State Of Maryland
2026 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project	
Carroll Classical Charter School	

2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor
Ready	Tomlinson

4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount
Carroll County	$500,000

6. Purpose of Bond Initiative

the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Carroll Classical Charter School Permanent Facility Acquisition and Capital Improvements project

7. Matching Fund

Requirements:	Type:
Grant	

8. Special Provisions

[ ] Historical Easement	[X] Non-Sectarian

9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Kimberly Zentz		240-393-8004

10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)

Carroll Classical Charter School is a tuition-free public charter school opening in Fall 2027 in Carroll County, Maryland. Our mission is to provide a rigorous, content-rich classical education grounded in the liberal arts, civic virtue, and strong character formation. Open to all students, the school is designed to expand high-quality public education options while strengthening academic outcomes and long-term workforce readiness. As we launch, we are securing a permanent facility to serve families countywide and ensure sustainable growth. State capital support will help establish a stable, community-based educational institution built to serve generations of Maryland students.

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

Carroll Classical Charter School is seeking capital support to secure and renovate a permanent facility in Carroll County, Maryland, ahead of its Fall 2027 opening. While the school has secured startup and operational funding, public charter schools do not receive dedicated state capital funding for facilities. This project will fund acquisition, necessary renovations, safety upgrades, ADA compliance, and classroom buildout to create a safe, permanent learning environment. Establishing a stable facility ensures long-term sustainability, preserves public investment, and provides families with a high-quality, tuition-free educational option designed to serve students for generations.

Round all amounts to the nearest $1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	$4,500,000
Design	$150,000
Construction	$500,000
Equipment	$150,000
Total	$5,300,000

13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Maryland Alliance of Public Charter Schools	$1,620,000
Per-Pupil Public Revenue (Commencing Upon School Op	$2,837,857
Private Philanthropy & Capital Campaign	$100,000
USDA Community Facilities Loan/Grant Program	$2,000,000
FY27 Congressional Appropriations Request	$1,000,000
Total	$7,557,857

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	**Complete Design**	**Begin Construction**	**Complete Construction**
7/1/2026	10/1/2026	TBD	TBD

15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised	16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
0.00	0 (facility not yet operational)	400

18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years

Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose

19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee	Project Address (If Different)
Carroll Classical Charter School (Founded/operated by the Carroll Learning Alliance, Inc, 501c3) 1700 Hanover Pike Hampstead, MD 21074	TBD, Targeting 576 Johnsville Rd

20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	5 - Frederick and Carroll Counties

21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)

Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[ ]	[ ]	[X]	[ ]

22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Kimberly Zentz	**Has An Appraisal Been Done?**	Yes/No
Phone:	240-393-8004		No
Address:		**If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value**	
1700 Hanover Pike, Hampstead, MD 21074			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site

Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
0	31	0.00	3543685.00

25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)

A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?	Own
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?	No
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?	No

D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:

Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased

E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:

Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew

26. Building Square Footage:

Current Space GSF	20,000
Space to be Renovated GSF	20,000
New GSF	0

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	2026
28. Comments	

Carroll Classical Charter School represents a new, tuition-free public education option designed to expand academic excellence and parental choice in Carroll County. While the school has secured significant federal startup funding and will receive per-pupil operational support, public charter schools do not receive dedicated state capital funding for facilities. State support through this request will leverage federal, private, and USDA funding sources to complete a responsible capital stack.