
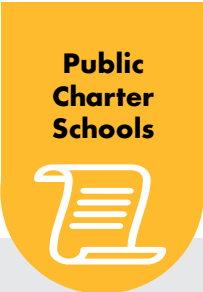






SCHOOL CHOICE IN OKLAHOMA

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

	 Traditional Public Schools	 Public Charter Schools	 Magnet Public Schools	 Online Learning	 Private Schools	 Home Education
AVAILABILITY	broad	broad	broad	broad	broad	broad
COST	free	free	free	free	free to some	varies
IN OKLAHOMA...	<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>Oklahoma students can request a transfer to a school in any district. The state does allow districts to set capacity limits for transfer students. Parents can appeal to the local school board if their transfer request is denied.</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 in parts of Oklahoma. These schools can be opened after they are authorized by school districts, colleges and universities, 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>Oklahoma has several magnet schools and programs that families can consider.</p>	<p>Online public schools are permanent, fully-online, and free educational options that teach students through digital classes.</p> <p>Oklahoma offers several online schools, including Oklahoma Virtual Charter Academy, Oklahoma Connections Academy, Epic Charter School, Insight School of Oklahoma (grades 6-12), E-School Virtual Charter Academy, and Oklahoma Information and Technology School (grades 6-7).</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>Oklahoma students with special needs, students in certain underperforming schools, or students who meet certain income guidelines can qualify for state-run scholarships. Starting in January 2024, any private school student will be eligible for a tax credit up to \$7,500 for private school tuition.</p>	<p>All parents in Oklahoma have the freedom to homeschool their children. Parents are currently not required to provide a notice of their intent to homeschool their children. However, please check updated laws and regulations before proceeding.</p> <p>The state does not require homeschooling parents to teach specific subjects and does not require standardized testing for homeschoolers. Starting in January 2024, homeschoolers can apply for a \$1,000 tax credit for learning expenses.</p>

