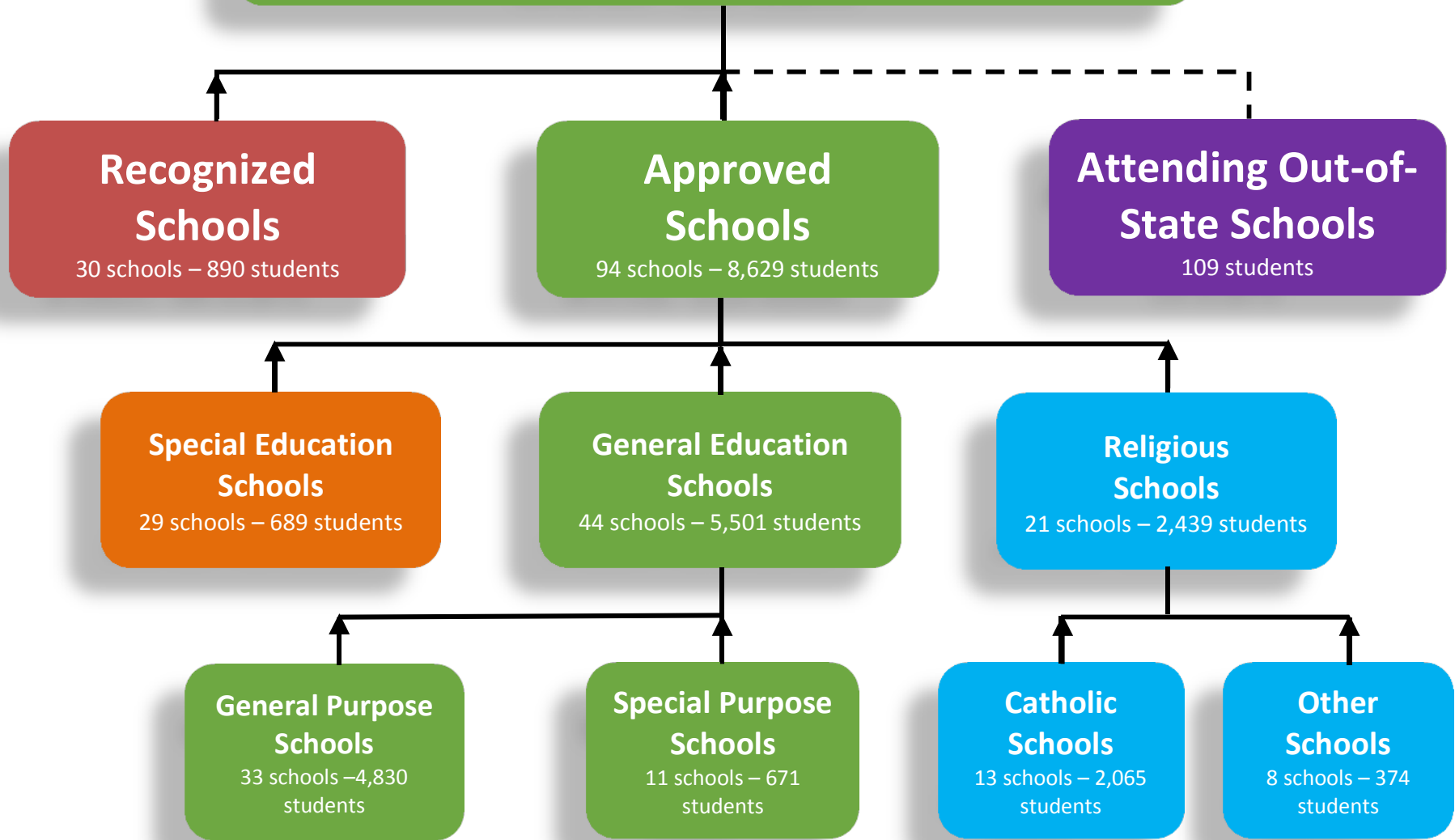


Vermont Independent Schools

124 schools – 9,417 students



Facts & Figures:

Independent school enrollments range from 950 to 6.

94 independent schools are approved by the State Board of Education.

35 independent schools have attained NEASC accreditation.

The median enrollment for approved general education independent schools is 81.

The median enrollment for all other independent schools is 23.

Independent schools follow the general non-profit organization model of governance—a board of trustees and a head of school.

No superintendents. No central offices.

Independent schools occasionally close due to changing circumstances (e.g., Austine, Gailer, Eckerd) while others open to meet new needs (e.g., Central Vermont High School Initiative, Downtown School).

Vermont's independent schools are:

- ◆ Voluntary
- ◆ Mostly small
- ◆ Mission-driven
- ◆ Sometimes unusual
- ◆ An important resource for Vermont