



Southern Huntingdon County School District Annual Report

Mission

The Southern Huntingdon County School District rocketing our students into their future.

Vision

We are committed to our students becoming leaders in the 21st Century, using critical thinking and interpersonal skills to succeed in a global society.





LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

As we conclude another year at the Southern Huntingdon County School District, we are proud to share our 2025–2026 Annual Community Report as a reflection of our collective accomplishments. Guided by our mission of “rocketing our students into their future” our faculty, staff, administrators, and Board of Directors have remained committed to supporting this mission by focusing on student success. This report highlights the progress we have made, celebrates our shared successes, and reaffirms our commitment to preparing our students for success in an ever-evolving global society.

Sincerely,

Hillary Lambert





THE CLASS OF 2026

The class of 2026, 96 members strong, celebrated at the 68th commencement ceremony on Thursday, May 21st. Mr. Stephen Keim, SHCSD High School English teacher and Track and Field Coach for 24 years, served as the graduation speaker. He encouraged graduates to embrace life's inevitable changes and adjustments with flexibility and a willingness to adapt their plans and expectations. Following the ceremony, classmates released red and black balloons in memory of their classmate, Conner Robinson.





In Memoriam

The SHCSD community mourned the loss of senior Conner Robinson, who passed away unexpectedly in April. Conner enjoyed riding dirt bikes and motorcycles, fishing, hunting, listening to music, and spending time with friends. Through his athletic involvement, friendships, and connections within the community, Conner touched the lives of many and will be remembered fondly by those who knew him.





Community Engagement

The East Broad Top Railroad announced "Take the Train To School Day" in conjunction with the Southern Huntingdon County School District! On Friday, September 26, 2025 and Friday, October 3, 2025, the East Broad Top Railroad made history with the Southern Huntingdon County School District as students “rode the train” to school those days. Steam Locomotive #16 transported students from the EBT Station in Orbisonia, PA to the school campus, marking the first time **ever** that students could take an EBT train to school.







Student Engagement

SHC Coffee Co., in partnership with SHC Career Craft, is a student-led business that provides students with meaningful, hands-on, real-world learning experiences through the operation of a café-style service. What began as a small classroom initiative has grown into an engaging program where students take responsibility for preparing and serving beverages and food items, managing orders, and handling transactions. Through this experience, students develop essential workplace skills including teamwork, responsibility, time management, communication, and customer service, while also building confidence, independence, and practical financial literacy skills.





Rocket Online Academy

The Rocket Online Academy is the Southern Huntingdon County School District's online learning program, designed to meet the needs of students seeking a flexible, non-traditional educational experience. ROA offers tuition-free online and hybrid learning opportunities for students in grades K–12 while maintaining access to the services and supports available to district students.



INVESTING IN OUR STUDENTS. SAVING FOR OUR DISTRICT.


Rocket Online Academy (ROA) provides a high-quality, flexible education while delivering significant cost savings for our district.

 **ROCKET ONLINE ACADEMY (ROA)**
OUR ONLINE PROGRAM

Estimated Annual Cost Per Full-Time Student


\$2,500 – \$3,000


Educated by SHC teachers.
Personalized support. Strong connections.
EXCELLENCE. FLEXIBILITY. VALUE.

 **CYBER CHARTER SCHOOL**
REGULAR EDUCATION

Estimated Annual Cost Per Full-Time Student


\$13,119



 **CYBER CHARTER SCHOOL**
SPECIAL EDUCATION

Estimated Annual Cost Per Full-Time Student

\$24,794.91



 **THE SHC ADVANTAGE**

 **SAVINGS VS. REGULAR EDUCATION**
CYBER CHARTER
\$10,119 – \$10,619
saved per student

 **SAVINGS VS. SPECIAL EDUCATION**
CYBER CHARTER
\$21,794.91 – \$22,294.91
saved per student

2025-2026 Highlights



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