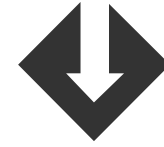


Home education should be supported as closely to Dad, Mom and children around the kitchen table as possible. Therefore SMHEA and THEA focus support services, activities, and resources at the appropriate organizational level to keep them as close to the local support group and your family as possible



*Activities and Services that are best done by a State Organization*

*Activities and Services that are best done by a Regional Organization*

*Activities and Services that are best done by a Local Organization in order to support individual families*

## THEA

*(Tennessee Home Education Association)*

- Monitors state legislation in order to protect home education freedom
- Provides on-site representative at Senate and House Education Committee meetings
- Sponsors annual Capitol Hill Rally Day
- Provides state-wide leadership training
- Partners with National Home Education Organizations
- Serves as a resource for state government officials, media Representatives, and education agencies
- Sponsors Speech and Debate programs
- Runs a Homeschool Alumni Association
- Coordinates state-wide support and information systems

## SMHEA

*(Membership includes THEA membership)*

- Regional Curriculum Fair
- Spelling Bee and Science Fair
- Graduation ceremony
- Regional activities (speakers, sports teams, speech and debate, etc.)
- Leadership training and mentoring for Support Group Leaders
- Support And Mentoring For Umbrella School Administrators
- *SMHEA Guide to Home Education Handbook*
- Regional Communication through Smoke Signals Newsletter and Electronic Mail List
- Regional Resource for Government Officials, Media Representatives, and Local Education Agencies

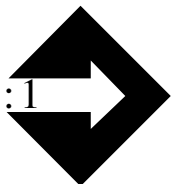
## LOCAL SUPPORT GROUP

- Parent support meetings
- Family activities
- Cooperatives and enrichment activities
- Field trips and student activities
- Local Resource for new home educators

## Your Family

*Providing God-ordained protection, provision, and direction for your children as you choose the method and content of their education*

Ps. 127:1



“Unless the Lord



builds the house, they labor in vain who build it;.....”