

COMMUNITY PROFILE...



Montgomery County Pennsylvania is located just minutes from the City of Philadelphia and three hours from New York or Baltimore. Its population of 750,000 lives in 62 safe and well-established municipalities covering 482.4 square miles.

Montgomery County has historically been a center for business and industry in communities such as Fort Washington and King of Prussia. Montgomery County ranks as the second wealthiest county in the Commonwealth. An impressive number of institutions of higher learning are located throughout the County. In addition to their regular degree programs, these colleges and universities often assist with research and development, continuing education programs, and support community activities.

This premier intermediate unit is situated in the heart of one of the most historical and cultural areas of the state. Within its boundaries are more than two dozen historic sites including the renowned Valley Forge National Historical Park with 3,600 acres of rolling hillsides and woodlands. The area boasts the largest concentration of public gardens and arboreta in North America and, with an easy commute to the world's largest indoor flower show, the Philadelphia Flower Show, the area can easily lay claim to being a gardener's paradise. Also, recreational opportunities abound with the availability of golf courses, swimming, tennis, and fitness facilities.

A thriving local economy supports diverse shopping venues including small shops and boutiques as well as one of the world's premier shopping destinations, the King of Prussia Mall. Without a doubt, Montgomery County residents enjoy world-class housing, education, healthcare, shopping, recreation, entertainment, and culture opportunities.



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**Montgomery County
Intermediate Unit**

*Serving the Schools of
Montgomery County*

INTERMEDIATE UNIT PROFILE...

The Montgomery County Intermediate unit serves 22 local school districts and includes 170 nonpublic schools in southeastern Pennsylvania by providing, among other programs, curriculum and instruction, continuing professional education, instructional



technology, school age special education, early intervention, nonpublic, management, personnel, and legislative services. The intermediate unit also acts as a liaison between the county school community and the Pennsylvania Department of Education and operates several programs in cooperation with PDE which are regional and statewide in scope. This service and leadership-oriented organization, with a \$100

million budget (2003-2004 fiscal year) and 600 staff members, is governed by a 22-member board of directors made up of representatives from constituent local school districts. The IU's K-12 public and nonpublic enrollment is approximately 138,000 students. In addition, MCIU operates a number of programs through special arrangements with county government and local colleges and universities.



LEADERSHIP...

As the expanding roles of state and federal education agencies change the landscape of public education in Montgomery County, school communities can rely on the MCIU to stay in the forefront of education. MCIU staff has always known that every child counts—the real driving force behind No Child Left Behind legislation. MCIU provides programs that directly serve students and help to meet the staff development needs of teachers, administrators, and support staff. MCIU is blessed with a supportive Board of Directors and superbly skilled and dedicated staff.



PROGRAMS...

MCIU provides Special Education Services to more than 2,600 students. Staff continually undergo training in emerging methods of therapy and instruction to enhance teaching efforts. MCIU supports special educators throughout the county through training opportunities, curriculum support, and research-based approaches to teaching.

The Office of Curriculum and Instruction provides curriculum development strategies to help school districts and teachers meet Pennsylvania state academic standards. At the heart of the educational process lies the question, "What should students know and be able to do as a result of schooling?" As the answers to that question change, MCIU helps educators serve their students in a time of increased expectations and accountability.



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The Montgomery County Intermediate Unit is seeking candidates for the position of Executive Director beginning July 1, 2004. The successful candidate will be a diplomatic visionary leader of high integrity who is familiar with the purpose and functions of a regional education service agency and possesses the following:

Leadership qualities...

Ability to set direction for a large, multifaceted education agency in consultation with a broad array of constituents; serves as a successful change agent when circumstances require; works effectively with local school district leaders and state policy makers; and develops strong positive relations with key education support organizations in the community.

Knowledge/skills...

Possesses strong interpersonal, communication, and management skills; demonstrates knowledge of budgetary processes and, especially, multi-budget financial structures; has experience as a facilitator in strategic planning; and uses technology effectively in daily operations.

Character traits...

Is innovative, creative, and demonstrates a commitment to success for all students; is motivated, dynamic, and an energetic self-starter; has the ability to listen critically, and to take control in a variety of circumstances.

Compensation...

Negotiable and regionally competitive

Completed application should include Pennsylvania Letter of Eligibility, Acts 34 and 151 clearances, transcripts, certificates, and references. For an application, please contact:

Education Consultants, c/o Dr. K. Robert Hohl, 47 Fawn Drive, Reading, PA 19607. Phone: (610) 775-4204. FAX: (610) 775-3111

PROGRAMS (continued)...

MCIU's Nonpublic School Services provides auxiliary services to nonpublic schools in the form of educational support in reading, math, speech, guidance, and psychology. MCIU staff taught the principles of the Olweus Bullying Prevention Project to 3,000 students, parents, and teachers in addition to providing instruction in study skills, team-building, and conflict resolution to individuals and entire classes.



The Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN) staff delivers quality technical assistance to educators, administrators, parents, service providers, and others who work with children who have special needs. PaTTAN King of Prussia offered more than 600 training sessions and consultations in the 2002-03 school year to help improve students' classroom experiences.

Today, educators are expected to teach the basics and beyond through technology. Montgomery County educators rely on Instructional Materials Services for technical support, visual media, and the audiovisual equipment needed to take lessons off the page and into the imagination. Support includes computer, network, and Internet access for 19 educational entities; Web pages for individual class use; Technology Leadership Academies for administrators and school board members; videoconferences; Reading Olympics Program; and media library.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY...

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	
General Administration Services	\$798,507
Curriculum & Staff Development Services	\$190,949
Instructional Materials Services	1,905,444
Legislative Services	124,733
SPECIAL EDUCATION	
Regular Programs	28,149,240
Transportation Services	7,332,898
Early Intervention Services	8,284,419
Private Licensed Facilities	304,900
PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION INSTITUTIONS (PRRIS)	
	8,799,141
NON PUBLIC SCHOOLS	
Act 89	8,276,182
Link-to-Learn	900,695
Chapter 1	256,923
FEDERAL PROJECTS	
PaTTAN - Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network	4,300,000
Special Education Federal Programs	13,503,768
Other Federal Programs	1,106,899
MISCELLANEOUS	
	2,837,065
TOTAL ALL BUDGETS	87,071,763

