Thank you for your interest in joining the CSRA HEA!
We are a Christian association of home educators seeking to encourage one another in the privilege of training up our children to love and serve God. Our members enjoy the benefits of supporting each other and sharing information and resources. The CSRA HEA offers monthly activities, standardized testing, student clubs, a used curriculum sale, an annual graduation ceremony, and other benefits.

Frequently Asked Questions.

* **May I join the CSRA HEA if my child is enrolled in a state-funded virtual school or academy?**
  In order to be a member, you must home school at least one child during the 2020-2021 school year. Please be aware that for our purposes students enrolled in more than 50% of their classes in any state-funded virtual school or academy (e.g., Georgia Cyber Academy, Georgia Connections Academy, or Provost Academy) are not considered home schooled and are not eligible for membership in the CSRA HEA.

* **Is the CSRA HEA considered an accountability group?**
  No, we are a support group, not an accountability group. Regarding South Carolina home schooling requirements, the CSRA HEA does not function as an “accountability group.”

Membership Process:

* After receiving your application and payment, we will process your application, and send a welcome packet to you and add your contact information to our membership directory. The Association handbook and directory will be emailed beginning in September (unless you choose to have a paper copy sent to you - see application). Please be aware that this membership information is considered confidential and should not be shared outside of the association.

* Please allow approximately 2 weeks for the processing of your application. (There are multiple steps in the process, each accomplished by volunteers serving the association).

* If you do NOT hear from us within approximately 2 weeks after submitting your application, please contact us by email at: info@csrahea.org -- or call: (762) 233-5432.

Important Dates to Remember:

* August 31, 2020 - Last day for application and payment to be received/postmarked in order to receive the “early bird” discount for those willing to volunteer and to be included in the primary association directory. An addendum will be available in January that will include those not in the original directory.

* October 31, 2020 - Last day for application and payment to be received/postmarked in order to be included in the spring 2021 Stanford Achievement Testing and/or CSRA HEA Graduation ceremony. **Families with graduates must also attend all graduation meetings. Please read the Graduation Fee Policy!**

Graduation Fee Policy:
To more equitably share the costs of organizing and running graduation, each family will be charged a fee which will be due at the **FIRST** graduation meeting. The graduation fee is determined based upon the number of **consecutive years** a participating family has been a member of the CSRA HEA. The fee schedule is as follows:

- $0 (NO Fee) - Member for the current and previous 3 years (**all of high school**)
- $30 fee - Member during the current year and previous 2 years (**sophomore and junior**)
- $60 fee - Member during the current and previous 1 year (**junior**)
- $90 fee - Member during the current year, but not the previous (**junior**)

Volunteer Service:

Our association operates successfully because of the many people who selflessly volunteer their time and talents. Hence, our application fees reflect a discounted membership rate for those who are willing to serve the association at least once per year in one of our specified volunteer roles.

Over the years, some members have abused our discounted membership policy by refusing to volunteer, even when asked. Thus, attaching consequences to the volunteer option became necessary. Any member choosing the “volunteer” option, who then refuses to serve when called, will have their membership suspended until the non-volunteer fee is paid.

We believe that member involvement brings us closer to each other and is an encouragement to everyone. By indicating your preference(s) on this form, you are indicating your willingness to serve.
1. Family Information (please print clearly):

Last Name: __________________________
Father’s Name: _______________________
Mother’s Name: _______________________
Address: ________________________________________________________
Apt.: ______________
City: ___________________________________ State: ______ Zip Code: ___________
Phone #: (______)____________________ Email: ___________________________
Parent’s Occupation: __________________________ Church Attending: _____________
What is the primary curriculum that you are using? ________________________________

Alumni membership is available (subject to the approval of the CSRA HEA Board of Directors) for parents who have graduated their last home schooled child but who wish to remain involved with supporting the CSRA HEA. If you are applying for alumni membership, please check here and skip to section #3. _____ Alumni

Please provide the percentages of everyone who is providing instruction on a regular basis to your children.

% of teaching
Parent: ________________
Other: ________________ if other, who: ____________________________
(Percentages should total to 100%)

Please provide information for each school age child.

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** If yes, please explain their involvement on a separate piece of paper.

2. Please check the appropriate box(es) below regarding the 2020-2021 school year:

☐ 1. I am beginning my homeschool experience this year.
☐ 2. I am new to the CSRA Home Education Association.
☐ 3. I am beginning my __________ year of homeschooling.

3. Are you involved in a Co-op? If so, which one(s): _______________________________
4. Volunteer Service:
   * Other than "Teachers", this volunteer service does NOT include the additional service which is required of those participating in testing.
   * Any member choosing the "volunteer" option, who then refuses to serve when called, will have their membership suspended until the non-volunteer fee is paid. (Please see note on cover page).

   - 1. Monthly activity helper
     (Skating, Putt-Putt, Bowling, etc.)
   - 2. Help with hospitality needs
     (Bring snacks to a meeting, help with set-up, etc)
   - 3. Special events worker/helper
     (CSRA HEA Field Trip, conference, etc.)
   - 4. Help with the Geography Bee
   - 5. Help with the Spelling Bee
   - 6. Help with Home school Information meetings.
   - 7. Help with the Used Book Sale
   - 8. Teacher for testing (must have four-year degree and classroom experience)
   - 9. I serve in the following CSRA HEA sponsored role:
     (examples: Director, Coordinator, Academic Club Leader)
   - 10. I am a renewing member, DO NOT wish to volunteer and will pay the $65 application fee.

5. Payment Schedule (All memberships expire June 30, 2021. PLEASE choose only one of the following.)
   * Alumni Members (subject to approval)
     - $30.00
   * Those who ARE willing to volunteer
     - Payment received/postmarked prior to August 31, 2020 (Early Bird Discount)!  - $30.00
     - Payment received/postmarked after August 31, 2020  - $65.00
     - Directors and Coordinators during the 2019-2020 school year  - No fee
   * Those who ARE NOT willing to volunteer  - $65.00

6. I would like to receive a paper copy of the Association's handbook and directory.  - $5.00
   (Please add $5.00 to your membership fee.)

7. Signature and Date
   1) I have read the CSRA HEA Rules of Conduct (available on our website http://csrahea.org) and agree to abide by them.
   2) I affirm that I have read the statement of faith (available on our website http://csrahea.org), and understand that all association activities and governance will be conducted in accordance with and in submission to the statement of faith.
   3) I understand the applicable volunteer service options and rules, and agree to abide by them in order to remain a member in good standing.

SIGNATURE: ___________________________________    DATE: ____________________

Your application can only be processed if it includes your dated signature and is accompanied by your payment.

PLEASE MAIL THE FILLED IN APPLICATION AND APPROPRIATE FEE TO:

CSRA Home Education Association
P.O. Box 204568
Augusta, GA 30917