Keystone School

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OSPI Approval

Approved as an Approved Online Course Provider since 2019-2020.

Student Performance and Demographics

Data for school year: 2018-2019

Course completion rate: 42%

Course pass rate: 99%

Overview

The Keystone School is a distance learning program that serves a variety of learners across the globe. The Keystone School is a Private Licensed School through the PA Dept of Education. Although the school's offices are located in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, Keystone students are located across all 50 states and nearly 100 countries. Several schools and districts across the country also utilize Keystone's curriculum to offer their students credit recovery, summer school, or individual course offerings. Therefore, Keystone's community cannot be defined by a particular geographical location, but rather as a global community.

Keystone students tend to be independent, goal-oriented, and motivated individuals that have access to an active and involved parent or adult. Families seek out the Keystone program and choose to enroll their students for a variety of reasons, typically including one or more of the following:

Increased flexibility

Year-round start options

High quality education

Greater parental involvement

Safety from bullying

Support from certified teachers in a home learning environment

A more flexible learning environment and schedule for students with health or emotional issues that interfere with typical school schedules

A more flexible learning environment and schedule for students heavily involved in time-consuming professional activities and/or careers (such as acting, professional athletics, etc.)

Prior to enrollment, 66% of students report coming from a public school, 24% from a homeschool program, and 10% from other school types. Typically, Keystone's full time students are diploma-seeking, while the part-time students attend Keystone for the purposes of supplementing their traditional school program or homeschool curriculum. Approximately 80% of the middle school students and 70% of the high school students identify Keystone as their school of record, denoting a larger amount of middle school students than high school students utilizing Keystone as a full-time school.

Course Offerings
Subjects:
- Arts
- Language Arts
- Lifeskills-Health
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- Technology
- World Languages

Levels:
- Advanced Placement

- Standard

Students
Keystone's supported independent learning model is a natural fit for students who are goal driven and very focused on their future. They need or want a flexible way to complete high school and move closer to their goals. Analysis of data from the National Student Clearinghouse data shows that approximately 55% of Keystone's yearly graduates continue to a two or four-year college right out of high school. Anecdotally, the school learns that many other students are dancing, skiing, skating, playing musical instruments at a high level; doing mission work; taking a gap year; have a medical need like requires homebound instruction; utilizing courses or fulfill school district course gap; or proceeding with their own future in their own way, in adherence to Keystone's mission of enabling students to achieve their goals.

Student-Teacher Contact Requirements
Keystone School serves high school students taking supplemental courses. We provide regular progress reports which monitor students' levels of engagement and activities within the courses in order to oversee that courses are being completed and we require that all assignments within the courses be completed prior to issuing course credit. It is Keystone's expectation that school/district ALE programs will monitor weekly contact requirements.