



SLHE Co-Op

Our Co-op Is One Part of the Bigger Picture

Our co-op is just one of the many benefits of SLHE membership. In order to join the co-op, your family must first become a member of the SLHE support group. That membership opens the door to our full year of activities, not just Thursday classes.

The SLHE Homeschool Co-Operative provides a structured, values-based learning environment where homeschooling families come together once weekly to enrich their educational journey. Based in Winter Garden, Florida, this parent-volunteer organization offers both academic and enrichment classes within a framework of traditional family values and shared responsibility. This guide outlines our mission, structure, and requirements for prospective families interested in joining our collaborative educational community.

Our Structure and Requirements

Mission and Values

The SLHE Co-op operates as an activity of the SLHE support group, providing whole-group experiences for students in an environment that prioritizes respect, diligence, and high standards. Our community is built on conservative, traditional family values, with every participating family expected to contribute to the weekly success of our program.

We believe that collaborative learning strengthens both academic understanding and social development, creating a rich educational experience that complements home instruction.

Operational Framework

Our co-op meets every Thursday during the school year, offering a 30-week program divided into fall and spring semesters with December off for holiday celebrations. Registration opens annually in July for the upcoming school year.

Classes run over four hours each day, with families able to choose which specific hour(s) their children attend. This a la carte approach provides flexibility while still maintaining community cohesion. The Co-op fills quickly each year!

Parent Participation

We are not a drop-off program – a parent must remain on campus with their children. All classes are taught by parent volunteers, creating a true cooperative learning environment where everyone contributes their skills and time.

Membership Requirement

Families must first join the SLHE support group before enrolling in the co-op. This ensures all participants share our values and understand our approach to collaborative homeschooling.

Communication

Teachers must download the Remind app and turn on text notifications for emergency communications and closure notifications. This system ensures all families receive critical information quickly and efficiently.



As a volunteer-led co-op, we rely on every family to contribute to our shared success. Everyone *not teaching* is required to take on two Vital Partner responsibilities. Teachers who are *leading just one class* are asked to take on at least one Vital Partner role. This contribution ensures that responsibilities are shared and that no one is carrying the load alone. We can't overstate how essential these roles are to the smooth operation of our co-op.

We believe that *many hands make light work*, and we are committed to leaving our facility better than we found it each week. Vital Partner assignments, such as joining a team, monitoring doors, helping in the nursery, or supervising study hall, help make that possible.

Your participation truly makes a difference, and we appreciate your support in building a strong, respectful, and cooperative environment.



Our co-op structure balances structure with flexibility, allowing families to customize their involvement while still benefiting from the community's collective resources and expertise. By contributing your unique talents as a parent teacher, you'll help create enriching educational experiences while building lasting connections within our homeschooling community.