

# Cyber charter schools

Since Pennsylvania's first cyber charter school opened in 1998, 10 more cyber schools have started, enrolling a total of more than 10,000 students statewide. The schools are public schools open to any students in the state.

This chart ranks the schools on size of enrollment and compares some of the data for these schools. To meet state standards of making adequate yearly progress, all public schools needed to have at least 45 percent of the students proficient in reading, 35 percent in math and a graduation rate of 80 percent — or show improvement. The schools also vary in the curriculum offered and the types of students enrolled.

CHARTER SCHOOL, BASE LOCATION	YEAR STARTED	GRADES SERVED	CURRENT ENROLLMENT	EXPENDITURES PER STUDENT, 2002-2003	% PROFICIENT IN READING, 2004	% PROFICIENT IN MATH, 2004	GRADUATION RATE 2003
<b>Pa. Virtual Charter School</b> Norristown, Montgomery County 610-275-8501, <a href="http://www.pavcs.org">www.pavcs.org</a>	2001	K to 8 Expanding to 9 this fall	4,065	\$6,330	54.4%	40.0%	*
<b>Pa. Cyber Charter School</b> Midland, Beaver County 888-722-9237, <a href="http://www.wpccs.com">www.wpccs.com</a>	2000	K to 12	2,960	\$5,575	68.9%	44.4%	68.9%
<b>Commonwealth Connections Academy</b> Mechanicsburg, Cumberland County 717-796-9018, <a href="http://www.connectionsacademy.com">www.connectionsacademy.com</a>	2003	K to 8 Expanding to 9 this fall	730	N/A	66.3%	43.4%	N/A
<b>Pa. Leadership Charter School</b> Frazer, Chester County 610-993-9390, <a href="http://www.palcs.org">www.palcs.org</a>	2004	K to 12	700	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Pa. LEARNERS Online Regional Charter School</b> Allegheny Intermediate Unit in Homestead 412-394-5733, <a href="http://www.aiu3.net/palo/site/default.asp">www.aiu3.net/palo/site/default.asp</a>	2001	K to 12	500	\$7,763	50.0%	24.3%	40.4%
<b>21st Century Cyber Charter School</b> Downington, Chester County 484-237-5206, <a href="http://www.21stcenturycyber.org">www.21stcenturycyber.org</a>	2001	6 to 12	350	\$6,639	72.7%	43.2%	43.1%
<b>Pa. Distance Learning Charter School</b> Harrisburg, Dauphin County 888-507-3352, <a href="http://www.pdela.com">www.pdela.com</a>	2004	K-12	350	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Achievement House Charter School</b> Bryn Mawr 610-527-0143, <a href="http://www.achievementhousecharter.com">www.achievementhousecharter.com</a>	2004	9 to 12	245	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Midwestern Regional Virtual Charter School</b> Midwestern Intermediate Unit Grove City, Mercer County, 724-458-6700, <a href="http://www.miu4.k12.pa.us/virtualweb/charterschool.html">www.miu4.k12.pa.us/virtualweb/charterschool.html</a>	2001	K to 12	180	\$2,818	41.7%	7.0%	3.9%
<b>Central Pa. Digital Learning Foundation</b> Altoona, Blair County 866-215-5936, <a href="http://www.cpdf.org">www.cpdf.org</a>	2002	K to 12	159	\$7,223	55.2%	35.8%	100%
<b>SusQ-Cyber Charter School</b> Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit Milton, Northumberland County 570-523-1155, <a href="http://www.susqcyber.org">www.susqcyber.org</a>	1998	9 to 12	153	\$5,570	34.7%	12.2%	31.6%

\*Pennsylvania Virtual Charter School does not have any graduates, but its attendance rate is 100 percent.