

2026-2027 Charter School Applicant Activity Timeline

Charter School Proposal and Application Activities (Bold = Applicant Activity)	Dates
Stage 1: Proposals due	August 16, 2024
Stage 2: Face-to-face proposal interview	September 10-13, 2024
Stage 3: Full application submitted	October 22, 2024
Stage 4: Face-to-face full application interview	December 3-6, 2024
Stage 5: Charter authorization determination notification (notification dependent upon USU Board of Trustees meeting and determination)	End of March - 2025

Stage 6: Charter agreement signed (allows 70 days for USU to reach out to USBE Superintendent letting know the applicant has R277-552-3 (4) requirements are in order).	April 18, 2025
A charter may receive state funds including minimum school program funds if the charter school authorizer certifies in writing to the USBE Superintendent by June 30 th prior to year of operation that they meet a variety of requirements – R277-552-3 (4).	June 27, 2025
Charter school board president, if they have not already let affected district superintendents in which charter schools are authorized to locate know about charter authorization and school openings in August of 2024, they will do so.	Before October 1, 2025
Schools must be authorized before this date to apply for start-up funds.	Before October 1, 2025
Charter expires with authorizer if school has not operated by three years of charter approval by authorizer.	July 14, 2028