

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERSHIP

As members of Greenwood Christian School Home Educators Association (GCSHEA), we understand and agree that we, the parents, are ultimately responsible for the education of our children. In keeping with this, we agree to do the following during the full duration of our membership in this association.

1. Read and acknowledge the *GCSHEA Statement of Faith*.
2. Read and uphold the policies in the appropriate GCSHEA Handbooks.
3. Prayerfully select and plan for the education of our children.
4. Plan an appropriate course of study for each student and provide the curriculum/materials necessary to implement the course of study.
5. Teach the basic instructional areas of reading, writing, mathematics, science, and history or social studies; and in grades seven through twelve, composition and literature.*
6. Teach 180 days per school year* to end on or before May 31st.
7. Maintain the following records: *
 - a. A daily plan book, daily diary, or other daily written record indicating subjects taught and activities in which the student and parent engage.
 - b. A portfolio of samples of the student's academic work.
8. Submit the following reports and evaluations:
 - a. *Parent Report Card*, and for high school credit courses, *High School Course Description & Evaluation* forms, for each student by August 10th.
 - b. Midyear evaluation for each student* by January 10th.
 - c. End-of-year forms for each student* indicating at least 75% completion of coursework by June 10th.
9. Make adequate library facilities available to each student.
10. Ensure that students take a standardized test in the following grades: 4th, 5th, or 6th and again in 8th or 9th; and submit a copy of the scores to GCSHEA by August 10th. (Certificate of Education students see testing policy in *HS Handbook*)
11. Parents attend a mandatory meeting every year for students in grades 7-12.
12. Strongly consider membership in the Home School Legal Defense Association.
13. Pay the annual membership fees on time.
14. Verify that the primary teacher has at least a high school degree or a GED.*

Any member who fails to abide by the *Responsibilities of Membership* and/or *GCSHEA Parent Code* and/or exhibits personal conduct that is not in accordance with the beliefs and philosophies of GCSHEA, may be removed from membership.

The Greenwood Christian School Home Educators Association is not liable for the following: the ability of the parent to teach; the effectiveness of the academic instruction and/or results thereof; the ability of the student members to assimilate knowledge and develop skills; the success of any particular curriculum; low or inconsistent test scores of its student members; qualification for and/or acceptance to the job market; qualification for and/or acceptance to college. The responsibility to achieve academic excellence within the homeschool environment belongs to each individual family.

Father's Signature

Date

Mother's Signature

Date

*Required by South Carolina law