just recently arrived in the country.

**What were the contributing factors to this need for improvement? What new actions would need to be taken to address this need for improvement?**

As all of our students are mostly ESOL, this is why this area is targeted with the use of ESOL services and tutoring.

**What data components, based off progress monitoring and 2022 state assessments, showed the most improvement?**

Math has shown the most improvement based on the 2022 data.

**What were the contributing factors to this improvement? What new actions did your school take in this area?**

As math is a universal language, it is easier for that ESOL population to get higher scores in Math than in ELA.

**What strategies will need to be implemented in order to accelerate learning?**

Tutoring and Intensive math classes will be offered to make sure this data does not decrease.

**Based on the contributing factors and strategies identified to accelerate learning, describe the professional development opportunities that will be provided at the school to support teachers and leaders.**

Teachers will be trained in classroom management and ESOL strategies to meet all their students needs.

**Provide a description of the additional services that will be implemented to ensure sustainability of improvement in the next year and beyond.**

This year we will continue with our tutoring camps to help make sure that the students keep progressing overall.

**Areas of Focus**

Identify the key Areas of Focus to address your school's highest priorities based on any/all relevant data sources.

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**#1. Instructional Practice specifically relating to ELA**

**Area of Focus Description and Rationale:**  
 Include a rationale that explains how it was identified as a critical need from the data reviewed.

After analyzing the data, the lowest area of concern is in ELA. This is due to the fact that many of our students are ESOL or have just arrived in the country.

**Measurable Outcome:**  
 State the specific measurable outcome the school plans to achieve. This should be a data based, objective outcome.

By the end of the school year, the students scores will increase by 10% from the previous school year to this one.

**Monitoring:**  
 Describe how this Area of Focus will be monitored for the desired outcome.

This progression will be done with the use of Progress Monitoring throughout the school year.

**Person responsible for monitoring outcome:**

Marilyn Diaz (945279@dadeschools.net)

**Evidence-based Strategy:**  
 Describe the evidence-based strategy being implemented for this Area of Focus.

The evidence being used is all the data collected per student by the teachers per testing window.

**Rationale for Evidence-based Strategy:**  
 Explain the rationale for selecting this specific strategy. Describe the resources/ criteria used for selecting this strategy.

By giving Progress Monitoring diagnostics, we can track the students progress and make changes to their program as needed.

**Action Steps to Implement**

List the action steps that will be taken as part of this strategy to address the Area of Focus. Identify the person responsible for monitoring each step.

Data from the students' will be analyzed by the teacher after every testing window. Tutoring and other supplemental books, can be implemented along the way as needed by the student.

**Person Responsible**

Marilyn Diaz (945279@dadeschools.net)

**Positive Culture & Environment**

A positive school culture and environment reflects: a supportive and fulfilling environment, learning conditions that meet the needs of all students, people who are sure of their roles and relationships in student learning and a culture that values trust, respect and high expectations. Consulting with various stakeholder groups is critical in formulating a statement of vision, mission, values, goals, and employing school improvement strategies that impact the school culture and environment. Stakeholder groups more proximal to the school include teachers, students and families of students, volunteers and school board members. Broad stakeholder groups include early childhood providers, community colleges and universities, social services and business partners.

**Describe how the school addresses building a positive school culture and environment.**

Charter High School of the Americas mission is to provide the best quality education and instill in our students values that will make them better citizens, better workers and better human beings.

The school strongly believes that the main factor on promoting academic success is by consistently having ongoing communication with all stakeholders when it comes to school-wide data and school improvement

strategies. Our utmost goal is to ensure all students are provided with a challenging education which will prepare them to be successful in the real world.

Since our school is a Title I school we conduct physical and/or remotely parent / student workshops on a monthly basis focusing on important topics including but not limited to: Accessing the electronic grade book portal, Code of Student conduct, statewide assessments, Reading strategies, Truancy, migrant resources etc.

### **Identify the stakeholders and their role in promoting a positive school culture and environment.**

The leadership team comprised of school principal, assistant principal, counselor and lead teachers will focus on maintaining and enhancing a positive school culture. Our utmost goal is to provide a safe, nurturing and encouraging atmosphere while exposing all students to a rigorous academic curriculum. Students in our school are cognizant that they aren't just a 'number' and know that each of us part of the leadership team have an open door policy for our students. Maintaining ongoing parent communication is vital, thus the school's data (both academically and incident wise) during the last 5 school years reflect that the school has high expectations from every student as the school has earned various recognitions based on statewide data. Including being a high performing school and being part of the Florida Tax Watch school leadership recognition for the 2019-2020 school year