Agency Summary & Statutory Authority
The Idaho Public Charter School Commission (IPCSC) is Idaho’s state-level charter school authorizing entity pursuant to Section 33-5213, Idaho Code. Its membership consists of seven members appointed by the Governor subject to the advice and consent of the Senate. The commissioners appoint the director, whose authority includes the ability hire necessary staff and enforce applicable statutes.

NOTES
The budget for the IPCSC includes General Funds (beginning in FY 2013) and dedicated funding through the Public Charter School Authorizer’s Fund (beginning in FY 2015). Historically, the IPCSC has received reappropriation authority for the Public Charter School Authorizer’s Fund, a dedicated fund.

Of the commission’s FY 2023 Base, 77.8% is personnel costs and 22.2% is operating expenditures.

Please see publications from the Legislative Services, Budget & Policy Analysis Division for additional details: https://legislature.Idaho.gov/lso/bpa/pubs/
History of the IPCSC

- Agency Structure
  - 7 Appointed Commissioners
  - 5 FTP

- Currently Serving
  - 57 Schools
  - 63 Academic Programs
  - 10 Petitions Anticipated

- Students in All Idaho Charters
  - ≈15 Charters Not IPCSC Authorized
  - 29,049 Students in 2020-2021
  - 8.26% of Publicly Educated Students
IPCSC Purpose

Mission
To Cultivate Exemplary Public Charter Schools

Values
Efficacy, Credibility, Integrity

Key Functions
- Provide for choice in public education within the boundaries of the law
- Make data-driven decisions that manage risk
- Provide oversight, communication, and advocacy
**IPCSC Duties**

**Commission Decisions**
- Year 1: Approve, Amend, Renew
- Year 5: Charters

**Staff Management**
- Year 1: Legal Compliance, Performance Monitoring, Contract Management
- Year 5: Statute, Rule, Policy, Operational, Financial, & Academic Measures, Performance Certificate Terms

Balance: Taxpayer Interests & Student Achievement & Choice

Balance: Autonomy & Accountability

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**Funding Structure**

**What are the IPCSC's Revenue Sources?**
- GF – 27% operating budget
- DF – 73% operating budget
  - Authorizer’s Fund created in 2013 to defray the cost of authorizing (I.C §33-5214)

**What Makes up the Dedicated Fund?**
- Authorizer fees collected from schools
  - ~ $11,600 per school over 250 enrollment
- FY22 Onetime Expenditures
  - Transfer of DF balance to Agency 525
- FY23 Reappropriation
  - Ongoing carryover of unspent/unencumbered DF
  - Appeals, investigations, or closures