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Edgewood Borough Named 2021 Banner Community

PITTSBURGH – Edgewood Borough has been named a 2021 Banner Community. The Banner Community program, sponsored by Allegheny County and the Allegheny League of Municipalities (ALOM), recognizes communities that show a commitment to professional development, prudent fiscal management, transparency, accountability, and proactive communications to engage community stakeholders. A total of 71 municipalities and five municipal authorities were recognized this year.

“Thank you to ALOM and Allegheny County for again recognizing Edgewood Borough as a Banner Community,” said John Wainright, Council President. “Our staff and elected officials work hard every day to assist our residents and businesses by providing the services they rely on each day. We are very proud of our municipality’s commitment and excited to receive this designation again for 2021.”

A total of 54 municipalities received the Banner Community designation for multiple years, including Aspinwall, Avalon, Baldwin Borough, Baldwin Township, Bellevue, Bethel Park, Brentwood, Bridgeville, Butler (Butler County), Carnegie, Castle Shannon, Crafton, Dormont, East Deer, East McKeesport, Edgewood, Edgeworth, Elizabeth Township, Emsworth, Forest Hills, Fox Chapel, Glassport, Green Tree, Harrison, Heidelberg, Jefferson Hills, Kilbuck, Leet, Marshall, Millvale, Monroeville, Mt. Lebanon, Munhall, North Versailles, Oakmont, O’Hara, Pine, Pitcairn, Pleasant Hills, Port Vue, Robinson, Scott, Shaler, Sharpsburg, South Fayette, South Park, Swissvale, Verona, West Deer, West Homestead, West Mifflin, West View, Wilkinsburg and Wilmerding.

“All of our communities have been stressed during this pandemic, and perhaps none more than local governments which have had their finances as well as their operations impacted. Yet throughout these challenges, these municipalities continue to serve the residents of their community in ways that set them apart,” said County Executive Rich Fitzgerald. “Congratulations to all of the recipients of the Banner Community designation. We are grateful to you for your continued efforts on behalf of your residents and businesses and are fortunate to have you as part of our county.”

Edgewood Borough is a member of the Allegheny League of Municipalities, a nonprofit organization created in the early 1960s to coordinate the needs of the area’s local elected officials. In 1974, it was officially established as the Allegheny League of Municipalities to coordinate, advocate and educate the hundreds of elected officials within its member municipalities in Allegheny County and southwestern Pennsylvania. The organization educates elected officials, delivers essential resources, and advocates for sound policy and legislation.



SPOTLIGHT ON EDGEWOOD BUSINESS

Remembering Jack Bright Council Member and Owner of AF Booksellers

You may remember him as the man selling books and firewood at AF Booksellers, a business that has been at the heart of the Edgewood Avenue for many years. Or perhaps you met him while he made one of his many door-to-door visits around the neighborhood or running games at Community Day. Mr. John F. “Jack” Bright passed suddenly on March 1, 2021, at the age of 82. Mr. Bright was a long time Edgewood resident and member of borough council for 12 years. He had a high regard for our Public Works, Police, and Fire Department (and a special thankfulness to them, for quickly putting out a fire he accidentally set on his home while removing paint with a heat gun). We’d like to take a moment to remember him in the most fitting way possible, with his own personal touch. You may recall our article featuring him as a member of borough council and we would like to share a little more of that interview that didn’t make the first cut.



JACK BRIGHT • 1938 - 2021



Mr. Bright attended Shadyside Academy and Valley School of Ligonier for grade school, Greenbriar Military School and the Lawrenceville School for high school, and Princeton University with a bridge major in Economics and Near Eastern Studies. He earned an MBA from the University of Pittsburgh and advanced study in Actuarial Mathematics. Mr. Bright served in the U.S. Army—1st Cavalry Division.

Jack worked at Highmark-Blue Cross for 16 years in the actuarial department and internal consulting after which he became an independent insurance agent and later, a stock broker.

He was a former competitive long distance runner and cross country skier and a practitioner of organic gardening. Mr. Bright was also a family man. His two sons grew up in Edgewood and now reside in Boston. Frederick makes commercial loans for Wells Fargo Bank, covering all 50 states and Alfram designs airplane wings for an aircraft manufacturer.

Mr. Bright stated that his first political experience was as a Chairman of the New Jersey Students for Jack Kennedy. He gave up that position “to a person better qualified.” After the Army he served as Chairman of the Westmorland County Young Republicans

and as Chairman of a civil rights organization in the Deep South (F.R.E.E.)

“I have served on a large number of political campaigns as a volunteer...(and) have recruited many people into political groups. I ran for public office 5 times. Failed. (Was) Elected Judge of Elections in Edgewood district 1 four times and was elected to Edgewood Borough Council for three terms,” Mr. Bright recalled of his political involvement.

“Council members need to be approachable. But they also need to do the approaching on their own... Tons of good ideas for the betterment of the community have been invented by citizens. Council members are thankful to the citizens for the good ideas they have created. There is no such thing as an individual accomplishment on Borough Council. All accomplishments are by team work. What I want to accomplish is also what other council members want to accomplish.”

“Edgewood is a wonderful town. Let’s keep it that way. Edgewood is a microcosm of what has made the United States the greatest country on Earth. It takes work to keep a town in good shape. In the past many Edgewood residents have done the work to keep the town in good shape. I have total confidence that future ‘Edgewooders’ will continue to do what needs to be done.”

—Jack Bright

From The Manager's Desk

The untimely and sad passing of longtime Edgewood Council Member John F. "Jack" Bright left a vacancy on borough council which state law dictates be filled within thirty days of the vacancy occurring. Borough council advertised the vacancy and ultimately interviewed nine potential candidates over the course of two public meetings during the month of March. At a Special Meeting held on March 22, members of borough council nominated residents Bhavini Patel and Jennifer Gleba to serve the remainder of Mr. Bright's term. Each nominee received three votes from members of council and the mayor was called upon to break the tie. Ultimately, Mayor Wilson cast his deciding vote for Jennifer Gleba which propelled her into the vacant seat until the end of 2021. Mrs. Gleba previously served on borough council from 2010-2013.

The 2021 WPSD
Golf Tournament
Thursday, May 27
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PART I CRIMES	DEC 2020	JAN 2021	YTD
Homicide	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0
Robbery	0	2	0
Assaults (simple/aggravated)	1	7	1
Burglary	0	4	0
Larceny/theft			
Shoplifting	1	14	0
Other	1	25	1
Motor vehicle theft	0	4	0
Arson	0	0	0
TOTAL-PART I	3	56	2
PART II CRIMES			
Liquor laws	0	2	1
Vandalism/criminal mischief	1	9	0
Weapons offenses	0	3	0
Sex offenses	1	1	0
Narcotics offenses	0	5	1
DUI	0	5	1
Disorderly conduct	3	40	1
All other offenses	2	45	4
Total-PART II	7	110	8
GRAND TOTAL (P1&P2)	10	166	10
Adult arrests	6	60	3
Juvenile arrests	0	6	1
Total arrests	6	66	4
Incidents/calls	257	3138	272
Animal complaints	0	5	1
Agency assist (Police & Fire)	6	66	8
PART I CRIMES	3	56	2
PART II CRIMES	7	110	8
Domestic complaints	1	18	3
Juvenile contacts/complaints	2	7	0
Miscellaneous reports	213	2532	220
Police reports filed	44	606	52
False alarms	8	81	4
Public nuisance/disturbances	1	40	2
Suspicious person/incidents	5	50	6
Missing person	0	0	0
Medical assists	1	31	4
Traffic related:			
Fatal accidents	0	0	0
Reportable accidents	2	20	1
Non-reportable accidents	6	78	3
Traffic stops conducted	35	673	86
Traffic citations	5	206	37
Non-traffic citations	5	22	2
Parking tags	49	1786	175
GRAND TOTAL-ALL CALLS	658	9591	890

Edgewood Recycles

SPRING MEANS CLEANING

Republic Services Collects Household Hazardous Waste and E-Waste in Edgewood

Your hazardous waste and e-waste can be safely collected by calling this toll-free number: 1-800-464-2120

Look through your home for hazardous items that need to be discarded – everything from batteries and paint to computers and chemicals – and feel secure that Republic Services will safely handle these items, protecting both you and the environment.

Residents who call will be asked to describe the items to be collected. They will be told how to package their household hazardous waste (HHW) in a special HHW Kit, which will be sent to residents. (Electronics do not need to be packaged.) Each kit includes a collection date, a plastic bag, and detailed instructions on how to package the items to be collected safely and securely. Both HHW and e-waste must be kept in a secure location, NOT at the curb, until collected.

On the day of collection, Republic Services will arrive at your home to collect the HHW packaged items and/or electronics to be taken for recycling or disposal.

Acceptable HHW and e-waste (5 gallons or less):

- Paint – latex & Oil-based
- Paint thinners, Gasoline, Solvents
- Oil, Petroleum-based lubricants
- Ethylene Glycol, Antifreeze
- Pesticides, Herbicides
- Aerosols
- Mercury, Mercury Debris
- Light Bulbs – Fluorescents, Compact Fluorescents (CFL), High-Intensity
- Discharge (HID) Lamps
- Batteries – Lead Acid, Alkaline, NiCad
- Pool Chemicals
- Cleaners – Acidic & Basic
- Resins and Epoxy
- E-Waste – TVs, Computers, Monitors, VCR and DVD Players, Printers, Fax Machines, Cable Boxes, Gaming Equipment and similar electronic waste

Unacceptable HHW and e-waste:

- Radioactive Compounds
- Smoke Detectors
- Ammunition
- Explosives
- Tires
- Asbestos
- PCs (Polychlorinated Biphenyls)
- Pharmaceuticals/Controlled Substances
- Biological/Infectious Wastes
- Medical Sharps (Call or visit Republic Services online for details for methods of disposing Medical Sharps)
- Fire Extinguishers

If any of the unacceptable items are placed for collection, a large Republic Services sticker will be placed on those items, explaining why they could not be collected.

To make a collection date appointment, call 1-800-464-2120 Monday-Friday, 8am to 5pm. You may leave a message at all other times.

REMINDER:

Glass is no longer accepted in curbside recycling.

As of January 1, 2021, Republic Services is no longer accepting any glass with curbside Recycling Collection. Glass has the tendency to break during collection and contaminates other recyclables with fine shards of glass. Any contaminated items are forced to be rejected and sent to a landfill. To continue recycling glass items, Republic Services has stationed a large blue dumpster in the parking lot behind the Edgewood Borough building (2 Race Street), for items to be dropped off at residents' convenience. This bin is for GLASS COLLECTION ONLY and is located next to the paper collection bins. There is another bin next to the Public Works building for other recyclables, or acceptable items can continue to be collected with curbside pick-up.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please only bring your CLEAN glass recyclables, without lids, to place in the bin.

Recent conversations with Republic Services revealed Edgewood residents have done an exceptional job of keeping glass out of the curbside recycling stream and have filled the glass dumpster twice since the beginning of the year. Great job Edgewood, and thank you!

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Nine Mile Run Watershed Association

Stream Sweep • Saturday, April 24, 9:30-noon

Every time it rains, trash & debris from the upper watershed communities of Pittsburgh, Edgewood, Wilkinsburg, & Swissvale washes into Nine Mile Run. Come out and help us keep the stream clean & beautiful! Last fall we removed over 500 pounds of trash from the stream in just 2 hours!

If you would like to join us for this event, registration is required, and space is limited to accommodate social distancing. All volunteers are required to bring their own face mask and wear the mask throughout the event. We will provide gloves, safety vests, & trash bags. Please wear long pants & sturdy boots or closed-toe shoes. If you have tall rain boots, hip boots, or waders, please bring them.

Meet at the soccer field at the end of the Fern Hollow parking lot, located at the bottom of Lancaster Avenue.

To register, visit www.ninemilerun.org/events. For more information please contact our Community Engagement Manager, Lindsey-Rose Flowers, at lindsey.rose@ninemilerun.org or (412) 371-8779 ext. 123.



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A NOTE FROM THE SHADE TREE COMMITTEE

MEETINGS, STREET TREE CARE AND TREE ART

MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Shade Tree Committee usually meets monthly and is eager to answer resident questions about how borough street trees are cared for, help with getting a street tree planted at your home, and other questions about tree plantings, disease, and care. The beginning of each

meeting is reserved for resident Q & A. Please bring your questions or just listen to the discussion.

The meeting schedule is available online at: edgewood.pgh.pa.us. Meetings are currently being held online due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Residents can contact Stephanie Ulmer with questions about trees.
Email her: Ulmer.stephanie.marie@gmail.com

STREET TREE CARE

Edgewood Borough is responsible for the planting, care, maintenance, and removal of every street tree in the borough. It is very easy to identify a street tree, they are located along the side of most public streets in the grassy area between the street curb and sidewalk. Trees planted behind the sidewalk are privately owned and not the responsibility of the borough.

The borough uses a licensed arborist to evaluate the health of each tree and recommend a prun-

ing plan if needed. Given the age of the street trees, removal is sometimes required if the tree is diseased or is a hazard to public safety. The borough strives to replant removed trees within two years to maintain our canopy.

Residents may call the borough at 412-242-4824 to request a visit from the arborist if their street tree is dropping branches, losing leaves out of season, is entangled in wires or overhanging your roof.

SEND US YOUR TREE ART!

**Calling all artists
under 18!
Send us your tree art!**

We're looking for drawings, paintings, poems, and short stories celebrating trees!

**Please either mail
submissions to:**

Edgewood Borough
Attn: **Tree Committee**
(art submission)
2 Race Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15218

OR

Email to office@edgewoodboro.com, with 'tree art submission' and the artist's last name in the subject line.





Edgewood Foundation Senior Brunch

The Edgewood Senior Brunch is scheduled for Sunday, April 18, 2021 at the Edgewood Club. We are also looking for a parent or two to chair this event for our graduating seniors. For more information or to volunteer please contact the Edgewood Foundation.

2021 Board Officers

The Edgewood Foundation is pleased to announce that on February 7, 2021 new Board Officers were elected.

The elected Officers for 2021 are:

- President – Al Caruso
- Vice Presidents – Luke Klein
- Treasurer – Andrew Beyer
- Secretary – Kasandra Fernandez

The full list of Edgewood Foundation Board members can be found on the website: www.edgewoodfoundation.com.



Annual Golf Tournament

The Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf will host its Annual Golf Tournament on Thursday, May 27 at the Edgewood Country Club.

Enjoy a beautiful day at one of the region's top golf courses.

Invitations will be mailed in the coming weeks. Event updates will be posted to WPSD's Facebook page and wpsd.org.

Have questions? Please contact Sarah Bartlebaugh at sbartlebaugh@wpsd.org.

Hope to see you there!

Edgewood Symphony Orchestra

Edgewood Symphonically Orchestra Final Virtual Concert, Saturday, May 8

Your Edgewood Symphony Orchestra is still actively making new music this season. They have presented three video concerts so far, featuring clips from past live events, new (outdoor) recordings of smaller ESO ensembles and many local guest ensembles, and discussions with Maestro Walter Morales. The concerts can be accessed via links on our website www.edgewoodsymphony.org and our FaceBook page www.facebook.com/edgewoodsymphony.

The final concert will be posted on Saturday May 8 at 7:30 p.m. There will again be new recordings from local smaller string, wind, and brass ensembles, and archive video that will include the ESO World Premieres of Robert Schultz' Lament for Orchestra, David Stock's Three Yiddish Songs for string orchestra, and Duke Ellington's Sophisticated Lady arranged by John Wilson.

The ESO also released a virtual recording on YouTube of Vaughan Williams March from English Folk Song Suite, compiled from members' individual home recordings.

Please help keep the music alive! We hope all our patrons and community members are staying healthy and well and we look forward to seeing you in person again soon.



EDGEWOOD RECREATION

The warm weather is returning, and we're excited to announce our recreational offerings! As noted in league/course descriptions we are still observing safety measures to keep everyone healthy. Although we have a good level of confidence with the knowledge we have gained over the last year around Covid 19, we understand that the pandemic is not over yet, and as such, these recreational offerings are still subject to change, based on CDC and government recommendations. Check our website, edgewood.pgh.pa.us, and our FaceBook page, Edgewood Borough Community Events for updates. We thank you for your patience and understanding throughout this time.

Koenig Field Usage

Besides a temporary closure early in the Covid 19 pandemic while we learned to navigate this new circumstance, Koenig Field has remained open to the public. Residents and several athletic groups have been able to find respite there, and remain active during this time. We are happy to continue offering the use of this space, but we want to provide a few reminders especially as we see an increase in outdoor activities and use of the field. Please continue to wear masks, wash/sanitize hands frequently, stay home if you are in quarantine for/recently recovering from Covid 19 or showing any signs of illness, follow social distancing recommendations, and keep crowds to a minimum. As always, be respectful to others using the field.

Tai Chi/Karate

*We would like to note, that both our Tai Chi and Karate instructors have been fully vaccinated against Covid 19. This however is NOT a requirement to participate in our leagues/classes.

Tai Chi (Youth age 16 and older)

Jon Wilson is back to lead Tai Chi at Koenig Field on Mondays from 6:30-7:30 p.m.! Participants will be distanced, and masks will be required. The session runs May 3 through June 28. The cost is \$80, and participants may pay for the course in full, or per class. Interested participants should email Jon at jon@steel-dragon.org. Jon will respond with the waiver and payment information.

Karate: Self Defense Course

(Youth age 16 and older)

Edgewood is offering a special Self Defense course, led by Karate Master Joe Brague! This course will take place in person at Koenig Field (tennis court). Participants will be distanced, and masks will be required. No prior experience is needed to participate. Classes will take place on Saturdays from 9-10 a.m., and will run from May 1 through 29. The cost is \$50. To ensure the best experience for all, this course is designed as a complete series, and payment in full will be required. To register for this course, please email

Joe at joebrague@gmail.com. Joe will respond with the waiver and payment information.

T-Ball/Softball

It's time again for Edgewood T-ball and Softball! Registration for both sports begins April 15 and ends May 15. Both sports play at Koenig Field. You do not need to be an Edgewood Resident to play. The registration fee is \$50, and can be accessed with the link below. This link can also be found on our website, Edgewood.pgh.pa.us and on our FaceBook page: Edgewood Borough Community Events. <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/262006>

Covid 19 safety info: Masks still need to be worn by anyone who is not actively participating on the field, and spectators should remain distanced. Make sure to wash/sanitize hands frequently. All shared equipment is to be sanitized between players and/or at the end of all practices and games. Participants are encouraged to bring their own equipment, however, bats, balls, gloves, and helmets will be available to use. To avoid large crowds, we are asking families to please limit the number of spectators in attendance.

T-Ball (Boys and girls ages 5-7)

Participants should be 5 as of June 1. This sport will play through June and July, meeting twice weekly. Practice

days and times are TBD. Cleats may be worn, but are not necessary. Shirts and caps will be provided.

Softball (Girls and boys ages 7-13)

The season will start June 7 and end July 29, with practice/play on Monday and Thursday evenings, starting at 6pm. Kids are encouraged to come early for extra batting practice. In addition, there will be a "spring training" period for the first 2 weeks, with additional practices on Wednesday evenings. Participants should wear sturdy athletic shoes or cleats. Shirts will be provided.

For questions about any of our athletic leagues, unless otherwise noted, please contact Abigail Ault at 412-242-4824, or email office@edgewoodboro.com.

SPONSORSHIP

If you're interested in becoming a sponsor of Edgewood Youth Sports, visit www.Edgewood.pgh.pa.us/BecomeASponsor. Edgewood Continues our tradition of offering youth sports leagues to children in our area, and we are dedicated to keeping registration costs for families low, while still maintaining our field and equipment. Our sponsors make it possible to maintain safe, new equipment for our players, and keep registration fees reasonable. Thank you for your support!



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CCM Edgewood Library Reopened

As of March 1, patrons can come into the building to browse the CCM Edgewood library's collections and check out materials. Patrons may remain in the building for no more than 45 minutes, due to building capacity limits. Public computers are available for one 30-minute session per day per person.

Contactless curbside pickup will continue to be available at CCM Edgewood for our patrons who prefer it. Pick-up of materials in the lobby must be scheduled by calling the library during open hours (412-731-0909).

CCM Forest Hills will remain closed to the public, offering curbside pickup only, until the Forest Hills Borough reopens the Forest Hills municipal building.

Expanded Hours

CCM Edgewood and CCM Forest Hills will now be open for more hours. The new hours are as follows:

CCM Edgewood		CCM Forest Hills	
Mon	10 – 6	Mon	Closed
Tue	12 – 8	Tue	10 – 5
Wed	10 – 6	Wed	Closed
Thu	12 – 8	Thu	12 – 7
Fri	10 – 5	Fri	Closed
Sat	9 – 4	Sat	10 – 5
Sun	Closed	Sun	Closed

The safety and health of our patrons and staff is our priority. Thank you for your support, patience and flexibility while we make this transition. We are excited to welcome you back to the library!

For more information on our expanded services and hours, please visit www.ccmellorlibrary.org.

Adult Programs

DIY Happy Hour on Zoom

Every other Tuesday at 6 p.m.

Tap into your creative side at the library's virtual DIY happy hour! No prior crafting experience necessary. Adults only, please. Supply kits are available at CCM Edgewood the week leading up to the event. Supplies are limited, so call 412-731-0909 to put one on hold!

Conversation Salon on Zoom

Every other Monday at 10 a.m.

Do you enjoy stimulating conversation? Join us once a month as we gather together to discuss interesting topics and share ideas.

Knitting Group on Zoom

Second & fourth Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

Love yarn? Want to knit with others? Join us online for stitching and conversation!

Book Clubs on Zoom

Drop Dead Book Club

First Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Contact: Linda Herward, herward@pitt.edu

Zoom Meeting ID: 564 732 823

Fourth Tuesday Book Club

Fourth Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

Contact: Erin Pierce, pierce@einetwork.net

Zoom Meeting ID: 935 5373 2498

Password: 566576

Century Book Club

Third Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Contact: Megan Zagorski, zagorskim@einetwork.net

Zoom Meeting ID: 874 4205 8168

Passcode: 602439

Children's Programs

Build With Me!

Kids, think like an engineer with the library! Each week we'll have a new challenge and a new set of supplies to play with as we design, build, and tinker with common household objects. Register and pick up supply bag from CCM Edgewood or CCM Forest Hills. Thursdays, continuing from March, will run through April.

Register online at ccmellorlibrary.eventbrite.com.

Family Story Time (on Zoom)

Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

We're taking storytime online LIVE with a weekly Zoom program. Talk, sing, read, and play along with Ms. Erin.

Register online to receive our Zoom link via email. Children of all ages and their caregivers welcome!

Family Story Time (on Facebook)

Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime is now online! Join Ms. Erin for stories and songs.

Library Loot

Ever wanted to try a subscription box, but didn't want to make the commitment or spend the money? Now you can, with Library Loot! Each Library Loot box has two library books on a theme, a list of further reading recommendations, a craft or activity, and a snack. Boxes come in two age levels, kids (with middle grade books geared for ages 10-12) and teen (with young adult books geared for ages 13 and up). The best part? You only return the books—everything else is for you to keep!

Teen Programs

CCM's current teen programming is online via Zoom! Zoom meetings for teen programming are password-protected for safety and privacy reasons.

Email Allison at sennotta@einetwork.net for the log in information.

Teen Group (on Zoom)

Every Wednesday at 5 p.m.

Teen group is the time to hang over Zoom, play games, make projects, and just chill out. We've laughed through hectic scavenger hunts, assembled paper house models, competed in Wheel of Fortune, and more.

Teen Book Club (on Zoom)

Third Mondays at 4 p.m.

Email Allison at sennotta@einetwork.net for the log in information.

Interlibrary Teen Gaming (on Discord)

Tuesdays at 7 pm on Discord

Need a safe space to game online with other Pittsburgh teens? Play new games with us each week on the Interlibrary Teen Discord channel. Your local libraries joined together to create a monitored server.

Sign up here: tinyurl.com/y2kq6wht



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Registration is Now Open for the Woodland Hills Pre-K Counts Program

Woodland Hills School District provides a FULL DAY (Mon.– Fri. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.) *PA Pre-K Counts Program* (180 days) for the 2021-22 school year. This program is free to residents whose children are three (3) or four (4) years old by September 1, 2021 AND household income is within 300% of federal poverty level. See chart below. Please keep in mind that parents must provide transportation to and from school. **Please contact Renee Englert for enrollment information at (412) 731-1300 ext. 0155 or visit our website at www.whsd.net.**

What to expect from Woodland Hills Pre-K Counts classroom?

Woodland Hills Pre-K Counts classrooms will:

- have teachers with the education and expertise to teach young children;
- use a curriculum that will help your child grow academically and socially;
- regularly review your child’s progress and choose teaching and learning activities that are best for your child;
- help you and your child adjust to pre-kindergarten and smoothly move on to kindergarten; and
- offer a small class size (18 students per one teacher and two half time aides) so that your child can have plenty of one-on-one time with the teachers.

By enrolling your child in the Woodland Hills Pre-K Counts Program, you can give your child a great start to a bright future.

2021 Federal Poverty Level Guidelines

300% Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$38,640	\$3,220	\$743
2	\$52,260	\$4,355	\$1,005
3	\$65,880	\$5,490	\$1,267
4	\$79,500	\$6,625	\$1,529
5	\$93,120	\$7,760	\$1,791
6	\$106,740	\$8,895	\$2,053
7	\$120,360	\$10,030	\$2,315
8	\$133,980	\$11,165	\$2,577
Each Additional	\$13,620	\$1,135	\$262

Woodland Hills School District News

Woodland Hills School District is excited to welcome students back to in person learning two days per week beginning March 29. The district has been successfully educating students through virtual instruction on Google Classroom since the beginning of the school year, but with educators gaining access to the vaccine and Covid transmission rates on the decline, the district is pleased to be able to focus on the social and emotional growth of students through face-to-face interactions with teachers and peers. Students who live in the neighborhoods of Braddock, Braddock Hills, Chalfant, Churchill, East Pittsburgh, Edgewood, Forest Hills, and North Braddock will be in group A, and will attend school in person on Monday and Tuesday each week. Students living in the neighborhoods of Rankin, Swissvale, Turtle Creek, or Wilkins Township will attend school in person on Thursday and Friday as Group B. All students who wish to remain virtual until the end of the school year may also choose that option.

With the limited number of days remaining in the school year, and less than 50% of students in the building at a time, the district has also opted to give PSSA and Keystone assessments in the fall, as allowed through the Pennsylvania Department of Education. This will give teachers and students more time in the Spring to build relationships and focus on in-person interactions. As always, the Wolverines are eager to work through any challenges that come our way, including hybrid learning.

Please feel free to reach out to any of the Woodland Hills School District buildings, or go to www.whsd.net, for more information.

Early Childhood Education and Childcare Resources

In celebration of the Week of the Young Child, happening April 10th-16th, we'd like to share some exciting news around early childhood learning and care opportunities! Governor Tom Wolf has recently announced an increase to the base rate paid to child care providers participating in Child Care Works. CCW is Pennsylvania's subsidized child care program that helps low-income families pay their child care tuition and fees. To be eligible, families must earn 200 percent or less of the federal poverty guidelines at application and meet work or job training requirements. Eligible families are able to choose to enroll at any participating child care provider, which can be impacted by convenience, transportation, cost and working hours. Families enrolled in CCW pay a co-pay, and providers that participate in CCW are reimbursed a set base rate per child from the state with the opportunity for add-on funding. The subsidy rate, which was previously 25%, has been increased to 40%. This increase makes it easier for providers to offer quality childcare that is now even more affordable to working families who may otherwise have difficulty finding such care.

Source: PA Media

For more information please visit:

https://www.media.pa.gov/pages/DHS_details.aspx?newsid=653

Early Childhood Resources:

Trying Together

Trying Together supports the work of early childhood by providing advocacy, community resources, and professional growth opportunities for the needs and rights of children, their families, and the individuals who interact with them. Families who want to find available spots at early learning, after school, summer camp, and virtual programs may do so using Trying Together's Allegheny Child Care search tool online at www.alleghenychildcare.org. For resources to support caregivers in having more positive interactions with their children and their healthy development and learning, visit www.tryingtogether.org.

Additional Childcare Provider Search Options

If you need help finding childcare providers in our area (subsidized and non-subsidized), along with information about Headstart, Pre-K Counts and more, please visit:

<https://www.compass.state.pa.us/Compass.Web/ProviderSearch/Home#/BasicSearch>

<https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Human-Services/Programs-Services/Basic-Needs/Child-Care-and-Early-Learning.aspx>

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CALENDAR *at a glance...*

APRIL

Council Meetings: 5 & 19, 7:30 pm. held virtually via GoToMeeting

Refuse: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Recycling: 8, 22

Borough Office closed: 2

MAY

Council Meetings: 3 & 17, 7:30 pm; held virtually via GoToMeeting

Refuse: 6, 13, 20, 27

Recycling: 6, 20

Borough Office closed: 31

Tax collection: 31, 1-4 pm



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