

PACSP At Risk Plan Highlights

Bear Creek Community Charter School is expanding from two sections of each grade, kindergarten through eighth grade, to three sections of each grade, kindergarten through eighth grade. The first phase of the expansion plan took effect at the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year with the expansion from two to three sections of kindergarten and first grade, a nine percent increase in overall enrollment. This resulted in an increase in the number of students who fall within categories often considered the most vulnerable/at-risk learners. The School also experienced an increase in diversity among the student population at the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year.

Category	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
Economically Disadvantaged	204	251	245
English Language Learners	5	7	7
White	368	389	376
Black/African American	31	42	35
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	1	2
Hispanic	34	39	40
Multi-Racial	24	37	52
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	3	2	6

Bear Creek Community Charter School will utilize the bulk of the Pennsylvania Charter School Program Grant funds for furniture, fixtures, equipment and supplies. A portion of the grant funds will be leveraged to supplement additional funding from the School's general fund budget, along with Title I, Title II, and III funds, to provide additional support services to the most vulnerable/at-risk students. This includes:

- In-Person after-school tutoring for six weeks in the fall and six weeks each spring for students in kindergarten through second grade.
- Virtual after-school tutoring for six weeks in the fall and six weeks each spring for students in third grade through eighth grade.
- A dedicated forty-five minute block of instructional time each day for every student for individualized remediation and enrichment focusing on Math, English Language Arts and Science as part of the School's Response to Instruction and Intervention (RtII) program.
- Partnership with the Greater Wyoming Valley YMCA Power Scholars Academy Summer Program, held on campus for six weeks in the summer. Power Scholars Academy is a six-week summer learning program designed to help advance students' academic achievement through a full day of challenging math and reading instruction; fun arts, science, technology and engineering enrichment activities, community and career exploration; field trips and a healthy breakfast and lunch.
- On-campus summer tutoring for students in fifth through eighth grade who are not eligible for participation in the Power Scholars Academy program.
- Supporting students to engage in online credit recovery programs using virtual instruction through a third-party educational provider, supported by charter school staff.
- Providing all students with free breakfast and lunch.