



August 2023

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Hoover Mt. Lebanon Extended Day Program. We look forward to providing a fun, enriching, and supportive environment for your child. Our after-school program will offer active play, opportunities for socialization, STEAM, and creative social/emotional engaging activities.

**Drop Off and Pick Up:** Parents may park in the circle drive at Entrance A2 to drop off or pick up except during the following times: 8:00 - 8:45 a.m., and 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. During those times, parents will need to park on the street in the designated spaces, avoiding the go-zone. The allowable parking areas are along Robb Hollow, from Bower Hill to the top driveway or anywhere past the school building. Below is a map of the Go Zone/parking areas.

**Use Entrance:** A-2

**Center Location:** 37 Robb Hollow Road, Mt Lebanon, PA, 15243

**Snacks:** MLEDP will provide a simple packaged morning and afternoon snack. Attention is given to healthy portions sizes.

**Important Parent Information:** If you know that your child is going to be absent, please email us directly and let us know. We also have parent notes at the sign in table where you can write any information you need to share with us. You can write appointments, early pickups, or any changes we should know. We are separate from the school and that information needs to come directly to us as the school principal or teachers will not communicate with us.

**Programming:** A variety of science, nature, art, active and imaginary play activities will be planned for both indoor and outdoor spaces. Modifications will sometimes be made to activities dependent on weather and the needs of children. Respect is a vital part of how we relate to one another at MLEDP.

We show this by teaching respect for other's property, belongings, beliefs, and our differences as human beings. We respect each other's physical and emotional well-being. We are anticipating a year filled with friendships, growth, and lots of fun for all!

**Health and Safety Plan:** We will follow procedures in the Health and Safety Plan to keep everyone safe. Please review the expectations with your child to help prepare them for MLEDP. We sanitize and clean equipment regularly to meet MLEDP health and safety standards.

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**Meet the Staff:**

**Liz Comiski (Center Director/Hoover)** This is Miss Liz's 1<sup>st</sup> year working with MLEDP. She is very excited to bring her education and experience to our Kindergarten Care Program. Liz studied a dual major in elementary education and developmental psychology at The College of New Jersey. She holds a B.A. in sociology from California University of PA. Liz has over 13 years of experience working with children. Prior to working at MLEDP she taught preschool locally. She has 2 amazing children. A son who is 8, and a daughter who just turned 12. Liz is so excited to participate in our program and have a fun year!

**Amelia Hart (Morning Kindergarten Care Teacher)** Miss Amelia has a degree in art education from Edinboro University. She has been working with children for the past 15 years. Before coming to us, Amelia taught kindergarten for 4 years. A lover of animals, she has 2 dogs, 1 cat, and a bunny named Sampson. Amelia and her husband are expecting their 1<sup>st</sup> child in January! She is so excited to meet all the children and is looking forward to an amazing year!

**Jennifer Laux (Morning Kindergarten Care Teacher)** Miss Jennifer has worked with MLEDP going on 15 years now! She received a BA degree in Elementary Education from Point Park University. She has two wonderful

children, a devoted husband, and is a lover of animals. Jennifer has a heart of gold and lots of patience. She is caring and kind to all the children who come to our center. She enjoys spending time with horses and camping with family in Erie!

**Georgia Muksuris (Afternoon Kindergarten Care Teacher)** Miss Georgia has a BA in Greek Culture and a master's in theological studies in Eastern Orthodox Christian Theology. She has been a teacher of the Greek Language for over 25 years for ages K-Adults, as well as Summer Church Camps. She has been with MLEDP for 5 years. Georgia looks forward to working with another group of kindergarten students this year! She is very talented with art activities and would be happy to teach the children all about the Greek language.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns you may have. You can contact us through email or voicemail.

We are looking forward to meeting you and your children!

Miss Liz and MLEDP Hoover KC Staff

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