



APPROVAL OF PRIVATE SCHOOLS FOR 2014–15

Policy Consideration

Approval of Private Schools under RCW 28A.195.040 and Chapter 180-90 WAC, for the 2014-2015 School Year.

Background

Each private school seeking State Board of Education approval is required to submit an application to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI). The application materials include a State Standards Certificate of Compliance and documents verifying that the school meets the criteria for approval established by statute and regulations.

Enrollment figures, including extension student enrollment, are estimates provided by the applicants. Actual student enrollment, number of teachers, and the teacher preparation characteristics will be reported to OSPI in October. This report generates the teacher/student ratio for both the school and extension programs. Pre-school enrollment is collected for information purposes only.

Private schools may provide a service to the home school community through an extension program subject to the provisions of Chapter 28A.195 RCW. These students are counted for state purposes as private school students.

Action

OSPI recommends the school herein listed (Exhibit A), having met the requirements of RCW 28A.195 and consistent with the State Board of Education rules and regulations in chapter 180-90 WAC, be approved as private schools for the 2014-15 school year.

This school, Sulamita Christian School, was recently bought by new owners. The former owner of the school would not allow the new owners to carry the former name (Providence Christian School). On advice of SBE counsel, the school applied for approval under the new name as a new school.

Private Schools for Approval

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School Information	Grade Range	Projected Pre-school Enrollment	Projected Enrollment	Projected Extension Enrollment	County
Sulamita Christian School Initial Vida Smith 12420 Evergreen Dr Mukilteo WA 98275 425.298.7676	P-12	6	65	0	Snohomish

This school previously existed under the name Providence Christian School. The former owner would not allow the school to continue to use that name. On advice of SBE counsel, the school applied for approval as a new school. OSPI is recommending the school for approval.