

SCHEF 20__ -20__

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION **Parents or Guardians please complete all information as thoroughly as possible**

Family Last Name _____

Father: _____

Mother: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Church Affiliation: _____

Primary Email _____

Address: _____

Email is our primary way of keeping you informed of SCHEF information.

Please complete the following for each of your children that you will be homeschooling.

Name DOB / Age Grade Curriculum Used

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Louisiana residents, which plan will you be using to home educate your children? Home Study Program _____ Private School _____

Virtual School (not online public school, i.e. LACA or K-12) _____

SCHEF's by-laws state that all education must be under the ultimate control and supervision of the parents (Article V, Section 2: Education). Therefore, virtual schools (K-12, Connections, etc.) are not considered home school. Any family that chooses this as their form of education does not qualify to be a SCHEF member. Initial here _____ stating that you have read this statement.

Are you a member of the Home School Legal Defense Association/HSLDA? YES _____ NO _____

If not, are you interested in learning more about HSLDA? YES _____ NO _____

SCHEF is an all volunteer organization. Without help from all SCHEF families, SCHEF is unable to thrive. "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

Check at least 1 box indicating an area in which you or your teen (16 or older) would like to volunteer.

Field Trips _____ Social Activities _____ PE / Fitness _____

Graduation _____ Achievement Testing _____ Field Day _____

Newsletter Design _____ Home School Help _____ Co-op _____

Each of my children have permission to be photographed at SCHEF events? YES _____

NO _____ *To be used in newsletters & advertisements to help promote SCHEF and SCHEF events & activities.*

SCHEF Constitution and By-Laws

ARTICLE IV - STATEMENT OF FAITH

Section 1: Preface

Our Statement of Faith includes only those truths upon which all true Christians agree. It is the faith once delivered to the saints (Jude 3, Eph. 4:5), which distinguishes believers from non-believers. There are many other precious truths taught in the Bible over which godly men have differed in understanding. Therefore, this is not a statement of all that is important to believe, but of all that is essential to believe for Christian fellowship and unity. (Rom. 15:7)

Section 2: Statement

We believe:

1. The Bible to be the inspired, infallible, divinely preserved Word of God, the supreme and final authority for all faith and life.
2. That there is one living and true God; an infinite, intelligent Spirit, perfect in all His attributes, one in essence but eternally subsistent in three Persons; Father; Son and Holy Spirit.
3. In the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, His sinless life, His miracles, His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood on the cross, His bodily resurrection, His ascension, and His imminent bodily return in power and glory.
4. That man was created in the image of God, but fell into sin and is therefore lost, and only those who put their faith in Jesus Christ alone, not trusting in any personal works whatsoever, can be saved.
5. That salvation is the free gift of God brought to the sinner by grace and received by personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, Whose substitutionary death on the cross paid the penalty for man's sin.
6. That the ministry of the Holy Spirit is to convict mankind; indwell, guide, instruct and empower the believer for godly living and service.

We have read the SCHEF Constitution and By-laws, Article IV, Statement of Faith (above) and we are in agreement with it.

Father Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Signature required)

Mother Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Signature required)

Annual dues = \$35.00

(Dues will be used to cover insurance costs as well as provide a working budget for activities)

Late fees = \$5.00

(A late fee of \$5 will be added to any returning member application received after kick-off)

Total Due \$_____

Please make check payable to SCHEF. Mail with your completed application* & your signed Statement of Faith** to:

SCHEF

P.O. Box 2701

Slidell, La 70459

*No money or applications will be accepted without: payment of dues & other fees, a signed Statement of Faith, and a signed Code of Conduct. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!***

Applications for membership are subject to approval by Slidell Christian Home Educators Fellowship

SCHEF CODE OF CONDUCT

At all times from the day my family and/or I join SCHEF until the end of the SCHEF year and/or after all school year events, I will seriously and diligently make my best effort to:

1. Abide by and uphold the constitution, by-laws, and policies of SCHEF as set forth in the Member Handbook available to all members at their time of joining.
2. Understand my responsibilities as a home-educating parent for the safety and well-being of the children in my care by supervising them at all events, gatherings, field trips, and/or educational or athletic activities or providing a legal guardian for them if I cannot be present.
3. Understand that I'm a representative of SCHEF at all SCHEF events or events that I attend as a result of being a member of SCHEF, and that I am ultimately responsible for my behavior and that of my family and children, and that I will attempt at all times to set a proper example for young people around me by:
 - a. Refraining from cursing and/or using coarse or foul language
 - b. Dressing modestly and respecting the existing SCHEF dress code
 - c. Showing respect for myself and others by abstaining from alcohol, illegal drugs, or tobacco products while supervising or participating in SCHEF events or activities
 - d. Refraining from inappropriate public displays of affection toward individuals who are not members of my immediate family
 - e. Refraining from harsh criticism or disrespectful treatment of other children, other adults, athletic opponents, coaches/teachers, sports or tournament officials
 - f. Speaking respectfully & politely to all adults, regardless of whether they are members of SCHEF
 - g. Playing and dealing fairly with everyone, and abiding by the rules set down for sports or other activities
 - h. Respecting all facilities, homes, and equipment at SCHEF events and attempting always to leave them in as good or better condition than I found them by picking up any used items or trash and refusing to damage or participate in the vandalism of these items
 - i. Appealing any concerns or problems through proper channels of authority and abiding by the decisions made by those invested with that authority
4. I also agree that if I fail to abide by the aforementioned Code of Conduct, that I will be subjected to disciplinary actions that may include the following:
 - a. A verbal warning by an official, board member, or other adult entrusted by SCHEF to lead events or activities in which you or your family is participating
 - b. A written warning by such officials or authorities
 - c. Parental and/or student suspension from a SCHEF activity, event, and/or athletic event with a written explanation and documentation of the incident that will be kept in the SCHEF files until it is resolved
 - d. Parental and/or student forfeit of SCHEF membership and fees and permanent suspension from all SCHEF activities, events, and/or athletic events with a written explanation and documentation of the incident which will be kept in SCHEF files.
5. Understand that SCHEF is a Christian organization as described in our Statement of Faith: I recognize SCHEF's need to maintain a positive and good name within the community, and I agree to uphold, to the best of my ability, this Standard of Conduct. I also understand that my eligibility to participate in SCHEF events and activities can be restricted or withdrawn by me or my family's failure to comply with these standards.

Dad Signature _____

Mom Signature _____

Family Name (print) _____

Date:_____ Children's Names:_____