Faithful Footsteps Family Learning @CrossPoint Community Church Homeschool Information Packet

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FFFL Homeschool Services

Faithful Footsteps Family Learning exists to walk alongside parents in Christian faith to assist in the education of children and youth.

We offer two main homeschooling services. You do not need to be a member of the Umbrella to join the Co-op and you do not need to be in the Co-op to join the Umbrella. These services exist independent of one another.

Homeschool Cooperative

The Homeschool Cooperative is a drop-off program offering supplemental assistance to parents that are homeschooling.

The 2026-2027 School Year is set up for K-12 students on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as Grades 2-12 for half-day Wednesdays.

Students participating in Tuesday classes will be having core courses: Bible, English, Science, and History. Students will be doing a combination of text work and project based learning. Classes are 90 minutes in length and will consist of hands-on activities both indoors and out. Homework will be given so that parents can continue to teach during the week. We are here to help assess, guide, and support.

Students enrolled in Thursday classes will be taking elective courses, such as Art, Music, PE, and Health. The students will still be expected to do work at home with their parents if they desire these courses to meet the legal requirements of homeschooling.

The last 90 minutes of Thursdays will consist of Worship and both student-directed and instructor-directed activities. This is a great opportunity for the students to build leadership and social skills.

Wednesday classes are half day and courses are geared toward middle and high school. Math help for grades 2-6 will also be offered. Working at home for these classes is imperative for your child´s success.

FFFL Homeschool Services (cont.)

Homeschool Umbrella

Faithful Footsteps Family Learning (FFFL) is an educational ministry operating under Crosspoint Community Church. We are registered with the Maryland State Department of Education to supervise home instruction under section .05 of the home instruction regulations, Code of Maryland Regulations 13A.10.01 Home Instruction.

Families are required to notify their local superintendent of intent to homeschool under our umbrella and to provide regular, thorough instruction in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Art, Music, Health, and Physical Education.

The role of the Umbrella is a legal role in which homeschooling families review with FFFL instead of with the state of Maryland and FFFL confirms that regular, thorough instruction is taking place.

Role of the Parents/Guardians

Faithful Footsteps Family Learning acknowledges that God has called parents to be responsible for their children in all things. Therefore, the ministry exists to assist and support parents in that journey to help train children academically, spiritually, socially, and emotionally. Parents that have chosen to homeschool their children have accepted the responsibility of legally educating their children in academics. The role of this legal responsibility falls completely on the parents. Parents must ensure that their children are completing the work at home that is required to allow their child/ren to make progress and receive regular, thorough instruction.

Regulations and Policies

We exist to walk alongside parents in Christian faith to assist in the education of children and youth in a homeschool setting.

Legal Compliance

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Pre-Enrollment Meeting

All families must attend a pre-enrollment meeting.

Enrollment Eligibility

FFFL is open to families homeschooling K–12. Parents must complete a Family Application and Parent Agreement each year.

Supervision

Two portfolio reviews are conducted per year (mid-year and end-of-year). Failure to complete reviews may result in withdrawal from umbrella coverage.

Records

Parents maintain attendance and grades; the umbrella maintains compliance documentation.

High School & Transcripts

Parents assign grades. The umbrella may issue transcripts/diplomas upon verified documentation.

Fees

Suggested Umbrella Registration donations: $75 per family with one child; $100 per family with more than one child. Donations are suggested and not required, as this is a ministry service.

Conduct

Families agree to act in a manner consistent with Christian values and the ministry's statement of faith.

Withdrawal

Families may withdraw anytime with written notice.

Disclaimer

Parents retain full responsibility for instruction and curriculum selection.

Technology Policy

No phones or smart watches allowed to be used in class. They must be off and put away and used only in emergencies.

We believe technology is a tool that can be useful when used properly but can also be harmful if misused. Laptops will only be used during our technology class or under direct supervision for a related class (i.e. using them during music class to write melodies and play around with different instruments.)

All written assignments will be handwritten unless there are special circumstances. High schoolers will be introduced to typing papers in order to prepare them for college and life after school.

The use of AI is not allowed. We view using AI as plagiarism and we reserve the right to check all work for the use of AI/plagiarism. The penalties of plagiarism in upper education are serious and we take it serious as well.

We reserve the right to update the policy as we see fit at any time. You will be notified of any updates.

By signing this, I agree that I understand and will abide by the following policies:

- I understand that this program is **supplemental** to my child(ren)'s homeschooling program. As the parent, I am fully responsible for my child's education. While feedback will be given on assignments and grades may be issued, it is my responsibility, as the parent or guardian, to ensure my child is completing his or her work.
- I understand if I want a signature for my portfolio stating that my child has completed the class, my child must be in attendance during class and be doing the given home assignments. If my child's work is not considered passing, according to the ministry leaders, the ministry leaders have the right to not sign that the class was completed. As the parent, I understand I have the right to decide my child(ren)'s grades and award credit as I see fit.
- I understand that my child(ren) are expected to adhere to the following **Code of Conduct:**
  - At FFFL, we strive to share the love of Christ at all times, and to continually become more like Him. We do not require that our students share our faith, but we do require our students to respect our faith.
  - We ask all students to use respectful language - no profanity or using the Lord's name in vain.
  - We ask all students to build one another up, not tear each other down. We will not tolerate teasing, bullying, harmful words or actions towards other students. *This includes language used in texts/messages/posts/videos on the phone or other forms of social media.*
  - We ask that all students dress respectfully - not wearing clothes with vulgar language, no tank tops, no crop tops, no low-cut or revealing tops, and pants/shorts should cover all undergarments (no sagging pants or short shorts/skirts.) *All rules apply to both boys and girls.*
  - We do not allow cell phones to be out during class unless it is an emergency.
  - Students who are habitually disrespectful towards teachers, treat other students with cruelty, or who consistently use their phones during class will require a parent conference. We will always attempt to resolve a situation with a student and their parent/guardian and do not want to have to ask anyone to leave the program, but we must - and will - protect the students who join our ministry from harmful language and behavior.
- I understand that my child(ren) are attending a drop off program that requires on-time pick up. If my child(ren) are picked up 15 minutes late or later on more than one occasion, my family will be unable to participate in the program.
- I understand this program is run by a ministry that stands on Scriptural truth. I do not have to agree with Scripture, but I must be respectful of the ministry's beliefs. My child will be exposed to the Christian faith and will be taught that it is true. Faith discussions will be respectful and loving.
- I understand that any offensive action against the ministry's belief in Christ will be grounds for removal from the program.

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

Faithful Footsteps Family Learning Statement of Faith

Faithful Footsteps Family Learning is an educational ministry at CrossPoint Community Church. CrossPoint technically falls under the Christian & Missionary Alliance but feels a lot like a non-denominational church. But just like we can do more working together, we can spread the love of Christ more effectively by partnering with other like-minded people. The mission of sharing the love of Jesus here and around the world is accomplished through the Christian & Missionary Alliance.

The Christian & Missionary Alliance's Statement of Faith is listed below. To see statements and perspectives on additional issues, please visit the following website:

Alliance Statements and Perspectives

https://cmalliance.org/who-we-are/our-faith-and-mission/perspectives/

Christian & Missionary Alliance's Statement of Faith

Section 1.1. There is one God (Deut. 6:4), Creator of all things (Rev. 4:11), who is infinitely perfect (Matt. 5:48), existing eternally in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Matt. 28:19).

Section 1.2. Jesus Christ is the true God and true man (Phil. 2:6-11). He was sent by the Father (John 20:21), conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin, Mary (Luke 1:34-38). He died on the cross, the Just for the unjust (1 Pet. 3:18), as a substitutionary sacrifice (Heb. 2:9), and all who believe in Him are justified on the ground of His shed blood (Rom. 5:9). He rose from the dead according to the Scriptures (1 Cor. 15:3-4). He is now at the right hand of the Majesty on high as our great High Priest (Heb. 8:1). He will come again to establish His Kingdom of righteousness and peace (Isa. 9:6-7).

Statement of Faith (cont.)

Section 1.3. The Holy Spirit is a divine person (John 14:16-18), sent to indwell, guide, teach, gift, empower, and bear His fruit in every believer (John 16:13; 1 Cor. 12:4, 11; Acts 1:8; Gal. 5:22-23). He convicts the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment (John 16:7-11).

Section 1.4. The Old and New Testaments, inerrant as originally given, were verbally inspired by God and are a complete revelation of His will for our salvation. They constitute the divine and only rule of Christian faith and practice (2 Pet. 1:20-21; 2 Tim. 3:15-17).

Section 1.5. Man and woman, created in the image and likeness of God (Gen. 1:27), fell through disobedience, incurring both physical and spiritual death (Rom. 6:23). Therefore, everyone is born with a sinful nature (Rom. 5:12), is separated from the life of God (Eph. 4:18), and can be saved only through the atoning work of the Lord Jesus Christ (Rom. 3:25).

Section 1.6. Salvation has been provided through Jesus Christ for all people (1 John 2:2). Those who repent and believe in Him are justified by grace through faith (Rom. 3:21-24), born again of the Holy Spirit (Titus 3:4-7), delivered from the dominion of darkness, transferred into the Kingdom of God's Son (Col. 1:13), granted the gift of eternal life, and adopted as the children of God (Rom. 8:14-16; John 1:12).

Section 1.7. It is the will of God that each believer should be filled with the Holy Spirit and be sanctified wholly,[1] being separated from sin and the world and fully dedicated to the will of God, thereby receiving power for holy living and effective service.[2] This is both a crisis and a progressive experience wrought in the life of the believer subsequent to conversion.[3] ([1]1 Thessalonians 5:23, [2]Acts 1:8, [3]Romans 6:1–14)

Section 1.8. Provision is made in the redemptive work of the Lord Jesus Christ for the healing of the whole person (Isa. 53:4-5; Matt. 8:16-17). Prayer for the sick and anointing with oil are taught in the Scriptures (James 5:13-16) as privileges for the Church in this present age (Acts 4:30).

Statement of Faith (cont.)

Section 1.9. The Church consists of all those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, are redeemed through His blood, and are born again by the Holy Spirit. Christ is the Head of His Body (Eph. 1:22-23, Col. 1:18), the Church, which has been commissioned by Him to go into all the world making disciples of all peoples (Matt.24:14, 28:19-20). The local church is a body of believers in Christ (Eph. 5:30) who are called to love (1 Thess. 3:12) and joined together for the worship of God, edification through the Word of God, prayer, fellowship, proclamation of the gospel through word and deed (Luke 4:18-19), and observance of the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper (Acts 2:41-47).

Section 1.10. There will be a bodily resurrection of all people (Acts 24:15). Our Lord Jesus Christ will judge with perfect justice (Acts 17:31, John 5:28-30) as the unrepentant and unbelieving are raised to the conscious anguish of eternal separation from God (Rev. 20:15, 21:8, 2 Thess. 1:9), and repentant believers are raised (John 6:40) to the unending joy of eternal life with God (Ps. 16:11, Rev. 21:1-4).

Section 1.11. The Second Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ is imminent and will be personal, visible, and premillennial. This is the believer's blessed hope and is a vital truth which is an incentive to holy living and faithful service. (Hebrews 10:37, Luke 21:27, Titus 2:11–14)

NOTE: Edits to Section 1.7 were presented to 2025 General Council and adopted but need to be adopted verbatim at 2027 General Council in order to be final.

FFFL 2026-2027 Schedule

TUESDAY

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	K-3: Language Arts 4-8: US History 8-12: Biology
10:05 AM - 11:35 AM	K-3: Chemistry & Physics 4-8: Language Arts 8-12: US History
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM	K-3: Biblical Character Traits 4-8: Chemistry & Physics 8-12: Christian Worldview
2:05 PM - 3:35 PM	K-3: US History 4-8: Bible 8-12: American Literature & Composition

THURSDAY

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	K-3: Health & Physical Education 4-8: Elements of Art 8-12: Tech & Truth
10:05 AM - 11:35 AM	K-3: Music Exploration 4-8: Health & Physical Education 8-12: Elements of Art & Composition
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM	K-3: Intro to Visual Arts 4-8: Musical Composer Study 8-12: Health
2:05 PM - 3:35 PM	All Grades: Worship & Fun Fellowship

WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	6-9: Robotics 8-12: Informal Logic 2-6: Math
10:35 AM - 12:05 PM	6-9: Pre-Algebra 8-12: Algebra 1 8-12: Geometry

TUTORING

MON	One on one tutoring available from 12:00 - 7:00 PM
WED	One on one tutoring available from 1:00-6:00 PM

FAITHFUL FOOTSTEPS FAMILY LEARNING

FFFL Course Descriptions 2026-2027

K-3 Language Arts: Literature, Phonics, Reading, and Writing taught in skill-based groups through visual, auditory, and kinesthetic learning activities. Material Fee: $40

K-3 Biblical Character Traits: Using Konos curriculum as a guide, we will see what Scripture says about attentiveness, obedience, orderliness, trust, patience, stewardship, and honor. Lessons will be hands-on and immersive. Material Fee: $25

K-3 US History: Using My Father's World, students will journey through the years and learn about the history of the United States from Pre-Colonial times up until modern times. Material Fee: $20

K-3 Chemistry & Physics: Using Apologia Exploring Creations with Chemistry & Physics, students will learn about the basic building blocks of creation, atoms & molecules, simple chemicals, and laws of motion & energy. Material Fee: $45

K-3 Health & Physical Education: This class introduces young learners to healthy habits through simple lessons on nutrition, hygiene, basic first aid, exercise, and personal safety. Material Fee: $10

K-3 Introduction to Visual Art: Using Artistic Pursuits as a guide, students will gain a solid, foundational understanding of art history and fundamental art techniques such as composition, observation, color, and form through hands-on projects. Material Fee: $20

K-3 Music Exploration: Using Music Comes Alive Primary A, students will learn music history, appreciation, and techniques through various hands-on activities and books. Material Fee: $30

4-8 Language Arts: Literature (US based), Reading, Writing, Grammar and Mechanics will be taught in skill-based groups. Four literary selections will be studied over the course of the year. Material Fee: $40

4-8 Bible: Using My Father's World, students will read through the book of James together (and also try to memorize it) as well as learn about prominent figures of faith throughout US History and the world. Material Fee: $40

4-8 US History: Using My Father's World, students will journey through the years and learn about the history of the United States from Pre-Colonial times up until modern times. Material Fee: $20

4-8 Chemistry & Physics: Using Apologia Exploring Creations with Chemistry & Physics, students will learn about the basic building blocks of creation, atoms & molecules, simple chemicals, and laws of motion & energy. Material Fee: $45

4-8 Health & Physical Education: This class helps students develop lifelong healthy habits through lessons on nutrition, hygiene, basic first aid, exercise, and personal safety. Material Fee: $10

4-8 Elements of Art: Using Artistic Pursuits as a guide, students will learn the basic elements of art and art composition. Material Fee: $60

FFFL Course Descriptions (cont.)

4-8 Composer Study Class (Music): Using a composer activity, students will travel through the ages learning about 42 different composers ranging from the Middle Ages to modern times. Material Fee: $5

6-8 Robotics: Using kits from Barnabas Robotics, students will design, assemble, wire, and program their own little robots as well as a little bit of coding in session 1. In session 2, we will use the same controller to make a little car that is able to think and act on its own, building more on the skills from session 1. Material Fee: $80

6-9 Pre-Algebra: Using Simply Good and Beautiful Pre-Algebra course, students will learn pre-Algebra with a spiral approach. Parents can download a free book and videos for in-between lessons. Material Fee: $15

8-12 American Literature and Composition: Four literary selections will be studied over the course of the year focusing on literary analysis, critical thinking, vocabulary, and reading comprehension. Grammar, Mechanics, and Spelling will be taught through writing assignments. Material Fee: $40

8-12 Christian Worldview (Bible): Using Worldview by Kevin Swanson, students will learn the difference between the truth of the Bible and the secular world. Going over topics such as: the nature of truth, God, man, ethics, sociology, origins, sin, salvation, and teleology. Material Fee: $40

8-12 US History: Using Masterbooks World History, students will survey the history of the US from Native Americans and European settlement up until the modern age (engaging everything with a Biblical worldview). Material Fee: $40

8-12 Biology: Using Masterbooks Master's Class High School Biology, we will bring God's creation of cells, ecosystems, biomes, the genetic code, and more to life for our students. This class will include labs with microscope use and dissections. Material Fee: $80

8-12 Health: Using High School Health for the Whole Person (7Sisters), students will complete a full year of physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual health activities and discussions. Material Fee: $45

8-12 Elements of Art & Composition: Using Artistic Pursuits, students will learn how to view the world as an artist, being introduced to topics such as: space, line, texture, and value. In session 1 we will be using drawing pencils and in session 2 we will be using charcoal. Material Fee: $55

8-12 Tech and Truth: Using various resources, students will learn and practice typing skills, basic computer history and literacy, as well as how our faith intersects with how we should view and use technology. Material Fee: $30

FFFL Course Descriptions (cont.)

8-12 Informal Logic: Using Fallacy Detectives (Nathaniel and Hans Bluedorn) as a guide, students will learn to think critically and recognize fallacies. Material Fee: $25

8-12 Algebra 1: Using Algebra 1: A Fresh Approach, students will learn all about equations, functions, factoring and more with a non-intimidating, one concept at a time approach. Material Fee: $80

9-12 Geometry: Using Geometry: A Fresh Approach, students will learn about logical thinking, geometric shapes, and geometric proofs, building upon what they learned in Algebra 1. This unique textbook provides a non-cluttered approach. Material Fee: $80

K-12 Worship and Fun Fellowship: Group worship followed by social activities. Some weeks will be free time social activities and other weeks will be teacher guided. The connections and social skills built during this time are equally beneficial to the students as structured academics. Material Fee: $0

FFFL Donations

FFFL is a ministry dedicated to serving the local community. We offer private tutoring, a licensed umbrella school, homeschool assistance, and homeschool classes for all ages. Our program does not charge tuition, but is donation-based so that all families are able to receive services, regardless of their financial situation.

We are committed to remaining "pay what you are able, as you are able." We do not want financial hardship to be a determining factor in participating in our programs. We believe in the Lord's provisions and everyone is welcome.

The registration fees will hold your child's spot in the program. If you have multiple children and cannot afford to pay the fee, please contact us.

Material fees are based on the books and material cost of the class. We will put in group book orders to lower the costs. Therefore, if you pay the fee, there are no additional books that must be bought. Class fees are due by June 1st to allow us time to order books.

Donations allow us to continue to run the ministry. Your donations go to additional materials, facility upkeep, and instructor salaries.

Contact us if you cannot afford the registration fee or the course fee. Otherwise, we just ask that you donate what you are able, when you are able. We ask that you pray for provisions for the program.

Suggested Donations:

Suggested donations are based on $10 per hour (in class) per child.
Therefore, suggested yearly donations are based on 33 weeks for one year:

One ½ day per week (2 classes): $30 wk/$120 mth/$990 yr
One full day per week (4 classes): $60 wk/$240 mth/$1980 yr
One full day and one ½ day per week (6 classes): $90 wk/$360 mth/$2970 yr
Two full days per week (8 classes): $120 wk/$480 mth/$3960 yr
Two full days and one ½ day per week (10 classes): $150 wk/$600 mth/$4950 yr

2026-2027 PROGRAM CALENDAR

September 8, 2026

First Day of Classes

November 20, 2026

Thanksgiving Celebration

November 23, 2026 - November 27, 2026

Closed for Thanksgiving

November 30, 2026

First day back from break

December 18, 2026

Christmas Worship/Celebration

December 21, 2026 - January 8, 2027

Closed for Christmas/ Winter Break

January 11, 2027

First day back from break

March 19, 2027

St. Patrick's Day Lesson/Celebration

March 22, 2027 - March 29, 2027

Closed for Resurrection Celebration/Spring Break

March 30, 2027

First Day Back from Break

May 28, 2027

End of the Year Party

*Spelling Bee/Art Show, Spring Formal,
and Graduation Dates TBD*

FFFL Photo Release Form

During the school year, we take photographs involving students so we can share with you some of the activities and assignments in which your children participate. Some photographs may capture your child's likeness, directly or indirectly.

These photos may be published through our website, social media pages, emails, flyers, etc.

We will not publish or share any photos of your child/ren without parental permission. Therefore, we are asking for your consent in allowing us to publish photos which may involve your child to the said platforms.

Please do provide your response by selecting your choice below and submitting this form:

If it is fine for us to use photographs of your child(ren) please check this box: ☐

If you would not like us to use photographs of your child(ren) please check this box: ☐

Name of child(ren):

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Parent´s Signature:

_____

Date:

_____

FFFL Umbrella High School Graduation Requirements

Faithful Footsteps Family Learning credit requirements for graduation are as follows: (courses without a specific curriculum require 120 or more hours to earn 1 credit, 60 or more hours for a ½ credit)

Subject	Description	Basic Option	College Prep Option
Bible/Christian Service	Any Bible study or Bible course. Christian Service is any voluntary service to a church or community.	2 plus 25 hrs Christian Service	2.5 plus 75 hrs Christian Service
English	Literature, Grammar, Language Arts, Vocabulary, etc.	4	4
Math	Algebra, Geometry, Calculus, Consumer Math, etc. **Algebra 1 is required.**	4	4
Science	Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Zoology, Earth Science, Physical Science, etc.	3	3
Social Studies	World History, Geography, Government, etc. **US History is required.**	3	3
Physical Education	Any sports, aerobics, weight training, dance, swimming, etc.	½	½
Health	Health or Medical related courses	½	1
Technology	Computer Science, Engineering, Programming, Web Design, etc.	1	2
Financial Literacy	Any course that teaches financial basics such as checking accounts, taxes, credit cards, loans, etc.	1	1
Fine Arts	Music, art, dance, theatre, etc.	1	1
Electives	Any other class that does not meet the above subjects and/or extra credits over the minimum for each subject.	2	4
Total Credits Required		**22**	**26**

Faithful Footsteps Family Learning offers two diploma options for graduation. Both options meet MD State High School requirements for graduation. The diploma issued from FFFL is not an accredited diploma issued from the State.

The Basic option provides a thorough high school education that will prepare students for life after college.

Our College Prep option goes above and beyond the Basic option and will also meet the college entry requirements of most colleges and universities in the United States.