

# Application for Membership Instructions

**This Information Packet contains the following items:**

1. Price for Annual Dues
2. Membership Application
3. Instructions for Pastoral Recommendation

**Annual Dues** - \$65 per family per year. This amount is due by June 25<sup>th</sup> each year. This amount is due by June 30<sup>th</sup> each year unless other arrangements are made. If dues are not received by June 30<sup>th</sup> former members will have to reapply for CHE membership and Fall Co-Op will be closed for that family. Dues include access to the member's area of our webpage and one copy of our full color yearbook. All other fees and dues will be decided on by committee members with approval by board when needed. NOTE: There are scholarships available with a written request to the NEA CHE Board of Directors.

## **Northeast Arkansas Christian Home Educators (CHE)**

Please carefully read the following overview of the application process:

1. The CHE Board considers applications for membership at its regular meetings. In order for an application to be considered it must be:
  - a. Completely filled in and signed
  - b. Accompanied by a check to CHE in the amount of current CHE dues (presently \$65 per year)
  - c. Accompanied by a separately mailed or emailed pastoral or member recommendation letter (see "Instructions for Pastoral Recommendation Letter" in application packet).
2. Completed applications should be mailed to:  
C.H.E.  
P.O. Box 19312  
Jonesboro, AR 72401
3. If you have any questions regarding CHE or the application process or you would like to email your application, you may contact the CHE Board President at [JonesboroCHE@gmail.com](mailto:JonesboroCHE@gmail.com)
4. If an applicant is denied membership their check for CHE dues will be returned.
5. All applicants are contacted by the Board of Directors following consideration of their application.
6. **Approval for CHE membership does NOT constitute participation in the Cooperative Learning Day (CO-OP) or Athletics. Deadlines and additional fees may apply to CHE sponsored activities. See CHE Fact Sheet for additional information. A link for Co-op sign-up will be sent to all members through the website email forum. This is done in July for the fall semester and December for the spring semester.**

**For Board use only:**  Date received:

Approved      Denied:  /  /



# Application for Membership

**Personal Information:**

Date:

Names: (Husband & Wife):

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Address:

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City, State, Zip:

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Phone Numbers:

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Email Address:

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Father's employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name	Date of Birth	Grade Level	Homeschooled Y/N


Has any child listed above recently been suspended or expelled from attending a public or private school?

Yes      No      If yes, describe the terms of suspension (reason, duration, etc.) on a separate sheet.

What are your reasons for homeschooling?

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Why do you want to join CHE?

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The following questions only give us more information about you, and answering a “yes” or “no” is not a determination of your membership status of being approved or denied. Please circle “Yes” or “No” to the following questions:

Question: (Please circle your answer)	Father	Mother
“I work well with others.”	Yes No	Yes No
“It is hard to make me upset.”	Yes No	Yes No
“I love being around other people’s children.”	Yes No	Yes No
“I believe the Bible is God’s holy word and allow it to be applied in my life every day.”	Yes No	Yes No
“Occasionally, it is “okay” to break rules.”	Yes No	Yes No
“I believe that you should be at least 15 minutes early to appointments.”	Yes No	Yes No
“CHE members will be able to rely on me to meet my commitments.”	Yes No	Yes No
“I have often apologized for my mistakes, even to my spouse and children.”	Yes No	Yes No
“I believe everyone is worth listening to and has value to add to the group.”	Yes No	Yes No
“I am a very busy person.”	Yes No	Yes No
“I volunteer regularly.”	Yes No	Yes No
“I have a high degree of self-control.”	Yes No	Yes No
“When it comes to making difficult decisions, I try to determine the “plus and minus of the result.”	Yes No	Yes No
“I understand that CHE works, because the Fathers and Mothers give of themselves to make things happen, and I want to be a part of that group.”	Yes No	Yes No

Every event requires our adult members to be an active part, if you think that you cannot serve in any of these areas, reconsider applying to be a member of CHE. This program only works because parents make it work! Once you are accepted as a member, at least the father or the mother will have to be on at least one committee that will require you to

help in several of these types of areas. Please circle every area, in which you would be willing to serve (at least 3). This will help your future leader know where you want to assist:

Mother: Decorating, Hosting events, Organizing activities, Leading committees, Teaching, Operating technology, Coaching, and Helping in athletics

Father: Decorating, Hosting events, Organizing activities, Leading committees, Teaching, Operating technology, Coaching, and Helping in athletics

**References:**

Are you currently acquainted with any members of CHE?    Yes    No

If "Yes", please list their names and indicate how long you have known them:

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**Church Information:**

Name and address of the church you currently attend:

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Are you faithful in attendance at the church listed above?

Father:        Yes        No            Mother:    Yes    No

Are you currently a member of the church listed above?

Father:        Yes        No            Mother:    Yes    No

If no, list the name and address of the church where you are currently a member:

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The CHE Board of Directors must receive a letter of recommendation from your Pastor or other church leader (see *Appendix A* "Instructions for Pastoral Recommendation Letter"). On the line below list the name and title of the individual who will be forwarding your letter of recommendation?

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**Statement of Personal Salvation Experience:** (Use an additional sheet if necessary)

Father:

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Mother:

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**CHE Covenant:**

Having read and understood the Constitution & Policies of the Northeast Arkansas Christian Home Educators (CHE), I do hereby commit myself, upon approval for membership, to abide by and uphold them. Should I come to the place where I no longer meet the qualifications for membership or I can no longer abide by the policies of the group, I will voluntarily revoke my membership and notify the Board of Directors. ***The signature of each parent is required.***

Father:

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Mother:

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## Appendix A.

### Northeast Arkansas (CHE) Instructions for Pastoral Recommendation Letter

***Please print your name in the blank below and provide this sheet to your Pastor along with a stamped envelope addressed to:***

**C.H.E.**

**P.O. Box 19312**

**Jonesboro, AR 72401**

***\*In the event that your church is without a Pastor a letter from another staff member or key church leader will be permissible.***

Dear Servant of the Lord,

The Northeast Arkansas Christian Home Educators (CHE) exists to support and encourage families who have chosen to educate their children at home from a distinctly Christian perspective. We do so in part by providing student activities, corporate educational opportunities and forums designed to encourage those facing the practical challenges of home education. Additionally, we seek to raise awareness of legal and political issues affecting home educators. Our hope is that as “iron sharpens iron,” we will sharpen one another for the task of raising and educating our children to live for the glory of God.

\_\_\_\_\_ have applied for membership in CHE.

***(Applicants Names: Example - John & Jane Doe)***

One of our requirements is a letter of recommendation from the Pastor of the church that they currently attend. Please take a few moments and assist them in this matter by answering the following questions on a piece of church letterhead and returning it to us in the envelope they have provided. If you have questions, please contact us at [JonesboroCHE@gmail.com](mailto:JonesboroCHE@gmail.com).

1. How long have you known the applicants?
2. What evidence of faith in Christ do you see in their lives?
3. Are both Father and Mother active members of the church you serve?
4. How are they involved in the life of the church? (attendees only, teacher, deacon, etc.)
5. Are you aware of any reason why we should not allow them into CHE?
6. How may we contact you if we have further questions?

Thank you!

CHE Board of Directors