

Auckland Home Educators Inc

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Victoria Street West, Auckland 1142

Answer Tel: (09) 302-2866
Web: www.ahe.org.nz

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Auckland Home Educators Inc (AHE) is an incorporated society of current home educators in the Greater Auckland area and others who have a genuine interest in home education. Founded in 1997, it is a democratic, volunteer-run organisation of around 160 member families and is Auckland's regional networking group. The growth of our membership base enables us to increase our community's credibility when liaising and seeking improved opportunities/operating environment with Government departments, suppliers, providers, etc; raise the profile and acceptability of the homeschooling option. Members are expected to abide by the founding Objectives.

MEMBERSHIP OF YOUR REGIONAL GROUP INCLUDES:

- Membership Card** to receive discounts, eg, Borders & Dymocks bookshops. We are endeavouring to expand the range of privileges.
- Student ID Card** for entertainment/travel discounts, etc. It might also assist if a child is out and about and challenged by an authority (eg, truancy officer). Please note you need to be a financial member for the duration of the card and that it is valid until 31 March each year. There is a separate application form and cost for this card which is on the website.
- Awareness & PR** Your membership supports activities to promote the home education option and develop positive public perception and understanding. This results in more opportunities being offered to our parents.
- Bulletin.** A regular newsletter of home education news, reviews, events, etc, specific to the Auckland region.
- Government Liaison** Committee members work to develop a good working relationship with the Auckland offices so that the needs and concerns of our families are voiced. We are a recognised and credible organisation with which they are keen to communicate.
- Library** containing books and resources specific to home education, many of which are unavailable through public libraries. Details of its location will be in the latest Bulletin. The latest Library Catalogue is sent to you on joining.
- Membership Directory** regularly updated and distributed to listed members to facilitate networking.
- Messaging** via our member-only online Yahoo Group to support networking and discussion flow.
- National Council of Home Educators New Zealand Inc (NCHENZ) – www.nchenz.org.nz** AHE's Group Membership entitles you to heavily discounted individual membership of the only national, democratic homeschooling organisation.
- Forums** on relevant issues, are free to members and open to non-members for a small charge.
- Support Group Listing** updated regularly with contact and activity information for all areas of which we are aware.
- Website** Available to the public with a 'Members Only' section.

OBJECTIVES

- a) To place emphasis on offering support and information to all parents and guardians in the Auckland region actively educating their children under Section 21 of the Education Act 1989.
- b) To make representation relevant to home education on behalf of the general membership to maintain and improve the present conditions for home educating.
- c) To provide members with basic information regarding the legal and administrative requirements to educate their children at home.
- d) To establish a network of home educating families and support groups in the Auckland region and beyond, providing an avenue for communication.
- e) To encourage positive local support for home educators of all creeds and philosophies. This requires that we accept each other's differences and focus on our common ground.
- f) To acknowledge Te Tiriti o Waitangi as the founding document of Aotearoa.
- g) To create a resource pool for home educators.
- h) To provide access to relevant information for home educators.
- i) To provide extension to parent and child education through such means as workshops, seminars and conferences.
- j) To provide home educating families the opportunity for social interaction.
- k) To acquire and manage, efficiently and ethically, financial and other assets of Auckland Home Educators Incorporated as the Administration Team deems relevant to these objectives.
- l) The above objectives are limited to activities within Aotearoa/New Zealand.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NB: All information within shaded areas is required.

Name:				Occupation*:			
Address:	
<small>(street)</small>		<small>(suburb)</small>		<small>(city)</small>		<small>(postcode - if unsure, check www.nzpost.co.nz)</small>	
Postal Address: (optional)							
Telephone:				Email Address:			
How did you find out about AHE?							

* Section 22 of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 requires members to supply name, address, and occupation. If not applicable, write N/A.
Information provided will be used for the purposes of maintaining membership services not passed on to third parties, except as authorised by you.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY		
To be listed in the Directory provided to members, please circle your preference/s:		
Name	Yes	No
Telephone Number	Yes	No
Email Address	Yes	No

MESSAGING		
To be included in the communication system, please circle your preference:		
I would like an invitation to join AHE's email network, an efficient & helpful 2-way channel using Yahoo.com (as do most NZ groups)	Yes	No

PAYMENT		
Subscription (please tick according to when joining):	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 July to 30 June (\$20.00)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 January to 30 June (\$10.00)
Donation		\$ <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
Please tick below your preferred payment method when paying the amount of:		\$ <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Direct to 12-3011-0543821-00, ref surname & initial Please email treasurer@ahe.org.nz to confirm.	<input type="checkbox"/> Cash or cheque ("Auckland Home Educators Inc")	

MEMBER DECLARATION	
I have read and agree to the Objectives of Auckland Home Educators Incorporated (AHE), as set out on Page 1. I further agree to take good care of and return in good time any AHE resources I may borrow.	
Signature:	Dated

We are unable to accept emailed forms. Please post your original signed form to the above PO Box attn: Membership Secretary. Please allow 10 working days for processing.

FOR OFFICE USE:

BY POST: Membership Card National Library Bookmarks Library Voucher NCHENZ Form
BY EMAIL: Bulletin Welcome Directory **RECORDS:** Email Group Membership Payment