

State System News Highlights

[Is enrollment starting to grow at Pennsylvania universities?](#)

Thursday, August 31, 2017

College enrollment may be growing as administrators tackle tough issues at some Pennsylvania State System universities where student numbers have been declining since 2011.

By Debra Erdley, The Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

[Cal U enrollment increases for first time in six years](#)

Wednesday, September 6, 2017

As classes began last week at California University of Pennsylvania, the school experienced its first increase in student enrollment in six years.

By Eric Morris, The (Uniontown) Herald Standard

[Cheyney University submits plans to save its accreditation](#)

Friday, September 1, 2017

Cheyney University, one of the nation's oldest historically black colleges, moved to save its accreditation and avert closure by submitting a mandated report showing its approach to balancing the school's budget and addressing other institutional concerns. Aaron Walton, Cheyney's interim president, confirmed that his school has met a deadline set by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education to submit the document by Friday.

By Bill Schackner, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

[A.G. rolls out roundtable to tackle campus problems, sex assaults during forum at WCU](#)

Thursday, August 31, 2017

It's not just students and parents who have thoughts and concerns about heading back to college campuses. Pennsylvania Attorney General Josh Shapiro is serious about preventing drug and alcohol abuse on campus, while at the same time addressing mental health issues and sexual assault.

During a Thursday press conference at West Chester University, the state's top cop told a packed meeting room about a new campus safety initiative.

By Bill Rettew, The (West Chester) Daily Local News

[Please keep hate off our campus](#)

Tuesday, August 29, 2017

A little more than two weeks ago, hordes of people descended upon Charlottesville, Virginia, in preparation for the 'Unite the Right' rally that took place on Aug. 12. The catalyst of the rally, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center, was the planned removal of a statue of Confederate General Robert E. Lee from Emancipation Park, which was recently renamed from Lee Park. What ensued was repugnant.

The (Shippensburg University) Slate - editorial

[PAYS survey to ID student risks in 8 Valley schools](#)

Tuesday, August 29, 2017

A teenage life lived in homes rife with physical violence, mental abuse and drug addiction may seem a lonely existence. But it's an existence shared in untold American households coast to coast, border to border. An anonymous survey administered in eight Valley schools this fall will reveal risk factors impacting the lives of the respective student bodies at Mid-West, Mifflinburg, Milton, Mount Carmel, Selinsgrove, Shamokin, Shikellamy and Warrior Run.

By Eric Scicchitano, The (Sunbury) Daily Item

[Go Global: How An International Internship Can Change Your Life](#)

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

Apart from graduation, there's a time when the anxiety and excitement of entering the professional world kick in during college: internship season. Students take this phase in their lives seriously, as landing a dream internship could lead to a job in the same company down the road.

By Ryan McMunn, in the Huffington Post

[Alcohol education for college athletes](#)

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

13 colleges nationwide have been awarded a grant to educate college athletes about alcohol use and abuse. Bloomsburg University was among the institutions chosen by NCAA. The university is looking to expand their education on alcohol. By targeting athletes, they're hoping other students will learn from them.

By Cody Butler, PA Homepage

[WCU orientation program offers common-sense answers to sex on campus](#)

Thursday, August 31, 2017

Freshmen orientation, one of the first chances for colleges to help students bridge the gap between living at home with their folks and freshmen getting a huge taste of freedom, is ongoing at West Chester University. While many incoming students at West Chester University will miss mom's cooking, and for the first time will have to buy their own text books, they are also faced with decisions concerning sex.

By Bill Rettew, The (West Chester) Daily Local News

[Project Textbook launched to help Mansfield students](#)

Monday, September 4, 2017

In an effort to help students who may have difficulty paying for textbooks, Mansfield University has launched a new two-part program called Project Textbook.

The (Williamsport) Sun-Gazette

['We must be willing to change': Q&A with retiring Pa. state system chancellor](#)

Friday, September 1, 2017

Today is Frank Brogan's final day at chancellor of the State System of High Education. Brogan, 63, made the announcement in mid-July after spending just short of four years in the position. He came to the system from Florida, where he was serving as chancellor of the State University System of Florida.

By Jan Murphy, The (Harrisburg) Patriot-News/PennLive

[Ahead of retirement, Chancellor Frank Brogan reflects on his tenure and the future of the State System](#)

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

Frank Brogan's departure Friday after nearly four years as State System of Higher Education chancellor apparently will come without regrets — be it over decisions related to the system's first faculty strike or moves to keep the 14 universities afloat.

By Bill Schackner, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

[Edinboro University avoids faculty layoffs, but offers few specifics on savings](#)

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

A second state-owned campus, Edinboro University, apparently has decided against classroom layoffs this academic year and instead will seek savings through attrition and “other opportunities to align faculty work” with student needs.

By Bill Schackner, The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

The Real Campus Scourge

Saturday, September 2, 2017

Across the country, college freshmen are settling into their new lives and grappling with something that doesn't compete with protests and political correctness for the media's attention, something that no one prepared them for, something that has nothing to do with being “snowflakes” and everything to do with being human. They're lonely.

By Frank Bruni, The New York Times

Articles from subscription sites

Enrollment up at Clarion University

CLARION -Overall student enrollment numbers are up at Clarion University for the first time since 2009. Enrollment stood at 5,256 after the first day of classes. The number of new students (undergraduates, transfers and graduate students) is up by nearly 100, the second year in a row that number has grown. -- *The (Oil City) Derrick*

CUP enters battle against opioid crisis

Clarion University has committed to help battle the opioid crisis by offering a class teaching advanced prevention, education and treatment of opioid abuse. With no pre-requisites, students and non-students who complete the class... - *Clarion News*

Improvements touted at SRU

SLIPPERY ROCK — With summer coming to an end and the school year beginning, Slippery Rock University announced Thursday an estimated \$6 million... - *Butler Eagle*