

SALT Charlotte Member Application

Please read this information carefully. By submitting this application, you agree to follow SALT's Bylaws, Policies, and agree to the Statement of Faith.

|General Information|

Mailing Address: SALT Charlotte – P.O. Box 96, Mt. Holly, NC 28120
Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SALTCharlotte/>
Email: saltcharlottehomeschool@gmail.com

SALT Bylaws & Policies are available publicly on our website and for members in the *Files* section of our Facebook Group. SALT is a Christian support group for families who homeschool their children. By joining, you are agreeing to support others in their efforts as a homeschool parent as well as actively seeking the support *you* need in your homeschooling, from a foundation of Christian values.

Participation in SALT activities and events, while optional, is highly encouraged in order that you may make connections with other homeschooling families. The SALT membership operates cooperatively. We each seek to serve the group through our commitments to chosen service opportunities.

Non-active members and/or those who do not fulfill their service commitment may be subject to review during the membership renewal process and can face membership denial for the next school year, barring any extenuating circumstances. It will be imperative for you to contact the SALT Advisory Council if you and/or your family are facing circumstances that hinder your participation in SALT and/or your ability to carry out your chosen service commitment.

Please make every effort to RSVP promptly for activities and events you wish to attend. You are responsible to make necessary changes to your RSVP or you will be responsible for any related fees.

Members in good standing carry no outstanding dues.

|Communication|

SALT's *closed* Facebook Group is our primary method of communication regarding activities, dates, deadlines, events, and special information. Please be sure to include an active and valid email address on your application in the event that we need a secondary method of contact. ***If you are a new member, you will not be able to access the Facebook Group until you receive an invitation to join at the provided email address, following the processing of your application and membership fee.***

|SALT Leadership|

SALT is led by an Advisory Council comprised of 3 members. The Council works hard to keep SALT running smoothly. If you ever have any concerns or questions, please contact the Council at saltcharlottehomeschool@gmail.com.

|Statement of Faith|

A requirement for SALT membership is adherence to the following Statement of Faith:

1. We believe the Holy Bible to be the inspired, the infallible, authoritative Word of God. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
 2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19, 2 Corinthians 13:14, Ephesians 4:4-7, John 1:1-14)
 3. We believe in the Deity of our Lord Jesus Christ (John 1:1), in His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:22-23, Luke 1:26-38, Luke 2:1-20), in His sinless life (2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 John 3:5, 1 Peter 2:22), in His miracles (Matthew-John), in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood (Isaiah 53:5, 1 Peter 2:24, Romans 3:21-26), in His bodily resurrection (Matthew 28), in His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Mark 16:19, Hebrews 1:1-4), and in His personal return in power and glory. (Matthew 25:31-33, Revelations 19:11-16)
 4. We believe that for salvation of lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential (John 3:3) and that salvation is received by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord over our lives. (Ephesians 2:8-9)
 5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life and to perform good works. (John 14:15-17, John 14:26)
 6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost. They that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation. (John 5:25-29)
 7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 12:12-14)
 8. We believe in God's sacred biblical ordinance of marriage and family. (Genesis 2:24, Matthew 19:3-6)
 9. We believe in the Sanctity of human life. That all human life is made in the image of God (Imago Dei) (Genesis 1:26) and is precious in God's sight. We believe that life begins at conception and that God knows us before we are formed and created each human life for His purpose and glorification. (Jeremiah 1:5, Psalm 139, Colossians 1:16, Revelations 4:11)
- He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church; He is the beginning and firstborn from among the dead, so that in all things He may have preeminence. (Colossians 1:17-18)

| Membership Information |

SCHOOL YEAR _____

Membership fee for families with children ages 0 – 18 includes access to all SALT activities, events, and the exclusive Facebook Group for the school year July 1 - June 30.

- New Member/Early Bird Renewal: \$20.00 [Through May 31 of the current year]
- Regular: \$25.00 [June 1 – June 30 of the Current year]
- Late Renewal: \$30.00 [after June 30 of the current school year]

Please make checks payable to SALT. Application can be given to Advisory Council members personally or submitted by mail to: **SALT Charlotte – P.O. Box 96; Mt. Holly, NC 28120.**

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Spouse’s Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Other Contact Info (i.e. Cell Phones, Work Phones): _____

Students legally homeschooled by a SALT member other than their parents may participate in SALT student activities. The non-teaching family would *not* be considered SALT members. They would need to join separately and agree to all membership requirements if they wish to participate beyond the standard visitor allowances. If you legally homeschool children other than your own, please list their name(s), grade(s), and age(s) as of September 1st here:

Or, if a SALT member teaches your children, please list that member’s name here:

| Children |

Name: _____ Age on Sept. 1: _____ Birthdate: _____ Grade Equivalent: _____

|SALT Interests|

- Yes No Honor Society (7th – 12th Graders)
- Yes No Opus Deum (Teen Service Club, 9th – 12th Graders)
- Yes No Yearbook – Student Team
- Yes No Graduation (must be a member in good standing as of student’s Junior Year to Participate)

How long have you homeschooled? _____

What is your primary reason for joining SALT? _____

Which church does your family regularly attend? _____

Are there facilities at your church that SALT may be able to use as needed throughout the year?

- Sanctuary Classrooms Fellowship Hall Gym
- Kitchen Outdoor Area Playground Other

|Service Commitment|

Please mark your top 3 choices (1-3, with 1 being your first choice) for service areas that you would be willing to commit to for the current academic year with SALT. You’ll be notified of your service assignment following the processing of your application.

Field Trips

- Elementary Middle School High School All Ages

Service Projects

- Elementary Middle School All Ages

Social Events

- Elementary Middle School All Ages

Special Events & SALT Service Leadership

- Children’s Theatre Fundraising Gallery Graduation
- Honor Society Opus Deum Advisor Parent Meetings Picture Day
- Yearbook

|SALT Service Commitment Descriptions|

Field Trips

Field Trips are great one-time service commitments, especially for new members. You can schedule your Field Trip for a specific age group or for the whole SALT group. In choosing this service commitment, you are committing to the planning and oversight of at least (but not limited to) one Field Trip for the SALT membership (in part or in whole) during the current academic year. This should include the posting of the Field Trip detail information in the SALT Facebook Group as an “Event.”

Service Projects

SALT desires to see its homeschooling members in service to the Lord and their community. If you have connections to area service/volunteer organizations in this area, planning a service project for the SALT membership would be a wonderful addition to the year. Like Field Trips, in choosing this service commitment, you are committing to the planning and oversight of at least (but not limited to) one Service Project for the SALT membership (in part or in whole) during the current academic year. This should include the posting of the Service Project detail information in the SALT Facebook Group as an “Event.”

Social Events

Social Events are a fun part of SALT’s effort to support homeschooling families by facilitating socialization and relationship building. Some of the Social Events that have been hosted in the past include Beginning-of-the-Year & End-of-the-Year parties, seasonal parties (Fall/Harvest, Winter/Christmas, Valentine’s,) Game Days, Book Clubs, Prom Gatherings, and Father-Daughter & Mother-Son Outings... but do not hesitate to think outside of the box in considering a social event for SALT. In choosing this service commitment, you are committing to the planning and oversight of at least (but not limited to) one Social Event for the SALT membership (in part or in whole) during the current academic year. This should include the posting of the Social Event detail information in the SALT Facebook Group as an “Event.”

Special Events & SALT Service Leadership

Special Events are those that may only occur once during the academic year (Gallery, Graduation) but may require a slightly higher level of commitment on the part of the overseeing SALT member.

Gallery

Plan and coordinate annual Gallery event, typically held in the Spring, showcasing the achievements, interests, talents, and work of our SALT students.

Graduation

All families with a Senior that wishes to participate in graduation must work with the other families with graduates to plan the graduation ceremony and reception.

SALT Service Leadership commitments are highly valued positions that provide some of our most meaningful and exclusive benefits to SALT members.

Children's Theatre

(This commitment begins in May of the academic year in preparation for the following year's play offerings.) Communicates list of plays available for the following school year, record members' selections and payments, and reserves group tickets for Children's Theatre plays.

Fundraising

Research new and different ways to raise money for SALT. Share information with members on the various fundraising activities, coordinate and oversee fundraising efforts. (Amazon Smiles, Box Tops, Grocery Store Loyalty Programs, Local Restaurant Spirit Nights, etc.)

Honor Society

Plan one club meeting per semester, post guidelines and application, receive and pay club dues, monitor required service hours.

Opus Deum Advisor

Serve as adult oversight for service club, attend monthly Opus Deum meetings, work as a team with other Opus Deum Advisors to ensure available guidance and chaperones for various service projects and social events.

Parent Meetings

Coordinate, plan, and oversee special gatherings for parent fellowship and support. These meetings can include special speakers, decorations, themes, meals, or refreshments.

Picture Day

Coordinates yearbook picture day and make-up picture day with our contact at Lifetouch and available host location, communicates details with membership via Facebook Group, oversees scheduling of SALT members for portraits.

Yearbook

Coordinate, plan, and oversee the develop of a team of middle and/or high school students from among the SALT membership to create a yearbook, working with our contact at Lifetouch.

Please understand that these service commitment descriptions are brief overviews meant to provide enough detail for you to consider which area of service may be a good fit for your gifts. Many of them have more detailed information that the Advisory Council and members who've served previously in those positions can provide with anyone taking on a new role. Do not hesitate to communicate openly with your fellow SALT members and the Advisory Council when seeking to carry out your chosen service commitment. We welcome fresh, creative ideas for these various areas of service!