

# CHARLOTTE HOME EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

## 2011-2012

### ABOUT CHEA

CHEA is an association of Charlotte area support groups whose purpose is to promote better communication, support, fellowship, and unity among Charlotte homeschoolers. Each group has individual membership requirements and government. Each provides one member to serve on the CHEA Board. The Board meets semi-annually. Each support group is responsible for setting policies for each activity it provides for CHEA. CHEA membership automatically constitutes acceptance of CHEA Board policies.

### ACTIVITY ATTENDANCE

CHEA activities are provided for CHEA members. At the discretion of the sponsoring support group leader, the activity may be opened up to non-members. CHEA members are given first priority for attendance at any activity with limited attendance space.

### HOW TO CONTACT CHEA MEMBERS

#### **NEWSLETTER:**

This publication is distributed quarterly to all CHEA groups, representing approximately 1300 families. A copy of the CHEA Newsletter Editorial Policy may be requested from [cheanewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:cheanewsletter@yahoo.com). This document provides deadlines and guidelines for submissions and advertising. Deadlines are strictly adhered to.

All submissions should be sent to [cheanewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:cheanewsletter@yahoo.com). If a member of CHEA is submitting the information, **be sure to include your name and support group in the email.**

#### **CHEA URGENT EMAIL CHAIN:**

Time-sensitive information, which cannot be passed on through the monthly support group newsletters, may go through the URGENT Email Chain. Each group will determine the relevance of passing any message on to its members. *To start a CHEA Urgent Email Chain, contact the CHEA Director: Shari Kaiser [cheadirector@cheaonline.com](mailto:cheadirector@cheaonline.com).*

#### **NEW CHEA GROUPS:**

Applications for new groups wanting to join CHEA must be received by January 1<sup>st</sup> or June 1<sup>st</sup>. To apply, *contact Sandra Grenga, 6942 Lakeland Drive, Charlotte, NC 28214 [CHEAInformation@yahoo.com](mailto:CHEAInformation@yahoo.com) or download application from [www.cheaonline.com](http://www.cheaonline.com).*

#### **CHEA BROCHURE DISTRIBUTION:**

A bookmark describing each CHEA group is available at most public libraries in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg County system and surrounding areas.

*To order more copies, [cheainfo@cheaonline.com](mailto:cheainfo@cheaonline.com).*

### CHEA MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Each CHEA group is unique in personality and philosophy. We encourage each other's uniqueness, knowing that these differences offer many more opportunities for our homeschool families. There are also certain traits, which are common to successful support groups. As an association, we strive to ensure that all our member groups are strong, no matter their size and individuality. To help accomplish this goal, and maintain our credibility, CHEA requires each member group to adhere to a reasonable minimum standard.

- Regular Group Activities (may include: family outings, classes, Moms/Dads/Parents' Night Out, and/or field trips).
- Achievement Testing Services and/or Information.
- Group representative at all CHEA board meetings.
- Leadership of one or more CHEA activities or services.
- E-Mail Communication.
- Newsletter (Electronic or Paper).
- Minimum of 20 families
- Advisory Committee.

# **C.H.E.A. Member Support Groups**

Group Name/ Location/Size	Description Contact Information	Newsletter Sponsored CHEA Activities
<b>Cabarrus County Home School Association</b> 205 families Cabarrus County and surrounding areas <a href="http://www.cchsa.com">www.cchsa.com</a>	Cabarrus County Home School Association <b>Director:</b> Judy Joiner 704.786.8975 <a href="mailto:president@cchsa.com">president@cchsa.com</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Amanda Cable 704.933.6415 <a href="mailto:hsinfo@cchsa.com">hsinfo@cchsa.com</a> <b>Email Group Contact:</b> Paul & Judi English 704.785.2172 <a href="mailto:pauljudienglish@mac.com">pauljudienglish@mac.com</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b> 28023, 28025, 28027, 28036, 28071, 28075, 28081, 28082, 28083, 28097, 28107, 28124, 28137, 28138, 28146	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> <a href="mailto:newsletter@cchsa.com">newsletter@cchsa.com</a> <i>Copy due by the 20<sup>th</sup></i>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> CHEA Info/Bookmark/ CHEA Change Notification
<b>CCHNet</b> 128 families Greater Charlotte Area <a href="http://www.charlottehomeschoolinfo.com">www.charlottehomeschoolinfo.com</a>	Charlotte Christian Homeschool Network <b>Director:</b> Karen Davis 704.882.8176 <a href="mailto:gagemom@carolina.rr.com">gagemom@carolina.rr.com</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Karen Davis 704.882.8176 <a href="mailto:gagemom@carolina.rr.com">gagemom@carolina.rr.com</a>	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> No editor of newsletter. Just send to director.  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> Field Trip to Lazy 5 Ranch in October CHEA Newsletter editor
<b>Central</b> 35 families Metro Charlotte Area <a href="http://www.centralhomeschoolgroup.com">www.centralhomeschoolgroup.com</a>	Central Home School Group <b>Director:</b> Julianne McElroy 704.443.5140 <a href="mailto:juliannemcelroy@windstream.net">juliannemcelroy@windstream.net</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Laura Baker 704.365.9065 <a href="mailto:laurabaker@bellsouth.net">laurabaker@bellsouth.net</a> <b>Email Group Contact:</b> Lisa Metzger 704.821.5695 <a href="mailto:info@centralhomeschoolgroup.com">info@centralhomeschoolgroup.com</a>	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> No editor of newsletter. Just send to emailnews@centralhomeschoolgroup.com.  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> CHEA Card Printing and Distribution
<b>ENRICH</b> 40 families University City Area, Harrisburg, Cabarrus County, Mint Hill, Charlotte, Huntersville <a href="http://www.enrichnc.org">www.enrichnc.org</a>	A 501c3 nonprofit serving the homeschooling community <b>Director:</b> Doreen Browning 704.454.5780 <a href="mailto:joyous-song@carolina.rr.com">joyous-song@carolina.rr.com</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Karen Dutton 704.455.7566 <a href="mailto:member_info@enrichnc.org">member_info@enrichnc.org</a> <b>Email Group Contact:</b> <a href="mailto:contact@enrichnc.org">contact@enrichnc.org</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b> 28023, 28025, 28027, 28075, 28081, 28083, 28138, 28213, 28223, 28262, 28269	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> <a href="mailto:newsletter@enrichnc.org">newsletter@enrichnc.org</a> Only email copy accepted. Accepted any time.  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> Used Curriculum Sale in May
<b>FAITH</b> 40 families East Charlotte, Mint Hill, Matthews <a href="http://www.ncfaith.com">www.ncfaith.com</a>	Fellowship And Instruction To Home Educators <b>Director:</b> Beth Bargeron 704.596.2186 <a href="mailto:bargeronfamily@carolina.rr.com">bargeronfamily@carolina.rr.com</a> <b>CHEA Rep.:</b> Dawn Stephens 704.535.6779 <a href="mailto:mw4kids@hotmail.com">mw4kids@hotmail.com</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> <a href="http://www.ncfaith.com">www.ncfaith.com</a> <b>Email Group Contact:</b> Rich & Betty Farynyk 7424 Lea Wood Ln, Charlotte, NC 28227 704.569.4915 <a href="mailto:farynykfamily@yahoo.com">farynykfamily@yahoo.com</a>	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> No newsletter, email loop only Jane Colson, <a href="mailto:djcolson@ctc.net">djcolson@ctc.net</a>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> Boy Scouts: Unit #94 Venturing Unit #416 Resource Guide
<b>GRACE</b> 30 families Central and Southwest Charlotte, Pineville <a href="http://www.homeschoolingwithgrace.org">www.homeschoolingwithgrace.org</a>	Group Resources and Christian Encouragement <b>Director:</b> Shannon Kiser 704.210.8732 <a href="mailto:skiser0001@yahoo.com">skiser0001@yahoo.com</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> <a href="mailto:newmembercontact@homeschoolingwithgrace.org">newmembercontact@homeschoolingwithgrace.org</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b> 28134, 28202, 28203, 28204, 28205, 28207, 28209, 28210, 28211, 28212, 28217, 28273, 28278	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> <a href="mailto:gracehsgroup@yahoo.com">gracehsgroup@yahoo.com</a> <i>Copy due by 20th</i>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> CHEA Website Design

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<b>HINTS</b> <b>80 families</b> South Charlotte, Matthews  <a href="http://www.hintsonline.org">www.hintsonline.org</a>	Home Instructors Need Team Support <b>Director:</b> Janthi Webster 704.544.2898 <a href="mailto:janthi@carolina.rr.com">janthi@carolina.rr.com</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Ginger DeGracia 704.341.9111 <a href="mailto:HINTSmail@gmail.com">HINTSmail@gmail.com</a> <b>Email Group Contact:</b> Lisa Matzger <a href="mailto:carolinametzgers@earthlink.net">carolinametzgers@earthlink.net</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b> 28105, 28210, 28226, 28270, 28277	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Marilynn Bonner 704.248.6369 <a href="mailto:newsletter@hintsonline.org">newsletter@hintsonline.org</a> <i>Copy due by the 20<sup>th</sup></i>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> Geography Bee Math Counts (supplies) Informational Tea (March or April) Book Fair (July)
<b>HOPE</b> <b>45 families</b> Monroe, Indian Trail, Wingate, Waxhaw, Marshville  <a href="http://www.Hopemembers.org">www.Hopemembers.org</a>	Homeschoolers Offering Practical Encouragement <b>Director:</b> Phyllis Walsh 704.289.6328 <a href="mailto:phyllisw8@earthlink.net">phyllisw8@earthlink.net</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b> 28079, 28104, 28110, 28112, 28173, 28174	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> No editor or newsletter, just forward via egroup  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> Monthly Bowling at Skyway Lanes in Monroe 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday –Sept. - May Terra Nova Testing Coordinator
<b>LIFE</b> <b>25 families</b> Matthews Weddington	Learning & Instruction through Family Education <b>Director:</b> Martha Snyder 704.564.0118 <a href="mailto:chealifegroup@yahoo.com">chealifegroup@yahoo.com</a> <b>CHEA Rep.:</b> Amber Snapp <a href="mailto:gingersnapp@windstream.net">gingersnapp@windstream.net</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Ann Cheney 704.708.6525 <a href="mailto:rcheney@windstream.net">rcheney@windstream.net</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b> 28105, 28107, 28227, 28270	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Stephanie Baldree 704.545.7622 <a href="mailto:thebaldrees@carolina.rr.com">thebaldrees@carolina.rr.com</a>  <i>Copy due by the 20<sup>th</sup></i>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> Distribution of NCHE/CHEA Brochures to area libraries CAT testing Monthly Outings in Charlotte Area
<b>Living in Fellowship</b> <b>24 families</b> Diverse	Living in Fellowship <b>Director:</b> Cindy Anderson 704.651.3909 <a href="mailto:cindya2@att.net">cindya2@att.net</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Julie Silander 704.847.4899 <a href="mailto:juliesilander@yahoo.com">juliesilander@yahoo.com</a> <b>Email Group Contact:</b> Julie Silander 704.847.4899 <a href="mailto:juliesilander@yahoo.com">juliesilander@yahoo.com</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b>	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Christy Burch 704.843.0623 <a href="mailto:christyburch@mac.com">christyburch@mac.com</a> 907 Tree Top Lane, Weddington, NC 28173 <i>No deadline</i>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> Sponsor National Speaker
<b>NOAH</b> <b>33 families</b> Northwest	Nurturing Ours At Home <b>Director:</b> Sandra Grenga 704.393.1235 <a href="mailto:sandragrenga@carolina.rr.com">sandragrenga@carolina.rr.com</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Kelly Steed 704.393.1757 <a href="mailto:kel_steed@bellsouth.net">kel_steed@bellsouth.net</a> <b>Email Group Contact:</b> Suzane Wooten 704.895.8554 <a href="mailto:suzane7@bellsouth.net">suzane7@bellsouth.net</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b> 28206, 28208, 28214, 28216	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Denise Houston 704.992.1478 <a href="mailto:garden1227@aol.com">garden1227@aol.com</a> 7330 Bud Henderson Road; Charlotte, NC 28078 <i>No deadline</i>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> CHEA Membership
<b>PATH</b> <b>50 families</b> Indian Trail, Monroe, Matthews, Waxhaw, Charlotte <a href="http://www.pathnc.org">www.pathnc.org</a>	Parents As Teachers @ Home <b>Director:</b> Marie Beavers 704.246.3828 <a href="mailto:Mdichoso@aol.com">Mdichoso@aol.com</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Rafaella Colmie <a href="mailto:Two4himitwo@yahoo.com">Two4himitwo@yahoo.com</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b> 28079, 28110, 28204, 28104	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Donna Foltz <a href="mailto:tfoltz@carolina.rr.com">tfoltz@carolina.rr.com</a> <i>Copy due by the 15<sup>th</sup>.</i>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> Creation Camp - August

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<b>WWHEAT</b> <b>100 families</b> Union County  wwheat.org	Waxhaw Weddington Home Educators Are Teaching <b>Director:</b> Rebecca Stephens president@wwheat.org <b>New Member Contact:</b> Rebecca Stephens president@wwheat.org <b>Email Group Contact:</b> Rebecca Stephens president@wwheat.org <b>Zip Codes:</b> 28104, 28105, 28110, 28112, 28173, 28174	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Connie Cline pferdfam@carolina.rr.com <i>No deadline</i>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> BLESSED support group (Believing Love Educates Special Students Every Day) CHEA Spelling Bee
<b>ZOE</b> <b>40 families</b> Teen Group serving all of Greater Charlotte  <a href="http://www.zoeteens.org">www.zoeteens.org</a>	<b>Director:</b> Penny Clinkscates 704.567.5748 <a href="mailto:zoeteens@bellsouth.net">zoeteens@bellsouth.net</a> <b>New Member Contact:</b> Kim Felker 704.573.3794 <a href="mailto:blueoceans@carolina.rr.com">blueoceans@carolina.rr.com</a> <b>Email Group Contact:</b> Trudi Millsaps 704.778.1729 <a href="mailto:hisfire7@carolina.rr.com">hisfire7@carolina.rr.com</a> <b>Zip Codes:</b> serving all of greater Charlotte <b>Statement of Purpose:</b> To encourage Christian growth and maturity through service and educational opportunities for young men and young ladies grades seven and up, including their families.	<b>Newsletter Editor:</b> Penny Clinkscates 704.567.5748 <a href="mailto:zoeteens@bellsouth.net">zoeteens@bellsouth.net</a> 6614 Olde Savannah Road, Charlotte, NC 28227 <i>Copy due by 20<sup>th</sup> of the month</i>  <b>CHEA Activities:</b> CHEA Graduation—May of each year

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