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Dear Oak Hill Parents and Families,

We are so excited to begin this school year with your children at Oak Hill United Methodist Church. We have an amazing Wednesday afterschool program for students in kindergarten through fifth grade that involves games, recreation, worship, music, drama, arts and crafts, and a snack supper. Kids begin in the Sanctuary for a fun, energetic worship experience, then rotate around to various stations where they explore all kinds of neat activities. We finish on the playground at 4:25pm where the kids play until they are picked up. We are so excited this year to begin on September 14th and hope your children will join us on Wednesday afternoons.

We call what we do W@OH: Wednesdays at Oak Hill. The school calls us “Wednesday Church.” Our program has been going on for over twenty years and we love being with your kids! W@OH has a fantastic and knowledgeable group of youth and adult leaders. We are all here to ensure that your children have a fun, safe environment to explore faith and build community together. All our W@OH Leaders have gone through Safe Sanctuaries training and passed background checks. If you are interested in volunteering with W@OH, contact Deacon Shannon; we would love to have you involved!

Wednesdays at Oak Hill is not daycare or just any normal after-school program. It is a once a week faith building program for grades K-5. All children are welcome to participate and are expected to follow the W@OH Participant Rules to ensure everyone’s safety and that everyone has an enjoyable experience. Those who do not follow the rules will not be able to participate.

Please note that if you have children who attend Table Rock Middle School or Walter Johnson Middle School, we have a middle school group that meets on Tuesday afternoons from 3pm-5pm. Please contact Deacon Shannon if you would like more information.

What You Need To Know

- W@OH is 2:50pm - 4:30pm on Wednesdays (when school is in session).
- We begin on September 14th.
- W@OH Leaders will meet the children at the school and walk down the trail together.
- Parents/Guardians pick up children at the Oak Hill United Methodist Church playground at 4:30pm.
- Children who participate in the Oak Hill Elementary Afterschool program will be driven in our church van back to the afterschool program at 4:30pm.
- All children must be signed out by an approved adult before they leave the church.
- A healthy, filling snack supper is provided.
- In order for your children to attend, please fill out the Participant Form and return it to the school office. Forms are available at the school and online at <http://ohumc.com/after-school.php>

Our main goal with W@OH is to provide a safe environment where kids can learn about God and build Christian community together with their peers and adults who care about them. We consider it a blessing to be able to provide this ministry and to share in your child’s life. We pray that this blessing spreads through our families and covers our community with love. Thank you for your participation and support!

Blessings,

Rev. Shannon LeMaster-Smith
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Participant Form for W@OH: Wednesdays at Oak Hill (2016-2017)

Must be completed in order to attend Wednesday afterschool programming at Oak Hill UMC

General Information

Children's Full Names Birthdate Grade Medical concerns/allergies

Parent/Guardian name(s): Home #: Cell #: Alt. Cell#: Work #: Address: City/zip: Email(s): What is the best way to contact you?

In case of an emergency and I cannot be reached, please call:

Name: Phone #: Relationship:

The following people have my permission to pick up my child from Wednesdays at Oak Hill:

Medical Information

Physician's Name: Physician's Phone # Insurance Company: Policy Holder: Policy Number: ID Number:

Media Release

I give permission for media such as photography, video, and/or sound clips of my child to be used in relation to Oak Hill UMC events, in the following ways, noting that first names only will be used. (Cross out those you do NOT give approval for.) Church Website/Church Facebook Page/Email/Flyers/Brochures/Newsletters/Church Instagram

Participation Release

I give permission for my child to participate in Oak Hill UMC's Wednesday after school program, W@OH (Wednesdays at Oak Hill). I give permission for my child to receive emergency medical care if necessary. I give the adult chaperones/leaders the authority to act on my behalf with respect to my child's health and safety while attending W@OH, with the understanding that I/emergency contact listed above will be contacted as soon as possible should the need arise. I release Oak Hill United Methodist Church and its representatives from liability in the event of accidental injury or illness. I understand that my child is to be picked up at 4:30pm at the church.

Please check this box if your child participates in the Oak Hill Elementary School afterschool program and you give permission for your child to ride in the Oak Hill UMC van back to the school at 4:30pm. []

Parent/Guardian Signature: Date: