

JCHE Activity Descriptions

FUN/EDUCATIONAL

Enrichment

Two hour program featuring classes for all ages of children. A small fee is charged for building rental and supplies. All moms must participate by leading or assisting in the classes. Some science or craft classes have an additional fee to cover materials.

Field Trips

Several planned monthly, including museums, historical sites, businesses, farms, theater productions, drama presentations, concerts, etc. for various ages. Field trips that require admission fees are paid by individual families in attendance. Many are free. Most last 1-2 hours.

Homeschool Science Classes at NC Museum of Natural Sciences

Monthly (Sept – May) science classes related to Museum research that reinforce curriculum goals and cover topics in ecology, paleontology, geology, and biology. This year JCHE will sponsor 6 classes (members only) for \$20.

Park Days

Scheduled play dates for our new members at local parks around our area. These take place during the warmer months and last for 1-2 hours. A great way for new members to connect with JCHE members during the year in order to share information and get to know one another while the children play.

Play Dates

Themed activities and parties are scheduled to stimulate friendships and fun memories. Some events require a small fee paid by participating families. Most are free and held in local parks or members homes. Generally about 1 every month or two, lasting about 1-2 hours. Scheduled and coordinated by JCHE volunteers.

Science Olympiad teams

North Carolina Science Olympiad (NCSO) is a nonprofit organization with the mission to attract and retain the pool of K-12 students entering science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) degrees and careers in North Carolina. Every year NCSO hosts tournaments on university, community college, and public school campuses across the state. These tournaments are rigorous academic interscholastic competitions that consist of a series of different hands-on, interactive, challenging and inquiry-based events that are well balanced between the various disciplines of biology, earth science, environmental science, chemistry, physics, engineering and technology.

JCHE members may participate in Division A (3rd-6th grades) or Division B (5th-9th grades) homeschool teams provided by our group. Members are encouraged to select events which line up with their students' science focus for the school year. Preparing for 2-3 events will help you fulfill your student's science needs for the school year.