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ACSA Charter Task Force Charter Principles

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In order to meet the diverse needs of California students, ACSA supports a comprehensive and coherent public education system that includes quality options for all students.

We believe that state, county, district and charter leaders need to work together to improve student learning through:

- **Equity and Diversity includes:**
 - Charters reflect the demographics of the general population of the school district including but not limited to: foster youth, students with moderate to severe disabilities, English learners and economically disadvantaged students.
 - Charters implement nondiscriminatory enrollment practices.
- **Innovation includes:**
 - Collaboration between districts and charters to share evidence based practices and resources that increase student achievement.
 - Providing creative ways to deliver nontraditional instruction to students.
- **Public Accountability and Transparency includes:**
 - Compliance with the Brown act.
 - Student progress/outcomes are based on demographic criteria made available to the public and reported on a regular basis.
 - Oversight for fiscal operations and educational accountability that is equal to that of district schools.
 - Governance structures free from all possible conflicts of interest.
 - Charter authorization requires board approval of the district in which it is located.