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Valley Home Scholars' Spring/Summer 2010 Membership Form

E-mail Newsletter ONLY, price \$5.00, Membership good through August 2010.



PARENTS: First Name(s) _____ Last Name: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE #: _____ (We need a phone # on all forms). CHURCH: (Name) _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: (A MUST) _____

YOUR OCCUPATION(S)/TALENT(S): _____

Please list oldest to youngest:

Are you actively Home-educating this Child during the 09-10 School year?	CHILDREN'S NAMES	Grade in 09-10	Is this student enrolled in any government School program?
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Please Check the appropriate box(es) below regarding the 2009-2010 school year:

- 1. I am a beginning home-educator this year.
- 2. I am new member of Valley Home Scholars.
- 3. I am beginning my _____ year of home-educating.
- 4. I am an HSLDA Member.
- 5. I have a graduating student(s) at the end of the school year.

MAIN CURRICULUM USED: (This information will be listed in our directory. We only have room for a few entries for each person so pick your favorites! If you don't want your curriculum published, leave this section blank.)

We are asking all Valley Home Scholars members to help out with something during the school year. Remember, this is your homeschool group; we are here to encourage and support each other. We are not a service organization--we are a support group! There is a lot to do, and we need your help. There are many areas from which to choose, from one-time-event jobs to jobs you can do from your home. There is something for everyone. We are not limited to the activities listed here. If you have an idea or an activity you'd like to host, contact vhs@valleyhomescolars.org.

Please make checks payable to **Valley Home Scholars** in the amount of **\$5.00**. Thank you.

Send to: Brenda Hogan
PO Box 10
Latah, WA 99018

All information is confidential unless otherwise noted and will only be used to help us provide a better service. We do not sell or distribute our mailing/phone lists for any purpose. We do ask our members **not** to use VHS lists for business purposes.

Other comments _____

Please read and sign the following page.

Membership Statement

VHS membership is available to independent homeschoolers as well as those that are educating in the government school programs (Parent Partnerships, ALE, Virtual Academy).

Because we believe that God has given parents the ultimate authority in the education of their children VHS will not endorse or support any government funded program and will continue to teach the truth about such programs.

Volunteer Statement

VHS is run 100% by volunteers. These volunteer hours will be dedicated to helping homeschoolers who are homeschooling independently who do not have other means of support.

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If you know a specific area for which you would like to volunteer, you may list it here. _____

Statement of Purpose

Valley Home Scholars is a Christian, non-denominational, nonprofit homeschooling support group dedicated to helping parents educate their children at home. We encourage and support parents who homeschool in Spokane Valley and surrounding areas by coordinating and facilitating academic, informational, or social activities that are beneficial to homeschooling families. VHS does not presume to know the best method for homeschooling. We will not promote one curriculum over another, nor will we evaluate or promote one program over another.

Statement of Faith

We Believe

The Bible is the inspired and infallible Word of God and constitutes His completed and final revelation to man. The Bible, in its original autograph, is without error in whole and in part, including theological concepts as well as geographical and historical detail. God has existed from all eternity in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ was God come in human flesh being fully God and fully man, except without sin.

All men are in violation of God's righteous requirements and His holy character both by nature and act, and are therefore under His wrath and just condemnation.

The central purpose of the coming of Jesus Christ was to pay the penalty for man's sin through His substitutionary death on the cross, the successful accomplishment of which was attested to by his subsequent visible, bodily resurrection.

Salvation is offered as a gift, free to the sinner. This gift must be responded to in individual faith, not trusting in any personal works whatsoever, but in the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ alone.

We understand family to mean a married man and a woman.

God's Plan of Salvation

God loves you: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

Man is separated from God by sin: "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23) "For the wages of sin is death." (Romans 6:23)

The death of Jesus Christ in our place is God's only provision for man's sin: "He (Jesus Christ) was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification." (Romans 4:25)

We must personally receive Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord: "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name." (John 1:12)

"For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast." (Ephesians 2:8,9)

Activity Disclaimer

As a Christian home school group, we do not directly sponsor activities, classes, etc. that violate what we feel are basic Christian principles. However, when VHS ventures out into the secular realm either for field trips or Imax or any other outside activity not under our direct control, we make no claims of suitability for your family.

Of course, Valley Home Scholars only offers activities that we believe would be acceptable to most members of our group. Our intention is not to offend anyone and certainly not to do anything that would dishonor the Lord, but in a group as large and diverse as VHS, it would be impossible for any one person to be the "conscience" for the entire organization.

In addition, VHS does not take responsibility for the safety of your children during any VHS activity or during transportation to or from any VHS activity. We are not a school; we are a group of individual parents who voluntarily get together to provide educational opportunities for our children and as such, each family is responsible for the safety of their own children at all times.

We will continue to provide the activities and attempt to give you enough objective information to help you make good decisions for your children.

Your signature below indicates that you have read this document.

Father _____ Mother _____