# Enrichment Co-op Guidelines and General Information

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#### General Information

All families participating in Dikaios classes must be members of the Dikaios Christian Educators Association.

The Enrichment Co-op is meant to supplement each family's home-school program by offering short-term extracurricular and scholastic classes bi-weekly. These are parent-led classes designed to be a cooperative—a group where individuals share their talents and gifts with our families.

Co-op meets at Faith Bible Church in San Bernardino. The Co-op offers two terms per school year, meeting every other week. Co-op meets on Thursdays from 10:55 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with lunch/fellowship time.

All children will enroll in three 55-minute long classes. Nursery and pre-school classes are also available for younger children.

Classes offered vary from year to year depending on the needs of the Co-op families and parent suggestions.

We commit our time on Thursdays to teach the children, to help develop skills, to learn from one another and to encourage one another. We enforce our school policies and code of conducts which should be reviewed by each member attending.

Co-op is open only to those students who are enrolled in the Dikaios Christian Educators Support Group and who are listed on the Co-op registration form. Please do not bring additional children (i.e. cousins, friends interested in the program, grandparents, etc.) to the program without permission 1 week prior from the coordinator.

All adults registered for this program will be asked to have completed a LiveScan and wear a name tag during co-op hours.

Please park in the church parking lots and not on the street. The church has requested that we show consideration for the neighbors and church staff by not parking on the street or in the cul-de-sac. The lane in front of the church is for loading and unloading only.

The Co-op begins with a devotional and pledges together at 11:00 a.m. This is a time for the entire family and we ask that you sit together.

Occasionally co-op will overlap with scholastic "core" classes for junior high and high school level students. These classes may meet on the same schedule and/or overlap some of the enrichment co-op classes.

Schedule of the Day:
10:55 - Gather in Fellowship Hall
11am - Roll Call, Pledges and Devotions
11:20-12:15 - 1st Period
12:15-1pm - Lunch Break
1pm-1:55 - 2nd Period
2pm-2:55 - 3rd Period
3pm - Clean up

## Pledges:

Pledge to the American Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands: one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Pledge to the Christian Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag, and to the Savior for which kingdom it stands; one Savior crucified, risen and coming again with life and liberty for all who believe.

Pledge to the Bible

I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's Holy Word, I will make it a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. I will hide it's Word in my heart that I might not sin against God.

### Parent Participation

At least one parent from each family is required to be present and participate at Enrichment co-op. All families are required to be present and seated at 10:55 for the opening assembly which begins at 11:00 a.m.

The parent who signs up for participation in the co-op program will be given assignments each class period and agrees to be present at each co-op.

Helpers will be assigned by the coordinator, with consideration of the parent's preferences prior to the first class, if alterations or changes need to be made please let the coordinator know.

Every family will be assigned chores throughout the semester which are to be started at the end of 3rd period. Chore cards will be handed out which have the list of areas and tasks for that day.

All parents and children participating in co-op programs must agree to abide by the rules and code of conduct found in the members handbook. Consistent disregard for the rules will result in a family's expulsion from the program.

#### Absence

Each family's role at co-op is vital to the success of our program. Therefore, we ask that each parent take his or her responsibility for being at co-op very seriously. Excessive absence on the part of any family causes hardship on the other co-op families. For this reason, there will be a charge of \$10 for any family that is absent twice during the semester.

You must contact the Co-op coordinator in advance if you will be absent so that your assigned duties at co-op may be covered.

There will be a fee of \$10 if you fail to call the coordinator.

Parents whose absence has been cleared by the coordinator may send their school aged children (ages 6-18) to co-op with an adult who will assume responsibility for their children.

## Enrichment Co-op Teachers and Helpers

Teachers are required to plan an eight week long outline/course of study for the classes they teach and submit their outline at least 1 week prior to class.

There must be one helper in the classroom at all times for safety and occasionally step in for an absent teacher. If your helper is absent please notify the coordinator as soon as you are made aware, to find a replacement.

Teachers delegate responsibilities to their assigned helpers.

Helpers implement general classroom rules, take class roll, and perform the tasks that the classroom teacher delegates to them.

If a teacher is going to be absent, they will leave a class outline and instructions with their helper as well as notify the Coordinator.

Parents new to our co-op program are required to help for a minimum of one co-op term before being considered eligible for a teaching position.