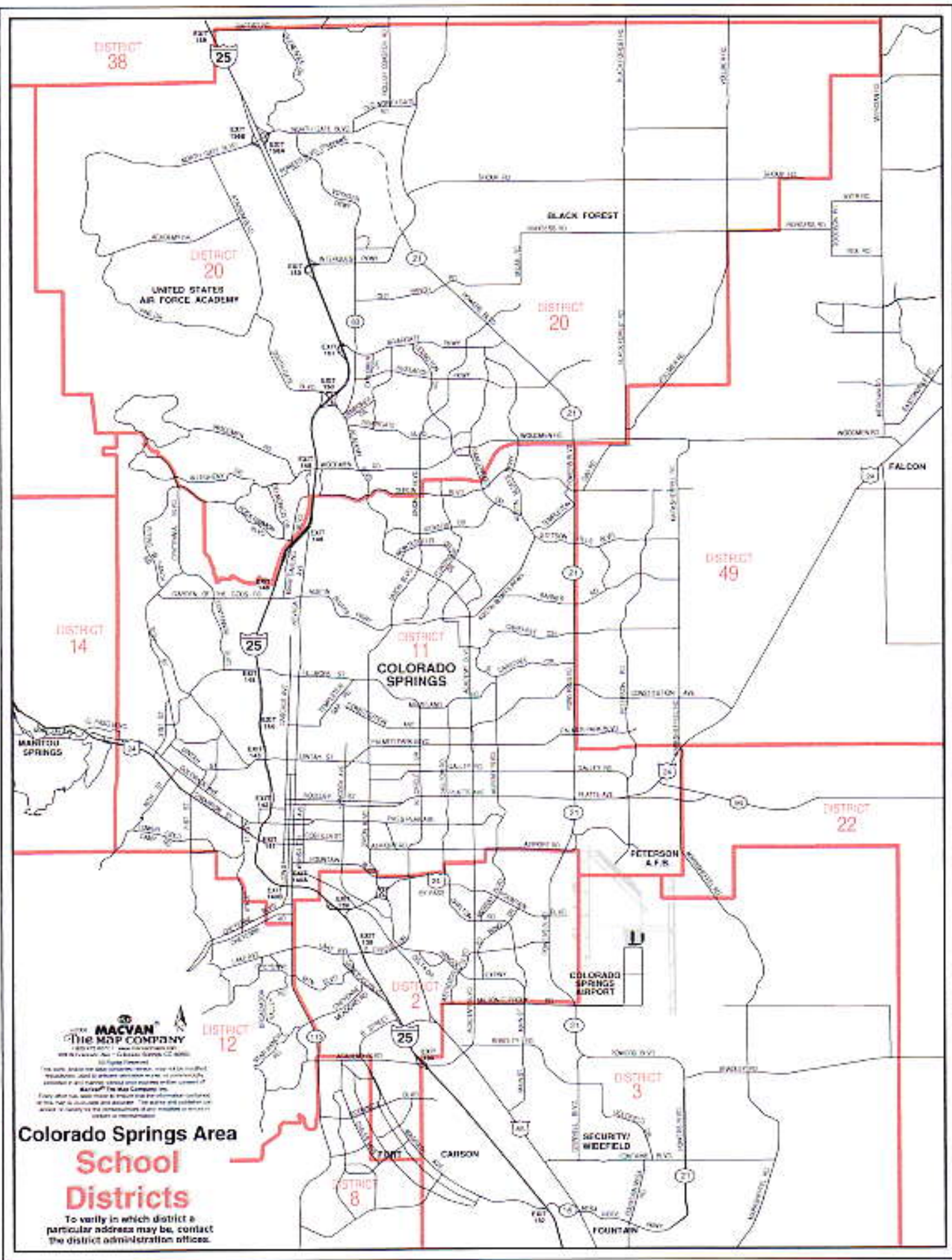


Public-Private-Charter-Homeschool

Exploring your Educational Choices





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Colorado Springs Area School Districts

To verify in which district a particular address may be, contact the district administration offices.

PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND MAP

<p>Air Academy School District 20 7610 N Union Blvd Colorado Springs CO 80920 (719) 598-2566 www.asd20.org</p>	<p>Harrison School District 2 1060 Harrison Rd Colorado Springs CO 80906 (719) 579-2000 http://www.harrison.k12.co.us</p>
<p>Cheyenne Mountain School District 12 1118 W Cheyenne Rd Colorado Springs CO 80906 (719) 475-6100 http://www.cmsd.k12.co.us</p>	<p>Lewis Palmer District 38 146 Jefferson St Monument CO 80132 (719) 488-4700 http://lewispalmer.org</p>
<p>Colorado Springs District 11 1115 N El Paso St Colorado Springs CO 80903 (719) 520-2012 www.d11.org/</p>	<p>Manitou Springs School District 14 701 Dulco Manitou Springs CO 80829 (719) 685-1235 http://sd14web.mssd14.k12.co.us/</p>
<p>Falcon School District 49 10805 E Woodman Rd Falcon CO 80831 (719) 495-3601 http://www.d49.org</p>	<p>Widefield School District 3 1820 Main St Colorado Springs CO 80911 (719) 391-3000 www.wsd3.org/</p>
<p>Fountain School District 8 425 W Alabama Ave Fountain CO 80817 (719) 382-1300 http://www.ffc8.org/</p>	<p>Peyton School District 13990 Bradshaw Rd Peyton CO, 80831 (719) 749-2330 http://www.peyton.k12.co.us/</p>
<p>Ellicott School District 22 395 S Ellicott Hwy Calhan, CO 80808 (719) 683-2700 http://www.ellicottschools.org/</p>	<p>Other School information can be found at http://www.coloradoschoolgrades.com/ http://www.cde.state.co.us</p>

School Choice

Colorado state law allows you to choose any public (neighborhood or charter) school for your child, even if it is not in your neighborhood or school district. Your child can then attend that school for free, unless it is full.

In many cases, you must submit an enrollment application to schools in order to be included in their lottery. Rules and deadlines are different from district to district. You can find more information on this website about how to apply to be included in school lotteries, or you can contact schools and district offices directly.

One important thing to note is that while districts usually provide transportation to the schools closest to where you live. If you choose a different school or a charter school, you will likely need to provide your own transportation.

CHARTER SCHOOL

<p>Academy for Advanced and Creative Learning 2510 N. Chestnut Street Colorado Springs, CO- (719)-434-6566 http://www.academyacl.org</p>	<p>Atlas Preparatory School 1602 S. Murray Blvd. Colorado Springs, CO - (719)-358-7196 http://www.atlasprep.org</p>
<p>Banning Lewis Ranch Academy- 7094 Cottonwood Tree Drive, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 570-0075 www.blracademy.org</p>	<p>Cheyenne Mountain Charter Academy – 1832 S. Wahsatch Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 471-1999 www.cmca12.com</p>
<p>Civa Charter School- 225 South Union Boulevard, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 633-1306 www.civacharterschool.org</p>	<p>The Classical Academy Charter- 975 Stout Road, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 282-1181 www.tcad20.org</p>
<p>Colorado Springs Charter Academy- Stop 2, 2577 North Chelton Road, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 636-2722 www.cscharter.org</p>	<p>Community Prep Charter School - 332 East Willamette Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 227-8836 www.communityprepschool.org/</p>
<p>Edison Charter School - 205 Byron Drive, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 637-0311 http://www.edisonlearning.com/</p>	<p>Frontier Charter Academy 488 Yoder Street, Calhan, CO - (719) 347-3156 www.frontiercharter.org/</p>
<p>Globe Charter School - 3302 Alpine Place, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 630-0577 www.globecharter.org/</p>	<p>James Irwin Charter School 1626 South Murray Boulevard, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 591-2122 www.jamesirwin.org</p>
<p>James Madison Charter Academy School 660 Syracuse Street, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 391-3977 www.jmcacolorado.org</p>	<p>Rocky Mountain Classical Academy- 1710 Piros Drive, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 622-8000 www.rmccacs.org</p>
<p>Other School information can be found at http://www.coloradoschoolgrades.com/ http://www.cde.state.co.us</p>	

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COLORADO CHARTER SCHOOL FACTS

Charter schools are tuition-free, public schools that have the flexibility to be more innovative and are held accountable for student achievement.

Charter School Facts:

- Charter schools are public schools.
- Charter schools do not charge tuition.
- Charter schools use non-discriminatory enrollment practices.
- There are no “test-in” requirements to attend charter schools.
- Over 70,000 students attend the 170 charter schools in Colorado. This equals 8.6% of total K-12 public school enrollment in the state.
- Over 40,000 students in Colorado are on waiting lists to enroll in charter schools.
- Charter school students must take the CSAP.
- Charter schools are subject to the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act.
- Charter school teachers must be “highly qualified” under NCLB.
- Charter schools serve a broad range of diverse students, including low-income, racial and ethnic minorities and students with disabilities or other special needs.
- Charter school programs and academic designs are as diverse as the students they enroll. Some charters implement longer school days, while others implement curricula specifically designed for at-risk students, gifted children, pregnant/parenting teens, juvenile offenders, and more.

Demographics

Statewide data regarding the 66,000 students enrolled in charter schools in 2009, demonstrates diversity comparable to statewide data on traditional public schools. Currently:

- 39.14% of Colorado charter school students are minorities compared to 39.15% of the state’s non-charter K-12 public school students.

Academic Performance

Evidence of the strong academic performance of charter schools is provided by both federal and state measures of student achievement:

- In 2009, Colorado’s charter schools outperformed the state’s non-charters in the percentage of schools with strong enough academic performance to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). Specifically,

~85% of charter elementary schools made AYP, compared to 73% of non-charter elementary schools.

~81% of charter middle schools made AYP, compared to 49% of non-charter middle schools.

~36% of charter high schools made AYP, compared to 34% of non-charter high schools.

Charter School Funding

The academic success achieved by charter schools is especially impressive in light of the financial challenges they face:

- On average, charter schools in Colorado spend \$480 per student from designated per-pupil operating revenue on facilities costs.
- School districts finance their facilities using property tax, mill levies and taxpayer-backed bonds. Charter schools generally do not receive a proportionate share of these monies.



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For more information, contact the Colorado League of Charter Schools at 303-989-5356, or visit www.coloradoleague.org.

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PRIVATE SCHOOLS

<p style="text-align: center;"> American Christian Academy- 2240 East Bijou Street Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 633-1129 www.acaacademy.com </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind - 33 North Institute Street Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 578-2100 www.csdb.org </p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> Colorado Springs Christian Middle School 4855 Mallow Road Colorado Springs, CO (719) 535-8968 www.cscslions.org </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Divine Redeemer Catholic School- 901 North Logan Avenue Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 471-7771 www.divineredeemer.net </p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> Evangelical Christian Academy - Elementary Campus 2511 North Logan Avenue Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 634-7024 www.ecaeagles.org </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Fountain Valley School of Colorado Springs 6155 Fountain Valley School Road Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 390-7035 www.fvs.edu </p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> Heartland Christian Academy of Colorado Springs - 828 East Pikes Peak Avenue Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 636-3681 www.hca-cos.org </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Hilltop Baptist School - 6915 Palmer Park Boulevard, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 597-1880 www.hilltopbaptistschool.org </p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> Pauline Memorial Catholic Sch.- 1601 Mesa Avenue Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 632-1846 www.stpaulcos.org </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Pikes Peak Academy- 5590 North Nevada Avenue Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 473-5745 www.pikespeakacademy.net </p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> Pikes Peak Christian School 5905 Flintridge Drive Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 598-8610 www.pikespeakchristianschool.org </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Renaissance Academy 2760 Fieldstone Road Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 475-2510 www.therenaissanceacademy.org </p>
<p style="text-align: center;"> Salem Lutheran School 4318 North Chestnut Street Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 599-0200 www.salemlutheranschool.net </p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> Scholars to Leaders Academy 3115 Larkspur Drive Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 575-9380 www.scholarstoleadersacademy.org </p>

<p>Shepherd of the Springs High School 8595 Explorer Drive Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 598-7446</p>	<p>Springs Adventist Academy 5410 Palmer Park Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 597-0155 www.saaschool.org</p>
<p>St Mary's High School 2501 East Yampa Street Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 635-7540 www.smhscs.org</p>	<p>St. Stephen's Classical Academy 631 North Tejon Street Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 575-0436 www.sscaeducation.org</p>
<p>University School of Colorado Springs 2713 West Cucharas Street Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 302-3751 www.uscs.phpsitehost.com</p>	<p>The Colorado Springs School 21 Broadmoor Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO - (719) 475-9747 www.css.org</p>
<p>Other School information can be found at http://www.cde.state.co.us</p>	<p><i>This is not intended to be a complete listing though every effort was made to include all relevant information. There is no endorsement of listed schools or services by the Federal Government, US Air Force, or the Academy Airman & Family Readiness Center.</i></p>

Homeschool Information

<p>Colorado Springs Homeschool Support Group http://www.hs.school.com/ SCOHomeschool@yahoo.com</p>	<p>Homeschool Central http://www.homeschoolcentral.com/</p>
<p>Christian Home Educators of Colorado (720) 842-4852 or email: office@chec.org http://www.chec.org/</p>	<p>Homeschool Reporting http://www.homeschoolreporting.com/</p>
<p>Secular Homeschool Support Group (719) 749-9126 http://www.shssg.com/ or email: shssg@mindspring.com</p>	<p>For additional information please contact Schools of Choice Unit at mund_d@cde.state.co.us or 303-866-6740</p>
	<p>Other School information can be found at http://www.cde.state.co.us</p>

Frequently Asked Questions about Home Schooling

What should I know?

Homeschooling is deregulated in the state of Colorado, therefore you're taking on all of the responsibility for your students education including acquisition of books, supplies and tests.

How do I get started, what do I do first?

You must provide a 14 day written notification explaining your intent to homeschool to any Colorado public school district office (not the state) and do so each year thereafter for each year the program is maintained. (3)(e). You'll need to make your school district of residence aware of the district where you've registered to avoid truancy action. The notification must list the child's name, age, place of residence and number of hours of attendance of each child enrolled.

Where do I get textbooks, materials and resources to homeschool my child, and what does it cost?

Contact one of resource groups listed on the bottom of the law, bookstores, supply houses or your local school district and they may be able to provide you with information on how to obtain these. Homeschooling costs vary because you can purchase entire programs from private companies or create your own curriculum. All costs are assumed by the parent.

What requirements or qualifications must I have to homeschool my child?

You must be the parent, guardian or adult relative of the child. There are no other qualifications or requirements. (2)(a)

What are the requirements for attendance?

Your program shall include no less than 172 days of instruction, averaging four instructional contact hours per day. (3)(c)

What subjects do I have to teach?

Your program shall include, but is not limited to: communication skills of reading, writing and speaking, mathematics, history, civics, literature, science and the Constitution of the United States. (3)(d)

What kind of records do I have to keep?

Your records must include but are not limited to, attendance data, test and evaluation results and immunization records. (3)(g)

Do I have to test my child and who pays for the test? Where do I get the test?

Your child must be tested or evaluated every two years beginning at the third grade level (third, fifth, seventh, ninth, and eleventh) at your expense. You may contact one of the resources listed below for information or the school district where you've registered to ask if they will include your child during the testing of public school students but the district is not obliged to do so, and may charge you for any costs incurred. (3)(f)

For locations of testing, contact one of the resource groups listed below. Great Books in Lakewood has information and can be contacted at greatbookshomeschool@algxmail.com. Metropolitan State College of Denver is no longer involved with testing.

Is my homeschooled child required to take the CSAP test?

The district shall permit a homeschool student to take the CSAP and provide the results of the assessment to the parent or legal guardian. The test is given only to homeschooled students' whose parents request that the child participate in the testing. 22-7-409 (III)(1.3)(b)

Is there a state diploma or can my child earn one from the district?

There is no state diploma and district diploma's are presented only to students who have attended a public high school in the district. Some companies selling homeschooling curricula offer a diploma at the completion of their program or the parent can make a diploma to present at completion of the program.

How can I find support groups or information on the Internet?

At the bottom of this page is a list of resource and support groups. Please contact them with your questions and concerns. They have information for the newcomer to homeschooling and those with past experience and may be able to provide you with information for support groups in your area. These parents with home schooling experience are your best source of information.

Does my homeschooled child have to take the GED?

Taking the GED is an option but the adult in charge of the program may graduate the student by making a diploma.

Is there any funding available for homeschooling?

At the time of this update, there is currently no funding available.