

FY 2026 Summary of charter school proposed budget

CTDS number 078511000

1000 Schoolwide Project	Totals		% Increase/decrease
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
100 Regular education			
1000 Instruction	7,993,906	5,998,721	-25.0%
Support services			
2100 Students	80,000	86,750	8.4%
2200 Instruction	17,000	13,000	-23.5%
2300 General administration	0	0	
2400 School administration	5,114,892	5,022,314	-1.8%
2500 Central services	65,000	64,000	-1.5%
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	449,234	323,625	-28.0%
2900 Other support services	200,628	225,205	12.3%
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	0	
630, 700, 800, 900 Other programs	0	0	
Regular education subtotal	13,920,660	11,733,615	-15.7%
200 Special education			
1000 Instruction	4,768,426	5,258,911	10.3%
Support services			
2100 Students	0	0	
2200 Instruction	506,778	524,365	3.5%
2300 General administration	0	0	
2400 School administration	1,446,177	1,459,559	0.9%
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	6,721,381	7,242,835	7.8%
400 Pupil transportation	0	0	
530 Dropout prevention programs	0	0	
540 Joint career & tech. ed. & voc. ed. center	0	0	
550 K-3 Reading	0	0	
Total	20,642,041	18,976,450	-8.1%

The budget of Arizona Connections Academy (d.b.a. Arizona Connections Academy) for fiscal year 2026 was officially proposed by the Governing Board on May 28, 2025. The complete budget may be reviewed by contacting Heather Noto at 4807825842 or hnoto@aca.connectionsacademy.org.

Special education programs	Totals		% Increase/decrease
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
Total all disability classifications	6,721,381	7,242,835	7.8%
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	6,721,381	7,242,835	7.8%

Expenses by project			
	Totals		% Increase/decrease
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
Schoolwide	20,642,041	18,976,450	-8.1%
Classroom Site Project	1,726,045	1,778,609	3.0%
Instructional Improvement	169,249	137,676	-18.7%
English Language Learner	0	0	
ELL Compensatory Instruction	0	0	
Federal projects	862,216	678,314	-21.3%
State projects	0	0	
Capital acquisitions	0	0	
Total expenses	23,399,551	21,571,049	-7.8%

Average teacher salary	
Average salary of all teachers employed in the budget year 2026	64,741
Average salary of all teachers employed in the prior year 2025	63,472
Increase in average teacher salary from the prior year 2025	1,269
Percentage increase	2.0%

Comments on average salary calculation (optional):