

California Charters

Eight hundred two California 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 296 (37%) 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 [here](#) to the California Department of Education (CDE) list of 699 closed charter schools which you can find [here](#). Next, we reviewed all schools that the CSP data set reported as having no NCES number and compared those school names with the CDE's list of charter schools using the [quick search](#) function. From that comparison, we determined that 61 schools never opened at all (or opened and closed on the same day).

In total, \$101,954,832.00 were awarded to California charter schools during those years that *either never opened or shut down*. And yet, in 2016 the U.S. DOE awarded the CDOE an additional \$49,899,243.00.

The chart below shows the names of all of the closed California 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.

Name of Charter School	Grant Amount
ABC Charter Middle	\$350,000
Abernathy Collegiate Charter School	\$375,000
Acacia Elementary Charter	\$575,000
Acacia Middle Charter	\$575,000
Academy Charter School, The	\$600,000
Academy for Recording Arts	\$250,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences Del Mar 6 - 12	\$250,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences Del Mar K-5	\$250,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences El Cajon 6-12	\$250,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences El Cajon K-5	\$250,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences Fresno	\$250,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences Los Angeles 9-12	\$250,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences Los Angeles K-8	\$250,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences Oxnard & Ventura	\$225,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences San Joaquin	\$375,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences Sonoma	\$250,000
Academy of Arts and Sciences Thousand Oaks and Simi Valley	\$225,000
Academy of Culture and Technology	\$70,400
Academy of Personalized Learning	\$250,000
Academy of Science and Engineering	\$575,000
ACE Alum Rock	\$575,000
Aim High For High School	\$45,000
Alain Leroy Locke Charter High School	\$600,000
Albert Einstein Academy for Letters, Arts and Sciences	\$450,000
Albert Einstein Academy for Letters, Arts and Sciences - Agua Dulce Partnership Academy	\$575,000
Albert Einstein Academy for Letters, Arts and Sciences - Endeavour Academy	\$375,000
Albert Einstein Academy for Letters, Arts and Sciences - Santa Clarita, K-6 (AKA AEA Elementary)	\$575,000
Albert Einstein Academy for Letters, Arts and Sciences - Ventura County	\$375,000

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Albert Einstein Academy Middle School	\$400,000
Alpha Theta Omega Preparatory Academy	\$45,000
Alta Vista Public Charter	\$448,245
Alta Vista South Public Charter	\$375,000
America's Finest Charter School	\$575,000
American Indian Academy	\$166,500
American Secondary	\$45,000
Anahuacalmecac University Preparatory High School	\$600,000
Anchor Academy Charter School	\$126,756
Anchor Academy Charter School	\$321,489
Animo College Preparatory Charter High School #2	\$650,000
Animo Film & Theater Arts Charter High School	\$450,000
Animo Justice Charter High School	\$450,000
Animo Locke ACE Academy	\$600,000
Animo Locke Technology Charter High School (Formerly: Small Schools Academy III Charter School, Jefferson #5)	\$450,000
Antecello Preparatory Academy	\$575,000
Antelope View Charter School	\$250,000
Apple Academy	\$575,000
Arroyo Paseo High School	\$449,665
Arts & Ethics Academy Charter School	\$300,000
Aspire East Palo Alto Phoenix Academy	\$600,000
Aspire Huntington Park Charter School	\$600,000
Bay Area Technology School, Richmond (BayTech-Richmond)	\$45,000
Belmont Charter School	\$45,000
Benjamin Mays Charter	\$45,000
Big Picture High School	\$600,000
Biggs Public Charter School (Oak Hills Academy)	\$214,408
CA YouthBuild Charter School (Contra Costa)	\$45,000
CA YouthBuild Charter School (Sonoma)	\$45,000
CAL STEM San Joaquin	\$250,000

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California Aerospace Academy	\$450,000
California College Prep. Academy (CAL Prep)(Formerly: Aspire UC Berkeley)	\$360,000
California College, Career, and Technical Education Center	\$266,833
California Montessori Project - Capitol Campus	\$250,000
California Pacific Charter School North Central California	\$375,000
California Pacific Charter School of Central California	\$375,000
California Pacific Charter School of San Francisco Bay	\$375,000
California Virtual Academy- San Mateo (Reauthorized to #802)	\$135,000
Camino Real Community Partnership Academy	\$202,700
Carden Virtual Academy (now The Academy of the Inland Empire)	\$375,000
Casa Ramona Academy for Technology, Community, and Education	\$600,000
Celerity Cardinal Charter	\$575,000
Celerity Dyad Charter School	\$450,000
Celerity Exa Charter	\$575,000
Celerity Nascent Charter	\$400,000
Celerity Octavia Charter	\$575,000
Celerity Palmati Charter	\$575,000
Celerity Sirius Charter	\$575,000
Center for Learning and Unlimited Educational Success (CLUES)	\$575,000
Central Coast Academy	\$45,000
CET Charter School/ Center for Employment Training	\$45,000
Chico Green School	\$375,000
City Arts Academy	\$112,500
City High School	\$575,000
Classical Academy	\$250,000
Classical Kids Orange	\$45,000
Classical Kids Riverside	\$45,000
Clemente Charter School	\$575,000
Colegio New City	\$300,000
College-Ready Academy High School #7	\$540,000

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College-Ready Middle Academy #7	\$752,500
Communitas Charter High	\$375,000
Community Elementary Charter School/Community Child Care Council	\$45,000
Community Montessori	\$250,000
Community Options for Resources in Education CORE/Butte Charter School	\$45,000
Community Resource Project Inc. / Nueva Vision Academy	\$45,000
Conal Lindsay Laboratory School	\$45,000
Conservation Corps of Long Beach Gateway Cities Charter	\$575,000
Conservatory of Vocal/Instrumental Arts (COVA)	\$402,350
Cornerstone Academy Preparatory School	\$600,000
Coronado Pathways	\$250,000
Crescendo Charter Academy	\$450,000
Crescendo Charter Conservatory	\$450,000
Crescendo Charter Preparatory Central	\$450,000
Crescendo Charter Preparatory South	\$450,000
Crescendo Charter Preparatory West	\$450,000
Crescendo Charter School	\$450,000
Crescent Valley Public Charter	\$375,000
Crescent View South Charter	\$321,489
Crescent View South Charter	\$126,756
Crossroads Trade Tech	\$600,000
Crown Ridge Academy	\$540,000
Culture and Language Academy of Success #2	\$45,000
Daytop Charter School	\$45,000
Denair Academic Avenues	\$375,000
Desert Trails Preparatory Academy	\$575,000
Design High School	\$369,740
Diego Hills Charter School	\$375,000
Discovery Charter	\$292,000
Dixon Montessori Charter	\$396,489

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Dixon Montessori Charter School	\$53,511
Downtown Academy	\$45,000
Downtown College Prep Alviso	\$450,000
East Oakland Leadership Academy High	\$500,000
Eastern County Preparatory Academy	\$116,618
Ecademy California	\$250,000
Educational Outreach Academy	\$250,000
Epiphany Prep Charter School	\$575,000
Evangeline Roberts Institute of Learning	\$454,838
Excel Academy	\$450,000
Excel Prep Charter - IE	\$375,000
Executive Preparatory Academy of Finance	\$575,000
Father's Heart Charter School	\$375,000
Fernando Pullum Performing Arts High School	\$600,000
Fortune School	\$575,000
Frederick Douglass Academy High School	\$400,000
Frederick Douglass Charter Academy Middle	\$450,000
Fresno Academy for Civic and Entrepreneurial Leadership	\$600,000
Full-Circle Learning Academy	\$450,000
Futuro College Preparatory	\$600,000
Gateway College and Career Academy	\$375,000
Gateway to College Early College High School	\$250,000
Giraffe Charter School - see comments	\$67,500
Global Education Academy Middle	\$375,000
Golden Eagle Charter School	\$150,000
Golden Lakes Charter School	\$375,000
Golden Lakes Charter School @ LaGrange	\$375,000
Golden State Virtual Academy (formerly Mount Whitney Virtual Academy)	\$375,000
Golden Valley Charter School II	\$375,000
Golden Valley Virtual Charter School	\$250,000

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Gompers Charter Middle School	\$400,000
Green Valley Charter	\$575,000
Growing Children Middle School	\$45,000
Hemet Academy of Applied Academics and Technology	\$450,000
High Tech High Bayshore	\$255,428
High Tech Middle Environmental	\$45,000
Humane Education Learning Community/HELCCS	\$67,500
ICEF Lou Dantzler Preparatory Charter Elementary School	\$600,000
Iftin High School	\$600,000
Ingenium Charter School	\$50,000
Imagine School at Imperial Valley	\$200,000
Imagine School at Imperial Valley	\$400,000
Impact Academy of Arts & Technology (Formerly: Arts and Technology Academy of Hayward)	\$450,000
Imperial County Charter School	\$50,000
Insight School of California	\$250,000
International High School of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics	\$575,000
iQ Academies at San Diego	\$45,000
Ivy Academia Elementary #2	\$50,000
Ivy Academia High School	\$50,000
Janus Academy	\$45,000
John Adams Academy	\$575,000
Keegan Academy	\$200,000
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KIPP Bridge Charter School (now College Preparatory)	\$350,000
Klamath River Early College of the Redwoods	\$169,000
Larchmont Charter School West Hollywood	\$450,000
Laurel Preparatory Academy	\$375,000
Leadership Public Schools San Jose	\$45,000
Leadership Public Schools--Campbell	\$405,000

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Leadership Public Schools-San Francisco	\$45,000
Liberty Charter School	\$450,000
Livermore Valley Charter Preparatory High School	\$250,000
Livermore Valley Charter School	\$560,000
Los Angeles County Online High School	\$224,435
Lou Dantzler Preparatory Charter Academy (Formerly: Charter Academy Middle School)	\$400,000
Lou Dantzler Preparatory Charter High School (Formerly: Charter Academy High School)	\$450,000
Lucerne Valley Career Academy	\$341,337
Magnolia Science Academy - 2 (Formerly: Wisdom Science Academy); Wisdom Academy for Young Scientists has this number	\$446,800
Magnolia Science Academy 5	\$600,000
Magnolia Science Academy Santa Clara	\$600,000
Mandarin Language Academy	\$425,000
Mandarin Language Academy	\$150,000
Manzanita Montessori Charter	\$375,000
Marin School of Arts and Technology	\$125,000
Mark Twain Academies	\$112,500
Martin Luther King Jr. Mentorship Charter	\$45,000
Math and Science College Prep East	\$575,000
MATTIE Academy	\$350,000
Mercury Online Academy of Southern California	\$150,000
Mercury Online Academy of Southern California (now Mosaica Online Academy of Southern California)	\$100,000
Method Schools High	\$250,000
Metro Charter School	\$575,000
Metropolitan School of Arts and Technology High	\$450,000
Micro Enterprise Charter Academy	\$645,000
Milestones Charter School	\$50,000
Millsmont Academy	\$450,000
Moreno Valley Charter Academy	\$45,000

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Mountain Peak Charter School	\$250,000
National University Academy of Health Sciences (now called National University Academy)	\$150,000
National University Academy, Robla	\$575,000
Neostar Charter High School	\$45,000
New Academy Canoga Park	\$360,000
New Day Charter School	\$600,000
New Spirit Charter Academy	\$575,000
North Bay Leadership Academy	\$45,000
Northern California Poly Technical Academy	\$202,500
Nova Meridian Academy	\$450,000
Nuevo SOL (School of Leadership)	\$75,000
Oak Park Preparatory Academy	\$575,000
Oakland Aviation High School	\$450,000
Oakland Health Science Academy	\$50,000
Oral Lee Brown Preparatory Academy	\$45,000
Orange County Conservation Corps Charter	\$575,000
Oxford Preparatory Academy - Chino Valley	\$600,000
Oxford Preparatory Academy - San Diego	\$250,000
Pacific American Academy	\$600,000
Pacific Technology School Orangevale	\$62,500
Pacific Technology School Orangevale	\$387,500
Pacific Technology School Santa Ana	\$387,500
Pacific Technology School Santa Ana	\$212,500
Pathfinder High School	\$247,500
Pathways Community	\$575,000
Phoenix Rising Charter Academy	\$211,500
Puente Valley Charter Middle School	\$66,379
Qued Charter School	\$50,000
REALM Charter High	\$575,000
REALM Charter Middle	\$575,000

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Redding School of the Arts II	\$450,000
Redwood Academy of Lake County	\$45,000
Redwood Coast Montessori	\$375,000
Renaissance Arts Academy K-12	\$575,000
Renew Virtual Academy K12 #1	\$375,000
Rhythms of the Village Charter High School	\$247,500
River Montessori Charter School	\$387,500
RocketShip PCS	\$735,000
Rocketship RWC	\$498,783
Rocklin Collegiate Academy	\$45,000
Rosie the Riveter Charter High School	\$450,000
Rowland Heights Academy	\$375,000
San Diego Cooperative Charter School 2	\$375,000
San Diego County Charter School	\$50,000
San Diego Global Vision Academy Middle	\$575,000
San Francisco Flex Academy	\$575,000
Santa Rosa Charter Academy	\$600,000
Sequoia Academy of Science	\$50,000
Sequoia Charter School	\$300,000
Shasta Trades Academy	\$200,000
Sierra Montessori Academy	\$405,000
Silicon Valley Flex Academy	\$575,000
South Bay Preparatory	\$332,500
Southern California Connections Academy	\$67,500
Southern School of Arts and Sciences	\$67,500
Space Exploration Academy	\$166,500
Space Exploration Junior Academy	\$198,568
SPUTNIK Academy	\$45,000
Squaw Valley Preparatory	\$375,000
Stanford New School	\$400,000

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Summit Ranier	\$575,000
Synergy	\$575,000
Taft T. Newman Leadership Academy	\$575,000
Taylion San Diego Academy	\$250,000
The Academy	\$575,000
The Children's Project Academy	\$45,000
Thrive Public	\$575,000
Thurgood Marshall Charter High (Formerly: Inner City Education Foundation High School #4)	\$450,000
Today's Fresh Start Charter School Inglewood	\$450,000
Tulip Technology School	\$45,000
UC Online Academy, Butte County	\$45,000
UC Online Academy, Imperial County	\$102,294
UC Online Academy, Mendocino County	\$85,843
Uncharted Shores Academy	\$250,000
University Charter Middle School at CSU Channel Islands	\$400,000
University Preparatory Academy Charter School	\$450,000
Urban Discovery Academy	\$450,000
Urban Village Middle	\$575,000
Valle de Santa Clara - Academy of Academic Excellence	\$45,000
Valley Arts & Science Academy (VASA)	\$450,000
Visions Academy Charter	\$375,000
West County Community Charter High School	\$397,178
West Sacramento Early College Prep	\$450,000
Westchester Secondary Charter	\$375,000
Westlake Charter Middle	\$575,000
Westside Innovative School House (WISH)	\$450,000
Westside Innovative School House Charter Middle	\$575,000
Woodland Polytechnic Academy	\$575,000
World Academy (Formerly: Education for Change East Oakland)	\$400,000
Xara Garden School	\$450,000

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YouthBuild Charter School of California Central	\$600,000
Total	\$101,954,832