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### SESSION STATUS

At 3:27 p.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 2026, the House stands adjourned until Monday, April 13, 2026, at 12:00 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

At 12:42 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, the Senate recessed until Monday, April 20, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore.

### UPCOMING SESSION DAYS

#### House

April 13-15, 27-29  
May 4-6  
June 1-3, 8-10, 15-17, 22-30  
Sept. 28-30  
Oct. 5-7, 19-21  
Nov. 9, 10

#### Senate

April 20-22  
May 4-6  
June 1-3, 8-10, 22-26, 29-30

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### Press Conferences

*PLS coverage of Capitol events including press conferences, bill signings and media availabilities*

No press conferences this week.

### Committee News

*Comprehensive coverage of the House & Senate public hearings and voting meetings*

No committee news this week.

### Bullet.in.Points

#### GENERAL ASSEMBLY: RECENT ACTIONS DURING THE 2026 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly released a summary of recent actions taken. Additional information is available on the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

### Cosponsor Memos

#### **HCO3350 - 80th Anniversary Year of the State YMCA of Pennsylvania Youth and Government Program in Pennsylvania**

#### **Sponsor**

Rep. Thomas L. Mehaffie (R)

#### **Summary**

Resolution that designates the year 2026 as the “80th Anniversary Year of the State YMCA of Pennsylvania Youth and Government Program” in Pennsylvania.

#### **Intro Date**

04/06/2026

#### **Last Action**

04/08/2026 H - Introduced HR500

## **HCO3357 - CTE Program of Study Before Twelfth Grade**

### **Sponsor**

Rep. Aerion Abney (D)

### **Summary**

Removes the requirement that students wait until their senior year to take the end-of-program assessment (NOCTI exam).

### **Intro Date**

04/07/2026

### **Last Action**

04/07/2026 H - Cosponsor memo filed

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## **HCO3359 - Sales Tax Exclusion for Office Products**

### **Sponsor**

Rep. Jeff Olsommer (R)

### **Summary**

Exempts all office supplies from the sales tax for six months as part of the “Freedom Through Affordability” package of sales tax holidays.

### **Intro Date**

04/07/2026

### **Last Action**

04/07/2026 H - Cosponsor memo filed

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## **HCO3364 - Giving School Administrators in Pittsburgh the Right to Collectively Bargain**

### **Sponsor**

Rep. Jennifer Mazzocco (D)

### **Summary**

Adds Pittsburgh Public Schools to the list of school districts whose administrators are authorized to organize under the Administrative Code of 1929.

### **Intro Date**

04/07/2026

### **Last Action**

04/07/2026 H - Cosponsor memo filed

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## **SCO1683 - School-Based Health Center Funding**

### **Sponsor**

Sen. Sharif Street (D)

### **Summary**

Aims to require state funding for clinics known as School-Based Health Centers (SBHCs).

### **Intro Date**

04/02/2026

### **Last Action**

04/02/2026 S - Cosponsor memo filed

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## **SCO1685 - Honoring Pennsylvania's 2026 NCAA Wrestling Champions, All-Americans and the Pennsylvania State University's National Team Championship**

### **Sponsor**

Sen. Scott Martin (R)

### **Summary**

Resolution recognizing the Penn State Wrestling Team for winning its 14th NCAA team title and celebrating the achievements of Pennsylvania wrestlers at this year's national championships.

### **Intro Date**

04/02/2026

### **Last Action**

04/02/2026 S - Cosponsor memo filed

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## **SCO1696 - Recognizing National Library Week in Pennsylvania**

### **Sponsor**

Sen. Katie J. Muth (D)

### **Summary**

Resolution designating April 19 through April 25, 2026, as National Library Week in Pennsylvania.

### **Intro Date**

04/08/2026

### **Last Action**

04/08/2026 S - Cosponsor memo filed

## Basic Ed Bill Actions

**HB2358 - An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in charter schools, further providing for funding for cyber charter schools.**

### Sponsor

Rep. Nikki Rivera (D)

### Summary

(PN 3135) Amends the Public School Code, in charter schools, further providing for funding for cyber charter schools. Provides for no tuition charge for a resident or nonresident student from a school district with an approved online learning program, and that student residing in the school district and attending an outside cyber charter school if the online learning criteria established by the department are met. Requires collaboration between the department, Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators and Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials to develop and maintain criteria for which a school district is exempt from tuition payments per student residing in the district to a cyber charter school. Details that criteria may include in-person orientation for students and parents, student residency verification, tracking student attendance, participation and course completion, daily access to technical support, providing flexible learning options, case manager assignments to students with individualized education programs, providing orientation programs and probationary periods for new students and monitoring student performance on a regular basis. Effective in 60 days.

### Intro Date

04/06/2026

### Actions

04/06/2026 H - Introduced

04/06/2026 H - Referred to House Education

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## Higher Ed Bill Actions

No Bill Actions this week.

## Upcoming Events

### **MONDAY – 04/13/2026**

**12:00 PM, PA Student Day of Action**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Steps*

### **TUESDAY – 04/14/2026**

**9:00 AM, [House Education](#)**

*Informational Meeting, Room 140, Main Capitol*

Informational meeting on educational tax credits under Article XX-B of the Public School Code.

**12:00 PM, AICUP Day on the Hill**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**1:00 PM, [Charter School Appeal Board](#)**

*Committee Meeting, Virtual*

**2:30 PM, Penn State Day**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**WEDNESDAY – 04/15/2026**

**10:00 AM, Educator Diversity**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**THURSDAY – 04/16/2026**

**1:00 PM, State Board of Higher Education**

*Committee Meeting, Virtual*

**TUESDAY – 04/21/2026**

**11:30 AM, Homeschool Capitol Day**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**1:00 PM, [House Education](#)**

*Informational Meeting, Pittsburgh Public Schools, 341 S. Bellefield Avenue, Pittsburgh*

Informational meeting to hear testimony from stakeholders and experts on artificial intelligence (AI) in K-12.

**WEDNESDAY – 04/22/2026**

**10:00 AM, [House Education](#)**

*Informational Meeting, Carnegie Mellon, Jared Cohen University Center, 5032 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh*

Informational meeting on artificial intelligence (AI) in teacher preparation programs.

**11:30 AM, 13th Annual Student Scholarship Competition Award Ceremony**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**1:00 PM, A Call to Action: The Need to Test for Radon in Schools**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**MONDAY – 04/27/2026**

**11:00 AM, Teach PA Annual Mission**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**WEDNESDAY – 04/29/2026**

**10:30 AM, Solar 4 Schools**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**MONDAY – 05/04/2026**

**10:00 AM, Early Childhood Education Providers**

*Press Conference, East Wing Rotunda*

**12:30 PM, PA Needs Teachers Coalition**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**1:00 PM, Solar 4 Schools**

*Press Conference, East Wing Rotunda*

**TUESDAY – 05/05/2026**

**8:30 AM, PASA and PASBO Discuss Budget Priorities**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**10:00 AM, PA Families for Education Choice Rally**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Steps*

**2:00 PM, A Vision for Early Childhood Education in PA**

*Press Conference, East Wing Rotunda*

**WEDNESDAY – 05/06/2026**

**10:00 AM, Out of School Time Education and Awareness Day**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Steps*

**1:00 PM, PA Literacy Coalition**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Rotunda*

**1:00 PM, PA Schools Work**

*Press Conference, Main Capitol Steps*

## **In the News**

[04/06/2026 - Governor Shapiro to Deliver Commencement Speeches at UPenn Carey Law School, High Schools Across the Commonwealth](#)

[04/06/2026 - Cutler Introduces Bipartisan PA WORKS Program to Support Pennsylvania Trade Students](#)

[04/06/2026 - Shapiro-Davis Administration's Investments in Career and Technical Education Are Helping Students Pursue High-Demand Careers and Addressing Workforce Shortages](#)

[04/08/2026 - teenTALK in Erie County: Attorney General Sunday Meets with Students for Discussion on Social Media's Impact on Mental Health](#)

[04/08/2026 - Auditor General DeFoor, Philadelphia Controller and Temple University Partner on Financial Literacy Resource Fair to Celebrate Financial Literacy Month](#)

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