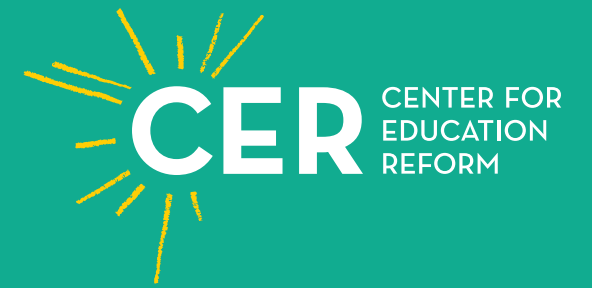
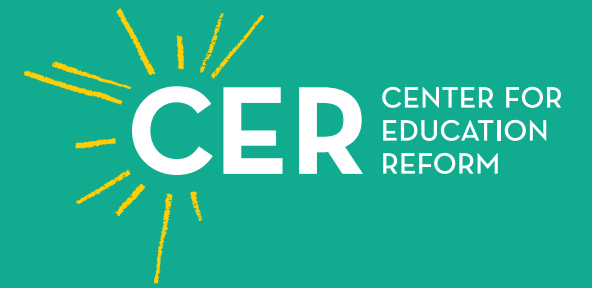


# NATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOL LAW RANKINGS & SCORECARD—2024



Grade		A			B												C												
State		FL	AZ	DC	MI	MN	NY	IN	ID	SC	CO	OH	NC	UT	OK	TX	WV	WI	LA	AR	MO	GA	MT	TN	MA	NH	NV	PA	
Year law passed		96	94	96	93	91	98	01	98	95	93	97	96	98	99	96	19	93	95	95	98	93	23	02	93	95	97	97	
CHARTER AUTHORIZERS		Possible Points																											
Multiple Authorizers	0 - 8	6	7	3	8	7	5	8	7	6	3	7	5	6	7	3	6	5	4	2	6	4	3	3	2	1	5	1	
Independence of Local/State Authority	0 - 7	5	6	5	7	3	6	5	7	4	5	2	3	5	5	3	4	4	3	2	3	5	3	2	2	2	2	2	
Authorizer Subtotal	0 - 15	11	13	8	15	10	11	13	14	10	8	9	8	11	12	6	10	9	7	4	9	9	6	5	4	3	7	3	
GROWTH																													
No Charter Caps	0 - 10	10	10	9	10	10	5	10	10	10	10	6	10	7	5	6	3	8	10	10	6	10	7	10	3	10	10	9	
Scaling Up	0 - 5	5	4	3	2	3	4	1	3	3	3	4	5	3	3	3	1	2	3	3	2	2	0	3	3	1	3	1	
Growth Subtotal	0 - 15	15	14	12	12	13	9	11	13	13	13	10	15	10	8	9	4	10	13	13	8	12	7	13	6	11	13	10	
OPERATIONS																													
School Autonomy	0 - 8	7	6	6	4	5	7	5	4	4	5	4	5	4	5	6	7	6	5	4	4	3	6	2	5	6	2	5	
Freedom to Innovate	0 - 7	5	7	6	6	5	4	4	4	5	5	5	4	5	4	4	5	5	5	6	5	4	6	2	5	5	3	5	
Teacher Freedom	0 - 5	5	5	5	3	3	3	4	3	4	4	3	4	3	5	5	4	3	3	5	3	3	5	3	4	4	3	3	
Operations Subtotal	0 - 20	17	18	17	13	13	14	13	11	13	14	12	13	12	14	15	16	14	13	15	12	10	17	7	14	15	8	13	
EQUITY																													
Operating Funds	0 - 10	7	6	8	8	8	6	7	5	5	7	8	5	8	5	7	8	5	5	5	8	6	7	6	8	6	6	7	
Pre-K Funds	0 - 2	0	0	2	1	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	1	1	0.5	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	
Facility Funds/Financing	0 - 5	3	2	4	0	3	3	1	1.5	1	0.5	2.5	0.5	0.5	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	1	0	0.5	1		
Equity Subtotal	0 - 17	10	8	14	9	13	11	8	6.5	7	7.5	10.5	5.5	8.5	7	10	10	6	6	6.5	9	6	7	10	11	6	6.5	8	
<b>TOTAL SCORE</b>	<b>0 - 67</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>42.5</b>	<b>41.5</b>	<b>41.5</b>	<b>41.5</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34.5</b>	<b>34</b>	
Letter Grade		A-	A-	A-	B+	B+	B	B	B	B	B	B-	B-	B-	B-	B-	B-	C+	C+	C+	C+	C+	C+	C	C	C	C	C	
Score/Percentage		92	92	92	88	88	85	85	85	85	85	82	82	82	82	82	82	78	78	78	78	78	78	75	75	75	75	75	
2024 Rank		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
2022 Rank		2	1	3	4	5	11	6	13	8	7	17	12	10	15	9	24	18	20	28	16	19	NA	21	14	30	22	23	
Number of charter schools (as of April '24)		734	635	140	368	180	343	126	77	93	278	336	211	134	64	911	8	236	148	105	81	99	1	116	84	35	100	215	
Number of charter students (as of April '24)		397,700	232,000	46,400	150,500	68,000	175,000	54,000	32,300	46,200	137,700	121,200	145,300	79,300	51,000	405,000	2,300	49,000	90,600	26,600	24,400	69,700	50	44,600	48,200	5,700	69,000	162,000	

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Grade		C						D										F			
State		AL	CA	NM	IA	NJ	HI	MS	OR	KY	DE	AK	IL	CT	ME	RI	MD	WA	WY	VA	KS
Year law passed		15	92	93	02	95	94	10	99	17	95	95	96	96	11	95	03	12	95	98	94
<b>CHARTER AUTHORIZERS</b>	Possible Points																				
Multiple Authorizers	0 - 8	2	1	3	3	2	3	3	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	1	3	2	0	0
Independence of Local/State Authority	0 - 7	2	2	4	3	1	2	5	2	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	0	1	3	0	0
Authorizer Subtotal	0 - 15	4	3	7	6	3	5	8	3	3	5	4	3	3	3	3	1	4	5	0	0
<b>GROWTH</b>																					
No Charter Caps	0 - 10	10	9	5	10	10	10	3	8	10	2	10	0	3	0	1	10	3	1	10	10
Scaling Up	0 - 5	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Growth Subtotal	0 - 15	11	11	6	12	11	11	4	9	10	3	11	2	3	0	3	10	3	1	10	10
<b>OPERATIONS</b>																					
School Autonomy	0 - 8	5	5	4	3	3	4	4	5	2	5	2	5	4	6	3	1	5	2	1	0
Freedom to Innovate	0 - 7	2	2	3	4	3	4	2	4	3	4	2	2	3	3	3	2	3	3	2	2
Teacher Freedom	0 - 5	5	3	3	0	3	0	3	3	4	3	0	3	3	3	2	0	3	3	0	0
Operations Subtotal	0 - 20	12	10	10	7	9	8	9	12	9	12	4	10	10	12	8	3	11	8	3	2
<b>EQUITY</b>																					
Operating Funds	0 - 10	5	7	7	7	6	4	8	4	5	6	7	9	4	5	7	6	2	5	0	0
Pre-K Funds	0 - 2	0.5	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Facility Funds/Financing	0 - 5	0	1	1	0	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.5	0	0	0	0	0.5	0	0
Equity Subtotal	0 - 17	5.5	8	9	7	8.5	6	8	4	5	6	7	9	6.5	7	7	6	2	5.5	0	0
<b>TOTAL SCORE</b>	<b>0 - 67</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>31.5</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>
Letter Grade		C-	C-	C-	C-	C-	C-	D+	D+	D+	D	D	D	D-	D-	D-	D-	D-	F	F	F
Score/Percentage		72	72	72	72	72	72	68	68	68	65	65	65	62	62	62	62	62	50	50	50
2024 Rank		28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47
2022 Rank		27	25	26	46	29	32	39	31	33	34	43	38	35	37	40	41	42	36	44	45
Number of charter schools (as of April '24)		14	1,280	104	5	35	38	10	133	0	29	31	141	30	9	37	50	18	7	7	9
Number of charter students (as of April '24)		5,200	685,600	30,000	500	58,600	24,900	3,600	30,600	0	18,500	7,000	59,700	10,800	2,800	11,700	24,700	4,700	1,400	1,300	2,500

## KEY FINDINGS

Eleven states have improved significantly in rank, either because they strengthened charter school laws considerably since 2022 or made changes within law that expanded charter numbers, freedom or funding. Eight states dropped significantly in the rankings.

Overall, state rank and charter policy environments are improving, particularly in states that have tended to embrace education freedom in general.

In 2022, only 8 states earned a “B” grade. In 2024, 13 states hold a “B.” Two states - Alaska and Iowa - moved out of the “F” ranking.