Directions to the Westchester Community Center

The center is located at 2414 Westchester Avenue (zip 21043) in the Oella community of southwestern Baltimore County. Oella is located between Catonsville and Ellicott City. It can be reached easily from the Baltimore Beltway, Interstate 70, and routes 40 and 29.

From the Baltimore beltway (I-695)

- Take Route 40 WEST toward Catonsville and Ellicott City and away from Baltimore.
- Turn LEFT onto S. Rolling Road, approximately 1/2 mile west of the beltway exit, then RIGHT on Old Frederick Rd, cross Edmondson Ave. and turn RIGHT on Oella Ave.
- Turn LEFT onto Westchester Avenue at the STOP sign after turning onto Oella. The Center is approximately 1/10th mile ahead on the right.

From Historic Ellicott City:

- Take Main Street (Frederick Road) east toward Catonsville and Baltimore.
- After crossing the Patapsco River Bridge take the SECOND LEFT onto Westchester Avenue.
- The road climbs steeply and crosses a onelane bridge. The Center is approximately 1 mile ahead on the left.

Westchester Community Center



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- Operated by the community, for the community.
- Home of preschool and community service organizations.
- Hall and meeting rooms available for rent.

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About the Westchester Community Center

The Westchester Community Center was established in 1994 by a creative partnership between the Oella community and Baltimore County Government. In this partnership, county government leased a once dilapidated old school building to the community in exchange for long-term community responsibility for management, maintenance and repair of the building by the Westchester Center Foundation, Inc., a non-profit corporation.

Permanent residents of the Center include:

- Greater Oella Community Association
- Mother's Day Out of Westchester 410-465-3777, preschool (ages 2-5).
- River's Edge Community Church 410-747-0399
- Westchester Center Foundation

Groups meeting regularly at the center include:

- Blue Mountain Martial Arts
- Catonsville Gem and Mineral Society
- Full Circle Tai Chi
- Greater Oella Community Association
- Sapphire Family Church
- Vintage Ballroom Dancing
- Yoga Classes

Group meetings and parties can be scheduled for the Main Hall or Meeting Rooms.

Capacities: Main Hall: Up to 170; Meeting Room 1: 40; Meeting Room 2b: 20. Round and rectangular tables and metal chairs provided for users to setup and return to storage when done. Alcoholic beverages are **NOT** permitted for private parties. Kitchenette available in meeting room 2b; outside food may be brought in. Latest party cleanup end time is 9 pm, no exceptions. Parking limited to 70 cars, subject to outside use. Email or check website Event Calendar for available dates.

Typical fees:

Main Hall: \$450 for parties or other events with food (includes 4 hour minimum time slot; \$51 each additional hour; this price does <u>not</u> include kitchenette); \$560 for party using hall and one meeting room (for 4 hours; \$57 each additional hour); \$605 for party with both meeting rooms (for 4 hours; \$63 each additional hour). The 4-hour time block is to **include** your set-up and clean-up time; if you need more than 4 hours total, the additional hourly fee is required.

- Meeting Rooms: \$25/hr for meetings; these rooms not rented for parties except with main hall (see above). Main hall may be rented for meetings for \$50/hr. No food or drinks (except water) allowed at meetings or classes.
- \$50 deposit for Meetings and Classes; \$200 -\$400 for Parties and Other Events.
- Insurance may be required for large parties, businesses, athletic classes, moon bounce.
- Reduced rates are available for regularly scheduled meetings and classes.

INFORMATION NEEDED FOR RENTAL CONTRACT:

Name		
Organization		
Organizacion		
Address		
City, State Zip		
Phone		
Room(s) Needed:	Main Hall	Meeting Room(s)
Date of event		
Time of event		
Purpose/No. of Guests		

Use of space in the center is subject to the acceptance of a signed contract (provided separately) and a deposit. Tables and chairs are to be returned to designated storage areas. The facility will be left in an orderly condition and trash placed in the dumpster. Users are responsible for obtaining insurance coverage and appropriate permits which are covered in the contract, if required. Surety deposits will be used to help defray the costs of repairing damage and/or additional cleaning, and the unused portion of the deposit will be returned within thirty days of the scheduled event. Please respect our neighbors by keeping front doors closed during your event. There should be no partying or other noise-making in the parking lot.

Mailing address: Westchester Center Foundation, 2414 Westchester Avenue, Oella, MD 21043. For further information see www.oella.org or email info@oella.org for additional details on rentals and availability.

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