

## 2013-14 California New Charter Schools Fact Sheet

### Growth in California Charter Schools Continues to Gain Momentum

The California Charter Schools Association (CCSA) announced that 104 charter schools opened across the state for the 2013-14 school year, bringing the total number of charter schools in California to 1,130. Charter enrollment grew by an estimated 49,179 increase, or 10%, for a total of over 519,000 students in charters. California maintains its position as the state in the nation with the highest number of charter schools and charter school students.

This school year, the Los Angeles region had the largest charter school growth with 45 new charters opening. The second largest growth area is in the Southern California region of Inland Empire, Orange County and San Diego counties where 27 new charters opened.

Despite this growth, CCSA estimates there are 50,000 students on charter school waiting lists for the 2013-14 school year, underlying the need for more charter school growth.

### Charter School Growth in CA: 1998-2013

- 1998-99: 177 charter schools
- 1999-00: 235 charter schools
- 2000-01: 299 charter schools
- 2001-02: 349 charter schools
- 2002-03: 408 charter schools
- 2003-04: 443 charter schools
- 2004-05: 502 charter schools
- 2005-06: 560 charter schools
- 2006-07: 585 charter schools
- 2007-08: 682 charter schools
- 2008-09: 746 charter schools
- 2009-10: 809 charter schools
- 2010-11: 912 charter schools
- 2011-12: 982 charter schools
- 2012-13: 1,063 charter schools
- 2013-14: 1,130 charter schools

### By the Numbers

- **104**: Number of new charter schools opening in 2013-14 school year.
- **1,130**: Total number of charter schools existing in California.
- **California**: State continuing to have highest number of charter schools of any state in the country.
- **10%**: Estimated percentage by which charter school student enrollment grew in 2013-14.
- **49,179**: Estimated number of new charter students in 2013-14.
- **519,000**: Estimated number of students attending charters statewide.
- **Los Angeles**: Region with highest growth in charter schools.
- **45**: Number of charters opening in Los Angeles region.
- **San Diego**: Region with second highest growth in CA
- **27**: Number of charters opening in San Diego region.
- **50,000**: Estimated number of students currently on charter school waiting lists in CA.

- California approved the Charter Schools Act in 1992.
- California was the second state in the nation to pass a charter school law—after Minnesota.
- California has the most charter schools and charter school students in the U.S.