Local Rochester-Area Homeschool Support Groups, Co-ops, and Programs Listing 2018-2019
Fall Edition

To add, remove, or update your organization, program and/or contact information please contact: Linda Fantauzzo, LFantauzzo2@rochester.rr.com

Homeschool Groups:

• Black Homeschoolers United!
  A community of Black homeschoolers and those interested in homeschooling in the Greater Rochester area dedicated to supporting one another in our respective homeschooling journeys. We are committed to providing our homeschoolers with a space to organize group classes and activities that have a particular emphasis Black culture and heritage. These classes and activities include: monthly group "Pop-Up" classes, field-trips, family gatherings, individualized and group parent professional development classes, etc. We have monthly teleconferences and communicate periodically via our WhatsApp group chat line. For more information, contact Kadara Muhammad at kadaramuhammad@gmail.com

• Homeschool Teen Group:
  Are you looking for a group for your teen to socialize and make friends? We are a secular group of families with teens that meet weekly. Ages range from age 12-15 but we are open to extending it to 17. Our teens like to talk with each other or play a few pick-up games in the gym. All is teen led so there is no structure or co-op format. Please note we are electronic-free. It's just casual fun with families getting together supporting each other and our kids being kids! We meet year round on Fridays in Brockport; the cost is $2 per teen per week. We are not a drop-off group, so plan on staying with your teen and getting to know the other parents. For more information and membership contact: Jamie: jamiebraggemail@gmail.com

• Charity Homeschool
  Non-denominational Christian support group serving approx. 120 families in Greater Rochester area. We welcome homeschoolers of all faiths and offer support, co-op classes, field trips, new homeschool and high school seminars, monthly tween & teen groups, high school graduation ceremony, High School dance, special needs group meetings, and much more.
  Contact: Michele Boyer at charityhomeschool@gmail.com
  Find out about our membership and all of our activities on our website: http://www.charityhomeschool.com
Classical Conversations supports homeschooling parents by cultivating the love of learning through a Christian worldview in fellowship with other families. Parents and children learn together in our tuition-based communities. We believe there are three keys to a great education: classical, Christian, and community. CC Communities meet together one day per week throughout the academic year in various locations throughout Western New York including Batavia, North Chili, Horseheads, Endicott, Canandaigua, and Webster. Additional campuses likely to be added in 2017-2018. We also offer free three-day homeschool parent training events each summer. Visit www.parentpracticum.com for more information. If you are looking for a brief overview of CC, check out this quick 3-minute video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9-SUB5iDYggE or visit our Facebook page: Classical Conversations of Western New York

Contact: Jenny Barone at jbarone@classicalconversations.com or Christelle Helbig at chelbig@classicalconversations.com

Gifted Homeschool Alliance of Rochester
Contact Shannon Tani at spacegrrrl2012@gmail.com

Greater Rochester LEAH (Loving Education at Home)
Composed of Christian families who volunteer together to offer field trips, group lessons, family activities, support meetings, mom’s nights, graduation and sports teams. Rochester’s oldest LEAH chapter.
Contact Maria Bushen at maria@grleah.com
http://www.lean.org
Please note: This is just one of many LEAH chapters (see below).
Families may also join NYS LEAH in a “region at-large” chapter.

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• John 15 LEAH of Naples has new website: https://sugarrush1996.wixsite.com/john15leah
We meet on Mondays beginning September 11th in Middlesex. The group offers a variety of 1st and 2nd semester elementary through high school class options.

• The Homeschool Academy LEAH
Contact Lorane Dreyer at hsaleah@gmail.com
Academic Co-op, full day of classes on Tuesdays Sept.-May, held at Calvary Community Church of the Nazarene, 4045 East Henrietta Rd., Henrietta NY 14467 and Guardian Angels Church https://sites.google.com/site/hsaleah/

• PCC LEAH, Pittsford Community Church LEAH
Contact Chris and Elaine Pragle at pccleah@gmail.com
www.PCCLEAH.org  Members must agree to the LEAH statement of faith. The group offers support and fellowship to homeschooling parents as well as activities and relationships for homeschooled children. Well-established Friday co-op with many class offerings for all ages.

• Western Wayne County LEAH
Contact: Kelly Lee, kellee1097@hotmail.com
Ronda Armstrong, jay.ronda@gmail.com

• Westside LEAH
Contact Christine Ziegler, Chrisziegler@frontiernet.net
Group is limited to 25 families and is currently at maximum.

• RAHA - Rochester Area Homeschoolers Association
Contact RAHAINFORMATION@gmail.com
www.rochesterareahomeschoolers.org
A community of families dedicated to supporting one another in our common commitment to learning without schooling. Our membership gathers together for philosophical rather than religious reasons and therefore welcomes families of all backgrounds who share our vision.

• Simply Homeschooling
799 members. Private Yahoo group. Resource/support network free and open to families of all backgrounds and philosophies who seek positive socialization within a diverse, inclusive community.
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/simplyhomeschooling/info
• St. Thomas Aquinas Homeschooler of the Rochester Area
  Contact Pam at stahrreg@gmail.com
  Website: https://www.homeschool-life.com/1511/index_public
  A cooperative effort of roughly 70 Catholic families throughout the Diocese of Rochester. Group provides information, support, field trips, children’s clubs, activities, enrichment co-ops, and events for all ages. Check out the website to see if this could be a good fit for your family.

• West Wayne Homeschool Co-op
  A welcoming, informal, diverse, cooperative homeschooling group that meets weekly in the West Wayne County, NY area for activities, free time, field trips and more. Children involved in this group are aged infant through about 16 - ALL are invited. About 100 member families currently.
  Find us on Facebook or contact: Jean Maynard - beanjeepin@gmail.com

Homeschool Co-ops:

• Gloria Deo Cooperative
  Contact: Heather Menear: lhmenear@rochester.rr.com
  www.gloriadeocooperative.org
  Christian homeschool co-op (Nursery-12th grade) with focus on classical model of education. Meets 32 weeks during school year on Thursdays at Journey Christian Church in Greece. Full day program covering most of major subject areas. Families are committed to full day, with the requirement of teaching up to two classes. Our families benefit from a solid program, valuable friendships, and a warm, supportive community. Our mission is to glorify our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by educating our children in His ways and providing a Biblical understanding of the world they live in using a classical approach. For more info. or to schedule a visit, go to http://www.gloriadeocooperative.org/mod/page/view.php?id=102

• Greece Christian Co-op (forming)
  Contact Tammy Briceland McGarvey (Facebook)

• Homeschool Hive (Preschool co-op ages 3-6) West Irondequoit
  Meets twice a week, Mon. and another day of the week 9:30-11:30 AM. Thematic learning for your little ones: number recognition and counting, circle time, stories and snacks, art or games, free play, field trips. Upcoming themes include: summer, America, desert, mammals, seashore, jungles, grocery stores, campfires and more. No cost - moms just stay and volunteer for something. You may visit to check it out. Call or email for more information. Contact: Margaret Barona, atomicsour@gmail.com or 585-643-9063.

• I-Central Homeschool Group meets at the Irondequoit Library on Wednesdays, from 10:30am-11:30am during the traditional school year. We are a parent-led cooperative with a focus on 8-12 year olds. Siblings are welcome and encouraged to
participate. There is a focused topic each week, followed by social time in the main library and occasional field trips. There is no cost.*With the exception of using an iPad for group instructional time, we are tech free during the first hour.

To find out more specifics, please find us on FB at:
https://www.facebook.com/groups/602086180156101/

- **LCG- Lilac Children’s Garden**
  
  Contact info@lilacchildrensgarden.org
  
  http://www.lilacchildrensgarden.org
  
  Damore Viola Jensen (617-997-1004) Damore_viola@yahoo.com
  
  Waldorf-inspired, multi-age classes are offered to homeschooled children ages five to fourteen. (Paid Program) Twelve Corners Church, Winton Road, Brighton.
  
  Lilac offers a weekly class, inspired by Waldorf education philosophy, to homeschooled children ages four-and-a-half to thirteen on Tuesday afternoons from mid-September through May. In addition, our community gathers to celebrate seasonal festivals and participates in parent study groups. We also offer a parent child class for children ages infant through four years on Wednesday mornings. We have a few open spaces for children ages 9-12 for the fall.

- **Moms 2 Moms** mom’s group that meets 2x a month in chili, and we have a homeschool class for the kids (and childcare for younger-nursery and preschool classes). No cost, and you don't have to go to New Hope church (they host it in their cafe!) or even go to any church at all. It's a great time to relax, connect with other moms, and my fave days of the month, honestly. First meeting is this Wed. Sept. 16 at 10am! Contact Jen Moore https://www.facebook.com/m2mroc

- **Rochester Christian Co-op**
  
  Rochester Christian Co-op, a non-profit organization in its 14th year, is a parent-led homeschool group that meets 32 weeks during the school year on Mondays at Pittsford Community Church. Our co-op is a full-day program that helps families meet NYS homeschooling standards. Parents teach 1 or 2 classes while their children benefit from a day full of instruction. The only fees associated with our co-op are the cost of curriculum and supplies for the classes your children attend. The children in our group range in age from nursery through twelfth grade. Classes include science, writing, literature, social studies, foreign language (Spanish or ASL), art and music. While we use Apologia for science throughout all grades, the other subjects use a variety of curricula. For more information, please contact, Kirsten Borkowski, Kirsten@borkowski.us or visit our website at http://rochesterchristiancoop.org

Homeschool Learning Centers

- **Amiko**: Amiko is a learning center that offers a la carte courses to 6-17 year old people, Monday-Friday from 9:00am-5:50pm. Courses are scheduled by semesters and they meet for either 1.5 hours or 3 hours a week. Amiko is a secular organization that encourages enrollment by people with diverse perspectives, to
foster the development of a rich community. The mission of Amiko Learning Center is to support children and teens to build knowledge in personally meaningful and collaborative ways so they can understand the complexity of our world to make informed decisions and generate innovative ideas while acting with empathy for others. https://www.facebook.com/groups/200139593893402/about/

Jennifer Green, Director.

- Learning Circle This Thursday, 7/19, I'll be having an informal parent information meeting for my Learning Circle program, now in its 6th year. In these weekly morning classes we explore a variety of topics (including history, science, math, art, music, and woodworking) with a focus on hands-on experiences and community-building. I anticipate having three groups next year - a 4th/5th grade class on Wednesday mornings, a 6th/7th grade class on Thursday mornings, and a 2nd/3rd grade class TBD. If interested, please contact me at sjmjrkgkmg@yahoo.com.
  Sue Morgan
  RCSD

Area Homeschool Facebook Groups:
- Brockport Area Homeschoolers (41 members)  
  https://www.facebook.com/groups/709380935906383/
- Canandaigua Area Homeschoolers (257 members)
- Homeschoolers of the Fingerlakes
- Homeschoolers of Greater Rochester NY (1, 718 members)
- I-Central Homeschool Group (NEW!)  
  https://www.facebook.com/groups/602086180156101/
- Roc Homeschool Co-op (416 members)
- West Wayne County Homeschool Co-op (121 members)
- Catholic Homeschoolers of Rochester NY (43 members)
- Moms 2 Moms Chili co-op https://www.facebook.com/m2mroc
- Livingston County NY Homeschoolers (91 members)
- ROC Homeschool Science Nerd (263 members)
- BACH: Batavia Area Coalition of Homeschoolers
- Raising Believers Homeschool Group (Batavia)

Private Schools Which Allow Part-time Attendance:
- St. John Bosco (Classical Catholic education, non-Diocesan private in East Rochester)
- Our Lady of Mercy School for Young Women (Gr. 6-12)
- Charles Finney School (Christian Penfield)
- Cornerstone Christian Academy (Brockport)
- Rochester Christian School
Hello Fellow Homeschoolers,

I'd like to share with you what I consider a hidden gem that I have found to be an incredible resource as a Christian homeschooler.

East Palmyra Christian School is a small private school in Wayne County that is very welcoming to Christian home-schooled students. They offer the following course choices a la carte for $30/month ($300/year): instrument lessons + band, general music + choir, art, phys. ed., or bible. The core courses cost more, but are available individually as well. These are available to students in grades 1-12. We have been very pleased with our experience there and have appreciated the Christian perspective and support in our homeschooling journey. I encourage anyone interested to check them out!  

www.Eastpalmyrachristianschool.com

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**Academic Classes:**

**Pre-K & Elementary Spanish** Contact: Caroline Bucci dos_buccis@hotmail.com  Come join us in el club de español, (Spanish club) where we will have fun learning to speak Spanish through songs, books, and games. We will also sample some typical foods from Hispanic countries and learn about Latin culture. This class is designed to engage young learners and to develop a language base in a fun and active environment. Classes will be held at 70 Rowland Parkway, Rochester 14610. There will be eight classes starting on October 11 from 9:30-10:30. The cost is $75 per child. Please feel free to call with any questions at 585-309-7328. ¡Gracias! Sra. Bucci (Caroline Bucci)

**Sonrisas Early Learners Spanish** Contact:  Kate Corbett kathrynjoancorbett@gmail.com  or message me on Facebook.

**Other possibilities for Spanish (based on previous listings):**

- Crystal Wood crystaland3boys@gmail.com

**Online foreign language learning:** If you have library card, your child can learn almost any language for free using the Mango online lessons on Owwl.org. Our kids are learning Chinese and American Sign Language this fall! Sign in with your library card and click the Learn a Language link on top!

**Writing Classes for Homeschoolers at Writers and Books,** (taught by homeschooling Mom and English professor, Caren Pita) Here's the link for inquiries or registration.http://www.wab.org/type-of-class-wor.../youth-teen-classes/ feel free to email Caren directly with any questions or to set up private writing instruction careaboo@gmail.com. There is also a FB group for homeschool writing support whether or not your kids are in the class: https://www.facebook.com/groups/782376815165603/

**Homeschool Science Nerds:** ANNOUNCING! **drumroll please** homeschool science nerd science based trips and classes for Rochester NY and the surrounding area! Let the nerd do the organizing and you just show up with your science nerd on! Please join the group
ACE Program through Genesee Community College (Dual enrollment high school/college for homeschoolers) Dan Snyder has been GCC's Program Specialist for the ACE program since 2005, and works closely with the homeschooled students and their families.

Tuition $55 per credit hour. A 3 credit course is $165. Many online options. This offers a substantial savings over what both MCC and FLCC offer. http://www.genesee.edu/home/ace/homeschooled/

Early College Scholars at Fingerlakes Community College http://www.fingerlakes.edu/highschool-homeschool/index.cfm

This program is for high school students and home school students who wish to take courses on campus to get a head start on a college degree. FLCC offers a scholarship that will fund up to 50% of the student’s tuition for up to 7 credits each semester at any FLCC location or online including the main campus in Canandaigua, Geneva Campus Center, Victor Campus Center, and Wayne Campus Center in Newark.

Course enrollment is limited and students will be enrolled in all courses on a first come, first serve basis. Students will not be registered for courses until all application materials have been received and the student has fulfilled all placement testing requirements. Although there is no deadline to apply, we highly encourage applicants to apply early to ensure they get the course schedule they need.

Placement Testing
Students wishing to take English, math or science courses may be required to take a placement test. If you need to take the placement test please contact Ellen O'Donnell at 585-785-1669 to schedule testing. For more information and sample test questions visit www.flcc.edu/testing.

To view FLCC’s course offerings at our campus locations:
· Visit FLCC’s website at www.flcc.edu
· Click on Course Schedules in the upper right hand corner

Those steps will yield course descriptions, course offerings, times, days and course prerequisite information.

For more detailed information about a specific course, go to www.flcc.edu/courses and search by subject. The course syllabus provides more curricular information and is available for each course.

If you have any questions please feel free to call Ellen O'Donnell at (585) 785-1669 or email secondaryprograms@flcc.edu.

Ellen O'Donnell
Finger Lakes Community College
Office of Concurrent Enrollment, Gemini Program, Early College Scholars
3325 Marvin Sands Dr.
Canandaigua, NY 14424
P: 585-785-1669
F: 585-785-1820

BOCES If the trades may be in your child’s future, Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES will allow homeschooled students to attend (space permitting) their programs if parents pay the tuition. Pursue this option in the summer for start at beginning of September. Currently Monroe 1 and 2 BOCES will not allow a student to homeschool part of the day while attending. Teens seriously interested in pursuing vocational and technical training (including the medical fields) can enroll in their local public high school and attend ½ day there and ½ at BOCES. Homeschool graduates are able to attend as a paying adult (space permitting) at the Fairport and Spencerport Monroe BOCES locations.

Enrichment Classes:

Camp Arrowhead (YMCA) in Pittsford
https://camps.rochesterymca.org/locations/camp-arrowhead/homeschool-clinics-events
We’re not your typical classroom! Children ages 5-15 can be dropped off at 9:30AM until 1:30PM each Wednesday to enjoy engaging topics with their peers. Camp Arrowhead offers 55 acres of fields, creeks, and wooded areas for your homeschooler to explore. Each Wednesday, students will learn through hands-on activities that focus on Outdoor Living Skills (OLS), Environmental Education (E), Cultural (C), Historical (H), Health Education (HE), and Science Technology Engineering Math (S) topics. View our registration brochure to view class focus areas. Career connections will be made each class to expose children to exciting paths and possibilities. There will need to be a minimum of 6 children to run any week’s programming.

Canandaigua YMCA Homeschool Program http://www.canandaigua-ymca.org/ymca_programs/homeschool/ Created for homeschoolers by homeschoolers. A full-day drop off program on Tuesdays running in two semesters and a half-day program on Fridays. A summer camp week in May. Space is limited and pricing is very affordable. Contact Stephanie Thane, homeschool coordinator Stefanie@canandaigua-ymca.org

Cumming Nature Center Homeschool Program The Forest School ages 5-12
Information here:  http://www.rmsc.org/cumming-nature-center/forest-school
Or call the Rochester Museum & Science Center at 585-697-1942.
Please call Nathan at the Cumming Nature Center, 585.374.6160, with any questions.

Earthworks Institute Homeschool Classes
http://www.earthworksinst.org/forschoolsandorganizations/
Earthworks Institute is excited to announce a new series of programs for kids! We will be spending this winter/spring taking it outdoors with kids ages 3-14 in the Rochester area. Our new programs are designed to get kids excited about nature and develop skills that will last a lifetime. More information available here: http://www.earthworksinst.org/forestschool/

Homeschool Chess at Rochester Chess Center
What: Chess instruction
Where: 221 Norris Dr, Rochester, NY 14610
Ontario Play and Café [http://www.ontarioplay.com/] 1861 Scottsville Road, Rochester, NY 14623 Homeschool opportunities 14,000 SF facility for all children ages 10 and younger and their accompanying parents or guardians for fun, hands-on, open play. Call 585-434-2720 for more information. Ontario Play & Cafe is offering their monthly homeschool day, HS price is $10 for each child and $3 for each adult (the $3 for the adult include a $3 food coupon).

RocCity Signers (RCS), Rochester's only dedicated community resource for American Sign Language (ASL) education, invites homeschooling families to participate in classes at the new RCS studio (11 Goodman Street North in Rochester's Neighborhood of the Arts (NOTA)). Instruction is available for all ages; parents are invited to participate with their kids. Household discounts are offered to promote learning within families. Students are invited to try the first class at no cost and only pay for a full session if they decide to join. Owner/instructor Susan Rizzo, whose professional background includes deaf education and linguistics, will do her best to accommodate. (585) 969-3275 (3ASL) susanrizzo@roccitysigners.com www.roccitysigners.com

Strong Museum of Play Homeschool Offerings The Strong's Education Team has developed a full slate of programs designed specifically for homeschooled children and their parents. Homeschool Lessons and Theme Days explore a wide variety of topics including health and wellness, science, history, math, and English language arts and are generally intended for children in grades pre-K through grade three. Space is limited so interested families are encouraged to register early. The full schedule can be found online at museumofplay.org/education/homeschool-students.

Homeschool Astronomy at Strasenburgh Planetarium
Steve Fentress, Director, phone (585) 697-1946 e-mail Steve_Fentress@rmsc.org, www.rmsc.org.

Art, Music & Drama:

Amadeus Chorale Youth
The Amadeus Chorale is the Greater Rochester's sign language choir, teaching high musical standards along with some sign language. Each year we perform in three concerts of our own, because we believe children are artists in their own right. We also tour every other year and accept invitations such as singing at the tree lighting for Rochester General Hospital's Christmas season. Our children, ages 7-17, are praised for their behavior as much as for their high degree of musicality. There are no auditions; we train children to sing well! All of our directors have Music Education degrees. Your child rehearses weekly in either Victor or Brockport, whichever is more convenient for you. Please visit our website to see and hear us. www.theamadeuschorale.org

Darla Bair
Founder and Artistic Director
Amadeus Chorale Youth Singers
www.theamadeuschorale.org
amadeuschorale@aol.com
Flower City Arts Center: [www.rochesterarts.org](http://www.rochesterarts.org) "Photography, Ceramics, Printing & Book Arts for All Ages"

Flower City Arts Center offers daytime and weekend homeschool-only and homeschool-friendly arts classes for all ages in photography, printing and book arts and ceramics at our central Rochester location. Flower City Arts Center staff can also design custom classes for your group of 6 or more participants in a wide variety of visual arts media. Individual tutoring and semi-private lessons are also available.

**Administrative Office: (585) 244-1730**  
Book Arts: (585) 244-9312  
Ceramics: (585) 271-5183  
Photography: (585) 271-5920  
[www.rochesterarts.org](http://www.rochesterarts.org)

Would you or your child love to be able to master the technical features of their new Digital Camera? At Flower City Arts Center Session 4, a daytime class of Intro to DSLR Photography is still open for people 14 and up. Take the class individually, or together as a family bonding experience! Register Online today! [https://www.rochesterarts.org/é/intro-to-dslr-photography-é](https://www.rochesterarts.org/é/intro-to-dslr-photography-é)  
Many other amazing classes are still open for winter in our cozy facility, see: [www.rochesterarts.org/classes](http://www.rochesterarts.org/classes)

**Homeschool Art Class for High School:** with graphic designer and commercial illustrator Jeremy Sniatecki. 324 Carling Rd., Rochester, NY 14610  Please contact Jeremy at 482-9081 or jeremy@jeremyscreative.com to register or to ask questions.

**Monday Clay Class** with Robin Whiteman, Honeoye Pottery  
To those of you who do not know me, I am a professional ceramic artist and homeschooling mom. I've taught at the Memorial Art Gallery, the RMSC, and have been a resident artist in several area schools. I'm offering clay classes out of Honeoye Pottery for kids 10 and up every other Monday. These classes are ongoing and folks can join us at any time. We will experiment with a variety of hand-building techniques and all students who want to will have an opportunity to try the potter's wheel. We usually end the session with an outdoor raku firing on our property in Canadice. Students are strongly encouraged to bring their ideas to class where we can figure out together how to bring them to fruition.

**Time:** 10:00-11:45 am  
**Cost:** sliding scale of $15-25 per class covers clay, glazes, and firing costs  
**Location:** Honeoye Pottery, 8732 Main St., Honeoye (behind the Cornerstone Market and cafe)  
Feel free to email me with any questions or to enroll.
Robin Whiteman  
clayrew@yahoo.com or 669-2534

**The Pickled Paintbrush (Fairport)**  
Hello! I'm a homeschooling mama of three and recently started teaching art classes in an art studio. I'd love to organize a homeschooling art
class for the fall. If you're interested, or have a group that would like to join, please message me with preferred days/age group. I can customize your lessons based on levels and requests. I'm committed to keeping classes affordable for homeschooling families! The studio is located in Fairport. Hope to create with you soon! https://www.facebook.com/thepickledpaintbrushNY/
Contact: Marissa Birke (Facebook)


Open Studio Home School Art Classes at Stony Point Art Studio (250 Stony Point Road) for ages 9 and up, Thursday mornings from 10 am to 11:30 am from January 25th through March 1st. Cost is $82 per student. Registration due by January 18th. Please email DebraWallace@gmail.com with questions or for registration details. Classes will be open studio - meaning that students can choose their own projects and receive individualized instruction based on their own interests. If you have younger kids and need a spot to hang out, the Westside Y is about 6 minutes away.

St. Peter’s Community Arts Academy in Geneva offers homeschool choir, dance, and instrumental lessons (piano and strings). More information found here:
http://stpetersarts.org/homeschool/

Small Fry Art Studio Homeschool Classes: This hour-long class is designed for homeschoolers in grades K-2 (but as with all Small Fry classes, it allows for flexibility in terms of ages and grade levels), and will be held on Thursdays from 2:00-3:00pm. We're very excited to infuse a traditional art class with the Small Fry spirit of exploration, discovery and a whole lot of energetic and creative fun while aligning with grade-level specific New York State standards for learning in visual arts.
Contact: Courtney Barbe

Singing and Service Group Home School Music Groups
- Home School Children's Music Group is dividing into teen and younger children's groups starting in September. Families with children who are interested in group singing and/or playing an instrument are invited to contact us about participating.
- Meets twice a month for two hours for music learning, instrument and singing practice, and performances in local nursing homes and hospitals.
- Both solo and small group performances occur during the breaks at every performance.
- Comprised of children between ages 4 and 11 with a separate group for teens.
- No prior singing experience is necessary.
- The younger children's group (ages 4 to 11) will continue to focus a lot on experiential music teaching and learning as well as performing in nursing homes. This younger children's group is meeting next Monday August 14th at 12:30 in Highland Park playground, across from the conservatory. We will be talking about the coming year, plans to hire a music teacher, and a new group of adult musicians who will be playing with the group. All interested families are welcome to join us in the park on the 14th.
- Here is a soundcloud link of recordings of the children singing Children's Music Group
• Contact Mike Baker at 461-5949 or email ruhlinbaker@frontier.com

• The teen group will be largely self-directed, with parents helping as needed. For more information about the teen group contact Elizabeth Jedynak ejedynak@exartim.com

Stages Homeschool Drama Classes by talented teachers who are local directors/musical directors/choreographers. Ten week session Please check the website for information about future offerings. Stages Theater, 875 E. Main Street, Auditorium Center 3rd floor, Rochester, NY 14605. All information is listed on our website www.mjtstages.com. Click on the education link, and then on the registration form and class description links. Contact: Lisa Shearer Lisa@mjtstages.com

Dancing with Denise Homeschool Class: http://dancingwithdenise.com/new-classes-added-home-schoolers/ Registration is now open! Great for boys and girls aged 3 and up!! Register today for classes beginning in September! Ballet, tap, & jazz with small recital at the end of the year.

Mossa School of Dance Homeschool ballet, conditioning, and artistry and improv. Classes available at the Auditorium Theater. Info. on website http://www.mossadance.com/Are-you-looking-for-recreational-classes-.html

Stilla Dance Homeschool: We are located at 30 Main St in Scottsville. Our email is stilladance@gmail.com and our website is www.stilladance.com. We offer classes for ages 2 thru adult. We already serve a number of Homeschoolers from all over Rochester in our typical evening/weekend classes, but also offer private lessons to homeschoolers during the day by request. Additionally, starting in fall of 2017, we are hoping to launch a new homeschool program that runs regular, group classes for homeschool families during daytime hours during the week. If people are interested we would love for them to reach out via email. The more people who show interest or would be willing to give it a try, the more likely it would be to take off and become a permanent program at our studio! Contact: Alexis Waite, Instructor Stilla Dance

Bible Studies:

Junior Bible Quiz Team: Great fun for children in the 3rd-6th grades. (1st & 2nd grade welcome at parent & coaches discretion after discussion).

We quiz on the NIV version, practices are held weekly in Webster from September - March. This season: Fridays 3:00/3:30 for fall, then switching to Thursdays same time. We are scheduling a Family meet-and-greet, next Thursday 8/24 from 12:30-4:30. Purpose will be to meet the participants, families and coach Tom, and distribute Fact Pack Boxes so students can begin learning. Q&A session and demonstration. We will then start our weekly meetings September 15. (If you are considering the team and cannot attend 8/24 picnic we will make other arrangements to provide information needed.)

Contact: Darci Salisbury
If you have questions or are tentatively interested in joining our team, please reply to darci@vingster.com or call 585.261.8183.

Our Team & Location Not a Good Fit?
If you cannot join the Webster location, JBQ Homeschool Team, there is an opportunity to join Faith Temple, a church team, in Brighton. For more information contact Coach Kelli Berardi at kelliberardi517@gmail.com. Or if you want to start another team in another location, contact Elisa Napariella 585.645.8103 or email her elisa.napierala@gmail.com.

Moms2Moms (Christian group for Moms with homeschool class for kids) meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month from 10:00 AM - Noon in the Connection Cafe at New Hope Community Church. Our vision is to encourage, equip, and empower moms through faith, friendship, and fun. With moms coming from over 10 different area churches, we are excited to see this group grow and bless moms from all over the community! You do not need to attend a church to join us-many moms don't! *Free childcare is available at every meeting during the school year. We have talented teachers and helpers working with each age group. There is a group for babies thru two years and preschool classes for kids age 3 & 4. M2M Homeschool Class for Kindergarten - 5th grade meets during our moms meetings - children participate in phys. ed. for half the time and a mom-led class (subject will vary) during the other half. Feel free to contact us at: m2m.roc@gmail.com or contact Jen Moore at 310-940-0083.

Clubs:

American Heritage Girls
FAITH***SERVICE***FUN
American Heritage Girls is a Christ centered badge earning, scout like, leadership program for girls in K-12 grades. Not exclusive to homeschoolers but many are. We meet Wednesday nights at 6:30-8 pm in the Cafeteria of Charles Finney School. The program runs from September to May. While it's late in the year to join, girls are encouraged to schedule a visit to see if they would like to enroll for next year! Questions can be directed toward myself at Kimsavino2@gamil.com or (585)455-8986. Check us out on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/AGHNY2911/

Westside Playgroup Meets Thursdays 1 PM. Our group is a community that has a fun, social focus. In the cooler months we do a variety of activities including but not limited to field trips (e.g. local farms, Ontario Play and Cafe, Altitude Trampoline Park, Total Sports Experience, etc.), swim and adventure center time at the Y, and informal classes taught by parents of the group (e.g. sewing, science, art, etc.). In the summers we typically meet at local westside parks such as Parma Town Park and Pineway Ponds Spray Park. Most of the children in our group are 10 years old and younger.. Anyone who's interested can email Debra Wallace at debrawallace@gmail.com
**Fitness and Sports:**

**Blades Ice Skating Program** open to all homeschoolers (beginning from 4-5 years old) consisting of a 15-minute group lesson and 45-minutes of practice time @ new location: **Village Sports**, 2830 Baird Rd, Fairport, NY 14450. Season runs October through December. Contact: Cindy de Smidt, coordinator, thedeSmidts@rochesterr.rr.com (easier for record keeping) but if you don’t have email then you may call me at 585-482-8411.

**Flag Football League for Teens (not homeschool exclusive)** Co-ed ages 12-17 The Flag Football of Macedon contains one division: the Family Division. Meetings are scheduled from 6:00P.M. until sundown at Bullis Park in the town of Macedon.

Michael Carney: Registrar of Flag Football of Macedon

- Land Line Phone Number: (585) 248-0544.
- E-mail: FlagFootballOfMacedon@gmail.com.
- Web: https://michaelkevincarney.wixsite.com/flagfootball-of-macedon

**Homeschool Open Skate & Skate & Shoot:** Starting next Tuesday, Oct 11 at Thomas Creek at 80 Lyndon road, Fairport. $3 per person, skate rental included. Open Skate 10:00-11:20 Followed by skate and shoot 11:30-12:30, also $3 per person (hockey gear is required to skate for skate and shoot). Do both skates for $5. No need to sign up, just show up ready for fun. This is on the schedule weekly as of now. Jeanine Hensel

**Gym Class at Roberts Wesleyan College** [https://www.roberts.edu/athletics/voller-athletic-center/programs/homeschool-physical-education.aspx](https://www.roberts.edu/athletics/voller-athletic-center/programs/homeschool-physical-education.aspx) The Voller Athletic Center offers physical education classes for homeschool children (Ages 5-18) in the Rochester Community. Classes are taught by physical education undergraduates and supervised by Dr. Elaine Gregory, certified physical education teacher & director of Robert’s Wesleyan College Physical Education program. 9th - 12th grades will be a group of its own. Contact: Michele Lupo: LupoM@roberts.edu or 594-6508 for more information. Spring 2018 session: Jan 25, Feb. 1, 8, 15, March 1, 8, 15, April 5, 12, 19 Cost: $25 per student for 10 week session Go online to [www.Roberts.EDU/VAC](http://www.Roberts.EDU/VAC) for two-page registration form. Complete and mail in.

**Homeschool Bowling at Bowl-A-Roll in Henrietta,** offering both bumper and non-competitive bowling. The league is non-competitive, but we do have a bowling coach, Jerry, who will work with kids who are interested in improving. **To Sign Up:** Please contact Edith Smith at (585) 235-8355 or via E-mail @ ericsmith@frontiernet.net. You may also contact Bowl-A-Roll directly at (585) 427-7250.

**Please include the following information when contacting:**
- How many children will be bowling; include their full name and age
- Lane choice per child: Bumper or Regular
Homeschool Bowling in Gates
Formerly held on Wednesday’s 1:30-3:30
Contact: Jennifer Glidden (Facebook ROC Homeschool Co-op)

Homeschool Co-Ed Sports Instruction at Turin Tennis and Swim Club (Fairport) for January-March: soccer
March-May: baseball
Tennis, swim, and sports instruction available plus discounts on summer programs
Homeschool co-ed sports instruction on Tuesdays 10 AM-Noon, 8 week sessions
ages: 5-7, 8-12, 13-17
$160 per session, 20% off second child, 50% off third
Buy 1 session, get 50% off the second session
Contact: Ryan McCormick 585-223-0575
Turin Tennis and Swim Club, 260 Hogan Road, Fairport

Homeschool Fencing at the Rochester Fencing Club, 3335 Brighton Henrietta Town Line Road (Near Winton). Join this popular program and experience world-class fencing instruction with daytime classes, discounted pricing and 10% sibling discount. All equipment is provided. Generous make up policy. Classes are offered on Wednesdays and Thursdays from September-May in convenient six-week sessions for beginners-intermediates. $5 one-hour trial class offered prior to the start of each new session to gauge your child’s interest and meet our well-loved head coach, David Taylor.
Trials available on: September 6, Oct. 24, Jan. 3, and April 10.
- *FitKids* (ages 4-7) cost $66 per session (1-45 min. class/week)
- *Youth/Teen (beginner or intermediate)* (ages 8-18) cost $116 per session (80 min. class)
- Session 1: Sept. 12-Oct. 18
- Session 2: Oct. 31-Dec. 13 (1 week off Thanksgiving)
- Session 3: Jan. 9-Feb. 14
- Session 4: Feb. 27-April 4
- Session 5: April 24-May 30
Contact: Linda Fantauzzo, RFC Homeschool Liaison, at linda@rocfencing.com to request the Homeschool Fencing Program Guide. More information and online registration for both trials and class sessions is available on the website: http://rocfencing.com/programs/homeschool-classes/ 

Homeschool Gym and Swim at the Penfield YMCA Mondays 1-3 PM, membership not required but receive discount if members.

Homeschool Gym at Greece Community Center Open Gym for Youth Starts September 5-November 28 Tuesdays: 11-11:50am Ages 6-13 This open gym time will provide children the opportunity to participate in different activities each Tuesday. Member: Free

Gymnastics Training Center Homeschool Classes:
Contact Person:Michele Boyer at ddbuggins@yahoo.com

Date(s) of Event: 6 weeks, fall and spring sessions available
Time of Event:
2pm- 3pm for ages 3-5 class
2pm-3:30pm for ages 5-18 class

FALL RSVP DEADLINE: Sept. 12, 2018
Dates of Event: Tuesdays for 6 weeks(Sept. 25, Oct. 2, 9,16, 23, & 30)

Cost of Event:
$72 per child preschool class(1 hr.) for 6 weeks
$96 per child 5-18 yr. old class(1 1/2 hr.) for 6 weeks
(There is a 10% discount for multiple children in a family signed up)
They are also not charging us the registration fee that is normally charged with reg. class sign up!
Payment Instructions: You will be paying for all 6 weeks on the first week, you can pay individually with a check or credit card to GTC on the first week.

The classes we have done last 7 years in the fall and spring have been a lot of fun and well attended, hoping we can get a lot of kids this time too! It is only a 6 week commitment and they wave their reg. up fee (which is usually about $100). These are open to friends and family too.

Homeschool Gymnastics at Northern Hemisphere,
Andrea B., andreajillberman@gmail.com

Eagle Gymnastics Homeschool Class (Canandaigua) Wednesdays

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Home School Hockey Program

NewEdge Hockey Development Academy announces it’s Home School Hockey Program for beginners to experienced home-schooled hockey players. We offer 1 hour on-ice hockey training and 1 hour off-ice strength and fitness sessions to choose from!

If your child is home-schooled and interested in a fun and rewarding physical education program, please contact us today!

Class Groups
Group One: Beginner - Intermediate B
Group Two: Intermediate A - Advanced

Our program meets NYS Home School Physical Education requirements for home-schooled children.

Pending Schedule
Starting Mid-Late September
2-3 Days a Week
10:00am Start Times (estimated)
15 Week Programs

Participant Options
1, 2, or 3 Days Per Week
On-Ice Only
Off-Ice Only (no hockey experience needed)
On & Off Ice Combination (same visit)

Prices will range from $149 - $1499

Contact Information: nehda2018@gmail.com (585) 503-3826
Rob Sedia
**Homeschool Indoor Soccer** for ages 3-12 beginning Sept. and held every Friday except on holidays or cancellations from 1-3 PM at Wagner Training Center 900 Jefferson Road, Building #7 Rochester, New York 14623. There is no commitment, you show up when you can. Reminders are sent out on Simplyhomeschooling two days before the event every week/ Wear comfortable clothing and sneakers, no cleats! $5 per child for the first 3 children, next 3 are free and you would pay again starting with the 7th child. Bring a snack and a water bottle. Pay by check or cash on the days that you attend.

**Homeschool Skiing and Snowboarding at Bristol Mountain Fridays**

We are a nonsectarian group that's been around for over twenty years!

Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can help in any way.

Contact: Scarlett 315 597 5426 miles.scarlett@gmail.com

- Students $265 for club pass & lessons; optional full season rental $99, and the earliest & longest open mountain in our region due to best snowmaking capabilities!

All ages and levels are welcome.

**Homeschooling Skiing at Swain** Affordable family skiing!!! Swain homeschool ski/snowboard club. Sara Schlinger @ schlinger.sara@gmail.com or call (585)236-7194 Look for new Facebook group.

**Beginner Skiing/Snowboarding at Powder Mills Park**

Michael Carney
E-mail: SwainPowderMillsParkProgram@gmail.com
Land Line Phone Number: (585) 248-0544

**Homeschool Swim Classes at Perinton Recreation,**
Home School Swimmers Ages: 7 years and over available during the school year. Half hour lessons, 8 classes for $59 Students will be grouped with others of similar abilities. Instructor: is not Miss Marjory this year. Online brochure contains registration information. Non-Perinton residents pay an additional $8 fee at registration time. Check the website for the latest offering or call 223-5050 if you need more info.

**Homeschool Wrestling at Victory Church in Henrietta** NEW!
Spring Wrestling Program, 32 Wildbriar Road, Henrietta
Fridays at 1pm
April 13, 20, 27
May 4, 11, 18, 25
Ages 5 and up. No experience needed. Come to learn the sport or improve and build on existing skills. This program is free but mat space is limited. Register by emailing your child's name, age, weight, and experience to: rosesartin@gmail.com

**Homeschool Yoga at Flower City Yoga**
Previously offered through: andreaajllberman@gmail.com
http://www.flowercityyoga.com/
Mountain Biking and Skate Park Days for homeschoolers at various parks and RASP in cooler months, call 200-0559 for more information.

**Open Gym for Preschoolers and Homeschoolers at The Victors Gymnastics**
Mondays 10-11:30 AM, $8 members and $10 nonmembers. The Victors Gymnastics, Ling Road, Greece. (663-4810)

**Rochester Parkour** 1344 University Ave Rochester, NY 14607 585-204-7537
Classes for Homeschool Kids (Thursdays from 1:30-2:25 PM), Kids-intermediate, and Teens (ages 10-15, Thursdays 3-3:55 PM) $20 per class 5 visit passes available from $210 No purchase required to enroll.

**Rock Ventures Homeschool Program** 6 week sessions, Your choice-Thursday or Friday afternoon from 1:30-3 PM. 30 minutes of instruction followed by an hour of open climbing. Parents and adults can participate at no additional charge. Price $60. Rental equipment included. Sign up online at [www.rocventuresclimbing.com](http://www.rocventuresclimbing.com)

**Rochester Rapids** We bring homeschoolers together from the greater Rochester area to learn and compete in sports. The Rapids have soccer, basketball and volleyball teams for both girls and boys in grades 5-12. Please contact Coach Bushen at [mmbushen@gmail.com](mailto:mmbushen@gmail.com) for more information.

**Sky Zone Homeschool Hop** (indoor trampoline)
Cost $10 an hour. Sky Socks $2 a pair [http://www.skyzone.com/rochester/Activities-Programs/DetailView/agentType/View/ListingID/7630/Homeschool-Hop](http://www.skyzone.com/rochester/Activities-Programs/DetailView/agentType/View/ListingID/7630/Homeschool-Hop)

**SportsNet: Heated Pool & Special Needs Adapted Sports:** willing to fill needs/build program for homeschoolers. Programs for all abilities. Please contact: Michael Cocquyt, SportsNet Supervisor, (585)-334-6000 ext. 1120, 3399 South Winton R., Rochester, NY 14623

**Warrior Factory Homeschool Class** (Learn to be a ninja like on America Ninja Warrior)
Wednesdays 1-2 PM, ages 5 and up, Ten week sessions $150, groups split by age, sibling discount. Drop in rate of $20 per class. Contact: Carl Fantauzzo
The Warrior Factory
3150 W. Henrietta Road
Rochester, N.Y. 14623
Phone: 585-427-9289
Email: carl@thewarriorfactoryroc.com

**Game Rental:**

**Rochester Educational Game Rental** There are so many great way to make learning fun! You can find exciting games to enable you to teach any subject matter, but it can also get very
expensive to buy all those games. Kelly Baker has created a place for homeschoolers of Rochester, NY to rent a variety of educational games. This not only gives you access to so many different games, but at a fraction of the cost. You can search the inventory at any time. New games will be added and requests are welcome. Get started at the website and view your choices by visiting: https://regr.mvturn.com/library/ Questions may be directed to Kelly at roc.edu.gr@gmail.com

Library Programs:

Library Homeschool Hour: a low-key, fun opportunity for homeschooling families to network and learn about resources available at various Monroe County Libraries. No registration required, just come and enjoy gathering with other homeschoolers. Please contact Megan Diebold for more information megan@ambersky.org Do you have an idea of a meet up you'd like to have, but don't have a location to meet up? Webster library homeschool hour from 11-12:30 PM is the perfect opportunity! We have two large rooms available to us to use as we'd like. One tends to appeal more to the younger crowd, but there is a second room that is just waiting to be taken over by the older kids. It is a large, spacious room that could have a few different activities happening in. Do you have an older child that would like to connect with more kids their age with similar interests? Are your kids interested in Pokemon? Knitting? Minecraft? Forming a book club? Post to the group and likely there are others who have similar interests who would like to connect. Tuesday each month from 11-12:30. February 28, March 28, April 18, May 23.

Learning Library Lab: at the Brighton Memorial Library.

Ontario Library Homeschool Hour: 4th Wednesday of each month from 1-2 PM Organizer: Rose Sartin.

Math/Science/Technology:

Homeschool Robotics/STEM Class was formerly arranged through Sylvan in Pittsford. Check with the business directly to set up a similar program or attend one of their afterschool classes.

ICanCode Homeschool Computer Coding Classes iCanCodeâ€™s mission is to jump-start lower school kidsâ€™ digital literacy and afford our youth in the Rochester community the opportunity to unlock their tech future and learn about computing in a fun digital sandbox. Homeschool classes available from 2-3 PM Monday-Thursdays grades 1-8 at 1425 Jefferson Road, Rochester, NY 14623. Contact: Farah Sammour info@icancodeclub.com | ☎️ (585) 434-5533 www.icancodeclub.com

Letchworth State Park Homeschool Days 2018-2019:
These free programs are geared towards children ages 6 – 12, with one program per month for children 12 and up. Each month has its own program theme, so pick whichever date each month works best for your schedule.
The program theme for September is Monarch Butterflies: Our Mexican Connection. Program dates are 9/6, 9/10, 9/13 (for children 12+), and 9/20. All programs will again be 1:30PM – 3:00PM at the Humphrey Nature Center at Letchworth State Park. Please contact the Humphrey Nature Center to pre-register at (585) 493-3680.

We are getting ready to publish our program schedule for October, November and December, so stay tuned for those program themes and dates.

Please don’t hesitate to reach out with any questions!

Happy exploring,

Elijah Kruger, Environmental Educator
Humphrey Nature Center at Letchworth State Park
New York State Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation
1 Letchworth State Park
Castile, NY 14427
(585) 493-3683
Elijah.kruger@parks.ny.gov

Mad Science of Western NY a program provider for preschool-Grade 6 with affordable, innovative, educational STEM programs including Homeschool workshops, science clubs, camps, birthday parties and special events. Owned and operated by Manasi Parikh.
https://wny.madscience.org/ 333 Metro Park, Suite F-102
Rochester, NY 14623 (585) 491-6348
info@madsciencewny.com

Montezuma Homeschool Nature Series ages 5-12, Montezuma Audubon Center, PO Box 187, Savannah, NY 13146 or email motezuma@audubon.org
Limited spots. Call or email for registration form. (315) 365-3588.

Rochester Museum and Science Center Homeschool Programs:
http://www.rmsc.org/ForTeachers/HomeschoolPrograms/ These classes include staff-facilitated experiences designed for homeschool students using inquiry-based learning and critical-thinking. To make a reservation, call 585.697.1942. Pre-registration is required. All programs require a minimum enrollment. If the minimum is not met two weeks prior to the scheduled start date, the program will be cancelled. There is no member discount for homeschool programs. Homeschool astronomy for teens returns to the Planetarium for fall 2015 Here's the web page with links to sign up: http://www.rmsc.org/StrasenburghPlanetarium/HomeschoolCourses/index.html Contact: Steve Fentress, Director, Strasenburgh Planetarium, Rochester Museum & Science Center, 657 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 USA, phone (585) 697-1946 e-mail Steve_Fentress@rmsc.org www.rmsc.org

Science Summer Lab Camps for Homeschoolers at Roberts Wesleyan usually alternates between biology and chemistry. www.roberts.edu/department-of-biological-and-chemical-sciences/summer-camps.aspx One-week camp for high school students. The camp fee of S125 includes a lab manual for you to keep, all the supplies, lunch on Wednesday, a t-shirt and fun while learning!
Open to homeschoolers but not an exclusively homeschool activity:

Extensive listing of children's activities found here: http://rochester.kidsoutandabout.com/content/classes-kids-rochester-after-school-and-saturday-classes-subject


AC Formal Dance Instruction and Etiquette Class
Fifth and sixth grade students from all area schools (and homeschoolers!) are invited to study swing and ballroom dance, table etiquette, and how to make proper introductions and greetings. Nine Friday evening sessions, including a formal dinner and festive party, taking place from Sept. 30-December 9th, 2016. Register online at www.AllendaleColumbia.org/DanceClass Space is limited. For more info. please contact danceclass@allendalecolumbia.org

Chip Holt Nature Center Programs in Lakeville monthly, school, and summer programming. Contact them directly for the latest information. Chip Holt Nature Center â€” PO Box 523 â€” Lakeville, NY 14480 â€” choplnaturecenter@yahoo.com, http://chipholtnaturecenter.org/nature-store.html

The Walden Project: https://www.waldenprojectny.com/
"It would be better... for the students to lay the foundation themselves." (Henry David Thoreau) The Walden Project is an educational program for high school juniors, seniors, and gap-year students where the curriculum is based on the three questions that guided Henry David Thoreau during his year-long sojourn to Walden Pond: What is my relationship to myself? What is my relationship to my culture? and What is my relationship to nature? All of the students' experiences are connected back to these three essential questions.

(585) 317-5261
Email: andywebster2@gmail.com
The Walden Project - NY
6472 Gulick Road
Naples, NY 14512

Drop-in Ice Skating Lessons at Bill Gray’s Ice Plex, 1pm on Wednesdays. The lessons are 30 minutes and cost $11.25 or you can purchase a punch card for 5 lessons for $50.00. If you have any questions you can contact Nicole Owens at nicole@billgraysiceplex.com.
**Nazareth College’s Saturday Art for Children**. Teens & Adults Program offers art courses catered to every level, pre-K through adult, in a variety of 2D and 3D media. The elementary classes are taught by either the advanced Art Education students or certified professional educators. The intermediate and secondary/adult courses will be taught by certified teachers in a specialized medium. All courses offer work to develop artistic ability in every student. We are excited about the upcoming program and would love to have your student(s) join us. Register online at: [https://www2.naz.edu/dept/art/saturday-art-school](https://www2.naz.edu/dept/art/saturday-art-school) Nazareth College Art Department, Saturday Art for Children and Teens, 4245 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14618 Or phone to (585) 389-2532 For more information about the program and to find descriptions of the classes offered, please visit our website at [http://www.naz.edu/art/saturday-art-program](http://www.naz.edu/art/saturday-art-program).

**Ontario County Youth Court** Do you want to make a difference in your community? Do you want to help young teens and pre-teens who have committed a crime become better people? Do you want to participate in a court based program and gain community service hours? Youth court is a youth-run program where first time youth offenders go and be sentenced by their peers. This creates a friendly environment for the offender and provides both the offender and volunteers legal and criminal justice system information. Volunteers also gain leadership and personal skills that will last a lifetime and help the offender take responsibility and give back to their community. Training starts in February 2016 and is open to all teens aged 14-19. We would love to have more homeschooled students involved, as we only have a couple. You can go to the youth court website, [http://ontariocountyyouthcourt.com](http://ontariocountyyouthcourt.com), for more info.

**Rochester Yoga Preschool** is a cooperative preschool program for children ages 3-5. RYP is a family inclusive program and very open to and supportive of homeschoolers. To learn more about our program visit [http://yogapreschool.com](http://yogapreschool.com) or contact Lauren Seaver at 585.857.7087 or rochesteryogapreschool@gmail.com

**Life Sciences Learning Center at the U of R**

Registrations for LSLC Field Trips and LSLC on the Road programs are on a first-come first-served basis. Sign up for our LSLC programs using this link: [https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/life-sciences-learning-center/lslc-sign-up-form.aspx](https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/life-sciences-learning-center/lslc-sign-up-form.aspx).

**Our mailing address is:**
University of Rochester Medical Center
Life Sciences Learning Center
575 Elmwood Ave, Box EHSC
Rochester, NY 14642

**Explorer Posts for various career interests (co-ed ages 14-20)**
This is a program of Boy Scouts of America with information sessions and registration starting in late September. Many, many opportunities.
Music Lessons

- Brockport College-Community Music Institute (BCCMI for short) housed in the College at Brockport welcomes students of all ages (preschool to seniors!) and abilities. Starting fall 2017.
- Parkminster Music School (Chili)
- Roberts Wesleyan Community Music School
- Eastman School of Music
- Hochstein School of Music
- Costello Music on Titus (Irondequoit)
- Rochester Academy of Music & Arts
- Misty Irwin’s Music Studio (former homeschooler) (585) 683-1056
- Music for You, Linda Moore 225-7027
- Kanack School of Music
- Ktunes Music Studio ktunes@earthlink.net
  View on www.ktunesmusic.com
- Hi Everyone, Accepting piano, voice, recorder, and flute students, beginners through advanced students, all ages, flexible scheduling, affordable, Suzuki and traditional learning. I have 35 years of teaching experience, and I am very familiar with Home School curriculum. I am located in Greece, near the Unity Complex and the Greece Ridge Mall. Contact me at 585-225-7027
- Bach to Rock | America’s Music School in Penfield. We are a comprehensive music school for ages 6 months through adults. We offer early childhood group programs for toddlers and preschoolers, private lessons for any instrument, camps, birthday parties, DJ classes, a recording studio and group classes. One of the things we excel at is forming bands with students, coaching them in weekly jam sessions, and offering them performance opportunities in the local community. We place kids in rock and pop bands as early as age 7, and have a wealth of students in middle, elementary and high school bands. Contact: Amy Valente, Bach to Rock Penfield, 2160 Penfield Road, 585-364-3766, Penfield.bachtorock.com

Additional Resources:
Local field trip guide: 60 Homeschool Fieldtrips Within 60 Miles of Rochester
created by Connie Herrera

More than 60 family-friendly & fun learning adventures, all within 1 hour's drive of Rochester, N.Y. Every page features a field trip to a place that's engaging, educational and fun for both children and their parents. The book is organized into categories for easy browsing - Historic Places, Outdoors & Nature, Museums, Animals, Seasonal & Festivals - with informative, easy-to-read descriptions that give you a clear picture of what you'll find at each location, plus the hours, admission prices (lots of free places!), website, phone number and street address. A convenient 4” x 6” size that fits easily into pocket or purse, the book is spiral bound for easy handling. Whether your children are studying historic places, museums, animals, festivals, the arts, or nature and the outdoors, there's something for everyone to explore - all within 60 miles or less from Rochester. $10.95.

It's available:
on Amazon: [https://www.amazon.com/Homeschool-Fieldtrips-Within-Miles-Rochester/dp/0985204591/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1468628665&sr=8-1&keywords=60+homeschool+field+trips](https://www.amazon.com/Homeschool-Fieldtrips-Within-Miles-Rochester/dp/0985204591/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1468628665&sr=8-1&keywords=60+homeschool+field+trips)

ordered from me directly: Connie Herrera, Newcrest Publishing Company, 60 Newcrest Drive, Rochester, NY 14618 (585) 473-8119

or by the end of the summer I'm hoping to have it at Alpha & Omega Parable Christian Store's new location.

**Homeschool National Honor Society**

If you are interested in the Homeschool National Honor Society please let me know. There is a local chapter (Christian) if anyone is interested. They are taking applications till Aug. 21st. Here is some information:

The Sigma Iota is a non-denominational, Christ-centered chapter of ESA. Our general meetings occur on one Tuesday evening each month from 7:00 ÷ 9:00 PM at the Word of Life Christian Fellowship, 3374 S Winton Rd, Rochester, NY 14623. In addition to these monthly meetings there will be a mandatory parent and new member informational meeting either in late August or early September.

Regarding inductee eligibility, your students would need to obtain one of the following test scores not more than 1 year old:

- 90th percentile or above composite score on either an IOWA or Stanford Achievement Test where you or any relative has not handled the test or testing. This must be the complete battery in order to be accepted.
- 1200 or higher on the PSAT, PSAT 10, or PSAT 8/9
- 1800 or higher on the old SAT or 1200 or higher on the new SAT
- 26 or higher on the ACT

Other eligibility requirements include the following:

- Be enrolled (per NY State IHIP) in grades 7-12 as a homeschooled student AND meet HSLDA (Home School Legal Defense Association) definition of a homeschooler.
- Have a current cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale. You would need to submit a copy of your student's transcript.

You may use an IOWA or Stanford spring 2016 test result (given you or any relative has not handled the test or testing for the particular score you are submitting) to be admitted for fall 2016. Contact Maureen Canterbury on Facebook

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