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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.

## 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.

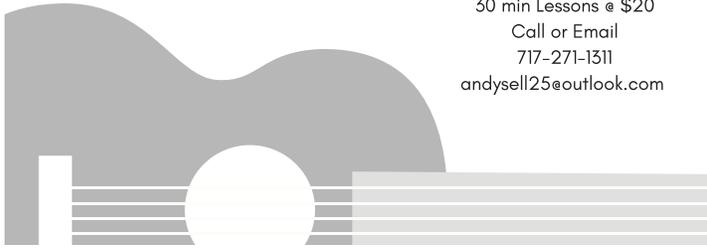
The various positions on the CHALC Board are filled by fellow volunteer homeschool parents. If you would like to learn more about the Board and its activities, please contact us at [mail@chalc.org](mailto:mail@chalc.org).

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- Laura Ingalls and the settling of the American West,
- Ruby Bridges and the Civil Rights Movement
- and so many more...

will be discussed in a small group setting. No materials are required for purchase and most homework reading will be done by online sources or library books.

**This class runs September through December and is designed for 5th - 12th graders.**

We have a few more spaces available to make new friends, so please contact Elizabeth Gormley at [bippygormley@gmail.com](mailto:bippygormley@gmail.com) for details or to sign-up!

2021/2022



## Homeschool Physical Education Classes

The Manheim Township Park and Planning Department is offering Homeschoolers the opportunity to earn their Physical Education requirements for the 2021/2022 School Year for grades 1-8. Participants will learn some of our more traditional sports, as well as new activities to develop recreational skills and promote social growth. A variety of sport, leisure and educational activities will be taught by highly experienced staff. Progress reports will be given out to participants per session. All participants must wear sneakers and dress appropriately.

Classes will be held at **Overlook Activity Center (301 Golf Drive Lancaster, PA)**

Wednesdays: 1:00-2:00pm

September 8-29  
October 6-27  
November 3-24  
December 1-22



**Fees**

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## Registration for Graduation:

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## Questions?

Contact [chalccgraduation@gmail.com](mailto:chalccgraduation@gmail.com)  
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**I have a new, free copy of our family's favorite phonics program to give away! This is not sponsored, just a free review for you to enjoy and maybe win your own copy to check out!**

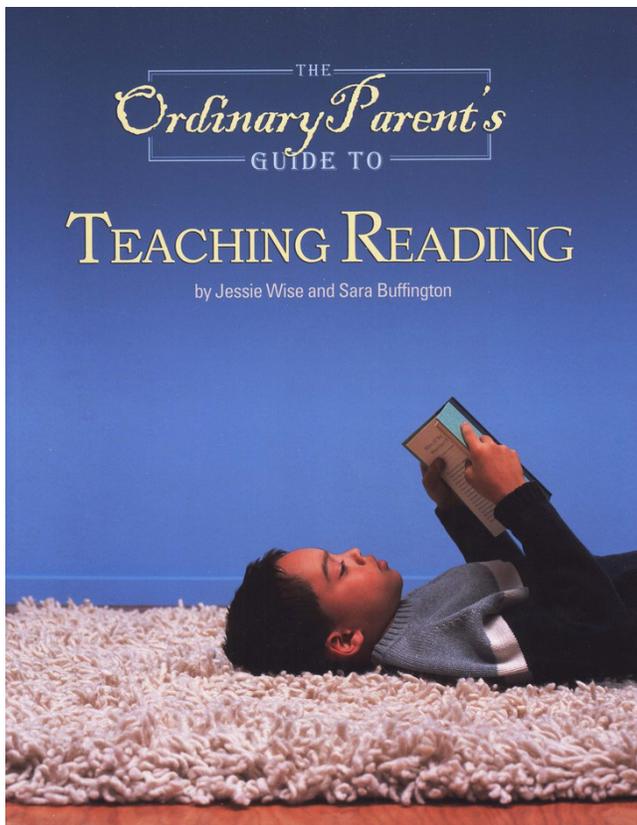
***The Ordinary Parents' Guide to Teaching Reading*** by Jessie Wise and Sarah Buffington and published by Peace Hill Press was/is effective for my advanced reader who started reading on his own very early **AND** my more reluctant reader with developmental delays. How is that possible? In our experience:

1. It is so simple. There aren't any distracting illustrations or watering down. It gets down to business, which apparently is our family's style.

2. That simplicity means we get our phonics work done in 5-10 minutes every day. The kids feel accomplished, and they have more time to play! All the while, I see serious progress in their reading skills. Win-win-win.

3. It is thorough. There are no rules left out. Your child will shock you (and the grandparents!) when, in the very last lesson, he or she easily rattles off "supercalifragilisticexpialidocious."

4. It is open-and-go! There is no outside prepwork necessary, unless you'd like to do some enrichment activities for a more hands-on experience.



## Back-to-School Giveaway

***The Ordinary Parents' Guide to Teaching Reading*** by Jessie Wise and Sarah Buffington, published by Peace Hill Press

E-mail [scrawls@chalc.org](mailto:scrawls@chalc.org) with the subject line: Ordinary Parent by October 1 to be entered to win!

Visit <https://welltrainedmind.com/p/the-ordinary-parents-guide-to-teaching-reading/> to learn more about this curriculum.



## Annual Friends Banquet

**THURSDAY**  
**OCTOBER 7, 2021**  
**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)**

**800-430-0008**

## ***Cornerstone Homeschoolers***

Cornerstone Homeschoolers is a Christian organization that provides quality education opportunities along with support for families. We are divided into two tiers: Upper (7th-12th Grade) and Lower (Nursery - 8th Grade).  
**Upper Tier and Lower Tier meet on Thursdays at Grace Baptist Church.**

# *Cornerstone Dessert Social*

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**Thursday, September 2nd  
12:00pm - 2:00pm**

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**Lower Tier & Upper Tier  
Families**

**The Pavilion at the Mountville  
Playground**

**Bring a dessert to share.**  
Cornerstone will provide water  
and paper/plastic supplies  
(plates, cups, silverware,  
napkins)

***This is a great opportunity to  
reconnect with co-op friends  
and meet new members!***



**Cornerstone Homeschoolers**  
**Lower Tier**

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

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

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. Please visit our website for more information.

**2021-2022 Cornerstone Lower Tier Leadership Team**

**Lauri Shumaker and Shallon Rohrer** Co-Directors

**Janey Newman** Treasurer

**Erin Groff** Music Coordinator

**Anne Smith** Monitor and Cleaning Coordinator

**Stephanie Brown** Teacher Coordinator

*This team is excited to serve our members this year.*

Calendar of Events

- August 31 - Parent Meeting for all members
- September 2 - Dessert Social (See advertisement)
- September 8 - Horse Farm Field Trip
- September 9 - Nature Study Class (Topic: Johnny Appleseed)
- September 15 - Nature's Yolk Egg Factory Field Trip
- September 16 - First Day of Classes! Starting at 12:15pm in the Gym.
- September 23 - Fire Safety Event and Co-Op Class Day
- September 30 - Co-Op Class Day and Spirit Day (Disney-Themed Attire!)

2021 - 2022 School Year Dates

- 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  
31 (Possible Snow Make-Up Day)

## **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**

**Anne Flinchbaugh Richey** Director

**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



#### **Dessert Social**

See ad or website for details about this Upper & Lower Tiers & Teachers social!



#### **September Lunches**

**9, 16, 23, & 30** - Pizza

Plus snacks and drinks, all \$0.50 or \$1,

Bring exact change.

Sign up on website.



#### **Be there!**

First Co-Op Day Student Assembly Thursday, September 9th, at 12:15pm in the Gym.



#### **Mark your calendar!**

New Member Orientation

Wed. September 8th

10:30 - 11:30am

Grace Baptist Church

**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)

2021 - 2022 Co-Op Dates

**Fall Semester**

- 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

**Spring Semester**

- January 2022 - 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)



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6:00-7:00pm Ages 6-10  
7:15-8:15pm Ages 10-18\*

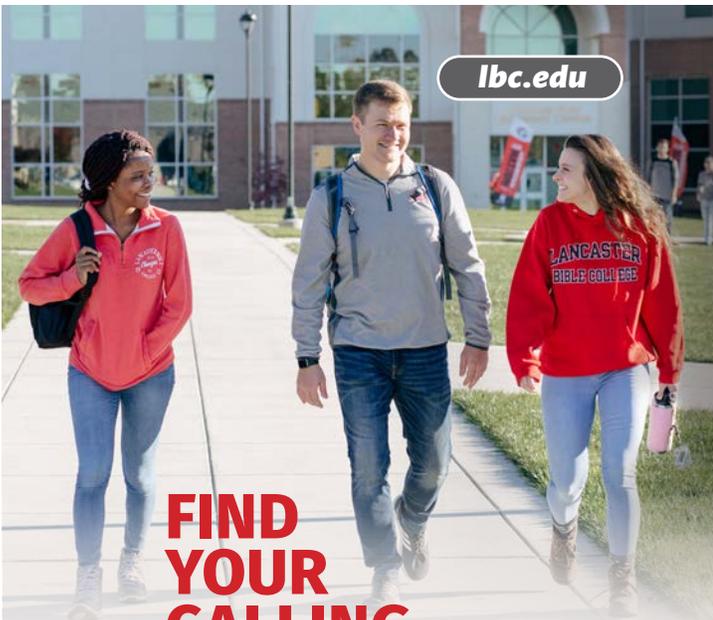
**SEPTEMBER 20**  
**DANCE**  
6:00-7:00pm Ages 16+  
7:15-8:15pm Ages 10-18\*

**SEPTEMBER 27**  
**DANCE**  
6:00-7:00pm Ages 6-10  
7:15-8:15pm Ages 10-18\*

\*Students as young as 8 years old with some prior dance experience are welcome to attend. Some material may be too advanced for beginners younger than 10.




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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.

#### Mark your Calendars

- \* **Monday, September 13—First day of classes!**
- \* **Wednesday, September 15—Science in the Park: Stream Study**

#### 2021-2022 CHASE Days

**Fall Semester**—Sept 13 to Dec 13, 2021  
(no in-person classes on Nov 29)

**Spring Semester**—Jan 10 to Apr 25, 2022

Welcome Back!



*be kind*

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32

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)

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

#### **Safety Day**

Stop, drop and roll with us for a safety day! Let's get serious about safety by taking a trip to the Lancaster County Public Safety Training Center in Manheim to hear all about staying safe in our homes, using smoke detectors, creating exit plans, having fire extinguishers and preventing fires all around us. We will have 2 tours for this free, all ages experience. Please see the LHE calendar for details.

#### **Let's Meet Our Lancaster Co. Park Rangers!**

We see them drive by and wave, so we know they are friendly. We see what they wear and that look like they are ready for anything, but did you ever ask why? What do they do all day? Who or what are they protecting? Let's find out together! Or maybe you're interested in the ranger's path and a career in forestry or law enforcement? Let's find out how they got that job and what they love about it. Come out and learn all about being a park ranger with this all ages meet and greet. Please see the LHE calendar for details.

#### **Let's Step Back in Time!**

Let's go back in time to 1732 to explore a local site and discover the history and culture of an intriguing story in our past. At the time, the Ephrata Cloister was a retreat from worldly distractions where devoted members who followed a disciplined life including particular direction on clothing, diet and sleep was an effort to prepare them for an anticipated heavenly existence. This is a small group tour experience and we will be touring two groups at the same time. Please see the LHE calendar for details.



#### **Teens and Tweens - Take a Hike!**

We had so much fun that we are doing it again! We'll gather at the to meet up with a naturalist to traverse the lesser-known trails in a LC park. We will be forging through the river pass at night under a waning gibbous moon before ending up at an under-the-stars campfire to dry off, relax, and have a s'mores fest. The experience is just for pure fun and adventure but will include some rocky, uphill trails so please be prepared. This is kids-only hike. Please see the LHE calendar for details.

#### **Family Boating**

Join us for a leisurely afternoon of boating! on Saturday, September 11. A variety of boats and all equipment (including life vests) will be provided. Bring your family and take advantage of this great opportunity to enjoy the outdoors with your LHE friends! See LHE calendar for more details and to sign up!

#### **Show & Tell**

All of our kids have something they'd love to show off! A cool fossil? Artwork? A unique critter? A musical performance? Let's meet up at the Lititz Springs Park and we'll have the kids share their joy with each other, one at a time. Afterwards, we can play in the park!. See the LHE calendar for details.



# HOMESCHOOLING PARENT VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIR

October 12, 2021

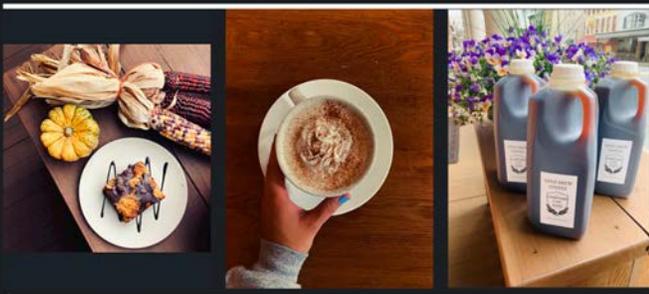
**HOMESCHOOLINGPARENT.COM**

The Homeschooling Parent virtual college fair provides an online opportunity for homeschool families to meet college representatives from coast to coast. Get the information you need to get started, finish up, or basically “kick-the-tires” on higher education. Wherever you are in your higher education search this virtual fair and conference is right for you. This is a no cost event for homeschool families that is sponsored by participating colleges. Find out more at [homeschoolingparent.com](http://homeschoolingparent.com).



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# Learning Station

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

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

<b>Wed., Sept. 1</b>	First day for upper level 15*-week classes
Wed., Sept. 8	First day for elementary classes and 10-week upper level classes
<b>Wed., Oct. 20</b>	Distance learning/virtual day for 15-week upper level students*/fall break for elementary and 10-week
Wed., Nov. 17	Last day for elementary and 10-week upper level classes
<b>Fri., Nov. 19</b>	Closing program for co-op track members (6:30PM doors open)
Wed., Nov. 24	Thanksgiving Break
<b>Wed., Dec. 15</b>	Last day for 15-week upper level classes

## Spring Semester 2022

<b>Wed., Jan. 5</b>	First day for upper level 15*-week classes
<b>Wed., Jan. 26</b>	First day for elementary classes and 10-week upper level classes
<b>Wed., Mar 2</b>	Spring Break/Snow Make-up
<b>Wed., Apr. 6</b>	Last day for elementary and 10-week upper level classes
<b>Fri., Apr. 8</b>	Track & Field for co-op track (8:45AM-Noon)
	Closing program for co-op track members (6:30PM doors open)
<b>Wed. Apr. 20</b>	Last day for 15-week upper level classes
<b>Fri., April 29 to</b>	Jr./Sr. High Theater Arts Production at Cavod

**Interested in joining Learning Station?**

Learn more [about us](#) by visiting our website.

## Learning Station Elementary Schedule

<b>Fall</b>	Mavericks (Age 0-1) & Explorers (Age 2-3)	1st 9:20-10:10	2nd 10:15-11:05	3rd 11:10-12:00	
		Sunbeam Room			
		Session 1	Session 2	Play/Movie/Clean Up	
	Scout (Age 4-5) PreK/K	PreK-K Room		Gymnasium	PreK - K Room
		Geography		P.E.	Storytelling & Song
	Navigators (Age 6-7) 1st/2nd grade	Kindergarten Room	Raindrop Room		Kindergarten Room
		Geography <small>Elective (grades 1-2)</small>	Scripture Songs		AG Science
	Rangers (Age 8-9) 3rd/4th grade	2nd Grade Room	Elective (grades 1-3) Large Group Room	1st Grade Room	Gymnasium
		Lego STEM		Underground Railroad	PE
	Mountaineers (Age 10-11) 5th/6th grade		Drama <small>Elective (Grades 4-6)</small>	2nd Grade Room	

## 2022 Spring Learning Station Upper Level Class Schedule

\*indicates ULB class. The fees for ULB classes are waived for co-op track families.

Registration for Spring classes remains open until December 15, space permitting.

Session 1 Spring 9:05-10:35	Exploring PA History Through Food* <i>(waitlist)</i>	Intro to ASL* <i>(waitlist)</i>	<b>Visit our website for details.</b>
Session 2 Spring 10:40-12:10	Drawing & Perspectives <i>11:10am-12:10pm</i>	Civics*	
Session 3 Spring 12:50-1:50	Watercolor Perspective and Technique	Woodcarving (12:50PM)* <i>(waitlist)</i>	Business Writing
Session 4 Spring 1:55-2:55	C.S. Lewis Book Talk*	Woodcarving (1:55PM)*	Intro to Computer Programming
Session 5 Spring 3:00-4:00	Krav Maga		

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## September Program Samples

### Story Time: Germs!

#### with Hank the Health Hero

Do you know what germs are? Join Hank as he visits his doctor, learns how to fight germs and keeps his body strong and healthy! Ages 0-7.

**Wed., Sep. 8, 10 a.m.**

### Nutrition Night Out with WellSpan Health:

#### Back to School

Come and learn healthy ideas for back-to-school breakfasts and lunches and enjoy food samples of healthy snacks with the nutritionists at WellSpan Health Ephrata. All ages. In partnership with Northern Lancaster Hub.

**Mon., Sep. 13, 6 p.m.**

### Self Care Fair

Our Summer Read 2021 events continue with our Self Care Fair. Stop in for information and activities that are centered around taking care of you! There will be activities for all ages so bring the entire family. All ages. In partnership with the Northern Lancaster Hub.

**Tue., Sep. 14, 5:30 p.m.**

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**Scrawls:** [teachnewspage@gmail.com](mailto:teachnewspage@gmail.com)

**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...

- 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](#)

[Course Registration](#)

[Course Descriptions](#)

## 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 activities together. The cell groups are getting ready to organize and plan for the next year.

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

- Sep 4** Co-Ed Soccer Practice Starts  
**7** Bethany Grace Fall Co-op Classes  
**Oct 30** 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** The 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**  
**C**  
**H** 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 undersigned prior to rendering treatment to the patient, but that any of the above treatments will not be withhold if the undersigned cannot be reached.

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

MOTHER/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

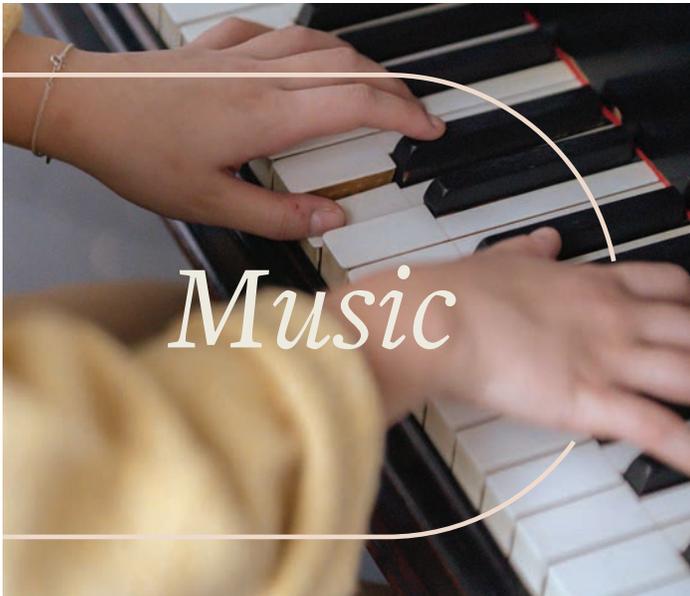
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1:00 PM	Team Scavenger Hunt	Elevated Obstacle Course	Wildlife of PA	Flying V Zipline
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3:00 PM	Depart			



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455 Camp Road, Stevens PA 17578

## 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.**

### 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)

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I was homeschooled and attended MACH co-op from kindergarten through twelfth grade; all thirteen of my school years were spent learning from home, and once a week, in MACH classrooms. The word “homeschool” contains the word “home” in it, implying that you may not get out of the house as often as a student who rides a yellow bus every day. MACH co-op was my opportunity to experience learning outside of the “home,” while still maintaining personal teaching, integral training, and family-based guidance that makes homeschooling so unique. Because of my years at MACH, I developed respect for authority outside of the home and developed relationships with my classmates that I still maintain today. Having homework assignments for co-op also helped me develop the skill of managing my time throughout the week. In high school, homeschooling allowed me the flexibility to take college classes and handle part time jobs. This, in turn, allowed me to graduate from college with my bachelor’s degree a year early. Looking back, I can confidently say that being homeschooled and attending MACH co-op instilled me with morals, character, and strengths that I carry with me to this day.

Cambrie Miller, MACH Class of 2018



7th - 9th Grade History Class's Spring Trip to Boston, MA.

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](#).

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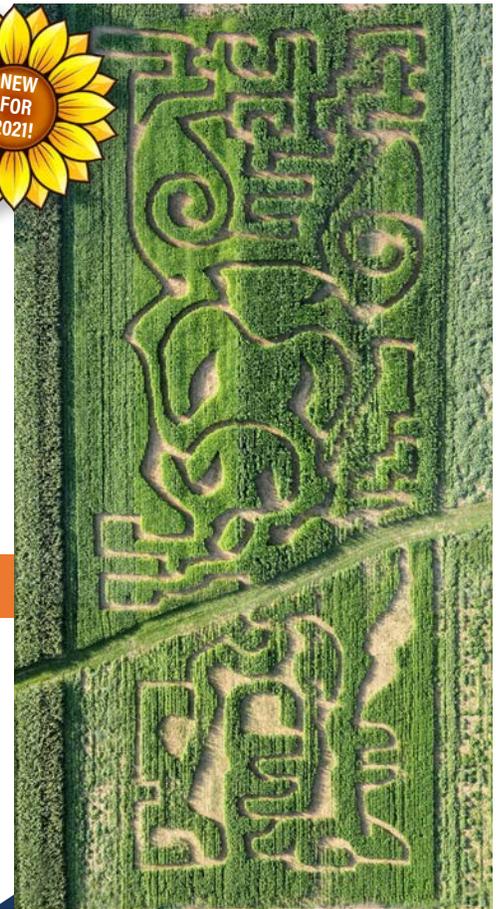
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<https://www.homeschool-life.com/PA/treasuresofgrace/>

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

- 9/7** Co-op
- 9/21** Co-op
- 9/25** Fall Family Picnic @ East Lampeter Park (3:30pm - Dusk)

### Questions?

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

## Christian Homeschoolers Exchange

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



**FORMAT:** Moms teach or help in classes for two hours and join “Prayer & Share,” a time of fellowship & encouragement with other moms, 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.

**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), centrally located near Rt. 30.

**TIME:** We meet on Wednesdays with devotions and announcements starting at 8:45 am. Classes begin at 9 am. We have three class periods for 55 minutes each, ending at noon.

All families are welcome to enjoy their lunches together at noon.

A couple Second Level elective classes meet after lunch from 12:25 –1:20 pm.



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### **Mark Your Calendar!**

Moms' Meetings (Choose One) August 28 or September 2

Second Level 12-Week Classes start Sept. 8

Whole Group Classes start Sept. 15

Spirit Day Oct. 6

End of Session Luncheon Nov. 10

**Elementary Classes** include Active Time, Healthy Living, Geography through Art, Fairytales and Science, Think outside the Box, and more!

**Second Level Classes** include Chemistry, Art, Braille, Survival Skills, Computer Skills, Games and Logic, Youth in History, Physical Science, Chess Club, and more!

### **Where and When?**

Meeting at Calvary Baptist Church  
530 Milton Rd, Lancaster (off Lampeter Rd)  
Wednesday mornings  
Devotions start at 8:45 am  
Classes begin at 9 am  
Lunch from 12 pm to 12:25 pm  
Second Level Electives from 12:25 to 1:20 pm

### **Fall Session Classes**

Whole Group: Sept. 15,  
22, 29, Oct. 6, 20, 27,  
Nov. 3, 10

12 & 24 week classes:  
Sept 8, Nov. 17, Dec. 1, 8

## **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.

***We will meet each Thursday at DOVE Westgate Church,  
Starting September 16th - November 18th.  
(12:45 - 3:25pm)***

**August 27th, 2021 - 5:00pm - 9:00pm**

7-Up Backyard Party at the King's Home

**September 18th, 2021 - 5:00pm - 9:00pm**

7-Up Backyard Party at the Shenk's Home

**October 8th, 2021 - 10:00am - 2:00pm**

Fire Safety Field Trip - Kinzer Fire Company

## **CHASE (Christian Homeschool Association of Scholastic Excellence)**

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

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,  
717-342-7949, [jen.anteau@yahoo.com](mailto:jen.anteau@yahoo.com)

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  
[lower.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com](mailto:lower.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com)

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.

## **CornerstoneHomeschoolers: Upper Tier**

Contact: Anne Flinchbaugh Richey  
[Cornerstone.UpperTier@gmail.com](mailto:Cornerstone.UpperTier@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/lcoop/](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lcoop/) and click on the FAQ link.

## CHALC Groups (Continued)

### [Lititz Home Educators](#)

Contact: Kyrie Zimmerman,

[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: Vicky Goodman - [RVGoodman@gmail.com](mailto:RVGoodman@gmail.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.*

**Alice Nelson**

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

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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](http://CHAP.org)

Christian Homeschool Association of Pennsylvania

[HomeschoolPennsylvania.org](http://HomeschoolPennsylvania.org)

Resources for New and Veteran Homeschoolers from CHAP

[NATHHAN.com](http://NATHHAN.com)

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

[HSLDA.org](http://HSLDA.org)

Home School Legal Defense Association; Provides information on the PA homeschool law requirements

[CathyDuffyReviews.com](http://CathyDuffyReviews.com)

An extensive resource to help choose the best curriculum for your family