



Christian Home Educators Science & Sports Institute (CHESSIE) 2018-2019 School year

Science Classes are taught from a Christian perspective

What? Lively Hands On Science Classes for students with sports, free play, & visiting with friends

Who? Homeschooled students in grades K&1 (Mrs.Lepage)
Grades 2 through 7 (Mrs. Pierson)
Physical Science, Biology & Chemistry (Mrs. Shelton)
Physics (Mrs.Basener)

Where? Calvary Chapel Charlottesville Church, 1284 Sunset Avenue Ext
Charlottesville, VA 22903

When? CHESSIE meets on Thursdays from September through mid- May

Contact for all questions:

Mrs. Kathy Pierson, Science Teacher & CHESSIE administrator
Please use the contact form on the website.

Parent service hours:

Each parent is required to work approximately 4 hours per semester. Parents have the option to pay a sub to work their position. Payment to subs is \$20 for a parking lot shift & \$15 for a one-hour sibling care shift and is handled as a private transaction in which parents take care of paying their substitute. There is a sub list on the CHESSIE website *parent information* page.

The CHESSIE statement of faith –at the bottom of the website home page.

It is important for families to know that CHESSIE is a Christian homeschool group and teachers respect and adhere to these beliefs when teaching science. Please read through the enrollment checklist so that you can see what you are agreeing to when you become part of CHESSIE.

CHESSIE teachers are either homeschooling or former homeschool

parents. Teachers can be e-mailed questions, when students need assistance. We ask that students check the handout page of the website for homework pages if they lose one (Mrs. Lepage & Mrs. Pierson's classes)

Material fees:

Parents are required to pay a material fee of \$50 per student. This is non-refundable after June 15th of the summer prior to the start of classes.

Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis. Students are added throughout the school year until classes are filled until a maximum is reached.



Sports Time: Sports time will be held outside on the field unless there is pouring rain or extreme cold. Students should dress for the weather and plan to be outdoors. Sports time will include activities such as soccer, basketball, dodgeball, frisbee, volleyball with regular ball and large beach ball, 'can-can' & made-up games. The fellowship hall is available on bad-weather days. Sports leaders will have games prepared, but students may also choose activities.

Drop off & Pick up: For ease of transportation, when more than one child in a family is participating in science classes, siblings may come early or stay later until all members of the family are done with classes. The exception to this is for the kindergarteners, who should be picked up at 2:00. These little ones tire out if they stay with us longer than 2:00.

Registration Forms & Fees: Please check the website for updates on registration and fees for the 2014-2015 school year. For further information, fill out the contact form on the website and Kathy Pierson will get in touch with you. If there is space in the classes you are interested in, the registration forms will be e-mailed to you.

CHESSE Website: www.chessieneews.com

Who we are: Kathy Pierson began CHESSE at her home 7 years ago. In 2010, it outgrew her home and we were very thankful for God's provision of Berean Baptist Church as a meeting location. CHESSE is more than just science & sports. It is a time to see old friends and make new ones—for homeschooled students and their moms. Many times, moms will meet to walk in the neighborhood or visit in the parking lot during classtime. Other moms need the time to run errands or to be at home with younger children. Students enjoy the time to be with friends in a fun, friendly, Christian environment. Kathy homeschooled her three sons from K through 12, and her youngest son graduated this past May (2014). Her oldest son is a Georgetown University graduate and is now finishing up his PhD in economics and will be attending law school this coming year. Her second son is a graduate of William and Mary & works at the Virginia Institute of Autism in Charlottesville doing behavioral therapy work and her third son is attending PVCC. Kathy has loves teaching science and working with students. She is beginning her 15th year of teaching science to homeschooled students. It is her goal to create fun hands on science experiments and activities to spark an interest in science that continually grows in her students. Sharon Shelton has been homeschooling for 16 years and her oldest daughter is attending JMU and her second daughter is at PVCC. She is currently homeschooling her two sons. We are very blessed to have Sharon with her biochemistry degree teaching the high school science courses at CHESSE.

