

2025-2026 #22 - Amended

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In the constitution of the state of Colorado, **add** section, 18 to article IX as follows:

Section 18. Education - ~~School Choices~~school choice.

(1) PURPOSE AND FINDINGS. THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO HEREBY FIND AND DECLARE THAT ~~ALL FAMILIES~~K-12 STUDENTS HAVE THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO ACCESS A QUALITY EDUCATION; THAT PARENTS AND GUARDIANS HAVE THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO DIRECT THE EDUCATION OF THEIR CHILDREN; AND THAT SCHOOL CHOICE INCLUDES NEIGHBORHOOD, CHARTER, PRIVATE, AND HOME SCHOOLS, OPEN ENROLLMENT OPTIONS, AND FUTURE INNOVATIONS IN EDUCATION.

(2) EACH K-12 ~~CHILD~~STUDENT HAS THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO SCHOOL CHOICE AS EXERCISED BY THEIR PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.