Virtual Public Charter School Determination Tool



This flow chart is designed to help public charter schools and school districts determine whether or not a charter school qualifies as a virtual public charter school as defined in Oregon law. Public charter schools that meet the definition of a virtual public charter school have additional requirements set forth in ORS 338.120. If you have questions, please contact: kate.pattison@state.or.us

How do I know if a charter school qualifies as a Virtual Public Charter School? ANSWER: START HERE The school is NOT The charter school offers online courses No a virtual public charter school ORS 338.005(6)(a) Do ANY of the online courses meet ALL of the following criteria? Yes (a) Instruction and content are delivered primarily on a computer using the internet other electronic network or other technology The charter school serves students primarily in a such as CDs or DVDs; physical location (b) The student and teacher are in different physical locations for a majority of the ORS 338.005(6)(b) student's instructional period while ANSWER: participating in the course; Does the charter school meet ALL of the following criteria? (c) The online instructional activities are The school IS (a) More than 50 percent of the core courses offered by the school No integral to the academic program of the a virtual public Yes are offered at a physical location and are not online courses: school as described in its charter; and charter school (b) More than 50 percent of the total number of students (d) The student is not required to be located attending the school are receiving instructional services at a at the physical location of a school while physical location and not in an online course; and participating in the course. (c) More than 50 percent of the minimum number of OAR 581-026-0300 (2) instructional hours required to be provided to students by the school under OAR 581-022-1620 during a school year are provided at a physical location and not through an online Oregon Department of Education – 2014

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