PROJECTED VS. ACTUAL ENROLLMENT:
NEW CHARTER SCHOOLS IN TEXAS
APPROVED BY COMMISSIONER/STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
2017 - 2023 (Generation 22 - 28)

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- **96%** of charter schools approved in Texas since 2017 (that are open and have data available) have not met the enrollment projections in their original charter applications (23 of 24).
- **65%** of those charter schools are under-enrolled by 50% or more.
- **5** of these charter schools closed in 2025 and another **3** have received three consecutive years of F ratings and are subject to closure by statute.
- 2025 ratings for the 24 charter schools:
  - 58% rated D or F (14)
  - 17% rated C (4)
  - 12.5% rated A or B (3)
  - 12.5% Not Rated (3)

Charter School Year Opened City	Projected Enrollment by Year of Operation as of 2024-2025	Actual Enrollment 2024-2025	Difference Between Projection and Actual Enrollment	Percentage Below Enrollment Projection	State Rating 2025	Number & Campuses Requested/ Campuses Opened
Gen 22: Approved 2017						
Bridgeway Preparatory Opened: 2018-19 Farmer's Branch *3 consecutive F ratings*	1,560 (Year 7) Maximum enrollment for 2 campuses: 1,560	108	-1452	- 93%	F	2 requested 1 opened
Etoile Academy Opened: 2018-19 Houston	1,200 (Year 7) Maximum Enrollment for 2 campuses: 1,200	979	-221	-18%	D	2 requested 2 opened
Yellowstone College Prep Opened: 2018-19 Houston *3 consecutive F ratings*	1000 (Year 7) Maximum enrollment for 1 campus: 1,000	321	-679	-68%	F	1 requested 1 opened
Legacy School of Sport Sciences Opened: 2018-19 Houston	2,400 (Year 7) Maximum Enrollment for 2 campuses: 2400	468	-1,962	-82%	D	2 requested 1 opened

Valor Education Opened: 2018-19 Austin/Kyle	4,200 (Year 7) Maximum Enrollment for 3 original campuses: 4,200	3405	-795	-19%	B	3 requested 3 opened Expansion Amendments: 2 additional campuses +722 students
Gen 23 – Approved 2018						
Betty M. Condra School for Education Innovation Opened: 2019-20 Lubbock	540 (Year 6) Maximum Enrollment for 1 campus 540	187	-353	-65%	C	1 requested 1 opened
Bloom Academy Opened: 2019-20 Houston *3 consecutive F ratings*	1080 (Year 6) Maximum Enrollment for 2 campuses: 1080	302	-778	-72%	F	2 requested 1 opened
Lake Granbury Academy Opened: 2018-19 Granbury	96 (Year 7) Maximum enrollment for 3 campuses: 96	47	-49	-51%	Not Rated *(AEA)*	3 requested 1 opened
Reve Prep Opened: 2019-20 Houston *Non-renewed/Closed 2025*	1,620 (Year 6) Maximum enrollment for 2 campuses: 1,620	237	-1,383	-85%	D	2 requested 1 opened
Promesa Academy Opened: 2020-21 San Antonio (postponed 1 year)	792 (Year 5)	248	-544	-69%	C	2 requested 1 opened
Gen 24 – Approved 2019						
Houston Classical Acad Opened: 2020-21 Houston	450 (Year 5)	342	-108	-24%	A	1 requested 1 opened
Elevate Collegiate Charter Opened: 2020-21 Houston	500 (Year 5)	192	-308	-62%	D	1 requested 1 opened
San Antonio STEAM (formerly SA Preparatory) Opened: 2020-21 San Antonio *Closed 2025*	672 (Year 5)	139	-533	-79%	F	2 requested 1 opened
The Gathering Place Opened: 2020-21 San Antonio *Closed 2025*	1,134 (Year 5)	555	-579	-51%	F	1 requested 1 opened

Gen 25 – Approved 2020						
Brilliante Opened: 2023-24 (postponed 2 years) McAllen (RGV)	305 (Year 2)	354	+49	+16%	Not Rated *(no tested grade)*	1 requested 1 opened
Doral Academy of Texas Opened: 2022-23 Buda (Central TX) (postponed 1 year)	606 (Year 3)	392	-214	-35%	C	2 requested 1 opened
Learn4Life Scheduled to open 2021 Austin	**Did not open** Returned charter (3/2023)					
Prelude Preparatory Opened: 2021-22 San Antonio	432 (Year 4)	162	-270	-63%	B	1 requested 1 opened
Royal Public Schools Opened: 2021-22 San Antonio	1248 (Year 4)	469	-779	-62%	F	4 requested 3 opened
Gen 26 – Approved 2021						
Essence Preparatory Opened: 2022-23 San Antonio	600 (Year 3)	365	-235	-39%	F	1 requested 1 opened
Rocketship Texas Opened: 2022-23 Fort Worth *Closed 2025*	1167 (Year 3)	731	-436	-37%	F	2 requested (contingency) 2 opened
Thrive Center for Success Opened: 2022-23 Magnolia (Montgomery County)	156 (Year 3)	150	-6	-4%	C	2 requested 1 opened
Gen 27 – Approved 2022						
Academy of Visual & Performing Arts Opened: 2023-24 Fort Worth *Closed 2025*	480 (Year 2)	146	-334	-70%	F	1 requested 1 opened
Gen 28 – Approved 2023						
Celebrate Dyslexia Opened: 2024-25 San Antonio	112 (Year 1)	61	-51	-46%	Not Rated *(No tested grade)*	1 requested 1 opened
UP Excellence Opened: 2024-25 Houston	300 (Year 1)	36	-264	-88%	F	1 requested 1 opened

Heritage Classical Opened 2025-26 Houston postponed for 1 year	192 (Year 1)	Not Available				1 requested 1 opened
Next Gen Innovation Acad Postponed opening 2 years to 2026-27 Houston Not open	300 (Year 1)	Not open				1 requested 0 opened

*** Data sources:**

- Enrollment projections by year of operation (up to 5 years and maximum enrollment) are available on charter applications posted on TEA charter application portfolio web site.
- TEA Student Enrollment Report for 2024-25
- Ratings: txschools.gov; TEA 2025 Accountability Ratings System