

Living Water Abu Dhabi Homeschool



Positive and Encouraging Homeschooling Classes

Living Water is a homeschool group that provides a variety of classes in a positive and encouraging environment to support parent-directed education. Our organization meets one day per week, with classes ranging from First Grade to High School. Our focus is primarily school-aged children in First Grade and higher; however, we could arrange nursery, toddler, and preschool classes for younger children, if needed. Each class is led by the parents themselves and offers numerous core classes and extra-curricular activities to help children grow throughout the year. Beyond the designation of homeschool classes, we want Living Water to be a positive and motivating environment to the children and parents. We want friendships and the fellowship with other homeschool parents in the structure of a formal organization to be a blessing to everyone involved.

If, after reading the Living Water Abu Dhabi Homeschool Group Handbook, you feel that Living Water may be the right choice for you and your children, please continue to our Registration page to consider in what way you would like to become involved. If you would like more information, please visit us on the web at www.LivingWaterHS.com/AbuDhabi or email us at info@LivingWaterHS.com.

What is Living Water?

- The Living Water Abu Dhabi Homeschool group provides core curriculum and extracurricular classes for homeschoolers in a positive environment to support parent-directed education.
- Parents lead and teach classes, coordinate events, and provide opportunities for children to grow and learn through unique and exciting experiences.
- As Living Water is a parent-run group, each family is responsible to participate in the homeschool group every week.
- Each family will have an opportunity to contribute in a different area each session. These areas could include: Art, Music, Physical Education, Math, Science, History, Geography, Teacher, Teacher Assistants, Nursery Teachers, Preschool Teachers, Substitutes, Coordinators, Hall Monitors, and more.
- Living Water offers Classes for First Grade through High School children one day a week. Personal gatherings and events are encouraged as parents and children find new friends.
- If you are a new or seasoned homeschool parent who would like to provide core classes and extracurricular activities to your homeschool education, or think that your child would benefit from fellowship with other homeschoolers in an educational environment, Living Water is here for you.

Living Water Policies



Please carefully read the following policies.

New Membership Policy

Anyone desiring to become a part of the Living Water Homeschool should contact us via phone or email. Note: The oldest child in your family attending should be at least 6 years old by December.

Procedures:

1. Please read the Living Water Handbook, then complete and submit the registration form online.
2. A phone interview will be coordinated to answer any questions from the prospective member.
3. Families may only join at the beginning of the sessions. This helps maintain scheduling and class consistency.

Attendance Policy

Attendance is important to a consistent and effective program. Our parent-leaders and their children should make every effort to be on-time and present for every class. If an unexpected circumstance arises, please contact the Substitute Coordinator as soon as possible to facilitate the scheduling of a substitute teacher. We allow 3 unexcused absences per year.

Illness Policy

If you or your children have experienced a fever, vomiting, diarrhea, or any other contagious illness with 48 hours of scheduled activities, please stay home. Also, please contact the Substitute Coordinator as soon as possible to facilitate the scheduling of a substitute teacher and to submit a prayer request.

Guest Policy

We encourage guests to attend a weekly session with your family. Please make them aware of our policies. As with all of our children, we do request that the guest's parent or guardian remains onsite during the visit in case of an emergency or special requirement.

Supply Policy

We attempt to provide some very basic resources for the weekly classes. These items may be insufficient for a complete lesson; therefore, please be prepared to bring your own materials.

Privacy Policy

We desire our homeschool to be a safe environment for our members. Everyone should respect the privacy of our families. We will not release names, phone numbers, or any personal information of any member to any third-party without the express permission of that member. Please let us know if you would not like your information on the Living Water Contact List that is distributed to Living Water families.

Liability and Medical Release Policy

All member families agree and understand that Living Water, its members, and the facility ownership are not liable for any injuries incurred during Living Water events. As engaged parents, we are responsible for our children during the early years of their lives.

Discipline Policy

To maintain a safe and harmonious environment, we ask that all parents consistently enforce the discipline policy. Please lead the children to respect those in charge, respect others, and respect our facilities. "Do unto others, as you would have them do unto you."

Procedure: 3-Count Discipline Program

1. 1st count is a warning
2. 2nd count is to separate the child from the immediate group and activities, until the child agrees to co-operate
3. 3rd count, the child will be removed from the activities and placed with their parent for the remainder of the day. If the parent is teaching, then a substitute will be brought-in to teach the remainder of the class.

Treat Policy

Due to allergies and personal preferences, we must discourage the distribution of candy. However, you may bring stickers or other types of rewards for the children in your classes.

Family Policy

Although the classes are lead by the mommies, we encourage the fathers to take part in the field trips and other events outside the instruction time.

Love Joy Peace Patience
Kindness Goodness Faithfulness
Gentleness Self-Control

Faculty Positions for Classes

Each family will have a different responsibility for each session, including: Art, Music, PE, Special Topic Teachers and Teacher Assistants; Nursery Teachers and Assistants; Preschool/Toddler Teachers and Assistants; Class Manager; Snack Coordinator, Hall Monitor; Clean Up Coordinator; Registration and Dismissal Supervisor; and Substitute. The Faculty Positions Interest Form will be emailed to you shortly after you register.

Art, Music, Math, Science, History, Geography and Special Topic Teachers

- Develop weekly lessons for the session.
- Create one substitute lesson and turn in to the curriculum chairperson by the first day of the session. (Just in case you are out, so we will have a plan).
- Facilitates and manages classroom activities for specific age groups.
- Teachers are responsible for setting up their room and returning their classrooms to the specification of the facility.

Teacher Assistant

- Assists the teachers during the class.

Preschool/Toddler Teachers

- The preschool teacher will design a fun class using exciting preschool topics.

Preschool/Toddler Teacher Assistant

- Assists the teachers during the class.

Nursery Teacher

- Plans fun activities, and creates a safe environment and for our little ones to play.

Nursery Teacher Assistant

- Assists the nursery teacher during the class.

Class Manager

- Lead the children to their classrooms when classes change and help supervise bathroom breaks.
- Expected to stay with the class at all times.

Snack Coordinator

- Prepares treats, coffee/tea for mummies during breaks.

Hall Monitor

- Hall monitor needs to routinely check all classrooms and halls and assist with transition times and bathroom breaks.

Clean up Coordinator

- Ensures all rooms are cleaned and trash is removed.

Registration and Dismissal Supervisor

- Provides fun activities (stories, quiet games) for children before and after Living Water.

Substitute

- Available to substitute if a regularly scheduled person is unable to attend.

Living Water Leadership

The President oversees all Living Water leaders and events. The President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Curriculum Chairperson serve in their respective areas to coordinate the schedule, handle the financial obligations and costs, and to function as general managers of Living Water. Together with our spouses, we will make a commitment to create a loving cooperative group.

If you are interested in becoming involved in the administration of Living Water, please read the positions below and consider where you would like to serve.

Administration Positions (Long Term One-Year Positions)

Art, Music, and Physical Education Curriculum Developers

- Develops curriculum objectives and topics for the entire school year.
- Submits the curriculum objectives and topics to the curriculum chairperson.
- Assists teachers when creating their class lessons, if needed.

Special Topic Curriculum Developer

- Parents contribute their expertise in area such as a foreign language, sewing, or other educational topics with specialized knowledge in that area.
- Teaches the special class or provides other teachers with the information needed to teach this special topic.

Field Trip Coordinator

- Searches out exciting field trips that align with class topics and are appropriate for all ages.
- Advertises and coordinates field trips, which includes providing directions and information on any fees, if applicable.

Merchandizing Coordinator

- Design and coordinate other Living Water merchandizing materials such as hats, pens, bumper stickers, and coffee mugs.

Nursery and Preschool Director

- Develops a daily schedule for all nursery, toddler, and preschool classes.
- Plans topics and learning goals for the entire school year.

Celebration Planner

- Organizes and plans special fun events, such as graduation, and monthly birthday celebrations.

Field Day Planner

- Organizes and oversees the Living Water Field Day in the spring.

Thank you for your interest in Living Water!
Please contact us if you have any questions or would like more information.

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