

## 2017-2018 FOCHEs REGISTRATION FORM

The purpose of this registration form is to identify those families that will be participating in our group this fall, and obtain new and updated information from each family. This information is kept confidential within our group and is used to:

1. Provide your family with a directory which lists each FOCHEs family, including address, phone, children's names, birth dates, and curriculum they use.
2. Collect a fee from each family participating to offset the cost of printing a directory for each family, postage, and other expenses incurred during the year.

**PARENTS' NAMES:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Phone/E-mail Information:

**Check this box if address/phone/e-mail info is the same as listed in the directory.**

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

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(only list e-mail if you check it on a regular basis)

Please list all your children's names and birth dates, (in school or not).

**Check this box if children's name, birthdate, and homeschool status info is the same as listed in the directory.**

Name	Birthdate	Grade in School	Currently Homeschooled (Y or N)?
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Please list by name the curriculum materials that you will be using: (this is helpful to refer to in the directory when you want to know more information about another curriculum)

**EXPLANATION OF STATEMENT OF FAITH:** We are asking families to look at this every year at registration time. Families can register with FOCHEs and participate in activities. As a member of FOCHEs, to participate in any leadership roles, such as coordinating or voting, we are asking for a signed Statement of Faith. The By Laws are explained in the FOCHEs directory. We thank you for your attention to this.

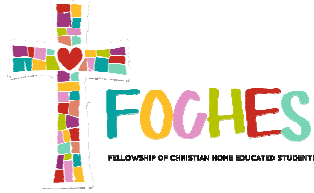
I have read and signed the Statement of Faith    OR     I will not be signing this at this time

**FOCHES Activity Handbook Policy:** We have added this handbook to provide guidance to each member about our activities. All members and participants must read and sign to have the privilege of being part of FOCHEs.

- I have read the policy and signed the acknowledgement of receipt of this policy handbook.  
 I hereby give permission for images of my child, captured during FOCHEs activities, to be used in promotional material.

Please make checks payable to **FOCHES** for **\$25.00 (Yearly membership dues)** and send this form with dues to:

**Melanie VanderWal**  
**1206 N Samara Ave**  
**Volga, SD 57071**



**FOCHES Activity Policy Handbook Acknowledgement -- Signature/s Required**

The FOCHES Activity Policy Handbook was created to give parents guidelines when attending FOCHES activities. I have received and read a copy of this handbook and will follow the guidelines and policies FOCHES requires of my family.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNED STATEMENT OF FAITH**

By this signed statement, we make known the desire to be voting members of FOCHES and agree to uphold the FOCHES Statement of Faith, listed in Article II of the By-Laws (revised Spring 2010).

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

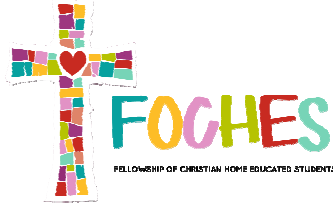
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check below those activities you can assist FOCHES with:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Field Trips             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music               | <input type="checkbox"/> PE                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mom's Time Out      | <input type="checkbox"/> Science                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Journalism/English  | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursery Help            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History/Geography   | <input type="checkbox"/> Website Maintenance     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Language    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yearbook                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fall Kickoff Picnic | <input type="checkbox"/> Geography Fair          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Program      | <input type="checkbox"/> Photographer for events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama               | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____            |



## ARTICLE II - STATEMENT OF FAITH

1. We believe that Holy Scripture is authoritative. The Bible is God's infallible, inerrant, inspired Word, which reveals the way of salvation, and is the guide for faith and conduct.

2 Timothy 3:16 & 17 "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

2 Peter 1:21 "For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."

1 Thessalonians 2:13 "For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe."

2. We believe in one God who exists eternally in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Deuteronomy 6:4 "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD."

1 John 5:6 & 7 "This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one."

Matthew 28:19 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

3. We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, His sinless life and His miracles. He endured death on the cross as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. He rose from the dead and ascended to the right hand of the Father. He will return again to establish His Kingdom in righteousness and peace.

John 1:1-14

John 8:58 & 59 "Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by."

Isaiah 7:10-16

Matthew 1:22 & 23 "Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."

Hebrews 4:15 "For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."

Matthew 26:28 "For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins".

Galatians 1:3 & 4 "Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father."

1 Peter 2:24 "Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."

Acts 1:3 "To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God."

Acts 17:31 "Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead."

Luke 24:50-53 "And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen."

Romans 8:34 "Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us."

Acts 1:11 "Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven."

Matthew 26:64 "Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven."

4. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Jesus Christ.

John 6: 39,40 "And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."

Romans 10:9,11-13 "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him."

5. We believe, that as Christian parents, it is our responsibility to educate our children, and that education should be based on Biblical truth and Christian doctrine.

Ephesians 6:4 "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

1 Timothy 6:20 & 21 "O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called: Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace be with thee. Amen. "

6. We believe in prayer for our children's education.

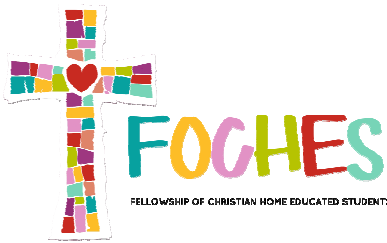
Psalms 145:18 "The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth."

1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing."

Luke 18:1 "And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint."

John 14: 13 & 14 "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it."

7. We are a non-denominational organization and, therefore, do not promote any specific denominational doctrine. We do, however, feel that one would have to agree with this statement of faith to become a member. The King James Version of the Bible has been used to reference these statements.



## **FOCHES Activity Policy Handbook**

The FOCHES Activity Policy Handbook was created to give parents guidelines when attending FOCHES activities. FOCHES activities include field trips, classroom activities, and other events on the FOCHES calendar. This may also include events that the FOCHES group is invited to that are not included on the FOCHES calendar.

### **Activity Behavior Rules**

1. One of the best ways for a home school group to leave a good impression on our community is through good manners and respectful behavior. When we attend an activity, not only do we represent all home educators, but we also are ambassadors for Christ, so be above reproach.
2. Remind your children to behave in an appropriate manner, with courtesy and respect. Touch things only when permitted. Stay quiet when an adult is speaking. Raise a hand when asking a question. Observe all the rules of the facility visiting. Be sure your children tell them "thank you" after the activity.
3. The behavior of your children is your responsibility. Respect the group and the facility by keeping your children under control. Arrange with another adult to watch your child (ren) if you must attend to the needs of another child (unruly child, restroom, etc.). Parents may be asked by the activity coordinator to remove disruptive children from the group.
4. If you, as parents, are not present at the activity, the activity coordinator will be "in charge" of your children. In the event of a disruptive child, the child will be removed from the activity until the parents arrive.
5. We ask that parents are quiet when a presentation is in progress. It is impolite to carry on a discussion during a presentation.
6. Be quiet to and from activities as to not disrupt other activities. Remember that we are guests in the facility. If we do not adhere to the guidelines and conduct ourselves appropriately we might not get invited back.

### **Sign-up and Attendance**

1. Out of respect for the activity coordinator, please sign up by the RSVP date specified. Try not to put the activity coordinator in a position where they have to call the facility to change the number of attendees several times.
2. Please call the activity coordinator if you sign up for an activity and then find you will not be able to attend, so those on the waiting list may be given ample notification to take your place.
3. Do not attend an activity which you have not signed up for. Call the activity coordinator to see if there is room for you if you missed the deadline.
4. Arrive on time. Plan accordingly and try to arrive 15 minutes early for an activity. We do not want to delay the tour guide and the rest of the group.
5. Parents, please be sure to determine if your younger children are able to behave appropriately at certain activities which may be geared for older children. If necessary, consider sharing the care of young ones with other members with young children.

### **Arranging and Canceling Activities**

1. If the Brookings School District is closed or canceling classes due to weather, FOCHEs activities will be cancelled.
2. If you would like to plan an activity, please contact your Group Coordinator.
3. If you are unable to teach your FOCHEs calendar activity please find a sub or contact the FOCHEs President or Vice President.

### **Conflict Resolution Policy**

Unfortunately, personality conflicts and misunderstandings can happen. It is important that we agree on how to deal with these situations, should they arise.

1. Based on Matthew 18, if conflict arises, parents and activity coordinators should seek to resolve the issue on their own. If either party is unsatisfied or resolution\* cannot be met, the parties then need to seek the assistance of their Group Coordinator.
2. If the conflict is not resolved, the Group Coordinator will take the conflict to the FOCHEs Officers.
3. As a last resort, if the FOCHEs officers can not come to a resolution, the FOCHEs Officers will refer the conflict to the Review Board for advisement.

\*resolve/resolution – achieved when all parties reach mutual agreement or understanding

### **Discipline Policy**

1. Parents should monitor their children's behavior when needed. Appropriate disciplinary measures should be taken privately.
2. Children should respect authorities.
3. For minor infractions, the child will be given a verbal warning. If unacceptable behavior continues, the child will be taken to his/her parents.