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YorkCounts summit to focus on education

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(Wrightsville) -- Pennsylvania's education system and its fiscal problems will be the focus of YorkCounts' community summit today. Judith McCormick Higgins, a panelist at the event at Penn State York, is a board member of the Eastern York School District and board president of Lincoln Intermediate Unit 12. She says being a board member is frustrating because there's so much school boards cannot control. "So much is handed down that we 'must do' and there's not the money in place to do it," she says. "We must offer cyber charter schools as an option so if Eastern creates a cyber charter school to try to contain costs that's wonderful but the law does not say that our children have to stay at Eastern York's cyber charter school, they can go wherever they want to go so we have then lost control of costs again." Other panelists will include state lawmakers, and representatives from the Pennsylvania School Boards Association and Harrisburg-based think tank, the Keystone Research Center. YorkCounts plans to compile a list of recommendations from the day-long summit to present to the York County delegation of the General Assembly.



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