State: West Virginia

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Year 1 Funding: \$3,112,213

Total Expected Funding: \$12,382,792

Number of Subgrants: 8

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West Virginia Professional Charter School Board

Tripling Enrollment in West Virginia's Charter Sector in 5 Years

The West Virginia Legislature created the West Virginia Professional Charter School Board (WVPCSB) to serve as a statewide authorizer for potential applicants. Since its inception in 2019, WVPCSB has authorized seven charter schools. The inaugural year of charter schooling is nearly complete—with more than 1,200 students enrolled in four schools.

The WVPCSB aims to enhance the quality and diversity of educational options for students in the Mountain State by implementing a subgrant that will create new and expanded charter schools – with an emphasis on expanding opportunities for at-risk students. WVPCSB proposes two objectives to meet the priorities of the State Entities program:

Objective 1: Double the number of WVPCSBauthorized charter schools (from 7 to 14) and triple the number of students enrolled in WVPCSBauthorized charter schools (from 1,248 to 3,744) by Fall 2028.

Objective 2: Increase student achievement in all West Virginia public schools.

WVPCSB will offer eight subgrants over the course of the five-year grant period—five to newly created charter schools, and three to expanding charter schools that are already serving students.