

Home Education Partnership of Texas, Inc.

*Credit Academic Classes, Fun
Camps, and Workshops*



Scientia Libertate, Mundus Domo

"Knowledge through Freedom, the World through Home"

MISSION STATEMENT

The Home Education Partnership of Texas exists to enhance and strengthen home education opportunities in Texas by:

- Providing educational courses and curriculum, and opportunities for recognition, recreation and achievement to homeschooling students and families;
- Facilitating communication and collaboration among participants and supporters in the home education community;
- Linking homeschooling students and families with appropriate educational resources;
- Advocating on behalf of home education to the general public, media, and educational and governmental agencies.

Affiliate Member of the Association of Classical and Christian Schools

Member of the National Science Teachers Association

Statement of Faith

Founded in 1997, Home Education Partnership of Texas, Inc. ministers to homeschool students and their families through a variety of activities. Home Education Partnership of Texas, Inc. supports a Biblical Judeo/Christian worldview. All families should recognize that our classes and activities are founded on Judeo/Christian principles and agree to support this statement of faith.

We believe that all children should be led to love and honor God and to make a difference in the world with their special, God-given abilities. Positive virtues should be continuously taught and developed at all levels. Character development and a strong work ethic are especially important in an independent study environment like homeschooling.

We believe it is neither possible nor desirable to separate one's faith from other areas of life and other subjects of study. We believe a strong foundation in core values will help our children grow to be good citizens and great leaders. The teaching and development of Judeo/Christian principles, values and character qualities will be integrated into activities and classes throughout the program.

We also believe that faith and its expression is a matter of personal choice. We do not desire to force anyone to express a faith they do not embrace. Students will be exposed to a Judeo/Christian worldview through their classes.

This statement of faith is foundational to the values that are interwoven into every aspect of our program, including classes. Instructors, staff, and those in leadership are required to support our Statement of Faith at all times in word and deed while acting as representatives of Home Education Partnership of Texas, Inc.

Participating families are expected to support the Statement of Faith, although it is possible that a parent may not be in agreement with or adhere to these beliefs in his or her personal life. Parents and students are expected to support the Statement of Faith while participating in the program and all activities, including extra-curricular activities, connected with the program.

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Please note we are offering several 1/2 or full-credit classes this summer. These include Psychology (1 credit), High School Speech (1/2 credit), Logic (1/2 credit), and four Computer Science courses (1/2 credit each).

Registration Information

The official HEP of Texas, Inc. registration form must be completely filled out, including the emergency information, health information, and parent release. No registration is considered official until payment for classes has been made. All summer courses must be paid for at the time of registration.

Registration is first come, first served. HEP of Texas, Inc. reserves the right to limit enrollment and to change times or dates if needed due to circumstances not under our control. Camps are open to home school, public school, and private school students.

Camps are grouped by subject. The instructors, dates, times, costs, and descriptions are listed for each camp, class, and workshop. All course descriptions listed are the intellectual property of HEP of Texas, Inc. and are protected by copyright law, 2016.

This schedule of camps also includes our adult seminars.

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Schedule of Camps

Adult Seminars



Homeschooling 101 Seminar – This free seminar will discuss the legalities of homeschooling, how to choose the right curriculum, and how to get started and organized. There will be a question and answer period.

NO RESERVATIONS REQUIRED. Cost: FREE

Instructor: Joanne Juren, B.A., M. Ed.

Session 1: August 3 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Session 2: August 5 10:00 - 11:30 am
Session 3: August 12 10:00 - 11:30 am
Session 4: August 18 10:00 - 11:30 am

Also see: [Getting Ready for High School and College](#), [The College Essay](#), [The College Application](#), and [Navigating through Financial Aid and Scholarships under College Prep Classes](#).

ACT Test

ACT Math/Science – New to the ACT? Need a quick review for a high score? Cheryl Red will review the skills needed to score well on the Math and Science parts of the ACT Test.

Cost: \$195

Dates: June 12-16; 9-noon



ACT Writing – HEP TX recommends that you take the ACT writing test though it is an optional test because many colleges require the writing test. Joanne Juren will review the ACT writing goals and tips for success. Students will practice writing essays each day and receive a critique from Mrs. Juren. Mrs. Juren will also provide test taking tips to help students avoid anxiety and relieve stress during all parts of the ACT Test.

Cost: \$175

Dates: June 19-22; 10-Noon

ACT Reading/English – Karen Freeman will review the skills needed to score well on the Reading and English parts of the ACT Test.

Cost: \$175

Dates: June 19-23; 1:30-3:30 pm
July 10-13; 1:00-3:30pm

Chess Camp



Chess for Kids (Andy Hudson) - Do you have a 2-8th grader who is interested in learning to play chess? Learn the strategies and tactics to win at chess during this fun summer camp. Understand the opening principles, middle game

strategies, and how to crush your opponent in the end game. We will play variations of chess such as bug-house, blitz, and pawn wars. And we will learn tournament etiquette. On the last day we will have a chess tournament!

Requirements: Students should already know how the pieces move.

Cost: \$175

Dates: June 12-16; 1:00-4:00pm

College Prep Courses

We recommend that the parent and student both take these courses:



Getting Ready for High School and College Seminar

(Joanne Juren) – If you have a student in 7th grade or above, then this class is for you. During this informative seminar, Joanne Juren will discuss many topics pertinent to students just entering high school. Topics include goal setting, course guidelines from 7th – 12th grade, the 4-year plan, high school transcript, extracurricular courses and activities, job co-ops, testing for high school and college, scholarships, and many more! Each parent will create a 4-

year plan for his or her student(s). There will be plenty of time for questions and answers! With one paid adult, the student may attend free of charge. Reservations required. The *Getting Ready for High School and College* book and CD are available at the HEP Bookstore.

Cost: \$40

Date: August 11; 9:00 – 1:00 pm



The College Application (Karen Freeman) - Filling out

those College Applications can be a nightmare. Learn how to pull all of the information together in this informative and necessary seminar with Karen Freeman. Helpful tips and ideas for completing these applications in a timely manner will make the

process easier and more efficient.

Cost: \$35

Dates: July 28 – 1:30-3pm

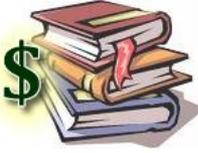


The College Essay (Karen Freeman) – Fretting over how to write the perfect college essay? Don't quite know where to start or what to write about? Mrs. Freeman will discuss not only how to choose a topic and how to write the essay, but she will help you find the most creative way to present your story so that the colleges

will not only want you, but will offer you money!

Cost: \$35

Dates: August 2; 10:30-Noon



Navigating through Financial Aid and

Scholarships (Karen Freeman) - If your child is heading to college next fall, now is the time to prepare for applying for financial aid. With the political changes in the government, the playing field has changed for homeschool

graduates so it is imperative that you learn what is available for your homeschool student. During this informative seminar, Mrs. Freeman will discuss the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid Application) and tips for completing this application. Mrs. Freeman will discuss the various kinds of financial aid available to home school students. Learn the difference between grants, loans, and scholarships and how to search the internet to find the perfect financial package for your student.

Cost: \$35

Dates: August 4; 10:30-noon

Computer Science and Engineering

If you are looking for a fun computer class for the summer, sign up for one of HEP's computer science summer camps! We are offering Game Programming, MS Office, Digital Art, and Animation classes.



Game Programming (Melissa Juren) - Video games may be fun

to play, but they are a blast to create! In this class, students will learn the basics of game programming using Game Maker software. The software provides a drag and drop interface for creating games. We will cover the concepts of keyboard and

mouse controls, adding sounds, keeping score, multiple levels, increasing challenges, and more! This class counts as a 1/2 credit on the high school transcript. Students will need a USB

drive. This course is designed for 7th - 12th grades.

Cost: \$295

Dates: June 5 – 9; 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM



MS Office (Melissa Juren) - If you need a solid

foundation on how to properly utilize Microsoft Office programs, this is the class for you! Students will learn to master the basics and touch on advanced techniques of the Microsoft Office applications as well as learn how they work together. Students will create and edit a variety of

Word documents ranging from the academic to the professional. Students will

also author several Excel spreadsheets that include chart analyses, custom functions and calculations, and even some simple macros. Students will then build PowerPoint presentations using slide transitions, animations, embedded multimedia, and inserted documents from other Office programs. Students will need a USB drive and Microsoft Office 2016 (installed at home). This course counts 1/2 credit on the high school transcript. **Optional Textbook:** *Microsoft Office 2016 Step by Step* by Joan Lambert and Curtis Frye

Dates: June 5 – 9; 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Cost: \$295

Digital Art (Melissa Juren) - Today's technology brings art into the digital age. Tablets have replaced canvases and offer virtually limitless creative options. In this class, students will learn the basics of digital art and be introduced to the Bamboo Pad and the free image editor GIMP. We will cover the concepts of photo enhancement, drawing techniques, and graphic design. Students may bring a drawing tablet of their choice to class. I will demonstrate a Wacom Wireless Bamboo Pad in class. Students will need a USB drive. This course is designed for 7th-12th grades. This course counts as 1/2 credit on the high school transcript.



Cost: \$295

Dates: June 12 – 16; 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Animation (Melissa Juren) - Ever wanted to make your own 3D movie? Now is the time to learn how! In this class, students will learn the basics of creating 3D animation using Muvizu software. We will cover concepts such as creating and customizing characters, manipulating virtual lights and sound effects, and handling lip-synching. Students will need a USB drive. This course counts as 1/2 credit on the high school transcript and is designed for 7-12th grades.

Cost: \$295

Dates: June 12 – 16; 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



Intro to Computer Science (Melissa Juren) - Have you ever considered a job at companies such as Google or Facebook, been interested in coding, or even used a mobile app? Then you may be interested in learning more about computing and technology. According to Code.org, 67% of all new STEM jobs are in computing! Come participate in this fun camp for ALL skill

levels that will introduce the fundamental logic, problem solving, and creativity of computer science and how you can turn it into a career.

Cost: \$45

Dates: August 4; 9-noon



Introduction to Python (Melissa Juren) – No, this is not a class on how to make coffee! Did you know that Computer Science now counts as a high school foreign language credit in the state of Texas? Java is one of the most in-demand programming languages and is a good

place to start if you are interested in taking Computer Science in high school or college. If you have little or no experience with coding, participate in this interactive introduction to computer programming with Python!

Cost: \$180

Dates: August 2-4; 1-4 pm

I INVENTOR

TinkerCAD (Clarissa Belbas) – 3-D printers are popping up everywhere including in public libraries. But, what can you print? Answer: Anything you can imagine! Come learn how to use TinkerCAD 3D modeling program to create your own 3-d printable project and prep it for printing on a 3-d printer such as the MakerBot Replicator. Required resources: computer with internet access. Recommended ages: 5th and up.

Cost: \$60

Date: Monday, June 19; 9:30-12:30 pm



Autodesk Inventor (Clarissa Belbas) - Maybe you've "tinkered" with TinkerCAD but now you're ready for something more powerful. In this class, you will learn how to bring your creations to life using Autodesk Inventor 2015, a Professional level 3-d modeling program used extensively in high school engineering and robotics courses. **Required**

resources: student supplied laptop preinstalled with Inventor 2015. (Registered students will be provided installation instructions.)

Recommended ages: 7th and up.

Cost: \$95

Dates: Tues-Wed, June 20-21, 9:30-12:30 pm



Android Game Development (Clarissa Belbas) - Think you have a great idea for the perfect Android app? Creating apps is easier than you might think and requires no prior programming experience. Come learn how to make your own Flappy Bird simulator as well as other fun games. (Registered students will be provided software installation instructions.)

Required resources: Student supplied laptop with android app software preinstalled and an android device with service (cell or wireless).

Recommended ages: 5th and up.

Cost: \$120

Dates: Tues-Wed, June 20-21, 1:30-4:30 pm.



Lego Robots (Clarissa Belbas) - Everybody loves playing with legos, and robots are awesome! Put these two together and you have awesome fun! Come join us as we build and program robots using the ev3 robots.

Recommended ages: 4th and up.

Cost: \$160

Dates: Mon-Thurs, June 26-29; 1-3 pm.



Intro to Arduino (Jeremy Gallagher) - Electronics are everywhere today, but how many of us really understand how they work? Come learn how some of the simple devices that you see everyday operate. We will learn about basic circuits, introduce fundamental logic programming, and have fun creating basic computer systems through the use of Arduino.

Recommended for grades 4th and up. Students will receive an

Arduino Compatible Basic Starter Kit to use in the class and then take home to continue learning!

Cost: \$175

Dates: June 26-30; 9:00-noon



Arduino Robotics Class (Jeremy Gallagher) - Robots are becoming more popular in today's society, but how many of us really understand the basics of how these machines think? Arduino is a fun way for everyone to learn the fundamentals of computer logic programming and how simple robots work. Recommended for grades 4th and up.

Cost: \$160

Dates: July 10-13; 1:00-4:00 pm

Culinary Arts



Culinary Fun for Kids (Karen Freeman) – Cooking is an excellent way for children to learn responsibility and valuable skills. Join Chef Karen for a week of fun creating delicious goodies for the holidays and entertaining. Students will learn to follow directions, practice safe food handling techniques, and create delicious and fun recipes. We will provide all of the food and a chef's hat that you may keep. Supply list available online.

Cost: \$175 (includes food and hat)

Dates: June 12-16; 10:30-noon



Intro to Culinary Arts (Karen Freeman) – Sugar and spice and lots of things nice, put it in a bowl for dinner tonight! This course for grades 9-12 is an introduction to the Art of Culinary and its history with the opportunity to taste your experience. There will be an iron chef competition at the end of the week. Class size is limited.

Students will each receive a chef's hat. Supply list available on-line.

Cost: \$195 (includes food and hat)

Dates: June 26-30; 10:00-noon

Language Arts



Elementary Creative Writing (Katie O’Neale) - In this exciting elementary camp for grades 3-5, students will write fiction, non-fiction, and poetry. Each day, students will read, discuss, write, and play a fun game. At the end of the class, students will write one large story as a group. Bring a notebook

and a pencil.

Cost: \$160

Dates: June 12-16; 9-10:30



Creative Writing for Grades 6-8 (Katie O’Neale) -

This class will go in depth in the study of the different forms of creative writing - fiction, non-fiction, and poetry. Every day we will do some reading, discussing, writing, and a fun game! At the end of the class we will write one large story as a

group.

Cost: \$160

Dates: June 12-16; 10:45-12:15



FANTASY

Story Writing – Sci-Fi and Fantasy for Grades 6-9

(Katie O’Neale) – This class will cover the form and different styles of writing science fiction and fantasy. Students will read several different authors to get a feel for the styles of science fiction and fantasy. Next, students will work on their individual stories as well as participate in brainstorming games.

Cost: \$160

Dates: July 10-14; 9-10:30



Story Writing – Mystery for Grades 6-9 (Katie O’Neale)

– This class will cover the form and different styles of writing mystery. Students will read several different authors to get a feel for the styles of science fiction and fantasy. Next, students will work

on their individual stories as well as participate in brainstorming games.

Cost: \$160

Dates: July 10-14; 10:45-12:15



Middle School Writing Workshop for Grades 6-8

(Joanne Juren/Joe Morton) - During middle school, it is important for students to develop strong writing skills. By understanding the writing process, student will better understand how to do writing assignments. During this workshop, students will focus on the paragraph format and write different types of paragraphs including descriptive, narrative,

comparison, and literary analysis. This course is a must before students attempt the five paragraph essay and high school English.

Cost: \$160

Dates: June 5 – 9; 10:00 – 11:30 am (Juren/Morton)
July 31-Aug 4; 10:00 – 11:30 am (Morton)



Five Paragraph Essay Writing Workshop (Joanne Juren/Joe Morton)

– This four day workshop for grades 8-12 will teach the basics of five-paragraph essay writing. Students will learn the basic structure of the essay through a visual drawing. They will practice each part of the essay and write one essay. Students will learn how to expand this “skeleton” to a longer research paper. This easy and interesting presentation will help even the “grumpiest”

writer learn that writing can be easily mastered when given the proper tools! Mastery of the five-paragraph essay will help students earn success in both high school and college. Absolutely no one younger than 8th grade may attend this accelerated presentation. This course is not recommended for students who struggle with English or who do not have mastery of basic paragraph writing. The book *Writing with the Masters* is required for the workshop and may be purchased at the HEP Bookstore. On the first day of class, students should also bring 3 juvenile library books on one of the 7 planets in the solar system (excluding Earth and Pluto). Class is limited to 15 students each session. Students should sign up for one session. New students getting ready to attend HEP’s high school classes are encouraged to take this course.

Cost: \$175

Dates: June 12 – 15; 10:00 – 12:00 pm (Juren/Morton)
August 7-10; 10:00-12:00 pm (Morton)

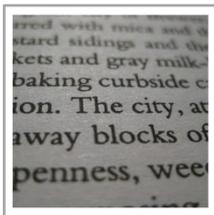


Research Writing Class (Karen Freeman)

– Research papers can be daunting unless you know where to begin. In this class, the approach is broken down into simple, easy-to-follow steps that remove the stress that comes with large writing projects. Students should understand the MLA format and five-paragraph essays. The book *Writing with the Masters* is required.

Cost: \$175

Dates: July 17-21; 10:30-12:30
July 31-Aug 4; 1:30-3:30



No Be Verbs and Other Grammar Rules for grades 7-12 (Karen Freeman)

- If you are confused about “be” verbs, this is the course for you! During this workshop, students will become stronger writers by exploring grammar myths and facts. Students will learn to write actively without the form of “to be.” Students will identify fragments, comma splices, other serious writing errors and learn to avoid them. Students will work on elevating word choices and language use.

Cost: \$160

Dates: July 17-21; 2:00-3:30pm



SHAKESHOP: UNDERSTANDING SHAKESPEARE (FOR THOSE NOT BORN IN THE 16TH CENTURY) (Amanda Murray)

Why Shakespeare? William Shakespeare was not only one of the greatest writers in the English language but he also wrote about the whole of human existence. In his plays and poetry, you can find examinations of politics, religion, race, relationships and so many more “big” issues. His work is important for any of us to understand!

In this one day workshop, you will begin (or continue) your exploration of Shakespeare by way of the connection between the page of “literature” and the drama of the theatre. Shakespeare’s plays were meant to be heard and seen! I will give you a toolbox filled with ways to better understand the language and literary devices he used, including a curriculum to follow at home. This workshop will not take you through the plots of his famous plays; it will show you the way to that for yourself! Because of his brilliance and scope, study of Shakespeare can enhance study of many other areas such as politics, warfare, geography, interpersonal communication, philosophy, religion...The list goes on and on!

This 3 hour workshop is ideal for either a parent or parent/ student (aged 14 or up) combo to attend. It is fast paced and interactive...and a lot of fun!

Cost: \$45

Dates: June 30; 9:30 – 12:30 pm

July 13; Noon – 3 pm

August 8; 1 – 4 pm

Logic

PREMISE 1

IF **A** = **B**

PREMISE 2

AND **B** = **C**

CONCLUSION

THEN **A** = **C**

The Art of Argument (grades 9-12) – Joanne Juren/Joe Morton - “My chief objection to a quarrel,” G.K. Chesterton wrote, “is that it ends a good argument.” High school students will argue (and sometimes quarrel), but they won’t argue well without good training. This 2 week course, *The Art of Argument*, is designed to teach the argumentative adolescent how to reason with

clarity, relevance, and purpose. The mastery of informal logic (the logical fallacies) is a foundational subject by which other subjects are evaluated, assessed, and learned. **Textbook:** *The Art of Argument* may be purchased at the HEP Bookstore. This course counts 1/2 credit on the high school transcript.

Time: June 19-29; Monday-Thursday; 1-3pm

Cost: \$325

Money Fit Kids



Money Fit Kids Summer Camp (Nicole Huffman Hollins) - Money Fit Kids, a financial literacy program designed to teach kids how money really works and the spirit of entrepreneurship, uses an original curriculum, age-appropriate board games, books, and movies to cover topics such as how to earn income, budgeting and how income and sales taxes works, and debt avoidance

in college planning and life. Additionally, the participants will explore and develop their natural gifts and talents in order to use them to make money and have the opportunity to practice their presentation skills. Finally, the students will have the opportunity to start their own businesses with ongoing legal and business mentoring. **Ages:** 3rd-5th Grade

Dates: June 19-23; 10:45-12:15

June 26-30; 10:45-12:15

Cost: \$160



Money Fit Kids Teen Girls Edition Summer Camp (Nicole Huffman Hollins) - A financial

literacy program designed to teach teenaged girls the truth about money and the value of business ownership. Money Fit Kids uses an original curriculum, age-appropriate board games, books, and movies to cover topics such as how to earn income, budgeting and

wise spending, the gift of giving, saving and investing, how income and sales taxes works, and debt avoidance in college planning and life. Additionally, the participants will explore and develop their natural gifts and talents in order to use them to make money and have the opportunity to practice their presentation skills. Finally, the students will have the opportunity to start their own businesses with ongoing legal and business mentoring. Participants will draft their own realistic budget, learn the good and bad of compound interest, and discover the benefit of choosing cash over credit. **Ages:** 6th-12th Grades (girls only)

Dates: June 19-23; 9-10:30

June 26-30; 9-10:30

Cost: \$160

Psychology



Introduction to Psychology (grades 10-12) – Karen Freeman – In this 2 week summer course, students will delve into the realms of the mind to understand such concepts as motivation vs manipulation, reward vs punishment, habit depletion vs adoption and the ethereal world called dreams. Limited section on abnormal

Psychology and self-hypnosis as relaxation will be presented. The course includes case studies, profiles, films and 2 extended home-conducted experiments.

Students need a binder, notebook and colored pencils. Counts as one (1) credit on

the high school transcript and qualifies the student for enrollment in AP Psych in the fall semester. **Textbook:** None

Dates: June 19-30; 9:30-12:30 (Monday-Friday of each week)

Cost: \$490 (1 full credit)

Speech



BEFORE



AFTER

High School Speech (Joanne Juren/Joe Morton) – This two week course is dedicated to teaching public speaking skills. Taught by an experienced speech and debate coach, this class will prepare even the shy student to be able to speak in public situations. Students will present a variety of impromptu as well as prepared speeches. Students

will also learn how to constructively critique other students and how to accept constructive critique. Speech counts as 1/2-credit on the high school transcript.

Textbook: BJU's *Sound Speech* (newest edition) – available at the HEP Bookstore.

Cost: \$450

Dates: June 5-15 (Monday-Thursday of each week); 1-4 pm

Study Skills



How to Study Smarter, Not Harder! (Joanne Juren) –

Feeling disorganized? Don't quite know how to tackle that load of homework? Want to learn how to study smarter, not harder? If so, this workshop is for you! Mrs. Juren will focus on 3 ideas that, if implemented, will turn you into a superstar student! This class is recommended for everyone who wants to move from mediocrity to excellence! Bring a spiral notebook, which is

required for a demonstration activity, and a pen. Parents must pay the same fee as students attending this course. Reservations required. The *How to Study Smarter, Not Harder!* Book is available at HEP Bookstore. This course is designed for 7-12th graders.

Cost: \$45

Dates: June 9; 1:00 – 4:00 pm

August 8; 9:00 – 12:00 pm



How to be Successful in an Honors Course (Joanne Juren) – Struggling to make an A in that honors class? Knowing what is important and what is not when writing notes can make your study time more productive. Joanne Juren continues the principles taught in the “How to Study Smarter, Not Harder!” course by delving deeper into how to highlight, read with discernment, and take more effective study notes. Students should take the How to Study Smarter, Not Harder! before taking this course.

Cost: \$35

Date: August 8; 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Notes:

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