Iowa Charters

Eleven charter schools were awarded grants through the U.S. Department of Education's (U.S. DOE) Charter Schools Program (CSP) from money that the U.S. DOE gave to the states between 2006-2014. At this time, at least 10 (91%) of those charter schools were closed or never opened at all.

To determine that number, we compared the U.S. DOE CSP award dataset which you can find <u>here</u> with the Iowa Department of Education's <u>list</u> of authorized charter schools. We searched the NCES number using the <u>quick search</u> function. We also confirmed the status of all schools using the Iowa Department of Education's list of <u>Reports to the Legislature</u>.

In total, \$3,662,045.00 was awarded to Iowa charter schools during those years that either never opened or shut down.

The chart below shows the names of all of the closed Iowa charter schools that received CSP grants between 2006 - 2014. Those highlighted in maroon are charters that opened and closed. The rest are grant recipient schools that never opened. The federal grant amount is to the right of the school's name. The federal grant amount is to the right of the school's name.



Name of Charter School	Grant Amount
Buffalo Ridge Charter School	\$402,485
Elma Elementary Charter School	\$405,262
eSigourney Entrepreneurial Academy for Leadership	\$357,308
Iowa Central Charter School	\$409,793
Lincoln Academy of Integrated Arts Charter School	\$421,851
Northeast Iowa Charter High School	\$404,823
Northwest Iowa Charter High School	\$405,773
Panorama Charter School	\$402,704
Prescott Elementary School	\$402,046
Spencer Charter School	\$50,000
total	\$3,662,045