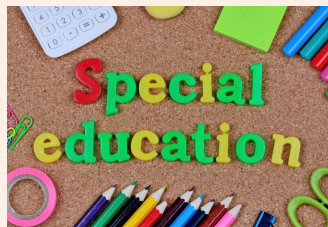


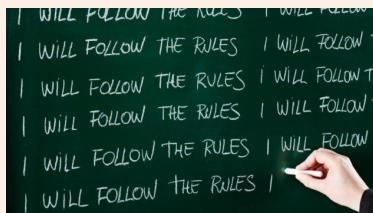
Charter Schools v. Public Schools

New York State treats charter schools and regular public schools differently in a number of important areas.



Special Education

Charter schools must comply with special education laws but they are not responsible for FAPE. The district where the student lives is responsible.



Discipline

Most charter schools do not follow NYS Education Law Section 3214.



Accountability

Charter schools in NYS are run by a Board of Trustees who are appointed by the Charter School. Parents have very little say in how charter schools are run.

Many charter schools do not feel they have to answer to anyone but their board of trustees.