



Overview of Education Choice

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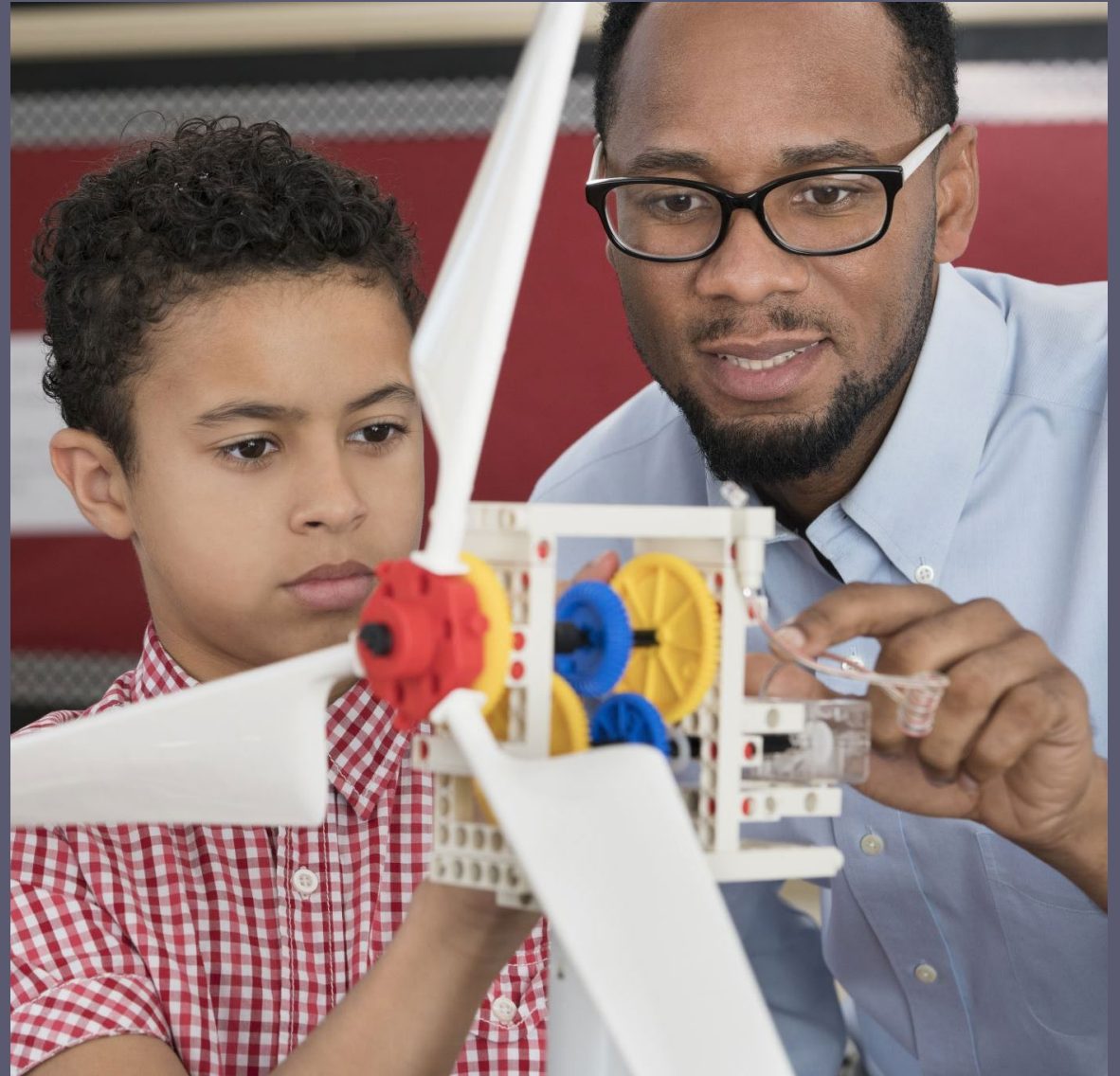
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Goal

Overview of Education Choice

Objects

- Education choice policy options
- State activity
- Trends



Resource on School Choice Options!

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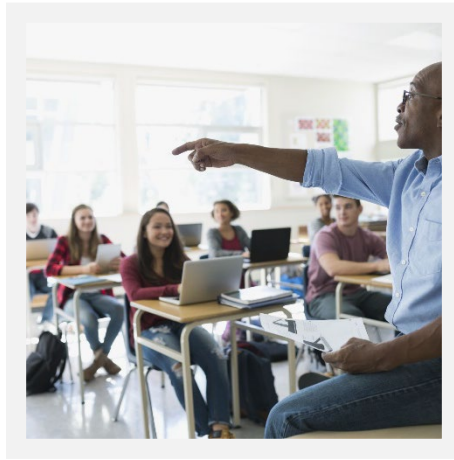
<https://schoolchoiceweek.com/what-is-school-choice/>



Policy Solutions: Education (more than school) Choice



Public Choice:
Charter/Magnet
Schools



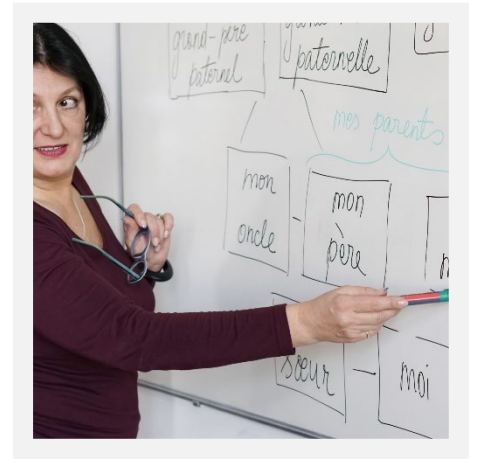
Public Choice:
Open Enrollment



Public/Private Choice:
Online Learning



Private Choice:
Vouchers/Tax
Credits/ESAs for
Private Schools



Home school or
Learning Pods

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BIG LEGISLATIVE WINS FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE: WHY 2021 WAS THE YEAR OF PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE

https://www.publiccharters.org/sites/default/files/documents/2021-11/State-Legislative-Results_v2-Nov.pdf

The Year of Educational Choice Is Here

<https://www.edchoice.org/engage/the-year-of-educational-choice-is-here/>

Children In 18 States Will Have More Education Options Thanks To 2021 Reforms



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I cover the intersection of state & federal policy and politics.

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<https://www.forbes.com/sites/patrickgleason/2021/08/04/children-in-18-states-will-have-more-education-options-thanks-to-2021-reforms/?sh=5a23822e26a6>



NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES

Expanded Options

New options, including hybrid, virtual, learning pods, homeschooling

Renewed Legislative Interest

At least 18 states expanded choice:

6 states school vouchers; 11 states tuition scholarships; 5 expanded ESAs; over half states strengthened charter schools

More Choosing Schools of Choice

7% increase in charter school enrollment since 2020 and 3% decline in public school enrollment, according to National Alliance for Public Charter Schools

Diverse Parents Want Choice

Parents of Color are favoring school choice, asking for more options, according to parent surveys by Morning Consult

Additional Resources: Research and Information

○ NCSL Education Bill Tracking

- <https://www.ncsl.org/research/education/education-bill-tracking-database.aspx>

○ NCSL Interactive Guide to School Choice

- <https://www.ncsl.org/research/education/interactive-guide-to-school-choice.aspx#/>
- See public and private choice options in all 56 states, districts, and territories

○ NCSL's Comprehensive School Choice Policy: A Guide for Legislators

- <https://www.ncsl.org/research/education/comprehensive-school-choice-policy.aspx>
- A good, general overview of public and private choice options

○ WestEd

- <https://www.wested.org/charters-choice/>
- Research organization with resources on school choice

○ National Alliance for Public Charter Schools

- <https://www.publiccharters.org/>
- Information on charter school laws, policy approaches and accountability strategies

○ EdChoice

- <https://www.edchoice.org/>
- Information on strategies to increase and improve public/private choice and tracking of state actions

○ Thomas B. Fordham Institute

- <https://fordhaminstitute.org/>
- Voice for school choice and policy solutions

○ American Federation for Children

- <https://www.federationforchildren.org/>
- Information on strategies to increase and improve public/private choice and tracking of state actions



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