









# TO SPRING-FORD







welcome home!



### WE COME TO SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

### DEAR NEIGHBOR,

Welcome to Spring-Ford Area School District, and welcome home! Congratulations on your choice to move to the Spring-Ford area, one of the best communities in Pennsylvania.

Whether you are considering moving to Spring-Ford, or you are a new resident to our community, we encourage you to review this welcome pack to learn more about our award winning school district.

I look forward to seeing you around town!

Dr. David Goodin

Spring-Ford Area School District Superintendent

#### SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

Spring-Ford strives to be educationally relevant, focused on achievement and growth, and have a priority on people so that students are fully prepared to positively contribute to their society.

### SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT VISION STATEMENT

Spring-Ford will be the district that every parent would choose as their child's educational provider.

### **SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT VALUES**

- Educating with dedication and passion
- Challenging each student to their fullest potential
- Educational opportunities beyond academics
- Respect and integrity
- Value diversity
- Health, wellness and safety
- Global citizenship
- Collaboration and teamwork
- Personal and social responsibility
- Hiring and retaining the highest quality staff
- Fostering critical thinking and real world application

### SPRING-FORD BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

The Spring-Ford Board of School Directors generously contributes their time and talents toward the advancement of public education from kindergarten through grade 12. As elected officials, school board members answer to the electorate and to the Pennsylvania Department of Education, establish policies that provide the framework for our public schools and represent their local communities. Meets on the 3<sup>RD</sup> and 4<sup>TH</sup> Monday of the month, at 7:30 p.m. Community members are invited to attend board meetings.



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**ABOUT THE SPRING-FORD COMMUNITY** 

Spring-Ford Area School District (SFASD) is located in the western central portion of Montgomery County and in the eastern central section of Chester County. The district is comprised of the Townships of Limerick and Upper Providence and the Boroughs of Royersford and Spring City.

The growing community of approximately 47,370 straddles the route 422 bypass and offers the best of both a small-town atmosphere and proximity to metropolitan attractions. The district is characterized by small towns, suburban neighborhoods and open areas. The location offers easy access to the cultural appeal of Philadelphia, as well as the warmth and nurturing feel of suburban America.

The district is approximately twenty miles northwest of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, twenty-five miles south of Reading, Pennsylvania, and five miles north of Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. The district has a combined land area of 44.4 square miles, and the 2010 U.S. Census population of the district is 47,368, compared to the 2000 U.S. Census population of 36,483; this represents an increase of 10,885 or nearly 30%.

### **WORKING IN SPRING-FORD** Four major employers and two major shopping complexes are located in the SFASD footprint, along with hundreds of local retail shops, businesses, restaurants and more: Pfizer-Wyeth GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) SEI Investments • Iron Mountain, Inc. • Philadelphia Premium Outlets (Calvin Klein, Coach, J.Crew, Sony, Adidas, Ann Taylor, Banana Republic, BCBG Max Azria, Brooks Brothers, Cole Haan, DKNY, Gap Outlet, Guess, Michael Kors, Neiman Marcus Last Call, Nike, Polo Ralph Lauren, Puma, Tommy Hilfiger and more) Providence Town Center (Wegmans, LA Fitness, Best Buy, Dick's Sporting Goods, Ulta, Five Below, P.F. Chang's, Staples, PetSmart, Olive Garden, Home Goods, Michaels Arts & Crafts Store, Raymour & Flanigans, Eastern Mountain Sports, Movie Tavern, Univest Bank and more)

### SPRING-FORD, A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE



Niche.com recognized two Spring-Ford towns in national publications:

- Upper Providence Township was named one of the Top 100 Best Places to Buy A House
  - Limerick and Upper Providence Townships made the Best Suburbs to Raise a Family list

### spring-ford's elementary schools

SFASD believes that the primary, or elementary, years are extremely important for children as they set the foundation for a student's academic future. Spring-Ford Area School District staff members work tirelessly to ensure that elementary students are well-prepared at the start of their educational career.

Learning in elementary school is an important experience, and children at this level should enjoy coming to school. Each SFASD school offers talented staff members, a friendly environment and a developmentally appropriate curriculum so that students can achieve their highest potential in a learning environment that is safe, nurturing and fun.

Each academic experience is enriched by extra-curricular activities, technology tools, assembly programs and student clubs. We invite new parents to learn more about their school by volunteering with their schools individual home and school association, parent-teacher association or parent-teacher organization.







#### **BROOKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Mary Pat Long, Principal 339 North Lewis Road, Royersford, PA 19468 610-705-6006

Average Enrollment: 390

### **EVANS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Jacqueline Havrilla, Principal 125 Sunset Road, Limerick, PA 19468 610-705-6012

Average Enrollment: 620

### LIMERICK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Mitchel Edmunds, Principal 81 Limerick Center Road, Royersford, PA 19468 610-705-6007

Average Enrollment: 325

### **OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Mark Moyer P.O. Box 396, Oaks School Drive, Oaks, PA 19456 610-705-6008

Average Enrollment: 585

#### ROYERSFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Teresa Carboy, Principal 450 Spring Street, Royersford, PA 19468 610-705-6005

Average Enrollment: 435

#### SPRING CITY ELEMENTARY HYBRID LEARNING SCHOOL

Mitchel Edmunds, Principal 190 South Wall Street, Spring City PA 19475 610-705-6004

Average Enrollment: 115

### **UPPER PROVIDENCE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Melissa Patschke, Ed.D., Principal 833 South Lewis Road, Royersford, PA 19468 610-705-6009

Average Enrollment: 485



### INTERMEDIATE CENTER: Grades 9 and 6

The goal of the Intermediate Center is to create an environment where students, parents and community members work in concert with each other to develop a culture that maintains academic excellence and a cooperative atmosphere. The programs offered at the Intermediate Center are designed toward high academic standards and encourage students to take an active role in creating a school community that values each individual and promotes the success of everyone.

Each and every staff member of the Intermediate Center is committed to doing their very best for each and every child with whom they come in contact. The goal as a staff is to create an environment where students, parents and community members work in concert with each other to cultivate a culture that maintains academic excellence and a cooperative atmosphere.

### **5/6 GRADE CENTER**

Heather Nunerviller, Principal 833 South Lewis Road Building 2, Royersford, PA 19468 610-705-6003 Average Enrollment: 1,328





### MIDDLE SCHOOL: Grades 7 and 8

The programs offered at the middle school level support the belief that all students have the ability to learn. Students are valued for their many talents and the middle school years are a time of transition. During the middle school years, it is natural for your child to become more independent. Though, they still need the guidance and support of their home family and school family. School personnel will provide high quality educational opportunities and strive to reinforce appropriate decision making and personal responsibility.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL OBJECTIVES

- 1. Instruction in basic skill areas commensurate with achievement level and academic potential.
- 2. Extension and enrichment of various areas of knowledge, including familiar areas and new interests.
- 3. Enhancement of thinking skills through investigation and exploration.
- 4. Creative expression and the appreciation of the creative expression of others.
- 5. Appreciation of human achievements in the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, and arts.
- 6. Understanding and appreciation of persons belonging to diverse social, cultural, and ethnic groups.
- 7. Understanding of their own personal, social, and physical development and an appreciation of their individual worthiness as a member of society.
- 8. Acquisition of good health habits.
- 9. Development of improved motor skills and physical coordination.
- 10. Development of self-discipline and responsibility with regard to one's own learning and citizenship.
- 11. Development of positive attitudes toward the learning process.
- 12. Social experiences consistent with student's developmental age.
- 13. Understanding the opportunities in preparing for a productive life.

### **7TH GRADE CENTER**

Heather Nunerviller, Principal 833 S. Lewis Road Building 2, Royersford, PA 19468 610-705-6003

Average Enrollment 7<sup>TH</sup>: 640

### **8TH GRADE CENTER**

Michael Siggins, Principal 700 Washington Street, Royersford, PA 19468 610-705-6002

Average Enrollment 8<sup>TH</sup>: 615













## Spring-Ford AREA HIGH SCHOOL

In the 2014-2015 school year, Spring-Ford Area High School (SFAHS) was named by Newsweek as one of America's Top High Schools! SFAHS was ranked in the top 500 out of 14,000 schools across the country, and one of only 42 high schools in Pennsylvania. The high school was also recognized by the Washington Post's 2015 list of America's Most Challenging High School's.

In addition, SFAHS was recognized as one of 547 districts across the U.S. and Canada in the 5<sup>TH</sup> Annual AP District Honor Roll. The Honor Roll honors districts who have increased access to Advanced Placement (AP) course work while simultaneously maintaining or increasing the percentage of students earning scores of 3 or higher on AP Exams. Spring-Ford Area School District is one of only 41 districts in Pennsylvania which made the list, and one of only 21 districts who have achieved this honor for multiple years.

SFAHS course offerings include Advanced Placement, Dual Enrollment, Honors and Academic. Students in grades 10-12 may also attend the Western Montgomery County Career and Technical Center's half-day program. A typical Spring-Ford high school student's schedule includes between 6.0 and 6.9 credits per year. Courses are taught on a traditional schedule with fifty-minute class periods.

SFAHS has 28 clubs that students can join in addition to the many sports, music and theater groups. Many clubs offer social and learning opportunities for students during the day and after school. Some of the club offerings include the Rampage Newspaper, Rambler Yearbook, Academic Team and several community service clubs.

#### 10-12 GRADE CENTER

Patrick Nugent, Ed.D., Principal 350 S. Lewis Rd Royersford, PA 19468 610-705-6001

Average Enrollment: 1,543

#### 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CENTER

Theresa Weidenbaugh Ed. D., Principal 400 S. Lewis Rd Royersford, PA 19468 610-705-6011 Average Enrollment 9<sup>TH</sup>: 650









### WESTERN MONTGOMERY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER

The Mission of the Western Montgomery Career and Technology Center is to prepare quality citizens for lifelong productivity in a challenging world by forming innovative partnerships among family, school and community. Programs include:

Automotive Technology
Biomedical Science
Carpentry
Collision Repair
Commercial Art
Computer Information Systems

Cosmetology
Culinary Arts
Dental Occupations
Diesel Technology
Early Childhood Education
Electrical Occupations

Environmental Design
Graphic Design
Health Science Technology
HVAC
Metal Technology
Protective Services

In addition to preparation for direct entry into the workforce, WMCTC students are prepared to enroll in

college studies. Many two and four year institutions offer programs of study which complement the occupational and technical areas offered at WMCTC.

### WESTERN MONTGOMERY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER

77 Graterford Rd., Limerick , PA 19468 610-489-7272 www.westerncenter.org



### LET'S GET STARTED: how to enroll

When you are ready to enroll your child(ren) in school, please visit our Student Registration page online at www.spring-ford.net. Pre-registration takes place entirely online. After completing the pre-registration process, you will be provided an opportunity within to schedule an appointment at the District Office to complete the process. In addition, you will receive a checklist of the documents you will need to bring to your appointment. Failure to bring sufficient documentation will delay the enrollment of your student.

Submitting the pre-registration information online does not guarantee your student has met the requirements for admittance to the school district. Only a natural parent or court-appointed guardian living in the school district and at the same residence of the student may register a student. Parents/guardians are legally obligated to provide accurate information during the registration process. Any information deemed inaccurate may result in legal action.

The following documents must be submitted at your registration appointment:

- Student's original birth record
- Student's immunization record
- Custody agreement/court order if parents are separated or divorced (if applicable)
- Academic records (transcript if grades 9-12; latest report card if grades 1-8)
- Evaluation Report (ER), Individual Education Program (IEP), Gifted Individual Education Program (GIEP) and/or 504 documentation (if applicable)
- Verification of address
  - o Deed/settlement statement
  - o Current signed lease agreement

### Plus one of the following

- Current paid per capita tax receipt
- Current paid utility bill (gas, water, electric or phone)
- PA vehicle registration
- PA driver's license
- Paycheck stub









### SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT QUICK FACES

- Average district enrollment is 7,900
- Average graduating class size is 600
- Students must by 5 years of age by August 31 to enroll in Kindergarten
- Spring City Elementary Hybrid Learning School was selected as a Title I Distinguished School by the Pennsylvania Department of Education
- Lunch Price elementary, \$2.95; secondary \$3.15
- The Spring-Ford Area High School received an outstanding 97.3 SPP score in 2014-2015
- Average SAT score is 1604
- Average ACT Score is 25.0
- Spring-Ford Area High School offers more than 20 AP courses
- The class of 2015 saw 47 AP Scholar students, 28 AP Scholars with Honor, 58 AP Scholars with Distinction and five National AP Scholars
- 460 high school students took a total of 871 AP exams
- SFAHS received more than 20 PAC-10 Championships titles in 2014-2015
- 2014 Newsweek Top High School List
- 2015 Washington Post Most Challenging High School List
- Five year AP District Honor Roll List recipient
- The Class of 2015 had 12 National Merit Commended Students, three Semi-Finalists and three Finalists
- The Spring-Ford Golden Ram Marching Band is the 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014
   Tournament of Bands Group IV Atlantic Coast Champion
- More than 90% of graduates continue on to a 4- or 2-year college, trade or technical school
- Niche.com's Best Suburbs to Raise a Family in Pennsylvania
- Niche.com's Top 100 Best Places to Buy a House

