



Small Expansion Application

Charter School Name:

Utah Connections Academy

Charter School Director:

Mollie McBroom

Does this request meet the definition of a small expansion, as found in R277-550, which is: is for 100 of fewer students; would not necessitate a significant renovation; and is for no more than one additional grade?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Explanation from the charter school of justified need, as allowed by R277-552-5.

This small expansion is requested to accommodate increasing demand for enrollment and to support Utah families seeking a high-quality virtual public education. UCA's enrollment has consistently reached the authorized cap and waiting lists have formed during multiple enrollment periods. The additional 100 student seats will allow UCA to continue serving Utah families who desire an online learning environment that provides flexibility, personalized instruction, and accountability aligned with state standards.

This growth request is not intended to alter the school's mission, vision, or educational model but rather to enhance accessibility to students currently unable to enroll due to capacity limits. The school has demonstrated sustained academic growth, sound fiscal management, and full compliance with state and federal requirements, supporting its readiness for this modest expansion.

Signature from the school's governing board chair and director, as allowed by R277-552-5. Add additional page or lines as needed.


[Stephanie Walker \(Jun 5, 2026 13:06:16 MDT\)](#)

Board Chair


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☐ No concerns, move to board meeting

or

- ☐ On-going remediation
- ☐ Corrective action plan (CAP)
- ☐ State turnaround
- ☐ System of Support
- ☐ Comprehensive Support and Improvement
- ☐ SCSB Warning
- ☐ SCSB Probation