

New City Charter School – Background Check Forms/Procedures

There are two forms for teacher candidates to read and/or fill out:

- Read and Keep- Summary of Your Rights
- Volunteer Background Check Form

Each background check has a fee of \$12 (for checks please make them out to New City School and cash is acceptable). Student teachers can mail in the money to the address below or they can drop the money off Monday –Thursday 8:30 am – 2:00 pm. The options to return the background check form include emailing it directly to the person indicated below, mailing it in, or faxing it in (see the fax # below), or dropping the form off during the summer hours (indicated above).

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Para informacion en espanol, visite www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore o escribe a la Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20006.

A Summary of Your Rights Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act

The federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. There are many types of consumer reporting agencies, including credit bureaus and specialty agencies (such as agencies that sell information about check writing histories, medical records, and rental history records). Here is a summary of your major rights under the FCRA. **For more information, including information about additional rights, go to www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore or write to: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W., Washington, DC 20006.**

- **You must be told if information in your file has been used against you.** Anyone who uses a credit report or another type of consumer report to deny your application for credit, insurance, or employment – or to take another adverse action against you – must tell you, and must give you the name, address, and phone number of the agency that provided the information.
- **You have the right to know what is in your file.** You may request and obtain all the information about you in the files of a consumer reporting agency (your “file disclosure”). You will be required to provide proper identification, which may include your Social Security number. In many cases, the disclosure will be free. You are entitled to a free file disclosure if:
 - a person has taken adverse action against you because of information in your credit report;
 - you are the victim of identify theft and place a fraud alert in your file;
 - your file contains inaccurate information as a result of fraud;
 - you are on public assistance;
 - you are unemployed but expect to apply for employment within 60 days.

In addition, all consumers are entitled to one free disclosure every 12 months upon request from each nationwide credit bureau and from nationwide specialty consumer reporting agencies. See www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore for additional information.

- **You have the right to ask for a credit score.** Credit scores are numerical summaries of your credit-worthiness based on information from credit bureaus. You may request a credit score from consumer reporting agencies that create scores or distribute scores used in residential real property loans, but you will have to pay for it. In some mortgage transactions, you will receive credit score information for free from the mortgage lender.
- **You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information.** If you identify information in your file that is incomplete or inaccurate, and report it to the consumer reporting agency, the agency must investigate unless your dispute is frivolous. See www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore for an explanation of dispute procedures.
- **Consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information.** Inaccurate, incomplete or unverifiable information must be removed

or corrected, usually within 30 days. However, a consumer reporting agency may continue to report information it has verified as accurate.

- **Consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information.** In most cases, a consumer reporting agency may not report negative information that is more than seven years old, or bankruptcies that are more than 10 years old.
- **Access to your file is limited.** A consumer reporting agency may provide information about you only to people with a valid need – usually to consider an application with a creditor, insurer, employer, landlord, or other business. The FCRA specifies those with a valid need for access.
- **You must give your consent for reports to be provided to employers.** A consumer reporting agency may not give out information about you to your employer, or a potential employer, without your written consent given to the employer. Written consent generally is not required in the trucking industry. For more information, go to www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.
- **You may limit “prescreened” offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report.** Unsolicited “prescreened” offers for credit and insurance must include a toll-free phone number you can call if you choose to remove your name and address from the lists these offers are based on. You may opt-out with the nationwide credit bureaus at 1-888-567-8688.
- **You may seek damages from violators.** If a consumer reporting agency, or, in some cases, a user of consumer reports or a furnisher of information to a consumer reporting agency violates the FCRA, you may be able to sue in state or federal court.
- **Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.** For more information, visit www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore.

States may enforce the FCRA, and many states have their own consumer reporting laws. In some cases, you may have more rights under state law. For more information, contact your state or local consumer protection agency or your state Attorney General. For information about your federal rights, contact:

TYPE OF BUSINESS:

- 1.a. Banks, savings associations, and credit unions with total assets of over \$10 billion and their affiliates.
- b. Such affiliates that are not banks, savings associations, or credit unions also should list, in addition to the Bureau:

2. To the extent not included in item 1 above:
 - a. National banks, federal savings associations, and federal branches and federal agencies of foreign banks
 - b. State member banks, branches and agencies of foreign banks (other than federal branches, federal agencies, and insured state branches of foreign banks), commercial lending companies owned or controlled by foreign banks, and organizations operating under section 25 or 25A of the Federal Reserve Act
 - c. Nonmember Insured Banks, Insured State Branches of Foreign Banks, and insured state savings associations
 - d. Federal Credit Unions
3. Air carriers
4. Creditors Subject to Surface Transportation Board
5. Creditors Subject to Packers and Stockyards Act
6. Small Business Investment Companies
7. Brokers and Dealers
8. Federal Land Banks, Federal Land Bank Associations, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks, and Production Credit Associations
9. Retailers, Finance Companies, and All Other Creditors Not Listed Above

CONTACT:

- a. Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection
1700 G Street NW
Washington, DC 20006
 - b. Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Response Center – FCRA
Washington, DC 20580
(877) 382-4357

 - a. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
Customer Assistance Group
1301 McKinney Street, Suite 3450
Houston, TX 77010-9050
 - b. Federal Reserve Consumer Help Center
P.O. Box 1200
Minneapolis, MN 55480
 - c. FDIC Consumer Response Center
1100 Walnut Street, Box #11
Kansas City, MO 64106
 - d. National Credit Union Administration
Office of Consumer Protection (OCP)
Division of Consumer Compliance and Outreach (DCCO)
1775 Duke Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
Asst. General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement & Proceedings
Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street SW
Washington, DC 20590
Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board
Department of Transportation
1925 K Street NW
Washington, DC 20423

Nearest Packers and Stockyards Administration area supervisor
- Associate Deputy Administrator for Capital Access
United States Small Business Administration
406 Third Street, SW, 8th Floor
Washington, DC 20416
Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F St NE
Washington, DC 20549
Farm Credit Administration
1501 Farm Credit Drive
McLean, VA 22102-5090
FTC Regional Office for region in which the creditor operates or
Federal Trade Commission: Consumer Response Center – FCRA
Washington, DC 20580
(877) 382-4357

VOLUNTEER - COMBINED DISCLOSURE NOTICE AND AUTHORIZATION
REGARDING BACKGROUND CONSUMER REPORTS
(Important: Please read carefully before signing)

The Fair Credit Reporting Act requires that we inform you that a background investigation may be conducted as part of our screening and volunteer process. This may include an inquiry to obtain information regarding your character, employment history, general reputation, personal characteristics, police record, education, qualifications, motor vehicle record, mode of living and/or credit and indebtedness. The primary objective of any investigation will be to verify information you provided on your application or during the interview process in connection with your application for and/or continued volunteer position (or contract) with the company. A consumer report and/or an investigative consumer report may be obtained at any time during the application process or during your volunteer position with the company. Upon timely written request to our personnel department, and within 5 days of the request, the name, address and phone number of the reporting agency and the nature and scope of the report (if one is made) will be provided to you. You have the right to request details of the report from the consumer reporting agency.

Before any adverse action is taken, based in whole or in part on the information contained in the consumer report, you will be provided a copy of the report, the name, the address and telephone number of the reporting agency, a summary of your rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, as well as additional information on your rights under the law.

The items of information requested below are required to process your background investigation. They are intended solely for that purpose and will not be used in a discriminatory manner for the making of business decisions.

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ (Month, Day, Year)

Driver License # _____ State: _____

Social Security # ____/____/____

Other Names Used & Date Changed _____ (Year Changed)

Professional License (s): _____ State(s): _____ Type(s): _____ Number (s): _____

May we contact your current employer? ___Yes ___No

Residence Addresses For The Past 7 Years: (attach additional sheets, if necessary)

Street Address	City, State & Zip Code	County	From Mo./Yr.	To Mo./Yr.

Have you ever been charged with or convicted of a Misdemeanor or Felony crime? ___Yes ___No

If yes, please explain in some detail, including what county and state, and in what year:

Conviction	City & State	County	Date

I hereby authorize _____ and/or The McDowell Agency, Inc. and their agents, without any reservation, to investigate my background as it pertains to volunteer history and performance, personal and professional references, educational history, licenses and information contained in public records, including, but not limited to, credit, criminal, motor vehicle data and workers compensation. I hereby release all persons, companies or other entities furnishing such information from liability and responsibility in connection herewith. I further authorize ongoing procurement of the types of reports mentioned herein at any time during my volunteer position (or contract) with the company. A photocopy of this document may be substituted for the original.

Printed Full Name of Applicant _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date ____/____/____

(MN/CA/OK/ME/NY Residents Only): Do you wish to receive a copy of your consumer report? Yes ___ No ___