

**NEVADA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM**

June 14, 2023

SUBJECT: Private School Renewal License

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the licensing for a two-year period for:

- Lake Tahoe School, Washoe County

Approve the licensing for a four-year period for:

- International Christian Academy, Clark County
- Shenker Academy, Clark County

BACKGROUND: Private education institutions are covered by Chapter 394 in both the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Nevada Administrative Code. The Private Schools Education Programs Professional verifies that the statutory and regulatory requirements are met. The Nevada State Board of Education approves the issuing of a private school license.

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## Private School Analysis

**School Name:** Lake Tahoe School, Washoe County

**Background:** Lake Tahoe School's vision is to serve as an educational community focused on honoring individual creativity and passion inherent in every child while nurturing disciplined minds, strong character, healthy bodies, and creative spirits. Classes are small with a student: teacher ratio of 10 to 1, and an average class size of 18. Students benefit from individual opportunities to create and problem-solve with developmentally appropriate instruction. Students enjoy extensive opportunities in art and music. Community service is an integral part of middle school. Students in 6-8 grades must perform 20 hours of community service each academic year.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the State Board approve Lake Tahoe School for a license for two years from, May 31, 2023, through May 31, 2025. Lake Tahoe School has complied with all statutory and regulatory requirements.

**Address:** 995 Tahoe Boulevard, Incline Village, Nevada 89451

**Ownership:** Lake Tahoe School

**Insurance:** National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Insurance liability for death, personal injury or property damage is at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

**Enrollment:** 235 students, Kindergarten through Grade 8

**Educational Staff:** 16

**Complaint Status:** No complaints on file

## Private School Analysis

**School Name:** International Christian Academy, Clark County

**Background:** International Christian Academy (ICA) elementary school lays the foundation for academic success by engaging its students in the subjects of Reading, English Language Arts, Science, Mathematics, History, and the Bible. ICA's middle school strives to prepare its students for this ever-changing world with a Christ-centered, rigorous, relevant, and demanding academic program that will propel them to the forefront of today's society where their beliefs, actions, and knowledge are aligned. ICA teachers utilize Abeka, Bob Jones, and ACSI internationally accredited Bible curriculum, and supplemental materials to strengthen and provide instruction required by statute and regulation.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the State Board approve International Christian Academy for a license for two years from June 30, 2023, through June 30, 2027. International Christian Academy has complied with all statutory and regulatory requirements.

**Address:** 8100 Westcliff Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada 89145

**Ownership:** International Church of Las Vegas

**Insurance:** Brotherhood Mutual Insurance for death, personal injury or property damage is at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence

**Enrollment:** 250 students, Kindergarten through Grade 12

**Educational Staff:** 17

**Complaint Status:** No complaints on file

## Private School Analysis

**School Name:** Shenker Academy, Clark County

**Background:** The goal of Shenker Academy is to develop individual creativity, independent thinking, and higher levels of problem-solving among its students. Shenker Academy operates under the multiple intelligences theory and endeavors to understand and adhere to each child's learning process. Shenker Academy incorporates a STEAM program for its young students, which includes a strong music and science program. Students learn foreign languages at an early age as well. Students study Spanish and Hebrew. The science curriculum focuses on stating experiment hypothesis and analyzing results of experiments. Students can also identify elements of engineering. All curriculum adheres to Nevada Academy Content Standards.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the State Board approve Shenker Academy for a license for two years from August 31, 2023, through August 31, 2027. Shenker Academy has complied with all statutory and regulatory requirements.

**Address:** 9001 Hillpointe Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89134

**Ownership:** Temple Sinai Las Vegas

**Insurance:** Church Mutual Insurance liability for death, personal injury or property damage is at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence

**Enrollment:** 22 students, Kindergarten through Grade 1

**Educational Staff:** 2

**Complaint Status:** No complaints on file