

# Zoning Information Guide

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**City of Phoenix**  
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

## Schools

### Definitions, per Section 202 of the Zoning Ordinance:

1. **School:** A place of general instruction including public and parochial schools, charter schools operating under a valid contract issued by the state or a state sponsored organization, institutions of higher education and private educational institutions offering a curriculum of general instruction comparable to public schools, but **not** including business schools or colleges, nursery schools, dancing schools, riding academies, or specialized trade, technical or vocational schools.

*\*Revision on 9-3-2008 by Ordinance No. G-5243, effective 10-3-2008*

2. **School, Commercial:** A school established to provide for the teaching of industrial, clerical, managerial, or artistic skills including such things as dance and gymnastics. This definition applies to schools that are owned and operated privately for profit.

*\*Addition on 6-4-2008 by Ordinance No. G-5181, effective 7-4-2008*

\* **Schools, as defined in #1 above, are allowed in ALL zoning districts**

\* **Commercial schools, as defined in #2 above, are allowed in the following zoning districts:**

- C-O (Business, data processing, insurance, private real estate, and stenographic).
- C-1, Subject to a use permit (Barber, beauty, business, dancing, data processing, insurance, martial arts, modeling, real estate and stenographic).
- C-2 (Barber, beauty, business, commercial, correspondence, data processing, dancing, gymnastics, health, insurance, martial arts, modeling, private, real estate, and stenographic).
- C-3 (and Trade Schools)
- CP (commercial schools only)
- A-1
- A-2
- PSC (and cosmetology schools)
- RSC

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