- 1. Name: The name of the Charter School LEA shall be Monticello Academy
- 2. Applicant: A Charter Agreement is granted to <u>Monticello Academy, Inc.</u>, which applied on June 26, 2005.
- 3. Location: The Monticello Academy school campuses shall be established in <u>West Valley City</u>, Utah, located within the <u>Granite School District</u>, and in <u>West Point</u>, Utah, located in the <u>Davis School District</u>, which is material to its authorization.
- 4. Mission statement: The Charter School mission statement, as set forth in the application is:
- "The mission of Monticello Academy is to prepare students for higher education by providing a well-rounded, rigorous liberal arts education and developing the traditional American traits of hard work and strong moral character that lead to academic and life success."
- 5. Purpose(s) of the charter school: The Charter School purposes consistent with U.C.A. §53G-5-104 include:
  - a. Continue to improve student learning through high standards for quality of instruction.
  - b. Encourage the use of different and innovative teaching methods through personalized education and standards-based instruction and assessment.
  - c. Increase choice of learning opportunities for students though providing art, music, physical education and Chinese language instruction.
  - d. Establish new models of public schools and a new form of accountability for schools that emphasizes the measurement of learning outcomes and the creation of innovative measurement tools through personalized learning and standards-based instruction and assessment.
  - e. Provide opportunities for greater parental involvement in management decisions at the school level through meaningful service opportunities and Parent Organization governance.
- 6. Key elements of the charter school: The key elements of the Charter School, as set forth in the application, are programs and processes that make this school unique. They will be included in the State Charter School Board annual review as assurances and included in the School Accountability Framework Comprehensive reviews.

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- a. Ensures students master and move beyond academic fundamentals, through a rigorous and innovative program.
- b. Includes parents in decision making regarding their children and school programs acknowledging that they are the primary stakeholders of the school.
  - i. Believes that real parent influence in education is not only a basic right, but also the key to effective education reform.

- ii. Recognizes that parents know their children and the community best.
- iii. Provides parents meaningful roles in the governing structure of Monticello as well as in the Parent Organization.
- iv. Uses parent assessments as a significant factor in the continued employment of the administration and faculty.
- v. Includes parents in policy and program decisions of the school.
- c. Uses the Core Knowledge curriculum and educational programming based on the premise that a grade-by-grade core of common learning is necessary to ensure a sound and fair elementary education.
- d. Emphasizes Direct Instruction, which refers to a rigorously developed, highly scripted method for teaching that is fast-paced and provides constant interaction between students and the teacher.
- e. As appropriate, draws from the best practices of proven methods of instruction to allow for the greatest flexibility in addressing the various needs of its diverse student body. Some courses or lessons utilize additional methods, such as Cooperative Learning, Problem-based Learning, Student-centered Learning, and Web-based Learning.
- f. Implements recognized and proven-effective curricula.

7. Opening School Year:

a. West Valley Campus: 2006-2007

- g. Uses the Singapore Math method, or other visually attractive, simple and easy to understand graphic demonstrations of mathematical concepts, which engages and focuses math learning.
- h. Offers formal art and music instruction and a restored emphasis on physical fitness.
- i. Provides a character model program based on the stated principles of Thomas Jefferson. These ideals are posted prominently throughout the school. Assemblies and lessons are designed to introduce character traits and applications. A program that recognizes and rewards the students modeling of desired behaviors on these traits is used to reinforce the desirability of the behavior and character internalization.
- j. Maintains a large enough student population to offer all programmatic elements listed in the approved charter application.
- k. Does not offer distance or online education, as it is defined by the Utah State Board of Education.

	b.	West Point Campus: <u>2020-2021</u>
8.	Stud	dent Population: The grade levels served and the maximum authorized enrollment:
	a.	Grades Served: <u>K</u> up to grade <u>8</u>
	b	Maximum Authorized Enrollment: 1384 across the LEA

9. Enrollment preferences permitted by board policy and UCA §53G-6-502:

- a. Siblings of currently enrolled students
- b. Children of Board Members and Founding Families
- c. Children of currently employed teachers
- 10. Structure of governing board:
  - a. Number of board members: 3-5
  - b. Appointment of board members: <u>Appointed by current board members</u>. <u>A majority must be the parent of guardian of a student enrolled in Monticello Academy sometime during the term of service</u>.
  - c. Board members' terms of office: No term limits
  - d. Meetings: Regularly, not less than twice annually
- 11. Administrative rules waived (if applicable): None
- 12. Additional school specific standards used to assess School Achievement in the Charter School Accountability Framework:

## Goal:

Monticello Academy's results on state accountability metrics will exceed the median of the nearest public schools serving similar grade levels, to include the 6 nearest elementary schools and the 4 nearest junior high or K-8/9 schools (where applicable).

## Notes:

For the 2019-2020 School Year, the defined schools are:

Monticello Academy - Highbury

Valley Crest Elementary School

Monroe Elementary

Esperanza Elementary School

West Valley Elementary

**Neil Armstrong** 

**Jackling Elementary** 

Hunter Junior High

John F. Kennedy

Valley Junior High

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Holt Elementary

**Buffalo Point Elementary** 

Syracuse Elementary

West Clinton Elementary

West Point Elementary

Lakeside Elementary

- 13. State Accountability: As defined by statute and implemented by the Utah State Board of Education by administrative rule.
- 14. Student Engagement, Financial, and Governance Measures: Defined by the SCSB, as required by rule and statute. Governance measures shall be determined by Monticello Academy, Inc. corporate bylaws and articles of incorporation.