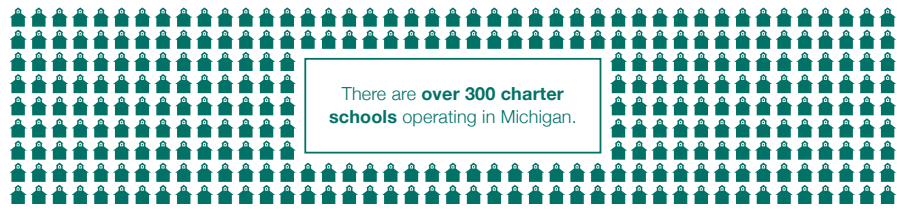


Facts About Charter Schools



About **10 percent** of Michigan students attend charter schools.



There are **over 300 charter schools** operating in Michigan.

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Charter schools accept all students who apply. If there are more applicants than there is space available, a **random lottery** is conducted.



Charter schools serve a larger portion of **low-income students** (70 percent) compared to traditional public schools (44 percent).



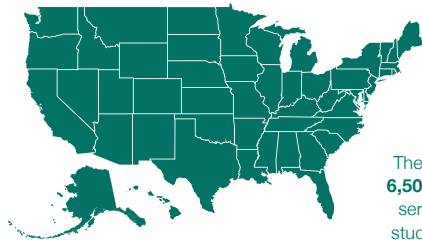
Charter schools in Michigan cost taxpayers **16 percent less** per student on average compared to traditional public schools.



More students in Detroit **attend charter schools** than traditional public schools in the city.



The last three U.S. presidents have **all supported charter schools**: Bill Clinton, George W. Bush and Barack Obama.



There are more than **6,500 charter schools** serving **2.5 million** students nationwide.



The first charter schools in Michigan opened in **1994**. Forest Gump won Best Picture that year.



A Stanford University study found that the typical student in a Michigan charter school makes achievement gains equal to **two additional months of learning** every year compared to their counterparts in traditional public schools.



Stanford University compared how well charter school students did compared to similar students in traditional public schools and found that charter school students outperformed their counterparts on **52 of the 56 measures** tested.



Charter schools enroll **150,000 students** in Michigan.

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The Center for Education Reform ranked Michigan's charter school law as **fourth-best in the nation**.



Charter schools serve a similar proportion of **students with special needs** (11 percent) as traditional public schools (14 percent).

Charter schools employ more than **7,500 state-certified teachers**.

