



**a connected student café @ 224 N. Jefferson St.
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#hubitup**

The Hub is a student café for all Greenbrier Valley middle school and high school students. We provide a safe, cool, learning-rich space for teenagers – a target population often underserved in our area.

The Hub is operated by High Rocks Educational Corporation, a non-profit known locally for its 20-year Academy for Girls program. The Hub operates in a space owned by Montwell Park, a new public community park at the site of the old Fort Savannah Inn.

The Hub provides free mentorship, homework help, art supplies, musical instruments, workshops, games, a protected Wi-Fi connected computer lab, and food – all at little to no cost to the student. Our goal is to personally welcome each student who comes through the door with, “How was your day? Do you have any homework? Are you hungry?”

The Hub is governed by an honor code. Students must respect themselves, respect others, and respect this place. We also maintain the Hub as a drug-free, drama-free, romance-free program.

Located right downtown, the Hub gives teenagers the opportunity to take advantage of the cultural wealth Lewisburg has to offer. Teens can come and go from different afterschool activities and classes.

The Hub gives teenagers a space, specifically designed for them, to call their own in downtown Lewisburg. The Hub offers a mature atmosphere for teenagers with its college campus café-like vibe but unlike other cafés and bakeries, it also is a place where students receive active community support.

In partnership with the Greenbrier County School System, we are able to offer students transportation by school bus to The Hub on a daily basis. Students can also take advantage of the activity bus, which gives students a ride home for those who participate in sports and afterschool programming.

Throughout the week students can participate in different structured activities and projects focused on art, music, entrepreneurship and empowerment.





One of our main projects, focused around entrepreneurship, is a student-run smoothie bar. Students, with adult facilitators, have been the primary creators of the smoothie bar business. They collectively brainstormed, tested, approved and priced the smoothie and sandwich menu. In partnership with the Workforce, West Virginia's youth program, we have six student employees who attend Greenbrier East High School and Greenbrier West High School. This allows High Rocks to give young students an opportunity to gain

valuable work experience that is giving them the building blocks to be productive members of our society.

On Friday nights, you can always find live youth bands, karaoke and open mics performing.

The Hub is a wonderful resource to parents and the community. It is open weekdays from 3 – 8 pm. During the day and on the weekends, the Hub is used by Boy Scouts, homeschool groups, foreign exchange students, celebrating sports teams, youth clubs, youth organizations, fundraisers, community non-profits and others in the community. Contact us to schedule your event.

The Hub is made possible thanks to the support of community partners and volunteers.

In September and October of 2015, we averaged around 15 students a day. Our first goal is to grow usage to an average of 30 students a day, and to recruit volunteers and funding partners to support the Hub's continued growth.



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