

Charter school		Desert Star Academy		County		Mohave		CTDS number		088705000	
Expenses		Salaries 6100	Employee benefits 6200	Purchased services 6300, 6400, 6500	Supplies 6600	Other 6800	Totals		% Increase/ decrease		
							Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026			
1000 Schoolwide Project and 1500-1999 Other Special Projects											
100 Regular education											
1000 Instruction	1.	1,922,875	540,905	204,859	154,317	8,743	2,633,237	2,831,699	7.5%	1.	
Support services											
2100 Students	2.	80,920	22,763	3,036	14,098	1,388	111,107	122,205	10.0%	2.	
2200 Instruction	3.	0	0	45,520	0	0	45,007	45,520	1.1%	3.	
2300 General administration	4.	143,547	40,380	37,445	1,523	1,610	182,527	224,505	23.0%	4.	
2400 School administration	5.	531,175	149,420	27,680	14,838	5,114	687,346	728,227	5.9%	5.	
2500 Central services	6.	75,674	21,287	77,332	13,326	17,792	139,567	205,411	47.2%	6.	
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	7.	94,430	26,563	1,386,017	247,572	1,620	1,267,989	1,756,202	38.5%	7.	
2900 Other support services	8.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		8.	
3000 Operation of noninstructional services	9.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		9.	
4000 Facilities acquisition & construction	10.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		10.	
5000 Debt service	11.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		11.	
610 School-sponsored cocurricular activities	12.		0	0	0	0	0	0		12.	
620 School-sponsored athletics	13.		0	0	101,306	31,098	0	132,404		13.	
630, 700, 800, 900 Other programs	14.		0	0	0	0	0	0		14.	
Subtotal (lines 1-14)	15.	2,848,621	801,318	1,781,889	546,980	67,365	5,066,780	6,046,173	19.3%	15.	
200 Special education											
1000 Instruction	16.	169,882	40,993	58,819	0	0	252,681	269,694	6.7%	16.	
Support services											
2100 Students	17.	0	0	40,661	0	0	40,203	40,661	1.1%	17.	
2200 Instruction	18.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		18.	
2300 General administration	19.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		19.	
2400 School administration	20.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		20.	
2500 Central services	21.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		21.	
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	22.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		22.	
2900 Other support services	23.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		23.	
3000 Operation of noninstructional services	24.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		24.	
4000 Facilities acquisition & construction	25.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		25.	
5000 Debt service	26.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		26.	
Subtotal (lines 16-26)	27.	169,882	40,993	99,480	0	0	292,884	310,355	6.0%	27.	
400 Pupil transportation	28.	99,721	28,052	3,575	31,061	553	121,512	162,962	34.1%	28.	
530 Dropout prevention programs	29.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		29.	
540 Joint career & technical ed. & vocational ed. center	30.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		30.	
550 K-3 Reading	31.	40,000	3,513	0	0	0	39,101	43,513	11.3%	31.	
Subtotal (lines 15 and 27-31)	32.	3,158,224	873,876	1,884,944	578,041	67,918	5,520,277	6,563,003	18.9%	32.	
1010 Classroom Site Project (from page 3, line 6)	33.	700,000	61,752	0	0		599,555	761,752	27.1%	33.	
1020 Instructional Improvement Project (from page 2, line 5)	34.						19,200	54,758	185.2%	34.	
1071 English Language Learner Project (from page 4, line 11)	35.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		35.	
1072 Compensatory Instruction Project (from page 4, line 22)	36.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		36.	
1100-1499 Federal and State projects (from page 2, line 32)	37.						486,833	627,250	28.8%	37.	
Total (lines 32-37)	38.	3,858,224	935,628	1,884,944	578,041	67,918	6,625,865	8,006,763	20.8%	38.	

Federal and State projects

	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
1100-1399 Federal projects			
1. 1100-1130 ESEA Title I-Helping Disadvantaged Children	230,078	160,944	1.
2. 1140-1150 ESEA Title II-Prof. Dev. And Technology	31,665	14,435	2.
3. 1160 ESEA Title IV-21st Century Schools	120,000	120,000	3.
4. 1170-1180 ESEA Title V-Promote Informed Parent Choice	0	0	4.
5. 1190 ESEA Title III-Limited Eng. & Immigrant Students	0	0	5.
6. 1200 ESEA Title VII-Indian Education	0	0	6.
7. 1210 ESEA Title VI-Flexibility and Accountability	0	0	7.
8. 1220 IDEA, Part B	105,090	81,871	8.
9. 1230 Johnson-O'Malley	0	0	9.
10. 1240 Workforce Investment Act	0	0	10.
11. 1250 AEA-Adult Education	0	0	11.
12. 1260-1270 Vocational Education-Basic Grants	0	0	12.
13. 1280 ESEA Title X-Homeless Education	0	0	13.
14. 1290 Medicaid Reimbursement	0	0	14.
15. 1300 Charter School Implementation Proj. (Stimulus)	0	250,000	15.
16. 13 Impact Aid	0	0	16.
17. 1310-1399 Other Federal Projects	0	0	17.
18. Total federal projects (lines 1-17)	486,833	627,250	18.
1400-1499 State projects			
19. 1400 Vocational Education	0	0	19.
20. 1410 Early Childhood Block Grant	0	0	20.
21. 1420 Extended School Year-Pupils with Disabilities	0	0	21.
22. 1425 Adult Basic Education	0	0	22.
23. 1430 Chemical Abuse Prevention Programs	0	0	23.
24. 1435 Academic Contests	0	0	24.
25. 1450 Gifted Education	0	0	25.
26. 1456 College Credit Exam Incentives	0	0	26.
27. 1460 Environmental Special Plate	0	0	27.
28. 1465 Charter School Stimulus Fund	0	0	28.
29. 14 Arizona Industry Credentials Incentive	0	0	29.
30. Other State Projects	0	0	30.
31. Total State projects (lines 19-30)	0	0	31.
32. Total federal and State projects (lines 18 and 31)	486,833	627,250	32.
Capital acquisitions			
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
1. 0181 Intangible assets	0	0	1.
2. 0191 Land and land improvements	0	0	2.
3. 0192 Site improvements	0	0	3.
4. 0194 Buildings and building improvements	0	0	4.
5. 0196 Equipment	175,000	125,000	5.
6. 0198 Construction in progress	0	0	6.
7. Total capital acquisitions (lines 1-6)	175,000	125,000	7.
8. Total capital acquisitions, if any, budgeted on lines 1-6 above	0	0	8.

Special education programs by type

	Program 200 prior year 2025	Program 200 budget year 2026	
1. Total all disability classifications	292,884	310,355	1.
2. Gifted education	0	0	2.
3. ELL incremental costs	0	0	3.
4. ELL compensatory instruction	0	0	4.
5. Remedial education	0	0	5.
6. Vocational and technical ed.	0	0	6.
7. Career education	0	0	7.
8. Total (lines 1-7)	292,884	310,355	8.
9. Expenses budgeted for transporting students with disabilities (as defined in A.R.S. §15-761) unique to the IEP	0	0	9.

Instructional Improvement Project

Indicate amounts budgeted in Project 1020 for the following:

	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
1. Teacher compensation increases	19,200	54,758	1.
2. Class size reduction	0	0	2.
3. Dropout prevention programs	0	0	3.
4. Instructional improvement programs	0	0	4.
5. Total Instructional Improvement (lines 1-4)	19,200	54,758	5.

Proposed ratios for special education

Teacher-pupil	1 to	15.9
Staff-pupil	1 to	9.6

Selected expenses by type
(Must be included on page 1)

Audit services	16,500
Classroom instruction	4,324,231

State equalization assistance budgeted for food service expenses

Enter the amount of State equalization assistance budgeted for food service, function 3100:

Debt service

Interest 6850	0
Redemption of principal	0

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						Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
Classroom Site Project 1010								
1000 Instruction	1.	700,000	61,752			599,555	761,752	27.1%
2100 Support services—students	2.					0	0	
2200 Support services—instruction	3.					0	0	
2300 Support services—general administration	4.					0	0	
3300 Community services operations	5.					0	0	
Total Classroom Site Project (lines 1-5)	6.	700,000	61,752	0	0	599,555	761,752	27.1%

Classroom Site Project 1010 budgeted property payments

Property disbursements	0
Interest 6850	0
Redemption of principal	0

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Expenses	Number of personnel		Salaries 6100	Employee benefits 6200	Purchased services 6300, 6400, 6500	Supplies 6600	Other 6800	Totals		% Increase/ decrease
	Prior year	Budget year						Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
English Language Learner Project - 1071										
260 Special education—ELL incremental costs										
1000 Instruction	1.	0.00						0	0	1.
Support services										
2100 Students	2.	0.00						0	0	2.
2200 Instruction	3.	0.00						0	0	3.
2300 General administration	4.	0.00						0	0	4.
2400 School administration	5.	0.00						0	0	5.
2500 Central services	6.	0.00						0	0	6.
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	7.	0.00						0	0	7.
2900 Other support services	8.	0.00						0	0	8.
Program 260 subtotal (lines 1-8)	9.	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.
430 Pupil Transportation—ELL incremental costs										
Support services										
2700 Student transportation	10.	0.00						0	0	10.
Total expenses (lines 9 and 10)	11.	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.

Expenses	Number of personnel		Salaries 6100	Employee benefits 6200	Purchased services 6300, 6400, 6500	Supplies 6600	Other 6800	Totals		% Increase/ decrease
	Prior year	Budget year						Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
Compensatory Instruction Project - 1072										
265 Special education—ELL compensatory instruction										
1000 Instruction	12.	0.00						0	0	12.
Support services										
2100 Students	13.	0.00						0	0	13.
2200 Instruction	14.	0.00						0	0	14.
2300 General administration	15.	0.00						0	0	15.
2400 School administration	16.	0.00						0	0	16.
2500 Central services	17.	0.00						0	0	17.
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	18.	0.00						0	0	18.
2900 Other support services	19.	0.00						0	0	19.
Program 265 subtotal (lines 12-19)	20.	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.
435 Pupil transportation—ELL compensatory instruction										
Support services										
2700 Student transportation	21.	0.00						0	0	21.
Total expenses (lines 20 and 21)	22.	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.

FY 2026 Summary of charter school adopted budget

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	Totals		% Increase/decrease
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
1000 Schoolwide Project			
100 Regular education			
1000 Instruction	2,633,237	2,831,699	7.5%
Support services			
2100 Students	111,107	122,205	10.0%
2200 Instruction	45,007	45,520	1.1%
2300 General administration	182,527	224,505	23.0%
2400 School administration	687,346	728,227	5.9%
2500 Central services	139,567	205,411	47.2%
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	1,267,989	1,756,202	38.5%
2900 Other support services	0	0	
3000 Operation of noninstructional services	0	0	
4000 Facilities acquisition & construction	0	0	
5000 Debt service	0	0	
610 School-sponsored cocurricular activities	0	0	
620 School-sponsored athletics	0	132,404	
630, 700, 800, 900 Other programs	0	0	
Regular education subtotal	5,066,780	6,046,173	19.3%
200 Special education			
1000 Instruction	252,681	269,694	6.7%
Support services			
2100 Students	40,203	40,661	1.1%
2200 Instruction	0	0	
2300 General administration	0	0	
2400 School administration	0	0	
2500 Central services	0	0	
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	0	0	
2900 Other support services	0	0	
3000 Operation of noninstructional services	0	0	
4000 Facilities acquisition & construction	0	0	
5000 Debt service	0	0	
Special education subtotal	292,884	310,355	6.0%
400 Pupil transportation	121,512	162,962	34.1%
530 Dropout prevention programs	0	0	
540 Joint career & tech. ed. & voc. ed. center	0	0	
550 K-3 Reading	39,101	43,513	11.3%
Total	5,520,277	6,563,003	18.9%

The budget of Desert Star Academy for fiscal year 2026 was officially proposed by the Governing Board on June 25, 2025. The complete budget may be reviewed by contacting Margie Montgomery at 9287704523 or mmontgomery629@gmail.com.

Special education programs	Totals		% Increase/decrease
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
Total all disability classifications	292,884	310,355	6.0%
Gifted education	0	0	
ELL incremental costs	0	0	
ELL compensatory instruction	0	0	
Remedial education	0	0	
Vocational and technical ed.	0	0	
Career education	0	0	
Total	292,884	310,355	6.0%

Expenses by project			
	Totals		% Increase/decrease
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
Schoolwide	5,520,277	6,563,003	18.9%
Classroom Site Project	599,555	761,752	27.1%
Instructional Improvement	19,200	54,758	185.2%
English Language Learner	0	0	
ELL Compensatory Instruction	0	0	
Federal projects	486,833	627,250	28.8%
State projects	0	0	
Capital acquisitions	175,000	125,000	-28.6%
Total expenses	6,800,865	8,131,763	19.6%

Average teacher salary	
Average salary of all teachers employed in the budget year 2026	56,345
Average salary of all teachers employed in the prior year 2025	54,726
Increase in average teacher salary from the prior year 2025	1,619
Percentage increase	3.0%

Comments on average salary calculation (optional):

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This tab presents information on the amount and planned use of the Charter's project balances to increase transparency and provide decision-makers, other stakeholders, and the public more complete financial information. Other than the FY 2024 ending project balance amounts, all amounts included on this tab are estimates.

Estimated FY 2025 project balances and planned uses in FY 2026 and thereafter

	All Projects
1. FY 2024 final ending project balance	465,950
If the final ending project balance does not agree with the submitted FY 2024 AFR, revise the AFR and resubmit to ADE	
2. FY 2025 activity, year-to-date and estimated through June 30	
(a) FY 2025 revenues	7,923,920
(b) FY 2025 expenses, indirect costs, reversions, capital acquisitions, and redemption of principal	8,058,872
3. Estimated FY 2025 ending project balance	330,998
(a) With donor restrictions/Restricted	0
(b) Without donor restrictions/Unrestricted	330,998
(c) Total (must agree to line 3 above)	330,998
4. Estimated FY 2025 ending project balance and planned uses	
(a) Deficit balance	0
(b) Planned to be spent in FY 2026	0
(c) Planned to be spent in FY 2026 to support operations of other school sites within the same charter management organization	0
(d) Maintained for spending after FY 2026	330,998
(e) Total project balance (should agree to amount on line 3)	330,998

5. Comments (optional)

None