

Charter School Conversation Scope



What we are not planning to talk about:

- Options for students
- Accountability of School Receiving Public Funding
 - For performance
 - For equity
 - For contracting with for profit entities

What we are planning to talk about:

- Fiscal impact of current funding model on students and taxpayers

How much has EASD spent over the past 5 years on Cyber Charter costs?



Year	Cyber Charter Total Costs			Number of Students
	General Ed	Special Ed	Total	
15-16	450,574.00	267,008.00	717,582.00	58.77
16-17	419,144.00	192,106.00	611,250.00	50.031
17-18	509,129.00	252,465.00	761,594.00	57.253
18-19	675,256.18	462,617.00	1,137,873.18	71.49
19-20	723,675.28	453,893.96	1,177,569.24	73.851
Total of 5 Years	2,777,778.46	1,628,089.96	4,405,868.42	311.40

How much would it have cost EASD if Cyber Charter students were enrolled in EVA (Ephrata Virtual Academy)?



Ephrata Virtual Academy (EVA) Total Costs			
Year	Total	Number of Students	Cost per Student
15-16	201,508.07	50	4,030.16
16-17	202,974.61	41	4,950.60
17-18	204,176.21	48	4,253.67
18-19	205,317.83	48	4,277.45
19-20	206,559.43	41	5,038.03
	1,020,536.14		

TOTAL DIFFERENCE IN SAVINGS



Cyber School	Cost if Cyber Students	Savings to the District
Total Costs	Used EVA	
717,582.00	236,852.58	480,729.42
611,250.00	247,683.47	363,566.53
761,594.00	243,535.42	518,058.58
1,137,873.18	305,795.24	832,077.94
1,177,569.24	372,063.91	805,505.33
4,405,868.42	1,405,930.64	2,999,937.78

What is the difference between these Cyber Charter and EVA expenses?

What does this represent in mills?

**Current EASD millage 17.25*

Year	Savings to the District	Savings by value of a mil (Real Estate Tax)	% of the Millage
15-16	480,729.42	0.19	0.96%
16-17	363,566.53	0.15	0.71%
17-18	518,058.58	0.21	0.99%
18-19	832,077.94	0.33	1.97%
19-20	805,505.33	0.32	1.87%
	2,999,937.78	1.20	6.51%



MAKING THE DATA TANGIBLE..

Year	# of Student iPads	OR	# of Student Laptops	OR	Title 1 Aide	OR	FT Teacher
15-16	1,773		1,026		26		5
16-17	1,471		851		22		4
17-18	2,001		1,157		30		5
18-19	3,018		1,745		45		8
19-20	3,109		1,798		46		8
	11,371		6,578		168		31

Cyber Charter Impact Across the County

	2020-2021 Tuition Rates	
	Regular	Special
Cocalico SD	\$ 15,076	\$ 32,851
Columbia Borough SD	\$ 11,129	\$ 34,185
Conestoga Valley SD	\$ 11,574	\$ 26,286
Donegal SD	\$ 12,095	\$ 29,823
Eastern Lancaster County SD	\$ 13,568	\$ 29,122
Elizabethtown Area SD	\$ 12,236	\$ 24,508
Ephrata Area SD	\$ 12,021	\$ 27,256
Hempfield SD	\$ 12,161	\$ 27,973
Lampeter-Strasburg SD	\$ 12,643	\$ 28,541
Lancaster SD	\$ 13,000	\$ 30,000
Manheim Central SD	\$ 12,255	\$ 26,700
Manheim Township SD	\$ 11,986	\$ 23,132
Penn Manor SD	\$ 11,080	\$ 25,150
Pequea Valley SD	\$ 16,693	\$ 32,926
Solanco SD	\$ 11,690	\$ 30,687
Warwick SD	\$ 12,731	\$ 27,746
Difference (Max - Min)	\$ 5,613	\$ 11,054

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

*Options that would help taxpayers
...and not eliminate options for students*

OPTIONS TO ELIMINATE GROSS OVERCHARGING OF TAX-PAYERS:

- A. Price it the same as the virtual program offered by the district of residence
- B. Price it at a flat rate based on results of an annual audit and evaluation of program costs by PDE of the Cyber Charter
- C. Price it at a flat rate set annually by the government based on a general estimate of true costs of program instead of tying to district costs
- D. Apply the Special Education funding formula to those students who enroll in Cyber Charter

