



Membership Application

1. Select Your Membership Level

Full Membership

- I have read the Constitution, Statement of Home Schooling Values and Statement of Faith. I concur with all three and agree to abide by the Constitution of SACHSA. (Please see the pages within this document).

Associate Membership

- I have read the Constitution, Statement of Home Schooling Values and Statement of Faith. I do not agree with the Statement of Faith, but I agree with the Statement of Home Schooling Values and agree to abide by the Constitution of SACHSA.

2. Please Give Us Your Contact Information

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____

Email Address 1: _____

Email Address 2: _____

What Year Did You First Join SACHSA?: _____

What Year Did You Begin Home Schooling?: _____

How Many Children Are You Schooling This Year?: _____

3. We are an organization of home schoolers serving home schoolers. What areas are you interested in serving the SACHSA membership? Please select two.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Picnic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Thanksgiving Dinner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geography Bee | <input type="checkbox"/> Swim Party |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Mom's Night Out |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcoming New Members |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spelling Bee | <input type="checkbox"/> Mentoring Moms |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports/PE Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Member Directory |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tutoring | <input type="checkbox"/> SACHSA Board of Directors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Park Days | <input type="checkbox"/> SACHSA Administration |

List any areas of home schooling where you would like to share your experience:

List any areas of expertise that your family would be willing to share with the membership:

Is there anything else you would like to share regarding how you could serve the membership?

Have you ever held a position or office in a home school organization?

If you could say something to encourage a new home school family, what would it be?

Do you have any home schooling issues you feel SACHSA could assist you with?

Is your family involved in a business or service that the membership might want to know about?

4. Sign this Form

I understand that SACHSA is NOT responsible for the education of my children. It is my responsibility to know and meet Texas state requirements for educating my children. We ask that each parent sign below.

Father's signature: _____ Date: _____

Mother's signature: _____ Date: _____

5. Pay Your Dues

Membership dues are \$10.00 and due by August 31 each year. After September 1, the dues are \$20.00. If you are a new member, and you do not join SACHSA until December 31, then dues are \$5.00 for the remainder of the year.

Please mail this form with a check or money order for your dues to: **SACHSA, P.O. Box 62142, San Angelo, Texas 76906**



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Statement of Faith

WE AFFIRM THESE ADDITIONAL TENETS OF CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY:

1. The Bible is the verbally inspired and only infallible, authoritative Word of God, inherent in the autographs (2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Pet. 1:20-21).
2. God is one Being and eternally exists as three Persons - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; of the Persons are equal in power and glory (Matt. 28:19; 2 Cor.13:14).
3. Jesus Christ is fully God and man (John 1:1,14), born of a virgin (Matt. 1:18) and sinless in His life (Heb. 4:15); He died vicariously on the cross as a substitute for sinful men (Heb. 9:15); He rose bodily from the grave (John 20:1-9, 24-31; Acts 2:24) and now reigns with the Father (Acts 2:33; Heb. 10:12); He will return visibly and personally to the earth both in salvation and judgement (Acts 1:11; Heb. 9:28; Matt. 24:30).*
4. All humans are sinful by nature (Rom. 3:23; 5:12) and can only be forgiven by the expression of trust in Jesus as Savior (John 3:16) brought about by the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit (Tit. 3:5-7).
5. We believe in the continuing ministry of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (Rom. 8:1-17).
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation (Rev. 20:4-15).
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers on our Lord Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 12:12-27; Eph. 4:4).
8. We reject any tenets which do not conform to the Word of God.

* AS defined by the Nicene and Athanasian creeds.



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Statement of Homeschooling Values

FAMILY

We believe that the family is the basic governmental, social, and spiritual unit created by God. In it the child gradually learns self-government, social relationships, and develops a relationship to the Creator. The family also provides protection from over-extensive government and over stimulating social involvement. We understand family to mean a male and female parent with one or more children, all related by blood, though we realize the exceptions of a single parent, adopted children, and step-children.

We reject transitory co-habitation relationships as being in violation of God's laws and incapable of providing the long-term nurture and instruction needed by children and commanded by God. We also reject homosexual marriages or homosexual orientation because these are contrary to Scripture and the intentions of God in Creation, and we believe that such relationships are destructive to children and the very idea of family. In view of these beliefs, no homosexual or non-married cohabitating parents or couples are eligible for full or associate membership.

PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN EDUCATION

We believe the ultimate responsibility for the education of children belongs to parents. Thus, we believe this is an inalienable right given by God, which the State can neither create, destroy, nor alter. Parents may delegate another to teach some of the cognitive information that children need to know, but all education must be under the control and supervision of the parents.

We believe education in the home to be the best form of education, but we recognize that many parents cannot educate at home for valid reasons, and we support the right of parents to choose the education they believe to be in the best interest of each child.

NATURE OF EDUCATION

We believe that all education is religious in nature since one's view of the world and life inevitably is involved in teaching. Every discipline of knowledge, whether it is subjects such as mathematics, science, or history, will have as its final reference point a theistic or humanistic view of reality, and there is no neutral academic discipline.

Thus, we believe that all social, physical, and cognitive knowledge should have as its beginning the fear of God and as its end the glory of God.



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Constitution

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the association shall be San Angelo Christian Home School Association (SACHSA), a non-profit association.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of SACHSA is to provide support to parents who educate their children at home. Support may include (but not limited to): 1) activities which edify and assist parents in teaching their children, such as meetings, workshops, and mom's fellowship opportunities; 2) activities which allow parents and children to enjoy friendships with other home schooling families, such as park days and skate days; 3) group educational opportunities, such as field trips and spelling bees; 4) a newsletter; and 5) basic information (but not legal advice) on legal concerns. SACHSA shall not in any way impinge on the rights of parents to educate their children as they believe best, but shall strive to offer advice and help as a service to families desiring assistance.

ARTICLE III - EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board of SACHSA shall consist of seven voting members as follows: President, Vice-President, Past President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director, and Member-at-Large. The President, Vice-President and Past-President shall be men. Board members will be nominated by the current Board and subject to the approval by a majority of the members of SACHSA in attendance at the annual May meeting. Spouses of board members will serve as participating, non-voting members of the Board. If any Board position is vacated during the year, the remaining Board members will decide whether or not to fill the vacated position. The Board may appoint any member who meets the qualifications of the vacated position to assume that position. A vacancy in the position of Past-President must be filled by a past Board member, if the remaining Board members decide to fill that position.

The Executive Board will not be involved in the monthly planning, coordinating, or implementing of the activities of SACHSA. The purpose of the Executive Board will be to assist in providing policy, leadership, and oversight of SACHSA. The Executive Board will meet in the month of April to review the past year and present for approval of the new Board members and membership dues for the next year and in the month of August to plan for the new year. The Executive Board shall schedule additional board meetings as needed.

The President, or in his absence the Past-President or other Officer designated by the President, shall preside over all Executive Board meetings, authorize the disbursement of funds, and speak for the association. The Vice-President and Past-President will assist the President in the performance of his duties and chair special committees set up by the President. The Secretary will be responsible for keeping a record of each Executive Board meeting and handling any correspondence necessary. The Treasurer will receive funds and make disbursements authorized by the President and /or Director and provide at each Executive Board meeting an accounting of the association's financial condition. Records shall be reviewed or audited annually as determined by the Executive Board. The Director will coordinate the monthly activities of SACHSA, authorize the disbursement of funds (up to a limit determined by the Board), speak for the association, provide input on the status of the association at Executive Board Meetings, and come under the oversight of the Executive Board. The Executive Board Members shall be subject to censorship or dismissal from office by a 2/3 majority of the members in attendance at a meeting called for that purpose.

Executive Board Members of SACHSA shall meet the following qualifications: 1. The President, Vice-President, and Past-President shall be men. The other four officers may be men or women. The reason for the requirement for the three officers to be men is that the association is composed of home schooling families over which men are to provide the leadership according to Scripture. SACHSA is an extension of the home and should mirror the home in this respect. 2. Executive Board Members shall have educated or have been committed to home schooling for at least one year. This allows the inclusion of those who are not formally or in a structured way educating their children in the cognitive skills, but are committed to home schooling. 3. Executive Board Members must be full members of SACHSA.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

There shall be two categories of membership within SACHSA: full membership and associate membership.

Full membership: Full membership in SACHSA shall be restricted to home schooling families who concur with the Statement of Faith, and the Statement of Homeschooling Values and agree to abide by the Constitution.



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Constitution Continued

Associate members do not qualify for voting or holding Executive Board positions, but have full privileges to attend all SACHSA activities and to benefit from all support services. Associate members must conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the goals and purposes of the association.

Membership dues will be assessed per family at the beginning of each school year and will be determined each year by the Executive Board with the approval of the membership at the annual May business meeting. Those who are unable to pay in full at the beginning of each year can make special payment arrangements.

Any member who ceases to abide by the Constitution, or in some way brings disrepute on the association, shall be Biblically confronted by the Executive Board members for restoration; if unrepentant, the person will be excluded from membership (Matt. 18:15-20; 1Cor .5:1-5; II John 9-11).

ARTICLE V - RELATIONSHIP OF GENERAL ASSOCIATION TO SMALL LOCAL GROUPS

As home schooling becomes increasingly popular and the membership of SACHSA grows, it may become advantageous to establish smaller support groups within the larger association for the purpose of close fellowship. If that situation arises, the general association shall provide the nucleus of contact for the smaller support groups.

The smaller groups have freedom as to how they conduct their meetings and the time and date of their meetings. They have virtual autonomy from the larger association, but must abide by the Constitution of SACHSA.

ARTICLE VI - AMENDMENT

This constitution may be amended by a three-fourths vote of the members present and voting at a general meeting of the organization provided written notice of such meeting, together with a copy of the proposed amendment, is mailed to all members at least one week in advance of the meeting.