

# Parent Commitment Form

## NHHG PARENT COMMITMENT

New Horizons Homeschool Group seeks to create an environment where God is honored through the way we treat each other and present ourselves.

### GENERAL

- I understand that I/my children are responsible to protect any personal items brought to New Horizons Homeschool Group (NHHG). NHHG's leadership, parents, and teachers, as well as the staff of Celebration Community Church (CCC), are not responsible for any damaged or missing property.
- If an issue arises with another individual, I will speak directly with that individual, not others, in a way that works toward resolution and which reflects the principles of NHHG's Code of Conduct.

### MEMBERSHIP OBLIGATIONS

- I understand that NHHG reserves the right to refuse entry of any student into classes if all fees or dues are not paid prior to the beginning of the school year or semester.
- I agree to pay any lab/class fees that result from additional supplies that are needed for a class to fulfill its requirements. (For instance, dissection specimens.)
- I understand that the purchase of textbooks and supplies are the responsibility of each parent unless otherwise noted.
- As a full member, I agree to teach one credited class or three non-credited classes, as assigned, plus assist in other areas as needed.
- I will diligently fulfill all duties and responsibilities that are assigned to me, to the best of my ability. I understand that my responsibilities within the co-op are a critical part of membership and that failure to work with Leadership to alleviate problems in fulfilling my role may end in termination of my family's membership with NHHG.

### ATTENDANCE OBLIGATIONS

- As a parent, I agree to arrive early enough to enable my child(ren) to be settled into his/her first class, ready to begin on time.
- I agree to attend at least four consecutive periods each week.
- Because classes meet only one day each week, I will try to avoid scheduling appointments or vacations that interfere with classes.
- If planned absences are necessary, I will make arrangements to cover my classes and other duties and notify Leadership of these changes as soon as possible.
- In the event of unexpected absence, I will notify Leadership as soon as possible via text or email. For any classes which I am responsible for, I will offer alternatives/instructions for a substitute teacher.
- If leaving the premises before the end of the day, I will inform Leadership beforehand.

## **PARENTAL COOPERATION**

- In placing my child in a middle school or high school class, I agree to adhere to the teacher's homework schedule and grading structure and will encourage my child to complete all assignments on time.
- I will encourage my child to adhere to all student guidelines and to the dress code, and will do my part to support disciplinary actions which are deemed appropriate for any misconduct.
- As a parent, I will communicate any problems or concerns involving a class with that teacher and work with him/her to resolve any issues.

## **TEACHING OBLIGATIONS**

- I commit to being on time for all classes in which I am responsible. When possible, I will strive to be in class before students arrive, especially for classes of elementary students.
- I agree to communicate with the parent of any student who is not meeting class expectations or seems to be struggling with content. I understand that NHHG's pink slip policy is in place for this reason and is a communication tool to aid in the success of each student.

## **BEHAVIORAL PROTOCOL**

- I understand that any inappropriate attitude or behavior by a student should initially be addressed privately by the teacher. If unresolved, Leadership should be notified, who will in turn notify the parent, giving them the opportunity to work with the teacher to resolve the problem.
- If the problem persists, the Director will meet with the student and parent, taking whatever action is deemed necessary to resolve the issue. Leadership reserves the right, at their discretion, to terminate any student or family from the co-op in order to maintain the co-op's well-being and unity.

## **DRESS CODE AGREEMENT**

- As an adult member of NHHG, I agree to wear modest clothing as outlined below in order to reflect a Godly attitude toward myself, respect to others, and a good example to our students.
- Clothing with offensive/suggestive pictures or messages is prohibited.
- Clothing with skulls or other images associated with death is prohibited.
- Clothing must not have holes or tears. (Within reason, elementary students may be given some leeway with holes in the knees of pants but this exception should be avoided when possible.)
- Short/skirts must NOT be shorter than three inches above the knee.
- Leggings must ONLY be worn with shirts that hang to mid-thigh or longer, unless worn under skirts of the appropriate length.
- The midriff must be covered at all times.
- Sleeveless shirts must have straps with a width of at least two inches unless covered by another shirt, sweater, or jacket.
- Shirts must fit modestly. Necklines should be high enough to cover cleavage.