



WA CHARTERS SCHOOL LEADERSHIP AND DESIGN FELLOWSHIP

SCHOOL START-UP PATHWAY



PHASE I

THE FELLOWSHIP: DESIGNING YEAR

JUNE 2018 – JUNE 2019

- Award of \$90,000 stipend for one full-time Fellow or to be split amongst a school design team.
- Support submission of high-quality charter application to authorizer
- Weekly project management coaching calls
- Monthly professional development to support school design and application writing that includes curated resources and connections to leaders in the field
- 501(c)(3) establishment and graphic design support
- Guided trip and travel stipend to visit high-performing charter schools
- Multiple reviews of application draft, including by external consultant and budget experts
- Support with community engagement activities, including planning a public forum
- Assistance with board member recruitment and training, including preparation for capacity interview
- Connection to facilities support organization Washington Charter School Development
- Assistance with securing additional grants to support both planning and implementation

PHASE II

STRONG START: PLANNING YEAR

JULY 2019 – JULY 2020

- Eligible to apply for grant of \$200,000 to support school's planning year activities
- Monthly coaching calls
- Access to the Strong Start Planning Year program
- Residency in Washington charter school
- WA Charters membership benefits

PHASE III

DOORS OPEN: IMPLEMENTATION YEAR

AUGUST 2020 – JUNE 2021

- Eligible to apply for grant of \$400,000 to support school's year one implementation activities
- Membership in True Measure Collaborative, a consortium of support focused on inclusive education
- WA Charters membership benefits