

# HERITAGE HOMESCHOOL SUPPORT FAMILY MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

**FAMILY:**    **Parent 1** \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent 2** \_\_\_\_\_  
                  **Children** \_\_\_\_\_  
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## **Mission Statement**

Heritage Homeschool Support is a non-partisan, faith-based, board-led, staff- and parent-supported group providing resources for fellowship and encouragement, information and mentorship, communication, educational support classes, and social activities for homeschool families of Vacaville and Solano County.

Heritage Homeschool Support (HHS) was established with Christian values, and its officers, board of directors, and staff must sign a **Statement of Faith** that affirms basic Christian beliefs. However, HHS is open to any homeschooling family, regardless of religious or denominational affiliation. Members will not be pressured to change their religious beliefs in any way. Because the organization has Christian roots, aspects of the Christian faith will be expressed in its activities and communication.

## **Membership Benefits**

Heritage Homeschool Support is a member-driven support group, and as such encourages participation and welcomes ideas and suggestions from its members for activities and events. These include field trips, guest speakers, and any extra events that would be beneficial to the homeschool community and our support group. The Board of Directors, with final approval by the Managing Members, must approve all activities that are sponsored through HHS.

The following will be provided as part of membership dues:

- Membership to HHS, including all rights as a member.
- Access to resources and information on the HHS website [www.heritagearrows.org](http://www.heritagearrows.org)
- Opportunity to participate in HHS-sponsored parent group, field trips, academic events, competitions and other activities.
- Access to HHS mentorship services (for additional fee)
- Support, encouragement, and fellowship with other homeschooling families.

Special note: Access to the school year academic support classes scheduled for Mondays through Thursdays at The Fathers House (TFH) will be open to only TFH families. Enrollment in that program will be handled separately from this membership agreement and application.

## **Membership Requirements**

Membership in HHS is open to anyone interested in home education. Members must meet and agree to the following qualifications:

- I will respect the mission and purpose of HHS.
- I have read and agree with the Membership Agreement. This also serves as your family application.
- I have paid the current annual membership dues.
- I agree to volunteer for at least one HHS activity during the school year. (More info coming soon)

The Board of Directors reserves the right to deny membership if it is determined to be destructive to the group as a whole. In the event a member fails to uphold the Membership Agreement, the Board of Directors will take the following actions:

- first offense- verbal or written warning
- second offense- suspension of membership benefits for a period of time to be determined by the Board
- third offense- termination of membership with HHS.

**\* In cases where the Board of Directors deems it necessary, the Board reserves the right to skip these steps and immediately terminate the membership.**

## Expected Conduct

Please remember that your conduct at any HHS-sponsored event reflects not only the image of HHS, but also all home schoolers in general.

- Parents are responsible for the behavior and actions of their children at all times. Children are not to be left unsupervised at any activity. No children are to be allowed outside of any building HHS is using without a staff member's supervision.
- All members (parents and children) will respect any facility used or visited by HHS. This includes proper use and treatment of furniture and equipment, being mindful of noise levels, and not running or rough-housing indoors.
- There will be no destruction of property (including carving, writing on or defacing property; littering; and willful or accidental damage to property). Parents will be held financially responsible for any damage (accidental or otherwise) that their family or their guest may cause to a facility or property in use by HHS.
- All members (parents and children) will be respectful to others by using appropriate and respectful language.
- Music used or listened to at any HHS function must be honoring of family values.
- Parents and children are required to dress modestly at HHS functions. Appropriate clothing should cover all private body parts. At no time should undergarments be visible. Clothing should not have any words or pictures that would be considered offensive or rude.
- There is to be no public displays of affection between older students at any HHS function.
- If you have a concern about another child's conduct, please address it with the child's parent in a courteous manner. If you feel the matter is not resolved, contact a member of the Board.
- The Board of Directors may request changes in behavior as necessary. If the behavior is not corrected, the person may be asked to leave the event.
- Parents should notify the Event Coordinator in advance if they will be unable to attend an event due to illness or other circumstance out of their control.

## Policies and Procedures

The Board of Directors may revise the terms of the Membership Agreement at any time. All members will be given notification of any changes via electronic media.

Written requests to cancel membership via mail or electronic media shall become effective immediately.

The Board of Directors shall be appointed by the officers of the organization. Following are the requirements for Board members:

- Be an active member of HHS.
- Be a current homeschool parent through California home education law according to California Department of Education policy or a homeschool graduate parent.
- Agree to a minimum of a one-year commitment to a position on the Board.
- Have the spouse's consent and support.
- Uphold the Statement of Faith required by HHS for Board members.

It is the Board of Directors' belief that with our purpose to offer support and encouragement to all homeschool families through our involvement on the Board, it is structurally important that Board members be comprised of strong Christian leaders who will set positive examples and maintain integrity.

## FAMILY INFORMATION:

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**PARENT 1 PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PARENT 2 PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT 1 EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PARENT 2 EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read and my family will follow these guidelines as presented above while we are members of Heritage Homeschool Support.**

**PARENT 1:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PARENT 2:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this completed form with your \$40 annual membership fee to August 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.**