

Charter Fact Check



"Charter schools can be private schools and can charge tuition."

✓ Charter schools are tuition-free public schools.

Charter schools are:

- Tuition-free
- Open to all students
- Publicly funded based on enrollment
- Held accountable for meeting state and federal academic standards



"Charter schools do not serve all students."

✓ Nationally, charters enroll more students of color and low-income students.

Students enrolled in charter schools had comparable diversity to traditional public schools. Visit the Colorado League of Charter Schools [website](#) for more information.



"Charter schools get more money than other public schools."

✓ On average, charters receive less public funding than traditional public schools.

Charter schools, and specifically CSI-authorized charter schools, are at a distinct financial disadvantage as they do not receive a proportionate share of K-12 property tax revenue.



"Charter schools are not held accountable."

✓ Charters are held to the same standards as district-run counterparts.

The oversight structure of charter public schools loosely parallels that of traditional public schools, including oversight by the state, authorizer, school board, and community. Learn more about charter school oversight [here](#).