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1. The Academy (Martial Arts Leadership)

Type of Offering	Martial Arts
Location	220 W Northland Ave, Appleton
Email	TheAcademyAppleton@gmail.com
Website	www.TheAcademyAppleton.com
Contact Name	Amanda Denu
Description	<p>The Academy Martial Arts Leadership is dedicated to helping your child become a confident, respectful, and strong member of society. Our dedicated team creates a positive environment with high-energy, challenging, and fun age appropriate classes. Parents & kids love our positive family environment that reinforces self-discipline, focus, integrity, goal setting, and self-defense skills. Beginner classes available for students 4 years old and up. Contact us for a FREE trial today!</p> <p>info@TheAcademyAppleton.com or 920.830.2233</p>

2. American Heritage Girls

Type of Offering	Scouts
Location	Faith Lutheran Church 3100 E Evergreen Dr, Appleton, WI 54913
Email	ahg.wi1857@gmail.com
Website	https://americanheritagegirls.org/
Contact Name	Katelyn St. Peter
Description	<p>American Heritage Girls in a faith-based program for girls aged 5-18 that aims to develop character and leadership skills through service to God, family, community, and country.</p> <p>Meets at Celebration Church and School, Appleton. 3100 E Evergreen Dr</p>

3. Appleton Bible Quizzing

Type of Offering	Faith (Youth Group/Church/Awana)
Location	Alliance Church Appleton
Email	jttower@yahoo.com
Website	https://www.cmabiblequizzing.org/wgld.html
Contact Name	Jessica Tower
Description	<p>Bible Quizzing invites students in 6th to 12th grade to delve deeper into God's Word by studying, memorizing, and competing in a fun and encouraging team environment. Like iron sharpens iron, quizzers sharpen each other! As we study a New Testament book(s) for the year, Quizzing helps students grow in their understanding of Scripture in context, their leadership skills, and their confidence in speaking in front of others. It is a unique discipleship ministry where students can be a part of a team where God's Word is central.</p>

4. Appleton Boychoir

Type of Offering	Music (Band/Choir/Strings/ Lessons)
Location	Appleton (Mondays at 4:00, Belfry Hall)
Email	info@appletonboychoir.com
Website	https://www.appletonboychoir.com/
Contact Name	Audrey Moore
Description	<p>Appleton Boychoir, founded in 1979, has given musical training to thousands of boys, taking them all over the world, sending them on their way with stronger leadership skills, as well as a life-long love of singing. Many have gone on to successful careers in music, theatre, education, performance & teaching.</p> <p>Mission: to provide a life changing, musical experience that builds: Self Esteem, Leadership, Collaboration Skills, & Enriches the Community</p> <p>The organization's objectives are to promote music literacy through education in theory and reading skills; expand the visibility of the choirs through high caliber tours & concerts locally and internationally; encourage family involvement and pride; and continue strengthening the financial viability of the organization.</p>

5. Aurora Institute for the Arts

Type of Offering	Music (Band, Choir, Strings, Lessons)
Location	Appleton
Email	admin@aurorainstituteforthearts.com
Website	https:// www.aurorainstituteforthearts.com/
Contact Name	Anna Herrera
Description	<p>Aurora Institute for the Arts is an educational space that provides music and arts education to young students and adults. Our main offering is our Suzuki strings program. We offer Suzuki violin, viola, cello and early childhood education classes.</p> <p>Our mission is to promote and stimulate human development through different art forms while building strong community relationships. We strive to create a place where people of all skill levels and ages can come and experience a community built around the arts and the values of humility, creativity, compassion and excellence.</p>

6. Badger State Girl Choir

Type of Offering	Music (Band/Choir/Strings/ Lessons)
Location	Appleton (Sundays at 4:00, Neenah)
Email	sing@badgerstategirlchoir.org
Website	https://www.badgerstategirlchoir.com/
Contact Name	Audrey Moore
Description	<p>The Badger State Girl Choir, LLC is an independent organization and an officially authorized corporation in the state of Wisconsin. It was founded in 2006 to provide girls from the Fox River Valley an opportunity to sing high quality choral music in an integrated arts learning environment. The choirs perform four major concerts each season, record, premiere contemporary works, and have the opportunity to travel across the globe as musical ambassadors. Over one thousand girls from across the Fox River Valley have enjoyed participation in the Badger State Girl Choir.</p>

7. Bent Arrow (Outagamie County 4-H)

Type of Offering	4-H Club
Location	Appleton
Email	tammy@stilles.org
Website	https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/4-h-youth-development/
Contact Name	Tammy Stille
Description	<p>4-H is an informal program through which parents, other adults, and youth can help young people develop confidence, social skills, decision-making abilities, and subject matter knowledge. 4-H members are kindergarten through one year after high school graduation. We meet monthly usually on the first Monday evening. Our meetings include a business meeting, educational activity, and a recreation. Members choose projects to work on throughout the year (woodworking, cooking, computers, mechanical sciences, and many more) with the highlight being the Outagamie County Fair in July.</p>

8. Brillion Nature Center

Type of Offering	Outdoors
Location	Brillion
Email	jeff@brillionnaturecenter.net
Website	www.brillionnaturecenter.net
Contact Name	Jeff Mix
Description	<p>Brillion Nature Center is a nonprofit organization focusing on outdoor education for all ages. We have 5000 acres and 7 miles of pet friendly hiking trails open dawn to dusk everyday. We offer a Homeschool program titled "12 2nds in Nature" held the second Wednesday and Thursday of each month, along with field trip opportunities.</p>

9. Calvary Bible Church Youth Group SWAT (Students With A Testimony)

Type of Offering	Youth Group (Grades 9-12)
Location	1450 Oakridge Rd. Neenah (Calvary Bible Church Youth Room)
Email	mhansen@cbcneenah.org
Website	cbcneenah.org/youth
Contact Name	Michael Hansen
Description	Calvary Bible Church seeks to disciple middle school and high school students through Wednesday night and Sunday morning youth ministry. Any and all students are invited to join us as we worship God, learn about the Bible, live for Jesus, and experience healthy community. Middle school youth group (called C-Team) meets from 6:45-8:30 pm. High school youth group (called SWAT - Students with a Testimony) meets from 7:00-9:00 pm. We represent a number of different churches, schools, and communities in the Fox Valley. Contact Michael Hansen for details (mhansen@cbcneenah.org)

10. Classical Conversations - Appleton West

Type of Offering	Classes/Co-Op
Location	Belfry Hall, Appleton
Email	mmsudbrink@gmail.com
Website	https://classicalconversations.com/
Contact Name	Maggie Sudbrink
Description	<p>Classical Conversations connects you with a local community of like-minded families who not only learn together, but do life together. We equip homeschool parents with the confidence to raise bright, observant students who have a lifelong love of learning.</p> <p>Classical Conversations empowers you to guide your child's educational development at every age (and teaches you, too!). Our Christ-centered homeschool curriculum is rooted in the classical model and is in tune with the way children naturally learn.</p> <p>Our Appleton West Campus (ages 4+) meets at Belfry Hall on Wednesdays, and is still accepting registrations for the coming school year.</p>

11. Classical Conversations - Neenah

Type of Offering	Classes/Co-Op
Location	Neenah
Email	timandhaley17@gmail.com
Website	https://classicalconversations.com/
Contact Name	Haley Heinen
Description	<p>Classical Conversations connects you with a local community of like-minded families who not only learn together, but do life together. We equip homeschool parents with the confidence to raise bright, observant students who have a lifelong love of learning.</p> <p>Classical Conversations empowers you to guide your child's educational development at every age (and teaches you, too!). Our Christ-centered homeschool curriculum is rooted in the classical model and is in tune with the way children naturally learn.</p>

12. Connections Homeschool Group

Type of Offering	Classes/Co-Op
Location	Varies
Email	<u>connectionshomeschoolgroup@gmail.com</u>
Website	
Contact Name	Katie Di Pietro
Description	<p>In order to foster homeschool connections, we strive to build a community where members become familiar through consistent gatherings & opportunities of their choice. Through monthly multi-age group gatherings, kids & parents will gain a sense of being part of something larger, finding familiarity in sharing experiences with a regular group. Member-run Annual Opportunities are designed for interacting with one another, balancing structure & space to explore new relationships. Smaller groups can get to know each other better over shared interests. All are asked to offer at least one Opportunity. Members are encouraged to attend interest based Opportunities throughout the year. Each parent determines which type of Opportunity they feel most comfortable organizing, age range, location, & number of participants.</p>

13. E.P.I.C. Homeschool Co-Op

Type of Offering	Classes/Co-Op/4-H/Outdoors
Location	Meet at The Vine Christian Fellowship
Email	epichomeschoolcoop@outlook.com
Website	
Contact Name	Abbey Metz McGlone
Description	E.P.I.C. (Encouraging People in Christ) Homeschool Co-op is a homeschool cooperative that provides opportunities for the whole family from nursery to preschool - high school. We study a wide range of subjects from science, arts, history, ASL and foreign language. We also have a 4-H Club that is open to all families. 4-H is not just for farmers anymore! From urban to rural communities, 4-H is an adventure we would love for you to join us on!

14. Heid Music - Appleton

Type of Offering	Music (Band/Choir/Strings/Lessons)
Location	308 E College Ave Appleton, WI 54911
Email	ryan.smith@heidmusic.com
Website	heidmusic.com
Contact Name	Ryan Smith
Description	<p>We are a third-generation family-owned business with a team of passionate & knowledgeable musicians. We strive to be the resource for all things music, for musicians at any age and any stage. We aim to inspire people to bring out their inner musician and let us help them to make the beat possible by connecting people to their instrument and community through music. We enjoy expanding the possibilities & opportunities in music education.</p>

15. High School Mock Trial

Type of Offering	Speech/Debate/Mock Trial
Location	Fox Crossing, WI
Email	daniel.brellen@gmail.com
Website	
Contact Name	Daniel Brellen
Description	<p>High school mock trial program, where participants compete in preparation and presentation of a fictitious trial. Learn about our American legal system, prepare an actual case as both attorneys and witnesses, and compete in actual courtrooms in front of real-life judges and attorneys. This organization will help to provide critical thinking skills, logical reasoning, improvisation, and cohesive argument reasoning. A flair for the dramatic is always welcomed, as the participants will be taking on the persona of the individual roles of the case. Please contact Dan Brellen (daniel.brellen@gmail.com) with any questions. Thanks!</p>

16. Homeschool Loft

Type of Offering	Resource
Location	De Pere (but serving all of Northeast Wisconsin)
Email	homeschoolloft@gmail.com
Website	https://www.homeschoolloft.com/
Contact Name	Tina Hollenbeck
Description	The Homeschool Loft provides (free) support and encouragement for current and prospective home-educating parents in Northeast Wisconsin and beyond through one-on-one consultations, workshops and seminars, informational articles, resource lists, monthly newsletters, a podcast, and occasional gatherings and events.

17. The Homie Hub Life Enrichment Classes

Type of Offering	Classes/Co-Op
Location	2211 Oregon St, Suite S2, Oshkosh, WI, 54902
Email	info@thehomiehub.org
Website	www.thehomiehub.org
Contact Name	Quinta Caylor
Description	<p>We are a life enrichment business offering indoor play, classes, events and other resources for families. We offer indoor play for ages 0-10 and life enrichment classes for ages 7 -18. Our life enrichment classes are in 4 focus areas - health, entrepreneurship, life skills and technology. Our goal is to assist parents looking to enrich their child's educational experience in areas that prepare them for an independent future in this dynamic world.</p>

18. Karate America - Greenville

Type of Offering	Karate
Location	Greenville
Email	greenvillekarate@yahoo.com
Website	http://kagreenville.com/karate/
Contact Name	Shawn Fargen
Description	<p>Over the past two decades, Karate America has made the commitment to make a difference in our students' lives. Our instructors are personally selected, not only for their martial arts skill, but also for their ability to effectively communicate their knowledge and understanding to students of all ages.</p> <p>We are a structured 'life skills' based martial arts program for students 4yrs of age to adults. We meet each student exactly where they are and set small attainable goals for their success.</p>

19. Lasting Impact!

Type of Offering	Speech/Drama/Public Speaking
Location	Online and In Person
Email	heather@lastingimpact.info
Website	www.lastingimpact.info
Contact Name	Heather Neumann
Description	<p>Lasting Impact! is an encouragement to all who decide to get on the wild ride of Speech and Debate, aka-Forensics. The goal is to provide tips, advice, and support throughout your journey.</p> <p>With a combination of over 20 years experience in Speech and Debate, our coaches have coached beginners to National Champions and everything in between. We created Lasting Impact! to encourage students, families, coaches and clubs! Are you wanting to take your speech to the next level? Are you looking to brain storm? Need help coming up with ideas? We can help guide you in picking your piece or provide feedback on your platform. We can help work choreography or characterization in your Interp... we can do it all! But most importantly, we do it with you!</p>

20. Learn German!

Type of Offering	Foreign Language Classes
Location	Belfry Hall, Various Locations
Email	myndi@margan.us
Website	
Contact Name	Myndi Margan
Description	<p>Are you interested in learning, or re-learning, German? I teach beginning through conversational German in a relaxed & fun setting. Contact me to either join an existing class or to set up a meeting time that fits your schedule. One-on-one tutoring is also available. Lernen Sie Deutsch mit mir!</p>

21. Let's Learn Spanish

Type of Offering	Foreign Language Classes
Location	Fox Cities Area
Email	Freedomfaith2020@gmail.com
Website	
Contact Name	Alissa Henrickson
Description	<p>¿Quieres hablar en Español? Not sure what that means? That's ok, come join us for this 30 week class and we will learn together! Get ready for a fun year of learning together as we explore different cultures and learn the Spanish language. There will be opportunities in class to practice with partners and in small groups, and we will incorporate games, songs and other things through the year which will help make learning Spanish fun and memorable! No experience necessary, so plan to join in the fun and we will see you in Spanish class this fall. This class is geared toward High School and enthusiastic Middle school students (13+) and will meet the requirements of a foreign language credit if transcripts are required for your student.</p>

22. Makaroff Youth Ballet

Type of Offering	Classical Ballet
Location	4764 Integrity Way #274
Email	makaroffyouthballet@gmail.com
Website	www.makaroffyouthballet.org
Contact Name	Paula Quiñones
Description	The Makaroff Youth Ballet (MYB) is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to cultivate teamwork, resiliency, and discipline for learners through study that stays true to the art form, performance, building awareness and appreciation of classical ballet in the community.

23. Minds in Motion

Type of Offering	Co-Op
Location	Richard's School of Dance
Email	mindsinmotionfv@gmail.com
Website	https://sites.google.com/view/oshkoshmindsinmotion/minds-in-motion?authuser=0
Contact Name	Kattie Stenson
Description	<p>At Minds in Motion, we believe in the power of movement to stimulate both the body and the mind. From dance and yoga to outdoor adventures, we've curated a curriculum that encourages physical activity, enhancing health and cognitive development. Artistic expression is another cornerstone of our co-op. We celebrate creativity in all its forms, providing a safe space for kids to explore their creative talents, whether it's through painting, sculpture, or dramatic play. We aim to ignite a lifelong love for the arts. Academic support is woven into our co-op, ensuring each child receives personalized attention to thrive academically. We understand that every child learns differently, and our dedicated team is committed to tailoring our approach to meet the unique needs of each student.</p>

24. My Homeschooling ABCs

Type of Offering	Resource
Location	Appleton, WI
Email	info@myhomeschoolingabcs.com
Website	www.myhomeschoolingabcs.com
Contact Name	Jen Griesbach
Description	<p>This website is a resource to help current or prospective homeschool parents in their search for answers to their homeschooling questions. My goal is to help this form of education not only work for a homeschooling mom, but also be an endeavor in which she finds joy and fulfillment as she carries out her God-given role as teacher of her children. My blog features articles about different aspects of homeschooling. These articles include information about curriculum options, scheduling and organization, different styles of homeschooling, and homeschooling in large families. I also offer paid homeschool coaching for those who need more individualized advice in their particular situations. This coaching can be useful to new homeschooling families or for those in search of ways to streamline their homeschooling program.</p>

25. Richard's School of the Dance

Type of Offering	Dance
Location	219 State Street, Oshkosh
Email	tricia.bayer@richardsdancestudio.com
Website	www.RichardsDanceStudio.com
Contact Name	Tricia Bayer
Description	Richard's School of the Dance has been providing dance education for 76 years. We offer Dance, Acro and Aerial for all ages and ability levels. Our Homeschool Classes are designed for homeschool students 5+.We offer 5 and 8 week session for our homeschool program.

26. STEP Co-Op

Type of Offering	Co-Op (Middle/High School)
Location	Mondays, Belfry Hall (Appleton)
Email	STEPcooperative@gmail.com
Website	https://www.homeschool-life.com/3477/
Contact Name	Jill Zaretzke
Description	<p>Homeschooled middle school and high school students gather once a week for academic core and elective classes as well as social opportunities that enrich the lives of our teens and families.</p> <p>Parents, students, and tutors work cooperatively to achieve a supportive learning environment to attain common goals.</p>

27. TeenPact

Type of Offering	Government (TeenPact)
Location	Appleton
Email	wisconsin@teenpact.com
Website	teenpact.com
Contact Name	Carolyn Rosenau
Description	Christian discipleship, leadership training, and learning about state government in action! TeenPact helps students understand the political process, value their liberty, and engage the culture. Through hands-on teaching, TeenPact students learn how to embrace their call as the next generation of leaders, find encouragement among like-minded peers, and develop the skills to engage the culture. The Wisconsin One Day Class is for 8-12 year-olds with a parent, and the Four Day Class is for 13-18 year olds.

28. Thrive Martial Arts

Type of Offering	Martial Arts
Location	2040 E Main St. Little Chute, WI
Email	communications@thrivekarate.com
Website	www.thrivekarate.com
Contact Name	LoriAnn Snow
Description	<p>Thrive Martial Arts' Philosophy: Thrive teaches students to challenge themselves, accomplish their goals and unlock their true potential.</p> <p>We are a martial arts school that provides instruction to students ages 3 to Adult.</p> <p>Thrive offers homeschool classes for ages 7-12 on Mondays and Wednesdays at 2pm.</p> <p>Check out our website and Facebook page for additional class information.</p>

29. Trail Life, USA

Type of Offering	Scouts
Location	3100 E Evergreen Ave, Appleton
Email	andrew_houtz@yahoo.com
Website	https://www.trailifeusa.com/
Contact Name	Andy Houtz
Description	<p>Trail Life USA is a Church-Based, Christ-Centered, Boy-Focused mentoring and discipleship journey that speaks to the heart of a boy. Established on timeless values derived from the Bible and set in the context of outdoor adventure, boys from Kindergarten through 12th grade are engaged in a Troop setting by male mentors where they are challenged to grow in character, understand their purpose, serve their community, and develop practical leadership skills to carry out the mission for which they were created.</p> <p>Celebration Lutheran Campus 3100 E Evergreen Dr Appleton, WI 54913</p>

30. Valley Troubadours Music & Theater

Type of Offering	Music (Band, Choir, Strings, Lessons) Theater (Plays, Musicals, Speech)
Location	Belfry Hall (Thurs/Fri) Appleton
Email	troubadours@me.com
Website	valleytroubadours.com
Contact Name	Cathy LaFrombois
Description	<p>Developed to give home educated students an opportunity to learn in an ensemble setting, meet new friends, and develop skills for a lifetime of fine arts enjoyment, appreciation, and worship.</p> <p>Ensembles are for students 5 & older. 7 choirs (Children's, Cadet, Choristers, Concert, Jr. & Sr. Show Choir, & Trouvères), 5 bands (Beginning, Cadet, Jazz 1 & 2, Concert), 6 Strings Classes (Strings I, II, & III, 2 Ukulele, 2 Guitar), Tin Whistle, Bucket Drumming, Solo & Ensemble, Drama, Speech, & Theater, and other classes offered for various fine arts needs / experience levels.</p> <p>*The Valley Troubadours is a Christian organization. Although it is not required for students to be Christian in order to participate, all curriculum, repertoire, class management, and policy decisions will reflect, or at a minimum not directly contradict, a Christian worldview.</p>

31. VHS (Valley Homeschoolers, Inc)

Type of Offering	Homeschool Organization/Co-Op
Location	Fox Valley Area
Email	chair@valleyhomeschoolersinc.info
Website	vhswi.org
Contact Name	Heidi Johnson
Description	<p>Valley Home Schoolers (VHS) is a Christ-honoring and Christ-centered home schooling community of believers that promote and support home education through various academic, social, and outreach programs.</p> <p>We offer competitive sports, social groups, field trips, co-ops, nature/ outdoor groups, holiday parties, group picnics and more.</p> <p>"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." -Proverbs 22:6</p>

32. VHS Resource Library

Type of Offering	Resource
Location	Outside the Box - Lower Level (510 N Oneida) Appleton
Email	library@valleyhomeschoolersinc.info
Website	https://www.facebook.com/VHSinlibrary?mibextid=ZbWKwL
Contact Name	Jennifer Beltran
Description	The VHS Library offers various homeschool curricula, educational manipulatives, topical resources and reading books.

33. VHS VEX Robotics

Type of Offering	Robotics
Location	Appleton
Email	michael.navin@vhsedu.org
Website	https://vhsrobotics.org
Contact Name	Mike Navin
Description	<p>Competitive and educational robotics program, part of Valley Home Schoolers. VHS Robotics teams participate in VEX Robotics Competition for middle and high school ages and VEX IQ Robotics Competition for middle and elementary school ages, starting at about grade 4. More information about VEX Robotics can be found at vexrobotics.com.</p> <p>*Membership in Valley Home Schoolers is required to join a VHS Robotics team.</p>



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