

CHEC Membership Application 2018-2019

Who are we? Christian Home Educators of Cincinnati (CHEC) is a ministry and local support group within the CHEC city-wide association. We offer supplemental educational activities for children and opportunities for parents to share ideas and encourage one another. CHEC comprises of 4 subgroups that are split by geographical location. Our communication is through the CHEC website www.chechome.org, which has discussion forums which allow communication among all members of the CHEC community.

When do we meet? There are several parent meetings throughout the school year. In addition, there are family activities (field trips, service projects, parties, etc.) throughout the year. All activities and field trips can be found on our website- either through the forums and/or calendar feature.

How do you join us? Read our Liability Clause and Statement of Faith. If you agree, complete this form and complete the online payment option at the end. If you prefer to mail a check please contact checedirectors@gmail.com

Annual Dues (July 2018-July 2019) are \$25. After August 31, 2018 the dues are \$30.

Questions? checedirectors@gmail.com

Membership Information—Please, complete this entire form, even if you are a returning member.

Group: Northeast Southeast Northwest Southwest
 Unsure (I need contacted to help with placement)

Your Name _____ **Spouse's Name** _____

Address _____ **City/State/Zip** _____

Email address _____ **Spouse Email address** _____

Phone Number(s)-Home _____ **Years Homeschooling** _____

Your Cell _____ **(text)** Yes or No

Spouse Cell _____ **(text)** Yes or No

Name of church you regularly attend _____

Child's Name	Birth date	Grade	Homeschool?	Curriculum using this year
			Yes or No	
			Yes or No	
			Yes or No	
			Yes or No	
			Yes or No	
			Yes or No	

Have you notified your district you will home educate? Yes or No **School District** _____

Do you have a child graduating this year? Yes or No

Meeting topic suggestions: _____

Tell us a little about yourself – Strengths, skills, background, ways you could benefit the group, etc. _____

Why are you joining a support group and what do you hope to gain from being a member? _____

Membership Role: Our success depends on you! Becoming a member means you will:

- Have fun, make friends, enjoy the activities and online forum
- Take responsibility for your child’s conduct and safety at all CHEC events
- Prayerfully consider where you can help. Please, indicate preferences below:
 - Meeting help – set-up, or clean-up
 - Meeting help -share during a meeting
 - Event greeter/smiling face for new people
 - Used Curriculum Sale volunteer
 - Graduation volunteer
 - Plan a monthly meeting, service project, field trip or a party (ex. Christmas or Valentine’s Day)
 - Plan a teen activity
 - Be the contact person for a field trip
 - Record keeping
 - Where needed

Please list - _____

Most importantly, we are a Christian group, representing Christ. We are to be wholesome in every way with our dress, speech and behavior.

I understand that CHEC is not responsible for accidents that may occur while attending an activity. I also understand that CHEC reserves the right to refuse a membership application.

I have read and agree to the Liability clause. _____(initial)

I have read and agree with the Statement of Faith. _____(initial)

“My signature below verifies our family is **independently home educating* at least one child in our family or that we are alumni members of CHEC who wish to continue supporting the organization.”

Sign _____ **Date** _____

** Independently home educating* means that the parents are primarily responsible for directing and providing the education of their child. The parent submits a notification letter to the local district for children over age six and the children are excused from compulsory attendance by the school district. Although a valid option, online public education does not meet these criteria. Families with pre-school children exploring home education may join the group. The CHEO website provides additional information under the “how to” menu. CHEOhome.org

Liability Clause

In consideration of the risk of injury while participating in CHEC activities (the "Activity"), and as consideration for the right to participate in the Activity, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, or personal representatives, knowingly and voluntarily enter into this waiver and release of liability and hereby waive any and all rights, claims or causes of action of any kind whatsoever arising out of my participation in the Activity, and do hereby release and forever discharge, their affiliates, managers, members, agents, attorneys, staff, volunteers, heirs, representatives, predecessors, successors and assigns, for any physical or psychological injury, including but not limited to illness, paralysis, death, damages, economical or emotional loss, that I may suffer as a direct result of my participation in the aforementioned Activity, including traveling to and from an event related to this Activity.

I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THE AFOREMENTIONED ACTIVITY AND I AM PARTICIPATING IN THE ACTIVITY ENTIRELY AT MY OWN RISK. I AM AWARE OF THE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH TRAVELING TO AND FROM AS WELL AS PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, PHYSICAL OR PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURY, PAIN, SUFFERING, ILLNESS, DISFIGUREMENT, TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT DISABILITY (INCLUDING PARALYSIS), ECONOMIC OR EMOTIONAL LOSS, AND DEATH. I UNDERSTAND THAT THESE INJURIES OR OUTCOMES MAY ARISE FROM MY OWN OR OTHERS' NEGLIGENCE, CONDITIONS RELATED TO TRAVEL, OR THE CONDITION OF THE ACTIVITY LOCATION(S). NONETHELESS, I ASSUME ALL RELATED RISKS, BOTH KNOWN OR UNKNOWN TO ME, OF MY PARTICIPATION IN THIS ACTIVITY, INCLUDING TRAVEL TO, FROM AND DURING THIS ACTIVITY.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless against any and all claims, suits or actions of any kind whatsoever for liability, damages, compensation or otherwise brought by me or anyone on my behalf, including attorney's fees and any related costs, if litigation arises pursuant to any claims made by me or by anyone else acting on my behalf. If incurs any of these types of expenses, I agree to reimburse .

I acknowledge that and their directors, officers, volunteers, representatives and agents are not responsible for errors, omissions, acts or failures to act of any party or entity conducting a specific event or activity on behalf of .

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS ACTIVITY MAY INVOLVE A TEST OF A PERSON'S PHYSICAL AND MENTAL LIMITS AND MAY CARRY WITH IT THE POTENTIAL FOR DEATH, SERIOUS INJURY, AND PROPERTY LOSS. The risks may include, but are not limited to, those caused by terrain, facilities, temperature, weather, lack of hydration, condition of participants, equipment, vehicular traffic and actions of others, including but not limited to, participants, volunteers, spectators, coaches, event officials and event monitors, and/or producers of the event.

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS "WAIVER AND RELEASE" AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY. I EXPRESSLY AGREE TO RELEASE AND DISCHARGE AND ALL OF ITS AFFILIATES, MANAGERS, MEMBERS, AGENTS, ATTORNEYS, STAFF, VOLUNTEERS, HEIRS, REPRESENTATIVES, PREDECESSORS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION AND I AGREE TO VOLUNTARILY GIVE UP OR WAIVE ANY RIGHT THAT I OTHERWISE HAVE TO BRING A LEGAL ACTION AGAINST FOR PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE.

To the extent that statute or case law does not prohibit releases for negligence, this release is also for negligence on the part of , its agents, and employees.

In the event that I should require medical care or treatment, I agree to be financially responsible for any costs incurred as a result of such treatment. I am aware and understand that I should carry my own health insurance.

In the event that any damage to equipment or facilities occurs as a result of my or my family's willful actions, neglect or recklessness, I acknowledge and agree to be held liable for any and all costs associated with any actions of neglect or recklessness.

Statement of Faith

We believe the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, to be the verbally inspired Word of God, the final authority for faith and life, inerrant in the original writings, infallible and God-breathed.

We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension and His personal return in power and glory.

We believe that the Holy Spirit is a divine person proceeding from the Father and Son, and is therefore eternal and of the same essence, majesty, and glory with the Father and Son. We believe therefore that the Holy Spirit is truly God.

We believe salvation is the gift of God brought to man by grace and received by personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, whose precious blood was shed on Calvary for the forgiveness of our sins. We believe in the existence of a personal devil that is working in the world to destroy the souls of men. We believe that all Believers would live in such a manner as not to bring reproach upon their Savior and Lord and that separation from all religious apostasy, all worldly and sinful pleasures, practices and associations is commanded of God.

We believe it is our obligation as believers to witness by life and word to the truths of the Gospel and proclaim these to all mankind.

We believe in the invisible Church, which consists of all believers in this present age.

We believe in that "Blessed Hope", the personal return of the Lord Jesus Christ, for His redeemed one; and in His return to earth, with His saints, to establish His Kingdom. We believe in the bodily resurrection of all men, the saved to eternal life and the unsaved to judgment and everlasting punishment.

We believe God, in His Word, has given parents the responsibility and authority to educate their children in a godly manner.

We will abide by the group policies. We share this statement of faith.