



About Us

Ignite's mission is to empower middle school students to succeed in their future lives and careers through opportunities to **Learn, Grow, & Explore.**

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Empowering Muhlenberg County Students for Success



An initiative of the **Felix E. Martin Jr. Foundation's Muhlenberg Achieves program.**



Our Program

Ignite is a program designed for middle school students who have demonstrated a strong work ethic in school and a desire to achieve success outside of the classroom. Throughout the year students are given opportunities to expand their experiences through mentorship, career exploration, and life skills lessons. During one school day each month, Ignite students learn about a career sector with a field trip to a local business, a soft skills building lesson, and lunch with local mentors.

The program also helps students learn the value of work by providing them with supervised work experiences outside of school. Ignite students are paid in "Ignite bucks" to volunteer at local events and will also earn program funds during a one-month after school job shadowing experience tailored to their interests. Students track their earnings and several times each year they are invited to spend their Ignite bucks in an online shopping day.



What Activities can an Ignite Student Expect?

Over the Summer

- Kick-off Pool Party
- Free Week at a Sleepover Camp
- Private Middle School Open House

During the School Year

- Monthly School Day "Lunch Clubs"
- Local Career Exploration Tours
- Paid Community Volunteer Events
- Paid Job Shadowing Opportunities
- Mentorship Meetings

