



CHARTER SCHOOLS



Charter schools and cyber charter schools are **public schools** that operate with a greater degree of independence than traditional district schools.

What is a charter school?

A charter school is a public school that operates independently from the local school district and is established under a charter from the local school board. In the case of cyber charter schools, because they operate state-wide, the PA Dept. of Education is their authorizer.

What is the cost of charter school in PA?

Charter schools in Pennsylvania are tuition-free for students.



How do I apply for charter school?

Enrolling in a charter school is very easy. Just like a district school, there are enrollment forms to be completed. Because procedures can vary, contact the charter school for specifics. As a public school, charter schools must accept all enrollments unless the enrollment cap established by the school's approved charter has been met.

What kind of charter schools are there?

There are two types of charter schools in Pennsylvania: brick-and-mortar and cyber charter schools:

- Brick-and-mortar charter schools are located in a physical facility. They are teacher-led, with students learning through face-to-face interaction.
- Cyber charter schools use technology to deliver instruction and a significant portion of the curriculum to students. Students are not required to be present at a physical facility, except for limited circumstances like standardized testing.



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