## NEW YORK'S PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

### Advancing Equity in Education



#### **About Our Schools**

342 authorized schools throughout the state



Albany 10

Downstate 4

Bronx: 94 Brooklyn: 91 Manhattan: 55 Queens: 26 Staten Island: 8

NYC 274

Long Island

#### **About Our Students**

More than

182,500

students total



94%

students of color 58% statewide enrollment

81%

economically disadvantaged students56% statewide enrollment

**17**%

students with disabilities18% statewide enrollment

9%

ELL students
10% statewide enrollment

Data based on SY23-24 counts from  $\underline{\text{NYSED Information and Reporting Services}}$ 

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 Our Programming**

Public charter schools prepare children for the future. Their academic rigor positions students for success in college and careers, delivering skills needed for the 21st century economy. In addition, public charter schools give teachers the freedom and time to personalize student learning. Our schools have more autonomy over their staffing, budget, educational program, school culture, and professional development than traditional public schools which leads to finding new ways to use technology, increase teacher involvement, and craft creative lesson plans.

#### NY's public charter schools specialize in areas such as:

- Autism
- Biliteracy
- Computer Engineering / Computer Science
- · Dyslexia and Literacy Acquisition
- · Law and Social Justice
- · Military Preparation
- Music and Performing Arts
- · Over-Age and Under-Credited
- · STEM/STEAM



#### **PUBLIC**

Free and open to all students



#### **SPECIALIZED**

Programming to meet unique needs, circumstances and learning styles



#### **ACCOUNTABLE**

Held to the highest standards and regular review

# DID YOU KNOW?

Fast facts about New York's public charter schools Public charter schools are tuition-free public schools open to all students regardless of zip code, race/ethnicity, income or ability level.

There are no tests, entrance exams or other special requirements for admission.

Our students and staff are diverse and reflect their communities.

Our schools are held to the same state and federal standards as traditional public schools.

When a charter school opens, it does not decrease the funding for traditional public schools.

Public charter schools hire passionate teachers and give them the flexibility and support they need to deliver the education their students deserve.



