



Charter Schools Grants

ESEA Title IV, Part C

12.50% at least 2.475% 40 to 85.025%

National Activities

To provide technical assistance to State entities in awarding subgrants and to recipients of facilities grants, disseminate best practices regarding charter schools, and evaluate the impact of Charter Schools Grants, including on student achievement.

COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM



\$400 million FY 2018

at least 50% Facilities Grants

Credit Enhancement Grants

eligible applicants: public and private nonprofit entities (such as finance authorities and community development financial institutions) that assist charter schools in acquiring, constructing, and renovating facilities by enhancing the availability of loans or bond financing.

number of grants: not less than 3.

Grants for the Opening of New Charter Schools and the Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools

not more than 2025%

Developer Grants

eligible applicants:

developers (individuals and public and private nonprofit entities, which may include charter management organizations) may apply directly to the Secretary in States where no state entity received a grant. Grants are awarded under the same terms and conditions as for State Entity subgrants.

purpose: to support the startup of new charter schools and the replication and expansion of high-quality charter schools serving students in prekindergarten through grade 12. Funds also support grants to improve charter schools' access to facilities and information dissemination and evaluation activities.

State Facilities Incentive Grants

state eligibility: a State must establish or enhance, and administer an aid program that is specified in State law and provides annual financing on a per-pupil basis for charter school facilities.

duration and cost-sharing: awards are for a period of up to 5 years, over which States pay an increasing share of program costs. States may partner with other organizations to provide up to 50 percent of the State share of costs.

State Entity Grants

CMO Grants

eligible applicants:

nonprofit charter management organizations (CMO) under the same terms and conditions as State Entity subgrants.



recipients must use **not less than 90 percent** of gran funds to make subgrants to charter school developers



not less than 7 percent to provide technical assistance to developers and to conduct activities to improve the quality of charter school authorizing and oversight



not more than 3 percent for administrative costs

eligible applicants: SEAs, State charter school boards, State governors, and statewide charter school support organizations.

duration: grants to State entities and subgrants to developers are for **up to 5 years.** Developers may use **not more than 18 months** for planning and program design, including hiring and compensating school leaders and instructional staff.

number of grants: the Secretary must make at least 3 new
grants each year, and fully fund the first 2 years of each grant
with the initial award.

priority applications: State entities that support charter schools for at-risk students and that ensure all charter school authorizers implement recognized school approval and monitoring standards and procedures.