

CHARLOTTE HOME EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

NEW MEMBER GROUP APPLICATION

Revised Summer 2009

Thank you for your interest in joining Charlotte Home Educators Association. CHEA is comprised of homeschool support groups in the greater Charlotte area. Our goal is to help promote better communication, support, fellowship, and unity among Charlotte homeschoolers.

A BRIEF OVERVIEW

Each individual support group has its own membership requirements, activities and internal government. Each member group is responsible for setting policies for any activity it provides for CHEA, and for communicating the details of that activity to the CHEA membership. One representative from each group serves on the CHEA Board, which meets twice annually. The CHEA Board operates to maintain communication and cooperation between member groups. Support for the leaders is also provided within the platform of bi-annual meetings and a Director e-forum. CHEA Membership automatically constitutes acceptance of CHEA Board policies. Activities submitted for publication in the CHEA quarterly newsletter are subject to review by the CHEA newsletter committee.

CHEA MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Regular Group Activities

Offer members achievement testing services and/or information

Group representative at *all* CHEA meetings.

Leadership of one or more CHEA activities or services

Regular form of communication which reaches all members

Minimum of 20 families

Assigned Representative to CHEA

Groups applying for CHEA membership must meet the CHEA Minimum Requirements, and return a completed membership application, attaching a sample of the group's communications. This can be a newsletter or a summary of forum activity, whichever will best demonstrate the group's day-to-day operations. Submittal of an application, even if the group meets the minimum requirements, does not guarantee admittance. All new groups are approved by majority vote of the CHEA Board.

Applications are accepted any time. Received applications will be reviewed at the next scheduled meeting, normally January or July. Applicant groups will be notified of our decision by one of CHEA's current board members following our first meeting after receipt of the application. Newly-accepted groups will be invited to begin participation at the following meeting, although new member groups are not be able to vote regarding CHEA policy for one year (2 general business meetings). Participation at the meetings is welcome and expected.

CHEA groups do not provide umbrella status for other groups. Each interested group needs to join CHEA independently by fulfilling CHEA's requirements.

If you have additional questions regarding the application or CHEA membership please contact:

CHEA Membership Coordinator at: membership@CHEAonline.com

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Membership Application

Once again thank you for your interest in applying for CHEA membership. Please make sure that you have read over the CHEA minimum requirements and understand them.

All applications *will be reviewed at the next scheduled meeting following receipt of all requested information, normally January or July. Applicant groups will be notified of our decision by one of CHEA's current board members following this meeting.*

Please fill out the information below and mail it along with your sample of group communications to:
CHEA Applications; 12115 Provincetowne Drive; Charlotte, NC 28277

Name of group: _____

Philosophy of group *(feel free to use back of application)*

Director Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Phone: _____
e-mail: _____

Date group was established: _____

Number of families in group: _____

Geographical area of group: _____

Representative to CHEA:
Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email *(required)*: _____

Newsletter Editor Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Phone: _____
e-mail: _____

Potential opportunity your group will provide to the homeschooling community:

Reason group is applying for membership: *(feel free to use back of application)*

*I have read and understand the current CHEA Minimum Requirements.
To my knowledge our group meets all the qualifications for CHEA membership.*

Signature: _____

Date: _____