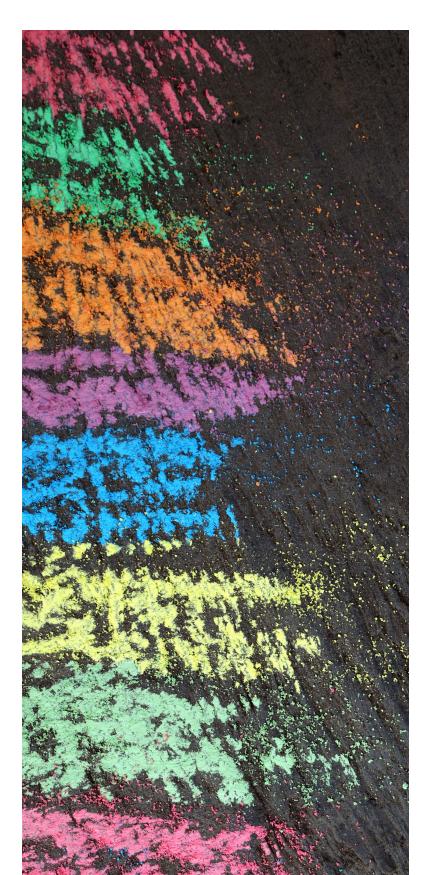
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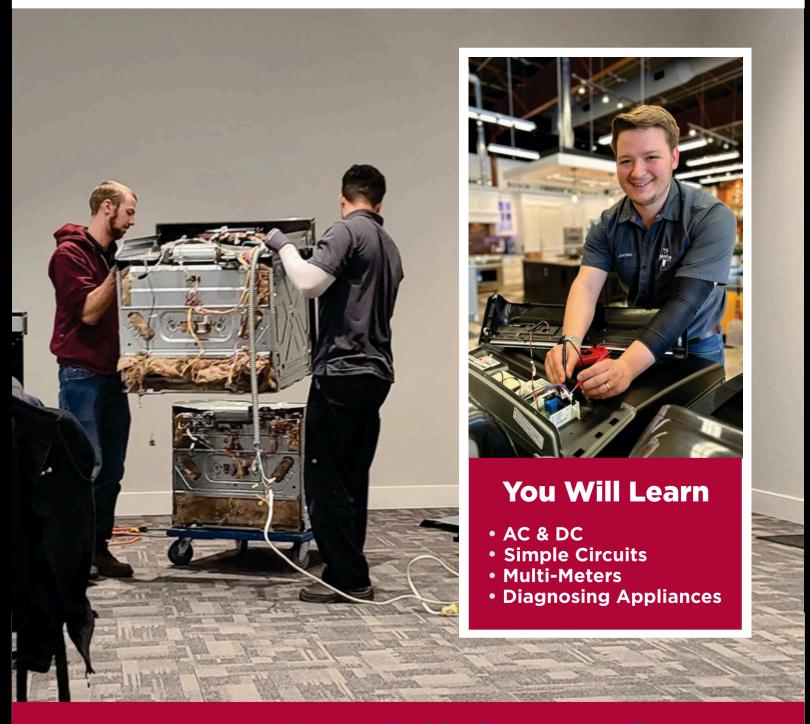






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ARTIST SPOTLIGHT:

Lean-François Millet

Jean-François Millet grew up in the countryside of Normandy, France. His family were peasants—farmers who worked hard to grow food for others. Millet's childhood was filled with the sights and sounds of farm life: the swing of a scythe, the hum of bees in the wheat, the long days spent under open skies.

When he became an artist, Millet chose to paint the people he knew best—workers of the land. At the time, many artists painted grand subjects like myths, battles, or royalty. Millet instead showed the dignity and quiet beauty of everyday labor.

People didn't always understand his work. Some thought his peasants looked too rough or too poor. But Millet wasn't trying to make them pretty—he wanted to show their strength, patience, and worth.

Millet's influence encouraged others to look beyond grand subjects and instead celebrate the quiet strength and simple truths of common people.



Play "See and Say"

- 1. Look closely at "Woman with a Rake" by Millet for 1 minute.
- 2. Hide the picture.
- 3. See how many details you can remember and say them aloud!

Ask Picture Study Questions Try It Yourself!

- 1. Draw a Worker
 Choose someone you know who
 works with their hands—a gardener,
 baker, carpenter, or farmer. Draw
 them doing their work.
- 2. Use Earth Colors
 Make a small painting or collage
 using only browns, yellows, and
 greens. See if you can
 create a warm, grounded
 feeling like Millet's.



Woman with a Rake, Jean-Francois Millet, c. 1856-57 The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Public Domain. Object Number 38.75

PICTURE STUDY QUESTIONS

- 1. What is the woman holding?
- 2. What kind of work do you think she's been doing?
- 3. How does the light make the scene feel—warm, cold, peaceful, or busy?
- 4. Does the woman look tired or proud—or both?
- 5. Why do you think Millet wanted to paint this moment instead of something grand or fancy?
- 6. What's the very first thing you noticed in the picture?
- 7. Who or what do you think is the most important part of the picture?
- 8. What colors or shapes stood out to you the most?
- 9. If you could step inside this picture, what would you hear, smell, or feel?
- 10. If the picture kept going beyond the edges, what else might we see?
- 11. Can you tell the story of this picture in your own words?

PA History: Native Peoples of Pennsylvania

Long before Pennsylvania became a state, Native peoples lived all across its hills, forests, and rivers. Two of the main groups were the Lenape (leh-NAH-pay) and the Susquehannock (suss-kwa-HA-nock). These were vibrant communities who cared deeply for the land and celebrated the changes of each season.

Autumn was a busy and joyful time. The people gathered corn, beans, and squash — called the "Three Sisters," because they grew best when planted together. Families dried fruits and smoked meat to prepare for the cold winter ahead. Villages came together to share food, tell stories, and give thanks for the harvest.

The Lenape and Susquehannock both believed that nature was a gift and that people should live in balance with it. They respected the animals they hunted and used every part — not just for food, but for clothing, tools, and shelter. During fall, elders often shared stories around the fire to teach the younger ones about courage, kindness, and respect for the earth.

These gatherings weren't just about food; they were about community. People helped one another, celebrated together, and remembered that they were part of something bigger.



Explore and Think

- Why do you think fall was such an important time of year for the Lenape and Susquehannock?
- How do our own harvest and Thanksgiving celebrations today compare to theirs?
- What are some ways we can show respect for the land and the things it provides?

Try It Yourself!

- Collect leaves, acorns, twigs, or stones from outside. Use them to create repeating nature patterns on paper or the ground — a simple way to explore how Native peoples used natural materials for decoration and art.
- Write or draw things you're thankful for in nature and community, and post them on a wall, fridge, or corkboard. Decorate the notes with leaves or corn motifs. Extension: Have each person write one way they can care for the earth.

Optional Challenge

 Create and share a story of thankfulness — it could be about nature, a person who helped you, or something good that happened this year. Tell it aloud, like the Lenape and Susquehannock storytellers would, around your own "campfire" (even if it's just a flashlight circle at home!).

PA History: Native Peoples of Pennsylvania

Long before Pennsylvania became a state, the Lenape and Susquehannock peoples celebrated the changing seasons with gratitude and community. Autumn was a special time to harvest food, share stories, and prepare for winter. Today, we also celebrate fall in many ways — from family gatherings to Thanksgiving feasts. Let's look at how these traditions connect across time!

Fill in the right-hand column with how your family, co-op, or community celebrates fall or Thanksgiving today. You can also add more rows if you have other ideas!

Lenape and Susquehannock Traditions	Our Modern Fall Traditions
Gave thanks for the harvest and nature's gifts	
Gathered as a community to share food and stories	
Used every part of what they hunted or grew	
Prepared for winter by drying, smoking, and storing food	
Told stories that taught lessons about kindness and respect	

Answer in a few sentences or discuss aloud:

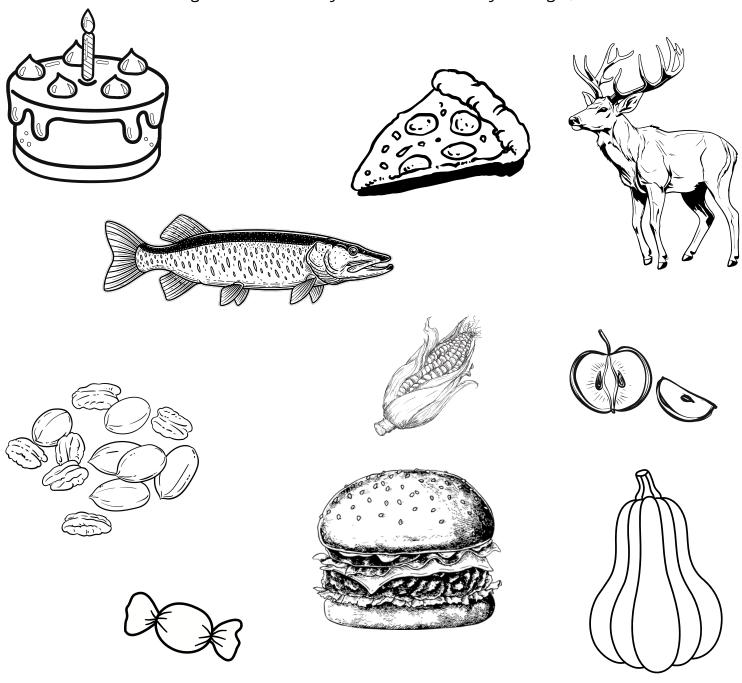
- 1. What similarities do you notice between past and present traditions?
- 2. What do you think we can learn from the Lenape and Susquehannock about caring for the land and being thankful?
- 3. What's one way you could show gratitude for the "harvest" or blessings in your own life this season?

PA History: Native Peoples of Pennsylvania

The Lenape and Susquehannock peoples ate foods that came from the land, rivers, and forests of Pennsylvania long ago. Look at the pictures on this page.

Circle the foods that the Native peoples would have eaten. Put an X on the foods that they would not have eaten.

(Hint: Think about what could be grown, hunted, or gathered in Pennsylvania hundreds of years ago!)





November

by Elizabeth Coatsworth

November comes

And November goes,

With the last red berries

And the first white snows.

With night coming early,
And dawn coming late,
And ice in the bucket
And frost by the gate.

The fires burn
And the kettles sing,
And earth sinks to rest
Until next spring.

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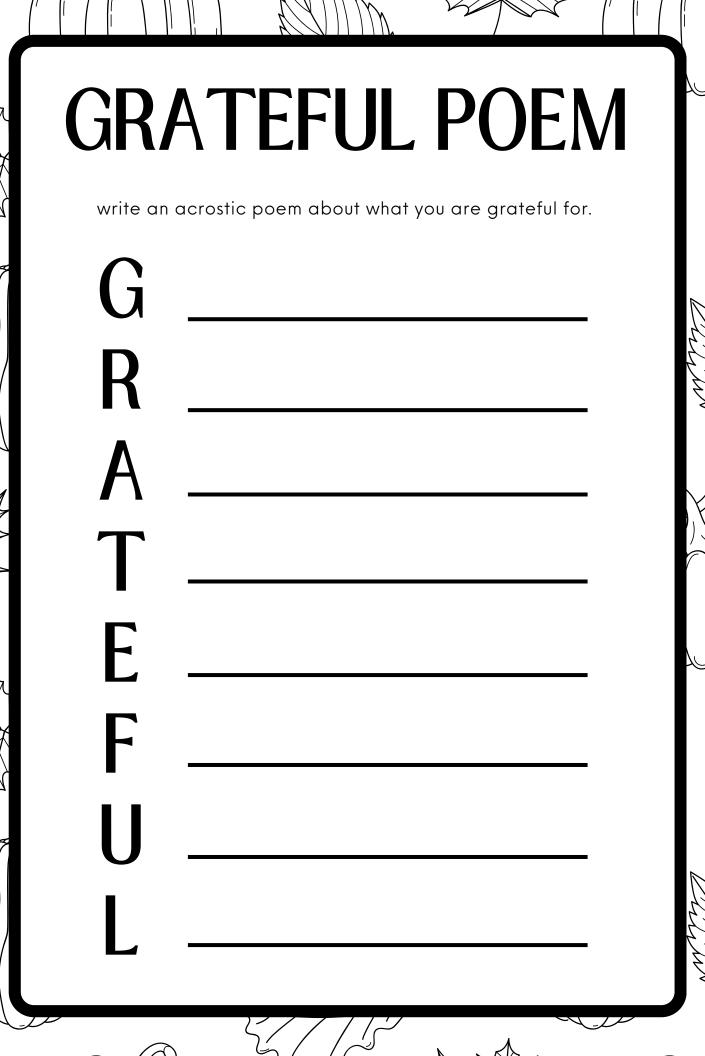
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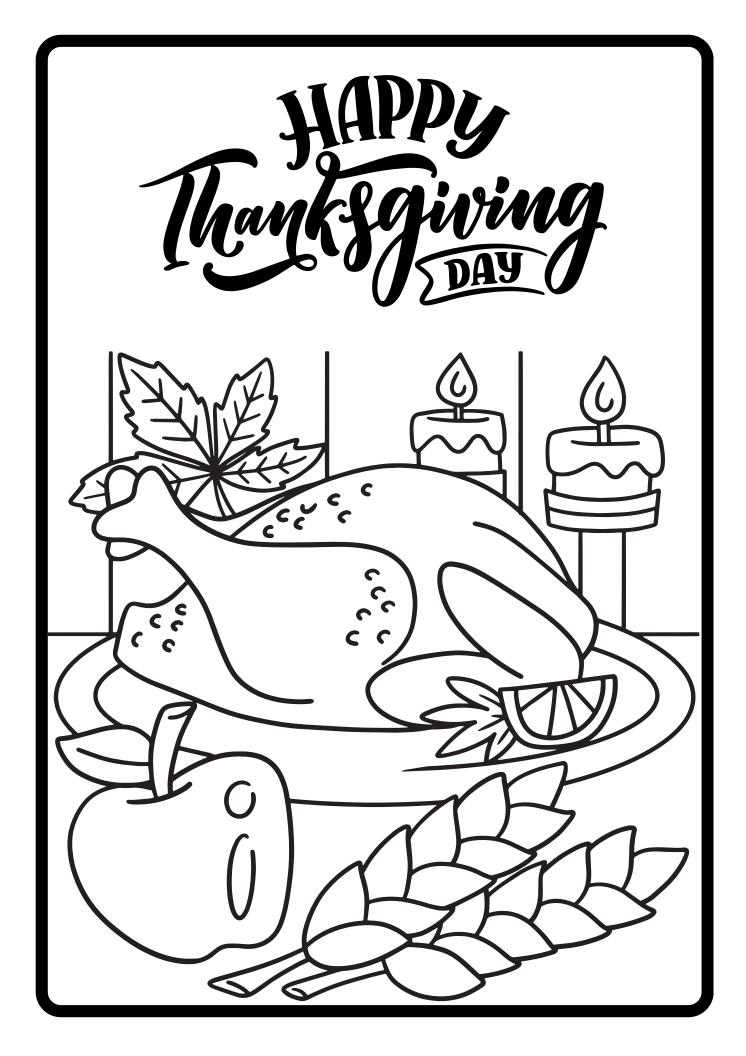
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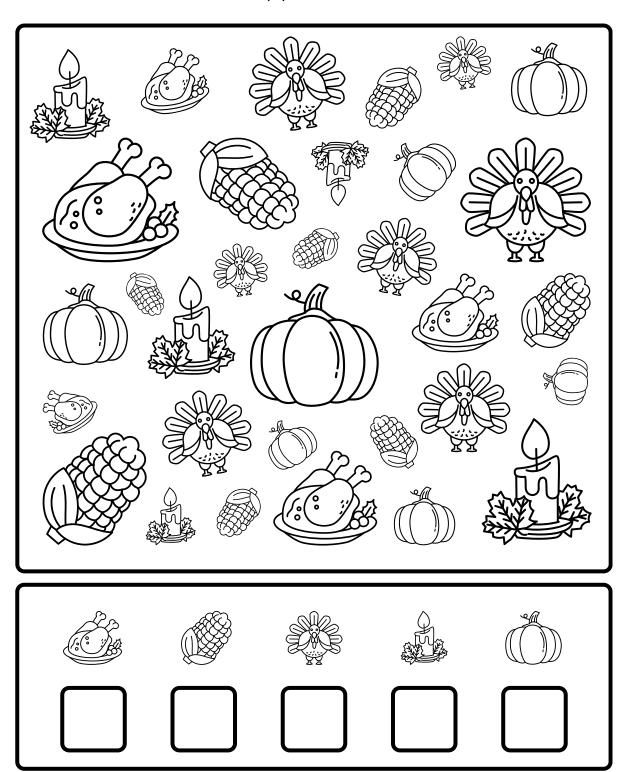


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How many different Thanksgiving items can you find?

Colour each one in a different colour, and count them as you go.

Record how many you find in the boxes below.



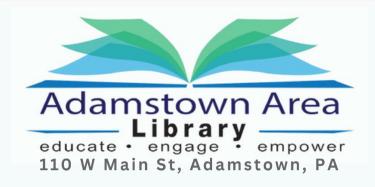
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PETS	LOVE	SCHOOL	FOOD
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November 12, 1:30 p.m. - Homeschool Club for Kids: Art Time

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November 17, 1 p.m. - Letter Writing Club for Homeschoolers

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

November 24, 1 p.m. - Classroom Games for Homeschoolers

We will play Heads Up 7 Up, Pictionary and other classroom games. Ages 10-18.

November 25, 1 p.m. - Spelling for Homeschoolers

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Lititz, PA May

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2, 2026, 7:00 PM

- 10:00 PM

Registration Still Open!





Popcorn Fundraiser for Graduation! Check Website for details Ordersdue Nov.1st. Pick upNov.18th

> For More Information Visit chalc.org OR

Email chalcgraduation@gmail.com



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 fall session will run 10 weeks: September 18 – November 20, 2025. Our spring session will run 11 weeks: January 8 - March 19, 2026 (Eleventh week is a snow make-up day - PLEASE keep it reserved on your calendar!) We meet on Thursdays 12:45-3:25 PM.

Leather Working Field Trip

Date: November 3rd Time: 9:15AM-11:30AM

Location: Woodcrest Retreat Ephrata

Join us for a day of creativity with leather. Students will have the option of one of two designs. Leather wallet, or notebook cover. Pack a lunch to picnic with friends after!



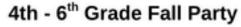
7 UP Friendsgiving

Date: November 14th

Time: 5:30PM - 8:30PM

Location: The VanHanxleden Home

Join us for a cozy Friendsgiving celebration! We'll gather around a campfire (weather permitting) for a fun evening of hanging out and enjoying each other's company. Please bring a side dish to share.



Date: November 7th Time: 5:30PM - 8:30PM

Location: The Hunsberger Home

Come join us for a fun-filled evening full of all things FALL! We will enjoy yummy food including roasted hot dogs and marshmallows over a camp fire, rotating between game and craft stations and finish the night with an epic game of Capture the Flag! This evening is for 4-6 graders only, so no older or younger siblings, please!

Christmas Around the World

Date: November 21st

Time: 9:15AM-11:30AM

Location: Woodcrest Retreat Ephrata

An annual favorite! Christmas Around the World is a great way to discover the traditions of the past and present. This exciting class includes a time of baking and crafts. *More info on the country to come.*

Christian Homeschoolers Exchange of Lancaster



www.chexhomeschool.org

Jen Anteau - Director

Jamie Rohrer - Assistant Director

Upcoming Dates

November 19: Last day of full co-op (12 week classes continue)

December 10: Last day of 12 week classes

End of Semester Party - Nov. 19

All members are invited to participate in our pizza fundraiser and celebrate the Christmas season by learning about our families

Christmas traditions.

Leadership Team:

Jodi Gaus- Treasurer/Secretary, Jenice Weaver- Upper Level Coordinator,

Jolyn Meadows- Middle School Coordinator,

Denisha Lewis- Elementary Coordinator

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Format:

Parents engage in teaching and assisting in classes for two hours, followed by a third hour dedicated to Prayer and Share, a time for fellowship and encouragement with fellow parents. The nursery through 6th grade program runs for 8 weeks each fall and spring, while upper-level classes may last either 8 or 12 weeks each semester.

Membership Options:

- Full Membership: This option covers the entire family, with fees determined by the number of students, capped at four students.
- Drop-off Membership: High school students can attend without requiring parental presence. Fees are based on the number of classes taken.
- Support Group Membership: This choice is for families interested in participating in select extracurricular activities, such as field trips, while being part of the broader CHEX community.

ADVENTURE CLUB

Events Calendar

IN NOVEMBER

2025

03 Mon (Phillies Stadium Tour

Oh Thurs Middle Creek Presentation & Hike

O7 Fri Explorer's Club-Horseshoe Trail Hike

15 Sat Gratitude Storytime

17 Mon Game Club

21 Fri Explorer's Club-White Cliffs of Conoy

MORE INFORMATION

www.homeschoollife.com/PA/adventureclub





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.

CHASE DAYS

November Days: 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th December Days: 1st and 8th (Last Day of CHASE fall semester)



Environmental Center. One Natures Way Lancaster, PA 17602

Leadership Team

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

The Educators Affiliation of Christian Homeschoolers



TEACH exists to enhance and encourage homecentered, 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.

Schedale:

November 4 - No Classes

November 18 - Last Day of Fall Term

November 25 - No Classes, Thanksgiving Break

Field Trips:

November 7 - Quarry Tour November 20 - Blessings of Hope Family Shift

Forest School:

Sign in online to see the calendar of activities

JV and Varsity Basketball will begin in late November! Visit <u>www.homeschool-</u> life.com/PA/TEACH for details.

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 teachomeschooler@gmail.com



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:

Oct 14: Grandparents Day

Oct 18: Barn Party
Oct 28: Hot Lunch

Nov 5: PA State Capitol field trip Nov 18: Twin Day & Business Mtg

Nov 25: No classes

Dec 9: Last day of fall semester **Dec 11:** Moms' Christmas Dinner







MACH Open House Dates:

January 27, 2026 & 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 THANKSGIVING FROM MACH!

...in everything give thanks...

Meeting Location: East Fairview Church, Manheim, PA Website: https://www.homeschool-life.com/pa/mach

Administrator: Kara Good

Contact: manheimareachristianhomeschool@gmail.com



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:

Oct 23rd: Lancaster Airport Tour

Oct 28th: Co-op Day
Nov 11th: Co-op Day

Nov 18th: Secondary Co-op Day

Nov 18th: Leadership Meeting

Nov 25th: Co-op Day (Christmas Cheer)











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

<u>Questions? Contact Kaddie Hollinger at toghomeschool@gmail.com.</u>

October/November 2025

CORNERSTONE Upper Tier

www.homeschool-life.com/pa/cornerstone upper.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com

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.

"Change is the end result of all true learning"

There's still space in these Spring Semester Classes (Jan-Apr 2026)!

8-8:55 9-9:55 12:30-1:25 1:30-2:25

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Career Explorations Health

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Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 Feb 5, 12, 19, 26 Mar 5, 12, 19, 26 Apr 9, 16, 23 / Snow makeup day Apr. 30

Calendar
October 2 –Class Day
9–Class Day, Pizza
lunch, Parent prayer
16 –Class Day, Sub
lunch
23 –Class Day, Pizza
Lunch

30 –Class Day, Costume Day, Chic-fil-A lunch

November 6–Class
Day
13 –Class Day, Pizza
Lunch, Parent prayer
20–Class Day, Sports
Jersey Day, Pizza lunch
27-No Class
Happy Thanksgiving!





Scan here to request new membership:









fostering a feeling of community through service to the student body.

Check out our website to see detailed class information and pricing for spring semester classes!

CORNERSTONE Lower Tier

October/November 2025

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.

Our 2025/2026 Leadership Team



Front Row: Sayira Brubaker, Steph Brown, Heather Cherasaro, Steph Martzall Back Row: Lindsay Meyer, Melani Possi, RoseAnn Kuhns, Janey Newman

Our Calendar of Events:

- ☐ October 2 Classand Picture Day
- ☐ October 3 Sturgis Pretzel Field Trip
- ☐ October 10 Nature Class- Stream Study
- ☐ October 15 Fire Safety Event
- ☐ October 16 Class Day & Sub Lunch
- ☐ October 23 Class Day & Pizza Lunch
- ☐ October 30 Class Day & Chick-fil-A Lunch
- ☐ November 6 Class Day
- ☐ November 7 First National Ban Field Trip
- □ November 14 Nature Class Food Chain
- □ November 20 Class Day & Pizza Lunch



WHO ARE WE?

LearningStation is a parent-run homeschool coop, 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.

Learn more at www.learningstationcoop.com

Registration for these Jr. & Sr. High Spring Classes is open until December 1.



Biblical Excavation

Mixed Media Arts

Writer's Workshop

Intro to Health Careers

✓ Computer Programming



15-week upperlevel classes August 27

10-week upper level and September 3 elementary classes begin

Fall break/Virtual Day for October 15 15-week upper level classes

November 12 End of 10-week classes

November 26 Thanksgiving Break

December 1 Deadline to register for upper level spring classes

December 10 End of 15 week classes



CONTACT

- Sfhgpa@gmail.com
- · 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



CHOS

CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOLERS OF OXFORD & SOLANCO

Open House Days: February 13, 2026 March 6, 2026 Our mission is to provide support and encouragement as well as social and educational opportunities for

homeschooling families in a Christcentered community.

We meet on Fridaysfrom 9-11:30am at Mt. Vernon ChristianChurch located at 1 Lighthouse DriveinKirkwood, PA.

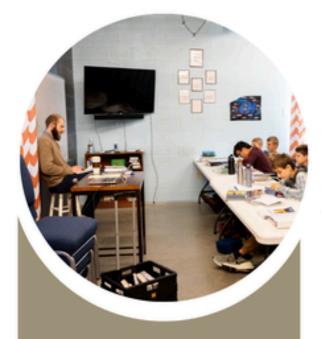




We are a parent-led co-op serving homeschooling families with children from nursery through 12th grade. We have 3 class periods that are 45 minutes each.

For more information on our open house days or our co-op please

email at: choshomeschool@gmail.com or visit our website at: www.homeschool-life.com/pa/chos



EQUIPPING STUDENTS. ENCOURAGING FAMILIES. CULTIVATING HOPE

> Classes meet at New Joy Church 35 New Joy Drive, Ephrata, PA 17522

Enjoy winter and spring performance opportunities! Participate in local field trips!

CONTACT

- (717) 340-2075
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Distinctives of Firm Foundations Academy

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 Students are provided with guided weekly assignments

Wednesday: Optional third day tutorial

Upcoming Open House Dates

Tuesday, 1/20 at 7PM Thursday, 2/12 at 10AM Tuesday, 3/17 at 7PM



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Homeschool mother, 10 years experience K-12,
PHAA & Mason Dixon Diplomas; Special Ed.
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Elementary Evaluations. PA certified K-12.
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Covering York, Lancaster & Harrisburg area with over 20 years teaching & homeschooling experience. Strong classical & Charlotte Mason pedagogical outlook with eclectic approach. In person, zoom, telephone conference, email, are all

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K-6 evaluations in Ephrata/Manheim Township.
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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

Julie Hostetter, Director - chasehomeschoolcoop@gmail.com

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

Director: Jennifer Anteau, 223-667-1709, jen.anteau@gmail.com Jamie Rohrer, 717-368-1178, austinandjamierohrer@gmail.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 24 weeks.

CHOS

(CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOLERS OF OXFORD AND SOLANCO)

Contact: Jen Hershey, choshomeschool@gmail.com

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

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CORNERSTONE UPPER TIER

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

Contact: Shallon Rohrer, Director

Email: <u>upper.tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com</u>

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

www.homeschool-life.com/PA/cornerstonelowertier/

Contact: RoseAnn Kuhns or Steph Brown

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

EVERGREEN CO-OP

(Formerly Faith Outreach Homeschoolers of East Donegal)

Contact: info.evergreenco.op@gmail.com

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

FIRM FOUNDATIONS ACADEMY

Contact: Sarah Northup

www.firmfoundationsacademy.com

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 purposes 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

www.homeschool-life.com/pa/lscoop LearningStationCoop@gmail.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/and click on the FAQ link.

MANHEIM AREA CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOLERS

www.homeschool-life.com/pa/mach

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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

 $\underline{secondplanehomeschool.weebly.com}$

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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)

www.homeschool-life.com/pa/teach

Contact: teachomeschooler@amail.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 toghomeschool.com

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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.