# FundEd: Charters

A Detailed Look at Montana's Charter Funding Policies

## Montana

## **Funding Basics**

#### Authorizer

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#### Funding Formula

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#### Withholdings

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#### Local Taxes

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## E Data and Reporting

#### Legal Status

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#### Student Count

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#### Funding

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#### Expenditures

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For a complete list of primary sources, please see the appropriate state page at charters.funded.edbuild.org

