

RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOL

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Frequently Asked Questions

Thank you for inquiring about Riverside Christian Homeschool. Here is a list of our most frequently asked questions. If you have a question that is not answered here, please feel free to email the Program Director at susan.lemley@riversideumbrella.org. You may also call the office phone at 931-933-7907. The Program Director is in the office on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 12. Your call will be returned on the first office day after you have left your message.

What are the RCH office hours?

Open office hours are Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 12. Any afternoon meetings must be made by appointment.

How do I contact the RCH office?

The email address is susan.lemley@riversideumbrella.org. The office phone number is 931-933-7907. You may leave a message, and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

What are the fees?

Annual elementary fees are \$125 for the first student, and \$75 for elementary siblings.

Annual high school fees are \$150 per high school students, and \$75 for elementary siblings. There is a family cap of \$300.

There is a one-time \$100 Senior Fee for graduating seniors (NOT included in the family cap).

There are late fees for late registration, and late grades.

How do I register?

To register, go online to riversideumbrella.org, select FORMS, download and print Registration Information, Registration Forms, and Request for Documentation. Fill out the Registration Forms and the Request for Documentation. The Registration Information page will list the fees and documentation needed. Make a copy of your student's birth certificate, immunization records, and a copy of a parent's/guardian's high school diploma, GED, OR higher education diploma. Those three documents are required by the state, to homeschool.

Send in the completed forms, the documentation copies, and a check for the appropriate fee. Once your registration, documentation, and check has been received, and the school contacted from where you are withdrawing from to confirm your attendance and request your school records, you are considered enrolled with RCH.

Registration may also be accomplished by coming in to the office, during open office hours, and filling out the necessary forms. Be sure to bring your required documentation, so copies may be made, and your registration completed.

Does RCH provide curriculum?

No. RCH does not offer curriculum. We are happy to meet with parents considering homeschooling to review some of the many curriculum options available to them. We also have an assortment of used curriculum on hand, for families to look through, to help them decide what program, or combination of programs, they want to use.

How often are grades submitted?

RCH has a standard grade form (riversideumbrella.org, FORMS, Grade and Attendance Form) that is used to submit grades. Grades and attendance are due no later than January 15th for first semester grades, and June 15th for second semester grades. RCH also offers an on-line grade recording option. Information for how to sign up will be shared at the time of registration.

Does RCH require samples of schoolwork?

No. RCH believes that you are the parent, and in complete control of how and what your student is learning. Our purpose is to maintain records, confirm that high school students are earning the correct credits to graduate, provide high school transcripts, provide a high school diploma, offer a graduation ceremony, and offer the opportunity for school pictures. We also are here to help answer questions and offer support and encouragement to our families.

Does RCH require standardized testing?

No. RCH does offer instructions on how families may order their own standardized testing, that they may administer in the privacy of their own home.

Does RCH offer athletics?

Yes. RCH is established under Riverside Church of Christ. Riverside Christian Academy is also established under RCC. Therefore, both RCH and RCA participate in the athletics program together.

Does RCH require an in-person meeting?

Not necessarily; however, RCH encourages all of its new families to meet with the Program Director, or parent representative, to review our policies and answer your questions. High school orientation is very strongly encouraged for all 8th grade students and a parent/guardian, as well as newly enrolled high school students, regardless of grade.

Does RCH offer co-op classes?

RCH has a classroom available for individual co-op classes that may be offered by individual teachers. For example, a parent may want to teach a class on U.S. Presidents, for one hour a week, over a ten-week period. Another parent may want to teach a painting class, for two hours, one day a week, over six weeks. Any parent who wants to teach a class is welcome to meet with the Program Director to make the appropriate arrangements.

May RCH students participate in classes at RCA?

Currently, RCH high school students may participate in the RCA Agricultural and FFA Program. This opportunity is through RCA and has its own fees and requirements. To participate in this program, one must contact the RCA office for details.

Again, thank you for your enquiry into our program. Please feel free to contact RCH if you have any questions not already covered, or if you need a more detailed explanation.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Susan Lemley
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Riverside Christian Homeschool