

Homescholars Academy Homeschool Co-op Family Application

Family Name _____ Wife _____ Husband _____

Which parent will accompany your child(ren) to Homescholars? _____

Email _____ Cell Phones# _____ / _____

Mailing Address _____

Where did you learn about Homescholars? Please list the names of any members or former members you know. _____

Please list all children below:

Name	Age	Birthdate

Emergency Contact _____ Phone # _____

Please list any allergies, special needs, or medical conditions that might need to be addressed in a classroom setting. This information will be kept confidential.

Tell us about yourself! Share your homeschooling journey. What is your homeschool philosophy? How long have you been homeschooling? What are your homeschooling goals?

Please list any educational background and experience, hobbies and interests, skills learned, classes previously taught, and/or subjects you enjoy or might be comfortable teaching.

Do you volunteer in any church or community groups? In what capacity do you serve?

Aside from teaching, in what ways can you contribute to the co-op?

List any other homeschool co-ops or programs you plan to participate in during this school year.

List any other information that would be relevant to the Board's consideration of your application.

Homescholars Academy does not require signing of a Statement of Faith. We understand that we all come from different church backgrounds and have differing homeschool philosophies and we enjoy the diversity this brings to our group. The uniting principle of our group is each individual’s commitment to raising our children to know God. Please read through our mission statement, and briefly explain how it will complement your family’s homeschool experience.

“The Vision of Homescholars Academy is to honor God and strengthen families by sharing educational experiences and ideas, to inspire confidence in our kids and in their ability to become life-long learners, and to assist these young thinkers in becoming stewards of their own personal mission and education.”

If accepted into Homescholars Academy, our family agrees that we will:

- Strive to promote unity within Homescholars Academy
- Adhere to the Code of Conduct and Rules for Safety set forth by Homescholars Academy (attached)
- Participate to the best of our abilities and actively engage with other co-op families during weekly activities.
- I understand that continuation of co-op participation is dependent upon adherence to this code of conduct and that all decisions concerning membership will be decided upon by the Board for the benefit of the group at large.
- I understand if my application is accepted, I am making a commitment to Homescholars Academy for the entire semester.
(Spring 3rd Tuesday in January - End of April, Fall 2nd Tuesday in September - 1st week of December)

Requirements for membership:

- ★ Completion of application, membership is subject to Board approval and current openings.
- ★ Agree to teach classes, substitute as needed, and assist in classes
- ★ Bring a willingness to serve so that co-op can run smoothly and efficiently.

Media Release

I DO / DO NOT give Homescholars Academy Board permission to use my children’s images on their website and public Facebook page.

I DO / DO NOT give Homescholars Academy Board and my child(ren)’s teachers permission to post pictures of my child(ren) to the private Homescholars Facebook page which is only accessible to current members of Homescholars Academy.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Please initial in the following spaces:

I have read the Homescholars Academy Mission Statement and the Code of Conduct & Rules of Safety (attached)
 _____ (initial)

I agree to:

- Pay the non-refundable Membership Fee for the current semester
- Pay all class fees for classes in which my children are enrolled
- Do my best to attend parent meetings and fulfill my cleaning responsibilities as scheduled
- Ensure that my children have adult supervision when they are not attending a class
- Abide by the Building Use Policy of the Blackfoot Christian Fellowship
- Follow the Code of Conduct and the Rules of Safety (attached)

_____ (initial)

I understand:

- Homescholars Academy Includes a vision to see our students build a relationship with God. Many classes will be mentored from that perspective.
- Homescholars Academy communicates with its members primarily through Facebook, as well as email or text messaging. I have one at least one of these three options available that I check regularly {at least once a week}.
- Mentors are reviewed and approved by the board each semester.
- Mom school classes are operated on a free-market basis and have ownership of their classes.
- My participation in Homescholars Academy is voluntary and I can leave at any time, but will not be refunded the Family Fee. Class fees may be refunded if the class is dropped before the third week, minus any expenditures the teacher has made per student. At and after the third week of classes, there are no refunds required.
- My membership is effective from the time of registration through the end of the semester. There is a separate family registration fee each semester.
- Homescholars Academy is not responsible for the education of my children. That is my responsibility. Homescholars Academy is simply a supplement to their education.
- Homescholars Academy is not responsible for my or my children's safety.
- I am responsible for any damages that I or any of my family members cause.
- Homescholars is not a daycare or school drop-off situation. This is a family environment. Parents are expected to be on-site at all times. If a situation arises where you might be absent for a brief period of time, please ensure that you have made arrangements with an adult to care for your students in your absence and inform your children and a board member. Please contact our board if you have extenuating circumstances.
- Homescholars Academy has been brought together to honor God and strengthen families by sharing educational experiences and ideas. Parents are expected to teach at least once per calendar year. Class proposal forms can be found on our website at <http://www.homescholars.org/for-teachers.html>
- All Homescholars Academy members age eight and above must read (or be read to), understand, and agree to abide by the Code of Conduct and Rules of Safety.

_____ (initial)

I am participating in Homescholars Academy classes and events at my own risk, and hold Homescholars Academy, the Board and Blackfoot Christian Fellowship Church harmless in the event of an accident. I give permission in the event of a medical emergency for emergency medical attention to be given to my family member if parents or other emergency contact are unavailable.

Signed _____ Date _____

Homescholars Academy Mission Statement

The Vision of Homescholars Academy is to honor God and strengthen families by sharing educational experiences and ideas, to inspire confidence in our kids and in their ability to become life-long learners, and to assist these young thinkers in becoming stewards of their own personal mission and education.

Code of Conduct

All Homescholars Academy members age eight and above must read (or be read to), understand, and agree to abide by these standards:

Behavior: I agree to act as a gentleman or lady and treat others with respect, kindness, and encouragement in speech and action as I demonstrate integrity and Christian values. I will refrain from any expression, gossip or physical contact that may harm or make another feel uncomfortable. I will not bring anything to Homescholars Academy classes that is considered a weapon or could bring insult or injury to another member. In addition, pairing off, hand holding, kissing, or other affectionate gestures that sometimes accompany those who “pair off” are not allowed in this setting. Homescholars Academy is not an appropriate setting for sexual discussions of any kind.

Dress and Appearance: Dress should be modest in appearance. Clothing and overall presence, including grooming habits, should not be distracting to other students. Examples of distracting clothing include but are not limited to drug promoting, overtly sexual, violent or disturbing images, foul language, or otherwise not adhering to Christian standards. All members should be neat and clean, practice excellent hygiene, and avoid being sloppy in dress, grooming, and manners.

Language: Language used at Homescholars Academy should be clean and intelligent – that which uplifts, encourages, and compliments others. The names of God and Jesus Christ should be used only in reverence. Profane, vulgar, or crude language or gestures, as well as inappropriate jokes are not allowed.

Media: Offensive material such as movies, music, videos/DVDs, books, magazines, pictures, and other media are not allowed at Homescholars Academy. This includes anything vulgar, immoral, violent, or pornographic. **Cell phones will need to be left with a parent, as they are not allowed in class.**

(___ Initial)

Service to Our Organization: As members of Homescholars Academy, we commit to serve our organization by participating in cleaning of the building, keeping our environment clean and orderly, keeping track of our own possessions, and being attentive to our family’s needs.

Health: Regardless of national or global health crises, if you or a member of your family are unwell, please stay home. If you have had a fever, have been vomiting, or have excessive nasal emissions, within the past 24 hours, please stay home. If you attend Homescholars Academy with any of these conditions, you will be asked to leave, for the safety of all.

Rules for Safety

We want all our Member Families at Homescholars Academy to be safe. Accordingly, we have certain rules that must be followed. When you sign the Membership Agreement Form, you agree to abide by these extremely important rules:

- A Parent or Guardian must be in attendance with the child at all times. Children are not to be left alone - this is not a drop-off activity. Parents are welcome to attend classes with their children, help the teachers, or to stay in the parent room provided. This is a room for all parents/guardians, as well as babies or children not attending classes.
- If not in a class, children must be with their parent.