

# MCA School District



**Charter Cyber Costs  
July, 2020**

# Rising costs

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In 2019-2020 our district paid \$833,243.42 towards cyber education.

The cost of charter school districts continue to grow. Since 2007-08, cyber charter tuition costs have continued to grow by \$1.4 billion, or 229.5% while charter enrollments have only increased by 112.9%

(Source [www.pacharterchange.org](http://www.pacharterchange.org))

# MCA BUDGET NUMBERS

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- 67 Students enrolled in outside cyber cost = \$723,313.42 (2019-2020)
- 39 Full time and 6 part time Students enrolled in our TELA cyber cost = \$109,930 (2019-2020)
  
- Total budget(\$20,861,396.05)
- Total percentage of our budget in 2019-2020 = (4.01%)

# Per student costs

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Regular education student cost = Approx \$9,001

Special education student cost = Approx \$20,868

- Did you know this is an additional cost to our district?

# Success Rates

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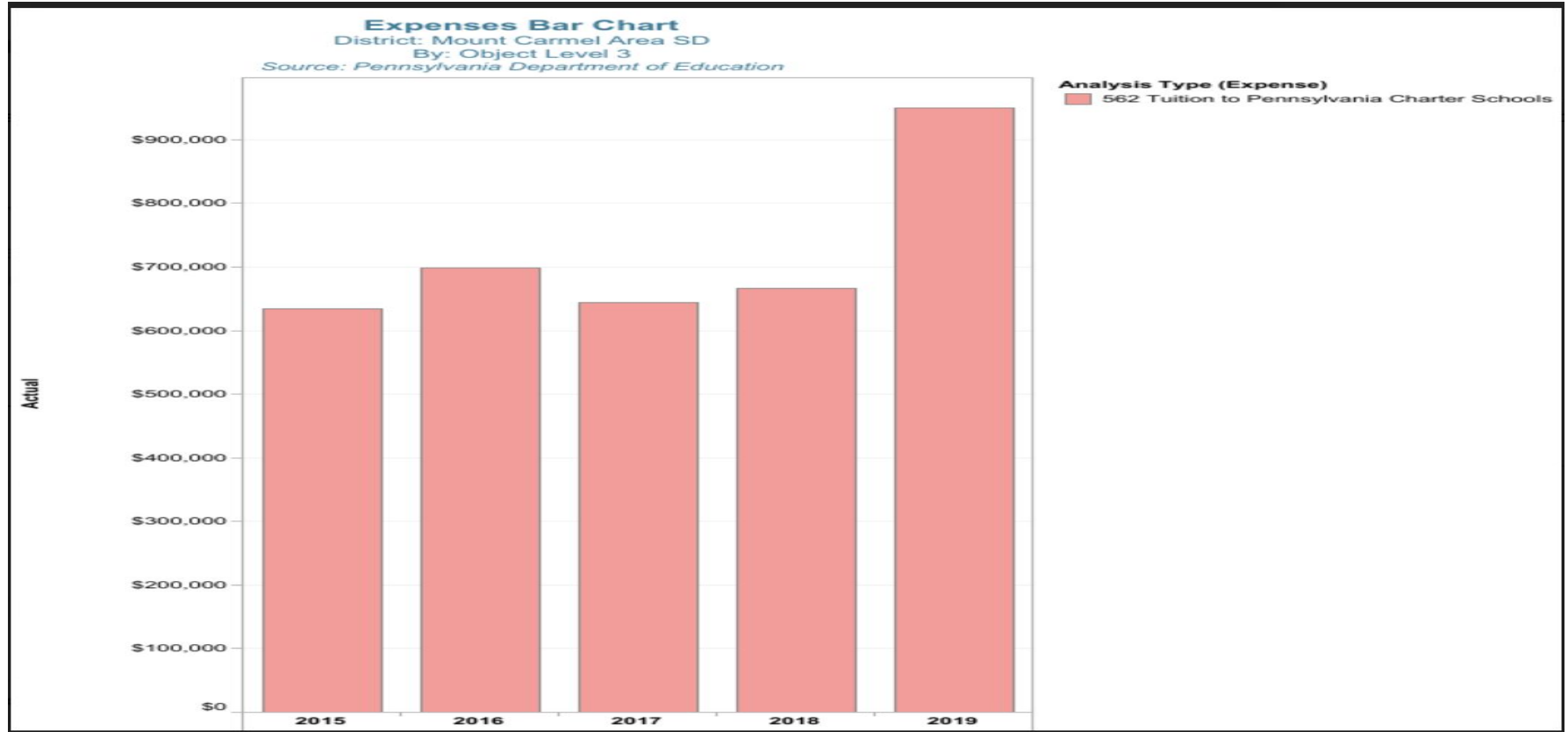
When looking at any measure of academic performance, charter schools consistently score lower than traditional school districts. The difference is even more apparent when comparing school districts to cyber charter schools.

- 3rd grade English language proficiency was 22.3% lower in cyber charter schools than traditional school districts.
- 7th grade math proficiency was 25.3% lower in cyber charter schools than traditional school districts.

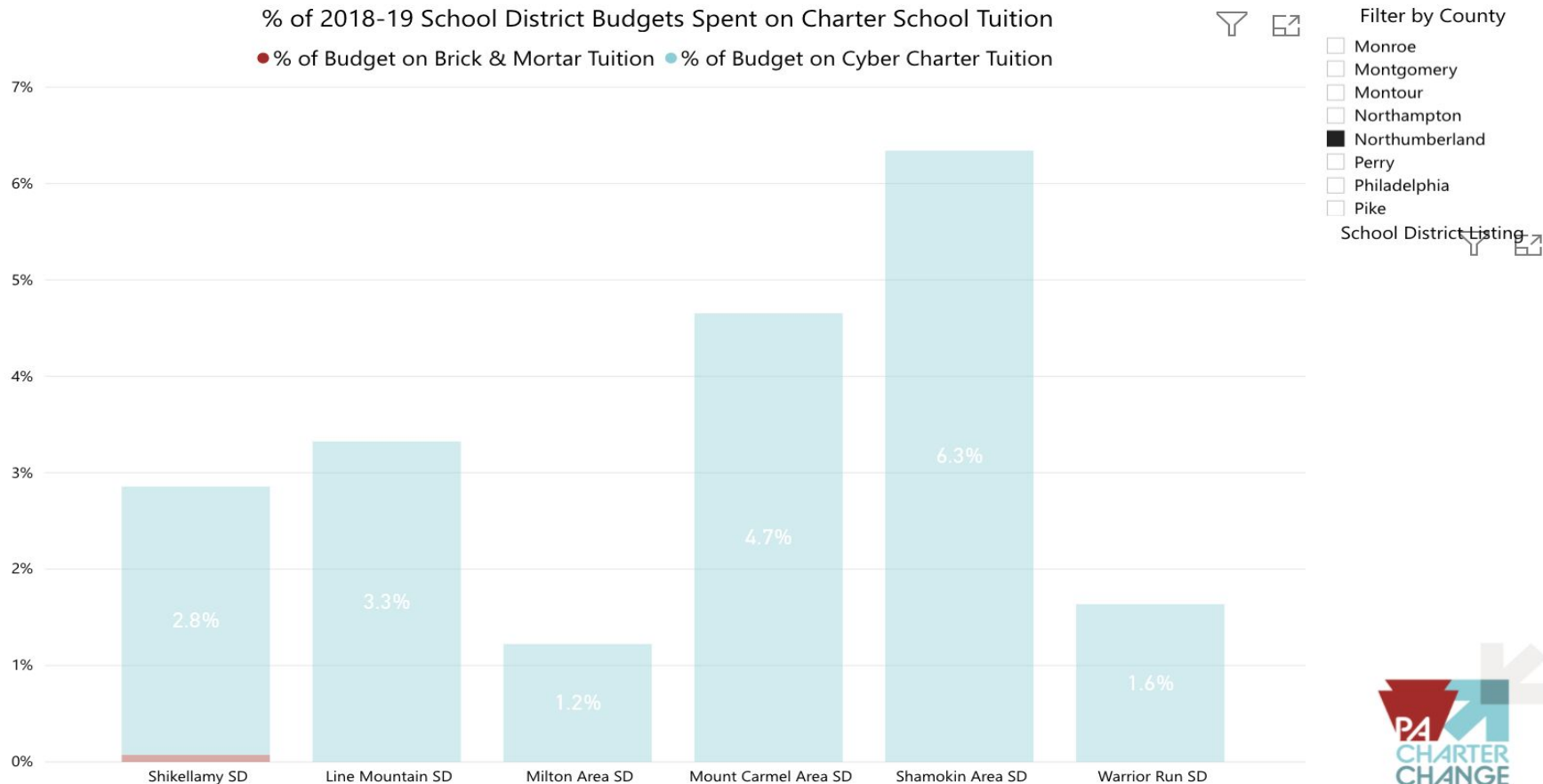
During the five years when the state issued School Performance Profile scores, none of Pennsylvania's cyber schools earned passing grades.

Source: PACYBERCHANGE.ORG

# Rise in Cyber costs the last 5 years



# County Cyber Cost Comparison



# MORE INFORMATION

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- Please contact the elementary or high school main office for more information on our MCA's online cyber school called Tornado eLearning Academy (TELA.)
- We are encouraging all outside cyber school students to return to MCA or TELA.
- Positives of this move: you will receive an MCA diploma, ability to attend MCA events such as graduation, prom, class night, etc.
- New educational pamphlet created:

<http://www.mca.k12.pa.us/wp/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/district-cyber-school-collaterals.pdf>



# We can offer a better cyber education with TELA!

- Contact us for more information!
- 570 339 1500



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