# **St Louis City and County**

#### Homeschool Families of Greater St. Louis

We are a group of friends who homeschool our children in the St. Louis area. This group is very casual and focuses on having friends for our kids to play with on a regular basis. We welcome all families and celebrate differences in religion, philosophy, and ability. Contact below:

HomeSchoolFamiliesofstlouis-owner@yahoogroups.com www.groups.yahoo.com/group/homeschoolfamiliesofstlouis

#### St. Louis Catholic Homeschool Association

The St. Louis Catholic Homeschool Association is the largest Catholic homeschool support group in the greater St. Louis area. Over 185 families, in and around the St. Louis area, participate in our regular activities.

Kathy Harkins 314-918-0639 kathyharkins@charter.net website: www.stlouiscatholichomeschool.com

#### St. Louis Homeschool Events List

A blog listing events and classes open to all homeschooling families in the greater St. Louis area. The website has resources and help topics for homeschooling in the area and in general.

Susie Thurmond zana8796@yahoo.com

website: http://stlouishomeschoolevents.wordpress.com/

Facebook: St. Louis Homeschool Events List

Twitter: @STLHSEventsList

contact information.

#### St. Louis Homeschool Network

http://www.stlouishomeschoolnetwork.org
A support group for homeschooling families and information source for prospective homeschoolers, organized and run by volunteer efforts. The group is diverse with many religious, political and educational philosophies, with the focus exclusively on homeschooling. Group activities include a learning cooperative, private email group and bi-monthly meetings. See the website for

#### North Area

# H.E.L.P.S. (Homeschoolers Encouraging, Learning and Providing Support)

Serving North County and surrounding area
New Member contact: Tami Niswogner: taminiswonger@gmail.com
New Homeschooler contact: Kim Quon: kquon@netzero.com
General Information: Erika Bailey: erikabailey791@gmail.com
website: www.stl-helps.org

#### **North County Homeschoolers**

Serving North Saint Louis County, Missouri Secular, inclusive group for people who are homeschooling or plan to start homeschooling soon. This is a great place to post about activities, field trip ideas, asking questions, sharing resources, or maybe just checking out last minute plans. Our group hosts weekly park days, a learning co-op and a Girl Scout troop. We are dedicated to a safe, friendly environment for the children to learn and grow. Contact: Becky Kern-Ryan Beckykernryan@gmail.com http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NorthCountyHomeschoolers/

# **South Area and Mid County**

# S.H.A.R.E. (St. Louis Homeschooling Activities, Resources and Encouragement)

Ed & Cathy Mullins 314-769-7965 ekcjmullins@gmail.com Pat & Kerrie Tate 314-791-0000 kertate@aol.com website: www.sharehomeschool.com

# **West County**

#### **WCCHE (West County Christian Home Educators)**

We are an active support group of close to 300 families supporting, encouraging, and equipping each other as we seek to train and educate our children in the instruction of the Lord. We offer monthly meetings, field trips, and a wide variety of activities. website: www.wcche.org

# **Jefferson County**

# A.R.C.H.E. (Arnold Region Christian Home Educators)

Arnold, Missouri (Jefferson County) and surrounding areas General Coordinator

Mary Mays 314-805-9780 mmmays96@gmail.com website: www.homeschool-life.com/mo/arche

#### **Jefferson County Homeschool Friends**

Playgroup and field trips in Jefferson County area. We meet at a different park each month.

Contact: sarajschmidt@gmail.com

https://www.facebook.com/groups/jeffcohomeschoolfriends/

# Twin City Home Educators (Festus/Crystal City)

Our support meetings are from 7-9 pm in Conference Room D at Mercy Jefferson Hospital in Crystal City; 3rd Mondays from August to April. Our park days at St. Francois State Park are the 3rd Mondays in June and July and 2nd Monday in August. Park Days are subject to change.

Paula Koranda 636-208-9496 paulakoranda@gmail.com

# **Outlying Areas**

# Greater Rolla Area C.H.E.S.S. (Christian Home Educators Support System)

Rolla, Missouri and surrounding areas (including Crawford, Dent, Maries, Phelps and Pulaski counties)
Jodi Townley jodi8kids@gmail.com 573-263-9732
website: www.homeschool-life.com/mo/chess

#### **Holy Family Homeschool Association**

The Holy Family Homeschool Association is a Catholic homeschool group open to Catholic families in Farmington and the surrounding areas. We meet the third Wednesday of the month for faith, fellowship, and planned activities for the children. Please contact Lauren Stein for more information at lauren.r.stein@gmail.com

# St. Charles County

# **Crossroads Christian Connection Support Group**

Rhonda) at: contactcrossroadschristian@gmail.com

A support group geared toward parent led field trips, holiday parties, track and field, park days, group wide events, mom's nights, craft clubs, Facebook group forum, and more.

Contact our leadership team (Carrie, Jen, La Donna, Karsen, and

# Homeschooler Link

Homeschooler Link provides ways for home school families in the St. Charles County and surrounding areas to find the resources and activities they need in their home school. We have a variety of classes for all ages at our Enrichment Thursdays co-op. We plan activities for families and children to get together like field trips, holiday parties, dances, mom/parent's night, kid hangouts and more. Website: www.homeschoolerlink.com

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/830104880371131/ Email: schomeschoolerlink@gmail.com

#### Koinonia - Wentzville

Koinonia is a greek word meaning "intimate fellowship". Keeping that in mind, we aim to love God and love people by equipping families for home education. We do that through a variety of monthly activities, Facebook group forum, and more. Activities for preschool - 12th grade.

Contact our leadership team at: fbcwkoinonia@gmail.com Facebook: FBCW Koinonia

# St. Charles Christian Home Educators (SCCHE)

A Christ-centered organization that exists to provide information, support, and fellowship for homeschooling families throughout the community. We strive to glorify Jesus Christ through service to home educators in St. Charles County and beyond.

Leaders: Michael & Margaret Porch email: frontporch80@gmail.com Family Coordinator: Tracy Leine email: TracyRLeine@yahoo.com New Homeschool Info

email: JoyInHomeschooling@gmail.com

website: www.scche-mo.com

#### St. Charles County Catholic Homeschooling Families

A support group for Catholic Homeschooling Families in the St. Charles County area.

Contacts:

Toni Hoffman 314-323-6534 tonihoffman@hotmail.com Susan Fleming 618-960-8241 susankerkemeyer@hotmail.com

#### Tri-County Christian Home Educators (TCCHE)

We are serving families within the Troy area and surrounding counties by providing support in a variety of ways. Christ centered educational opportunities are the primary goal while field trips, classes, shared resources, teen volunteer connections and many other activities are offered.

website: http://homeschool-life.com/mo/tcche/

# Illinois Groups

# Family Of Christian Home Educators (FOCHE)

Madison County, Illinois Renee' Horvath 618-973-6194 Angela Turner 618-401-6889 email: foche@foche.us website: www.foche.us

#### Jefferson County, IL Christian Home Educators (JCCHE)

Most of our activities center around the Mt. Vernon, IL area. Field trips, gym days, mom's night out. We have a Sweetheart Banquet every Feb for parents only.

Angie Whipple 618-237-7795 whip86@gmail.com 7245 N. Program Lane, Belle Rive, IL 62810

## **Metro East Catholic Home Educators (MECHE)**

Serving the Belleville, IL area and Scott Air Force Base We are a Catholic homeschool support group. Our activities include field trips, first Friday masses, geography night, etc. contact: Sue Pederson 618-207-3261 ss.pedersons@gmail.com website: http://www.homeschool-life.com/il/meche/

# **Scott Area Military Home Educators**

Scott AFB, IL (near Belleville)

Military, homeschooling families that live on or near Scott AFB; Active duty, retired, reserve, National Guard or previous military families. If you are in any way affiliated with Scott AFB or other surrounding military organizations you may join. If you would like to join this group please request membership and complete the registration form on our website.

email: samhe.homeschooling@gmail.com website: www.homeschool-life.com/il/samhe

#### St. Clair County Christian Home Educators

A Christian homeschool support group serving the Metro-East and surrounding areas in Southern Illinois. We currently serve approximately 200 families and welcome new members. Contact person: Josh Peterson 618-806-5674

Email: sccche@gmail.com website: www.sccche.org

# **State and National Lobbying Organizations**

## **Families for Home Education**

website: www.fhe-mo.org
P.O. Box 879, Marshfield, MO 65706
(877-696-6343)
email:1983fhemo@gmail.com

#### **HSLDA (Homeschool Legal Defense Association)**

website: www.hslda.org PO Box 3000, Purcellville, VA 20134-9000 540-338-5600

# Co-ops/Learning Centers

#### A.R.C.H.E. Workshops

Enrichment classes held on Fridays from 9-3 at First Baptist Church of Arnold Mary Mays and Katie Geary archegroup09@yahoo.com website: www.homeschool-life.com/mo/arche

#### Berea Academy

A new homeschool/school hybrid learning center, we meet Wednesdays at Canaan Baptist and Thursdays at Southgate. Excellent academic courses for 1st - 12th grades, and a fun selection of electives including photography, art, private piano and voice, musical theater, ballet, karate, STEMS, Lego Robotics and more. website: www.bereaacademystl.org

# **Cedar Hill Homeschoolers**

CHH primary goal is to help homeschooling families to provide a more well rounded faith based education to children pre-k thru 12th grade through a variety of core and elective classes such as dance, cooking, anatomy, arts and crafts, computer and many more. In addition to classes we have a lot of fun with parties, community lunches, field trips, year books, etc. We meet on Wednesdays starting at 9am.

email: cedarhillhomeschoolers@gmail.com contact: Carla 636-300-7206

#### **CHEC (Christian Home Educator's Cooperative)**

Ferguson Church of the Nazarene 1309 N. Elizabeth Ave, Ferguson, MO 63135

This is a pure cooperative of parents. One parent must participate with their children in this co-op that meets every Thursday from 10:00 am - 2:25 pm. Classes for all ages. Fall registration opens in July. Julie Burgess or Kim McAdoo checferguson@gmail.com website: www.fergusonchurch.org (in the ministries section)

#### **Classical Conversations**

Supports homeschooling parents by cultivating the love of learning through a Christian worldview in fellowship with other families. We believe there are three keys to a great education: Classical, Christian, and Community. A classical education is ideally suited to children's natural learning style. From beginning to end, the Classical Conversations curriculum is founded on the Bible as the inerrant Word of God. Classical Conversations plants and supports local communities who meet once a week across the United States and in several other countries.

Find a Community near you at www.classicalconversations.com

#### **CPC Homeschool Network**

Offers a day of classes for home schooled students in grades K-8. Classes are held on Thursdays for two 12-week sessions in the fall and winter. Additionally, we offer High School Classes on Thursdays for two 14-week semesters. Classes meet at Chesterfield Presbyterian Church.

Noel Kellogg, Director noelk@chespres.org website: www.chespres.org (under Children's Ministries)

# Freedom Christian Learning Center (FCLC)

We meet Tuesdays in Troy, MO at the Living Hope Church of Christ. Focus is on the Elementary, Jr. High, and Early High School academic classes as well as Art, Violin(Strings), and Guitar. Alyssa Ward 636-312-0875, <a href="mailto:wardfamilystl@yahoo.com">wardfamilystl@yahoo.com</a> website: http://fclctroy.com

## **Crossroads Christian Connection Co-op**

A parent led co-op consisting of a mix of core and non-core classes for grades K-12 including: Institute for Excellence in Writing, Apologia Science Labs, Literature studies, Art, and much more. CCC Co-op meets in Lake St. Louis.

Contact our leadership team (Carrie, Jen, La Donna, Karsen, and Rhonda) at: contactcrossroadschristian@gmail.com

# **DaySpring Arts & Education**

DaySpring is an accepting, creative environment that trains students with excellence in the arts and academics. We have a special Homeschool Day on Fridays, where homeschoolers can experience fine arts, performing arts, dance and academics all in one day. You can see all our class listings on our website: www.dayspringarts.org or call 314-291-8878

## **Eagle Learning Center**

Enrichment or core classes for Grades 1-12 meeting once a week, on Mondays, at The Rock Church in Ballwin. Classes include Art, Music, Spanish, Latin, Science, Composition, Geography, Public Speaking, Logic, Cooking, Theater, Lego Lab, and more. Two 12-week semesters; applications available to all homeschoolers seeking Christian instruction.

Contact: Laura Hecht lhecht@charter.net

#### **Enrichment Thursdays (Homeschooler Link)**

Offers classes for all homeschoolers from PreK-12th grades at Encouragers Church in O'Fallon, MO. Classes are on Thursdays from 10:00 to 4:00 and are divided into 2 semesters of 14 weeks each. Families can enjoy choir, art, history, math, robotics, science, p.e., Spanish, German, and more. You can pick and choose your classes and times. This is a co-op so our prices are low and the parents volunteer to help the co-op run smoothly.

Contact: Andrea Zinselmeyer schomeschoolerlink@gmail.com Website: www.homeschoolerlink.com

#### Homelink Learning Center (sponsored by S.H.A.R.E.)

Offers a variety of supplemental and core classes for Grades K-12. Meets Tues/Thurs. in south area near Bayless and Hwy 55 Directors: Cathy Mullins 314-769-7965 ekcjmullins@gmail.com Kerrie Tate 3141-791-0000 kertatehomelink@aol.com website: www.sharehomeschool.com (click on Homelink classes on the top bar)

## **HFC (Homeschoolers for Christ)**

Meets Friday mornings at DeSoto Nazarene Church, DeSoto MO Classes for students of all ages from September thru April Field trips, parties, etc. Christian organization where classes are taught by volunteer parents. Variety of classes such as music, art, PE, cooking, survival, crafts, etc; including high school.

Facebook: Hfc Educate

contact: hfjc.educate@yahoo.com Debbie Adams 636-209-0667

#### **Liberty Classical Center**

Assisting homeschooling families by providing an intimate, safe, Christian classroom experience in a Classical Education Model. We provide smaller (10-15 students), longer (90 min.) classes for maximum one-on-one exposure.

Jr High & High School, meets Mondays and Wednesdays. 709 Crestview Dr, O'Fallon, MO 63366 636-240-4412 administrator: dan.benson@libertyclassicalcenter.com website: libertyclassicalcenter.com

# **Maverick Learning Center**

A safe environment for students of all backgrounds. We believe that the best way to promote a healthy community is through unity. We accomplish this by offering resources to families with traditional and/or non-traditional learners, and classes that will both stretch and academically grow all of our students' educational needs. We also offer free tutoring to families in need.

Director: Francesca Cooper (636) 462-0933 Assistant Director: Heather Dantzler (314) 495-2581

website: mavericklearningcenter.org

## **Memorial Homeschool Co-op**

A Christian, parent-led coop that meets on Wednesday mornings in St. Louis City close to Wash U. We have hands-on classes and field trips for 3 years old -5th grade in subjects ranging from science and art to social studies. Affordable fees are charged to cover supplies and to pay parent teachers. Free nursery is provided. Please email Catha for more information at pureriskcjg@yahoo.com

# **Open Doors Education**

Open Doors offers a two day program for 2nd - 8th grade on Tues/Thurs in a beautiful Creve Coeur location. Taught by experienced, Christian teachers, students learn math, writing, science, social studies, art, Biztown, recorder and get lots of outdoor play. A small amount of work is assigned for two days at home. Our desire is to support homeschooling families and their unique learners, and to involve parents in decision-making. Contact Ali Grimshaw (aligrimshaw808@gmail.com) for more information.

#### The Pillar Foundation

A research organization promoting the Biblical Christian worldview and defending America's Christian heritage, providing the homeschool community with various high school level, college prep courses and an extensive worldview lending library.

Open Monday-Thursday, 9am-5pm

15820 Clayton Road, Ellisville, MO 63011 636.386.7722

email: pillar@thepillar.org website: www.thepillar.org

#### **Providence Fine Arts Center**

A not-for-profit performing arts school for homeschoolers in the St. Louis and St. Charles counties of Missouri.
First Baptist Church of Ferguson
333 N Florissant Road, Ferguson MO 63135

contact: info@providencefac.org (314) 489-7630

website: www.providencefac.org

# SCCHE Learning Center

The SCCHE Learning Center is designed to assist the homeschool family with supplemental, once-weekly classes in a Christ-centered environment for upper junior high through high school students. Sciences, mathematics, Language Arts/writing, history/geography, and foreign languages are the focus of classwork offered. Plus, the SCCHE choirs rehearse during this time. Finally there are plenty of opportunities for students to socialize and moms to fellowship. SCCHE's Learning Center meets on Tuesdays from 8:30-5:00 at the Family Vision Library, located at 2020 Parkway Drive, St. Peters, MO 63376

For more information, you can go to the SCCHE website for general class information: www.scche-mo.com, or email Terri Lisech at tslroh@gmail.com

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Looking for year round Homeschool Support?

This is a listing of independent homeschool groups and other support organizations that offer various kinds of assistance to homeschoolers. Please contact the leader or director to inquire about the individual groups.

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