



## Letter of Intent (LOI) CSP Subgrant 2025

Given that the goals of the Great Schools for NV CSP program are to support and provide funding to 24 high-quality schools and improve the performance of charter schools, we are looking for schools that can demonstrate their commitment and ability to support those goals. As a CSP team, we will utilize this rubric to evaluate whether these schools are capable of helping us reach our overall intended goal.

To help in the decision-making process, applicants are asked to submit a Letter of intent and answer the following questions in their submission:

Please include the following information in your letter of intent (LOI). Please note that all LOIs will be decided using the Cycle 6 LOI Rubric. You can submit your LOI in your own format but it must be uploaded as a .docx or PDF.

1. What is your school name / Intended school name?
2. Indicate if your school intends to be a new start-up, replication, or expansion. To make a determination, please reference the Federal Definitions ([ESEA § 4310](#)) listed below and the Great Schools for Nevada Charter School Program (CSP) Grant Request for Applications (RFA) included on the [Opportunity 180 website](#). **Note: If you are an expansion or replication school, indicate the year your school first opened.**
  - **New Start-Up Charter School-** For the purposes of this federal CSP Subgrant, Opportunity 180 defines a new charter school as either a new start-up school that did not previously exist or a conversion school that is a public school that has substantially changed its curriculum, staff and/or school design, either voluntarily or involuntarily, in order to increase student academic performance as part of a turnaround process.
  - **Expansion (EXPAND).** ESEA § 4310 (7) —The term “expand,” is defined federally when used with respect to a high-quality charter school, means to significantly increase enrollment or add one or more grades to the high-quality charter school.
  - **Replication (REPLICATE).** ESEA § 4310 (9)—The term “replicate,” is defined federally, when used with respect to a high-quality charter school, means to open a new charter school, or a new campus of a high-quality charter school, based on the educational model of an existing high quality charter school, under an existing charter or an additional charter, if permitted or required by State law.
3. What is your desired area of need (Zip Codes, cross streets, or specific location), and what makes your school uniquely able to serve the area of need (up to 2-paragraphs)?
4. Given that the goals of the Great Schools for NV CSP program are to ensure 24 high-quality schools and improve the performance of charter schools, we are looking for schools that can demonstrate their commitment and ability to support those goals. Please include a description of your school model and provide a few examples of student support strategies (aligned to your school model) of how it will contribute to your school’s success in serving the area of need (up to 2-paragraphs).
5. [REPLICATION or EXPANSION ONLY] If you are a replication or expansion, confirm that the school has had no *significant* adverse audit findings or organizational non-compliance in the past three years. *Please confirm this statement in 990s, authorizer reports, and/or financial documents. If there was an incidence of adverse audit findings or organizational non-compliance, please explain why.* This question is optional for new start-up schools.

[CERTIFICATION TO SIGN AND SUBMIT WITH YOUR LOI]

I confirm that if my school's LOI lacks any of the items 1-5 in the table above (unless stated as not applicable) it is an incomplete LOI. The CSP Grant Team will review my LOI and may ask for additional information, recommend a rewrite, or deny the LOI for this application round and recommend submitting in a different application cycle.

In addition, I confirm that the school has applied, through an amendment request or another process established by the authorized public chartering authority, to expand or replicate their charter school and provide adequate and timely notice to that authorized public chartering authority of the request.

I understand that the CSP will review the school's academic, financial, and organizational performance by reviewing documentation from the authorized public chartering authority and through the appropriate departments of NVDE.

I understand that upon verification and completion of the letter of intent, the Great Schools of Nevada manager will notify the school of whether it is eligible to submit an application.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_