# Utah Christian Homeschool Association 2023-2024 MEMBERSHIP

### To apply for membership, please complete all questions.

- Become part of a Christian homeschooling community in Utah and learn and grow with likeminded homeschoolers.
- Pastors receive a free membership. This offer is for those whose primary vocation is pastoring a church. Please include the name of the church you pastor.
- The \$35 annual membership fee covers the school year from July 1st to June 30th. The fee is not pro-rated for those who join mid-year. Sign the Statement of Faith (page 2) to complete your application. UTCH appreciates your support and looks forward to hearing from you.

Membership Tyr	be: Family	Pastor Su	upporter	
Last Name	Husband's Name		Wife's Name	
Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code, Co	ounty)			
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Husband's Phone Number		Wife's Phone Number		
Husband's Email		Wife's Email		
What church do you attend? Please include the city in which it is located.				
Are you an HSLDA Member? (If not, use Group Discount #293197 to receive \$15 off!)     Will you join a UTCH Co-op for the 2023-2024 school year?     Do you have a student graduating in 2024?     Are you interested in joining the private UTCH Facebook group?				
Please list the names and grades of children that you will be homeschooling this year.				
\$35 family membership fee enclosed. Optional: Additional donation of \$ enclosed. (Donations are tax-deductible).     Supporter Membership, donation of \$ enclosed.     Pastor Membership				
Make checks payable to UTCH. Mail the UTCH Treasurer c/o E. Fuchikami 862 East Dry Creek Road Sandy, Utah 84094	is form and your check	Importai	nt: Please review and sign the Statement of ge 2, otherwise your membership application will be incomplete.	
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Check #:

God designed the family as the foundation for proper government, society, and spiritual development. In it, the child gradually learns self-governance, social responsibilities, and develops a personal relationship with the Creator and Savior. (Eph. 6:1-3; Col. 3:20).

God-given responsibility for the education of children belongs to parents (Deuteronomy 4:9; 6:1-25; Ephesians 6:1-4). All education is religious in nature (Proverbs 2:1-8; 3:1-2; 6:20-23; Matthew 28:18-20). Every discipline of knowledge will have as its final reference point a theistic or humanistic view of reality (Colossians 1:15-20; 2:8-15), and there are no neutral academic disciplines.

We reject all philosophies, beliefs, and teachings that are contrary to the written Word of God, which is the Holy Bible. Thus, we believe that knowledge begins with the fear of God and ends in the glory of God (Proverbs 1:7; Romans 11:33-36).

We affirm these essential tenets of Christian theology:

- The Bible, inspired by the Holy Spirit, is the only written authoritative Word of God, infallible and inerrant in the original autographs (II Timothy. 3:16-17; II Peter 1:20-21).
- The Bible consists of the 66 books of the Old and New Testaments. There are no divinely inspired books other than these. The canon of scripture was closed at the end of the apostolic age (Revelation 22:18-19).
- God is one being, and He eternally exists as three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; all of the Persons are equal in power and glory (Matthew 28:19; II Corinthians 13:14).
- Jesus Christ is fully God and fully man (John 1:1, 14), born of a virgin (Matthew 1:18), sinless in His life (Hebrews 4:15), He willingly died on the cross as a substitute for sinful men (Hebrews 9:15), He rose bodily from the grave (John 20:1-9; 24-31; Acts 2:24), and He now reigns with the Father (Colossians 3:1, Hebrews 8:1).
- All humans are sinful by nature (Romans 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 (Titus 3:5-7). The Holy Spirit indwells the Christian, empowering him to live a godly life (Romans 8:1-17).
- God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as either male or female. These two distinct and complementary genders together reflect the image and nature of God. Rejection of one's biological sex (male or female) is a rejection of the image of God within the person (Genesis 1:26-27; 2:18-25).
- A family is a married man and a woman who may have one or more children (Genesis 1:26-28). Though we recognize the exception of a single parent home (James 1:27), God intends marriage to be an exclusive and lifelong union (Matthew 19:3-6, 1 Cor. 7:2-5). God has ordained men to lead their households and to love their wives as Christ loves the church, wives are subject to the Christ focused leadership of their husband, and children are to obey their parents (Ephesians 5:19-6:4).
- God intends sexual intimacy to occur only between a man and a woman who are married and committed to each other. All sexual activity occurring outside of Biblical marriage (adultery, fornication, homosexuality, bisexuality, incest, lust, and the use of pornography) are sinful and offensive to God. (1 Corinthians 6:9-10; 6:18-20, Romans 1:24-32)

This statement of faith is a statement of the basics of our common biblical, Christian faith that unites us as Christian homeschoolers. UTCH will not accept a statement of faith that has been altered. We require that at a minimum one parent be able to agree with and sign this document in good conscience.

For the protection of your homeschool, it is prudent to have both signatures. Please contact UTCH in writing or by email if you have any question concerning this statement. The signatures below indicate my/our agreement with the UTCH Statement of Faith.

Mother/Guardian

Father/Guardian



Assumption of Risk, Waiver, and Release of Liability and Indemnity for Members, Participants, and Volunteers

## PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT THAT AFFECTS YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS

In consideration for being permitted to participate or volunteer in an event hosted by the Utah Christian Homeschool Association (UTCH) and/or enter any premises where UTCH activities are held, I, for myself and any personal representatives, heirs, and next of kin, and if applicable, on behalf of the minor(s) listed on my membership application or below, hereby acknowledge, agree, and represent as follows:

#### Waiver and Release of Liability Agreement

I (on behalf of myself, my spouse, heirs, personal representatives, my estate, my parents and assigns, referred to as "Releasing Parties"), and if applicable, on behalf of the minor(s) listed on my membership application or below, agree not to sue and hereby waive, release, and discharge UTCH and its respective trustees, directors, officers, employees, volunteers, independent contractors, agents, successors, and assigns (referred to as "Protected Parties") from an and all liability of every nature arising out of, or in connection with, or relating to member's, participant's, or volunteer's participation in or use of services, education, meetings, events, facilities, field trips, or activities. This agreement is voluntary, but required for membership, participation, and for those generous enough to serve the Christian home school community here in Utah as volunteers.

#### **Indemnity Agreement**

Releasing Parties shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify the Protected Parties from and against any and all liability, claims, demands, loss, damage, expense, costs, judgments (including without limitation costs, attorney's fees, and fees of litigation). Liability includes any claims, damages, losses, and expenses arising out of or resulting from performance of this Agreement that results in any claim for damage whatsoever such as the inability to work, loss of consortium, or other damages including damage to or destruction of tangible property, including the loss of use resulting therefrom. This includes all claims arising from my, and if applicable, the minor(s) listed below, presence at, and/or participation in all UTCH activities. Further, all Parties shall maintain a policy or policies of insurance (or a self- insurance program), sufficient in coverage and amount to pay any judgments or related expenses from or in conjunction with any such claims. To the extent allowable by state and federal law and not inconsistent with such, this Agreement shall require either Party to indemnify or hold harmless the other Party from liability for the negligent or wrongful acts or omissions of said other Party or its principals, officers, or employees.



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#### **Clarifying Clauses**

I expressly agree that the Release Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Utah, which are the laws that govern this agreement. I agree that, in the event any clause or provision of this Release is held to be void, voidable, or unenforceable, the remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect. Further, a waiver of a right under this Release does not prevent the exercise of any other right. If any dispute arises out of this Agreement, I agree that I will attempt to resolve such dispute in Christian mediation with a trained mediator, before filing any legal action. To revoke this Agreement, I must notify UTCH in writing in advance of the event.

#### Acknowledgement of Understanding

By signing below, I agree I have read both sides of this form and understand that by signing this form I am giving up legal rights and rights of any Releasing Party to sue for damages in the even to death, injury, or loss. I further acknowledge that I, on behalf of myself, and if applicable, on behalf of the minor(s) listed below, am signing the agreement freely and voluntarily, and intend my signature to be a complete and unconditional release of liability, including due to inherent risks of the activity to the greatest extent allowed by the law of the State of Utah.

Name:		Date:
Signature:		
Names of Minors if applicable:		
Home Phone:	_ Cell Phone:	
Emergency Contact:		
Work Phone:	Cell Phone:	