

PROJECT CONNECTION

Berkshire Hills Regional School District's 21st Century Community Learning Centers
Muddy Brook Regional Elementary School, WEB DuBois Regional Middle School, and Monument Regional Mountain High School

Muddy Brook Fall 2021 Enrollment Packet

Programs Begin September 27th, 2021

PLEASE NOTE: Students MUST be enrolled in the BHRSD Covid-19 weekly pool testing program to participate in Project Connection or other extra-curricular activities. Please click on this link to authorize and enroll your child in the pool testing program: <https://www.cic-health.com/consent/ma?district=Berkshire%20Hills>

Unless otherwise noted all will meet in-person at Muddy Brook.

Applications received by 12 noon on Monday, September 20th will receive priority in class and day selection, though this does not guarantee enrollment. **Please register online ASAP! by CLICKING [HERE](https://forms.gle/TiuGrbPSEfxLvAer7)**, by cutting and pasting this link to your browser: <https://forms.gle/TiuGrbPSEfxLvAer7> or complete the form below and return to: Suzanne.wool@bhrsd.org

MONDAYS:

Bilingual (Spanish and English) Stories, Songs, and Crafts: Sr. and Mrs. Heath 1st & 2nd Grades

We will have lots of fun language building activities in both English and Spanish. Activities include learning songs, hearing stories, playing games and making crafts. We will highlight a few traditional seasonal activities from both English and Spanish speaking cultures. Perfect for both native and emerging English and Spanish speakers.

Mystery Science: Various Topics: Rich Montano 1st & 2nd Grades

The Mystery Science program will feature interactive discoveries of a variety of scientific mysteries of the earth, sea, sky, and animal kingdom. New for Fall - many of the video presentations will include narration in English and Spanish!

Crazy 8's: Lily Silk 1st & 2nd Grades

This is a totally fun kind of math club where students discover and learn about geometry, pattern recognition, counting, units of time and time measurement, comparing and sequencing lengths, and measuring and estimating lengths. All of this takes place by building things, running and jumping, making music and having fun.

Musical Adventure - Keyboards: Alexander Citron 3rd & 4th Grades

Beginners as well as students with some piano experience will learn first the techniques for hearing sound on the keyboard and then playing fun songs, many of which they may know from film, stage, TV or video games. A keyboard will be provided during class for each student. Students will have time during each class to play as a group, or to plug in headphones to work individually, with the instructor attentive to each person's needs. ***This is not your grandparents' piano class!***

STEM Explorations: Cathy Chapin 3rd & 4th Grades

What is the tallest tower you can build with dried pasta and scotch tape? Would you like to learn about momentum and gravity by playing with Hot Wheels Cars? In this program students will explore STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) using fun, hands-on activities. Each activity will help them to help understand the forces of nature, and learn how to apply that knowledge to real-world problems.

Small Acts of Art: Second Nature Arts: Susan Smith 3rd & 4th Grades

Join Second Nature Arts as we explore a variety of mindful craft techniques such as printmaking, weaving, embossing, watercoloring, and bookmaking. Inspired by the people and places that bring joy and beauty to our lives, our multidisciplinary projects will include paper lanterns, create-your-own coloring books, wall hangings, and more! Once complete, you can keep your unique artworks or give them to a special person as an expression of gratitude.

TUESDAYS:

Cooking With Jenny: Jenny Schwartz

1st & 2nd Grades

In this program Jenny Schwartz and the students will travel around the world through their palette. We will cook traditional recipes, using Berkshire products, to learn about cultures and traditions. Students will have the opportunity to choose some of the cultures they explore. Hope you are hungry!

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Mass Audubon: Hop, Skip & Swim - Zach Adams

3rd & 4th Grades

We are happy to welcome Zach from Pleasant Valley Audubon back for another session of discovery about the lives and habitats of our natural neighbors. Dress for outdoor exploration.

Fall Games: - Chuck Brown

3rd & 4th Grades

You'll have a fun and active afternoon with Mr. Brown, playing Ultimate Frisbee, Kick Ball, Soccer and other active games. Plus, you'll get a chance to know Mr. Brown who works at the Middle School during the day and does lots of fun activities with students.

Survive!: Flying Deer

3rd & 4th Grades

Would you be able to survive if you were lost in the woods all day. Could you find food to eat and water to drink? Could you build shelter and make a fire? Could you keep your cool and consider the forest your "home"? Enroll in Survive! and you will be able to answer YES! to all of these questions.

WEDNESDAYS:

Yoga and Mindful Play: Hope Kruh

1st & 2nd Grades

Yoga is an effective practice to support body, mind, and emotions. Regular practice can promote physical strength, flexibility and balance, support attention and concentration, and offer students the tools they need to manage stress and live emotionally balanced lives. In this class, children will learn various yoga poses, breathing, and relaxation exercises through movement, activities, and games.

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Our Living World: Berkshire Museum

1st & 2nd Grades

A fun and engaging look at the people, animals, and cultures found all around the world. Listen to music, explore art, and learn about new animals found in countries, continents, and places like Australia, South America, China, Africa, The Ocean, and more!

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Berkshire Botanical Gardens: Kessa McEwen

3rd & 4th Grades

Get your hands dirty and spend time outside this fall with Farm and Garden! Learn about plants in the garden, the wildlife that calls our garden home, and to be closer to nature. Students will harvest from the garden, begin planting for next spring, make recipes using our harvest, make nature-themed crafts, and help our school garden become a Certified Wildlife Habitat.

THURSDAYS:

Animal Adventures: Berkshire Museum

1st & 2nd Grades

We know about the animals in our backyard, but what about the other 2 million that scientists have discovered? Animal Adventures is designed to explore unique, strange, ugly, adorable, and rare animals through science, geography, and art. Animal visitors from Berkshire Museum's aquarium may occasionally participate as well.

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Let's Start A Band!: Jeffrey Howard

3rd - 4th Grades

Have you dreamed of writing a song? What about producing a killer beat behind the next big rapper? Maybe you just like to listen to music to unwind. For so many of us, music is an inseparable part of our lives. If you are interested in developing your love for music, join me as we start a band of our own. In this class, we will learn how to make pro-level beats, write beautiful chord progressions on the guitar, and create melodies on the piano that will stick in your head for days. If you have an instrument of your own, feel free to bring it too! What are you waiting for? Let's start a band!

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FRIDAYS:**Family Cooking: Jenny Schwartz****Virtual/Remote Only 4:30 - 5:30 3rd & 4th Grades**

Join Jenny in the kitchen and explore some fun recipes that you and your family will love. We will make every effort to make sure you have the necessary ingredients on hand for this cooking bonanza. We would also love to have your parents or any other person in your household join in and help “cook up a storm”.

We will do our best to keep you up to date with any changes in schedules or logistics of programming. If you ever have questions or something seems unclear, please don't hesitate to call and/or email us:

Suzanne Wool - suzanne.wool@bhrs.org - 413-644-2350 x1201

Tom Kelly - thomas.kelly@bhrs.org - 413-644-2300 x2306

You may submit an application online by [clicking here](#).

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2021 Fall Program Applications- MBE Programs Begin September 27th, 2021

Dear Families, We are excited to announce our Project Connection Fall 2021 Programs. Please indicate the programs and days you would like to enroll your child. Please rank selections for each day by preference. There are limited spaces available, so the more choices you rank each day, the higher the chance your child will be able to participate on that day.

You may complete and submit this form online by [clicking here.](#)

Unless otherwise noted all programming will run on-site from 3:30-5:00.

You can also print this form and return it to school with your child, or scan it and return to thomas.kelly@bhrsd.org.

CHILD'S NAME: _____ **HOME ROOM TEACHER:** _____

MONDAYS:

Crazy 8s (Gr.1&2) _____ STEM Explorations (Gr. 3&4) _____

English/Spanish Stories, Songs & Crafts (Grades 1&2) _____ Acts of Art (Grades 3&4) _____

Mystery Science - (Gr. 1&2) _____ Musical Adventures: Keyboards- (Gr. 3&4) _____

TUESDAYS:

Acts of Art (Gr. 1&2) _____ Audubon (Gr. 3&4) _____

STEM Explorations (Gr 1&2) _____ Survive!(Gr. 3&4) _____

Cooking With Jenny: (Gr. 1&2) _____ Fall Games (Gr. 3&4) _____

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Yoga & Mindful Play (Gr. 1&2) _____ Farm & Garden (Gr. 3&4) _____

Our Living World (Gr. 1&2) _____ STEM Explorations (Gr. 3&4) _____

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Family Cooking: (Gr. 3&4) **Remote Only _____

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