

Club FAQ



Have questions about Good News Club? Here's what your family can expect, along with our club schedule for the 2026–2027 school year (last page).

Q What is Good News Club?

A Good News Club is a free, weekly afterschool program where children learn about Jesus, build friendships, and enjoy engaging Bible-centered activities. Our clubs are sponsored by Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) of Chester County in partnership with local churches and volunteers.

Q What happens during club?

A Each week includes a Bible lesson, songs, Bible verse memorization, and review games, and/or other activities that reinforce the lesson. Children also hear missionary stories and learn how biblical truths apply to everyday life.

Q Who can attend?

A Our clubs serve children at participating elementary schools. Eligible grades vary by location, with clubs serving students from kindergarten through sixth grade. Please check the schedule for your school's grade range. A parent or guardian must register the child and give permission for attendance.

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Q How much does it cost?

A All our afterschool Good News Clubs are completely free thanks to the generous support of individual and community partners.

Q Does our family need to attend church or be Christian?

A No. All children are welcome at club regardless of their family's religious background or church involvement. No previous Bible knowledge is needed. Good News Club is a Christian program, and children will hear Bible teaching and the good news of Jesus.

Q What will my child learn?

A Children learn about God's love, our need for a Savior, and how Jesus died for our sins and rose again. We encourage children to trust Jesus and grow in their faith. Lessons also help children understand how to show kindness, honesty, respect, and love for others.

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Q When and where do clubs meet?

A Clubs meet once a week at participating elementary schools immediately after dismissal. Meetings last approximately 60–90 minutes, depending on the location. Our 2026–2027 clubs begin in October and finish in March or April. See the schedule for meeting days, times, and dates.

Q Who leads Good News Club?

A CEF staff and trained volunteers lead our clubs. Volunteers receive training to teach Bible lessons, lead activities, and work with children. They agree to CEF's statement of faith and follow the organization's policies.

Q How do you help protect children?

A Child safety is a top priority. Our volunteers are screened and background-checked and must follow CEF's child protection policies and applicable Pennsylvania requirements. Please contact our office directly with any safety questions or concerns.

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Q Is Good News Club sponsored by the school?

A Good News Club is sponsored and operated by CEF of Chester County. Although clubs meet in school buildings by district & school approval, they are not sponsored by or affiliated with the host school or school district. Participation is voluntary and requires parent or guardian permission.

Q How do I register my child?

A Complete the registration or permission form for your child's school before your child attends. Please contact our office if you need help finding the correct form or determining whether a club is available at your school.

Q How does pickup work?

A Please arrange for your child to be picked up at the club's ending time and follow the pickup instructions provided for your school. Review these details before your child's first meeting, and communicate any changes in pickup arrangements to your club leader.

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Q What happens if school is canceled or dismisses early?

A There is no Good News Club whenever school is canceled or children are dismissed early. This includes both scheduled and unexpected early dismissals. Please ask your club leader for additional dates when club will not meet.

Q What if my child has allergies or needs additional support?

A Please share allergies, medical concerns, and support needs during registration with your club leader. Contact them before your child's first meeting so they can discuss your child's needs and how their club team can prepare.

Q Who can I contact with other questions?

A We would love to hear from you! Contact CEF Chester County at office@cefchester.org or 610-384-4120.

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Q Can we really teach the Bible in public schools?

A Yes! The Gospel has been taught freely in public schools all over the world for some time. Now children in the U.S. have that opportunity, too! In 2001 the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in *Good News Clubs v. Milford Central School* that Good News Clubs can meet in public schools in the United States after school hours on the same terms as other community groups. Children attend Good News Club only with their parents' permission.

See: cefonline.com/ministries/goodnewsclub/supremecourtruling/

Q How can I support Good News Club?

A Connect with CEF Chester County by emailing us at office@cefchester.org to find out how you can get involved in your community through Good News Club. You may also prayerfully consider giving toward the ministry by going to: cefchester.org/donate

Club Schedule 2026-2027



All times are p.m. Start dates are in 2026; end dates are in 2027.

School	Day	Club time	Grades	Starts	Ends
Reeceville	Monday	4:00–5:30	K–5	Oct. 19	Apr. 12
King's Highway	Tuesday	4:00–5:15	1–5	Oct. 20	Mar. 30
Bradford Heights	Tuesday	3:45–4:45	1–5*	Oct. 6	Apr. 6
Doe Run	Tuesday	3:45–5:30	K–5	Oct. 13	Dec. 15
Rainbow	Thursday	4:00–5:15	K–5	Oct. 8	Mar. 25
French Creek	Thursday	3:35–4:45	K–5	Oct. 8	Mar. 18
Robeson	Thursday	3:45–5:00	K–5	Oct. 15	Mar. 25
Twin Valley	Thursday	3:30–4:50	K–4	Oct. 8	Mar. 18
Honey Brook	Thursday	3:45–4:45	K–4	Oct. 8	Mar. 18
North Coventry	Thursday	3:30–4:30	3–6	Oct. 1	Mar. 25

*At Bradford Heights, kindergarten siblings may be eligible by exception. Please contact us before registering a kindergartner.

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Questions or registration help

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