

# QUICK FACTS ON GÜLEN CHARTER SCHOOLS

# MASSACHUSETTS



NUMBER OF  
SCHOOLS

3   
1 planned

KNOWN AS

**Pioneer Charter School of Science**  
**Hampden Charter School of Science**

TOTAL ENROLLMENT

**1,061**

TOTAL REVENUES

**\$16,450,960**

RELATED  
INSTITUTIONS



Central Jersey  
College Prep  
Charter School

Arts & Science  
Science &  
Technology



Chesapeake



Hampden

Pioneer



Academy of  
Science

## KEY PEOPLE



Volkan Yesilyurt



Recai Yucel

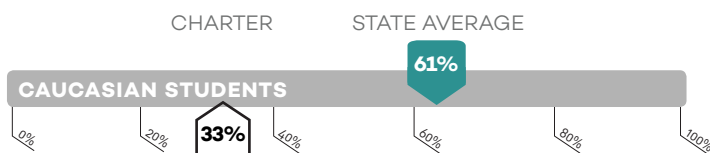


Necmi Atmaca



8 others

## VULNERABLE STUDENT POPULATIONS



## EXCESSIVE IMMIGRATION

**86**

**H-1B VISA  
APPLICATIONS  
2001-2016**

**\$84k**

Amount Pioneer spent on  
immigration fees for 34  
teachers. Only four remained at  
the school from 2007 to 2013.

Source: Boston Globe, 2-21-13

## SCHOOL APPLICATIONS DENIED

**2006**



College  
Preparatory  
School  
of Springfield

**2012**



Pioneer Charter  
School of Science  
III

**2013**



Pioneer Charter  
School of Science  
IV

## FINANCIAL ISSUES

According to the applications of PCSS II and HCSS West, these new schools are supposed to reimburse the flagship schools (PCSS and HCSS) for professional management services. This structure essentially **allows PCSS and HCSS to contract with itself for charter management services and increases the likelihood of overpayments**. Numerous audits have found: Late-filed grant reports; Overstatement of transportation revenue requiring a correction of \$105,978; and overstatement of surplus for PCSS and PCSS II by \$24,571 and \$65,302, respectively—among many other reporting inconsistencies and flaws.

All figures based on available data for  
2015-2016 academic year.

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