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## Cyber Security Camp Funded by Wall Street West



Wall Street West was set up to provide cyber-security for the information hub of New York City in case disaster strikes. The project calls for transferring financial

information between our region and New York via fiber optic lines. But now, the agencies behind the initiative are trying to secure a stronger work force, and they're looking locally. WFMZ's Melissa Batulis explains.

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>> 1..2..3..4..5 1..2..3..4..5 OK. >> REPORTER: Before Tom Bator starts his senior year at Wilson High School, he's trying to get a better handle on what he wants to study in college. >> BATOR: I want to go into engineering or a computer science related subject. >> REPORTER: His latter choice is the basis for a week-long Cyber Security Camp at Penn State Berks...helping Bator and other local students gain a greater interest in information technology. >> KUHNS: Maybe a possible career, just depends on how things go. >> REPORTER: A recent study of the nine- county Wall Street West region found only six percent of high school students are interested in pursuing an I-T career. >> KONAK: That number is not enough, so we have to increase students' interest in this area. >> REPORTER: That potential interest is valuable enough to the Wall Street West project to warrant a 41- thousand dollar grant to fund the camp. >> KONAK: Students learn about information security, how to protect computers, how to defend networks, how to secure communications and so forth. >> REPORTER: Those are skills that are in demand...and according to Money Magazine, the need is rapidly growing. Penn State Berks recently started offering a new I-T degree in risk and security management...a major that at this point carries very little risk of its own when it comes to job security. >> BATOR: Just seems like the right choice to go into. >> REPORTER: In Spring Township, Melissa Batulis, 69 News Berks Edition.

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