Home and School Association Membership Form

October 1, _____ to September 30, _____

Home and School Association

Association Name

Name(s): _____

For a family membership, list 2 names – no additional cost

Address: _____

Home #: _____ **Cell #:** _____

E-mail Address: _____

By completing this form I/we hereby give consent for the above-named Home & School Association and OFHSA to use this e-mail address for the purpose of Home & School electronic mailings and other communications. The Association/OFHSA shall not use, retain or disclose personal information for purposes other than those for which it was collected, except with the consent of the individuals.

Membership Fee $25 *(cheques are payable to the above-named Home & School Association)*

- **Membership fees are non-refundable**
- The OFHSA Membership Fee covers: the costs of advocacy/representation; administrative costs at OFHSA (secretary, office rental, website, printed materials, awards, Canadian Home & School Federation fee, auditor fee/maintaining charitable status with CRA)
- An OFHSA membership card will be given to you by the Association
- Membership is not required to volunteer at the school
- Association Meetings are open for anyone to attend, however, **non-members <u>do not</u> have voting privileges**

Membership Privileges:

- ✓ Liability insurance coverage while participating in sanctioned Home & School Association activities (each H&S Association is required to pay an annual Association Insurance Fee)
- ✓ Voting privileges at Home & School Association meetings (budget & financials, minutes, bylaws, executive elections, resolutions at the provincial level, other motions as brought forth)
- ✓ Provides the association with more votes at the OFHSA Annual Meeting
- ✓ Privilege of attending the OFHSA Conference & Annual Meeting (workshops, networking, recognition, fundraising info and free samples), meals and accommodations for voting delegates may be paid in whole or in part by the Home & School Association and should be included in the budget approved by the membership
- ✓ Privilege of attending OFHSA Leadership session
- ✓ Receive minutes of Home & School Association meetings
- ✓ A collective voice of members at the local, provincial and national levels
- ✓ Eligible for the Volunteer Skills Portfolio (VSP) to earn the *Ada Courtice Certificate of Leadership and Learning*

Questions about Membership?

Please contact: _____

(Fill in your Association Membership Chair's name and contact information)

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The Ontario Federation of Home and School Associations (OFHSA)

Membership is open to all persons, age 18 years and over, who are interested in the welfare of children and youth, and who subscribe to the purposes, beliefs and objectives of OFHSA.

Individual memberships are for one person. Family memberships are for two eligible persons residing at the same address. The cost is the same.

Mission Statement

The Ontario Federation of Home & School Associations, a province-wide network of dedicated members, is committed to informed and pro-active involvement in our homes, our schools and our communities to obtain **"The Best for Each Student".**

Aims and Objectives

1. To promote the welfare of children and youth.
2. To raise the standards of home life.
3. To promote the care and protection of children and youth.
4. To foster co-operation between parents and teachers in the training and guidance of children and youth, both during and after the school period.
5. To obtain the best for each child according to his/her physical, mental, social and spiritual needs.
6. To give parents an understanding of the school and its work, and to assist in interpreting the school in all aspects to the public.
7. To confer and co-operate with organizations other than schools which concern themselves with the care and training of children and youth in the home, the school and the community; and with the education of adults to meet these responsibilities.
8. To foster high ideals of citizenship and to promote through educational means international goodwill and peace.

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