



Charter School Design Challenge Competition Application

Round One: Idea Submission

- Complete sections I – III. For teams of applicants, please complete these sections for each member of your team.
- Attach your resume and the resumes of your team members (if applicable).
- Attach your proposal for a break-the-mold innovative charter school model in whatever format best conveys your idea (i.e., essay, PowerPoint, YouTube video, etc.).
- If you would like to apply for a planning grant of up to \$10,000 to help you further develop your idea before the competition, attach your proposed budget delineating how you plan to use the grant.
- Email your completed application, resumes, and school design proposal to fellowship@themindtrust.org. Applications that include a planning grant proposal are due by 11:59 p.m. PT on November 15, 2015. All other applications are due by 11:59 p.m. PT on January 10, 2016.

I. Personal Information

First Name	
Middle Initial	
Last Name	
Mailing Address	
City	
State	
Zip Code	
Cell Phone	
Email Address	

II. Professional Background

Company/Organization	Title	City/Location	Dates From/To

III. Education

School/College	Location	Dates From/To	Degree

IV. Your Idea

- Share with us your vision for a break-the-mold charter school in whatever format best conveys your idea (i.e. short essay, PowerPoint, YouTube video, etc.).

IV. [Optional] Your Proposed Planning Grant Budget

- Submit a budget that delineates how you plan to use the planning grant to continue formulating your idea in anticipation of presenting it at the Charter School Design Competition.
- Grant amounts will be up to \$10,000; however, actual funding amounts will vary based on the quality and demonstrated need of budgets submitted by applicants.
- For non-local candidates, please include travel and lodging for the Charter School Design Competition as part of your budget.

VI. Next Steps

- The Mind Trust will respond to all submissions within five business days of the respective application deadline.
- Next steps will vary and may include a phone interview and additional written materials.
- The Mind Trust expects to announce planning grant winners by the end of calendar year 2015.
- For applicants who choose not to apply for a planning grant, The Mind Trust plans to make decisions on which applicants are selected to attend the Design Challenge Competition by February 1, 2016.
- More information about the Design Challenge Competition will be available once applicants have been notified of their status.