

## Response to Grand Jury Report Form

Report Title: Charter School Implementation of State  
Report Date: April 2, 2020 Mandated Sex Education  
Response by: Jacqueline Gardner Title: Principal / Director

### FINDINGS / CONCLUSIONS

- I (we) agree with the Facts / Conclusions numbered: \_\_\_\_\_
- I (we) disagree wholly or partially with the Facts / Conclusions numbered: \_\_\_\_\_

(Attach a statement specifying any portions of the Facts / Conclusions that are disputed; including an explanation of the reasons.)

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- Recommendations numbered R-03 have been implemented.  
(Attach a summary describing the implemented actions and date completed.)
- Recommendations number R-01, 02, 04, 07 have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future.  
(Attach a time frame for the implementation.)
- Recommendations numbered ~~R-01, 02, 04, 07~~ require further analysis.
- Recommendations numbered R5 & R6 will not be implemented because they are not warranted or are not reasonable.

Date: 7/24/2020

Signed: Jacqueline Gardner

Number of pages attached: 2

### Recommendations Already Implemented

Recommendation Number	Recommendation Text	Summary of ITCS Actions	Implementation Date
R-03	<i>The Grand Jury recommends the Required Charter Schools' notifications to parents/guardians of sexual health curriculum include a statement that, should their child be opted out of that curriculum, an alternate curriculum will be offered with a description of that alternate curriculum.</i>	IvyTech began the 2019-20 school year by informing all families with students in the Health course that the newly state-mandated subject matter would be integrated into the online curriculum that is currently used in the Health class. The class offers students an alternate assignment should the parents choose to opt their learner out. The description of the original curriculum is part of the school's catalog of courses.	Fall 2019

### Recommendations Not Yet Implemented

Recommendation Number	Recommendation Text	Summary of ITCS Actions/Plans	Implementation Date
R-01	<i>The Grand Jury recommends the Required Charter Schools implement a set of policies, practices and curriculum by the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year to meet the requirements of AB 329 and AB 1227.</i>	IvyTech has already implemented the new curriculum, but policies will be updated in the student and parent handbooks to meet all of the requirements of AB 329 and AB1227.	Winter 2020
R-02	<i>The Grand Jury recommends the Required Charter Schools provide to parents/guardians a notification of the curriculum on sexual health and human trafficking that includes a separate, easy-to-use opt out form for parents/guardians to sign and return.</i>	IvyTech will be providing Parents a survey at the beginning of the Fall semester that will allow them to opt their students out of the section of the course that deals with human trafficking and sexual health. Additionally, an opt-out feature has been built into the actual curriculum that is delivered online.	Fall 2020
R-04	<i>The Grand Jury recommends the Required Charter Schools provide parents/guardians with a detailed and clear written explanation of the content of sexual health curriculum in a document separate from their policies handbook.</i>	Due to the Covid-19 lock down, and complications that have arisen, the school will be addressing this recommendation at the start of the second semester. At that time, school officials will be able to develop separate documentation that will fulfill the recommendations of the Grand Jury.	Spring 2021
R-07	<i>The Grand Jury recommends that the Required Charter Schools provide a complete explanation in the parent/guardian notification of any surveys to be taken concerning the sexual behavior of a student. The full survey should be on the charter school's website or provided by the school upon request by the parent/guardian.</i>	IvyTech is planning on including surveys concerning the sexual behaviors of students in the next LCAP process. Once this information and survey have been formalized, the data will be displayed on the school's website.	Spring 2021

### Recommendations That Require Further Analysis

Recommendation Number	Recommendation Text	Summary of ITCS Actions	Implementation Date

### Recommendations Not Implemented Because They Are Not Warranted

Recommendation Number	Recommendation Text	Explanation of ITCS Decision	Implementation Date
R-05	<p><i>The Grand Jury recommends the Required Charter Schools specifically state in the notification to parents/guardians regarding the sexual health curriculum that a parent/guardian may opt out their child from any part of the curriculum or surveys, while allowing the child to participate in others</i></p>	<p>IvyTech provides all curriculum through an online interface. This allows teachers to customize and personalize the delivery of subject materials. This is inherent in all IvyTech courses, and no special actions need to be taken to accomplish the goals of this recommendation.</p>	N/A
R-06	<p><i>The Grand Jury recommends the Required Charter Schools provide alternative educational curricula to the opted out child from the sexual health curriculum that closely aligns with the Legislature's intent that instruction and materials provide pupils with "negotiation and refusal skills to assist pupils in overcoming peer pressure and using effective decision making skills to avoid high-risk activities."</i></p>	<p>IvyTech's online curriculum allows for special groupings of students which modifies the curriculum delivery. Whether families opt their students in or out of the sexual health curriculum, they will still be receiving instruction regarding abuse, bullying, and positive social/emotional development.</p>	N/A

## Landon, Carolyn

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Good Evening Ms. Landon and Mr. Boehmer~

Earlier today I was sent the attached letter the Grand Jury sent to Moorpark Unified School District, our chartering agency. I was a little surprised as I sent our responses to the Victoria Ave address back in July.

I'm truly sorry I did not follow up to see if you had received the responses. I am attaching the two top sheets for each report as well as our responses for each report. Please let me know if there is anything I've left out or need to further address.

Sincerely,

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