

| Type                  | Pro  | Con   |
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| School buildings      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ideal academic setting</li> <li>• Already arranged with classrooms, gym, cafeteria, library, administrative offices</li> <li>• Site is usually very accessible</li> <li>• Good parking, playground space</li> <li>• Rarely available in good condition</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sharing space with charter schools difficult in some districts</li> <li>• School buildings sometimes deed restricted to educational use (decreasing the re-sale value for charter schools purchasing these facilities)</li> </ul>  |
| Commercial space      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Frequently available in strip malls</li> <li>• Large, open spaces easily converted to classrooms</li> <li>• Easy bus and car access</li> <li>• Good parking</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extensive renovations required</li> <li>• Few windows, poor light and ventilation</li> <li>• Setting often inappropriate for school</li> <li>• Limited playground space</li> <li>• Busy traffic may be safety issue</li> <li>• May not be zoned for education use</li> </ul> |
| Office space          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Frequently available</li> <li>• Access to public transportation</li> <li>• Good parking, car access</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extensive renovations required</li> <li>• Limited non-academic space (gym, etc.)</li> <li>• Limited playground space</li> <li>• Elevators and potential safety issues</li> <li>• May not be zoned for education use</li> </ul>   |
| Residential space     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Location accessible to student homes</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extensive renovations required</li> <li>• Limited non-academic space</li> <li>• Zoning variance possibly necessary</li> <li>• Limited parking</li> <li>• Potential difficulties accommodating growth</li> <li>• Possible resistance from neighbors</li> </ul>                |
| Warehouse/ flex space | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Large, open spaces easily converted to classrooms</li> <li>• Easy to adapt space for non-academic uses (gym, etc.)</li> <li>• Easy bus and car access</li> <li>• Good parking</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extensive renovations required</li> <li>• Limited access to public transportation</li> <li>• <b>Zoning</b> variance possibly required</li> <li>• Potential hazardous material issues</li> <li>• Possibly inappropriate setting for school</li> </ul>                         |

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| <b>New construction</b>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tailored to the school's needs</li> <li>• Low maintenance costs</li> <li>• Attractive to prospective parents</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public funds to construct new buildings sometimes prohibited for charter schools</li> <li>• Very expensive (though sometimes actually cheaper than renovating)</li> <li>• Code requirements for new buildings may be more extensive</li> <li>• Disposition of building if charter is not renewed</li> </ul> |
| <b>Modular units (trailers)</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can be obtained quickly</li> <li>• Appropriately sized space provided</li> <li>• Configured in flexible ways</li> <li>• Short term commitment</li> <li>• Flexibility of location</li> <li>• Growth easily accommodated</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expense of necessary site work</li> <li>• Sub-optimal in bad weather conditions (not all under one roof)</li> <li>• Limited office and non-academic space</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Houses of Worship</b>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Usually very affordable</li> <li>• Frequently available during school days</li> <li>• Often configured with classrooms</li> <li>• Often include gym, cafeteria, play ground</li> <li>• Good access, parking</li> </ul>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May need to set up every Monday, pack up every Friday</li> </ul>  |