

Solid Foundation Education Association Prospective Member FAQs



1. How can I be considered for membership with SFEA?

If you email us at registrar@sfea.info, your family will be added to our inquiry list for the next academic year. Please send us your name, your children's ages, and your children's current grade levels.

2. Why is it called an inquiry list rather than a waiting list?

We do not maintain a traditional waiting list that is cumulative from year to year. Rather, during each academic year from September-April we build a new inquiry list of families that are interested in joining during the following academic year. If we determine that there isn't space for a family after returning members register for classes in the spring, that family must contact us again the following year to be added to that year's inquiry list.

The families we accept each year are chosen based on the ages of their children and the content of their application rather than their position on the inquiry list. Therefore, our inquiry list does not function like a waiting list since priority is not given to families at the top of the list.

3. I submitted our family's information and requested to be added to the inquiry list. What's next?

After our returning families register for classes in the spring, we contact our inquiry list families. The timing of this communication is generally in May or June. Some inquiry list families will be notified that we do not have space for their children in our co-op. Others will be invited to apply to join SFEA if we have openings that could accommodate their entire family.

4. What does the application process look like?

The application is a Google form that is shared with prospective members to collect information about their family and vision for co-op participation. The SFEA Board of Directors reviews each application and communicates with references provided by the applicants.

Completing an application does not guarantee membership since multiple families might be applying for the same openings. Because the success of our organization depends on the investment of our parents, priority is given to applicants who show a high level of initiative and a desire to contribute through teaching roles.

5. What are the chances of our family being accepted into SFEA?

The majority of our classes are already full, and most of our members return from year to year. Therefore, we are able to accept only a very limited number of new members each year.

6. What is the cost of joining SFEA?

SFEA collects an annual membership fee from each family to cover rent and administrative costs, and class fees are paid directly to our teachers. Membership information can be accessed at this [link](#). In the case of financial need, scholarships are available to help families with membership and class fees.