

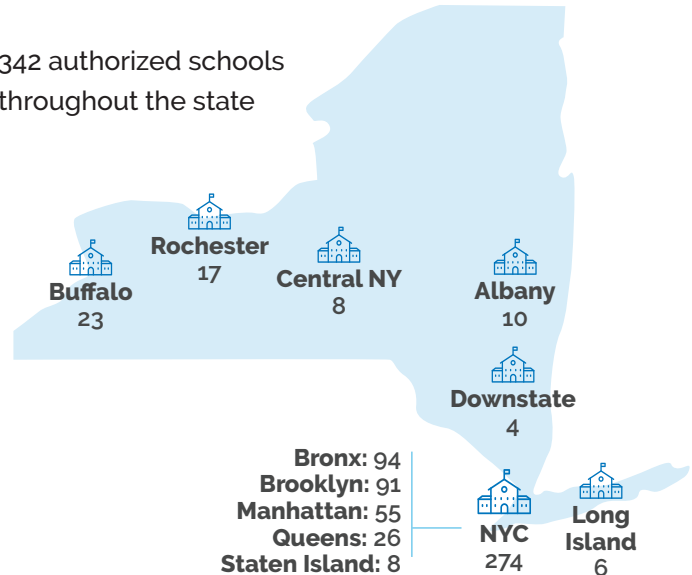
NEW YORK'S PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

Advancing Equity
in Education



About Our Schools

342 authorized schools
throughout the state



About Our Students

More than

182,500

students total



94%

students of color
58% statewide enrollment

81%

economically disadvantaged students
56% statewide enrollment

17%

students with disabilities
18% statewide enrollment

9%

ELL students
10% statewide enrollment

Data based on SY23-24 counts from [NYSED Information and Reporting Services](#)

All parents should have the freedom to pick the right school for their child's individual needs. Many parents in low-income communities do not have any options outside their local traditional public school. New York's public charter schools give these parents and students additional high-quality options that they desperately need.

About Charter Schools on Long Island

As of Fall 2023, there are **6 public charter schools** operating on Long Island **serving more than 6,300 students**. Like their counterparts throughout the state, each of the public charter schools currently operating on Long Island completed a rigorous approval process to open and clearly demonstrated an existing community need for their services. And as evidenced by recent [NYS assessment data](#), public charter schools are working. Students in grades 3-8 from public charter schools perform 7 percentage points better than all public schools statewide in both ELA and Math and tested a larger portion of their students with disabilities than any other type of school in the state.



About Our Programming

Schools work best when teachers have the freedom and time to personalize student learning. Public charter schools have more autonomy over their staffing, budget, educational program, school culture, and professional development than traditional public schools. That autonomy is why public charter schools are known for finding new ways to use technology, increase teacher involvement, and craft creative lesson plans.

Families within Long Island can find unique public charter school options such as:

Evergreen Charter School...

Providing a **robust environmental education curriculum** and one of a select number of schools to receive a **Green Building Award**.

The Academy Charter School...

Featuring a **visual and performing arts program** where scholars are afforded the opportunity to sharpen their creative skills in **theater, dance, visual arts, and music**.

South Shore Charter School...

Offering a strong elementary **character education program** and **social emotional curriculum** focused on **cultivating innovative and socially responsible leaders**.

Challenge Charter School...

Providing **early college and career focus** with high school pathways in **allied health, culinary arts, and aviation**.