NYC Charter School Facts

**2020**

- **268** Number of charter schools in NYC*
  - 93 Brooklyn
  - 89 Bronx
  - 55 Manhattan
  - 25 Queens
  - 6 Staten Island
  *As of September 1, 2020

- **81,300** Students Applicants
- **33,000** Available Seats

- **135,902** Students enrolled in NYC Charter Schools (Projections based on SED preliminary enrollment for 2019-20)

- **13%** of NYC public school students attend charter schools (Projections based on SED preliminary enrollment for 2019-20)

- **10** Number of schools opening this year
  - 1 Brooklyn
  - 7 Bronx
  - 1 Manhattan
  - 1 Queens
  - 0 Staten Island

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**NYC Charter School Students Continue to Close the Proficiency Gap (2019-20)**

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<th>Overall Student Proficiency</th>
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<td>63.2%</td>
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*Source: NYSED Public School 3-8 Assessment Data

**NYC’s Charter Sector Serves More Students Than NY’s Big 4 Districts Combined (2019-20)**

- **NYC Charters**: 128,979
- **NY’s Big 4 Districts**: 122,962

*Source NYSED Preliminary Enrollment Data

**NYC Charter School Students**
- 79% of students are economically disadvantaged
- 18% of students are SWD
- 7% of students are Multilingual Learners
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$16,123
Per pupil funding
(As per SED)

NYC Charter Schools By Authorizer:

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Charter school programs (2020-21):

38 schools have programs for students with autism or have more than 25% of students with IEPs for Special Education.
9 schools have dual language programs.
21 schools are offering pre-K.
9 schools serve high school students at risk of dropping out.
8 schools serve single-sex student populations.

Charter school affiliation:

86 independent
54 replicators¹
124 affiliated with non-profit Charter Management Organizations (CMOs)
4 affiliated with for-profit Educational Management Organizations (EMOs)²

¹ Not affiliated with a CMO
² State law prohibits EMOs from operating new charters.

NYC charter operating status:

115 schools operating for 10+ years.
74 schools still in their initial 5-year charter term.
22 schools have been closed.

Facilities:

119 charter schools are in buildings owned or leased by the NYC DOE.
129 charter schools are in private (non-DOE) space.
20 charter schools have some students in NYC DOE space and some in private space.

Collective bargaining agreements:

16 NYC charter schools (6%) have collective bargaining agreements with the United Federation of Teachers.

About the New York City Charter School Center:
The New York City Charter School Center is an independent non-profit committed to fostering an environment in which public charters can open and flourish, and, through their innovative approaches, provide models for improving all public schools. The Charter Center helps new charter schools get started, supports existing schools, and engages the charter school community around key issues.

About NYC’s charter schools:
Charter schools are free, independently run public schools that are able to innovate in their classroom structures, curriculum, and teaching methods. In return, they’re held to higher standards of accountability.

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