

STANDING RULES FOR TEACH

1. Annual membership dues shall be \$25.00 per family, due and payable by the August meeting. Dues for **new** members joining for only one semester (i.e., after January 1, of the current school year) shall be \$12.50.
2. No announcements will be made at meetings without pre-approval of the President prior to the meeting.
3. No gifts honoring members who volunteer their time to direct a special activity shall be taken out of the budget. This should be done privately on an individual basis.
4. Childcare will not be provided at monthly meetings.
5. Because we are homeschoolers, our children should be exemplary in their behavior. Any disruptive, disrespectful, or unkind behavior at any function of the group should be brought to the attention of the parent. The parents are expected to correct the behavior at this point. A behavior offense that continues is to be put in a behavioral offense report and submitted to any board member. A behavior offense report will remain anonymous except to board members.
 - a. One violation of behavioral principles (e.g. physical fighting, etc.) and a board member will call the parents and tell them that their child has been reported. The parents are expected to correct the behavior at this point.
 - b. Upon a second violation of behavioral principles, a warning letter will be sent.
 - c. If the child is reported to a board member a third time, the child will not be able to attend any TEACH function for four weeks.
 - d. After the probation period, if there should be another offense the Board of Officers will decide the disciplinary action. If parents wish to appeal they may appeal to the Board of Officers.
6. TEACH members and guests are expected to abstain from all public displays of affection outside of the individual family unit. This includes kissing, handholding, prolonged hugging, inappropriate touching, sitting in laps, etc.
7. In the event of property damage occurring during the course of any TEACH sponsored event, procedure should be as follows:
 - a. Person in charge of event shall check with church or other location to see if their insurance will cover the breakage or damage. It will be left entirely to the discretion of property owner whether they wish to turn the incident in for insurance coverage or not.
 - b. Parent (or parents) of the children involved are responsible for any amount not covered by insurance (either uninsured items or amount not covered by insurance) to either repair or replace broken item.
 - c. Payment will be made promptly, immediately whenever possible.
 - d. Any incident of this nature should be reported to the President or Vice President immediately.
 - e. If any arbitration is necessary, arbitration will be done by the TEACH Board of Officers as

soon as possible.

8. The Vice President shall submit to be published a copy of the [Field Trip and Social Function Regulations](#) for TEACH in the newsletter at the beginning of each school year.
9. All teachers for a TEACH sponsored class must be approved by the Board of Officers.
10. The website email tool (available only to Board members and not to be confused with the "Forum") shall be used to notify members of necessary items. Guidelines for website email tool use:
 - a. State or local legislation that is directly related to home schooling or items relating to the family, which require immediate action.
 - b. School board, state, or national education association meetings or hearings requiring immediate homeschooling action.
 - c. Other items concerning homeschooling will be up to the discretion of the President or, if unavailable, the Vice President.
 - d. Meetings or functions pertaining to homeschooling, which are canceled, need correction, or additional information.
11. These Standing Rules may be amended by a majority of the members present at any regular meeting.