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Homeschool enrollment packet
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CEDARCREEK SCHOOLHOUSE ACADEMY HOMESCHOOL ENROLLMENT PACKET

Dear Parent:

The information in this packet has been designed to explain what the Tennessee Homeschooling Law is about and to help you enroll your student(s) in homeschooling. PLEASE READ THE PACKET CAREFULLY. If you are willing to make the commitment to homeschooling, please follow the steps to enroll.

At CSA we firmly believe that homeschooling is a wonderful option for some families. We work hard to be your homeschooling partner, and we are available to help answer your questions, find solutions to your problems, and help you provide the best education for your student(s). There are some definite ADVANTAGES to homeschooling for many families. These are; 1) the student receives more help with his studies, more reinforcement of his work, and more one-to-one help; 2) the student has a more flexible study schedule; 3) the home-school family has more quality time together; and 4) the homeschool family has more control over the curriculum and the way in which it can be taught.

There are, of course, some CONCERNS that families should consider in their decision to homeschool. These are: 1) homeschooling is HARD work for the parent--there are lessons to plan, teach, and grade; 2) there is paperwork to keep--attendance and grades; and 3) if you at sometime decide to return your student(s) to public or private school, your student may be TESTED to determine if their work or credits will be accepted.

Please consider what is best for your student and your family. Read this packet carefully. Call the school if you have questions or want to make an appointment to come in and talk with us. Attend a parent support group meeting to see how you can become a great homeschooling family. We have seen the benefits for ten years. Our Graduates are in colleges and vocational schools throughout Tennessee and other states. Homeschoolers traditionally make higher scores on their standardized tests and on the ACT. Homeschooling is an EXCELLENT choice for many families. Try it and see what you can give your children--a GREAT EDUCATION.

Sincerely yours,

Beth Buchanan,
Director

D. Wayne Buchanan, Administrator

*please keep this packet handy for future reference.

CURRICULUM INFORMATION

As a homeschooling parent, you may choose any state approved textbooks for your student. You may use the same textbooks as your local school system. We will provide you with ordering information if you choose the textbooks from your school system. At CSA, we recommend the ALPHA OMEGA HOMESCHOOLING CURRICULUM. We recommend it because it is an excellent, very thorough curriculum, and because it is very parent friendly. It comes with everything you need--textbooks, tests, and teacher manuals with the answers. We do not sell textbooks at CSA. We are not a bookstore, but we will provide you with the booklist that your student needs. There are local bookstores where you can purchase these books or you can order direct from ALPHA OMEGA by phone or online.

TESTING INFORMATION

Your student will be REQUIRED to come to the school once per year to take the TENTH EDITION OF THE STANFORD ACHIEVEMENT TEST. This testing will be done the first week of April. You will receive a letter with the test schedule in February. YOU MUST CALL THE SCHOOL AND RESERVE YOUR TESTING TIME. The \$46.00 testing fee is due by MARCH 1st. You will receive your student's test results by the end of June. You may pick them up at the school or they will be mailed to you.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

Parent Support Group Meetings will be held EVERY THURSDAY IN AUGUST and EVERY SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, JANUARY, FEBRUARY, APRIL, AND MAY AT 6:30PM AT THE SCHOOL. Please call the school and let us know you are coming. At these meetings we will talk about homeschooling concerns that you may have. We will answer questions about curriculum, testing, and record keeping. We will set up workshops to help you teach certain subjects, (i.e., reading, math, language, etc.). We will help you set up study groups and interest groups (i.e., art, drama, sports, music, Bible Study, etc.), and we will help you find tutors. PLEASE TRY TO ATTEND AT LEAST TWO MEETINGS PER YEAR. They are informative and will help you as you meet homeschooling challenges.

FIELD TRIPS

We encourage homeschoolers to go on field trips with us. A calendar of field trips is available June 1. Please call the office for one to be mailed to you.

HOMESCHOOL ENROLLMENT STEPS:

- STEP 1 Read through the enrollment packet and determine that this is the educational option you choose for your student(s).
- STEP 2 Fill out the enclosed application form and the Record Request completely. Sign the homeschool policies form.
- STEP 3 Detach these forms from the packet and mail them to the school along with your student's tuition;
OR
Call the school and make an appointment to come in and enroll your student;
OR
Visit our website, download the application, record request, and policy page. Fill out and send in with your tuition.
- STEP 4 If you can obtain an unofficial transcript from your student's previous school, please send or bring it with your application.
- STEP 5 After you have enrolled your student, we will provide you with a receipt, an ID card, a book/curriculum list, and the Progress and Attendance forms you will need. YOU will need to contact your local school board to let them know that you have enrolled your student in a STATE APPROVED homeschool. We will provide you with the name of the contact person at your school board. THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT STEP. THIS STEP ENSURES THAT YOUR STUDENT IS ON THE RIGHT LIST FOR ATTENDANCE PURPOSES.
- STEP 6 KEEP YOUR ENROLLMENT KIT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE. It contains important information regarding progress and attendance forms, parent meetings, field trips, testing information, and graduation.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PROMOTION AND GRADUATION

KINDERGARTEN-SECOND GRADE

Students must complete the following courses:

READING

LANGUAGE

MATH

BIBLE

*progress and attendance forms for 180 days must be turned in; parent may elect to have student take the standardized achievement test

THIRD- EIGHTH GRADES

Students must complete the following courses:

READING

LANGUAGE ARTS

MATH

SCIENCE/HEALTH

SOCIAL STUDIES

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

ART/MUSIC/FAMILY LIVING SKILLS/COMPUTER

BIBLE

*progress and attendance forms for 180 days must be turned in; student **MUST** take the standardized achievement test

9TH-12TH GRADES

Students must take the following courses to earn a total of 23 credits

4 courses of English

4 courses of Math (beginning with 9th graders in 2009)

3 courses of Science

3 courses of Social Studies

2 courses of Health and PE

2 courses of a Foreign Language

1 course of Art/Drama

.5 course of Personal Finance

1 course of Computer

2 courses of Bible

.5 course of speech/communication

*progress and attendance forms for 180 days must be turned in every 18 weeks ; students must take the standardized achievement test and 11th/12th graders are encouraged to take the ACT or SAT

FEE SCHEDULE FOR CEDARCREEK SCHOOLHOUSE ACADEMY

TUITION is for a calendar year (one FULL year from date of enrollment i.e., JUNE 1ST TO JUNE 1ST).

Tuition for FIRST student\$150.00
Tuition for 2nd student\$125.00
Tuition for 3rd student\$100.00
Tuition for 4th student\$ 75.00
Tuition for 5th & above FREE

OTHER FEES:

Achievement Test fee	\$46.00 (must be paid by March 1st)
Fee for returned check	\$25.00
Fee for Driver's License	
Form (1st 2 are free)	\$10.00
Senior College/Career	
Consultation fee	\$25.00
Transcript fee (1st 4	
are free)	\$ 3.00
Diploma Replacement	\$ 5.00

FEES FOR TUTORING/TUTORIALS:

One 2 hour session per week*	\$25.00 per week
Three 2 hour sessions per week*	\$60.00 per week
Four 2 hour sessions per week*	\$75.00 per week

*these sessions will be tutored by a certified teacher at our Tutoring Center.
All sessions must be scheduled and paid in advance. Tutoring times will be Monday-Thursday 1:00pm -3:00 pm. Other times are available.
All grade levels and subjects are available.

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APPLICATION FOR CSA

NAME OF STUDENT _____
BIRTHDATE _____ **SOCIAL SECURITY #** _____
GRADE TO ENTER _____ **for school year 2012-2013**
LAST SCHOOL ATTENDED _____

MOTHER'S NAME _____
ADDRESS _____ **PHONE #** _____

city _____ **state** _____ **zip code** _____ **county** _____
PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT _____
WORK PHONE # _____ **EMAIL** _____

FATHER'S NAME _____
ADDRESS _____ **PHONE #** _____

city _____ **state** _____ **zip code** _____ **county** _____
PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT _____
WORK PHONE # _____ **EMAIL** _____

CHURCH _____
PLEASE WRITE IN 3-5 SENTENCES EXPLAINING YOUR REASONS FOR DECIDING TO HOMESCHOOL. Include your future plans, (i.e., will you continue to homeschool, or will your student return to public or private school sometime in the future.) _____

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REQUEST FOR RECORDS

_____ D.O.B. _____ has
enrolled in CEDARCREEK SCHOOLHOUSE
ACADEMY in the _____ grade.

Please send his/her records as soon as possible.

Thank you for your assistance.

Parent or Guardian Date

D. Wayne Buchanan/ Administrator Date

**CEDARCREEK SCHOOLHOUSE ACADEMY
HOMESCHOOLING POLICIES**

- I. Parent(s) must be available four (4) hours per school day for the required one hundred eighty (180) days to supervise and teach student(s).
- II. Parent(s) MUST submit PROGRESS AND ATTENDANCE REPORTS at the end of each semester. Your student's file will be incomplete and NO CREDIT will be issued for the school year without these Progress and Attendance reports.
- III. Parent(s) may choose any STATE APPROVED curriculum and textbooks to accompany same. (see CURRICULUM INFORMATION)
- IV. Parent(s) must comply with TANAS SCHOOL REGULATION of including BIBLE STUDY within the curriculum. Grades for BIBLE must be included on the PROGRESS AND ATTENDANCE REPORT.
- V. Parent(s) may choose to hire a TUTOR for some courses.
- VI. Parent(s) are ENCOURAGED to attend REGULAR MONTHLY PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS. (see calendar)
- VII. Homeschoolers are ENCOURAGED to attend any and all FIELD TRIP ACTIVITIES OF CSA. (a calendar will be provided) Homeschoolers are also ENCOURAGED to participate in TANAS SPELLING BEE, WRITING CONTEST, and SCIENCE FAIR.
- VIII. Homeschoolers MUST TAKE THE ACHIEVEMENT TEST AT CSA in the spring during testing hours. (see TESTING information).

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE DATE PARENT(S) SIGNATURE DATE

(please SIGN, DETACH, AND MAIL WITH YOUR APPLICATION)