

# THE SCRAWLS

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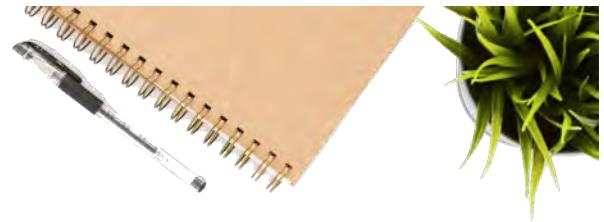
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## meetings of the board

Co-Op members are invited to attend opening devotions and share a public comment. Contact [mail@chalc.org](mailto:mail@chalc.org) to be placed on the agenda for public comment. Meeting site may change.



Coalition of Homeschoolers Across Lancaster County  
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## join CHALC...

**Your homeschool group  
is welcome to join CHALC!**

The Coalition of Homeschoolers across Lancaster County (CHALC) is an umbrella organization serving homeschool groups, with a combined count of over 600 families. CHALC publishes this online newsletter in which member homeschool groups advertise their activities, such as field trips, meetings, and learning cooperatives. CHALC also provides liability insurance for publicized activities, a web site for each group, leadership breakfasts and other events, as well as a variety of discounts.

Over the years, CHALC has strived to pass along accurate information of interest to the homeschool community, including educational developments, legislative bills, and local resources. CHALC endeavors to encourage homeschool families by sponsoring the annual CHALC graduation, publishing homeschool family experiences, and recognizing student achievement in The Scrawls.

The various positions on the CHALC Board are filled by fellow volunteer homeschool parents. If you would like to learn more about the Board and its activities, please contact us at [mail@chalc.org](mailto:mail@chalc.org).

**CHALC Homeschool Group Membership for the 2020/2021 school year is just \$25 a family! If a family is in more than one CHALC homeschool group a rebate is offered.**

## Matt Monticchio Music Lessons

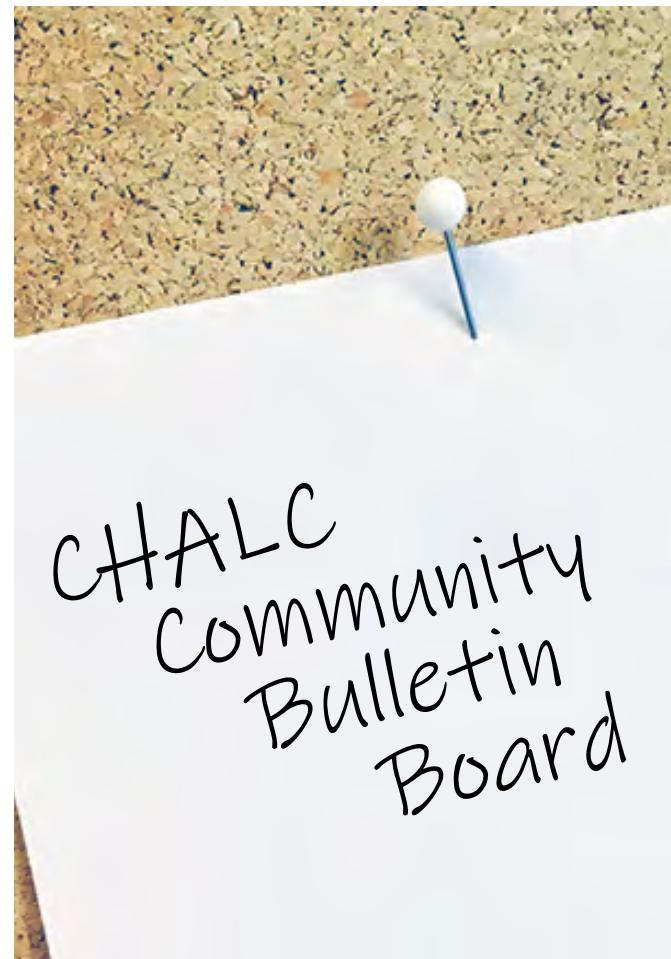
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My name is Matt Monticchio. I have been active as a pianist, composer, teacher, performer, and church music director in the Central PA area for over 20 years. I have degrees in music education and a Master's in music composition. Teaching all levels and abilities, I blend classical, jazz, improvisation, reading music, playing by ear, and music theory and history; Lessons are given at Lancaster and York locations.

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# SAVE THE DATE

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Welcome, parents and seniors of 2022!

Join us for an evening of information, ice cream and fun! Following the meeting, the ice cream bar will open, as well as the volleyball courts for those desiring some friendly competition - looking forward to seeing you there!

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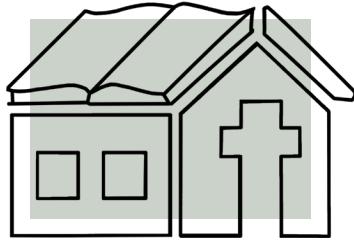
Sunday,  
August 22  
5:30 - 8:00pm

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Youth Building  
2298 Camp Road  
Manheim, PA 17545

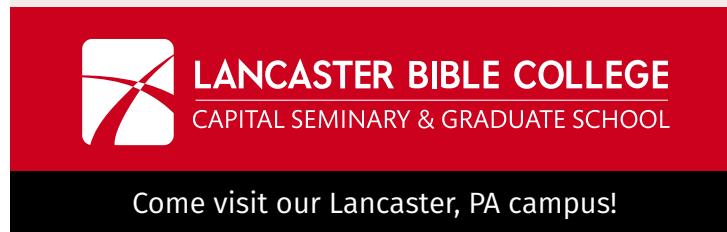
*Follow the driveway through the campground to the top of the hill where there is a large building with a parking lot.*



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## **Conestoga Valley Homeschoolers**

[www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cvhomeschoolers/](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cvhomeschoolers/)

**CV Homeschoolers, a Christian-based, parent-run co-op meets ten weeks from September through November and ten weeks from February through April on Thursday afternoons.**

We offer Nursery and Preschool. Grades K-6 have choir, gym, and an elective each semester. Grades 7 and up have two or three electives each semester with music/choir in the spring. Electives include academic and non-academic classes.



Membership fee includes ALL classes for ALL of your children for both semesters. Some classes may require that you purchase certain books or pay additional fees to cover needed supplies, but we always try to offer a “no-additional cost” class option for every period and age group.

Our parents volunteer to teach the classes and fill helper positions. We rely on parent participation and offer activities that parents are willing to organize and staff. This keeps our costs low and affordable for all family sizes and incomes.

*Please mark your calendar so you can attend our August Parents' Meeting. The meeting is Tuesday, August 31st from 7-9 PM at DOVE Westgate Church in the Cove. There will be treats, fellowship, and information about our upcoming year. (Come at 6:45 if you want some extra chat time!)*

**THIS IS A MANDATORY MEETING FOR ALL MOMS AND TEACHERS!** (Dads are welcome too, but this meeting is mandatory for the parent who will regularly attend co-op)  
**This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with our new members and welcome them to our CV Homeschoolers' family.**

### **July 2021**

**July 17th, 2021 - 5:30 pm** - Co-Op Summer Picnic

**July 29th, 2021 - 8am - 12pm** - Curriculum Sale at Donna Shenk's Home

### **August 2021**

**August 7th, 2021 - 8:30am** - Moms' Coffee & Shopping Morning,  
Mill 72 Bake Shop & Cafe (45 N. Main St., Manheim, PA 17545)

**August 31st, 2021 - 7pm -9pm** - Parents' Meeting at DOVE Westgate Church

### **Summer Park Days**

*Join us this summer at various parks around the county. Pack a lunch and come out and play!  
**11 am - 2 pm***

**August 5th, 2021** - Paradise Park 6 London Vale Rd Gordansville, PA 17529

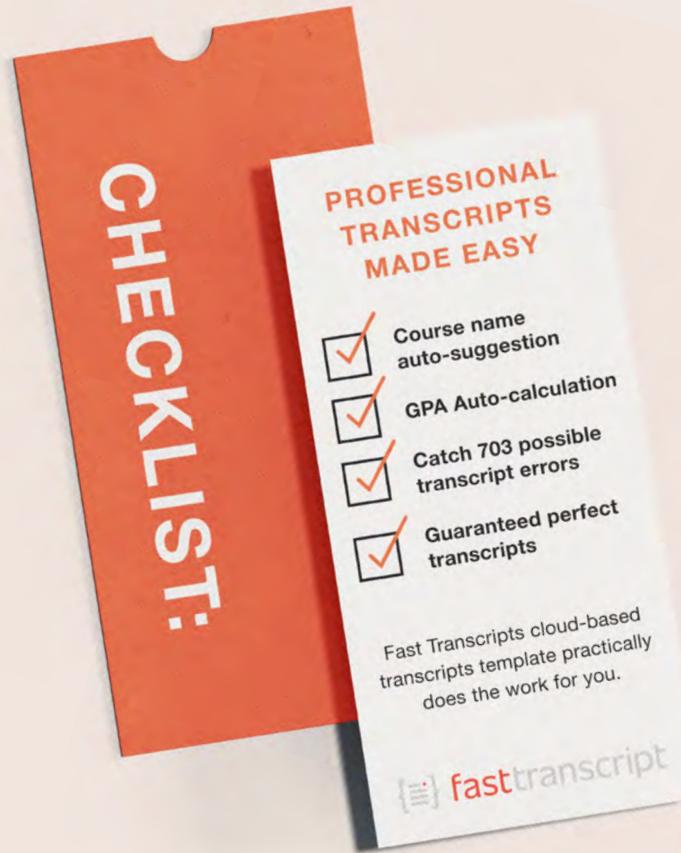
**August 19th, 2021** - Thomas Grater Park 320 Cocalico St. Ephrata, PA 17522

**September 2nd, 2021** - East Lampeter Park 2330 Hobson Rd. Lancaster, PA 17602

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-Kristy T, Fort Wayne, IN



## **Cornerstone Homeschoolers Lower Tier**

Cornerstone Homeschoolers exists to provide a supportive Christian community for homeschooling families.

For the 2021-2022 school year, we plan to meet at Grace Baptist Church, together with Cornerstone Upper Tier, on Thursday afternoons.

[www.cornerstonelowertier.com](http://www.cornerstonelowertier.com)

We have a new e-mail address: [lower.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com](mailto:lower.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com)



*Track & Field Day*

*We're excited about getting ready for our new co-op year together!*

### Calendar of Events

#### **Summer Park Dates:**

- Wed, Aug 4 - Daniel's Den
- Thur, Aug 19 - Long's Park
- Thur, Sept. 2 - Mountville Park at Wooden Playground (Dessert Social)

#### **2021-2022 School Year Dates:**

- August 2021 - 31 (Mandatory Parent Meeting for all members)
- September 2021 - 16, 23, 30
- October 2021 - 7, 21, 28
- November 2021 - 4, 18
- December 2021 - 2 (Christmas Party)
- January 2022 - 20, 27
- February 2022 - 3, 17, 24
- March 2022 - 3, 17, 24  
(Possible Snow Make-Up Day)

Cornerstone Lower Tier serves families with children in nursery – 8th grade with enrichment classes, gym, choir, field trips and opportunities to fellowship in a Christian environment. We meet for eight weeks in the fall and eight weeks in the spring. All participating members are expected to serve by monitoring, teaching, and cleaning.

# Our Groups: Cornerstone Homeschoolers

**Fall 2021**

	PRESCHOOL	KINDERGARTEN-1st GRADE	2-3rd GRADES	4-6th GRADES	7-8th GRADES
<b>1st Period: 12:30-1:30</b>	Preschool Group A Learning Time	Times and Seasons	Gym	Choir	Art of the Middle Ages
	Preschool Group B Play/snack time	Creation Week Community Helpers			Yearbook
	Preschool Group A Play/snack time	Choir Group A	Spanish	Gym/Fitness	I Spy: Spying During the Revolutionary War
<b>2nd Period: 1:35-2:35</b>	Preschool Group B Learning Time	Choir Group B	Math Games		
	Play/movie time	Gym	Choir	Sewing Art History India Unit Study Learning History with American Girl Dolls	Botany Music History
<b>3rd Period: 2:40-3:40</b>					

**Spring 2022**

	PRESCHOOL	KINDERGARTEN-1st GRADE	2-3rd GRADES	4-6th GRADES	7-8th GRADES
<b>1st Period: 12:30-1:30</b>	Preschool Group A Learning Time	The Earth and the Heavens	Gym	Choir	Animal Kingdom
	Preschool Group B Play/snack time	Under the Sea: Books and Crafts All About Plants			Yearbook
	Preschool Group A Play/snack time	Choir Group A	Spanish	Gym/Fitness	Exploring Literary Genre
<b>2nd Period: 1:35-2:35</b>	Preschool Group B Learning Time	Choir Group B	Marine Biology		
	Play/movie time	Gym	Choir	Horse Study Nature Drawing	Literature - Amos Fortune, Free Man
<b>3rd Period: 2:40-3:40</b>				Poetry Tea Time Problem Solving with Polyhedra Dice	Music History

## **Cornerstone Homeschoolers Upper Tier**

[www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cornerstone](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cornerstone)

Please note new e-mail: [upper.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com](mailto:upper.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com)

Director: Anne Flinchbaugh Richey

Cornerstone Upper Tier is a 30-week, Christian educational program for students in 7th-12th grades and meets

Thursdays at Grace Baptist Church. Classes are taught by professionals in the areas of Science, Literature, Writing, Art, World Languages, Social Studies, and Electives. Cornerstone Upper Tier is committed to providing a regular rotation of core academic classes necessary for graduation and a variety of elective classes to help you meet your educational goals. Please visit **our website** for more information.

### **2021-2022 Cornerstone Upper Tier Leadership Team**

**Susan Geoghan** Assistant Director/Secretary

**Cathy Sharp** Treasurer

**Meredith Shore** Teacher Liaison

**Karla Beachy** New Member/Student Liaison

**Lisa Brubaker** Fundraising Coordinator

**Dana Atticks** Building Coordinator

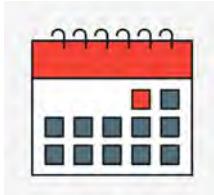
*The new team is excited to support our Director Anne and serve our members this year.*

## **Congratulations to the Cornerstone Class of 2021!**



*Our eight graduates celebrate after the commencement ceremony!*

Mark Your Calendars



### **New Member Orientation**

Wed. September 8th  
10:30 - 11:30am  
Grace Baptist Church

Co-Op Dates for 2021-22

- September 2021 - 9, 16, 23, 30
- October 2021 - 7, 14, 21, 28
- November 2021 - 4, 11, 18
- December 2021 - 2, 9, 16
- January 2022 - 6, 13, 20, 27
- February 2022 - 3, 10, 17, 24
- March 2022 - 3, 17, 24, 31
- April 2022 - 7, 14, 21, 28
- May 2022 - 5 (Makeup if needed)

## **Cornerstone Homeschoolers Upper Tier**

[www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cornerstone](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cornerstone)

Please note new e-mail: [upper.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com](mailto:upper.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com)

Director: Anne Flinchbaugh Richey

Are you interested in learning **a new language**? Many colleges require incoming students to have two years of **foreign language** on their transcript. Cornerstone Upper Tier would love to help you fill this potential need. We offer at least **three levels** of the following World Languages: **French, German and Spanish**. Each language offers an introductory class that is a great way for middle school and younger high school students to explore their options. **Contact us with any questions about placement or curriculum!**

*Cornerstone has a rolling registration, so there's still time in August to fill core curricula classes, add a language, or try an elective.*

### 2021-2022 Classes with Available Spaces

See the Cornerstone website for current availability and more details.

Math	English	Science	Social Studies	World Language	Electives
P/SAT Prep (4 wks)	Writer's Workshop	Physics	World Hist. & Lit.	Spanish Intro	Gym-Spring
Geometry	Grammar & Essay	Space Exploration	Amer. Hist. & Lit.	Spanish 1B	Advanced Art
PreAlgebra	Adventures in Lit.	Physical Science	Civics-Fall	Spanish 2	Intro to Computer Science-Fall
Algebra 2	Lit. Across the Curriculum		Geography-Spring	German Intro	Intro to Engineering-Spring
Consumer Math	Business Writing-Fall			German 1A	Photography-Spring
Pre-Calculus	Research Writing-Spring			German 2	
				French Intro	
				French 1A	
				French 1B	

*Enjoy the fullness and last vestiges of summer!*

*You are invited to join us in building your transcript & your friendships!*

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## Annual Friends Banquet

THURSDAY  
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**6:30 PM**



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Table Sponsorship: \$300 | seats 8 people

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Must register & pre-pay by Sept 27<sup>th</sup>

(visit our website for early registration discount & group rates)

[www.biblearchaeology.org/events/annual-banquet](http://www.biblearchaeology.org/events/annual-banquet)

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## Lititz Home Educators

[www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lhe](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lhe)



Lititz Home Educators is a unique alternative to a weekly co-op. It allows you to be connected to other homeschoolers without a weekly time commitment. Members serve the group in some way during the year and can pick and choose opportunities that interest their family and suit their schedule. Many members use it in addition to a weekly co-op as it provides enrichment opportunities and a safe, closed e-mail forum for communicating with other like-minded homeschoolers. You can ask questions, borrow and buy new curriculum, seek recommendations, find out pertinent information and opportunities for homeschoolers, and more! LHE is the perfect addition to your home school and a great way to be connected. Come build relationships with us as we serve each other. For detailed information about becoming a member, please contact [lititzhomeeducators@gmail.com](mailto:lititzhomeeducators@gmail.com) or visit [www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lhe](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lhe).

### UPCOMING LHE MEMBER ACTIVITIES (MORE DETAILS AND SIGN-UPS ON THE LHE CALENDAR.)

#### Lego Challenge

Inspired by the recent TV series “Lego Masters,” we invite you to come and participate in a Lego challenge on **August 13!** We will provide lots of Lego bricks on our table, and we will present a challenge for participants to compete to create the best build within a time limit. We will collectively judge and vote for a winner after completion. Sound fun? We hope you join us! All ages are welcome. See calendar for details.



#### Hike at Hawk Mountain

The trail is calling... Consider stepping away from your lessons and out onto the side of a mountain with us on **Monday, August 16th**. We are heading back to the Hawk Mountain Sanctuary with our sights on the Escarpment Trail this time. Please see the LHE calendar for details.

#### Ice Cream Social

Let's kickoff with the annual LHE Ice Cream Social!

We cordially invite every one of our LHE families to spend the evening among friends sharing sweets and showing off their kickball skills on **Tuesday, August 24th from 6:30**

**- 8:30pm.** This treasured LHE event is a wonderful chance to reconnect with families and meet new friends in a causal environment. The kids both young and old can play games in the open fields, the playgrounds, the volleyball area or just sit and relax. We can't wait to see you soon! Please see the LHE calendar for details.



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210 Pitney Road, Lancaster, PA 17601  
**FRIDAY, AUGUST 13 -  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 15**  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY 7PM  
SATURDAY & SUNDAY 3PM

## MONDAY NIGHT DROP-IN CLASSES

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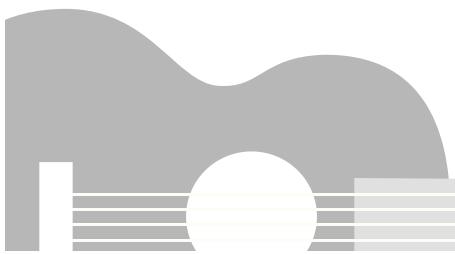
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**Email:** [teachhomeschooler@gmail.com](mailto:teachhomeschooler@gmail.com)

**Bethany Grace Co-Op Leader:** Pam Hasse (717-669-4866)

**Co-Op Email:** [bethanygracecoop@gmail.com](mailto:bethanygracecoop@gmail.com)

TEACH offers...

Contact Amy Mease  
with any questions about  
the TEACH group at  
[teachhomeschooler@gmail.com](mailto:teachhomeschooler@gmail.com).

- CHALC 2020/21 Scrawls subscription
- Track & Field Day
- Cell Groups
- Sports Programs: Basketball, Soccer
- Co-Op Classes:

Bethany Grace Fellowship Church  
400 Reading Road, East Earl  
(Terre Hill Area, Off R. 625)

[Membership Registration](#)

What is a cell group?

Cell groups are for families to get together for field trips, Moms' Nights, crafts, etc. They are a great way for moms and students to support, learn, and do some fun activites together. The cell groups are getting ready to organize and plan for the next year.

[Course Registration](#)

[Course Descriptions](#)

If you are interested in joining or creating a new group, please contact  
**Samantha Hanks at**  
[sdhanks3@gmail.com](mailto:sdhanks3@gmail.com)  
**or 610-507-0659.**

Calendar

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|---------------|--|
| <b>Aug 7</b>  | Bethany Grace Late Registration Deadline |
| <b>17</b>     | Boys' Soccer Practice Starts             |
| <b>Sep 4</b>  | Co-Ed Soccer Practice Starts             |
| <b>7</b>      | Bethany Grace Fall Co-op Classes         |
| <b>Oct 30</b> | Soccer: Parents' Game                    |

# T.E.A.C.H. SOCCER REGISTRATION FORM

**Boys team for ages 13 years and up!**

**Co-ed team for 9-12 year olds!**

**Co-ed team for 6-8 years olds!**

**BOYS TEAM – 13 & up**

- Starts Tuesday, August 17 through October 30, 2021
- Practice days are Sat. 8-10 am, Tues. & Thurs. 5:30-7:30 pm

**Any questions?**

Contact Jill Ludwig  
At (484) 529-4647

**CO-ED TEAMS – 6-8 and 9-12 years old**

Starts Saturday, September 4 through October 30, 2021

- Practice days are Saturdays only 9 am -11 noon

 Medical Treatment Authorization form must be signed and returned with registration.

 Cleats and shin guards required.

 October 30 will be the parent's game.

 Must be a registered participant of TEACH

**Location: Brubaker Park near Fivepointville**

*Sports activities of T.E.A.C.H. happen only because people are willing to help and serve. Please indicate how you are willing to contribute to the success of this program:*

- Assisting the Coach       Set Up & Maintain Fields       Order Shirts       Manage Equipment  
 Compile Registration Forms       Produce Participation Certificates       Referee Games

**Complete and return both this Registration and the Medical Treatment Authorization Form along with check (made payable to T.E.A.C.H.) to: Jill Ludwig, 158 Alleghenyville Road, Mohnton, PA 19540**

**Please sign up by August 1st for the BOYS TEAM.**

student name: \_\_\_\_\_ age: \_\_\_\_\_ shirt size: \_\_\_\_\_

parents: \_\_\_\_\_ address: \_\_\_\_\_

city: \_\_\_\_\_ zip \_\_\_\_\_ phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_ emergency contact/phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration for \_\_\_\_\_ Boys Team X \$32.00 each plus \_\_\_\_\_ jersey X \$15.00 ea.) = \$\_\_\_\_\_**

**Registration for \_\_\_\_\_ Co-ed Teams X \$18.00 each plus \_\_\_\_\_ jersey X \$15.00 ea.) = \$\_\_\_\_\_**

**Total = \$\_\_\_\_\_**

We, parent/guardian and participant(s) listed above, agree to abide by the rules of TEACH Sports. Recognizing the possibility of physical injury associated with sports activities and in consideration for TEACH accepting the registrant(s) for its sports programs and activities, I hereby release, discharge, and/or otherwise indemnify TEACH and the associated personnel including the owners of the field and facilities used for the programs against any claims by or on behalf of the registrant(s) as a result of the registrant's participation in the programs and activities, including transportation to and from the same, which transportation I hereby authorize. I also agree to and give permission for emergency medical care required if I am unable to be reached.

Parent/Guardian's signature and date

## MEDICAL TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION 2021 - 2022

**T**he following is a legal document that will authorize any treatment necessary during the 2021-2022 TEACH sport season. Please read this very carefully and sign in the appropriate places. Make sure that parent or guardians sign for all minors. Fill our one form for each athlete that is participating.

**E**I (We) the undersigned parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of

**A**Do hereby authorize and consent to any X-ray examination, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis and treatment rendered under the general or special supervision of any member of the medical staff and emergency room staff licensed under the provisions of the Medicine Practice Act; or a dentist licensed under the provision of the Dental Practice Act and on the staff of any acute general hospital holding a current license to operate a hospital **in this state's Department of Public Health**. It is understood that this authorization is given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment or hospital care being required, but is given to provide authority and power to render care which the aforementioned physician in the exercise of his/her best judgment may deem advisable. It is understood that effort shall be made to contact the underwritten prior to rendering treatment to the patient, but that any of the above treatments will not be withheld if the undersigned cannot be reached.

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Date

Father/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Mother/Guardian Signature

## MEDICAL HISTORY

Family Doctor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Allergic to any medicine: \_\_\_\_\_ If yes list medicine and any reactions.

Medicine \_\_\_\_\_ Reaction \_\_\_\_\_

Medicine \_\_\_\_\_ Reaction \_\_\_\_\_

Allergic to any foods: \_\_\_\_\_ If yes list food and reaction.

Food \_\_\_\_\_ Reaction \_\_\_\_\_

Food \_\_\_\_\_ Reaction \_\_\_\_\_

Last Tetanus shot date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
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## Verification of Insurance Coverage

TEACH is not responsible for payment of any medical costs (personal or accidental) that you may incur while participating in this program. Please complete the following section with the appropriate information.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance Co \_\_\_\_\_

Policy/Group No \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
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I have read the above information and I understand that TEACH is not responsible for my medical expenses and that I am encouraged to supply my own medical insurance for any TEACH related activity

FATHER/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
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MOTHER/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
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## Treasures of Grace Home Educators

Treasures of Grace is a Christ-centered co-op that seeks to support and encourage member families in their homeschooling journey through friendship development, encouragement, and prayer.

<https://www.homeschool-life.com/PA/treasuresofgrace/>

Our group will be meeting at a new location this year:

**Lancaster Alliance Church,  
210 Pitney Road, Lancaster.**

Reminder: Our co-op day has changed to **TUESDAY**,  
bi-weekly from 9:30am - 1:30pm.



### Our Calendar

**8/19** Outdoor Day at Shenk's Berry Farm

**8/26** Orientation Meeting at LAC

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### Questions?

Contact Kaddie Hollinger at [toghomeschool@gmail.com](mailto:toghomeschool@gmail.com).

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## Our Groups: C.H.A.S.E.



### Christian Homeschool Association of Scholastic Excellence

Our mission is to equip and encourage parents who have chosen to homeschool their children by providing educational classroom opportunities in a Christ-centered environment. Classes meet on Mondays from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm at East Fairview Church of the Brethren in Manheim.

**Don't miss our final park day—  
Monday, August 9 at Overlook Park**

**More details for all CHASE events on our website calendar**

**2021-2022 CHASE Days**

Fall—September 13 to December 13, 2021

Spring—January 10 to April 25, 2022

### Back-to-School Ice Cream Social for CHASE members



Monday evening, August 23

### Mandatory Member Meeting



**Don't Miss**

Monday evening, August 30

The CHASE girls basketball team is recruiting 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade girls to be part of our PCAC team for the 2021-2022 season. No experience or try-outs are required. If interested, please e-mail coach April Martin at [allongoabc123@gmail.com](mailto:allongoabc123@gmail.com) for more details. For further information on PCAC, go to [pcacsports.com](http://pcacsports.com).



For information about C.H.A.S.E., visit our website at [www.chaseacademy.org](http://www.chaseacademy.org)

**Julie Hostetter, Director [chasehomeschoolcoop@gmail.com](mailto:chasehomeschoolcoop@gmail.com)**

Leadership Team: Krista Armold, Kristina Dougherty, Sandy Fahnestock & Alissa Kopp

Uniting in prayer and friendship. Building Christ-centered academics. Serving each other

# Christian Homeschoolers Exchange

A cooperative place for the whole family to learn and grow academically, socially, and spiritually.

Visit [chexhomeschool.org](http://chexhomeschool.org)  
or email [chexcoop@yahoo.com](mailto:chexcoop@yahoo.com).



## Mark Your Calendar!

Ice Cream Social August 24

Mom's Brunch August 28

Second Level Classes start Sept. 8

Whole Group Classes start Sept. 15

**FORMAT:** Moms teach or help in classes for two hours and join "Prayer & Share," a time of fellowship & encouragement, for a third hour. Elementary (nursery thru 6th) meets 8 weeks each fall and spring; nursery provided. Second Level academic classes meet 12 weeks each semester.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Includes classes, track & field day, standardized testing option, Learning Showcase, & more.

Second Level Schedule Fall 2021				
9 am	10 am	11 am	12 pm	12:20 pm
Chemistry 24 weeks	Youth in History 12 weeks	Physical Science 24 weeks	Lunch 7 weeks	Active Games
Basic Braille 8 weeks	Basics of Art	IEW Writing		Chess Club 7 weeks
Writing Club 8 weeks	Biblical Worldview 8 weeks	Games and Logic 8 weeks		
Computer Skills 8 weeks	Survival Skills 8 weeks			

**2021-2022 Registration Open!**

We still have openings for Second Level students.

**DROP-OFF STUDENTS:** Grades 7-12. The cost includes CHALC fee and CHEX membership for an unlimited number of classes. Each class is individually priced by the teacher.

**LOCATION:** Calvary Baptist Church, 530 Milton Road, Lancaster (off Lampeter Road)

**TIME:** Wednesdays, 8:45am—12:00pm  
Optional lunch time 12:00 pm—12:20 pm.  
Grades 7-12 electives go to 1:15pm.

Second Level Schedule Spring 2022				
9 am	10 am	11 am	12 pm	12:20 pm
Chemistry 24 weeks	PA History 12 weeks	Physical Science 24 weeks	Lunch 7 weeks	Active Games
Geography through Art 8 weeks	Advanced Art 8 weeks	Writing and Literature 24 weeks		Chess Club 7 weeks
Intro to Economics 8 weeks	Baking 8 weeks	Games and Logic 8 weeks		
	Ecology 8 weeks			



# Learning Station

[www.Homeschool-life.com/pa/lscoop](http://www.Homeschool-life.com/pa/lscoop)

Our parent-run homeschool co-op meets at **Lancaster Evangelical Free Church (LEFC)** in **Lititz, PA**. Elementary classes run for 10 weeks per semester while 7th-12th grade students attend upper level classes for 10-15 weeks per semester.

Learning Station offers two tracks to membership: co-op track and upper level only track. Co-op track members teach and serve within Learning Station. This track is required for all families with enrolled elementary-aged children or those with older students who wish to participate in Learning Station's Theater Arts program. Upper level only track registration is open to families with 7th-12th grade students after co-op track students have registered.

Elementary classes vary from year to year. Learning Station's members' interests and talents dictate the subjects and topics taught. Our elementary classes are designed to supplement your home curriculum--not replace it. Therefore, most of the work will be done in class. Our upper level classes, however, include "for credit" academic courses as well as "enrichment" options. **Elementary offerings are only available through co-op track membership.**

## Fall Semester 2021

Mon., Aug. 30	Mandatory co-op track member meeting (9AM-Noon)
	Optional orientation for all families with upper level students (1PM-2PM)
Wed., Sept. 1	First day for upper level 15*-week classes
Wed., Sept. 8	First day for elementary classes and 10-week upper level classes
Wed., Oct. 20	Distance learning/virtual day for 15-week upper level students*/fall break for ele-
Wed., Nov. 17	Last day for elementary and 10-week upper level classes
Fri., Nov. 19	Closing program for co-op track members (6:30PM doors open)
Wed., Nov. 24	Thanksgiving Break
Wed., Dec. 15	Last day for 15-week upper level classes

## Spring Semester 2022

Wed., Jan. 5	First day for upper level 15*-week classes
Wed., Jan. 26	First day for elementary classes and 10-week upper level classes
Wed., Mar 2	Spring Break/Snow Make-up
Wed., Apr. 6	Last day for elementary and 10-week upper level classes
Fri., Apr. 8	Track & Field for co-op track (8:45AM-Noon)
	Closing program for co-op track members (6:30PM doors open)
Wed. Apr. 20	Last day for 15-week upper level classes
Fri.-Sat., April 29-May 1	Learning Station's upper level theater arts production

### Interested in co-op track membership?

Visit our [website](#) and read our [About Us](#) section to see if Learning Station is a good fit for your family. We currently have a waitlist for families with elementary aged students.

# Learning Station's upper level 2021-22 schedule

Learning Station's upper level consists of 7th-12th grade students. Classes are taught by co-op track parents and independent-contract teachers. Registration for new upper level track members is now open.

Session 1 Fall or Year 9:05-10:35	Environmental Science Cliff Zeller 9:05-10:05am	Earth Science Mark Campbell	Spanish 2 Kimberly Paine	Writing the Novel Way Ellen Campbell 9:05-10:05am	ASL Conversation* Robyn Sowada	Middle School Health Leigh Ann Rohrer 9:05-10:05am
Session 1 Spring 9:05-10:35					Intro to ASL* Robyn Sowada	Exploring PA History Through Food* Elizabeth (EJ) May
Session 2 Fall or Year 10:40-12:10	Chemistry Cliff Zeller 10:40-11:40am	Physics Mark Campbell	Spanish 1A Kimberly Paine	Middle Ages History* Christi Minnich 10:40am-11:40am	Plant Science* Stacy Dieffenbach	Intro to Culinary Arts* Elizabeth (EJ) May
Session 2 Spring 10:40-12:10					Drawing & Perspectives Donna VanScyoc 11:10am-12:10pm	Civics* Alice Nelson
Session 3 Fall or Year 12:50-1:50	Biology Cliff Zeller	Geometry Mark Campbell	Volleyball 101* Lisa Zook	Speech* Kirstina Helay/Alice Nelson	Advanced Test Taking Skills Ellen Campbell	Theater Prep Amy Lefever
Session 3 Spring 12:50-1:50			Geography Sarah Mershon	Watercolor Perspective and Technique Donna VanScyoc	Business Writing Ellen Campbell	Woodcarving (12:50PM)*
Session 4 Fall or Year 1:55-2:55	American History I Ellen Campbell	Photography Caleb Heckman	Volleyball, Advanced* Lisa Zook	Intro to Computer Science Mark Campbell		
Session 4 Spring 1:55-2:55	American History II Ellen Campbell	C.S. Lewis Book Talk* Christi Minnich		Intro to Computer Programming Mark Campbell	Theater Arts* (co-op track only) Amy Lefever	Woodcarving (1:55PM)*
Session 5 Fall or Year 3:00-4:00	British Literature (Fall) Ellen Campbell	Swing Dancing* Makayla Minnich	Becoming a Ham (Radio Operator)* Alice Nelson		↓	
Session 5 Spring 3:00-4:00	British Literature (Spring) Ellen Campbell	Krav Maga William McGee			Theater Arts, continued Amy Lefever	

For more details or to register visit:

[www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lscoop](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lscoop)



**highlights**

## Middle Ages History with Christi Minnich

This full year class will have 7th & 8th grade students studying World History that covers the years 320-1650. Students will have weekly assignments including Study Guides, a History Record Book, Vocabulary, and a list of Who's Who. There will be monthly quizzes and projects, as well as 2 semester exams and a year end project. Join us for this comprehensive history class as we travel around the world and discover how past history impacts us today.

## Becoming a Ham (Radio Operator)

Discover the excitement of ham radio. Studies will prepare for their technician's license following a weekly study plan. Local ham operators will share their enthusiasm for this useful hobby as weekly guest teachers. Those presentations will include demonstrations and hands-on projects designed to enhance student's understanding. Students will be expected to complete weekly reading assignments and practice quizzes. By the end of this ten week class, students will have the opportunity to sign up to test for licensure at a time and place to be announced.

## Academic Test Taking Skills with Ellen Campbell

This course will cover a variety of academic test taking skills for tests taken as a part of a course and for tests taken for entrance to colleges and other programs. Ways for gaining the most from class time, homework, and test study time will be covered. The class will go over Latin and Greek word roots since those help with vocabulary and comprehension. Methods to use while actually taking a test will be explained such as reading a question and interpreting what is actually being asked and then making sure that all required parts are included in the answer. Students will need to be able to use the internet and will need working printers.

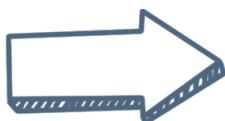
## **Manheim Area Christian Homeschoolers**

[www.homeschool-life.com/pa/mach](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/mach)

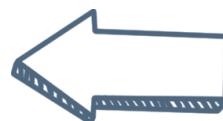
We are a **24-week**, academic co-op where your child will receive all the necessary instruction for science and history as well as writing and literature for upper classes. Your child will enjoy class interaction and learn to be responsible to another teacher. Moms enjoy connecting and supporting one another in our family atmosphere.

An option for high school students to attend without parental participation is also available.

Classes are held on **TUESDAYS** at the East Fairview Church of the Brethren in Manheim, PA.



We are now accepting members  
for the 2021-2022 school year!



Classes are filling up quickly!

### Class Dates for 2021-2022

**Sept.** 14, 21, 28   **Oct.** 5, 12, 19, 26 (Fall Business Meeting)   **Nov.** 2, 9, 16, 23   **Jan.** 18, 25   **Feb.** 1, 8, 15, 22  
**March 1** (Spring Break or Snow Make-up Day), 8 (Spring Business Meeting), 15 (Open House), 22, 29  
**Apr.** 5, 12, 19 (Presentation Night)

#### Fall Elective Schedule 2021

12:30 – 1:30	1:30 – 2:30
<b>Music &amp; Movement</b> (ages 3-grade 1)	<b>Organized Games/Lego Club</b> (grades 2-6)
<b>Woodworking/Cooking</b> (grades 2-9)	<b>Volleyball</b> (grades 7-12)
<b>Spanish 1</b> (grades 8+)	

#### Spring Elective Schedule 2022

12:30 – 1:30	1:30 – 2:30
<b>Music &amp; Movement</b> (ages 3-grade 1)	<b>Art (Oceans/Underwater Theme) &amp; Games</b> (grades 2-6)
<b>Choir/Musical</b> (grades 2-9)	<b>Volleyball</b> (grades 7-12)
<b>Spanish 1</b> (grades 8+)	

### Summer Park Days

**Tues., June 15, 10am - 1pm:** Lake Grubb Nature Park

**Thur. July 15, 9am - 12noon:** E-Town Boro Park

**Tues., August 17, 9:am - 12noon:** Rapho Community Park for Members' Meet & Greet

**MACH AM Schedule 2021-2022**

	<b>9 – 10 am</b>	<b>10 - 11 am</b>	<b>11 – 12 am</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Child Care Provided</b>	<b>Child Care Provided</b>	<b>Child Care Provided</b>
<b>2- &amp; 3-Year Old's</b>	<b>Story Time</b>	<b>Activity &amp; Snack</b>	<b>Playtime/Gross Motor Skill Activities</b>
<b>Preschool (3 ½ -5)</b>	<b>Alphabet time</b>	<b>Activity &amp; Snack</b>	<b>Motor Skill Activities</b>
<b>Kindergarten--2<sup>nd</sup> Grade</b>	<b>Hands-On-Science</b>	<b>History: Life in Plymouth Colony</b>	<b>Gym (K-2)</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>	<b>Science with Zoology 1: Flying Creatures of the 5<sup>th</sup> Day</b>	<b>Gym (3-6)</b>	<b>U.S. History—BJU Heritage Studies 4</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> &amp; 6<sup>th</sup> Grades</b>	<b>Science: Energy in Motion &amp; Astronomy</b>	<b>Gym (3-6)</b>	<b>Ancient Civilizations (Egypt, Greece, &amp; Rome)</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> Grades</b>	<b>Earth Science</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Writing &amp; Literature</b>	<b>Early World History (with a Renaissance &amp; Reformation emphasis) (with 9<sup>th</sup>)</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>	<b>Physical Science with lab (may begin at 8:40 some mornings)</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Writing &amp; Literature</b>	<b>Early World History (with a Renaissance &amp; Reformation emphasis) (with 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup>)</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades</b>	<b>Biology with lab (may begin at 8:40 some mornings)</b>	<b>Modern American History</b>	<b>English w/ World Lit.</b>

Please contact Kim Groff, New Member Coordinator, at 717-572-3821 or [mkgroff@gmail.com](mailto:mkgroff@gmail.com) or Vicky Goodman, Administrator, at [RVGoodman1995@gmail.com](mailto:RVGoodman1995@gmail.com) for more information. Or visit our [website](#).

# Our Groups: M.A.C.H.

## MACH Elementary Class Description and Book List for 2021-2022

### 2- and 3-Year Old's

This class will focus on cooperation with other children, in addition to learning and developing motor skills such as coloring, tracing, cutting, and pasting. In addition, this class will allow structured playtime, as well as story time and snack time. A class fee of \$5- \$10 may be charged at the end of the year to cover the cost of copies, craft supplies, and a possible workbook.

### **Preschool**

A variety of activities are used to develop gross and fine motor skills, including cutting, pasting, coloring, writing, and group songs and games. Colors, shapes, and numbers are introduced and studied, but the primary emphasis is on learning the sounds and how to write each letter of the alphabet. We focus on one letter per week and read various books and do hands-on-activities to enhance learning the letter of the week. There is a class fee of \$5-\$7 per semester to cover materials and copies, and a possible workbook used in class.

### K thru 2nd Grade Gym Class

Working cooperatively with partners and as part of a team, students will develop motor/movement skills, emphasizing teamwork, listening skills, and foster appreciation and interest in physical accomplishment.

### K thru 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade History: Life in Plymouth Colony

This class will cover a variety of time periods throughout history (taught on a 3-year rotation). This year we will focus on the voyage of the Pilgrims, the New World, life in a new colony, and what the Pilgrims have given us. In addition to history, each class will begin with "calendar time", where students will concentrate on reviewing the current date, and learning the days of the week and months of the year. Special emphasis will also be given to important holidays, such as Columbus Day, Thanksgiving, President's Day, etc. The rest of the class time will be devoted to hands-on-activities and projects. No textbook is required. A class fee will be charged at the end of the year to cover the cost of copies and supplies. Some optional projects may be assigned outside of class.

### K thru 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Science

This hands-on-learning class will cover a variety of topics related to science, health, and safety. No textbook is required. Reproducible sources will be used to make copies of worksheets and other projects for students' use in class. Optional projects outside of class will be assigned and may include seed collections, leaf collections, animal investigations, nature walks, and/or Show-&-Tell projects. A class fee for copies and supplies will be collected at the end of the year.

### 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade U.S. History

In this class, students will learn about the "Dawn of Opportunity", examining the events from the 1700's to the 1900's. Geography begins the year, then we will learn about the masses of people immigrating to America; how that change the look of America and what freedom means. We will study missionaries, the fifty states of America, the explosion of inventions and how that also changed the way America looked and operated. We will touch on some world history and end with government and economics. This class will include sequencing events, summarizing data, making predictions, working with graphs, and forming opinions. Students will have weekly homework assignments, write several reports, and do projects and other hands-on activities. A copy fee will be collected at the end of the year.

Required books:

- Bob Jones University Press *Heritage Studies 4*, Student text , 2<sup>nd</sup> edition ISBN 0-89084-916-1 \*Note this is an older edition and can easily be purchased used.

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## 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Science: Flying Creatures of the 5<sup>th</sup> Day

Using Apologia's *Zoology 1: Flying Creatures of the Fifth Day*, students will learn the process of animal classification, dynamics of flights, the study birds, and unpack the world of bats. We will wrap up this year learning about prehistoric flying creatures, insects and their life cycles. Class time will be spent doing activities, projects and lapbooks. There will be weekly homework assignments. A copy and supply fee will be collected for this class.

Required books:

- Apologia *ZOOLOGY 1: Flying Creatures of the 5<sup>th</sup> Day* ISBN 978-1-932012-61-3

## 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade History– Ancient Civilizations

This class will span history from creation to the time of Christ. Three major areas of study will be the stories of ancient Egypt, Greece, and Roman civilizations. Along the way, other neighboring civilizations will be included, some known and some not so familiar. During this course of study, the Bible will be viewed alongside each topic and incorporated into the thread of history. The class will include the use of creative writing, book reports, projects, biographies of famous individuals, geography, and map studies. A copy fee may be required, not to exceed \$15.00.

Required books:

- *Creation to Christ Student Notebook Pages* (Sold by Heart of Dakota Publishing) \*Purchasing these Notebook pages together as a group will save on shipping.
- *Ancient Egypt and Her Neighbors* by Lorene Lambert ISBN 978-1-616134-203-6
- *Ancient Greece Streams of History* by Elwood W. Kemp ISBN 1-59915-255-X
- *Ancient Rome Streams of History* by Elwood W. Kemp ISBN 1-59915-256-8
- *Famous Men of Rome History for the Thoughtful Child* ISBN 1-882514-03-3 (You will need the stories NOT the study guide)
- Other selections may be required

## 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science

In this class, students will study the following topics: atoms/molecules, electricity/magnetism, and motion/machines. An in-depth study of Astronomy will also be a focus of this class; students will learn about the wonders of our solar system, the stars, and beyond. Hands-on activities, experiments and projects are used in class to enhance these topics. A copy/supply fee will be collected at the end of the year. (\*\*BJU tests are optional - Students who choose to do the tests, will complete them at home and the teacher will collect and grade them.)\*Note: Only half of the BJU books will be used each year. Students beginning this class in 5th grade, will complete the books in 6th grade.

Required books:

- BJU *Science 6* student textbook, 4th edition ISBN 978-1-60682-206-7
- BJU *Science 6 Activity Manual*, 4th edition ISBN 978-1-60682-217-3
- BJU *Science 6 Tests Booklet*, 4th edition ISBN 978-1-60682-219-7 \*\*OPTIONAL\*\*
- Apologia *Exploring Creation with Astronomy, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition* ISBN 978-1-940110-58-5

## Our Groups: M.A.C.H.

### **3rd thru 6th Grade Gym**

The 3rd-6th-grade gym class will cover a variety of sports units, including but not limited to soccer, basketball, baseball, volleyball, Ultimate Frisbee, badminton, and hockey. A multiple-choice test will be given after each unit to quiz on the information given in class. These tests are optional but also encouraged as they are helpful in the portfolio process. Mid-winter, six weeks will be given towards focusing on physical fitness. Each week's class will also allow the opportunity for students to play a variety of recess-style games, emphasizing teamwork, listening skills, coordination, and agility.

### **Music & Movement (Ages 3-1<sup>st</sup> grade)**

The class will offer a basic first taste in enjoying and participating in music within a group. Forming a foundation with simple musical games, music will first of all be fun. Introduction to a variety of classical pieces of music will foster appreciation for its diverse and imaginative qualities. Singing engaging songs with a group will offer first experiences in melody, echo/responsive turn taking, and lyrical memorization. Hand motions and choreographed movements will offer further engagement in the music experience. Most importantly, children will learn through songs and motion that their heart, their voice, and their praise are valuable instruments of worship to God.

### **Woodworking/Cooking Class (2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade) (Fall semester only)**

This class will cover general woodworking skills such as sanding, supervised cutting, drilling, hammering, nailing, and/or painting and staining. The final decision for the woodworking project has not yet been determined. Simpler woodworking options will be provided for the younger ages, and more advanced options will be available for the older students. Options discussed are a bookshelf or clock. During the cooking portion of this class, students will learn skills such as chopping, dicing, frying, and browning. Each student will prep and assemble their own 9x13 dish. Final cooking or baking will be finished at home. Possible meal choices include a casserole/layered dish, a salad meal, Stromboli, spaghetti and meatballs, and a crockpot meal. A list of supplies for this class will be provided closer to the time. There will be an approximate supply fee of about \$30.

### **Choir/Musical (2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade) (Spring only)**

Teacher: Jamie Gerlach Cost: Approximate cost is \$50/student but is dependent on the number of participants. A \$10 discount will be given per student if a family has more than 2 participating.

This class will provide instructions of musical elements including rhythm, singing with healthy technique, reading music, and performing. A drama component may also possibly be added.

### **Organized Games (Fall semester) (Grades 2-6)**

This class will be overseen by moms of students in the class. As weather permits, students will play outside using the ballfield or gaga pit or may play any other organized game the overseer chooses. On days when weather does not permit outdoor play, board games, card games, or other options will be provided for indoor play.

### **Art (with an Ocean and Underwater Theme) & Games (Spring semester) (Grades 2-6)**

This class will alternate between art and games and will be overseen by moms of students in the class. Video tutorials of art projects using a variety of mediums will be provided as an option for use, however, moms also have the freedom to choose art projects, as long as it is geared toward an ocean and underwater theme. Students may need to provide their own art supplies and/or a fee may be charged for those supplies shared by all students. On game weeks, students will play outside using the ballfield or gaga pit or may play any other organized game the overseer chooses. On days when weather does not permit outdoor play, board games, card games, or other options will be provided for indoor play.

## MACH Junior High Class Descriptions and Book Lists 2021-2022

### **7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Earth Science**

Teacher: Betsy Osman

Earth science will be taught from a Biblical, creationist perspective, emphasizing God's handiwork in the world around us. Using *God's Design Curriculum* from Answers in Genesis, the goal is to strengthen your student's faith by showing how science consistently supports the Bible's written record. Students learn to think critically and logically examine arguments presented by all sides in the d/evolution debate.

Also, we will look at articles that examine the lives of scientists throughout history who have contributed to the subject. Topics covered will be rocks, volcanoes, earthquakes, glaciers, how the Great Flood changed the surface of the earth, why fossils support what the Bible says, the study of nebula, stars, comets, meteors, the planets, the space program, weather, and God's hand in the design of our oceans and the effect on the weather.

There will be weekly assignments with questions, projects, and a paper. Tests and quizzes will be given. There is a possibility of a field trip during the school year to help the student better understand the material being studied. At the pace of 3 lessons a week (approximately 30-45 minutes for each), we will cover a three-book series.

*God's Design for Heaven and Earth*, three- book series, 4<sup>th</sup> edition, by Richard Lawrence and Debbie Lawrence

- *Our Universe* ISBN 978-1-62691-436-0
- *Our Planet Earth* ISBN 978-1-62691-442-1
- *Our Weather & Water* ISBN 978-1-62691-448-3

### **7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing & Literature**

Teacher: Wendy Jarkowsky

Students will learn the fundamentals of the writing process and literary analysis. In the fall semester, we will read approximately 3 books, as our basis for literary analysis. Short essay writing will also be included. In the spring semester, we will cover descriptive, narrative, expository and research paper writing. All writing will be graded using a rubric for the students to see their writing strengths and weaknesses. Students will learn speech skills and practice some informal presentations. Students will also give one graded formal oral presentation. Homework will be graded.

Required Books:

(It is very important that the student's book be the ISBN of those listed)

- *Black Beauty* by Anna Sewell ISBN 1-56960-211-5
- *Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry* by Mildred Taylor ISBN 978-0-14-240112-9
- *Red Wall* by Brian Jacques ISBN 978-0-14-230237-8
- *IEW Student Writing Intensive Level B* (Notebook & Packet)

## Our Groups: M.A.C.H.

### **7<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> Grade Early World History (with an emphasis on the Renaissance and Reformation)**

Teacher: Kim Groff

Students will study the lives of 34 men who lived in Europe from 1300-1600 and get a sense of the events that shaped the Christian church. They will also learn of the courage of the men and women who died as martyrs for our Christian faith during this time period. Maps will be used to understand the basic geography of Europe. Tests and quizzes will be given in class. Students will take a mid-term and final test. The class will include projects, reading assignments, comprehension questions, and analyzing the lives and decisions of the people of the time period. Ninth grade students participating in the class will be given extra assignments to help fulfill a high school credit.

Required Book:

- *The Story of the Renaissance and Reformation* by Christine Miller - Published by Nothing New Press
- *Famous Men of the Renaissance and Reformation* by Robert G. Shearer ISBN 9781882514106
- *The Green Leaf Guide to the Famous Men of the Renaissance & Reformation* by Cynthia and Robert Shearer ISBN 9781882514113
- Additional books for reading may be required

### **Woodworking/Cooking Class (2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade) (Fall semester only)**

This class will cover general woodworking skills such as sanding, supervised cutting, drilling, hammering, nailing, and/or painting and staining. The final decision for the woodworking project has not yet been determined. Simpler woodworking options will be provided for the younger ages, and more advanced options will be available for the older students. Options discussed are a bookshelf or clock. During the cooking portion of this class, students will learn skills such as chopping, dicing, frying, and browning. Each student will prep and assemble their own 9x13 dish. Final cooking or baking will be finished at home. Possible meal choices include a casserole/layered dish, a salad meal, Stromboli, spaghetti and meatballs, and a crockpot meal. A list of supplies for this class will be provided closer to the time. There will be an approximate supply fee of about \$30.

### **Volleyball (7-12<sup>th</sup> grades)**

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### **Choir/Musical (2<sup>nd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade) (Spring semester only)**

Teacher: Jamie Gerlach Cost: Approximate cost is \$50/student but is dependent on the number of participants. A \$10 discount will be given per student if a family has more than 2 participating.

This class will provide instructions of musical elements including rhythm, singing with healthy technique, reading music, and performing. A drama component may also possibly be added.

### **Spanish 1 (grades 8+)**

Teacher: Jennifer Dizon

This Spanish 1 course will cover pronunciation and the use of words in greetings, questions, and answers, and in daily conversation related to days, numbers, places, time, weather, months, action, food, etc. Each week, students will have daily independent tasks and exercises to reinforce the lessons. There will also be a weekly Spanish Bible verse. Tests will cover three chapters at a time.

Required Text:

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Abeka *Por todo el mundo Spanish Year 1 Vocabulary Manual* by Steven A. Guemann

(Used copies can be found online. Please note--these books are gray in color with various world flags pictured on them. Also note--a *Spanish 1B* book may come sold in a set with book 1A. 1B will be used the following year in our Spanish 2 course.)

# Our Groups: M.A.C.H.

## MACH High School Class Descriptions and Book Lists 2021-2022

### **9th Grade Physical Science** (also open to 10th graders who did not have this class in 9th grade)

Teacher: Leslie Smith

Physical science is the systematic study of God's creation and how it works. This course will be broken down into two components: we will study basic chemistry in the fall, including an introduction to matter, the periodic table, atoms, chemical reactions, acids, and bases, etc.; in the spring, our studies will include an introduction to physics in which we'll explore motion and force, waves (sound, light, electromagnetic), electricity, magnetism, among other topics. There will be weekly homework assignments (approximately 30-45 minutes per weekday) with some periodic projects. We will have classroom and at-home labs as well. There will be an additional fee for copies and lab materials, which should not exceed \$15.

Required Textbook:

- *Prentice Hall Physical Science* book, copyright 2009, published by Pearson Education, Inc. ISBN #6860601336 or 9780133668605.

### **9th Grade Writing & Literature**

Teacher: Emily Bucher. \*Note: this is a paid class for members. Cost: \$180.

This course teaches reading comprehension, composition, research, vocabulary development, applied grammar, and oral communication. Both fiction and non-fiction works are used with attention to understanding main ideas, supporting details, author's purpose, and literary techniques. Students will be challenged to think critically about their reading and to express their thoughts in composition. They will utilize different styles of writing, including narrative and persuasive, as well as literary analysis. Composition assignments will facilitate the development of mature sentences, the organization of effective paragraphs, and basic resource/research skills necessary for future academic courses. Assessments will include reading comprehension quizzes, grammar quizzes, graded writing assignments, Writer's Notebook participation, and a 6+ page research paper.

Required Book List:

- *Abeka Handbook of Grammar & Composition* by James A. Chapman, third edition, ISBN 43079004 (or any newer edition may also be used)
- *Carry On, Mr. Bowditch* by Jean Lee Latham ISBN: 978-0-618-25074-5
- *The Merchant of Venice* by William Shakespeare ISBN: 0-553-21299-0
- *The Bronze Bow* by Elizabeth George Speare ISBN: 978-0-395-13719-2
- *The Hiding Place* by Corrie ten Boom ISBN 978-0-8007-9405-7

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### 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Modern American History

Teacher: Amy Brengle \*Note: this is a paid class for members (\$180)

This course explores United States history starting after the Civil War and continuing to present day. We will consider the growth of freedom in our country as we study major individuals, events, and ideas. Special focus will be placed on reading and discussing primary and secondary sources that use a Biblical lens to evaluate topics which have historically divided Americans.

Required textbook:

- *The Americans: Student Edition Reconstruction to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century 2012*, Publisher: Holt McDougal  
ISBN: 978-0-547-49117-2

### 10th -12th Grade English with World Literature Emphasis

Teacher: Emily Bucher \*Note: this is a paid class for members (\$180)

This course explores prose and poetry written by authors from all over the world and throughout history. Colorful cultures and fascinating historical facts will augment our study of literary elements and themes in the Abeka *World Literature* book. Students will sharpen their written communication skills and deepen their understanding of literary themes through a variety of writing assignments (e.g. narrative, expository, persuasive, response, creative, and research) and projects including one oral group presentation.

Required Books:

- *Abeka World Literature, 4<sup>th</sup> edition*, (Grade 10), ISBN: 9781154010510
- *Romeo and Juliet*, by William Shakespeare (any copy)
- *Silas Marner* by George Eliot (any copy)
- *Abeka Handbook of Grammar & Composition* by James A. Chapman, third edition, ISBN 43079004

### 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Biology with Lab

Teacher: LaWanda Miller

The goal of this class is to give you an appreciation and understanding for life as God created it! The topics of basic biochemistry, the cell, metabolism, photosynthesis, cellular respiration, DNA/RNA, mitosis, meiosis, genes and heredity, the origins of life (from a creationist point-of-view), and biological classifications will be covered. A unit on human anatomy and physiology can be covered at home, if so desired. (Assignments and answer keys will be provided for this optional unit.) Class time will include lecture, followed by experiments and activities. This course includes a lab component in which students will gain a strong background in the scientific method. Students will also learn valuable recordkeeping skills by maintaining an ongoing lab notebook. Use of the microscope and slide preparations (wet mounts, dry mounts, smear mounts, and gram staining) will be covered. Various dissections will be performed, including the dissection of a fetal pig. On some lab days, class will begin as early as 8:30 am. Two, two-hour classes will be held in addition to the normal 24-scheduled days of co-op (one in December and another in April). Handouts, worksheets, and videos will supplement the textbook. Tests will be provided and taken at home. Field trips outside of class may be taken. A fee of no more than \$25 will be charged at the end of the year to cover the cost of lab supplies, dissection specimens, and copies.

Textbook required:

- *Science Shepherd Biology* (2nd edition, printed in 2013). ISBN: 9780982856840.

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## [CHASE \(Christian Homeschool Association of Scholastic Excellence\)](#)

Contact: Julie Hostetter, Director  
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A Christian co-op offering weekly classes. We meet on Mondays from 8:30 – 2:00 PM at East Fairview COB in Manheim. Classes are a 30-week commitment. Opportunities include academic and elective courses, music, sports, and field trips. Our mission is to equip and encourage parents who have chosen to homeschool their children by providing educational classroom opportunities in a Christ-Centered environment. Members must participate by teaching or helping in classes for the benefit of the group.

## [CHEX \(Christian Homeschoolers Exchange\)](#)

Assistant Director: Jamie Rohrer,  
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Director: Jennifer Anteau,  
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CHEX is a group of homeschool families joining together to fellowship, encourage each other in our life's journeys, and provide excellent group learning opportunities for our children. We meet as a whole group on Wednesday mornings from 8:45am - 12:00pm at Calvary Baptist Church in Lancaster, 8 weeks in the fall and 8 weeks in the winter. High school academic and some elective classes meet an additional 8 weeks for a total of 24weeks.

## [Conestoga Valley Homeschoolers](#)

Contact: [conestogavalleyhomeschool@gmail.com](mailto:conestogavalleyhomeschool@gmail.com)

We are a Christian-based parent run co-op. We offer nursery and preschool. Grades K - 6 have choir, gym and the choice of an elective each semester. Grades 7 and up choose 3 electives each semester. Electives include academic (biology labs) to non-academic (cross-stitching). We are a supplement to your schooling at home. Besides co-op classes, we offer monthly moms' meetings, a choir concert, talent show, music classes, gym classes, Track & Field day, field trips, and a learning fair. Our parents volunteer to teach the classes and fill helper positions. We rely on parent participation and offer activities that parents are willing to organize and staff. This keeps our costs low and affordable for all family sizes and incomes. We meet Thursdays from 12:45 - 3:25pm in the Lancaster Area. There is a waiting list.

## [Cornerstone Homeschoolers: Lower Tier](#)

Contact: Shallon Rohrer and Lauri Shumaker  
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Cornerstone Homeschoolers Lower Tier is a Christian organization that seeks to provide quality educational opportunities along with support for families that are homeschooling their children. The Lower Tier is a co-op type structure where parents provide gym, choir, and enrichment classes for Nursery - 8th Grade. We meet 16 weeks on Thursday afternoons from 12:00-4:00pm at Grace Baptist Church in Lancaster. Students may participate in track and field day, Valentine's exchange, picnics, field trips, choral concerts, and the learning fair. Because we are run by member parents, all participating students must have a parent who is an active participant in planning, teaching, monitoring and cleaning up.

## [Cornerstone Homeschoolers: Upper Tier](#)

Contact: Anne Flinchbaugh Richey  
[CornerstoneUpperTier@gmail.com](mailto:CornerstoneUpperTier@gmail.com)

Cornerstone Upper Tier is a 30-week educational program for students in 7th - 12th grades. Classes are taught by professionals in the areas of science, literature, writing, art, foreign language, and social studies. Tuition is required. Sign up April through August. No waiting list.

## [LearningStation](#)

Contact: Co-op track - Stacy Dieffenbach,  
[LearningStationCoop@gmail.com](mailto:LearningStationCoop@gmail.com)

Contact: Upper-level only track - Jennifer Hahn,  
[upperlevelclass@aim.com](mailto:upperlevelclass@aim.com)

Learning Station supports homeschool families by providing a cooperative learning environment in which students develop academically and socially in a Christian community. Learning Station meets at Lancaster Evangelical Free Church in Lititz, PA. Classes meet on Wednesdays. Co-op track is open to families with students from infant through 12th grade, while upper-level only track is open to students in 7th through 12th grade. To learn more about Learning Station, visit [www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lscoop/](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lscoop/) and click on the FAQ link.

## CHALC Groups (Continued)

### Lititz Home Educators

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[kyriezimmerman@gmail.com](mailto:kyriezimmerman@gmail.com), 717-475-9037  
Membership: [lititzhomeeducators@gmail.com](mailto:lititzhomeeducators@gmail.com)

Lititz Home Educators (LHE) is a Christian field trip community that is open to any home-schooling or cyber-schooling family from the Lancaster area. We are a dedicated group of families who connect by supporting each other on our journeys, fostering friendships among the children and nurturing connections between families by experiencing life and lessons together. Our group is founded on Jesus' example of servanthood, and every LHE family contributes by hosting an activity such as a field trip, a class, a show-and-tell, a park day, a mother's gathering or an experience that brings joy to your family and that you would want to share with ours. Many of our activities occur in the northern and eastern areas of Lancaster County, but LHE welcomes families from anywhere. Membership in LHE offers the benefits of asking questions from seasoned homeschooling families, finding resources, buying/selling/borrowing, and discovering opportunities. Please consider gathering with us for encouragement and to strengthen connections.

### ManheimArea Christian Homeschoolers

Contact: LaWanda Miller - [klcmillier@outlook.com](mailto:klcmillier@outlook.com)  
MACH is a 24-week Christian-based co-op offering classes for nursery through high school. We strive to provide quality academic and elective courses to help facilitate and support families in their homeschooling endeavors. We meet on Tuesdays at East Fairview Church of the Brethren in Manheim. Academic classes are held in the morning from 9am-12pm, with optional elective classes held in the afternoons from 12:30-2:30pm. Members are required to participate by teaching and helping in classes. An option for high school students to attend without parental participation in MACH is also available.

### TEACH (The Educators Affiliation of Christian Homeschoolers)

Contact: [teachhomeschooler@gmail.com](mailto:teachhomeschooler@gmail.com)  
TEACH provides support for homeschooling families in Lancaster and southern Berks counties. Our support is distinctively Christian and includes co-op classes, cell groups, sports teams, music, field trips, and special events. We accept new participants but require each member to commit to volunteering in a way that benefits the group.

### Treasures of Grace Home Educators

Contact: Tammy Higgins or Kaddie Hollinger at [toghomeschool@gmail.com](mailto:toghomeschool@gmail.com)

Treasures of Grace is a Christ-centered co-op that seeks to support and encourage member families in their homeschooling journey. The mission of Treasures of Grace Educational Home School Association is to support the member homeschooling families through friendship development, encouragement, and prayer, and to provide an opportunity for students to explore subjects which are best experienced in a group setting. Currently, we offer classes for infant through secondary. We meet every other week in the morning for approximately 15 weeks. We also offer field trips, moms' socials/meetings, and nature walks. Membership is limited.

*Click on the name of a group  
to visit their website.*



# Homeschool Evaluators

## Alice Nelson

[MsAVS70@gmail.com](mailto:MsAVS70@gmail.com) (717) 471-4097

Secondary PA Certified 7-12th. Mason-Dixon and parent-issued diploma. 15 years homeschool parent. Situated on Rt. 772 in Rothsville. Will come to your home within 20 mile radius.

## Denise Pouss, M. Ed.

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Homeschool grad, Elementary Education & Reading Specialist Certified K-12. 7 years experience. Reading testing, tutoring, evaluating & Instructional consulting.

## Pamela Powles

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Homeschool mom 24 years; PA Certified K-12; PHAA, Mason-Dixon, Erie diploma programs; 35+ years teaching, 25+ years evaluating. Paradise Twp.

## Kate Walker, M. Ed

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Elementary and Secondary evaluations, PHAA and Mason Dixon diploma programs. PA certified teacher with 10 years of experience; homeschool parent.

## Paula Montijo, Certified School Psychologist

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Homeschool mother, 10 years experience K-12, PHAA & Mason Dixon Diplomas; Special Ed. approvals; Sibling discounts.

## Alison Blanshine

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Teacher for 20 years, experience with students K-6 of all ability levels, 1 year experience evaluating, K-6 certified.

## Courtney Dunlap

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Christian homeschooler, 15+ years experience. Special Education Certified, K-12 evaluations. Evaluations/transcripts for PHAA, Mason Dixon, Erie, & Susquehanna Valley diplomas.

## Sharon Cargill

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Elementary and Secondary PA certified teacher. Manheim Twp, home schooled over nine years. short & long form evaluations. Sibling discounts.

## Andrea Wenger

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PA Cert. K-6; Educator at L-S for 16 years (Grades 1 & 3); Current part-time Homeschooler with daughter in UM at LCCS.

## Diane Grabowski

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PA Special Education Certified K-12. Homeschool mom (15 years). 40+ years professional teaching experience. Evaluations, testing, and tutoring available. Sibling discounts.

## Karen Davis

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PA certified Special Education, K-12, experience as homeschool mom and public school teacher, diploma programs: Mason-Dixon, Susquehanna Valley, reasonable rates.

## Barbara Morrison, M.Ed.

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Homeschool Evaluations, Tutoring, Educational Therapy, Achievement testing by PA certified teacher/homeschool mom, 20+ yrs, K-12th, Mason-Dixon & Susquehanna Valley diplomas, discounts.

## Greg Moll, M.Ed.

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PA Certified K-6 Teacher. Oley Township, Berks County. Will travel. Sibling Discounts.

## Tracy White

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K-12 Evaluations. PIAT testing. Mason-Dixon Diploma Program. Curriculum planning. Public School experience. Lancaster, Reasonable, Christian. References.

## Melanie Stoltzfus

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Elementary Education, certified K-12, 5 years teaching experience, sibling discounts, Lancaster/Landisville area.

## Homeschool Evaluators (Continued)

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Homeschool mom for 7 years, public school teaching experience. Family discounts. Located in East Petersburg or willing to come to you.

### **Mary Fields**

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703 Drytown Rd, Holtwood PA 17532

Get experienced evaluations from a certified teacher who is also previously homeschooled student. Can travel to you. \$45 per student.

### **Anjie Vago**

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Homeschool mom. Several years' experience evaluating elementary - 8th. Consulting, tutoring, and Stanford testing also available.

### **Debbie Moyer**

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I can evaluate all grades, and I also evaluate for the Mason-Dixon diploma program.

### **Jody Scott**

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20+ years of experience. All grade levels. Available for evaluations and consultations. \$50 first child, \$25 for each additional child.

### **Renita Gerlach**

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Secondary PA certified, 7 - 12. PHAA, SVHDP, & Mason-Dixon, Convenient central location, 2 min. off 222 Akron exit. Sibling Discounts.

### **Jenny Espenshade**

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Elementary through 8th grade short-form, affordable evaluations. PA certified, homeschool mom for 15+ years in the Hempfield area.

### **Annie Barge**

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### **Steve Schulz**

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### **Ellen Campbell**

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Twelve years experience as an evaluator, homeschooling since 1991. All grades and PA Diploma. Affordable for families. ELANCO area.

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Pennsylvania Certified in Special Education, Master's Degree in Learning Disabilities, 30 years experience, tutoring, testing, evaluations.

### **Melanie Ambrose**

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Special Education K-12 certified; Masters in Teaching and Curriculum; public school teaching experience; tutoring available as well; minutes from Route 30.

### **Bonita Greiner**

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Manheim Area, Homeschool mom, elementary (short form), secondary; Buxmont diploma. Consult for curriculum and diploma credits.

### **Bonnie McKenney Gish**

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Elementary & High School evaluations; SVDP & Mason Dixon; exp. homeschooler, teacher, & evaluator. Specializing in adapting curriculum to learning styles, All homeschool styles.

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## Here in Pennsylvania, we have several options when it comes to homeschooling.



This article will cover the common option in which one or both of the parents educate their child. There are two basic requirements for the school and the documentation process.

First, a high school diploma or its equivalent is needed in order to homeschool your child in PA. Next, you must inform your school district of your intent to homeschool by notarizing an affidavit and sending it along with a list of objectives to your school district's central office if your child is six years old or older by September 1. Basic forms can be attained at:

<https://homeschoolpennsylvania.org/index.php/knowledgebase/affidavits/>

Curricula for home education may be obtained in a variety of ways. Some parents request a copy of the local public school's textbooks. Many prefer to research for themselves and purchase either a pre-packaged curriculum or individual books from a publisher. Common publishers include Abeka, Bob Jones, Apologia, Classical Academic Press, Well-Trained Mind Press, and Sonlight among others. Still other parents rely heavily on digital resources. Some even eschew traditional textbooks altogether in favor of less structured learning, aka “unschooling.”

Once you complete the two required steps and choose a curriculum, you may begin to provide your child with the appropriate 180 days of instruction - some people count their hours (900/elementary and 990/secondary), which is also appropriate. Pennsylvania has required subjects at both the elementary and high school level. A quick overview of these are noted in the table on the next page. In order for a student to graduate, they need 4 high school credits of English, 3 credits each of math, science, and social studies, and 2 credits of art and humanities.

Elementary: K-6	Secondary: 7 – 12
English (Spelling, Reading, Writing) Arithmetic Civics History of the U.S. and Pennsylvania Physical Education Music Art Geography Science Safety Education (include Fire Safety)	English (Language, Literature, Speech, Composition) Mathematics (General, Algebra, Geometry) Social Studies (Civics, History of U.S. & PA) Health Physical Education Music Art Geography Science Safety Education (include Fire Safety)

Throughout the year, the parent needs to maintain a portfolio to document their progress. This should include any required testing, a log of instruction that includes a list of reading materials used, and student work samples.

By the end of the year, you will need to have your child's work evaluated by a qualified evaluator (many can be found at the end of this newsletter). The evaluator interviews the child and reviews their portfolio. To finish the school year, submit the evaluator's certification by June 30th.

This article focused on the basics of getting started with your first year of homeschooling. Be sure to get in your affidavit and objectives to your school district as soon as possible to begin your journey. Know that at the end of the school year, you have to have your schooling looked over by an evaluator. In between these two events, enjoy the journey!

### More Helpful Links:

**CHAP.org**  
Christian Homeschool Association of Pennsylvania

**HomeschoolPennsylvania.org**  
Resources for New and Veteran Homeschoolers from CHAP

**NATHHAN.com**  
National Challenged Homeschoolers Associated Network; A Christian resource for homeschooling children with special needs.

**HSLDA.org**  
Home School Legal Defense Association; Provides information on the PA homeschool law requirements

**CathyDuffyReviews.com**  
An extensive resource to help choose the best curriculum for your family