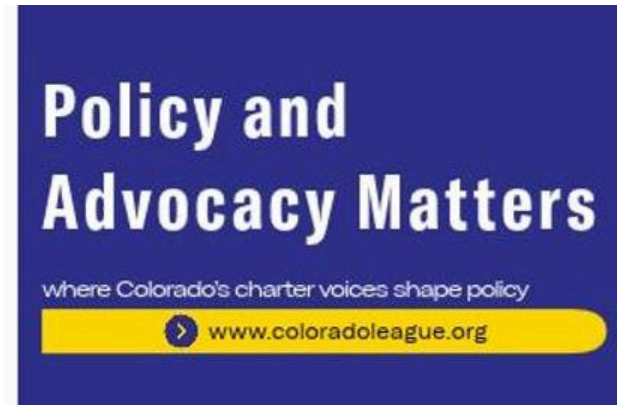
Colorado League of Charter Schools



Dear Annabelle,

As we prepare for the November election and the 2027 Legislative Session to follow, we want to share an important update regarding the state budget, an election endorsement, and invite your ideas for the League's next legislative agenda.

Budget Outlook



Colorado is heading into another challenging budget year. The September forecast for the next fiscal year identifies a potential **$1.6 billion budget gap for FY 2027–28.** Rising Medicaid costs and new state obligations for food assistance are putting pressure on resources available for education and other priorities. While the impact on school funding remains uncertain, protecting the funding streams charter schools depend on—including Charter Capital Construction and CSI Mill Levy Equalization—will remain a central priority for the League.

We will closely monitor the budget as it takes shape, keep you informed, and work with lawmakers to protect the interests of charter schools and the students and families they serve.

League Board Votes in Support of Proposition NN



The Colorado League of Charter Schools' Board of Directors recently voted to support **Proposition NN**, which is on Colorado's ballot this election cycle.

NN would allow Colorado to retain more of the tax revenue it already collects to invest in public education and programs serving children. It would not increase tax rates, but it would reduce or eliminate TABOR refunds that otherwise would go back to taxpayers.

The measure establishes school funding increases of up to 2% annually for ten years, subject to available revenue. Its additional formula funding would support teacher pay and retention, smaller class sizes, and access to career and technical courses. League efforts last legislative session ensured **charter schools are included in these funding distributions.**

For our community, the connection is straightforward: charter school students are public school students. They deserve access to resources that help schools retain strong teachers and expand opportunities for learning. In a difficult fiscal environment, our support reflects a commitment to stronger resources for public education that includes charter students, with transparency about how those dollars are used.

Learn more about the measure here.

Help Shape Our 2027 Policy Priorities



What should the League prioritize in the 2027 Legislative Session?

As we develop our legislative agenda with the Government Affairs Committee and our board, we want to hear directly from you. Our board will vote on the final agenda this December.

Your ideas do not need to be fully developed legislative proposals. Tell us the problem, who it affects, and what a better approach might look like. Your experience helps us build a practical, proactive agenda grounded in the needs of our schools and students.

Please send your suggestions to Prateek Dutta at pdutta@clcsaction.org.

October Town Hall



Finally, we invite you to continue this conversation at the League's next Town Hall on **Friday, October 16, at 10 a.m.** We'll discuss the upcoming election, what's on the ballot and what it could mean for your school, our preparations for the 2027 Legislative Session, and the latest updates on the new federal tax credit. We'll also share concrete ways to get involved and make your voice heard as we prepare for the year ahead.

Register for the October Town Hall

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