

## - MOVING THE SCHOOL -

The Epler's stone schoolhouse was moved to the Berks Heritage Center from Van Reed and Leisch's Bridge Road on July 7, 2020. It is approximately 1.5 miles from the original location and took 3.5 hours to move it.



## - OPEN HOURS -

The school is open on Saturdays from 10:00 - 4:00 starting the last weekend in April until the last weekend in October.

Old fashioned games and historic school items are available for visitors to enjoy. Come experience what school life was like in the 1800s.

## - FRIENDS/VOLUNTEERS -

We are always looking for new Friends of Epler's Schoolhouse. Our meetings are on the second Monday of the month in January, March, May, July, September and November in the schoolhouse at 7:00.

Volunteers are appreciated to help as greeters (hosting visitors on weekends), story telling, fund raising, publicity and leading childrens old-fashioned games.



*The Epler's Schoolhouse on wheels as it approaches it's new location*

*We look forward to meeting you when you visit!*

# Epler's One-room Schoolhouse



LOCATED AT THE BERKS COUNTY  
HERITAGE CENTER  
OFF 183 IN BERN TOWNSHIP

EPLER'S ONE ROOM SCHOOL-  
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## - HISTORY -

Built in 1847, the one room school served as one of eleven one room schoolhouses in Bern Township through 1931.

Following it's closure as a school, the building was used for grain storage and then converted to a private residence in the 1950s. The *Friends of the Epler's Schoolhouse* manage the property, educational programming, special events and the historic restoration of the structural appearance to the year of 1847.

## - PURPOSE -

Volunteers formed the *Friends of the Epler's One Room Schoolhouse* in 2020.

- Our purpose is:
- To save, restore and maintain the structure.
  - To promote the awareness of activities of the school during its previous use as an educational facility.
    - To promote public interest in sponsoring the ongoing financial support and volunteerism necessary to maintain the one room schoolhouse as a viable and valued historical entity.

*Try your skills at discovering history and look for these items when you visit us.*



*Evidence of the original desk benches being fastened to the floor was found under the top layer of flooring.*



*Date of 1847 is carved into an exterior stone.*

# Types of Membership

- \_\_\_ Individual ..... \$15
- \_\_\_ Family ..... \$25
- \_\_\_ Corporate .....\$100
- \_\_\_ Donation.....

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*We are a 501(c)3 charitable organization and your contributions are tax deductible.*