



## Membership Application

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Please read the enclosed NETCACHE Constitution then complete, sign and return this application along with membership fee payable to NETCACHE at the address above. The membership year begins September 1<sup>st</sup> and runs to the following August 31<sup>st</sup>. Membership is \$30 per membership year. New members joining after September 30<sup>th</sup> pay a prorated amount of \$2.50 per month for each month prior to the following September (January = \$20, April = \$12.50 etc). Membership provides subscription to the NETCACHE Newsletter and access to NETCACHE activities, classes, testing services, annual student recognition ceremonies and our membership directory. Non-members are welcome to attend the General meetings. Additional fees are required for some activities.

     *Check here if renewal application*

\*\*\*\* All Information is for NETCACHE use only \*\*\*\*

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about NETCACHE? \_\_\_\_\_

*All members will have their name, address, phone number and eligible children printed in the NETCACHE Directory. If you prefer to have this information excluded from the directory, please check this box:*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ TX ZIP+4: \_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Names, grades and birth dates of children you are homeschooling (including pre-school age children):**

_____	__/__/__	_____	__/__/__
_____	__/__/__	_____	__/__/__
_____	__/__/__	_____	__/__/__
_____	__/__/__	_____	__/__/__

Years of Home Teaching: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently home schooling at least one of your children?    Yes    No

Name(s) of your curriculum suppliers(s) and/or umbrella school:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Local Church Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Past Functions you have coordinated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Functions you could help coordinate: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## NETCACHE

### *Parent's/Guardian's Waiver and Participation Permit*

We, the undersigned, as members of NETCACHE, along with the children named on this application, desire to participate in activities and events sponsored by NETCACHE. In consideration of the benefits derived from membership for ourselves and our children, we voluntarily release and waive any and all actions, claims, and demands for, upon, or by reason of damage or loss to person or property that we or our child or children may directly or indirectly suffer during the course of or as a result of participating in the activity or event.

We understand that this release will bind us, our assigns and our personal representatives and our heirs.

We understand a waiver will also be required for any activity my child participates in and it is our responsibility to sign it before participating in a NETCACHE sponsored activity or event.

We understand that participation in NETCACHE sponsored activities is only open to those children who are being home schooled. Non-homeschooled children cannot participate in NETCACHE sponsored activities without the approval of the NETCACHE board, along with the consideration of the NETCACHE sponsored activity coordinator. These exceptions must be requested in writing to the NETCACHE board and outline the nature of the exception and reason for being unable to homeschool the child.

We concur with the NETCACHE constitution, including Article VIII *"Beliefs We Hold in Common"* and its tenets and agree to abide by it. Furthermore, we acknowledge that NETCACHE services are provided on an all-volunteer basis and understand we are expected to volunteer to coordinate or assist with an activity or function.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Father's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mother's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Membership fees pay for services on a cost basis but are not intended to exclude any home education family from NETCACHE membership. If your family is experiencing economic hardship, please complete and return this renewal application with a brief note explaining your situation. After approval by an executive board member, your membership fee will be waived. As your financial situation improves, we ask that you notify the board to revise your hardship status.

Comments/Suggestions/Questions:

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY: Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ Database Updated \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by Board \_\_\_\_\_

# NETCACHE Constitution

*Revised and Approved by Membership Vote on May 18, 2002*

*(Please Detach and Keep for Future Reference)*

## Article I Name

The name of the organization shall be North East Tarrant County Association of Christian Home Educators (also know as NETCACHE), a Christian charter.

## Article II Membership

NETCACHE shall be composed of home schooling families who desire to affiliate.

Membership shall be restricted to those individuals who concur with the Beliefs We Hold in Common as stated in Article VIII and agree to abide by the Constitution of the charter.

Membership dues will be exacted per family and will be determined each year by the Board members with the approval of the membership in regular general meetings. Special provision will be made for those who desire to be members, but are unable to pay.

Those who cease to agree with the Beliefs We Hold in Common or cease to abide by the Constitution or in some way bring disrepute to the Association, shall be biblically confronted by the Board members for restoration. If unrepentant, they will be excluded from membership (Matthew 18:15-20; I Corinthians 5:1-5; II John 9-11). The vote to exclude from membership shall be determined by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all Board members. Board members who are not present for the vote shall cast their vote in absentia.

## Article III Purpose

The purpose of the Association is to provide support to parents who educate their children at home. Support may include services such as field trips; small group meetings for close fellowship and for mutual educational, academic, spiritual and emotional encouragement; regularly scheduled large group meetings for information on curricula and assistance in choosing appropriate curriculum; special speakers; workshops; coordinated efforts of political and legal concern; a newsletter.

## Article IV Board Members

The Board members of the Association shall consist of President, Vice-President (the number to be determined by the current Board), Secretary and Treasurer.

The President shall provide the oversight for the Association through the other Board members and persons appointed by him. He shall preside or appoint someone to preside, over all General and Board meetings of the Association, work with the Treasurer in the disbursement of funds and speak for the organization.

The Vice-President(s) shall 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 meeting and handling any correspondence necessary. The Treasurer will receive funds and disburse payments and provide at each Board meeting an accounting of this activity. Records shall be reviewed or audited annually or as determined by the Board.

The office of President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board. The President, Secretary or Treasurer may be dismissed from their respective office by a majority vote of the other Board members at any Board meeting. A motion to remove or replace an officer shall never be out of order, shall take precedent over any other business, shall require a second, shall allow for a limited discussion and shall require a vote.

Any Board member shall be subject to censorship or dismissal from the Board by a two-thirds (2/3) vote by the members present and voting in regularly called general meetings or by a unanimous decision of the other Board members.

Board members of the Association shall meet the following qualifications:

Board members shall be men. The reason for this is that the Association is composed of home schooling families over which men are to provide the leadership according to the Scriptures. The Association is an extension of the home and should mirror the home.

Board members shall have home schooled for at least two years.

Board members must be members of the Association.

A Board member's term of office is for two years. Elections for Board members will be held each year at the May general membership meeting. A nominating committee is to be appointed by March 1 with nominations made by April 1. Written notice of these nominations are to be mailed to all members at least one (1) week in advance of the May general meeting. Should a Board member resign during his term of office, the Board may appoint someone to complete his term.

Motions and official business of the Board are binding pending a majority vote of those present. A quorum of two-thirds (2/3) or more of the Board members must be present in order to hold official business.

## Article V Attendance of Meetings

Persons who are not members of the Association are welcome to attend general meetings and should conduct themselves in a decent and respectable manner.

Persons who are not members of the Association will not be allowed to attend Board meetings.

Members of the Association may attend Board meetings.

## Article VI Meetings

The time, date, place and frequency of general meetings shall be decided by the Board members. The membership will be notified at least one week in advance of all general meetings.

All general meetings of the Association shall be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order in its most recent edition.

The time, date, place and frequency of Board meetings shall be decided by a majority vote of the Board members. All Board Members shall be notified of Board meetings within a reasonable amount of time. If the President is not able to attend a Board meeting and has not appointed a replacement to preside over the Board meeting, then the Secretary shall preside over the Board meeting. If both the President and Secretary are not able to attend a Board meeting and have not appointed a replacement to preside over the Board meeting, then the Treasurer shall preside over the Board meeting.

## Article VII Execution and Amendment of the Constitution

This Constitution shall become effective upon approval by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting at a general meeting called for that purpose. This The Constitution may be amended by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the members present and voting at a general meeting of the Association provided written notice of the proposed amendment(s) is mailed to all members at least one (1) week in advance of the meeting.

## Article VIII Beliefs We Hold In Common

The Bible is the verbally inspired and only infallible, authoritative Word of God, inerrant in the autographs (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21).

God is one Being, Who eternally exists as three Persons (i.e., Father, Son and Holy Spirit). All of the Persons are equal in power and glory (Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14).

Jesus Christ is fully God and man (John 1:1,4), born of a virgin (Matthew 1:18), and sinless in His life (Hebrews 4:15). He died vicariously on the cross as a substitution for sinful men (Hebrews 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; Hebrews 10:12). He will return visibly and personally to earth both in salvation and judgment (Acts 1:11; Hebrews 9:28; Matthew 24:30).

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).

We believe in the continuing ministry of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life (Romans 8:1-17).

We reject the anti-Christian tenets of secular humanism including the general theory of evolution, one world government, government mandated sex education, government mandated parenting courses, modern feminist ideology and abortion.

### *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 and Savior (Ephesians 6:1-3; Colossians 3:20). The family also provided protection from overextensive government and overstimulating social involvements.

We understand family to mean one male and one female parent with one or more children, all related by the institution of marriage though we recognize the exception of a single parent.

We reject homosexual marriages or homosexual orientation because it is contrary to Scripture and the intentions of God in Creation (Romans 1:18-32). As well, we reject transitory co-habitational relationships as being equally in violation of God's laws and incapable of providing the long-term nurture and instruction needed by children and commanded by God (Proverbs 1:8-9; 2:1-11; Colossians 3:21; Ephesians 6:4). In view of this, no homosexual or merely co-habiting "parents" are eligible for membership.

### *Parental Rights and Responsibility in Education*

We believe the ultimate responsibility for the education of children belongs to parents (Deuteronomy 4:9; 6:1-25; 4:1-4; Ephesians 6:4). Thus, we believe this is an inalienable right given by God which the State can neither create, destroy, nor alter. Parents may allow 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 send their children to private Christian schools.

### *Nature of Education*

We believe that all education is religious in nature since one's view of the world and life inevitable is involved in teaching (Proverbs 2:1-8; 3:1-2; 6:20-23; Matthew 28:18-20). Every disciple of knowledge, whether it be subjects such a mathematics, science, or history, will have as its final reference point a theistic or humanistic view of reality (Colossians 1:15-20; 2:8-15), 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 its end, the Glory of God (Proverbs 1:7; Romans 11:33-36).