NYC Charter School Facts

271
Number of charter schools in NYC
92 Brooklyn | 90 Bronx
56 Manhattan | 26 Queens
7 Staten Island
As of September 2021

140,000
Estimated students enrolled in NYC charter schools
(Based on NYSED enrollment data)

5
Number of schools opening this year
1 Queens | 1 Bronx
2 Manhattan | 1 Staten Island

14%
of NYC public school students attend charter schools
(Based on NYSED enrollment data)

CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS (2021-22)¹

- 80% of students are economically disadvantaged
- 9% of students are Multilingual Learners
- 9.6% of students live in temporary housing
- 18% of students have IEPs
- 4% Black/African American
- 4% Latino
- 6% White
- 6% Other

NYC’S CHARTER SECTOR SERVES MORE STUDENTS THAN NY’S BIG 4 DISTRICTS COMBINED (2021-22)²

140,004
NYC Charters
117,315
NY’s Big 4 Districts
(Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Yonkers)

Per pupil funding (2021-22 School Year)
$16,844

Charter Years of Operation:

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<th>Initial Charter Term</th>
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¹Source: NYSED Preliminary Enrollment Data for 2021-22 School Year
²Source: NYSED enrollment data, latest available from 2020-21 School Year
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Charter School Specialized Programs (2021-22):

- 41 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.
- 31 schools are offering pre-K.
- 9 schools serve high school students at risk of dropping out.
- 8 schools serve single-sex student populations.

NYC charter schools by Authorizer:

- 40 NYC DOE
- 61 Board of Regents
- 170 SUNY

Charter School Management Structures:

- 87 independent
- 56 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.

Facilities:

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

Collective bargaining agreements:

- 20 NYC charter schools (7%) have collective bargaining agreements with the United Federation of Teachers.

NYC Charter School Management Structures:

| Charter School Students Continue to Close the Proficiency Gap (2018-19)* |
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| **OVERALL STUDENT PROFICIENCY:** | **BLACK STUDENT PROFICIENCY:** | **LATINO STUDENT PROFICIENCY:** |
| Charters | District | Statewide | Charters | District | Statewide | Charters | District | Statewide |
| Math | 63.2% | 45.6% | 46.7% | Math | 63.9% | 28.3% | 32.1% | Math | 59.9% | 33.2% | 34.6% |
| ELA | 57.3% | 47.4% | 45.4% | ELA | 58.2% | 35.0% | 35.3% | ELA | 53.1% | 36.5% | 35.7% |

*NYSED Public School 3-8 Assessment Data - latest available data

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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