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CYBER CHARTER REFORM SAVES TAXPAYER MONEY

Cyber charter schools are publicly funded schools paid for with taxpayer dollars. For more than 25 years, they operated without real accountability, costing our local school districts millions.

We changed that.

Because of new reforms at the state level, millions of dollars are now staying in our school districts, where they belong, supporting brick-and-mortar classrooms, students, and educators, and helping to prevent property tax hikes.

This is real progress toward fairness in school funding, and we're proud of what it means for our local brick-and-mortar schools this year.

STATE BUDGET PLAN WOULD HELP EVERYONE

In early February, the governor proposed his 2026-27 state budget. I am excited that the plan will continue to build on the successes of recent years regarding education funding, community safety, affordable housing and putting money back in the pockets of people living in Monroe and Pike counties.

In the current 2025-26 state budget, we provided tax cuts through the **Working Pennsylvanians Tax Credit** and the **Child and Dependent Care Enhancement Tax Credit**. We also were successful in continuing to adequately fund our public schools, which have been shortchanged by the state for decades, thus leading to local tax property increases. We provided a COLA for long-time state retirees and began working to make housing more affordable.

CYBER CHARTER REFORM IS PUTTING MONEY BACK IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EAST STROUDSBURG:
\$1.4 million **BACK**


STROUDSBURG:
\$2.1 million **BACK**

DELAWARE VALLEY:
\$200,000 **BACK**

Governor Shapiro's
BUDGET ADDRESS 2026

This budget is rooted in everyday reality: whether a paycheck stretches far enough to cover rent, groceries, childcare, and other essentials. Its purpose is clear—**lower costs and make life more affordable across Pennsylvania.**

Over the past several years, House Democrats have made historic investments in education, property tax relief, workforce development, and economic growth. Those efforts laid the foundation for this budget.





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2026 ENVIROTHON

NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION: It begins at home!



THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2026

Northampton County Envirothon 2026
Hosted by The Northampton County Conservation District
Louise Moore Park, 151 Country Club Rd, Easton PA 18045

- The Northampton County Envirothon invites all county area high schools to join us for this hands-on environmental competition.
- Teams' grades nine through twelve, from Northampton County area school districts compete in five environmental categories. The categories are soils and land use, wildlife, forestry, aquatic ecology and the current environmental issue for 2026, "Non-Point Source Pollution: It begins at home!" The county winner will advance to the State competition.
- Students gain real-world experience, teamwork skills, and a deeper appreciation for our natural environment.
- For more information, please scan the QR code.

