Do Texas charter schools get more money than ISD schools?

IT'S NOT COMPLICATED. HERE ARE THE FACTS.

Charter schools receive less money.

Charter schools receive 85% of funding received by ISD schools.

Per charter school student:
- Charter schools: $9,930
- ISD schools: $11,665

Charters have 2 funding sources. ISDs have 4.

But... Charter schools serve more disadvantaged student populations.

- African American: 23% (Charter) vs 7% (ISD)
- Hispanic: 51% (Charter) vs 40% (ISD)
- Economically Disadvantaged: 65% (Charter) vs 58% (ISD)
- Special Education: 8% (Charter) vs 9% (ISD)
- Limited English Proficiency: 19% (Charter) vs 9% (ISD)

Sources: 2018 Near Final Summary of Finance, Texas Education Agency; 2017 Texas Academic Performance Reports, Texas Education Agency

M&O: Maintenance and Operations funding; I&S: Interest and Sinking funds
Does not reflect federal funding or philanthropy.