

2022-2023

EastPointe Homeschool Connect Registration Packets





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Welcome

Welcome to EastPointe Homeschool Connect (EHC) where our hope is to unify and serve the unique needs of EastPointe home schooling families. Our desire is to support the call to educate our children at home by providing a variety of enrichment activities. We hope to strengthen the relational experience and support each other through fellowship for parents and students taught at home, as well as provide an avenue for activities that benefit from group instruction. Above all else we want to bring glory to God in all we do!

Mission/Purpose Statement

EastPointe Homeschool Connect is a ministry of EastPointe Bible Church to provide enrichment and support to homeschool families. We gather to glorify God, sharing our gifts and giving our children an environment of believers in Jesus Christ that will encourage their faith and education. We share a common conviction to uphold honorable character as we "train up a child in the way they should go" (Proverbs 22:6) and operate in agreement with the doctrine of EastPointe Bible Church.

As shepherds of our children's education, we will love, train, teach, correct, and encourage our children to become responsible Christ centered citizens, concerned for the needs of others while standing in Truth with a foundational relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Ministry Components

1. Devotions and Prayer
2. Character Building
3. Parent, volunteer, and Purdue Extension led enrichment class.
4. Field Trips
5. Community Service
6. Support through fellowship for homeschool families
7. Moms Night Out
8. Providing an opportunity for children to gain a deeper understanding of Christian faith, while battling against worldviews introduced by peer influence, media, etc.

Doctrine of Faith

Please review EastPointe Doctrine of Faith: <http://ebcperu.org/about>. A hardcopy may also be requested.

Guidelines

1. Family must have one student actively homeschooling in grades K-12th grade with Kinder being 5 years of age by August 1st, or be home with a preschooler. Parents with preschool age children only will be asked to assist primarily in that classroom.
2. All adult participants are required to complete EBC child protection and background screening.
3. Parents must remain with children at all times or a responsible adult must be assigned for the care of child(ren) during parent absence.
4. All parents will either teach, assist in classes, plan field trips, or bring in a guest teacher, depending on EHC needs.
5. Parents will rotate to provide a small (healthy focused) snack.
6. Parents with preschoolers are required to rotate in a preschool/nursery classroom.

7. No fees will be requested to join EHC; however, any fees for activities, field trips, etc. must be paid in advance by said deadline. Donations (food, craft supplies, etc.) may be requested by parents to help support EHC. Please be aware, depending on activities, refunds are not guaranteed due to advance ticket purchases. EHC will make every attempt to keep activities and field trips cost effective. Checks are to be written out to EastPointe Bible Church - Memo -EastPointe Homeschool Connect.
8. While we ask for commitment to attendance, we understand there may be higher priorities. We ask that parents communicate with committee leaders three days in advance regarding intent to attend each session to provide guidance for teacher activity and potential craft supplies. Extra supplies may be on hand, but are not guaranteed.
9. A child may not attend with another family as a visitor unless prior permission is obtained.
10. Exceptions to the above guidelines will be made on a case by case consideration by the EHC committee.
11. Please avoid bringing children with illness, see attached information.
12. Transportation arrangements to and from field trips/activities will be the responsibility of the parent. You must provide a signed copy of the EastPointe Minor Release Form.
13. EHC and EastPointe Bible Church will not be liable for, you must provide a signed copy of the EastPointe Minor Release Form.

Discipline Policy

1. Students must be respectful and obey instructions of teachers during class activities.
2. Students and parents will treat the church and all field trip facilities with the utmost care and respect by:
 - Disposing of any trash personally produced
 - No running or horseplay allowed anywhere (unless approval of activity allows)
 - Assisting in clean-up of crafts and activities (Many hands make light work!)
3. Parents are expected to be proactive and address disrespectful behavior.
4. A three-step discipline policy will be followed depending on the severity of incident:
 - A. First offense will warrant a verbal warning from teacher in charge or committee member.
 - B. A second offense will mean separation from other students (next to an adult) or removal from activity (depending on severity) for an allotted period of time.
 - C. A third offense will mean removal of student from the days activity and a parent and committee meeting to help support and develop a plan to avoid future incident. If a student is excessively rude or aggressive, steps one and two can be skipped.
1. Incidents occurring repeatedly on different days will be brought in review by the committee and may result in removal from EHC (semester, year). Parents will be informed prior to a student being brought to review.
2. All participants must be dressed modestly and appropriately. If you are unsure if something is appropriate, it is probably wise to choose another item of clothing.

General Information

1. **Dates:** First and third Fridays (September – May)
2. **Time:** 9:30a.m.-11:00a.m. (non-field trip days)
3. **Location:** EastPointe Bible Church
4. **Schedule** (classroom format)
9:30 - 9:45 a.m. Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance (flag and Bible), announcements
9:45 – 11:00 a.m. Devotion, enrichment activity and fellowship as time allows (games or activities led by teacher)
1. Field Trip Days
Schedule will vary depending on location, days of events, etc. More details will be available as time draws near to each field trip.

Showcase/Presentations

At the end of the year, EHC will hold a Showcase/Presentation. This is a time for the students to present what they have learned. The format will vary and be based on the theme of the year and how participating moms choose to present student work. The Showcase will be followed by a reception for families and friends. This time will also be time to honor any seniors EHC may have.

Mom's Night

Moms Night will occur twice within the year (fall and spring). Details to be determined.

Procedures

The following procedures will help make class days at the church run more smoothly.

Arriving and going to classes:

1. Take all your children with you into the auditorium.
2. After everyone is settled, I will ask the teachers to stand by different doors so students can see where they are. If you are teaching and have students in another room, please ask for assistance to get them to the right room.
3. Students will line up behind their teacher, and I will assign the other moms to assist where needed. We will try to have 2 assistants in the preschool room and at least one in each class at all times.
4. Students will follow their teachers to the appropriate room

Child safety policies:

It is a priority at Eastpointe Bible Church to ensure the safety of our children at all times. This includes requiring at least two adults with children at all times. To help this happen please:

1. Take your own children to the bathroom before we begin
2. Remain in the room if you are an assistant
3. If an adult must leave the room for a moment, please leave the door open
4. If an adult must leave the room for longer, please contact me and I will ask another adult to change rooms
5. Please attend as many meetings as possible – your participation allows us to keep a safe and enjoyable student/teacher ratio.

Snacks:

Bring snacks in containers that would allow us to give them to each teacher before class begins; for example, one bag per class.

Preschool:

Plan to lead the students for around 45 minutes and allow play time in the nursery after. Activities can include songs, simple games, crafts, and snack time.

Older classes:

Prepare a 5-10 minute devotion for the start of class, followed by a lesson and/or hands on activity related to the theme.

If you need multiples of items common at home, feel free to ask on Facebook for everyone in your class to bring it (for example, scissors, markers, glue). We have some of these items at the church, but not a wide range of supplies.

Plan for 45-75 minutes. If it will not take the entire 75-minute class, prepare a game for the remaining time.

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EastPointe Homeschool Connect Calendar

Bold =Field Trip Days

2022 Fall Semester

Regular Meetings:

November 4,

12:30-2:30 pm

Imagination Station

600 N 4th St, Lafayette, IN 47901

\$6 each **Child** / Parents are *free*.

RSVP and Pay by **October 30**, to Naila C.

*Include both paying and "free" participants
in count for reservation.*

6:30 pm

Mom's Night

Beef O'Brady's (*back dining room*)

911 West Main Street, Peru, IN 46970

RSVP by **November 3**, to Naila C.

November 18

December 2

2023 Spring Semester

March 3

March 17

April 7

April 21

May 5 – Final Class

May 13

End of Year Event

2:00 p.m. @ EBC

Last Revision 10/20/2022

Additional Activities:

September – Mom

Imagination Station provides hands-on learning experiences in science, technology, and engineering to strengthen the scientific literacy of children and families. They will do a dry ice experiment with the group.

November – Mom's Night

February – Skate Day

March – Mom's Night

April – Spring Hike – *Potato Creek*

May – Mom's Breakfast



2022-2023 Registration Form EastPointe Homeschool Connect (EHC)

Date: _____

Parent(s) Name(s): _____

Child(ren) Name(s):	DOB	Age
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Preschool Child(ren) Name(s):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Additional Number: _____

Email: _____

Please INITIAL Below:

- _____ I have read and am in agreement with the EastPointe Bible Church Doctrinal Statement.
- _____ If not in agreement with the EastPointe Bible Church Doctrinal Statement, I will agree not to teach or promote anything verbal, written or otherwise that would contradict it.
- _____ I understand and agree to abide by EastPointe Homeschool Connect Guidelines and Discipline Policy as stated in the Welcome Packet.
- _____ I agree as the responsible caregiver during EHC to watch EBC's child safety videos and complete a full background check.
- _____ I agree to provide necessary funds in advance and understand failing to meet deadlines may result in my child(ren) to not participate in field trips.
- _____ I have reviewed the applicable behavioral guidelines and discipline policy with my children.

MINOR RELEASE FORM

Activity: _____

Sponsor: EastPointe Bible Church, Peru, IN

Name of Minor _____

Address _____

Name of Parent or Guardian _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Business Phone _____

Emergency contacts other than parents or guardians

1. Name _____ Cell Phone _____ Hm Phone _____

2. Name _____ Cell Phone _____ Hm Phone _____

Permission and Release: I give permission for my child to participate in this activity. In the event he/she is injured, I waive and release all rights to any claim for damages against the sponsor or its representatives. I further agree that any claim or dispute arising from or relating to this agreement shall be settled by mediation and, if necessary, legally binding arbitration, in accordance with the *Rules* of the Institute for Christian Conciliation; judgment upon an arbitration award may be entered in any court otherwise having jurisdiction.

Medical Release: In the event my child suffers sudden illness, accident, or injury and neither parents nor guardians can be contacted, I give permission for any emergency treatment that is deemed necessary by a licensed physician.

Family Physician _____ Wk Phone _____

Medical Insurance Company _____

Pertinent medical information (diabetes, allergies, etc.)

<input type="checkbox"/> YES
<input type="checkbox"/> NO

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Signature _____ Date _____

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