



**New York**  
Charter Schools  
Association™

Supporting public charter schools.

Advocating for their students.

Helping our sector grow and thrive.

## Our Mission

The New York Charter Schools Association is a nonprofit membership organization that serves as a unified voice for the more than 300 public charter schools in New York, representing their interests at the state and local levels. Our work enables high-quality public charter schools to grow, promote what is effective, and share best practices throughout the state sector.

## Our Work



### School Support and Policy

- ◆ NYCSA holds **Monthly Statewide Webinars** to share resources, best practices, and updates on the charter school sector for school leaders.
- ◆ We foster engagement and collaboration through a variety of **working groups, regional meetings and special programming**, offering open discussion space to navigate challenges facing schools.
- ◆ We build relationships through **school support visits** where NYCSA sits down with school leaders to directly address needs.



### Legislative Advocacy

- ◆ NYCSA uses **legislative engagement** and a strategic policy agenda to advocate for the public charter school sector, its schools, and its students.
- ◆ We connect legislators with the work our schools are doing by arranging **legislative school visits** to share the innovative ways schools address needs of individual students.
- ◆ We support members of the public charter school community in **testifying at legislative hearings** on issues that affect students and families.



### Uplifting Students and Schools

- ◆ We work to **grow the sector** by supporting new charter schools in soliciting and cultivating applicants while supporting schools through their charter drafting process.
- ◆ NYCSA plays an **innovative leadership role** on issues related to student recruitment and enrollment.
- ◆ By helping public charter schools **share their story**, we work to elevate students, staff, and families.
- ◆ We **form partnerships** with the state's leading education-focused organizations and collaborate on making a difference for students.

## Our Vision

A growing, more effective public charter school sector will significantly increase student outcomes throughout the state. We envision a future where every child in New York has the opportunity to attend a great public charter school where they can unlock their full potential.

As an education community, we are stronger together!



**351 authorized public charter schools throughout New York**



**More than 187,000 students served in grades K-12**

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