



BRANCH

Building relationships and nurturing children's hearts

Mission Statement

We are a group of families that seek to educate our families at home and in a community together, leading and guiding them in the way they should go. We desire to do life together and support each other in this journey. We all have something to offer and we see the value of everyone in the co-op. We are one body with many parts, all essential to the co-op family.

We desire to not only teach our own children, but to disciple the children and lead them toward their own individual callings in life. We will do whatever we can to support each child. In addition to the children, we want to create an environment that supports the whole family.

Statement of faith

1. We believe that God is the one true God, and there is no one above Him.
2. We believe in the Trinity; The Father, Son and Holy Spirit
3. We believe in the gifts of the Holy Spirit and that He is present with us in the same way now that He was in the New Testament.

4. We believe that the Bible is God's holy word, it is living and active, and we believe every word to be true.

John 15:5 (NLT)

⁵“Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.

Co-op Application for the 2016-2017 School Year

Family Name _____ Fathers Name _____

Mothers Name _____

Number of Students _____

Home School Name _____

Names, birthdate, age and grade of each student

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone numbers _____

Any special medical situations or other things we should know about? _____

What special talents do you bring to the co-op? What classes would you be interested in teaching or helping in? What age group interests you? _____

What is the history of your child(ren)'s education? Public, private, home school? _____

What are the expectations for each family?

Buy the curriculum: There is lots of places to find curriculum, including: the publishers website, amazon (new or used), rainbow resources online, The Homeschool Room (stores locally), and many other places. If the children are in the same age group, you can buy one set of the curriculum, but each student needs their own consumable workbook or books as required. We can walk you through this.

Volunteer: We are doing this together and need volunteers in all areas. We will make you aware of all areas that are available for you to work in.

Clean up: We are required to clean up each time we have co-op and each person will have to help complete the daily clean-up. We don't want to have one person doing all or most of the work.

Work at home: The only way this co-op will work is if each family makes sure they do the assigned work for home days. We need to keep the work at a certain pace to get through

the curriculum, and if work from home is not complete, students will be behind.

Attendance: Good attendance is very important to the health of our co-op. It is vital that students and volunteers are on time and prepared for class. Please do not come if you have a contagious illness.

Supplies: At the beginning of the year, we will have supply lists for each child. Throughout the year, part of your tuition will go towards extra supplies.

Have a registered home school:

[http://www.doa.nc.gov/dnpe/H\\$Open\\$School.aspx](http://www.doa.nc.gov/dnpe/H$Open$School.aspx)

Communication: We will communicate through a group message on Facebook, we will have a private Facebook page, and you can also call or contact leadership if you have any questions. Once the roster of families is complete, we will hand out a master list with all of the contact information of everyone in the group

Curriculum for the 2016-2017 School Year

Lower Elementary grades 1-3

History- Notgrass From Adam To Us. Each family with elementary students will need the complete curriculum package. Each additional elementary student in the same family will just need to purchase another consumable package per student. You do not need the readers unless you want to purchase them. We will cover them in class.

<http://www.notgrass.com/notgrass/from-adam-to-us.html>

English- <http://www.easygrammar.com/daily-guided-teaching-and-review---grade-2.html>

Math- Math-U-See. The school will purchase the videos and the blocks, but you need to purchase the book set for your child's level. We can help you decide which level your child will need. Primer is kindergarten, alpha is 1st grade, beta is 2nd grade,

gamma is 3rd, delta is 4th, epsilon is 5th, zeta is 6th, Pre-algebra is 7th and so on. <http://store.mathusee.com/catalog/math-u-see/>

Science- Apologia Zoology 3 <http://www.apologia.com/172-zoology-3>

Grades 1-3 will only need the notebooking journal JUNIOR.

Upper Elementary grades 4-6

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<http://www.notgrass.com/notgrass/from-adam-to-us.html>

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English- <http://www.easygrammar.com/easy-grammar---grade-4.html>

Math- Math-U-See. The school will purchase the videos and the blocks, but you need to purchase the book set for your child's level. We can help you decide which level your child will need. Primer is kindergarten, alpha is 1st grade, beta is 2nd grade, gamma is 3rd, delta is 4th, epsilon is 5th, zeta is 6th, Pre-algebra is 7th and so on. <http://store.mathusee.com/catalog/math-u-see/>

Science- Apologia Zoology 3 <http://www.apologia.com/172-zoology-3>

Grades 4-6 will need the text book and notebooking journal. One textbook per family, and journals are per student.

Middle School: History- Notgrass Exploring World History

Each family with middle and high school students will need one Exploring World History curriculum package. Each student will need a copy of the student review pack.

<http://www.notgrass.com/notgrass/exploring-world-history.html>

English- <http://www.easygrammar.com/easy-grammar-plus.html>

Math- Math-U-See. The school will purchase the videos and the blocks, but you need to purchase the book set for your child's level. We can help you decide which level your child will need. Primer is kindergarten, alpha is 1st grade, beta is 2nd grade, gamma is 3rd, delta is 4th, epsilon is 5th, zeta is 6th, Pre-algebra is 7th and Algebra is 8th grade.

<http://store.mathusee.com/catalog/math-u-see/>

Science- Physical Science <http://www.apologia.com/176-physical-science>

Each family will need one copy of the text book, and each student will need on notebooking journal

High School:

History- Notgrass Exploring World History

Each family with middle and high school students will need one Exploring World History curriculum package. Each student will need a copy of the student review pack.

<http://www.notgrass.com/notgrass/exploring-world-history.html>

English- <http://www.easygrammar.com/easy-grammar-plus.html>

Math- Math U See, per your child's level. We will purchase the videos and the blocks. You need the student book set

<http://store.mathusee.com/catalog/math-u-see/>

Science- Apologia Physical Science

Each family will need one copy of the text book, and each student will need on notebooking journal

<http://www.apologia.com/176-physical-science>

Or

Marine Biology

Each family will need one copy of the textbook and each student will need the test packet.

http://www.christianbook.com/exploring-creation-marine-biology-student-textbook/sherri-seligson/9781932012583/pd/313401?dv=c&en=google&event=SHOP&kw=homeschool-40-60%7C313401&p=1179710&gclid=CjwKEAjwuuy4BRCvs43g9fX9mz4SJACiYdPznPu32QFmFuW9duVQ20O16_CsBoPnEs7Uel9ta_vIQxoCJZzw_wcB

Year Long Schedule for 2016-2017 School Year

June 10th Applications due, along with \$45 fee per family

July 11th 6pm Meet and Greet Family Event

August 12th 6pm Meet and Greet Family Event

August 22nd Orientation and prayer

August 23rd First day of co-op

September 9th Ladies night of encouragement

October 3rd Week off

October 14th Ladies night of encouragement

November 11 Ladies night of encouragement

November 21st Week off

December 9th Ladies night of encouragement

December 19th-January 2nd Christmas break

January 13th Ladies night of encouragement

February 10th Ladies night of encouragement

February 13th Week off

March 10th Ladies night of encouragement

April 3rd Week off

April 14th Ladies night of encouragement

May 18th Last day of co-op

Daily Schedule

8:15-8:30 Arrival

8:30-9:00 Worship

9:05-10:00 1st period

10:05-11:00 2nd period

11:05-12:00 3rd period

12:05-1:00 lunch/recess

1:05-2:00 4th period

2:00-2:30 Clean up and dismissal

Co-op will be every Tuesday through Thursday throughout our scheduled weeks. Each week, the students will be given 2 days of work to be done at home. Throughout the year, we will take group field trips, usually on Fridays, but they may also occur on other days. Families are responsible to pay any cost above the \$5 school supplement. We will do a picture day for all students, volunteers and families. The prices are to be determined, closer to the date of pictures. This will be in the fall.

Our goal for this co-op is to have a fun, educational, learning environment. But, it is also more than that! We want to teach the students about honor and respect. We will have a zero tolerance for complaining and gossiping at co-op and ask that you continue that in your homes also. Things may get messy, there may be conflicts and things may happen that are hard to deal with. But, we want to teach the children, and us adults too, how to deal with hard situations. We ask that you, as well as the children, take

the problem to God first, in prayer. After prayer, we ask that you go to the person, in love, and along with a leader, and talk to them about the situation. Our goal is to settle conflicts scripturally, so that the outcome will bring glory to God and not broken relationships. This is a learning process, but one that will teach us so much about relationships and respect.

We will not allow bullying, physical aggression, name calling, disobedience or disrespect. Please allow us to give consequences to your student if these occur. This might consist of writing sentences, helping with end of the day chores, sitting out of a class or recess, or a writing assignment based on what the bible says about the situation. The only purpose of the consequence is to lead the child in the way they should go.

We are so excited about the potential of this upcoming year and can't wait to do life together with you!

Family Agreement for the 2016-2017 School Year

We agree to abide by the rules, expectations and schedule as listed in all paperwork. _____ We agree to respect the facility and know that if anyone in our family willingly damages or breaks something in the facility, that we will be financially responsible for the damage. _____ We agree not to hold anyone in the group responsible for any accident that may occur, whether to our physical bodies, or anything that belongs to us personally, if we know that there was no ill intent _____

We agree to communicate openly and be willing to work through problems with each other in a way that honors all _____
We agree to make payments by the 10th of every month _____

I have read all of the paperwork and understand everything I have read

_____ Dad
_____ Mom
_____ Student
_____ Student
_____ Student
_____ Student
_____ Student

Tuition for the 2016-2017 School Year

The tuition for the school year will be as follows:

First child- \$100 per month

Second child-\$50 per month

Additional children- \$25 each per month

Estimated break down of tuition per student:

Supplies: office, classroom, maintenance, art fees- \$20 per month

Field trip/specialties- \$5 per month. We will cover the first \$5 cost for each student. Parents will be responsible for any additional cost, but we will do our best to keep around that cost.

Rent/facilities- \$25 per month

Teacher allowance: \$50

Our teachers are committing to 72 hours of classroom instruction per month. Our intention is to keep tuition, as well as costs, to a minimum.
