

The Point Homeschool Co-op Fall 2024 Schedule

Tuesday

	8:30 - 9:25	9:30-10:25	10:30-11:25	11:30-11:45
PK	Heather Wiles and Leah Brendle Tuition \$100/month Materials Fee \$30/month Some materials will be family's responsibility; Families should provide a seasonally-appropriate change of clothing per child Targeted to <i>fully potty trained</i> 3 and 4 year olds Min Enrollment 5 students Max Enrollment 12 students			
K-2	Basic Concepts Math Cindy Buckner Tuition \$0 Materials Fee \$15 Some materials will be family's responsibility Min Enrollment 5 students Max Enrollment 15 students More Basic Concepts Math BethAnn Starbuck Tuition \$35 Materials Fee \$15 Min Enrollment 5 students Max Enrollment 15 students	PE **Class Closed** Matt Kimel Tuition \$3/class Min Enrollment 10 students Max Enrollment 25 students **PE Only Registration Available	Growing God's Bounty Brittany Skeen Tuition \$20 Materials Fee \$12-25 + Amazon Wishlist Some materials will be family's responsibility Min Enrollment 5 students Max Enrollment 12 students The Art Lab **Class Closed** Laura Cameron Tuition \$ 0 Materials Fee \$ 12-45 Some materials will be family's responsibility Min Enrollment 5 Max Enrollment 15	
3-5	Standing Strong Lauren Rathbone Tuition \$0 Materials Fee Range \$7-11 Curriculum to be purchased by family Min Enrollment 5 students Max Enrollment 20 students Writer's Workshop **Class Closed* Eileen Sloan Tuition \$ 50 Materials Fee \$20-25 Some materials will be family's responsibility Min Enrollment 5 Max Enrollment 10	Science Lab Cindy Buckner Tuition \$0 Materials Fee \$15-25 Some materials may be family's responsibility Min Enrollment 5 Max Enrollment 15 The Art Lab Laura Cameron Tuition \$ 0 Materials Fee \$ 12-45 Some materials will be family's responsibility Min Enrollment 5 Max Enrollment 15	PE Matt Kimel Tuition \$3/class Min Enrollment 10 students Max Enrollment 35 students **PE Only Registration Available	End of Day Huddle (Chapel time, prayer, announcements, pickup)
6-12 (Middle/ High)	PE (6-12) Matt Kimel Tuition \$3/class Min Enrollment 10 students Max Enrollment 35 students	Literature and Composition (6-12)** BethAnn Starbuck Tuition \$75 (Middle School) \$100 (High School) Materials Fee \$20 Some materials may be family's responsibility Min Enrollment 5 Max Enrollment 20	First Aid/CPR (6-12) **Class Closed** Cindy Buckner Tuition \$0 Materials Fee \$30 Some materials may be family's responsibility Min Enrollment 5 Max Enrollment 15	
9-12 (HS only)	**PE Only Registration Available	Career Exploration (9-12 - High School only) Whitney Crowell Tuition \$ 50 Materials Fee \$5 Min Enrollment 5 students Max Enrollment 15 students	Drawing Fundamentals (6-12) Deb Casslebury Tuition \$ 30 Materials Fee \$ 5 for student portfolio & canvas tote Some materials will be family's responsibility Min Enrollment 5 Max Enrollment 15	

**** Indicates full year course - tuition due each semester**

The Point Fall 2024 Teachers and Biographies

Mrs. Carlene Bateman I am the proud mom of three and grandmother of 10. I am a retired English instructor who moved from eastern North Carolina in 2020. Since I retired from teaching, I have volunteered in several ways with kids. Through 4-H I have taught many classes in sewing and crafts and mentored through the Master Gardening program. Also, I have worked to start a stem and technology club and tutored language arts. In my spare time, I look forward to spending time with my family, reading, gardening, and of course, crafting.

Mrs. Leah Brendle I am so excited to teach your child this year in pre-school! A little about myself, my name is Leah Brendle. I spent over a decade in the dental field as a dental assistant, working with all ages but I especially enjoyed working with children. I have been married to Wes for 18 years this fall, we have three daughters... Reagan, Jovie and Leighton. After starting our family, I decided to be at home with my daughters. Our family joined Mt. Pleasant church in 2023. Currently we enjoy spending as much time exploring God's creation as possible, tending to our garden, baking or playing with our four chickens. We seek the Lord in everything we do, as it says in Matthew 6:33 "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Mrs. Cindy Buckner Mrs. Cindy Buckner has over 7 years of collegiate teaching experience and has homeschooled her children. She is currently homeschooling her grandchildren. She is also a former, long-time, ICU nurse.

She has been married to her husband, Danny, for 41 years and has 2 boys, 2 daughter-in-laws, and soon to be 5 grandchildren. She has been a member of MTP for almost 30 years.

Laura Cameron I am a wife and stay at home mom to three children. I am obsessed with color. I love how it is a huge integral part of our everyday lives, yet makes life so much fun. Creativity is my second language. I enjoy painting, pottery, hiking and building things. I have been in art, some from or another, since I was very young. I cannot wait to share the joy of art with your students.

Deb Casselbury I am a self-taught artist who has 20+ years' experience doing freelance art, specializing in cartoon portraits and illustration. I'm a widow who moved to North Carolina from Michigan and am now re-retired from work in the clerical field. I became a member and baptized at MTP Church in 2022, and have been a teacher in a Sunday School group, sing in the choir, and had fun acting in the Bible skits during VBS. My goal is to teach students to enjoy art and create their own portfolio, using new skills and imagination.

Whitney Crowell

Whitney Cranford Crowell knew she'd reached peak homeschooling when she bought a 9' custom bookcase with matching ladder and still didn't have room for all the books. She has more than a decade of experience homeschooling every grade level, but she loves high school the most. She's been married to Wes for nearly 25 years. Their daughter and first graduate, Charlotte, is a National Merit Scholar and Blount Scholar at the University of Alabama, and their son, Daniel, is 13 and would rather be on the golf course than anywhere else. Whitney is a regular contributor to NCHE's Greenhouse magazine and the NCHE blog, as well as a consultant for the nonprofit Homeschooling for College Credit. She recently opened a small coaching practice, Launchpad Consulting, after many requests from friends and acquaintances for college and career planning advice.

Jessica Farrar

I am a self-taught graphic designer with 14 years of design experience. I have worked for myself, for a sign company, and a design firm. When I was fresh out of high school, I started teaching preschool. I worked in the 2 & 3 year old classes for almost 6 years and left when I learned I was pregnant with my oldest! My oldest is 14 and has been homeschooling for 2 years. My youngest is 12 and with his many special needs, he is in the EC program at Ledford Middle. I have also coached cheerleading for 21 years! I have coached at all age levels, recreation, all-star, middle school, high school, and even college. I love to see kids conquer goals and grow. I am looking forward to meeting and working with your amazing kids, and seeing what all they accomplish this year.

Mr. Matt Kimel

I've been teaching K-12 Homeschool PE since 2007. Before that I taught elementary PE for 3 years for the public school system in Davidson County. I have a K-12 Phys. Ed. degree from High Point University. I am a veteran of the US Navy and the NC National Guard.

My wife Angie and I have been married for 26 years, we have two sons, both homeschooled, graduated and in college.

I accepted Christ as my savior at age 11 and have been growing my relationship with Jesus ever since. I currently attend Pinedale Christian Church. I have a God given love for children of all ages and absolutely love connecting with them through teaching. My goal in teaching PE is to teach kids how to move and have fun doing it.

Mrs. Lauren Rathbone

I taught at the collegiate level for 13 years with prior experience in educational administration, finance, entrepreneurship, and public administration. I have a Masters of Business Administration and Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Finance Concentration, both from High Point University.

My husband, David, and I have been married for over 25 years, have a daughter, Clara, and are members at MTP. Clara has been homeschooled "officially" since 2020, but truly since her 2013 birth. Originally from Savannah, GA, I prefer to cheer on anyone but UGA.

Mrs. Brittany Skeen

I will be teaching the homesteading classes at The Point! I am a wife, mom of 3 boys, and a homemaker. I have been raised all my life involved in agriculture, but about 3 years ago my husband and I began our homesteading journey and haven't looked back since - raising and growing our own food using the amazing Earth our Lord has given us, raising and harvesting our own meat, composting, cooking from scratch, and getting back to the basic of life. I look forward to getting to know you and your child(ren), and teaching them about the natural resources we have and how to use them to provide for ourselves and others!

Eileen Sloan

I have been a public educator for 18 years, spanning kindergarten to fifth grade and a reading interventionist/ specialist for 9 years. I have a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and a Master's Degree in reading. Reading is my passion, specifically meeting students at their level of ability and growing them to be successful readers and writers. I felt a calling from God to leave public school and take my kids with me on this homeschool journey. I'm excited and nervous for this new adventure, but thrilled to be a part of the MTP co-op, plus doing reading tutoring part-time. I've been married to Jon Sloan for 15 years and we have two children, James (10) and Emma (7), who will both be part of the co-op. I've been at MTP for 15 years, and I love my church!

BethAnn Starbuck

A veteran home-educator, BethAnn homeschooled her five children from preschool through graduation. She is grateful to have any opportunity to share the unfailing love of Jesus, especially as she supports students and their families in this wonderful adventure we call "homeschooling". She holds two bachelor's degrees in biology and psychology, a concentration in secondary education, and a master's degree.

Mrs. Heather Wiles

My husband, David, and I have been married 18 years. We have four children that I have had the honor to be able to stay home with and homeschool. Our family attends Friends Baptist Church and we love our church family.

I have a degree in Early Childhood Education. I have taught preschool in a private, public and homeschool setting. I am a self-taught photographer and own a photography business.

The Point Fall 2024 Course Catalog

Course Name	Course Teacher	Course Description
The Art Lab	Laura Cameron	Fun, hands on teaching of the elements of art such as line, shape, color, texture, space, and pattern. Course will also include projects focusing on famous artists such as Van Gogh, Matisse, Picasso and Warhol. Mediums to be used will be tempera paints, watercolor paints, paper, oil pastels and pencils. Students will learn new techniques to further their skills in drawing and painting. Bring your creativity!
Basic Concepts Math	Cindy Buckner	This class will mostly be a hands-on approach to learning math concepts such as numbers and counting, addition and subtraction, 2-D shapes, sorting and patterns, place value, measurements and comparisons, time, money, and introduction to fractions. While targeted to K-1, parents know their children best.
Bible Time with Friends	Lauren Rathbone	This fun class for K-2nd graders has directed Bible lessons as well as playtime. Learning the Bible is better with friends!
Biology	BethAnn Starbuck	This is a college-prep high school credit course. Students should expect to spend 4-5 hours working outside of class each week. The course will explore God's wondrous creation and include labs, lab reports, projects, and assessments. We will utilize textbook material, notebook activities, and hands-on experiments. Apologia's <i>Biology</i> curriculum will be used. ISBN will be available nearer to the beginning of the semester.
Can You Canva?	Jessica Farrar	We will learn how to use Canva and graphic design terminology. We will redesign a business logo from a local business using the skills we learn, and a flyer for the end of semester CoOp Event!
Career Exploration	Whitney Crowell	What do you want to be when you grow up? If you're like many teens, this question becomes more and more daunting the closer you get to graduation. Career Exploration will help you identify and evaluate your personal goals, priorities, aptitudes, and interests, so you can make informed decisions about your post-high school journey. Together we will explore the unique ways God has equipped you to love and serve your neighbor. We will develop your personal "brand," including your resume, brush up your interviewing skills, and learn how to network and form productive professional relationships. And of course, we'll investigate some careers that are a fit for you and work towards a plan for the next steps on your path.
Directed Playgroup Study Hall	Volunteers	This course offering will be an open time for K-2 to play, learn, and grow with directed options that may include items such as Legos, playdough, age-appropriate games, songs, and movement.
Drawing Fundamentals	Deb Casselbury	In this course, students will learn how to draw using proportion, shapes and light (value), composition, and perspective using pencil and pen. Class will include color theory, portraiture, and art history. The final project will have each student complete a self-portrait.
Fall Crafts 101/102	Carlene Bateman	Each class will give your student an opportunity to exercise their creativity with seasonally-appropriate crafts! Ordinary craft supplies such as glue, pipe cleaners, and construction paper will fly in this hand-on, interactive class!
First Aid/CPR	Cindy Buckner	This class will cover topics such as adult, child, and infant CPR; medical emergencies; injury emergencies; and environmental emergencies. Upon completion of the class, participants will receive a CPR card.
Growing God's Bounty	Brittany Skeen	In this course we will be learning basic self sustainability measures for living a more resourceful life and seeing just how AMAZING our God is for giving us so many blessings to live this way! We will be discovering how and watching plants grow and the process of growing produce. Throughout the class we will learn about animals and how to care for and keep them on a homestead, composting, vermiculture, and ways to provide for yourself in an ever changing world!
Homesteading	Brittany Skeen	This course is an advanced and in-depth look at homesteading and basic self sustainability measures. Skills such as, but not limited to, will include: seed choices and starting; growing zones; poultry and livestock choices and care; resourceful living; and, most importantly, seeing just how AMAZING our God is for giving us so many blessings to live this way!

Literature and Composition	BethAnn Starbuck	<p>The Bible will be a significant part of this course. We will also utilize other literature and materials to develop literary analysis, grammar, and writing skills. Students will need to be able to access an online learning platform (private to our class) to view instructional videos, submit assignments, and access other logistical needs for the class. This class will have a middle school track and a high school track. These tracks will differ in terms of the depth of concepts covered and the assignment requirements.</p> <p>This course is designed for both beginning and confident writers.</p> <p>Curriculum used will be portions of the Institute for Excellence in Writing, Circe Institute, and the Center for Lit. Specific ordering information/ISBNs will be available closer to the beginning of the semester, if applicable.</p>
Math Lab	BethAnn Starbuck	<p>This Math Lab will allow students to work at their own pace and level. Students will use a Placement Assessment to determine the best MathUSee curriculum level. The video instruction will guide students with the concepts at home as they work through their own MathUSee level student book. During co-op time, personal tutoring will support whatever is needed. Students will also have accountability during the co-op time, and it will be a time set aside for math work. Curriculum and math manipulatives will be purchased by each family.</p>
More Basic Concepts Math	BethAnn Starbuck	<p>This class will gently introduce and reinforce concepts such as multi-digit addition and subtraction, rounding, money, early fractions, skip counting, and multiplication basics. We will utilize hands-on activities, manipulatives, and worksheets.</p>
PE	Matt Kimel	<p>This PE class is designed to teach K-12 students a variety of fine and gross motor skills as well as the importance of maintaining an active lifestyle through fun games and fitness challenges. Primary goal: Move and have fun doing it.</p>
Phonics & Flow	Eileen Sloan	<p>Come and see how fun phonics can be! This class will be primarily for beginning readers, but differentiated to meet each student's ability level. Weekly comprehensive reading lessons include phonemic awareness activities, word decoding, decodable texts, fluency practice and comprehension. These skills will build and enhance any beginning reader and turn them into a fluent reader.</p> <p>While class is targeted to K-1 reading levels, parents know their children best.</p>
Pre-Kindergarten-Aged Class	Heather Wiles and Leah Brendle	<p>This year in Pre-School we will strive to cultivate a love of learning through music, movement, finger plays, reading, experiments and Bible. We will explore letters, the sounds they make, colors, shapes, and numbers. We hope to point your child's heart to Christ with Bible lessons, crafts, songs, and scripture. We can't wait for your child to join us for a fun filled year of learning!</p>
Reading Intervention	Eileen Sloan	<p>This will be an intervention, small group, tutoring style class. I will conduct assessments for each individual to determine the areas of support they need for reading and ability level. Comprehensive intervention will include explicit instruction related to phonemic awareness and phonics: manipulating sounds and syllables orally to strengthen reading skills, letter recognition (as needed), and decoding to blend words in isolation and moving to text when ready.</p> <p>This class is targeted to struggling readers in 1st and 2nd grade.</p>
Sign Here (Cursive and Script Writing)	Jessica Farrar	<p>We will learn to write the cursive alphabet, and how to connect letters. We will learn to write various words, and how to sign our names. I plan to teach using Zaner Bloser style font. The copybook here will be each family's responsibility.</p>
Standing Strong	Lauren Rathbone	<p>Is your 3rd to 5th grader strong enough to withstand attacks on their faith? Join Mrs. Lauren to learn Old Testament concepts that ring steadfast and true. We will be using the <i>Faithpedia Old Testament</i> flipbook and journal from Not Consumed. Journal will be the responsibility of each family.</p>
Science Lab	Cindy Buckner	<p>This class will be an interactive and hands-on approach to learning science by doing various experiments weekly.</p>
Study Hall	Volunteers	<p>This class will be an open time for homework, light socialization, games, or similar activities.</p>

Writer's Workshop

Eileen Sloan

Are you an inspiring writer or a storyteller with a creative imagination? Working through the writing process is a great way to access growing readers and writers' minds and allow them to transfer products from their imaginations onto paper. We will spend time planning, drafting, revising and publishing stories that could be shared with family and friends. Become a "famous" author using the gifts God has given you.