

**Eligibility Criteria to Receive
Charter School Capital Outlay Funds**
Section (s.) 1013.62(1), Florida Statutes (F.S.)

To be eligible to receive capital outlay funds, a charter school must meet **at least one** of the following six criteria:

- Have been in operation for two or more years;
- Be governed by a governing board established in the state for two or more years that operates both charter schools and conversion charter schools within the state;
- Be an expanded feeder chain of a charter school within the same school district that is currently receiving charter school capital outlay funds;
- Have been accredited by a regional accrediting association as defined by State Board of Education rule;
- Serve students in facilities that are provided by a business partner for a charter school-in-the-workplace pursuant to s. 1002.33(15)(b), F.S.; or
- Be operated by a hope operator pursuant to s. 1002.333, F.S.

In addition to meeting at least one of the above-listed criteria, a charter school must meet **all** of the following criteria to receive capital outlay funds:

- Have an annual audit that does not reveal any of the financial emergency conditions provided in s. 218.503(1), F.S., for the most recent fiscal year for which such audit results are available;
- Have satisfactory student achievement based on state accountability standards applicable to the charter school;
- Have received final approval from its sponsor pursuant to s. 1002.33, F.S., for operation during that fiscal year; and
- Serve students in facilities that are not provided by the charter school's sponsor [an educational facility that is included in the Florida Inventory of School Houses (FISH) would not be eligible].