

YorkCounts charter school eyes Northwest Triangle site

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The developer of York's Northwest Triangle has offered a site for the charter school proposed by the YorkCounts coalition, which includes a host of local business leaders.

[Bob Kinsley](#) would rent the school up to 40,000 square feet in the Smyser-Royer complex, a facility he is renovating near [Beaver And North Streets](#) in the Northwest Triangle redevelopment area, YorkCounts spokesman Dan Fink said.

Lease terms have not been discussed, but the deal would be good for the school because YorkCounts would have had to buy and renovate the other sites it was considering, Fink said.

YorkCounts, a nonprofit that works on quality-of-life issues in the county, is proposing a school that would serve children from the city and suburban districts and offer the prestigious [International Baccalaureate Curriculum](#).

The Smyser-Royer complex is close to [Sovereign Bank Stadium](#) and other downtown amenities, which made it a good match in the eyes of the YorkCounts leadership, Fink said.

"They wanted it in a part of the city that parents of students from the suburban districts would feel good about sending their kids into," he said.

YorkCounts plans to start the school in time for the 2011-12 school year.