

# What is Charter School Choice?

Charter schools are publicly funded schools that operate independently of traditional district rules, allowing them to innovate and offer unique educational environments without charging tuition. In Mississippi, charter schools provide families with another free, equal access, public education option where students can thrive in a more personalized and often specialized setting.

## How Does Charter School Choice Benefit Mississippi Families?

💡 **Innovation** drives charter schools; who by their nature have the flexibility to design curricula that meet the needs of diverse learners. We know that students don't learn best when they're forced to fit a mold. Charter school choice allows students to benefit from creative teaching methods, specialized subjects, and the individualized attention they need.

🏠 **Accessibility** defines charter schools. Each charter school is always free and open to all students. However, Mississippi currently has only 10 charter schools, with restrictive approval processes limiting their growth. Expanding access to charter schools will ensure that more students have the opportunity to attend one.

☰ **Options for the Future** is the promise of expanding charter school options in our state. Mississippi needs more charter schools to ensure that all students can find a school environment that suits their unique learning styles. They are a critical option in the fabric of school choice, and we need more of them if we want to ensure every child can find the right fit.

## Why Join the Movement?

Charter schools play a critical role in the landscape of public education choice. By advocating for more charter schools in Mississippi, we can give every child the chance to attend a school that truly supports their needs and aspirations.

Visit [MississippiReady.org](https://MississippiReady.org) to join the movement and learn more about **Charter School Choice**

