

## PROVIDING CO-OP OPPORTUNITIES

Membership to HHE offers families the opportunity to supplement their homeschool curriculum with academic and enrichment classes by enrolling in our HHE co-op. Here, families serve with a spirit of unity and cooperation. When members use their time, talent and energy to help the co-op run smoothly, we all enjoy the blessing. This ministry serves to augment, not replace, the home-based instruction already being given to the children by the parents at home. Co-op is not an accredited school and only operates with the cooperative effort of the parent. The parent retains ALL responsibility for the educational outcome of the child and the fulfillment of the South Carolina State law requirements for home-based instruction. While many co-op teachers provide grades for completed work, it is ultimately the parent's responsibility to determine what the child has learned in the grade assigned.

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## SC STATE LAWS ON HOMESCHOOLING

South Carolina law provides three legal options for home schooling. The full text of the law can be found at [www.scstatehouse.net/code/t59c065.htm](http://www.scstatehouse.net/code/t59c065.htm). Option one refers to being accountable to your local school district, option two refers to being accountable to the South Carolina Association of Independent Home Schools (SCAIHS), and option three refers to being accountable to an approved accountability group.

Please note that HHE is a support group, not an accountability group. More information about SC State law can also be found on the HHE website at [www.hhefamily.com](http://www.hhefamily.com)

## TWELVE REASONS TO HOMESCHOOL

1. *To instill your values and beliefs in your children.*
2. *To speak to and meet your children's unique, individual needs.*
3. *To help your children understand the hard questions they will face in life.*
4. *To build intimate and meaningful relationships with your children.*
5. *To daily show your children how much you love them.*
6. *To share with your children the common, everyday joys of life.*
7. *To be there when your children need you most.*
8. *To be your children's mentor, spiritual leader, role model, friend and teacher.*
9. *To protect your children from the negative influences they may encounter outside the home.*
10. *To instill in your children a life-long love for learning.*
11. *To show your children that learning is not boring, but exciting.*

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HHE is a non-profit, multi-denominational, member-run support group for families who homeschool throughout the Pee Dee area of South Carolina. We are a diverse group of families united together to provide support, educational programs through our co-op, and fun activities for the whole family. While our mission is distinctly Christian, we welcome all homeschool families who are comfortable within a Christian environment.

**VISIT [WWW.HHEFAMILY.COM](http://WWW.HHEFAMILY.COM)**

## HHE ADVANTAGES

- Joining HHE places homeschool families in a family-like atmosphere.
- The Back-to-School Banquet is a time to get acquainted with other homeschool parents in a relaxed setting without children.
- Monthly Mother's Night Out (MNO) Meetings offer opportunities for moms to lend encouragement, support, and fellowship to one another.
- Various outings are planned each month for the three levels - K3-5th grades, middle school grades and high school grades.
- HHE works with community groups to offer educational opportunities outside the home. In the past, HHE has worked with Coker College, Black Creek Arts, and the YMCA.
- Fall and spring semester co-op programs offer students classroom experience with dedicated teachers.
- Weekly PE classes are planned for fall and spring semesters.
- Academic Achievement Night recognizes all HHE students and honors graduates of kindergarten and high school in a special ceremony.
- Special planned events vary from year to year. Over the years, HHE has offered ice cream socials, international fairs, science fairs, talent shows, medieval dinners, Halloween and Valentine's Day skating events, and Thanksgiving and Christmas parties.
- Communication about homeschool-related events and activities is available via e-mail, monthly newsletters, and an online website.

## APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP

Applications for membership can be found by visiting our website at [www.hhefamily.com](http://www.hhefamily.com). After filling out the membership form located on our home page, submit with payment of specified dues to the address listed on the application.

Please note that the principles found in HHE's Statement of Faith govern HHE. By signing the application, prospective members are stating that they understand that the Statement of Faith constitutes the governing principles of HHE and they agree to abide by them.

HHE membership is open to all families who actively homeschool K3-12th grades. A student is considered to be homeschooled if more than 50% of the child's academic education is privately funded and provided at home rather than in a classroom setting. Students whose education is home-based but provided by a publicly funded school would not be considered to be homeschooled for the purposes of an HHE membership.

A potential member must fill out a membership form. Upon completion, the form should be submitted with dues as determined by the board. Upon receipt of application and dues, the Board will accept or reject the application. Once accepted, the applicant will be added to the membership roster.

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## HHE STATEMENT OF FAITH

**Bible:** The Bible is the infallible word of God, the supreme and final authority for all faith and life.

**God:** There is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

**Christ:** Jesus Christ is God in the form of man who was

born of a virgin, led a sinless life, performed miracles, died on the cross for our sins and was raised from the dead. He is now in heaven and will return in power and glory.

**Man:** Man was created in God's image to have fellowship with Him and to glorify and serve Him, taking dominion over the earth and reflecting His holy character. Man fell into sin and became spiritually dead, and therefore is separated from God. Those who put their faith in Jesus Christ alone will be saved from the penalty of sin.

**Salvation:** Salvation is a free gift of God brought to man by grace and received by personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, whose substitutionary death on the cross paid the penalty for man's sin. Christ has already done everything necessary by His death and resurrection to remove our sins and make us holy from God's point of view.

**Holy Spirit:** The ministry of the Holy Spirit is to convict men, indwell, guide, instruct, and empower the believer for godly living and service.

**Creation:** God created the world and all things out of nothing by His powerful Word, planned all things by His wisdom, and controls all things out of nothing by His sovereign power all for His glory. All things were created in six days by a direct act of God.

**Marriage:** God has created marriage as a union between one man and one woman.

**Unity:** The spiritual unity of believers is through our common faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and individual doctrinal differences which may exist, outside the aforementioned paragraphs in the Statement of Faith, should not hinder the unity of Christian home educators.

**Love:** God calls us to love one another, in deed and in truth. In that vein, we are led to treat all our fellow home educators with respect and kindness, regardless of their religious beliefs. In so doing, we maintain the spirit of love, unity and peace, which Jesus Christ inspires in us as Christians.