THE COTTONWOOD SCHOLÉ COMMUNITY

A Homeschool Collaborative in Gypsum, Colorado

Thank you for your interest in The Cottonwood Community! Please, download, print, and complete this form and return pages 3-4 to the Director. You may scan and e-mail your completed form to: anna.cottonwoodschole@gmail.com or mail to: Anna Brosius, P.O. Box 1948, Gypsum, CO 81637

Application Process:

Admission to The Cottonwood Community is a three-step process. The purpose of this process is to ensure, prior to enrollment, that families understand and align with the vision and environment of the school and that each family understands the commitments and expectations of the community.

Step 1: Application: Applications for new families will be accepted until June 1, 2024. Interested families should look over our website at www.cottonwoodschole.com, and complete the application and return it to the director. Once received we will be in touch to set up an interview time.

Step 2: Interview: It is important that we agree that this is a good fit for your family and that the vision of the school and the needs of your family align. Interviews are conducted in person when possible but may be conducted via zoom when circumstances demand. The primary teacher/homeschool parent must be present. Other family members are welcome but do not need to participate in the interview process.

Step 3: Registration: Once your application is approved, you will receive a registration packet which must be completed and returned with the appropriate registration fee payment within ten days of acceptance to the program.

Mission Statement: To provide a space for Homeschool families to gather, pool their talents and resources, and work together to educate their children in a Christian Classical community.

Vision: To build an environment that honors childhood and protects the innocence and sense of wonder in every student who is involved. We will seek to inculcate a respect and love for God's creation, and promote a deep and abiding love of exploration and learning together in community.

Basic Information and Community Organization:

We are a Christian Community dedicated to providing a Classical approach to education through the selection of curriculum, coursework, and activities that focus on the liberal arts and the perception of truth, goodness, and beauty.

We meet in a beautiful and peaceful space on the Two Bar Ranch just outside of the town of Gypsum, Colorado three days per week. We expect and require that our families respect and accept the ranching environment and the risks that inherently come with the ranch/country lifestyle and activities. Gathering days will be Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays throughout the school year (please see our school calendar for further information). Classes will begin at 9:15 and end at 3:00 (please see our daily schedule for more information)

Each involved parent will be required to actively participate in the operations of the community during instruction days. There are a variety of different possibilities for participation from overseeing activities, to school maintenance, to teaching a class. We will determine the best role for your family during the interview process.

Financial Responsibilities:

\$100 General Materials Contribution/Registration Fee (non-refundable)

\$500 per student annual tuition (may be paid monthly)

The family maximum will be \$1000 per year

\$150 - \$250 per student Textbook & Materials Fee (\$150 for K-1st Grade,

 $$200 ext{ for } 2^{\text{nd}}-5^{th} grade, $250 ext{ for } 6^{\text{th}}-12^{th} Grade)$

\$50 Scholé Community Enrollment Fee

We are a non-profit organization. All fees and funds collected go directly toward the expenses of the community. Textbook fees will be used to purchase books and curriculum which will be ordered during the summer. Annual tuition will be reduced or waived for parents who teach a full class or devote more than the required hours to instruction, building maintenance, or logistics.

FAMILY APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION COTTONWOOD SCHOLÉ

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Date:
Parents Name(s):
Home Address:
Phone:Textable? Y N E-mail:
I have homeschooled for years.
Curriculum Used:
Please briefly describe your experience with Christian Classical Education:
Other programs in which my child(ren) are enrolled:
Children's names and ages/grades:
Child(ren)'s learning struggles, health issues, social challenges (please include any learning or social accommodations previously made):

My unders	standing/familiar beginner	ity with classical fair/learning			
My understanding/familiarity with the concept of scholé in classical education:					
none	beginner	fair/learning	good	experienced	
Have you participated in a homeschool co-op in the past? If so please describe your experience:					
How do you hope your family will benefit from being a part of this community?					
What subjects, activities, or enrichment programs (if any) are you interested in assisting with?					