

### **2025-2026 SEE PROGRAM**

### NONPUBLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL SEE SCHEDULE

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

- ✓ ONLY schools that complete the online Teacher Interest Form by the stated deadlines will be included on the roster and notified as to how many students may attend. The link for this form is in the 2025-2026 Nonpublic SEE Seminars Schoology Group.
- ✓ Teams links for Online SEE seminars can be found in Resources in Schoology.
- $\checkmark$  When appropriate,  $8^{ ext{th}}$  grade students are welcome to attend ONLINE high school seminars.
- ✓ Turn on NOTIFICATIONS in Schoology to receive important updates and communications.

#### MS – Discover the Timeless Art of Calligraphy (Online)

Date: Thursday, September 18, 2025

Seminar Time: 9:30 – 11:00AM Location: Online via Teams

Presenter: Debra Dick

Parent Registration Deadline: Thursday, September 11, 2025

**Description of Seminar:** Step into the world of calligraphy, where art meets handwriting and history comes alive through your fingertips! In this hands-on seminar, students will explore the art of beautiful writing through guided exercises and visual examples. They'll learn how calligraphy not only adds elegance to everyday writing but also helps improve memory, creativity, and focus. Participants will begin with a fascinating look at the history of Western calligraphy, then learn how to use calligraphy pens and markers to form stylish, easy-to-learn letterforms. Students will create personalized letters, experiment with color, and walk away ready to make cards, logos, and more. Whether you're a beginner or simply curious, this seminar will give you a fun and inspiring start in calligraphy—one stroke at a time!

# MS – Hearts and Hooves: A Day of Healing, Horses, and Hands-On Fun at Lone Oak (Face-to-Face)

Date: Tuesday, September 30, 2025

Seminar Time: 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Location: 230 Holtzman Road, Reinholds PA 17569

Presenter: Heather Girvin and Abbie Wilson

Participation Interest Form Due: Tuesday, September 3, 2025 Parent Registration Deadline: Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Description of Seminar: Calling all animal lovers, future vets, and students who want to make a difference! Spend a day at Lone Oak Animal-Assisted Therapy, a peaceful farm where rescued horses help people heal—and where you'll jump right in to be part of the magic. In this active, hands-on seminar, you'll roll up your sleeves and experience what it's really like to care for horses that have overcome serious challenges. Meet Lone Oak's rescued horses, hear their powerful stories of trauma and recovery, and become part of their healing journey. You'll step into the boots of a real farm helper—feeding, watering, grooming, mucking stalls, and helping exercise the horses. You'll also learn about the important roles of veterinarians and farriers (horse hoof experts!) and see how it takes a whole team to keep these animals happy and healthy. But this day isn't just about horses—it's about you, too. Through movement, mindfulness, and connecting with the animals, you'll explore big ideas like emotional regulation, leadership, empathy, and compassion. Discover how working with animals can help you feel more confident, calm, and connected to others. Come ready to get your hands dirty, your heart full, and your mind inspired—this is a day you won't forget!

## MS – Raven Ridge Wildlife Center: Wildlife Rehabilitation and PA's Native Species (Online)

Date: Tuesday, October 7, 2025

Seminar Time: 9:30 – 11:00AM Location: Online via Teams

Presenter: Molly Snavely

Parent Registration Deadline: Tuesday, September 30, 2025

Description of Seminar: Discover the fascinating world of wildlife rehabilitation in this virtual seminar! Students will get an inside look at Raven Ridge Wildlife Center, a non-profit organization in Washington Boro, PA, dedicated to rescuing and rehabilitating injured, sick, orphaned, or displaced wild animals—from majestic birds of prey to lively mammals and graceful waterfowl. Learn how wild animals find their way to the center, what it takes to nurse them back to health, and how you can help protect local wildlife. Students will also meet some of Raven Ridge's permanent residents—wild animals that can't be released due to injuries or imprinting. These special creatures now serve as animal ambassadors, helping to educate and inspire. Meet incredible ambassadors like Barron Von Vulture, Khonsu the Barn Owl, and our friendly Eastern box turtles. Come explore the extraordinary lives of Pennsylvania's wild animals and the people who care for them!

# MS – A Christmas Carol Comes to Life: See the Show, Meet the Cast, and Step into Their World! (Face-to-Face)

Date: Tuesday, December 16, 2025

Seminar Time: 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Location: Lancaster-Lebanon IU13, Burle Business Park, 1020 New Holland Avenue, Lancaster, PA

Presenter: Servant Stage

Participation Interest Form Due: Monday, September 3, 2025 Parent Registration Deadline: Tuesday, December 9, 2025

**Description of Seminar:** Get ready for a dynamic day of live theatre, storytelling, and hands-on fun! We'll experience *Servant Stage's* original 2025 adaptation of *Charles Dickens' A CHRISTMAS CAROL*—a heartwarming tale of second chances, generosity, and personal transformation. Follow Ebenezer Scrooge as he's whisked away on a journey through Christmas Past, Present, and Future in this exciting and engaging production. After the show, students will have a chance to **ask questions during a live Q&A with the cast**—so start thinking of great questions now and bring them along! Then, after lunch, the experience continues with an interactive acting workshop led by Servant Stage's Youth Theatre Education team. Learn theatre techniques, explore character-building, and discover how actors bring these unforgettable characters to life on stage! It's a full day of creativity, connection, and behind-the-scenes discovery. Don't miss it!

### MS – How to Create Better Solutions (Online)

Date: Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Seminar Time: 9:30 AM- 11:00 AM Location: Online via Teams Presenter: Amber Kane

Parent Registration Deadline: Wednesday, January 14, 2026

**Description of Seminar:** Do you want to learn how to quickly generate ideas to solve problems and answer questions? College expectations and career options are always changing; however, we know that the ability to think critically and creatively to solve both big and small problems is a consistent need that will serve you throughout your lifetime. In this seminar, we'll explore where ideas come from and uncover how you can increase your ability to develop ideas quickly to solve problems and create innovative solutions. Attend this seminar and learn simple practices that will supercharge your ability to solve problems.

### MS – Imagine it, Write it, Draw it: Your Picture Book Blueprint (Online)

Date: Tuesday, February 3, 2026

Seminar Time: 9:30 AM- 11:00 AM Location: Online via Teams Presenter: Sherri Maret

Parent Registration Deadline: Tuesday, January 27, 2026

**Description of Seminar:** Get your creativity flowing before the seminar even begins! Picture book author Sherri Maret invites you to choose from three illustrated writing prompts to spark your imagination. During this lively online session, she'll share her step-by-step writing process—from blank page to finished book—and offer tips to help you bring your stories to life. Not into writing? No worries! If you love illustrating, join in to learn how storytelling can happen without a single word.

### MS – Geometric Origami: How Frustration Folds into Growth (Face-to-Face)

Date: Thursday, March 19, 2026

Seminar Time: 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Location: Lancaster-Lebanon IU13, Burle Business Park, 1020 New Holland Avenue, Lancaster, PA

Presenter: Tracey Harber

Participation Interest Form Due: Monday, February 9, 2026 Parent Registration Deadline: Thursday, March 12, 2026

**Description of Seminar:** You don't need to be a pro at origami to enjoy this SEE seminar—just bring your curiosity and creativity! For 25 years, I've noticed a shared trait among gifted students: they learn quickly. But what happens when they're faced with something *truly challenging*? That's where the fun begins. In this hands-on workshop, we'll dive into the fascinating connections between origami, geometry, and the brilliance of my favorite mathematician—Archimedes (yes, I'm *that* kind of math nerd). Then it's time to build! You'll create 3D geometric polyhedrons like an octahedron skeleton, a cuboctahedron star, and a dodecahedron (think: a giant 12-sided die). You'll have time to work independently, ask questions, and explore at your own pace—with help available along the way. If time allows, we'll fold a divider for the classic origami box (or learn the box itself if you haven't yet), and maybe even end with the fun of folding "kissing lips." Come ready to stretch your mind, embrace the challenge, and discover what you're capable of!

### MS - Nature's Wake-Up Call: Flowers, Feathers, & Flowing Streams (Face-to-Face)

Date: Tuesday, April 28, 2026 Seminar Time: 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Location: Lancaster County Central Park, Environmental Center, One Nature's Way, Lancaster, PA

Presenter: Katie Kruza

Participation Interest Form Due: Monday, February 9, 2026 Parent Registration Deadline: Tuesday, April 21, 2026

**Description of Seminar:** Join us for a springtime adventure at Lancaster County Park! With Naturalist Katie Kruza, students will experience nature's grand reawakening during one of the most exciting times of year. We'll begin the day by learning about the spring wildflowers and birds we're likely to encounter. Then, we'll head out on a scenic hike to spot blooming wildflowers up close and use binoculars to identify birds singing their way through the trees. After lunch, we'll roll up our sleeves (and pants) and step into Mill Creek to explore the world of macroinvertebrates—tiny critters that help us understand the health of the stream. This hands-on field study combines exploration, observation, and discovery, making for a fun and educational day in the great outdoors!



