About Us

The Penn Hills Charter School of Entrepreneurship (PHCSE) is a K-8, tuition-free, public charter school in Penn Hills, PA. We opened our doors in 2011, and have since grown to educate over 400 students from more than ten school districts in the Greater Pittsburgh region and beyond.

Students are educated in an innovative, hands-on, engaging curriculum of Entrepreneurship Education, which is aligned to Pennsylvania Common Core standards. This curriculum is designed to bring entrepreneurial and economic concepts alive for students. The lessons aligned to the core elementary and middle school curriculum of science, math, social studies, and English language arts incorporates basic economic and entrepreneurial concepts.

Utilizing the MicroSociety and the Network For Teaching Entrepreneurship curriculum, our youth entrepreneurs produce goods and services and also compete in our annual pitch competition called Soaring Shark Tank. Our elected officials establish laws. Crime Stoppers keep the peace, judges arbitrate disputes, and reporters track down stories. All students develop innovative ideas, write business plans, write resumes, earn wages in the school’s “inventive” form of currency, invest in product ideas, deposit and borrow money from “inventive” banks, and pay taxes and rent.

Our Mission

Our mission is to ensure all students have a real-life 21st-century learning experience, in an innovative, community based public school setting that enables them to reach their highest potential.

Vision

Our vision is for every student to reach his or her full potential and discover the pathways for lifelong success.

Core Values

We believe in Soaring to Success by building strong Character, Academics, Relationships, and Entrepreneurs for a life of leadership!
Dear Parents and Guardians:

We are pleased to present our second annual PHCSE Resource Guide!

Throughout this Guide, you will discover a listing of businesses owned and operated by parents and guardians of Penn Hills Charter School of Entrepreneurship students. Vendor categories range widely from health and beauty to professional contractor services and real estate. As an independent community-based charter school that teaches our scholars how to develop an entrepreneurial mindset, we are committed to supporting entrepreneurs who are apart of our community by sharing their contact information with you.

In June 2019, we celebrated our second eighth-grade graduation. And, in just a few years, many of our alumni scholars will enter college and or the workforce. We are confident they will be equipped with a strong foundation of leadership skills and an entrepreneurial mindset. We look forward to adding our alumni scholars businesses to future PHCSE Resource Guides!

We hope you find the first annual PHCSE Resource Guide beneficial. Feel free to share a copy with those in your community who may benefit from these services.

Yours truly,

Dr. Wayne Jones, CEO
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You can help PHCSE transform the educational experiences of youth by supporting us financially and/or by volunteering your time. Your contribution is appreciated and will help us grow our innovative entrepreneurship education program:

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