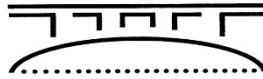


River City Christian Academy



Decatur, Alabama

July 10, 2024

Dear RCCA Families,

I need to share with you changes coming to River City Christian Academy. Due to some health challenges in 2024 and personal decisions with the RCCA Administrators, 2023-24 is our last year for the operation of RCCA. First Baptist Church Decatur staff has been very supportive and have not in any way brought on this decision. We administrators have loved working with and serving your families!

As you know, being under a cover school is no longer a requirement in the State of Alabama. In this mailing we have provided some suggestions of organizations or paths that you can take to maximize your homeschool experience. We will continue to maintain our files and be happy to transfer these to other schools as needed. Updated transcripts up to the completion of 2023-24 will be available also. Please have all grades and attendance forms turned in by July 31, 2024. We will keep much of our information on the church website for awhile so you can refer to it as needed.

Please let me know how I can continue to serve you in this transition. I am sad as we make this decision, but sometimes a door closes and we take it as from the Lord.

Our hearts have been overjoyed as we have served each of you these past several years. We pray for God's guidance as you continue to invest in the lives of your children.

Sincerely,

Ann Allen

RCCA Administrator

Transition helps

Connect is a local homeschool community that offers various learning opportunities, social gatherings and a high school graduation for members. Many of the opportunities require a small membership fee to participate, but the registration is by semester. If you are interested in learning more about Connect please contact the admins on the Connect Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1603761886588378/> or email Danielle at connectdecat@gmail.com.

If you want to continue to homeschool with a cover school, there are many options available to you. According to HSLDA, you have three options under which you can legally homeschool in Alabama (<https://hsllda.org/post/how-to-comply-with-alabamas-homeschool-law>).

Every fall, the administrator would submit our student enrollment forms to the school district. Attendance and grades have been kept on file by RCCA. We recommend you continue this by submitting a student enrollment form or letter with that information to your local school board/superintendent. It would be best to submit this information by the first week of school starting. We also recommend you maintain your HSLDA membership for the duration of your homeschooling.

Websites that might be helpful:

- Home School Legal Defense Association: hsllda.org
- Alabama Code Title 16. Education section 16-28-7: <https://codes.findlaw.com/al/title-16-education/al-code-sect-16-28-7.html>
- <https://www.honorschoolalabama.com/>
- <https://responsiblehomeschooling.org/state-by-state/alabama/>
- <https://creativelearningconnection.com/homeschooling-in-alabama/>
- <https://rocketcityrealtor.blog/2023/05/13/homeschool-resources-for-north-alabama/comment-page-1/>
- <https://www.thehomeschoolmom.com/homeschooling-in-alabama/homeschool-organizations-support-groups/>
- <https://www.homeschoolalabama.org/>, used to be CHEF, also has high school helps at <https://www.homeschoolalabama.org/high-school>