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North Carolina Charter Schools Grew at More Than Double the National Average

Black, Hispanic students drive public charter school growth

Raleigh, NC – Public charter school enrollment in North Carolina grew at more than double the national average, driven largely by new Black and Hispanic students, according to a **report** published today by the National Alliance for Public Charter Schools.

Lindalyn Kakadelis, executive director of the NC Coalition for Charter Schools, said, **"Charter schools complement district schools by offering parents a choice in their public education. For some children, the local district school is a perfect fit. For others, the innovative options and teaching styles at a public charter school make more sense. Either way, our goal is to maximize the chances for each North Carolina student to reach his or her full potential."**

According to the Alliance report, enrollment in North Carolina charter schools increased **24.3%** between 2019 and 2024, compared to 11.7% nationally. North Carolina district school enrollment fell by 3.2% over the same period.

For the past school year (2022-23 to 2023-24), North Carolina charter schools grew by 4.6% compared to just under 2.3% nationally. North Carolina district school enrollment fell by 0.35%.

Five-year Enrollment Change, All Students

	Charter Schools	Charter Schools (%)	District Schools	District Schools (%)
NC	28,839	24.32%	-45,876	-3.23%
US	392,082	11.68%	-1,750,607	-3.89%

One-year Enrollment Change, All Students

	Charter Schools	Charter Schools (%)	District Schools	District Schools (%)
NC	6,531	4.64%	-4,867	-0.35%
US	83,172	2.27%	-274,412	-0.63%

Black and Hispanic students are largely driving the enrollment gains in North Carolina charter schools. Over the past five years, Black student enrollment grew by **23.8%** and Hispanic student enrollment grew by **53.5%**, compared to 11.3% for White students.

Five-year Enrollment Change, Black Students

	Charter Schools	Charter Schools (%)	District Schools	District Schools (%)
NC	7,380	23.83%	-11,550	-3.35%
US	50,925	7.81%	-218,624	-4.79%

One-year Enrollment Change, Black Students

	Charter Schools	Charter Schools (%)	District Schools	District Schools (%)
NC	1,046	2.80%	-4,458	-1.32%
US	9,793	1.41%	-15,690	-0.36%

Five-year Enrollment Change, Hispanic Students

	Charter Schools	Charter Schools (%)	District Schools	District Schools (%)
NC	7,286	53.47%	26,859	9.83%
US	203,343	18.69%	115,184	1.05%

One-year Enrollment Change, Hispanic Students

	Charter Schools	Charter Schools (%)	District Schools	District Schools (%)
NC	2,260	12.12%	9,495	3.27%
US	49,146	3.96%	51,782	0.47%

Read the full report here.

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