



**NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS**

### **School Membership Additional FAQs**

**Q: We saw your special offer that says if our school joins (or renews membership with) the Association before November 1, 2019, our membership dues will be based on our 18-19 ADM instead of our 19-20 ADM. What are the benefits of joining before November 1?**



**A: There are quite a few!**

- (1) You don't have to wait for DPI to release this school year's enrollment report before paying membership dues.** Schools submitting their ADM late can delay DPI's release making the wait longer. We already know what your school's ADM was at the beginning of the 18-19 school year, so if you're ready to join now, we'll base membership dues off that!
- (2) Your membership dues are cheaper!** Because school enrollment typically increases each year and membership dues are directly proportional to enrollment, it is likely that your school's membership dues for the 19-20 school year will be greater than last year. Paying dues based on last year's enrollment saves you money! You also get an additional 15% Early Bird discount!

| Join / Renew            | Discount                              |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| On or before November 1 | 15% off membership based on 18-19 ADM |
| After November 1        | No discount based on 2019-2020 ADM    |

- (3) You get more value for the dollar!** For greater efficiency, all school memberships paid for the 2019-2020 school year will expire Nov. 1, 2020, our standard expiration date for school members. Joining before Nov. 1, 2019 gets your school a longer membership period for the price of a year. Renewing before Nov. 1 extends your expiration out another year ahead of time!



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**Q: Why is November 1 now set as the standard deadline / expiration date?**

A: We are establishing a more efficient school membership process as the number of schools continues to grow each year. Having most—if not all—schools joining and renewing at the beginning of each school year will make membership easier to track in the long run.

**Q: We have a school we would like to open in the future that is currently in the application process. Are we allowed to join the Association?**

A: Unfortunately not. According to the qualifications on our school membership page, school membership is available to schools that have received State Board of Education (SBE) approval. However, future board members and personnel of applicant schools regularly participate in our [annual conference](#) and other [events](#). If you are unable to come to our events, we encourage you to visit our [Individual Action](#) page to learn other ways you can support the Association until your school becomes eligible for membership.

We hope you choose to join our Association or renew your membership with us! If you have further questions, you may contact [josh@ncpubliccharters.org](mailto:josh@ncpubliccharters.org).

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