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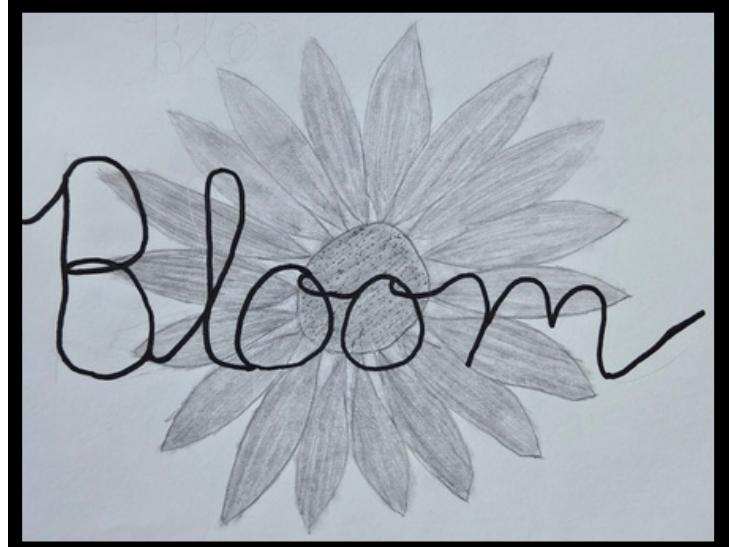
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**Congratulations to February's
Student Artwork Winner:
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CHALC Graduation



Next Meeting: February 19 @ 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Guys bring Drinks, Girls bring Snacks!



Next Meeting @

Harvest Bible Church

1460 Eden Rd., Lancaster, PA

Upcoming Meeting Dates

3/17, 4/16, 5/19

Family Night!

February 27. Doors open @ 6:00 PM

54 N. Penryn Rd., Manheim, PA

Mexican themed Potluck

Look for Sign-ups for Sides!

Formal!

April 17 @ 5:30 PM - 9:00 PM

The Silk Mill on Main

328 E Main St., New Holland, PA

Theme: Night in the Bayou

Social: Movie Night!

January 26th @ 6:30 - 9:30

8 N. Bausman Drive, Lancaster, PA

Guys Bring Drinks, Girls bring Snacks!

CHALC is seeking a professional studio photographer for the 2026 graduation. Please direct inquiries to chalcgraduation@gmail.com.

For More Information

Visit chalc.org

OR

Email chalcgraduation@gmail.com





WHO ARE WE?

LearningStation is a parent-run homeschool co-op, which meets at Lancaster Evangelical Free Church (LEFC) in Lititz, PA. Elementary classes run for 10 weeks per semester while 7th-12th grade classes run for 10 or 15 weeks per semester.

TWO TRACKS TO MEMBERSHIP

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 Theater Arts program or Student Council. Upper level only track class registration opens to families with 7th-12th grade students after co-op track students have registered.

Learning Station's Jr. and Sr. High Theater Arts Department Presents

THE LION, THE WITCH, AND THE WARDROBE

By C.S. Lewis and adapted to the stage by Joseph Robinette

May 8th at 7 pm
May 9th at 3 pm & 7 pm
at Warwick Middle School



IMPORTANT DATES

February 11- First day of 10 week UL Spring Classes & Lower Level Co-op Classes

March 4- Upper Level Class Grid posted; Upper Level Q & A (see calendar for details)

March 25- Class Registration opens for current Participating Upper Level Co-op Families

April 1- Class Registration opens for Current Nonparticipating Upper Level Families

April 8- Class Registration opens for new Upper Level Students



TREASURES OF GRACE

HOME EDUCATORS

"But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us." 2 Corinthians. 4:7

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.

We are a bi-weekly co-op that meets on Tuesday's from 9:00am - 12:30pm.

Lancaster Alliance Church
210 Pitney Road, Lancaster

OUR CALENDAR:

Jan 26th: Blessings of Hope

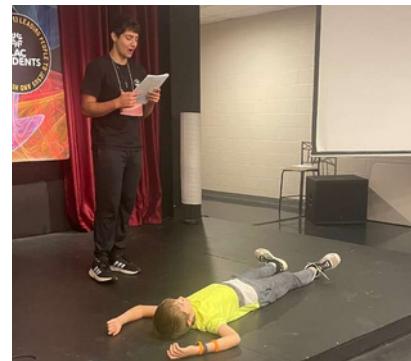
Jan 27th: Mom Craft Night

Feb 3rd: Co-op Day (PJ Day)

Feb 7th: Mom's Retreat

Feb 10th: Secondary School Day

Feb 17th: Co-op Day & Open House



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

Questions?
Contact Kaddie Hollinger at toghomeschool@gmail.com.

Looking for some volunteer hours?

- I love Jesus.
- I am at least 12-years-old.
- I'm willing to get my background clearances and attend training.
- I'm available one day per week for seven weeks after school in the fall and again in the spring.
- I enjoy working with children.
- I'm happy to give 1 day for 14 weeks per year to glorify God.



Looking for volunteer hours or a chance to improve public speaking abilities, while also sharing the life changing message of the Gospel? Visit ceflancaster.org for more information or call 717-569-5412.



Join the fun at GoodNews Club®!

What: *Good News Club* is a free, Bible-based club that includes an exciting Bible lesson, inspiring missionary story, applicable Bible verses, small group mentoring, a snack and fun games to get you up and moving!

Who: Students in Kindergarten through 6th grade.

Where: Public elementary schools all over Lancaster County as well as Ephrata Middle School. It is open to homeschooled students.

When: After school one day per week for seven weeks in the fall and seven weeks in the spring.

How: Go to ceflancaster.org and click "GNC Registration" or [Click Here](#) and select the club you want to attend, complete the registration form and click "Submit."



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MACH

Manheim Area Christian Homeschoolers

*All your children will be taught by the Lord, and great will be their peace.
Isaiah 54:13*

MACH is a group of families committed to supporting each other in the education of our children and in our walks of faith. We are an academic co-op that meets for 26 weeks on Tuesdays from 8:30am-2pm. We have nursery through 12th grade classes. Upper classes receive all the needed instruction for science, history, and writing and literature. High school students may attend without a parent.

Upcoming Dates to know:

Feb 3: Pizza Day, Dads & Doughnuts
Feb 10: Valentine's Party
Feb 17: Pizza Day, Business Meeting
Feb 24: Hot Lunch, Open House
March 3: NO CLASSES (snow make up day)
March 10: Crazy Hair Day



MACH Open House:

February 24, 2026

Parents and children are welcome to come and participate in our classes for the day! Come find out what MACH is all about!

Go to

<https://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/mach>
for more information and to sign up.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY FROM MACH!

"Do everything in love." 1 Corinthians 16:14

Meeting Location: East Fairview Church, Manheim, PA

Website: <https://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/mach>

Administrator: Kara Good

Contact: manheimareachristianhomeschool@gmail.com

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2026-2027 Schedule & Class Offerings
Available March/New Families welcomed in April
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& Orchestra, Visual Arts & Theatre instruction

Spring Concerts & Art Show
at LBC's Good Shepherd Chapel
April 17, 7pm & April 18, 2pm



Conestoga Valley Homeschoolers

www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cvhomeschoolers/

Conestoga Valley Homeschoolers is a Christ-based, parent-led co-op, offering classes for preschool through high school, as well as nursery care.



Students in grades K-6 have choir, gym, and an elective choice each semester. Grades 7-12 choose 3 electives each semester. Academic and life skill courses supplement your schooling at home.

We meet on Thursday afternoons for 10 weeks in the fall and 10 weeks in the spring at DOVE Westgate Church, Ephrata. We provide opportunities for our children to socialize with other homeschoolers through physical education, music, field trips, enrichment classes, and social events. Monthly nights out invite our moms to fellowship, support, encourage, and pray for one another. We keep our costs affordable for all family incomes by utilizing the gifts and talents of our co-op parents to teach classes and organize group activities. "Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them:"(Romans 12:6a)

Our spring session will run 11 weeks: January 8 - March 19, 2026 (11th week is a snow make-up day - PLEASE keep it reserved on your calendar!) We meet on Thursdays 12:45-3:25 PM.

Mandatory Planning Meeting



Date: February 3rd

Time: 6:45PM - 9PM

Location: Calvary Church

It is important for EVERYONE to attend this meeting as we determine classes for the next co-op year! We want to lock-in the class schedule EARLY so that it makes your planning for the coming school year easier. We need you to come prepared with SPECIFIC class ideas that you are willing to teach or assist. (Consider partnering with a friend to teach if this will be your first time.)

Please email Carla if you cannot attend.



Family Pool Party

Date: February 22nd

Time: 2:00PM - 4:00PM

Location: Garden Spot Village

Come and enjoy a Sunday afternoon swim with your family at Garden Spot Village! Cost is minimal so take advantage of this great opportunity!

Individuals: \$3 & Family: \$10

Money is due by February 12th (Cash or Check)

Questions? Contact Christina A.

Geology Field Trip



Date: February 12th

Time: 9:30AM - 11:30AM



Location: Woodcrest Retreat

All of God's creation tells his glory, even the rocks! Here at Woodcrest, we have plenty of unique rocks & an extensive ancient rock collection. If your students have ever wanted to sift through fossils, know what kind of rocks make gems, or smash open their own geode, this class is for them! Pack a lunch & enjoy a picnic before heading to co-op! Cost: \$20 per family or \$8 for one student.



7UP Bowling

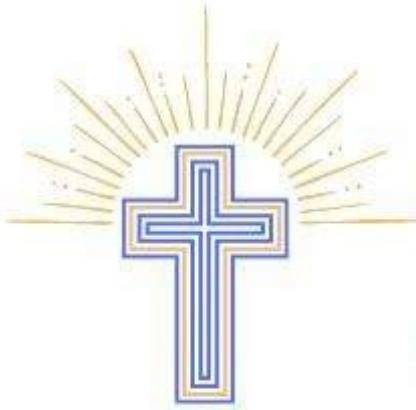


Date: February 25th

Time: 3:00PM - 5:00PM

Location: Palmyra Bowling

Get ready for an afternoon of bowling! It's a great chance to unwind and enjoy some friendly competition. Cost: \$2.50 per game & \$4.50 for shoe rental.



CHOS

CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOLERS OF OXFORD & SOLANCO

**Open House Days:
February 13, 2026
March 6, 2026**

**Find the links to register
on our website:
[www.homeschool-
life.com/pa/chos/](http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/chos/)**

Our mission is to provide support and encouragement as well as social and educational opportunities for homeschooling families in a Christ-centered community.



We meet on Fridays from 9:00am-11:30am at Mt. Vernon Christian Church located at 1 Lighthouse Drive in Kirkwood, PA.



We are a parent-led co-op serving homeschooling families with children from nursery through 12th grade. We have 3 class periods that are 45 minutes each.

For more information about our co-op please email us at: choshomeschool@gmail.com
or visit our website at: www.homeschool-life.com/pa/chos

**AT THIS TIME, WE ARE ONLY ENROLLING NEW
FAMILIES WITH STUDENTS IN 9TH - 12TH GRADE.**



HERITAGE HOMESCHOOL ACADEMY

Heritage Homeschool Academy is a parent-led co-op that aims to guide our children into thankful service to

God through the study of truth, goodness, and beauty. We believe this path should be vigorous yet peaceful, full of both wonder and understanding.

Through our co-op, we support families along the journey of homeschooling to grow in Christ-like maturity as a community of believers.



OUR STUDENTS

Preschool through
Secondary Grades



OUR CURRICULUM

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WHEN WE MEET

Wednesdays in Lancaster
9:00am - 12:30pm



SOLID

FOUNDATIONS

homeschool group

CONTACT

- ✉ Sfhgpa@gmail.com
- 📍 Wrightsdale Baptist Church
- Find us on Facebook



WHO WE ARE

- Solid Foundations is a Christ centered Cooperative. We offer Nursery through 12th grade and meet every other Tuesday, eight times in the fall and eight times in the winter/spring. Our location is in the Southern end of Lancaster at the Wrightsdale Baptist Church.
- Hiking trips
- Gym day
- Several field trips per year
- Mom's Nights

2025-2026 CLASSES

- Preschool-Literature, Numbers and Letters, Free Time and Games
- Grades K-1-Flying Creatures, Art, American Sign Language
- Grades 2nd and 3rd -Habitats, Music, Art
- Grades 4th and 5th -Music, History, Anatomy and Physiology
- Junior High 1- Anatomy and Physiology, Artist Workshop, Communications
- Junior High 2- General Science, Wood Carving, History
- Senior High- Entrepreneurship 101, Communications, Artist Workshop with 2 period option



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What You'll Experience:



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- Receive a strong liberal arts foundation with practical, career-focused training.
- Opt-in to earn up to 60 transferable college credits through our partnership with Christian Halls International and Southeastern University (SEU)



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Travel & Community

- Gain hands-on experience by participating in a paid apprenticeship with a local Christian business.
- Develop technical and interpersonal skills while contributing to the success of a real company.



Who Is This Program For?

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February 2026 Events

Middle Creek Hike

Spanish Fiesta

Lunar New Year Story Time

Shiprock Woods Nature Preserve Hike

Railroad Museum of PA

Indoor Swimming

Game Club

Maple Sugaring Demonstration

Sign up on the Calendar.



Adventure Club exists to provide a Christian homeschool community for families in the Lancaster area that enjoy experiential learning. We do not meet on a weekly schedule, but instead ask members to plan at least one "event" per year. Events vary and may include: field trips, hikes, monthly/weekly clubs and activities centered around common interests. Members can pick and choose what events to attend that will best suit their family and schedule. Join us as we support one another in the adventure of homeschooling!

ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERS!

www.homeschool-life.com/PA/adventureclub

adventureclublancaster@gmail.com Scan Me!





- EPHRATA PUBLIC LIBRARY -

February 2, 1 p.m. - Painting for Homeschoolers

Learn about different types of painting and try them for yourself! Ages 10-14.

February 4, 1 p.m. - Dramatic Play in the Storyroom

The program will begin with a story time followed by a themed play time. Ages 3-7.

February 10, 1 p.m. - Valentine's Day Card Making for Homeschoolers

Get ready for Valentine's Day by making some sparkly Valentine's cards. Ages 6-14.

February 17, 1 p.m. - Typing for Homeschoolers

Come practice basic typing skills!
Ages 10-14.

February 21, 1 p.m. - Winter Library Olympics

Kids will compete in playful, silly versions of Olympic events. Ages 5-12.

February 23, 1 p.m. - Letter Writing for Homeschoolers

Write letters to seniors in our community. Ages 10-18.

February 24, 12:30 p.m. - Loose Parts Lab

Join us for a fun, interactive program to build and create without limits. Ages 3-9.

February 26, 1 p.m. - Math Games for Homeschoolers

Practice simple math skills like addition, subtraction and division while playing fun games! Ages 10-12.

Registration is required. For more info or to register:

www.epratapubliclibrary.org

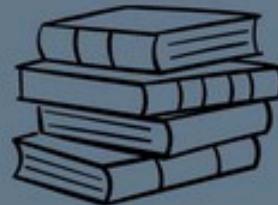
Winter Book Sale

Wednesday, February 4 (9am - 7pm)

Thursday, February 5 (9am - 7pm)

Friday, February 6 (10am - 4pm)

Saturday, February 7 (9am - 4pm)



550 S. Reading Rd. - Ephrata, PA 17522- 717.738.9291

CORNERSTONE

Lower Tier

February 2026

Cornerstone Lower Tier

lower.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com

RoseAnn Kuhns Co-Director Steph Brown

Co-Director

Cornerstone Lower Tier serves families with children in the 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, and feel free to email questions to the Directors.



The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.
Dr. Seuss



SAVE THE DATE
OPEN HOUSE
March 5, 2026

Our Calendar of Events:

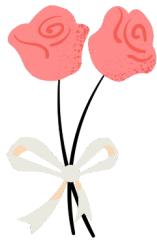
- February 5 Co-op Day & Chick-fil-A Lunch
- February 12 Iowa Testing
- February 13 Nature Class -Microscopes
- February 19 Co-op Class Day & Valentine's Exchange
- February 23 Current Member Registration Begins
- February 26 Co-op Class Day & Sub Lunch
- February 26 Pajama Spirit Day

Cornerstone Upper Tier is a 30-week, Christian educational program for students in **7th-12th grades** that 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 membership and registration details and current class availability.

2026-2027 Registration Begins in March

Calendar

February 5 –Class Day, Chick Fil A Lunch
12 –Class Day, Pizza Lunch, Parent Prayer
19 –Class Day, BYO Lunch
26 –Class Day, Sub Lunch, Pajama Day



Save the Date
Cornerstone Upper
Tier Open House
Thursday, March
5th
10 to 1:30

Interested in joining?
Scan here to request new
membership:



Spring Semester 2026
Class Dates
Jan. 8,15, 22, 29
Feb. 5,12, 19, 26
Mar. 5,12, 19, 26
Apr. 9, 16, 23,
Apr. 30 snow makeup

In case of SNOW...

In the event of a weather emergency, an email will be sent by 7 am, if the schedule is modified. During a delay the following schedule is used:

1st period (8:00-9:00)---->10:00-10:25
2nd period (9:00-10:00)---->10:30-10:55
3rd period (10:00-10:55)---->11:00-11:25
4th period (11:00-11:55)---->11:30-11:55

All afternoon classes are scheduled as normal.

Please use your own discretion if roads are not acceptable to drive on in your area.

The Educators Affiliation of Christian Homeschoolers

www.teachhomeschoolers.com



TEACH exists to enhance and encourage home-centered, parent-directed Christian education in Northeastern Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

TEACH seeks to enhance the teaching and nurturing skills of home education parents through organized classes, field trips, and supplementary resources.

As members of TEACH co-op you can choose any or all of the programs available that could be instrumental to your homeschooling journey.

TEACH participation is open for enrollment throughout the year. Individual program registration dates will vary.

Schedule:

February 17 – First Day of Spring Term
February 17 – Girl's Soccer Registration ends

Field Trips:

February 6 – Auto Museum of Hershey
March 4 – Fox Meadows Creamery

Forest School:

Sign in online to see the calendar of activities

****Girl's Spring Soccer****

Registration starts Jan. 26-Feb. 17th, space is limited. Season runs March 3-May 9

TEACH Offers:

Organized Tuesday classes

We are a parent run co-op that provides two 10-week semesters in the fall and spring (some upper-level academic classes run for 30 weeks). We meet on Tuesdays from 9am - 2pm. Choose the classes that best suit your family's needs; you can stay for one hour or the full five hours. Parents are expected to stay while their students are onsite and serve for at least one hour. Questions? Contact Katie Walker at bethanygracecoop@gmail.com

Sports

Soccer and Basketball. Questions? Contact Amy Mease at damease95@gmail.com

Field Trip Group

Once a month trip planned during the school year. Enroll any time! Questions about this program or to register, contact Heather Jolley at teachfieldtripsbg@gmail.com

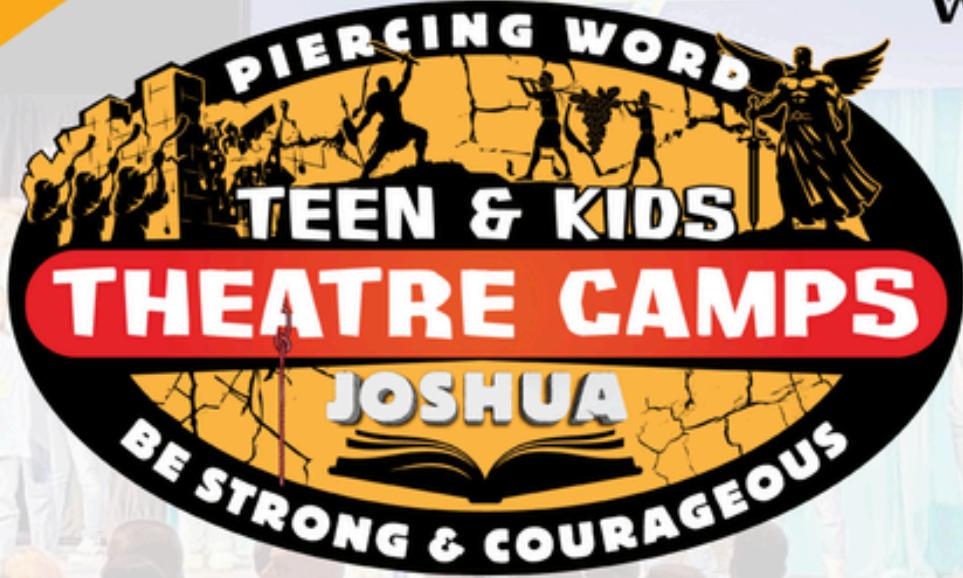
Forest School

Outdoor adventures planned twice a month, usually on Fridays. Including playground and ice cream meet ups. Contact Tara Gill at forestschooladventures@gmail.com

Track & Field Day in May

For more information and to register, visit
www.homeschool-life.com/PA/TEACH

General Questions? Email Tammy Cress at
teachhomeschooler@gmail.com



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Choose between July 6-11, 2026 OR July 20-25, 2026. Both TEEN & KIDS Camps are available each week!

CAMP DATES:

July 6-11, 2026 from 9am - 5pm
(OR) July 20-25, 2026 9am - 5pm

CAMP LOCATION:

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Rachel Sauder - Director
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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 8:30am to 2pm for 30 weeks
at East Fairview Church of the Brethren in Manheim.**

(Please note that all classes listed are subject to change due to teacher availability.)



**Classes we will
be offering
next year.**



**Wed., Feb. 18 at 1 pm
Solar System
Environmental Center,
One Natures Way
Lancaster, PA 17602**

Nursery	Ages birth to 2 years old
Pre-K(3- and 4-year-olds)	ABC Time, Math Time, Circle Time, Story Time, Free Play
Kindergarten	Seasonal Themes, Literature, Free Play, Math, Science
1 st -2 nd Grades	Fun Math, Read and Write, General Science, Space, Gym, Music, Seasonal Activities, Art, Legos, Famous Americans, Native Americans
3 rd -4 th Grades	Zoology 1- Flying Creatures, Snap Circuits, Human Body, Gym, Writing, PA History, World Geography, American Girl, Hero Tales, Art, Fun Math, Knex Bridges, Recorder
5 th -6 th Grades	Art, Gym, Mystery of History 3, US Geography, Apologia Anatomy and Physiology, Zoology 3- Land Animals, IEW Wonders of Science, Literature, Public Speaking, Newspaper, STEM, Pet Shop Math
MS(7 th -8 th)	MS Composition, Grammar and Writing, Figuratively Speaking, Biblio Plan 3, Civics, PA History, General Science, STEM Lighter Science, Gym, Mystery of History 3, Safety, Literature
MS/HS(7 th -12 th)	Geometry, Photography, DIY Crafts, Apologia Health and Nutrition, Bells, Art, ASL 2, Cooking, Algebra 1, Small Engines, Woodworking, Chess, Study Skills, Microsoft Office, Speech
HS(9 th -12 th)	Grammar and Composition, Creative Writing, Literature, Algebra 2, Biology, Personal Finance, Biblio Plan 3, American Govt, Spanish 2, Chemistry Lecture and Lab, Economics, Physical Science, Spanish 1, Pre-Calculus, Gym



Leadership Team

Anita Musser - Finance Coordinator, Jamie Culler - Building Coordinator
Cindy Ebersole - Class Coordinator, Jana Gurtler - Admin. Assistant



Christian Homeschoolers Exchange of Lancaster

www.chexhomeschool.org

Jen Anteau - Director

Jamie Rohrer - Assistant Director

Upcoming Dates

February 11: Middle School/High School Information (during 4th hour)

February 18: Open House

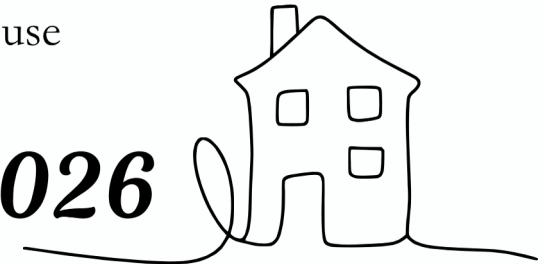
February 25: No classes for semester break

March 1: Current Family Registration

March 4: Open House



Open House 2026



If you're in search of a co-op home, join us for a day to discover what we have to offer.

February 18
March 4

Open houses will take place from 8:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Students will engage in classes throughout the day, while parents can observe the sessions and meet with the directors for a Q&A.

To sign up, please visit our website at www.chexhomeschool.org.

Leadership Team:

Jodi Gaus- Treasurer/Secretary, Jenice Weaver- Upper Level Coordinator,
Jolyn Meadows- Middle School Coordinator,
Denisha Lewis- Elementary Coordinator



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We are Christ-Centered

focused on building a Christian worldview

We are Classical

seeking to teach that which is true, good, and beautiful

We focus on the whole child

providing a multi-sensory learning environment

We provide a hybrid learning program

Structured classes meet Tuesdays and Thursdays
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CHALC GROUPS

ADVENTURE CLUB

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Adventure Club exists to provide a Christian homeschool community for families in the Lancaster area that enjoy experiential learning. We do not meet on a weekly schedule, but instead ask members to plan at least one "event" per year.

Events vary and may include: field trips, hikes, monthly/weekly clubs and activities centered around common interests. Members can pick and choose what events to attend that will best suit their family and schedule.

Join us as we support one another in the adventure of homeschooling!

CHASE ACADEMY

(Christian Homeschool Assoc. of Scholastic Excellence)

www.chaseacademy.org

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A Christian co-op offering weekly classes. We meet on Mondays from 8:30 - 2:00 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)
www.chexhomeschool.org

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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 24 weeks.

CHOS
(CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOLERS OF OXFORD AND SOLANCO)

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Christian Homeschoolers of Oxford and Solanco (CHOS) is a Christ-centered co-op serving the Solanco and Oxford communities. Our mission is to provide support and encouragement as well as social and educational opportunities for homeschooling families in a Christ-centered environment. We meet on Friday mornings from 9-11:30am at Mount Vernon Christian Church in Kirkwood, PA. We meet bi-monthly in the fall for a total of 6 weeks, and then weekly in the spring for 8 weeks.

Classes are offered for nursery-12th grade.

CONESTOGA VALLEY HOMESCHOOLERS
www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cvhomeschoolers/

Conestoga Valley Homeschoolers is a Christ-based, parent-led co-op, offering classes for preschool through high school, as well as nursery care. Students in grades K-6 have choir, gym, and an elective choice each semester. Grades 7-12 choose 3 electives each semester. Academic and life skill courses supplement your schooling at home. We meet on Thursday afternoons for 10 weeks in the fall and 10 weeks in the spring at DOVE Westgate Church, Ephrata. We provide opportunities for our children to socialize with other homeschoolers through physical education, music, field trips, enrichment classes, and social events. Monthly nights out invite our moms to fellowship, support, encourage, and pray for one another. We keep our costs affordable for all family incomes by utilizing the gifts and talents of our co-op parents to teach classes and organize group activities. "Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them:"(Romans 12:6a)

CORNERSTONE UPPER TIER

<http://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cornerstone>

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Upper Tier is a 30-week, Christian, educational program for students in 7th-12th grades that meets on Thursdays. Classes are taught by professionals in the areas of science, literature, writing, art, world languages, social studies, and electives. Tuition is required.

Annual registration begins in April for best class availability.

Rolling registration accepted. Space still available.

CORNERSTONE LOWER TIER

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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. If you have questions, feel free to email us.

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We meet in Mount Joy on Tuesdays during two 12-week semesters.

FIRM FOUNDATIONS ACADEMY

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At Firm Foundations, we believe that children are made in the image of God, "Imago Dei," and that all students, including those that struggle to learn traditionally, should have access to schooling that teaches truth, beauty, and goodness. We offer a classically minded hybrid homeschool program that seeks to glorify God through educating all students. We meet in Ephrata, PA and serve families in Lancaster County and surrounding areas. Students attend Firm Foundations two days a week and work from home on structured assignments three days a week. We employ high academic standards based on the classical philosophy of education and utilize curricula and a methodology that purposed to educate the whole child. Our goal is to provide a sense of community, support, and resources to help all students within our program to have a positive and enriching educational experience.

HERITAGE HOMESCHOOL ACADEMY

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Heritage Homeschool Academy is a Christian educational community that aims to guide our children into thankful service to God through the study of truth, goodness, and beauty. We believe this path should be vigorous yet peaceful, full of both wonder and understanding. Our goal is students who understand their humanity, the world they live in, and whose hearts are tuned to praise their Creator God. Through our program, we support parents and students along the journey of homeschooling to grow in Christ-like maturity as a community of believers. We provide Biblically-founded teachings in an academically-focused environment to children in Preschool through Secondary grades with a commitment to a classical curriculum combined with a literature-rich approach and a pedagogy of restful learning, known as scholé. Membership is limited.

LEARNING STATION

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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/ and click on the FAQ link.

MANHEIM AREA CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOLERS

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MACH is a 26 week, academic Christian co-op, striving to support each other in the home-education of our children, by providing classes for nursery through 12th grade. We meet on Tuesdays at East Fairview Church of the Brethren (1187 Fairview Road, Manheim) from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM. MACH requires moms or dads to teach and/or help in classes and to be present during all class hours.

SECOND PLANE HOMESCHOOL COLLECTIVE

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Second Plane Homeschool Collective is a Christian hybrid, Montessori-inspired homeschool group that meets up to 2.5 days a week for 15 weeks in the fall and 15 weeks in the spring. Parents partner with a Pennsylvania certified teacher to create a continuous learning experience from the community classroom to home learning.

SOLID FOUNDATIONS

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Solid Foundations Homeschool Group is a Christian group that offers classes for Pre-K through High School, field trips and fellowship opportunities. We meet in Southern Lancaster County every other week for 8 weeks in the fall and 8 weeks in the winter/spring. Parents are required to help during class days.

TEACH

(The Educators Affiliation of Christian Homeschoolers)

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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

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The mission of Treasures of Grace Educational Home School Association is to support the member home-schooling 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. Treasures of Grace meets bi-monthly for a total of 16 weeks of co-op. Co-op time is from 9:00-12:30. We offer classes for nursery through high school. Members pay an annual fee. We meet on Tuesdays at Lancaster Alliance Church, 210 Pitney Road, Lancaster, PA.