Home Education Partnership of Texas, Inc.

registration Information Grades Pre K-12

2026-27

Scientia Libertate, Mundus Domo

"Knowledge through Freedom, the World through Home"

Established in 1997

Celebrating 29 Years of Educational Success

68 former students have earned doctorates!

Joanne Juren, Principal/Owner

Where students receive an education in the liberal arts and sciences and receive instruction in the principles of moral character and civil virtue.

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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 worldview. All families must recognize that our classes and activities are founded on Biblical principles and agree to respect this statement of faith.

We believe that all children should to 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 Biblical 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.

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 in word and deed while acting as representatives of Home Education Partnership of Texas, Inc.

Participating families are expected to respect the Statement of Faith, although it is possible that a family may not agree with or adhere to these beliefs in his or her personal life. Parents and students are expected to respect the Statement of Faith while participating in the program and all activities, including extracurricular activities, connected with the program.

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.

About HEP TX

As one of the first University Model Programs in the United States, HEP of Texas, Inc. has provided an award-winning college preparatory program for home school students since 1997. Degreed and/or credentialed instructors provide quality instruction under the direction of Joanne E. Juren, M.Ed., Principal and winner of the 2002 Calvert School's "Best Homeschool Pioneer" Award and 2015 inductee into the Texas Home School Hall of Fame.

For grades 8-12, parents and students choose the classes they need from over 60 courses, including 18 Honors/AP courses. Most classes meet once a week, with a few meeting twice a week. HEP's marquee course, JOURNEY THROUGH TIME, provides a five-year, honors humanities program with a heavy focus on the Socratic Method and Rhetoric, while also providing a strong foundation in the classics. Many JTT graduates move into the college arena and earn not only a bachelor's degree, but often an advanced degree.

The Montessori-style PreK 3 and 4 (Wednesdays), Kindergarten (T/Th), and 1st and 2nd grade (M/W or T/Th) programs offer classes where students explore new ideas, experience hands-on learning, and learn to work with others. These classes have Spanish lessons each week and begin an early introduction to LATIN in first and second grades. Using a classically oriented approach, the 3rd through 5th grade students explore history, language arts, science, and art on Thursdays and Computer Science, Geography, STEM, and Accelerated Math on Tuesdays. Grades 6 and 7 may choose from a variety of classes, including a schedule of two full days of classes on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. JTT 6 and JTT 7 are offered on Mondays and students must be approved for these classes with a teacher referral or testing.

HEP of Texas proudly offers **SPANISH** for grades Pre K -2nd and 6-12. Students who begin their foreign language studies early are more likely to become bilingual. We also offer Sign Language and Latin for high school students.

flipit

What is Flipped Classroom or FlipIt? The flipped classroom is a pedagogical model in which the typical lecture and homework elements of a course are reversed. Short video lectures (PowerPoints, videos, or other media) are viewed by students at home before the class session, while in-class time is devoted to collaborative activities, projects, or discussions. This exciting methodology fits the JTT model perfectly. Juniors and seniors, in preparation for college, will assume more of the responsibility for studying and learning background information to be ready for class discussions, Socratic Seminars, and other in-class group activities. Implemented in 2019-20, this methodology has been a big hit at HEP TX. Joanne Juren and HEP TX were awarded a grant by the Nobel Family's National Society of High School Scholars to purchase additional materials to enhance the use of the FlipIt method in the JTT program.

HEP TX offers the following Extra-Curricular Activities:

Graduation, Prom, Homecoming Dance/Court, Alpha Chapter of Eta Sigma Alpha National Home School Honor Society, The National Science Honor Society, Yearbook Club,

Standardized Testing in the spring, and an Outstanding Student Awards Day Program. We have a great PTO that provides parent leadership for planning field trips and school activities. Check out **heptx.com** for more information about these events! To join the science honor society, visit **nhsshs.org,** and to join Eta Sigma Alpha National Home School Science Honor Society, visit **esaalphachapter.com**

HEP OF TEXAS, INC. – HONORS & AP COURSES

What is an honors course? Honors courses cover more difficult materials and move at a faster rate than a regular class. The reading material is more extensive, and the writing is at a college preparatory level. Students work at a level that is at least 1-2 grade levels higher than the grade level of the course.

Who should take an honors course? Students who are task-oriented and self-motivated should consider taking an honors course. Students must have self-discipline and a strong work ethic. Liberal Arts oriented courses require strong grammatical and rhetorical skills. Science/Math courses require strong analytical and problem-solving skills.

CLEP Preparation – JTT 12 will focus on CLEP test English preparation, as well as continuing research skills. Many students will earn 12 hours of English/History CLEP credit and 3 hours of Humanities CLEP credit after completion of JTT 12. Many students earn AP/CLEP testing in science and math.

Who should not take an honors course? Students who do not have time to study and complete homework a minimum of 5+ hours a week should not take honors classes.

What is a Journey through Time? Journey though Time is HEP TX's Honors English/History/Humanities five-year program. It is an intensive survey course of literature and history starting with the Ancient Times and continuing to the Modern Times. Students earn 18 credits during the 8^{th}-12^{th} grades.

Who teaches HEP's Honors English/History Classes? Mrs. Barbee has a B.A., Mrs. Rothberg has a B.S., B.S., and a M.S.B.A. Mrs. Naumann has a B.A. in Writing. and an MBA.

HONORS Advanced Mathematics – Students strong in mathematics may enroll in Saxon's Advanced Math Honors. HEP covers this book in 32 weeks of intense study. Students who earn and A or B may count this course as an Honors Course. Students will be well-prepared for Calculus and Physics and collegiate courses. Teacher: TBA

HONORS Calculus and Physics - Students strong in mathematics may enroll in Saxon's Calculus and Physics Honors courses. HEP covers these books in 32 weeks of intense study. Students who earn an A or B, may count this course as an Honors Course. Students will be well prepared for advanced collegiate mathematics and science courses after completing these HEP courses. Teacher: TBA

HONORS Biology 1 and 2, Chemistry 1 and 2 - Taught by Cheryl Red students who complete both courses will be ready to take the CLEP exam for biology/chemistry. Students who make an A or B may count these courses as Honors Courses. Mrs. Red has a B.A., B.S., and M.S. degree. Dr. Rachel Read holds a PhD in Physical Therapy. She will teach the Bio 2 lecture series.

HONORS Physical Science – Taught by Sue Rothberg, students will move at a faster pace and cover additional topics with more hands-on experiences. Mrs. Rothberg has a B.S., B.S., and an M.S.B.A.

HONORS Government and Economics - Taught by Kathy Rogers, students who complete Honors Government/Economics will be ready to take the CLEP test. She holds a BS and MS.

HONORS Speech – Taught by Logan Barbee Martinez, students complete a rigorous course of study of Speech Theory and perform a variety of speeches. This course is an Honors Credit in the 16-week version. Mrs. Barbee holds a BA in History and a minor in vocal performance.

Registration and Tuition Information

New students from private or public schools must present a transcript or report card from the school attended last year and complete a new student application.

Students who have been dismissed from another program for disciplinary reasons will not be accepted at HEP. Students who are on probation with the court system will not be accepted at HEP. We reserve the right to refuse service.

HEP **does not** have trained Special Education teachers or classes. We welcome all students and want to ensure that each student's needs are met. Parents should meet with Mrs. Juren or Mr. Sullivan to determine the best academic course for each student.

Required for Registration:

- ✔ Class Registration Form
- ✔ Waiver of Liability
- ✔ Medical Waiver
- ✔ Copy of Insurance Card (for emergency use only)
- ✔ Automatic Credit Card Debit form (if you wish your credit card to be charged automatically for the tuition payments according to the terms of your contract).
- ✔ No registration is considered official until payment for classes has been received.

NEW STUDENT INTERVIEW APPOINTMENTS: New students must interview with Joanne Juren, Principal, or Shane Sullivan, Asst. Principal. Please bring previous school records, a sample of writing, and the application form/fee. JTT students may be required to test for the JTT program.

Dates: By appointment contact ssullivan@heptx.com. During the summer we run a limited school schedule. It is best to interview early.

REGISTRATION DATES:

1. **Current and Legacy Students:**
   Current HEP TX students and legacy students may begin registration on **March 2, 2026 at 9:00 am**. Non-refundable deposit of $150.00 for each course is required plus fees (see details below).

2. **Approved New Students**
   Registration for **approved new students who have interviewed** with Mrs. Juren or Mr. Sullivan begins on **March 23, 2026 at 10:00 am.** A non-refundable deposit of $150 for each course is required plus fees.

3. **New Students**
   Registration for all other **new students** begins on **March 30, 2026 at 10:00 am**. A non-refundable deposit of $150.00 for each course is required plus fees (see details below).

NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT – due at registration

- ✔ A non-refundable tuition deposit of $150.00 per course is required to hold a student's spot in any course.
- ✔ This deposit will be applied to the course tuition and the down payment for the plan chosen for financing the tuition.

FEES – due at registration

New Student Application Fee - $35 per year (non-refundable; current students are exempt).
Registration Fee - $125 per year (non-refundable).
Art Class Fee ($70 per class; non-refundable); Elementary Art Class Fee ($35; non-refundable)

TEXTBOOK OPTIONS:

- ✔ Order books from HEP Bookstore when you sign up for classes. We will have a book pick up date prior to classes starting.
- ✔ Order books on your own. We will supply the information for ordering. See the booklist online for each grade level.

PAYMENT

HEP TX accepts cash, check, Master Card, Visa, Discover, or American Express. There will be a 3% credit card fee applied to all credit card transactions.

Automatic Credit Card Charge – You are welcome to file a credit card authorization so that we may automatically charge your credit card for tuition payments according to your payment contract. You will not receive a bill in the mail with this option.

Choose one of three payment plans:

1. Pay in full beginning June 1, 2026.

2. Pay ½ of the total tuition beginning June 1, 2026. Pay ½ of the remaining tuition with 2 payments due on October 1, 2026, and November 2, 2026. This option will avoid a finance charge.

- A late fee of $35 will be added each time a payment is not received in full by the monthly due date.
- Failure to pay the tuition in full by the November due date will result in the contract being moved to option 3.

3. Pay ½ of the total tuition due beginning June 1, 2026.

- Finance the remainder of the tuition with 1st payment due on August 1, 2026.
- There will be a one-time upfront $100 finance charge (non-refundable).
- A late fee of $35 will be added each time a payment is not received in full by the monthly due date

LEGAL NOTICE: ***If a student drops a class OR is dismissed for non-payment or disciplinary reasons, the parent is still responsible for the full payment of tuition and fees. A completed class registration packet signed by the parent is recognized by the court as a legal binding contract for payment of classes.***

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR 2026-27

Labor Day – 9/7/26

Thanksgiving/Fall Break – 11/23-11/27/26

School Office Closed - 12/14/26-1/8/27 (Classes resume the week of 1/11/27)

2-week Spring Break – 3/15-3/26/27 which includes Easter Good Friday – 3/26/27

Hurricane or other Inclement Weather Make-up Day(s): We will make up missed days/weeks at the end of each semester. If possible, teachers will use Zoom on days we cannot get to the school.

We observe Labor Day, but no other Monday federal holidays. Many classes finish before Dec. 12. Our 32-week classes start earlier and end later each semester.

Make-up policy: Each instructor will establish his/her own make-up policy. Unexcused absences may not be made up. Parents are required to notify the teacher through TeacherEase when a student is absent.

Teacher Ease

Grades: Grades are available 24/7 through TeacherEase (TE). New students and their parents will receive a private password and information about retrieving grades. Parents may print out grade sheets for each class to retain for their permanent records.

Announcements: All announcements, including emergency information, will be e-mailed through the TeacherEase program and posted in the Announcement section of the TeacherEase program.

Setting up Teacher Ease: Once you register for classes, you will be set up in Teacher Ease by the principal. You will receive a "welcome e-mail." Follow the instructions in this e-mail to change your password. You will begin to receive e-mails about the school and your child's classes.

Grades: All grades will be entered into TeacherEase. Teachers are asked to be diligent about entering grades. You may print out a copy of all grades and a transcript. Grades are available dating back to 2010 when we first began using TE. To access grades for a certain year, be sure to put that year into the date bar at the top of the TE page.

HEP Policies and Rules – 2026-27

General policies about student behavior:

- Students must use their key card to enter the building.
- Lost key cards cost $25 each time they are lost.
- All parents, visitors, and non-HEP students are required to check in with the office when visiting or walking your student to the classroom.
- Students should arrive on time and should be picked up on time.
- Students are expected to behave. Those who do not will be dismissed from the program.
- Students who skip classes will be dismissed from the program.
- Students are to respect the property of the school and use it wisely.
- Students should dress modestly for classes. No shorts above the knee; no tank tops unless covered by an outer shirt; no clothes with offensive designs or wording; short skirts should have shorts to the knee underneath; no revealing clothes are allowed. No **nose rings** or other piercings except ears; no tattoos that show; no brightly colored hair or outlandish hair styles. Blue jeans with rips should not show underwear, or other private areas. NO PJS or lounge wear allowed.
- HEP employees are not allowed to give out medicines, including Tylenol, etc. without parent permission.
- Students may bring lunch if they are staying for multiple classes. Students are NOT to stay for lunch if they do not have all day classes.
- Students are not allowed to leave the campus without parent permission.
- No card playing or other types of gambling.
- There is no smoking or vaping on campus.

- Bringing guns, knives (including pocketknives), alcohol, or drugs on campus may result in the immediate expulsion of the student(s) involved from the program. No money paid for classes will be refunded.
- CELL PHONES SHOULD BE TURNED OFF! NO TEXTING DURING CLASS! Some teachers have students use cell phones for activities.
- We invite all students to take classes with us. However, please refrain from asking us to use "special pronouns" at school or in our graduation program.

General policies about the services HEP TX provides:

- HEP does not have a Special Education department. We are not equipped to serve special needs children who need modified curriculums or IEPs. We welcome children with Dyslexia, Irlen Syndrome, ADD/ADHD, and mild Autism/Aspergers diagnoses. Doctors will assess students with learning differences. We will be glad to give you a referral. Julie Yaxley, a Dyslexia/Irlen specialist, takes HEP referrals.
- HEP uses an online grading program called TeacherEase. A list of courses and the respective grades is available on TE.
- The homeschooling parent must take an active role in monitoring his child's academic achievement and the timely completion of all course work as it is the parent's responsibility to supervise the home school program according to Texas Law.
- Teachers should be notified when a student is absent.
- Any tutoring requested outside of the regular class time will be charged per hour by the teacher.
- We do not give out teacher phone numbers.
- Teachers may charge an hourly fee for extended parent conferences.
- Contact teachers via e-mail through Teacher Ease if possible.

We reserve the right to refuse service to anyone who will not abide by our program policies and rules.

The booklists for each grade level are available in the digital locker and online at heptx.com.

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GRADUATION 2027

MAY 15, 2027 – 10:00 AM

Hope Lutheran Church

Friendswood, TX.

Next fall, Check www.heptx.com under Graduation 2027 for updated information and a list of mandatory meetings.

SCHOOL TRIP 2027 - Greece

Join HEP TX and Mrs. Henry for the trip of a lifetime! Journey to the land of the Greeks, a land rich in history and the arts.

March 18 – March 27, 2027

*Tour # **Henry – 3722** - Explorica.com*

ASSOCIATIONS

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