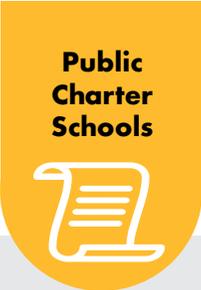


# SCHOOL CHOICE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

School choice is the process of families choosing the K-12 educational options that best fit their children.

	 <b>Traditional Public Schools</b>	 <b>Public Charter Schools</b>	 <b>Magnet Public Schools</b>	 <b>Online Learning</b>	 <b>Private Schools</b>	 <b>Home Education</b>
<b>AVAILABILITY</b>	<b>broad*</b>	<b>broad</b>	<b>limited</b>	<b>broad</b>	<b>broad</b>	<b>broad</b>
<b>COST</b>	<b>free</b>	<b>free</b>	<b>free</b>	<b>free</b>	<b>free to some</b>	<b>free to some</b>
<b>IN NEW HAMPSHIRE...</b>	<p>Traditional public schools are available for families throughout the state. States that allow families access to their choice of traditional public schools offer what's called "open enrollment."</p> <p>New Hampshire districts set their own open enrollment policies, so parents should check locally. In 2021, the state made this process more defined for students experiencing educational hardship.</p>	<p>Charter schools are public schools that are allowed the freedom to innovate while being held accountable for student achievement.</p> <p>Public charter schools are available for families across New Hampshire. These schools can be opened after they are authorized by school districts or the state.</p>	<p>Public magnet schools are permitted in all 50 states and focus on specific themes, such as math, science, technology, or the performing arts.</p> <p>New Hampshire currently has one magnet school.</p>	<p>Online public schools are permanent, fully-online, and free educational options that teach students through digital classes.</p> <p>Virtual Learning Academy Charter School offers online courses to anyone in the country. New Hampshire students can take courses free of charge, full-time or part-time.</p>	<p>Private schools are widely available, charge tuition, and may be faith-based or independent. Many private schools or nonprofit organizations offer scholarships.</p> <p>Low and middle-income student are eligible for publicly-run scholarships, which allow families to spend flexibly on education expenses. Students in some towns are eligible for a tuitioning program to attend schools in other communities.</p>	<p>All parents in New Hampshire have the freedom to homeschool their children.</p> <p>Parents must provide a one-time notification to the state (or school district) of their intent to homeschool. The state requires homeschooling parents to teach specific subjects and also requires some level of assessment, testing, or evaluation of homeschooled students. Homeschool students may be eligible to apply for a state-run scholarship.</p>

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