

# Mississippi Home Educators Association

34th Annual Spring Conference & Curriculum Fair – May 17-18, 2019

Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS

## Young Entrepreneur Information Packet

### Young Entrepreneur Requirements

**Booths are available to entrepreneurs who meet the following requirements:**

- Pre-registered conference attendee
- Home educated for at least one year prior to the conference
- Student age 10-18 years old or homeschool graduate age 24 or younger
- Single (not married) and living at home under parents' authority
  
- Booth spaces may not be shared with other businesses
- The business must not be the primary source of income for their families
- The business must belong to the entrepreneur, not a side business owned or operated by the parent
- Entrepreneurs under the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult (age 18+) or parent for the duration of the conference.
- Mississippi State and MHEA do not allow the sale of baked goods or other food items
- Distribution of materials and/or brochures to conference attendees outside of your booth space is prohibited

### Exhibit Hall Policies, Terms, and Conditions

*In order to display and sell merchandise at the MHEA Spring Conference and Curriculum Fair, you must agree to the following terms and conditions:*

Submitting an application does not guarantee approval by MHEA. Once MHEA reviews your application, you will be notified via email or postal mail of your acceptance or refusal. If the display area is full, you will be placed on a waiting list and notified of any cancellations. Please complete, sign, and return the application with full payment. MHEA will not deposit your check until your application has been accepted. By signing the application, you are agreeing to the conditions and rules contained within.

*MHEA will not approve of merchandise that contains depictions of occult images or materials, new age philosophies, evolution, secular humanism, fantasy or role-playing games or curricula, curricula or books that promote lifestyles contrary to the biblical interpretation, or any material that demeans the Bible, Christianity, or Christian values, or presents these as untrue or one among many equal religions. MHEA reserves the right, at the conference, to exclude specific items or entire displays which, in MHEA's opinion, would be inappropriate for display. Anyone who refuses to remove items deemed inappropriate by MHEA will be asked to leave without a refund. Participation in the conference implies an understanding of and agreement to these conditions and releases MHEA from any financial or other liability related to such exclusion.*

MHEA will not provide or sell any personal information (i.e., names or email addresses); thus, we will not be able to provide you with a mailing list of the attendees for your own use, etc.

- You must display all your materials within your booth space.
- Any person working a booth at the curriculum fair is encouraged to wear modest apparel.
- Everyone working in a booth must be wearing, at all times, an exhibitor name badge provided by MHEA, especially when entering and exiting the exhibit hall area.
- If you agree to hold materials for an attendee at your booth (after it has been paid for), you do so at your own risk.

### Booths and Services

Entrepreneurs are allowed to apply for only one booth space—1/2 table (3') –OR- one (6') table. Two chairs will be provided for each space. No backdrop, table skirting, or tablecloths will be provided. Electricity is not available. Wireless internet is available in the Student Union.

### Advertising

Ads are quarter-page (5.5" x 2") and cost \$20. Ads must be camera-ready in a .jpeg file (500kb or higher) or .pdf (300dpi). Ads will not be returned or refunded after April 15. We will acknowledge your submission by email. Please contact [mheapublications@yahoo.com](mailto:mheapublications@yahoo.com) for more information.

### Cancellations/Refunds

If you find out that you will be unable to attend for any reason, please contact me at [lookinguntojesus88@yahoo.com](mailto:lookinguntojesus88@yahoo.com) .

## **Load-In/Set Up**

You may load in Thursday, May 16th, at the Colvard Student Union between 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. If you arrive later than 6:00 p.m. on Thursday you will not be able to check in or unload. **Friday morning load-in/set up will be available only in case of special exemption** from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. You **MUST** be finished setting up by 10:00 a.m. on Friday.

## **Display and Break Down**

Young Entrepreneurs who are participating in the Teen Track are required to be available for business only from 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday from 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Otherwise, it is required that you remain set up and available for business until the close of the conference on Saturday. Tentative Exhibit Hall hours will be Friday 10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. \*Hours are subject to change. Please check [www.mhea.net](http://www.mhea.net) in April for the confirmed exhibit hall hours.