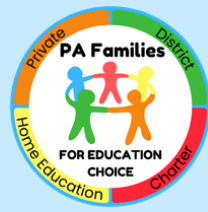
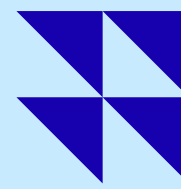


FACT Sheet



Public Brick and Mortar Charter Schools

How are the facilities funded for public brick and mortar charter schools?

There is no direct state funding for brick and mortar charter facilities in Pennsylvania.

PCPCS (Pennsylvania Coalition of Public Charter Schools) is the charter school organization that oversees the Pennsylvania Charter Schools Program (PACSP) grant. The PACSP grant provides funding to eligible applicants to open, replicate, and/or expand high-quality charter schools.

Source- <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/education/resources/policies-acts-and-laws/basic-education-circulars-becs/purdons-statutes/charter-schools>
<https://www.pacspgrant.org/>

The PACSP grant awarded \$30 million over a grant period of five years (2021-25) to support the development, expansion, and replication of 18 high-quality public schools in Pennsylvania.

Source- <https://pacharters.org/for-schools/grant-program/>

Each school was a nonprofit, brick-and-mortar charter school whose model and/or track record demonstrated a strong likelihood of producing meaningful and sustainable student learning gains.

Source- <https://pacharters.org/for-schools/grant-program/>

PACSP awarded three types of subgrants through the grant program. Eligible applicants applied for:

- Development of a new charter school
- Expansion of an existing high-quality charter school
- Replication of an existing high-quality charter school

Source- <https://pacharters.org/for-schools/grant-program/>

What schools were eligible to apply?

Eligible applicants needed to have an approved charter school petition from a Pennsylvania authorizer in order to apply for Federal CSP dollars under this program.

Each school was a nonprofit, brick-and-mortar charter school. Grant applicants conformed to the federal definition of a public charter school in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act [P.L. 114-95, section 4310(2)] to be eligible for grant funds under the CSP.

Source- <https://pacharters.org/for-schools/grant-program/>

To date, PACSP Grants have been provided to the following charter schools:

Bear Creek Community Charter School (2021)
City Charter High School (2021)
Midland Innovation & Technology Charter School (2021)
Penn Hills Charter School of Entrepreneurship (2022)
Pennsylvania STEAM Academy (2022)
Renaissance Academy Charter School (2022)
LIFE Male STEAM Academy Charter School (2023)
Provident Charter School – West (2023)
Seven Generations Charter School (2023)
California Academy of Learning Charter School (2024)
Dominus High School (2024)
Philadelphia Hebrew Public Charter School (2024)
Vision Academy Charter School of Excellence (2024)



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