

## Harvest Community Homeschoolers Co-op Application for Membership

In order to be considered for membership in the Harvest Community Homeschoolers Coop, your family will need to complete the following information. To save yourself and the leadership team valuable time, please read through our attached statement of faith and overview of expectations to make sure that you are in full agreement with each of them prior to completing this application. You may be contacted for a follow-up interview with the leadership team. If you have questions about any of the statements on these forms, please feel free to contact a member of the leadership team for further clarification. Please be aware that application is not registration; registration follows application approval.

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Or Legal Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the names and birth-dates of your children.

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Special needs we should be aware of (disabilities, allergies, or asthma):

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How long have you been homeschooling? \_\_\_\_\_

Why did you decide to homeschool? \_\_\_\_\_

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What do you hope Harvest Community Homeschoolers will provide for your family?

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Name of local church where your family attends \_\_\_\_\_

Are you members? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you or your spouse ever been arrested or convicted of any crime? Circle Y or N. If Yes, please explain below: (Please be aware that this and any other information you provide will be kept confidential and will only be shared among the members of the leadership team.)

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Is there any additional information you would like to share, or any special circumstances you would like us to consider?

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## Statement of Faith & Overview of Expectations

Please read through this page which includes the Statement of Faith and Harvest Community Homeschoolers (HCHS) Contract to make sure that you are in full agreement with them before completing the membership application. In order to become a member of the cooperative, you will be required to sign forms within the registration packet stating that you are in full agreement with all of the statements outlined on this page. If you are opposed to any of the statements listed below, then HCHS may not be the best fit for your family. In this case, we encourage you to speak to a member of the leadership team as soon as possible.

**Harvest Community Homeschoolers' Statement of Faith** - It is necessary for any group to have a set of identified shared beliefs which the members may rely upon as a basis of mutual commitment. These statements constitute our basic expectations of one another.

*The Bible is verbally inspired, inerrant, infallible, totally sufficient, and trustworthy. God has existed from all eternity in three divine persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, each of the same substance and perfections. Jesus Christ is fully God and fully man, perfect, undiluted, and the two never co-mingled throughout his life on Earth and now eternally. Jesus Christ died on the cross as a substitute for sinners, as a sacrifice for sin, and in doing so absorbed God's wrath towards sinners. The death burial and bodily resurrection of Christ is essential to the Gospel. Salvation is all of grace offered as a gift, free to the sinner. This gift must be responded to by repenting of sin and believing in Jesus as Lord. Jesus redeems his people by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, all to His glory and for our joy!*

In exchange for the opportunities membership in HCHS Co-op provides for my family, I agree to fulfill, with my fullest abilities, the following responsibilities:

1. I will serve a minimum of two out of three periods each semester of HCHS co-op either as a teacher, classroom or sibling care assistant, special coordinator or substitute teacher/assistant and will remain on-site during co-op.
2. Co-op Membership will be an annual commitment. You are expected to keep this year-long commitment.
3. I will be ready to serve as a substitute or assist with set-up and clean-up on an as-needed basis.
4. I will pay to: **Harvest Community Homeschoolers** the registration fees by stated form deadline. I will pay any additional fees and turn in all paperwork by due date.
5. I will attend mandatory planning meetings and understand that they are a membership requirement.
6. I will do my best to arrive promptly and ensure that my children are prepared for their classes at each Harvest Community Homeschoolers Co-op session.
7. When inevitable offenses occur, I will deal with them biblically. (i.e. I will not be easily offended and I will pursue resolution quickly in a spirit of humility and grace.)
8. Any claim or dispute arising from or related to this agreement shall be settled by mediation and, if necessary, legally binding arbitration in accordance with the *Rules of Procedure for Christian Conciliation* of the Institute for Christian Conciliation, a division of Peacemaker® Ministries ([www.Peacemaker.net](http://www.Peacemaker.net)). Judgment upon an arbitration decision may be entered in any court otherwise having jurisdiction. The parties understand that these methods shall be the sole remedy for any controversy or claim arising out of this agreement and expressly waive their right to file a lawsuit in any civil court against one another for such disputes, except to enforce an arbitration decision.

I understand that HCHS Co-op meets approximately 12-13 times during the school year and is an enrichment-based group, welcoming homeschoolers and cyber-schoolers.

I have read and understand the above:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_