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TO: YPI Charter Schools
Board of Trustees

FROM: Yvette King-Berg
Executive Director

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve 2023-2024 Consolidated Application Certification of Assurances Statement and Application for Categorical Programs for BCCS, MORCS, and BCCHS

BACKGROUND

The Consolidated Application (ConApp) is the annual fiscal companion to the LEA/SSD Plan. The SBE approves initial LEA Plans and subsequent ConApp submissions. The ConApp is used by the California Department of Education (CDE) to distribute categorical funds from various state and federal programs to county offices, school districts, and direct-funded charter schools throughout California. Local Education Agencies (LEAs) must have an approved ConApp before federal funds can be apportioned to LEAs.

ANALYSIS

As part of the Consolidated Application process, a *Certification of Assurances* must be approved by the Board and signed by the authorized representative of each school.

Additionally, ESEA Section 9524(b) specifies federal requirements regarding constitutionally protected prayer in public elementary and secondary schools, and a *Protected Prayer Certification Statement* must be approved by the Board annually.

Finally, to receive specific categorical funds for a school year, each school must apply for the funding through the completion and submission of an *Application for Funding* also approved by the Board annually.

RECOMMENDATION

The Board of Directors is recommended to **approve the 2023-2024 Application for Funding for BCCS, MORCS, and BCCHS.**