

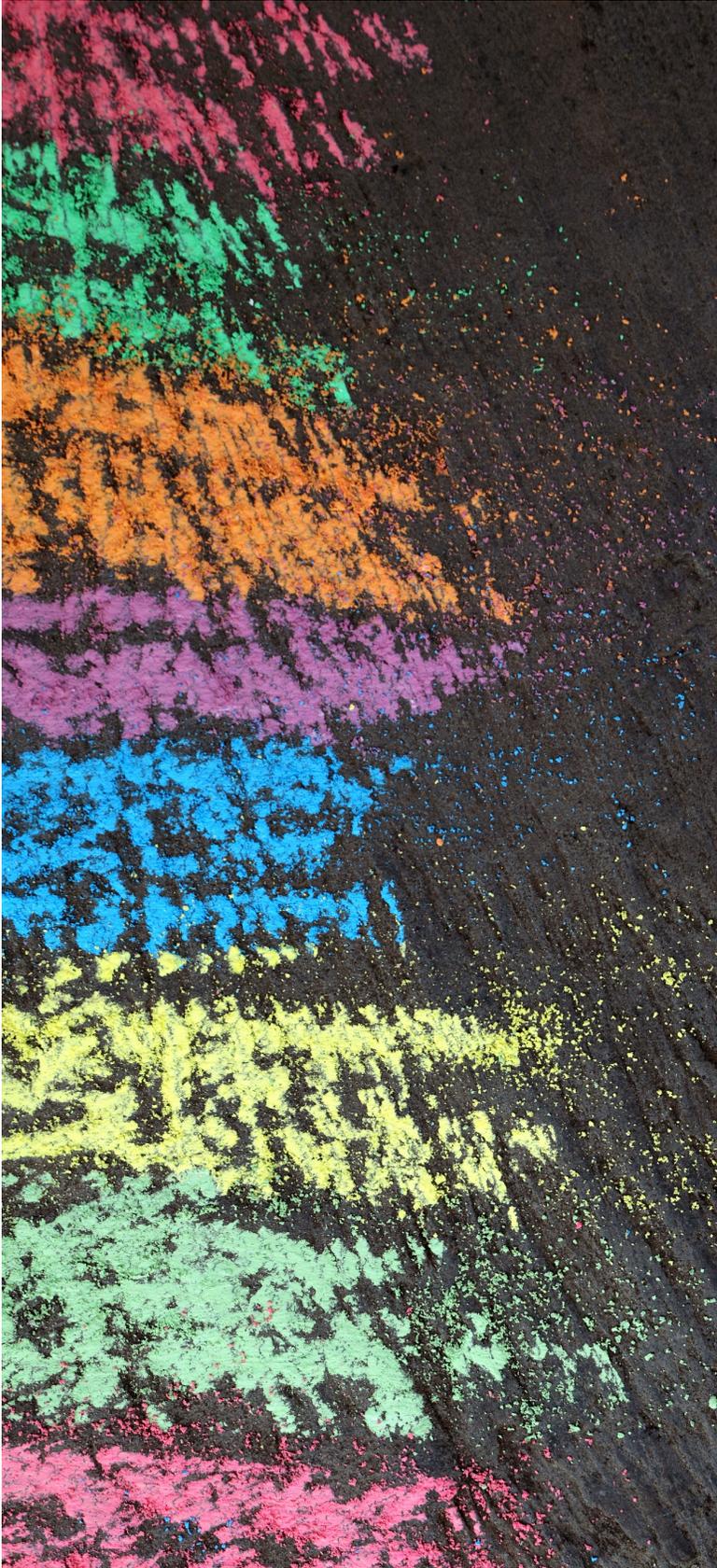
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CHALC Graduation



Next Meeting March 17th @ 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Guys bring SNACKS, Girls bring DRINKS



Next Meeting @

Harvest Bible Church

1460 Eden Rd., Lancaster, PA

Upcoming Meeting Dates

4/16, 5/19

Formal!

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

 The Silk Mill on Main

328 E Main St., New Holland, PA

Tickets Available Now!

Theme: Night in the Bayou

Social: Blessings of Hope!

 March 26th @ 6:30

 500 Becker Road, Leola, PA

RSVP by March 14th

Graduation Ceremony

 Lancaster

Evangelical Free Church

419 Pierson Rd.,

Lititz, PA



May 22, 2026,

7:00 PM - 10:00

PM



For More Information Visit
chalc.org OR Email
chalcgraduation@gmail.com



Are you a member of **more than one**
CHALC member group?



You may request a \$15 rebate for each additional CHALC membership fee paid beyond your first. Rebate requests must be **submitted by May 1.**

A NIGHT ON THE BAYOU

CHALC Class of 2026 Formal

04.17.2026
5 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

LOCATED AT THE SILK MILL ON MAIN
328 E MAIN ST, NEW HOLLAND, PA 17557

TICKET SALES: FEBRUARY 15 TO APRIL 10
EARLY BIRD (2/15-2/28): \$50
REGULAR PRICE (3/1-3/31): \$60
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Click here to purchase your ticket(s).



DO YOU

HAVE A GRAD

WHO WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE CHALC CEREMONY,
BUT YOU WOULD STILL LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THEM IN THE SCRAWLS?

Email a Bio and Senior Headshot to
scrawlselector@gmail.com by April 10!

Please include the following in 100 words or less:

- Graduate's name
- Parents' name
- # of years homeschooled
- Church you attend
- Homeschool groups you attend
- Type of diploma you are receiving
 - Hobbies, interests, talents
- Mission trips / volunteer activities
 - Post graduation plans
- Academic or other honors received
- One personal favorite bible verse (verse needs to be written out)

STUDENT ART

winner



DEAN HERR, GRADE 6

Share your artwork or creative project and you could win a \$15 gift card—every issue has a winner!

Send a photo to scrawlseditor@gmail.com to enter.

Be sure to include:

Full name

Age or grade

Co-op name



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:

March 10: Crazy Hair Day

March 17: Pizza Day

March 24: Hot Lunch

March 31: Book Sale

April 7: Pizza Day, Field Day

April 14: Last day of co-op,
Presentation Night



MACH Member Re-enrollment is open!

****New Member Enrollment opens April 1st!****

Visit our website for information and how to apply.

HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY FROM MACH!

"Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ within me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me."

— St. Patrick

Meeting Location: East Fairview Church, Manheim, PA

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

Administrator: Kara Good

Contact: manheimareachristianhomeschool@gmail.com



HOMESCHOOL DAYS

SPRING

2026

APRIL 21, 24 & MAY 1



[REFRESHINGMOUNTAIN.COM/HOMESCHOOL-DAYS/](https://refreshingmountain.com/homeschool-days/)

ADVENTURE CLUB

FIELDTRIPS | CLUBS | CLASSES

March Events



Hiking | Horse Stable Fieldtrip
Homeschooling in Middle School and
High School Info Session

Women's History Month Storytime
Game Club | Pottery | Macrame

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!

www.homeschool-life.com/PA/adventureclub

adventureclublancaster@gmail.com

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BY MARCH 4**

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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:

Mar 3rd: Co-op Day

Mar 10th: Secondary School Day

Mar 17th: Co-op Day

Mar 24th: Leadership Meeting

Mar 30th: Blessings of Hope

Mar 31st: Co-op Day



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

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



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EXPLORE

– EPHRATA PUBLIC LIBRARY –

March 4, 1:30 p.m. - Homeschool Storytime and STEAM Play

Storytime followed by a craft and free play with all the STEAM toys the library has to offer! Ages 5-9.

March 5 & 19, 2 p.m. - Math Madness!

Learn more about number recognition, sequencing, visual representation and of quantities. Ages 2-5.

March 9, 1 p.m. - Painting for Homeschoolers

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

March 12, 11 a.m. - Homeschooled Kids Club

Social interaction, creative space and sensory exploration outside the house. Ages 2-5.

March 16, 1 p.m. - Letter Writing for Homeschoolers

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

March 25, 1 p.m. - STEM Challenges for Homeschoolers!

Fun science, technology, engineering and math challenges. Ages 10-14.

March 26, 1 p.m. - Classroom Games for Homeschoolers

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

March 31, 1 p.m. - Classics for Homeschoolers: The Little Prince

We will be discussing "The Little Prince" by Antoine De Saint-Exupéry. Ages 10-18.

**Registration is required.
For more info or to register:
www.epratapubliclibrary.org**

Needs vs. Wants

Monday, March 30, 4:30 pm

Join us at the Library to learn about financial basics in a fun way! In this program, we will be partnering with Members 1st Federal Credit Union to help kids understand the difference between our needs vs. our wants. We will work on a fun activity together and end with a snack! Ages 5-10.

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



CHASE ACADEMY

www.chaseacademy.org

Rachel Sauder - Director
chasehomeschoolcoop@gmail.com

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 changedue to teacher availability.)



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 1 st -2 nd Grades	Seasonal Themes, Literature, Free Play, Math, Science 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

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



**Wed., Mar. 18 at 1 pm
Vertebrates and
Invertebrates
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

Written in March

by Williams Wordsworth

The cock is crowing,
The stream is flowing,
The small birds twitter,
The lake doth glitter
The green field sleeps in the sun;
The oldest and youngest
Are at work with the strongest;
The cattle are grazing,
Their heads never raising;
There are forty feeding like one!



Like an army defeated
The snow hath retreated,
And now doth fare ill
On the top of the bare hill;
The plowboy is whooping- anon-anon:
There's joy in the mountains;
There's life in the fountains;
Small clouds are sailing,
Blue sky prevailing;
The rain is over and gone!

The LANCASTER ACADEMY
for the PERFORMING ARTS
presents

Peter Pan

March 26-28
at Lancaster Country Day School's Gardner Theatre

Fly Away to Neverland This Spring!

Ticket on Sale Monday February 9th
\$25 Reserved Adult 12-55
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\$20 General Adult
\$15 General Child & 55+
\$20 at the Door

For everyone who believes
in fairies and second chances!
Thursday March 26 at 7:00pm
Friday March 27 at 7:00 pm
Saturday March 28 at 2:00pm
Saturday March 28 at 7:00pm

www.LancasterAcademy.org



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WHO ARE WE?

Learning Station 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

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

Learn more at www.learningstationcoop.com

2026 Fall Learning Station Upper Level Class Schedule

**Indicates class fees are waived for co-op track families.*

Session 1 9:20am - 10:20am	Chemistry A4 Cliff Zeller 30 weeks Academic 8th-12th	Writer's Workshop (Fall) A5 Ellen Campbell 15 or 30 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Space Exploration A6 Mark Campbell 30 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Introduction to Speech* B27 Jette Stoltzfus 10 week Academic/Enrichment 7th-12th	Motion and Simple Machines* B26 Stacy Dieffenbach 10 weeks Academic 7th-9th	Intro to Google Workspace* A3 Gina Martin 10 week Academic 9th-12th	Introduction to Personal Finance* C Classroom Scott Gillispie 10 week Academic/Enrichment 8th-12th
Session 2 10:25am - 11:55am	Biology A4 Cliff Zeller 30 weeks Academic 9th-12th	Geography A5 Ellen Campbell 15 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Physics A6 Mark Campbell 15 or 30 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Theater Arts* Large Group Room 1 Amanda Sell 24 weeks Academic (Co-op Track Students Only)	Culinary Basics* Kitchen Nicole Miller and Andrea Groff 10 weeks Enrichment 7th-12th	Health A3 Leigh Ann Rohrer 10 weeks Academic 7th-12th	
Session 3 12:50pm - 1:50pm	Environmental Science A4 Cliff Zeller 30 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Literature, Poetry, and Writing (Fall) A5 Deanna Riccardelli 15 or 30 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Volleyball 1 Gymnasium Janette Stauffer 10 weeks Enrichment 7th-12th	Civics A3 Jeanne Patches 15 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Woodcarving* Large Group Room 2 Lancaster Woodcarvers 10 weeks Enrichment 7th-12th		
Session 4 1:55pm - 2:55pm	Survival A4 Cliff Zeller 20 Weeks Academic/Enrichment 7th-12th	Thinkit 1 - Logic Improvement* A3 Amanda Witmer 10 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Beginner Sewing B26 Karen Maier 10 week Enrichment 7th-12th	Volleyball 2 Gymnasium Janette Stauffer 10 Weeks Enrichment 7th-12th	Advanced Culinary* Kitchen EJ May 10 Week Enrichment 7th-12th		
Session 5 3:00pm - 4:00pm	Art Journalism B27 Anica Maier 10 week Enrichment 7th-12th	Music History A3 Johanna Spangenberg 15 weeks Academic 7th-12th					

2027 Spring Learning Station Upper Level Class Schedule

**Indicates class fees are waived for co-op track families.*

Session 1 9:20am - 10:20am	Chemistry A4 Cliff Zeller 30 weeks Academic 8th-12th	Writer's Workshop (Spring) A5 Ellen Campbell 15 or 30 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Space Exploration A6 Mark Campbell 30 Weeks Academic 7th-12th	Civil War Studies A6 Sarah Evans 10 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Introduction to Spanish (Immersion)* B26 Carrie Carpinteyro 10 weeks Academic 7th-12th	CPR and First Aid* B27 Sara Sauder 10 Weeks Academic 7th-12th
Session 2 10:25am - 11:55am	Biology A4 Cliff Zeller 30 weeks Academic 9th-12th	Business Writing A5 Ellen Campbell 15 weeks Academic 9th-12th	Physics A6 Mark Campbell 15 Weeks Academic 7th-12th	Theater Arts* Large Group Room 1 Amanda Sell 24 weeks Academic (Co-op Track Students Only)	Culinary Basics* Kitchen Nicole Miller and Andrea Groff 10 week Enrichment 7th-12th	Theological Triage* A3 Laura Fahnestock 10 weeks Academic 7th-12th
Session 3 12:50pm - 1:50pm	Environmental Science A4 Cliff Zeller 30 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Literature, Poetry, and Writing (Spring) A5 Deanna Riccardelli 15 or 30 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Introduction to Cosmetology* Cafe/ C Classroom Adrienne Brubaker 10 weeks Vocational Enrichment 7th-12th	Costume Design B25 Karen Maier 10 weeks Vocational Enrichment 7th-12th	Basketball* Gymnasium Jacqui Ivy/ Erica Yoder 10 weeks Enrichment 7th-12th	Thinkit 2: Fallacy Quest A5 Amanda Witmer 10 weeks Academic 7th-12th
Session 4 1:55pm - 2:55pm	Survival A4 Cliff Zeller 20 Weeks Academic/Enrichment 7th-12th	Rocks, Rebels, and Resources: PA Intensive A6 Amanda Witmer 15 week Academic 9th-12th	Drawing B25 Amanda Zook 15 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Krav Maga Large group room 2 William McGee 10 weeks Enrichment 7th-12th	Flower Power: Floral Design B27 Christine Hurst 8 weeks Enrichment 7th-12th	
Session 5 3:00pm - 4:00pm	Krav Maga Large group room 2 William McGee 10 weeks Enrichment 7th-12th	Basic Music Theory A5 Andy Sell 10 weeks Academic 7th-12th	General Arts B25 Amanda Zook 15 weeks Academic 7th-12th	Ten American Wars A3 Johanna Spangenberg 15 weeks Academic 7th-12th		

Classes in White boxes are year long classes. Colored boxes indicate Semester long classes.

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:

March 3 - Girls Spring Soccer begins

Field Trips:

March 4 – Fox Meadows Creamery

March 12 - Blessings of Hope family shift

April 10 – No. 9 Coal Mine and Museum

Forest School:

Sign in online to see the calendar of activities

What: TEACH Track & Field Day

When: Tuesday, May 12, 2026

Who: for students in K-12th grade

How to register: Track & Field info page -

<https://www.homeschool-life.com/3464/custom/124250>

Deadline to register: Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Any questions: email shallon84@hotmail.com

Can't wait to see you there!

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 forestschooldadventures@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



Almond Blossoms
Vincent Van Gogh, 1890

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT:

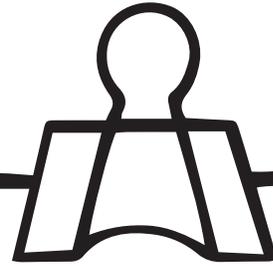
Vincent van Gogh was a Dutch artist who lived in the late 1800s. He is one of the most famous painters in the world today, known for his bright colors, thick brushstrokes, and emotional style.

Instead of trying to paint things exactly as they looked, Van Gogh used color and movement to show how a scene felt.

He often painted ordinary subjects—fields of wheat, simple houses, blooming flowers, and the night sky—but filled them with swirling lines and glowing colors. His brushstrokes are easy to see, giving his paintings energy and motion, almost as if the wind or light is moving through them.

One of his most well-known works is *Starry Night*, where the sky seems to swirl and shine above a quiet village. In this painting, Van Gogh used bold blues and yellows to create a sense of wonder and movement in the night sky. Van Gogh painted more than 2,000 artworks in his lifetime. Though he struggled and was not famous while he was alive, his paintings later inspired many artists to use color and brushstrokes to express emotion and tell a story through their art.

Vincent Van Gogh



Use the following pages to complete this artist study.

Play “See and Say”

1. Look closely at *Almond Blossoms* by Vincent van Gogh for 1 minute. Notice the colors, the branches, and the background.
2. Hide the picture.
3. See how many details you can remember and say them aloud!

Ask Picture Study Questions

(Found on the Next page)

Try It Yourself!

1. Draw a branch with blossoms or flowers. Use simple lines and bright colors like Van Gogh did to make the flowers stand out.
1. Paint or color a nature scene against a bright sky background. Focus on making the colors bold and cheerful, just like in *Almond Blossoms*.

PICTURE STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What colors do you see in the background sky?
2. How would you describe the shape and direction of the branches?
3. What do you notice about the almond blossoms themselves?
4. Does the painting feel calm, joyful, or something else to you? Why?
5. What's the very first thing you noticed in the picture?
6. Who or what do you think is the most important part of the picture?
7. What colors or shapes stood out to you the most?
8. If the picture kept going beyond the edges, what else might we see?



Christian Homeschoolers Exchange of Lancaster

www.chexhomeschool.org

Jen Anteau - Director

Jamie Rohrer - Assistant Director

Upcoming Dates



March 2: Current Member Registration

March 11: Spirit Day (Wacky Day)

March 25: Last Day of Elementary co-op

April 1: New member registration

April 8: Last day of upper level classes

Some of our 2026-2027 School Year Classes for Upper Level Students

Fall 2026

Research Writing (9-12)
Chemistry (9-12)
Handsewing (7-12)
Adulting 101 (9-12)
Computer Art (7-12)
History's Mysteries (7-12)
Lego/Cardboard Building (7-12)

Spring 2027

Entrepreneur (9-12)
Oceanography (7-8)
Creative Writing (9-12)
World Cultures (7-12)
Video Game Design (7-12)
Theater (7-12)
Kitchen Skills (7-12)



Other classes will be posted on our website.

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.

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.



Spring Concert

Date: March 20th

Time: 7PM - 9PM

Location: DOVE Westgate Church

Family and friends to join us for our spring concert where we will be praising Jesus with our voices and giving Him the glory! We will be having refreshments and a wonderful time of fellowship after the concert concludes. **Families with a student in the concert PLEASE arrive at 6:40 so we can have class pictures taken!**

Concert Rehearsal

Our concert rehearsal will be the morning of the concert from 10AM - 12PM. Please make this a priority!

Serve at Blessings of Hope

Date: March 10th

Time: 8:30AM - 11:00AM

Location: 500 Becker Road Leola

We will be at the Leola Food Processing Warehouse sorting and/or packaging food distribution.

Shift Details: We only have enough room for 30 people - all participants must be ages 10 and up.

Shenks Ferry Wildflower Preserve Hike

Date: April 13th

Time: 8:30AM - 10:30AM - 12:30PM

Location: Green Hill Road Conestoga

Come and enjoy a stroll through the woods as you admire God's beautiful creation! Shenks Ferry is full of stunning spring blooms all along the paths. After our hike, enjoy a picnic lunch with friends before heading home. (Don't forget your bug spray!) **RAIN DATE: April 14th (next day)**

Check out their website for more information about Shenks Ferry:

<https://www.lancasterconservancy.org/preserves/shenks-ferry-wildflower/>

CORNERSTONE Lower Tier

www.cornerstonelowertier.com



Co-Directors

RoseAnn Kuhns & Steph Brown

Lower_tier@cornerstonehomeschoolers.com



March 2026

Cornerstone Lower Tier is a parent-run Christian based homeschool co-op serving families with children infant thru 8th grade. We meet Thursdays at Grace Baptist Church of Lancaster from 12pm -4pm. We provide enrichment classes, gym, choir, field trips, track and field day, and fellowship opportunities. Our program operates for 16 weeks, 8 in the fall and 8 in the spring. All members are expected to serve by monitoring, teaching, and cleaning. Please visit our website for membership details and email or Directors with any questions.



Open House

Thursday March 5

1pm – 3pm

March Activities

3/5 Co-Op Class Day

Open House

3/9 New Member Registration

3/13 Lanc County Park Nature Class

3/19 Co-Op Class Day

Pizza Lunch

Spirit Day- Twin Day

3/20 Spring Concert

3/26 Last Co-Op Day





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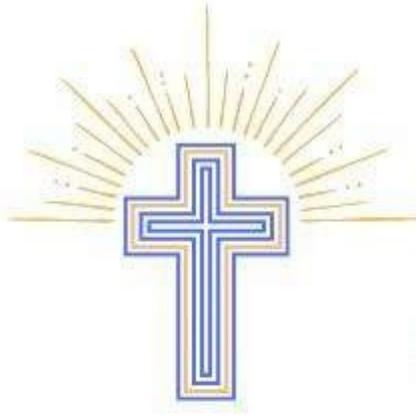


WHO WE ARE

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



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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

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CHALC GROUPS

ADVENTURE CLUB

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

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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>

Contact: Shallon Rohrer, Director

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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

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

Contact: RoseAnn Kuhns or Steph Brown

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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.

EVERGREEN CO-OP

(Formerly Faith Outreach Homeschoolers of East Donegal)

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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 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/lcoop

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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

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

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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.