

# 2024-2025 School Year Effective 6/1/24 – 5/31/25

## Foothills Accountability Association Statement of Agreement and Commitment

(Please make a personal copy of this page for your records, as your signature indicates acceptance of agreement.)

I/we agree to comply with all requirements as listed on page two of this application, and understand that signing below indicates agreement to comply.

Foothills Accountability Association provides legal coverage as required under SC Statute 59-65-47 and additional services that we choose to provide. I/we understand that Foothills, nor its volunteers, can in no way guarantee college admission acceptance, scholarship grants, or job placement.

You are not legal under this option until your signed paper and fee are received by the Foothills Administrator. To maintain good standing in FAA, new members must attend a New Member Orientation to activate your membership, and attend January and May records checkoff meetings. You must renew your membership each year. Notification of Checkoff meetings are listed on the website, and are scheduled for Mid-January and Mid-May of every school year. **If you have NOT received notification, it is YOUR responsibility to contact the Administrator to receive dates and times for checkoff. Questions? We are here to help! Please visit our website [www.foothillshomeschool.org](http://www.foothillshomeschool.org) or call (864) 247-6068.**

Parent's name (please print): _____					
Address: _____					
_____					
Date	home phone ( required)	email address (required)			
<b>**SCHOOL DISTRICT---Circle One:</b>					
<b>Oconee</b>	<b>Pickens</b>	<b>Other</b> _____			
<b>Anderson 1</b>	<b>Anderson 2</b>	<b>Anderson 3</b>	<b>Anderson 4</b>	<b>Anderson 5</b>	<b>Greenville</b>
Name of primary teaching parent, and HS attended/grad year or GED year: _____					

Name of student (add additional on back)	AGE	GRADE (REQUIRED)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

You will receive confirmation of membership. If you are joining in the middle of a school year, we advise you to become legal and gather any curriculum materials prior to withdrawing your child from public school. Please give school officials contact information for FAA to obtain verbal confirmation of your legal status, but it is not required under law to submit any additional withdrawal paperwork to the district.

<b>FEES:</b>	<b>\$40.00 per family, per school year, plus any of the following that apply:</b>
<b>ADD:</b>	<b>\$10.00 if you are homeschooling high schoolers</b> (and 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> graders taking High school credit)
<b>ADD:</b>	<b>\$30.00 if you are homeschooling a Senior</b> (a child who will be graduating this school year)
<b>ADD:</b>	<b>\$20.00 if you are Joining or Renewing AFTER OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup> of the current school year.</b>
<b><u>NO Refunds are given for any reason once application is accepted.</u></b>	

**Make checks or money order payable to:**  
**Kim Williams**  
**PO Box 351**  
**Seneca, SC 29679**



**OR PAY using PAYPAL:**  
[briarwoodfarm123@gmail.com](mailto:briarwoodfarm123@gmail.com)  
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### Statement of Agreement/Commitment

I/we agree to the stipulations required by Foothills membership and covenant together with other members of the Foothills Accountability Association to be accountable to God and each other, to fulfill our home-schooling responsibilities as required by law, and to represent the home-schooling community in a positive, appropriate, and above-reproach manner.

_____	_____
parent/legal guardian signature	parent/legal guardian signature

Keep this document for your records, as it lists your responsibilities as a home-schooling parent/guardian registered through Foothills. Fill out the attached application, make a copy for your records, and send with fee to the address given.

**Read the following Membership Requirements CAREFULLY before signing the attached application. Signing the application indicates that you fully understand and agree to comply with all of the following requirements.**

**1) Parent must follow all requirements as listed in SC Law Section 59-65-47:**

**A)** Parent must hold at least a high school diploma or the equivalent (GED) certificate; (  
\*\*Only a parent or LEGAL guardian may homeschool the child.)

**B)** The instructional year is at least 180 days; and

**C)** The curriculum includes but is not limited to, the basic instructional areas of reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies; and in grades seven through twelve, composition and literature,

**D)** Educational records shall be maintained by the parent/teacher and include:

1—A **Planbook**, diary or other written record indicating subjects taught and activities which the student and parent/teacher engages;

2—A **portfolio of samples** of the students academic work;

3—A **semiannual progress report** including attendance records and individualized documentation of the student's academic progress in each of the basic instructional areas specified in item C) above.

**2) Parent must COMPLETE the required 180 days of school (see b above) NO LATER THAN May 31<sup>st</sup>.** You may begin your school year at any time after June 1<sup>st</sup> as long as the required 180 days are completed by May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**3) Parent will attend MANDATORY January and May Accountability meetings, bringing records listed in (d) to show volunteers for mutual accountability.** If you cannot attend the meeting due to family emergency, illness, or out of town trip, each family needs to contact the Administrator to arrange a checkoff ahead of time. **If you do not attend the provided Checkoff, a LATE CHECKOFF FEE of \$30 will be assessed in order to have your records checked.** If the parent does not attend BOTH meetings, or does not have the three items listed in section (d), he WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED TO BE IN COMPLIANCE of the Membership Requirements of the Association (and thus not legally homeschooling through Foothills). Your local school district may also be notified of your change in legal status.

**4)** If you fail to provide the required records during an Accountability meeting as listed above in 1 and 2, you will be required to submit all records for additional review to a pre-selected Review Board to determine compliance with SC State Homeschool law. The board will then provide counseling, assistance or take further action at their discretion. If you must be called twice for additional review for failure to comply as listed here, you will be dropped from the Foothills roster and not permitted to rejoin.

**5) New Members will attend a Mandatory New Member Orientation meeting after joining.** All new members must attend in order to ensure legal status. Meeting will be set by the Administrator and notification of the meeting will occur on website and/or email.

UNLESS YOU ARE A FOREIGN MISSIONARY IN THE FIELD (AND MAIL IN COPIES OF YOUR RECORDS), IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT YOU ATTEND THE MEETINGS LISTED ABOVE. OUR ACCOUNTABILITY GROUP EXISTS TO PROVIDE ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGH FACE-TO-FACE FELLOWSHIP. Exceptions Exist. EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ACCOMMODATE YOUR SCHEDULE IN THE CASE OF SURGERY, DEATH, BIRTH OF A CHILD, AND OTHER **EMERGENCY** SITUATIONS. HOWEVER, THE CHECKOFF MEETINGS ARE ALWAYS SET FOR THE SAME TIMES EVERY YEAR. **SCHEDULE YOUR VACATIONS AROUND THESE DATES**, OR MAKE PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS WITH KIM TO CHECKOFF EARLY or LATE. HOMESCHOOLING TAKES DEDICATION TO SUCCEED. PLEASE PLAN AHEAD TO MAKE ALL MEETINGS. **Both EARLY Checkoff Appointments AND LATE Checkoff Appointments, either in person or virtual, will incur a convenience fee of \$30, unless specifically waived by the Administrator, payable to the person doing the checkoff.**

**6) If you are homeschooling a high school child, you will be responsible for the following:**

You are required to keep numerical grades of your student's work, submit 5 work samples for each subject per semester (10 total samples per credit earned), and provide a final transcript in place of the progress report for the May checkoff. Final Transcript must include grades computed the 10 point UGS (Uniform Grading Scale), which is now required by colleges for admission. **A CORRECTED, PERMANENT COPY MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN JUNE 5. IF NO TRANSCRIPT IS SUBMITTED BY THE DUE DATE, A GPA OF 3.5 WILL BE ASSIGNED FOR THE RANKING REPORT, WHICH WILL BE A PART OF THEIR PERMANENT RECORD.**

As a part of your membership fee, we will *assist* you in computing the GPA, setting up the transcript and preparing a college portfolio. We will also file up to TWO scholarships for the cost of membership, provide course and curriculum support, and provide class ranking and college admission documents as needed for ONE college admission. We will provide documentation for TWO college applications. If a student requires additional filings OR If student transfers to another university after admission, and needs additional documentation for that new university, a \$30 per document/email fee will apply.