

Lenawee Involved in Family Education Membership Application 2023/2024

Thank you for your interest in Lenawee Involved in Family Education, LIFE.
A current membership form is attached.

Additional information about our program:

Annually, we hold a membership planning meeting that focuses on preparation and planning for the following year. As a result, our group is directly geared toward our member's needs. Bi-monthly newsletters highlight our activities and provide members details. Our annual planning meeting drives what will be offered in any given year. We will also add activities as they arise, and members show interest. This allows us to keep our **programs flexible and relevant**. Our Annual Planning meeting is scheduled for the first week of June 2023.

We do much more than just plan activities!

Our support goes beyond just the students and programs. It is an extended family community. With Christian love as the cornerstone of our program, we work to forge strong, supportive, family relationships with our members.

We also maintain and provide updates through our Private FaceBook Page. This page is kept "private" to protect our families' privacy as well as the safety of our students. We post pictures, updates and event details on this page, including dates, times and locations.

We also manage our website, www.life-hs.com, which contains links, updates, registration information, FAQs, and much more.

If you are new to homeschooling, please feel free to contact us if you have question about Lenawee Involved in Family Education. LIFE Membership is open year round for new families who wish to begin their homeschool journey.

May God bless your family and homeschool!

LIFEHomeschool20@gmail.com

LIFE Chairperson

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Please complete all areas of the application.
Incomplete Application may not be processed.

_____ New Membership
_____ Renewal Membership

Church _____

Last Name: _____

Husband's First Name _____

Birth date ___/___/___ (MM/DD/YYYY required)

Wife's First Name _____

Birth date ___/___/___ (MM/DD/YYYY required)

Anniversary ___/___/___ (MM/DD/YYYY required)

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Number of years home educating _____

Home School Name _____

Curriculum: _____

Family Talents or Interests: _____

Please list **all** children living in your home and mark the box for children that will be home schooled for this application year.

Do you have a graduate this year? Y/N

Home Schooled	Children Names	Birth Date <small>(MM/DD/YYYY required)</small>	Co-op
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	___/___/___	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Are you a member of **any** other homeschool support group, co-op, or homeschool related organization?

_____ No _____ Yes (please indicate below)

INCH _____

Other _____

Other _____

Other _____

HSLDA _____ HSLDA Membership # _____

Exp. Date _____

(We currently receive a group discount with HSLDA. Our discount number is **296214**. You can use this when applying or renewing with HSLDA.)

L.I.F.E. Donations

LIFE is a 501 (c) (3) organization and your donations are fully tax deductible. Donations can be made to LIFE at any time and in any amount. We will be happy to provide a receipt for donations of \$200 or more.

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Statement of Faith

We believe in the Bible as the verbally inspired, inerrant Word of God; in one God, eternally existent in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit; in the vicarious death of Jesus Christ for our sins, His virgin birth, sinless life, His bodily resurrection, and His personal return; in the necessity of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the work of regeneration and the building of the Body of Christ; in the creation of man in God's image by the direct act of God; in the power of prayer; in the sanctity of life; and in each child as a gift from God.

These truths are foundational to our mission.

Behavioral Expectations

We seek to nurture the character of our children and represent Christian values to others. Both parents and children should respect the following standards **while attending any L.I.F.E. sanctioned event.**

- To strive to honor and glorify God in all of life.
- To respect their bodies, dressing modestly and appropriately and abstaining from the use of alcohol, tobacco, illicit drugs and controlled substances
- To speak carefully, honoring the name and character of God by avoiding profane and vulgar speech, and speaking respectfully to others.
- To act appropriately, practicing courtesy and respecting the property and regulations of others. Refraining from public displays of affection.
- No guns or firearms are permitted at L.I.F.E. events.

LIFE Teen Activity & Teen Driver Policy

Due to the Liability & Responsibility of LIFE, the LIFE Leadership Team has instituted the following Teen Events and Teen Driver Policy.

1. During teen activities, teens are expected to follow policies and procedures of LIFE and follow Behavioral Expectations as outlined in membership application.
2. Teens are expected to remain at the event for the full duration of the event or until picked up by a parent. If a teen must leave an event early, (i.e. work schedule, prior commitment), this should be communicated to the coordinator prior to the event and parent/teen should inform coordinator that they are departing.
3. Teen Drivers: a. Coordinators of events have the responsibility of obtaining permission from parents **prior** to the teen leaving the event with another teen driver. Parents are responsible for communicating transportation plans to the coordinator **prior** to the event.
b. Arriving and departing: How students arrive at the event is ruled by parental discretion, however, if your teen is planning to transport other teens to and from an event, this must be communicated to the event coordinator, **prior** to the event. Teens are *not permitted* to leave an event with another teen driver without parent/guardian express permission communicated to the coordinator **prior** to the event.
c. A person must be 21 to drive during "event-oriented activities". For example, campout with a trip to planetarium built in, Scavenger Hunts. Adults, age 21 and older, will be responsible for driving students to changing locations within an event.

Liability Insurance

In today's litigious society, every organization is vulnerable to litigation. Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA) recognizes the importance of protecting homeschool groups. They have drawn up an Adult and Youth Waiver and Release of Liability Form. Following HSLDA's recommendation, we require all LIFE members to annually complete this form. Membership applications cannot be processed without the completed attached waivers.

Talent Release

We hereby assign and grant LIFE the right and permission to use and publish photographs/film/video tapes/ electronic representation and /or sound recording made during events, and we hereby release LIFE from any and all liability from such use and publication. We hereby authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage and/or distribution of said photographs/film/video tapes/electronic representations and/or sounds recording without limitations at the discretion of LIFE and we specifically waive any right to compensation we may have for any of the foregoing.

Membership Agreement

We have read and agree to follow the membership information, including the statement of faith, behavioral expectations, liability insurance, talent release, and Teen Activity/Teen Driver policies for members of Lenawee Involved in Family Education.

As parents, we are responsible for the care of our family and any damages or injuries that may be a result of their participation in LIFE functions.

We agree to keep confidential all LIFE information including but not limited to the membership, newsletter, directory and other LIFE documents.

We understand that the LIFE Membership Booklet contains current information and is subject to change without notice. The Booklet is available via our website. We agree to read it in its entirety and abide by its contents.

We have completed the membership application honestly and completely. We understand that failure to disclose requested information may result in termination of our membership.

We would like to join the LIFE.

Parent Signature Date

Parent Signature Date

Both parents' signatures required

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Membership non-refundable Fees

Membership includes full access to the website, downloadable newsletters, and other valuable information.

_____ Enclosed is \$40.00 for L.I.F.E. Membership Renewal

_____ I am a **brand-new member**. Enclosed is \$40.00

_____ Membership (new or renew) after September 1. Enclosed is \$50.000

Payment

(Please make checks payable to L.I.F.E.)

Hardships will be handled on a case by case basis by the Directors

Membership fee _____

Other fees _____

Total Enclosed

Check # _____ Money Order _____ Cash _____

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ADULT AND YOUTH WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in Lenawee Involved in Family Education, Inc. (LIFE) related events and activities, the undersigned:

1. Agree that the member(s), participant(s), parent(s), and/or guardian(s) of the participant(s) should inspect the facilities and equipment to be used, and if they believe anything is unsafe, he or she should immediately advise the leader (coordinator, supervisor, advisor, manager, etc.) of such condition(s) and refuse to participate.
2. Acknowledge and fully understand that each member/participant will be engaging in activities that involve risk of serious injury, including permanent disability and death, and severe social and economic losses which might result not only from their own actions, inactions, or negligence but the actions, inactions, and negligence of others, or the condition of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, that there may be other risks not known to us or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
3. Assume all the foregoing risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability, or death.
4. Release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue Lenawee Involved in Family Education, Inc. (LIFE), its affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, and other employees of the organization, other members/participants, leaders, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable owners and lessors or premises used to conduct the event, all of which are hereinafter referred to as "releasers," from any and all liability to each of the undersigned, his or her heirs and next of kin for any and all claims, demands, losses or damages on account of injury, including death and damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the releases or otherwise.

I/WE HAVE READ THE ABOVE WAIVER AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT AND SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY.

Print Names of Youth Member(s)/Participant(s):

Print Names of Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Print Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Relationship:

Signature of Member(s)/Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Address of Member(s)/Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Telephone Number of Member(s)/Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Email of Member(s)/Parent(s)/Guardian(s):
