

## **CTK Homeschool Group: What we are NOT!**

As negative as the above title sounds, it is actually a good way to present ourselves to prospective members. Homeschooling adds a certain amount of stress to any family. Being able to find a group that fits your family style and teaching style, as well as your religious beliefs, is an enormous blessing! We want you to have clear expectations before joining.

### **We are NOT a school:**

- Even with our excellent teachers, you are still the primary educator of your child. You will need to be responsible for working with your children and following up with them to ensure they are completing their work and turning it in on time.
- With your children taking classes in our group, it is very important that your children are able to follow the rules as laid out in the handbook. If you cannot require your children to uphold them, this co-op might not be a good fit for your family.
- You will need to be committed to fulfilling your co-op jobs. Cooperatives only work if everyone does their part!
- We do offer high school classes, yet don't offer official credits. Figuring out what your student needs to complete in High school and creating a transcript will be your responsibility. There are great, affordable options out there, why reinvent the wheel?

### **We are NOT a playgroup:**

- There is no way to sugar coat it - Thursday classes are work! If you don't have time to commit to the time it will take to be involved in our homeschool group, we encourage you to find a playgroup! There is not much time to socialize with other parents on our co-op day itself which is why we have, and encourage our members to attend our community events and education nights. Community is a very important aspect of what we are.
- This is important to keep in mind particularly for families with only young children. It can take a lot of work to prepare for your classes, get everyone out the door on time, and keep all the little people happy.

### **We are NOT a typical homeschool co-op:**

- This is not a typical homeschool co-op with a wide variety of classes to choose from. Rather, we offer a core set of classes and strongly encourage students to participate in the full program.

### **We are NOT going to be a good fit for everyone:**

- If you don't want any homework for your students (especially middle school & high schoolers), this is probably not going to work for you.
- If you are unschoolers, this is probably not a good fit.
- If you or your children don't like following a dress code, our group may not work for you.
- If you don't appreciate Classical Education, this may not be the place for you.