

AGENCY OF EDUCATION
Barre, Vermont

TEAM: School Finance

ITEM: Will the State Board of Education acknowledge that an approved independent school that operated under the name of Charis Learning Center in Jericho, VT closed on March 28, 2018 and is no longer an approved independent school in VT?

SECRETARY'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the State Board of Education acknowledges that an approved independent school that operated under the name of Charis Learning Center in Jericho, VT closed on March 28, 2018 and is no longer an approved independent school in VT.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: Title 16 V.S.A. § 166 (b), 2228 et. seq.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

1. Charis Learning Center was established for the purpose of providing specialized educational services for students with neuro-developmental and other learning impairments/disabilities. Charis Learning Center received initial general and special education independent school approval on June 20, 2017 through June 30, 2019. The school was approved to serve students ages 5-11, within the disability categories of Autism Spectrum Disorder, Developmental Delay, Emotional Disturbance, Intellectual Disability, Other Health Impairment, Specific Learning Disability, Speech/Language Impairment, and Traumatic Brain Injury.
2. The founder of Charis Learning Center notified the Agency of Education on February 28, 2019, that it is not going to seek renewal of independent school approval. Other than one part-time student for intensive tutoring for 5 months from September 2017 thru January 2018, no other students have been enrolled.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: none

STAFF AVAILABLE:

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