

WELCOME TO THE EXTENDED DAY SCHOOL YEAR!



WASHINGTON MLEDP PARENTS 2022-2023

CENTER INFORMATION



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Washington Staff:

Peter Yohe, Center Director. Mt. Lebanon resident. Storyteller and geography whiz. Enjoys sharing his passions for the world and entertainment with the kids.

Judy Hamilton, Group Supervisor. Mt. Lebanon resident. Loves art, music, flags, and finding fun ways to decorate our bulletin boards.

Corie Turner, Group Supervisor, enjoys reading, spending time with her dogs and husband. She enjoys fostering a love of reading and STEM with the kids.

Zoe Lay, Group Supervisor. Loves music, theater, and the arts. Enjoys creative projects with the kids.

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Mt. Lebanon Extended Day Program at Washington Elementary. We're excited to see everyone to kick off this school year in style! A few words about us at Washington: we believe in kindness, having fun, and exploring new opportunities. Most importantly, we believe in friendship and respect for each other. Our activities reflect this and our rules for our group reinforce these qualities, while maintaining diverse perspectives and intellectual curiosity. Our theme for the school year will be "Lights, Camera, Adventure." We will be exploring the art of storytelling through movie production. Throughout our year we will be learning about the various film genres, storytelling techniques, art styles, and what makes for a good story. Additionally, we will incorporate perspectives from the global film industry to see how movies are made throughout the world. We also invite family and friends to stop in and share with us their life experiences throughout the year. Please let us know if you would like to visit, a guest speaker is always great fun!

We follow all MLEDP Health and Safety procedures. Each afternoon we provide a simple pre-packaged snack. Respect is a vital part of how we relate to each other at MLEDP. We show this in our regard for each other's property, belongings, beliefs and physical and emotional well-being. We anticipate a year full of growth, friendships, discoveries, and enjoyment for all!

Our staff members are happy to assist children with homework or class projects, and we often work with Washington teachers to support what they are doing in the classroom. Please complete the attached form to give permission to the MLEDP staff and Washington teachers to work together to assist your child. You will sign in using the ProCare system on the iPad. You should have received an invitation to the ProCare app. If you are not on the app, please have your PIN ready. If you experience any issues, staff will be there to assist you. Please allow for a few extra moments for this process, but once it's done, it's done! We also request that you please bring your ID with you the first few days as we get to know names and faces.

A few more operational details: Parking is available in the side lot off Washington Road and off Roselawn by the blacktop. Walk down the steps to B-4 and you will need to ring the doorbell to gain access to the program center, which is in Washington's cafeteria. Watch the parent area for valuable information, including postings about additional care on in-service days in the school district. Our weekly calendars will keep you informed of our plans on school days. We also value a moment to chat with you about your child and their activities. Please refer to the parent handbook for any additional information. We look forward to the new school year with you and your children!

Sincerely, The Staff of Washington MLEDP

Peter Yohe, Center Director:

Peter is an MLEDP veteran with many years in the program and is ready for his second run here at Washington. He's excited to bring his love of learning and knowledge to another school year. With a background in theater arts, he's got great passion for history, the arts, world cultures, and the environment. Peter fosters a curiosity and desire to discover for themselves in a way that kids are unaware learning is taking place in the midst of the fun. His great-aunt was a former fourth-grade teacher at Washington many years ago, and he is pleased to be able to continue a small family legacy of quality education at a quality school. Peter looks forward to meeting all the new kids and families, and encourages kids and families alike to freely ask any questions and introduce themselves!

Judy Hamilton, Group Supervisor:

Judy earned her Bachelor of Education from Bowling Green University in Ohio. Judy taught elementary school in Cleveland before moving to Mt. Lebanon. She and her family have been residents of Mt. Lebanon for 50 years. Judy and George are the proud parents of one daughter and three grandsons. Judy left teaching to become an assistant director of education video productions for Fortune 500 Construction Industry Companies. Upon retirement she turned her interests back to education and joined the MLEDP staff. She will be starting her 8th year at Washington Elementary.

Corie Turner, Group Supervisor:

Corie Turner joined the staff of MLEDP in 2019. She has a bachelor's degree from the University of Pittsburgh, and worked for several local nonprofit organizations before entering the childcare field. Corie is passionate about encouraging a love of reading in all students and loves to plan engaging STEM activities. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, running and spending time with her husband, Carson, and their two rescue pups, Ginger and Penny.

Zoe Lay, Group Supervisor:

Zoe joined MLEDP in 2021 and has a bachelor's degree from West Virginia University. While at WVU, she was the music director for several production of the WVU Children's Theatre, as well as a counselor at WVU's Summer Acting Camp. She grew up in Keyser, West Virginia and recently moved to Pittsburgh in the summer of 2021. She has enjoyed her time at MLEDP and is looking forward to the new school year and getting to know new students.