

At Derry Area, we know that traditional brick and mortar school is not always the best for our students. By providing a cyber choice for our students, we can better meet their ever-changing needs.

Students have the benefit of taking their core academic classes online, while having the choice to take their electives in the traditional classroom at the school.

All courses offered through the Derry Cyber program are taught by highly-qualified, Pennsylvania-certified teachers from various school districts in Westmoreland County.

All teachers have received comprehensive training in best practices and pedagogy for online teaching and learning.

Each course is designed with all of the rigor and quality instruction of a traditional classroom. Lessons and assessments are designed to challenge students and encourage inquiry, while fostering their individual needs and learning styles. Because students have more flexibility in an online course, they can move through the material at a more customized pace.

Benefits of *CHOICE*

Onsite Curriculum: Students who elect a schedule that includes a hybrid (mixture of online and on-campus courses) Learning Environment will have the option to take core courses online and elective courses on campus or online, depending on availability.

Advanced Placement Options: Students who choose a schedule that includes blended learning environment will be able to select from 17 AP courses.

Building Capacity in Schools: Provides students with the tools, knowledge, and guidance to be able to integrate online learning into schools.

Fully-Integrated Help Desk Support: Assists with a full-range of technical and pedagogical issues to provide students with the highest level of satisfaction. Students receive support for their technical questions as the touch of a button.

Impact on the Classroom: Extending learning beyond the four walls of the classroom. Check homework and review lessons for understanding. Access missed class materials and in-depth class topics.

Vocational Technical Programs: In partnership with the Eastern Westmoreland Career and Technology Center, students will have the option to pursue courses in skilled labor and industry-based technology programs.



Providing options and opportunities for our students to experience individual success and reach their goals.

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Student laptops and Internet Service options available too.

Benefits of Being a Derry Area Student

- ◆ Graduate with a Derry Area Diploma & walk at commencement with your class
- ◆ Participate in all Derry Area sporting activities and extra-curricular activities
- ◆ Play in the band
- ◆ Sing in the chorus
- ◆ Attend pep-rallies, prom, and other school social events
- ◆ Attend field trips
- ◆ Utilize support services for special education, gifted education, and tutoring
- ◆ Participate in the 21st Century Community Learning Center Program
- ◆ Technical support, computer and internet service available
- ◆ Get involved in one of Derry Area's school clubs and philanthropic organizations



College in High School Program: Earn college credits from local colleges (Seton Hill, St. Vincent, University of Pittsburgh, Robert Morris, St. Francis) and universities at a fraction of the cost of regular college tuition rates.

Advanced Placement Options: Choose from any of Derry Area's accredited AP courses

Socialization: The Derry Cyber program believes in the importance of developing a sense of community and socialization within learning experiences.

Instructional Technology: Each course integrates the use of several multimedia tools designed to engage students in the course content as well as with their peers providing students with the ability to discover and share with their online classmates and build critical skills for interacting and collaborating online.



School Performance Profile

Not one of PA's cyber charters has achieved a passing SPP score of 70 in any of the four years that the SPP has been in effect.

	2019
Derry Area HS	75.9
21st Century CS	62.1
Achievement House CS	46.6
ACT Academy Cyber CS	30.6
Agora Cyber CS	44.1
ASPIRA Bilingual CS	37.4
CPA Digital Learning CS	49.2
C Connections Academy CS	44.5
Ed Plus Acad Cyber CS	-
Esperanza Cyber CS	52.6
PA Cyber CS	50.1
PA Distance Learning CS	39.3
PA Leadership CS	59.3
PA Virtual CS	59.1
Susq-Cyber CS	46.6