

## Philosophy of Education

Apiary Collective Co. utilizes the methods of the Charlotte Mason educational philosophy in selecting lesson materials, designing student work and facilitating lessons. Education is the science of relations, and ultimately, the co-op strives to develop an environment that values what is true, good, and beautiful while building relationships with God, with each other, and with the world around us.

## Faith Based

We are a Christ-centered homeschooling community, like-minded in our educational pursuits. We are committed to holding up one another in prayer as we cooperate together to provide academic and enrichment lessons for our students, through faith-centered fellowship. Apiary Collective Co. exists as a non-denominational Christian homeschool co-op. Members are required to be professing Christians and to agree with and sign our Statement of Faith. To the best of our human ability, all decisions made for the group will be governed by the Word of God and Christian principles.

## Better Together

Apiary Collective Co. exists for the benefit and the good of homeschool families in the Tulsa Metro area, to provide classes and activities that are most beneficial when completed in a group with parents helping in all aspects of community gatherings. In short, we aim to do things that are “better, done together.”

Apiary Collective Co. is a registered non-profit (501c3) with no paid positions. All participating families, including board members, volunteer their time and teaching. Apiary Collective Co. does not accept enrollment from families who have students enrolled in public charter schools (i.e. EPIC).

## Contact Us

If you would like to learn more about Apiary Collective Co, or if you are interested in supporting Christ-centered education through our group, please contact us!



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By wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established;  
by knowledge the rooms are filled  
with all precious and pleasant riches.  
*Proverbs 24:3-4*



# Apiary Collective Co.

Apiary: (āpē,erē) a collection of individual beehives that come together to make a larger community of bees

Apiary Collective Co. is a Christ-centered Charlotte Mason community that is grounded in Biblical truth, aiming to nurture our children in the Lord by providing community gatherings of core and enrichment studies to be an integral part of your family's homeschool year by cultivating a life-long love of learning and appreciation for God's created order and beauty.

## Who We Are

Apiary Collective Co meets on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm at Current Church in Collinsville.

Community gatherings run between August and May with three 12-week terms per year and one field trip per term.

### 2024-2025 Community Gathering Dates

- First Day: August 13
- Fall Break: October 7 - 11
- Fall Showcase: November 16
- Thanksgiving Break: November 25 - 29
- Christmas Break: December 23 - January 3
- Spring Break: March 17 - 21
- Spring Showcase: May 10
- Last Day: May 22

Each family (babies through 8th grade and one primary parent) attend community gatherings together. There is no student drop-off option.

Parents play an active role in community gatherings and are required to serve by teaching lessons, assisting with lessons or in the nursery, helping with setup and clean up, and working together as families to facilitate all aspects of the community gatherings.

## Fees

Family Fee: \$500 per family

Student Fee: \$150 per student (JrK-8th grade)

There may be additional fees for field trip or specific events.

Fees are due in total on July 1, 2024

## Classes

Everyone joins together on Tuesdays with a half hour Symposium before breaking out into the following classes. Symposium includes hymn, folk song, poet study, composer study, artist study, scripture recitation and poetry recitation. Everyone enjoys lunch and recess on the playground following lessons on both days.

### Nursery Bees | Infant - Toddlers

Babies and toddlers play, nap, eat snack and have fun together with time outside on the playground as weather and age permit.

All students bring a backpack with a snack, water bottle, pencils, colored pencils, and notebooks and/or books required for their specific class to each community gathering.

The following classes have no homework and all lesson material is covered in class.

### Blueberry Bees Class | JrK - Kindergarten

Students are given a quiet growing time through gentle nature lessons, picture-book centered readings, crafts, and plenty of play and hands-on activities as they explore the world around them.

### Honey Bees Class | 1st - 2nd Grade

Students will study Bible, literature, geography, science with an emphasis on nature study, nature lore, handicrafts and artistic expression, print handwriting, presentations through show and tell, board and math games and recess.



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The following classes will have a mixture of lessons: some lessons will have readings and activities in class, and some will have homework and reading assignments to be done at home in preparation for their lesson in class. Often the lessons with homework will require the student to own his/her own copy of the book(s). There will be a required book list provided for each of these classes.

### Bumble Bees Class | 3rd - 4th Grade

Students will study Bible, literature, moral imagination, geography, science, Oklahoma state history, handicrafts and artistic expression, presentations, math games and Swedish drill.

### Mason Bees Class | 5th - 6th Grade

Students will study Bible, literature, moral imagination, geography, science, handicrafts and artistic expression, presentations, math games and Swedish drill.

### Carder Bees Class | 7th - 8th Grade

Students will study Bible, literature, moral imagination, geography, science, handicrafts and artistic expression, logic, spiritual formation and world view, and presentations.

The **2024-2025 Community Gathering Guide** details the specific books, curriculum and materials to be used by each class for the upcoming year. Check it out and more on our website under the "2024-2025 Links" tab.

Ambleside Online is our primary book list and curriculum source.