

PREPARE THE WAY

Common Questions

Prepare The Way builds a community grounded in biblical truth, equipping families through accountability, support, and classical education. We exist to train up the next generation to love God and reflect His character.

We know you have questions — and we want to answer them honestly. Prepare The Way is a new community, built from the ground up by families who love classical education and believe there is a better way to do it together. Here is what we know so far.

What is Prepare The Way?

Prepare The Way is a Christian classical homeschool co-op that meets once a week on Tuesdays. We are built around three convictions: that biblical truth should shape everything we teach, that parents are the primary educators and deserve real support, and that the best learning happens inside a committed, genuine community. We are not a franchise or a curriculum delivery service — we are a community of families doing this together.

When and where do you meet?

Tuesdays* from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. We are currently in the process of securing a facility in the **Rogersville or Ozark** area and will confirm the location as soon as it is finalized. We are actively pursuing options and expect to have something confirmed soon.

** We are planning to meet on Tuesdays and hope to keep that day consistently. Thursday is also a possibility depending on facility availability.*

What ages are welcome?

We welcome children from age 4 through 7th grade, with the potential to expand to higher grades depending on enrollment. Our programs are organized into three levels:

Approach — ages 4–11 (Pre-K through 6th grade), our grammar-stage program. Meets in the morning and dismisses at 12:15.

Base Camp — ages 8–11 (3rd through 6th grade), an afternoon add-on for older Approach students. Stays through 3:00 pm.

Summit — beginning with 7th grade, our dialectic and rhetoric-stage program. Runs as a full day alongside the lower programs.

Nursery and afternoon care are also available for younger siblings.

What does it cost?

We do not charge tuition. Families pay a supply fee and a facility fee per child per year, due by July 1.

Program	Supply Fee	Facility Fee	Total
Approach only (ages 4–7)	\$100	\$100	\$200
Approach + Base Camp (ages 8–11)	\$150	\$100	\$250
Summit (7th–12th grade)	\$100	\$100	\$200

The facility fee is subject to change depending on our host location. Any surplus funds at the end of the year may be returned to the host church, used for a community event, or applied toward a shared field trip.

What is expected of parents?

Because we don't charge tuition, we ask for something more valuable — participation. Every family contributes from their strengths. This might look like teaching a subject you love, leading a class, supporting logistics, or caring for younger children so other parents can teach. Families are placed in roles that fit them. This is not optional — it is what makes the community work.

We also ask families to attend consistently. Community day runs on full participation, and when a family is absent, their class feels it. All absences require communication with the Director and a substitute by 7:30 am.

What makes Prepare The Way distinctive?

We integrate a biblical worldview into every subject — not as an add-on, but as the lens through which everything is taught. History follows a unified biblical and world timeline. Science is always connected back to God's character, what creation reveals about Him, and that week's memory work. When students work together, we pay as much attention to how they treat each other as to what they produce.

We also take a *scholé* approach to learning — meaning we protect time for unhurried, curious, and joyful engagement with ideas. Rather than racing through content, we extend meaningful time in Memory Work, Science, and Fine Art so students can go deeper rather than just covering more.

For our older students (ages 8–11), we add Grammar in the morning alongside Fine Art for younger classes, and move Fine Art to the afternoon — taught by a dedicated Fine Art Lead who rotates through classes. Science is also a separate Lead role that classes rotate through. Parents teach from their strengths rather than being handed a script, which means students learn from someone who is genuinely prepared and genuinely engaged.

For our 7th grade Summit program, a team of class leads each teach from their own area of strength across the six strands of the curriculum — bringing genuine expertise and engagement to every subject rather than one person covering everything.

What curriculum do you use?

For our **Approach** program, we use **Claritas** for memory work and science. Families have freedom to choose their own math and language arts curriculum at home. **Base Camp** students additionally use **Claritas Fundamental Grammar** for grammar instruction and **IEW** for writing. **Summit** students follow a classical dialectic and rhetoric curriculum across six strands: Latin, research, reasoning, geography, logic, and persuasive writing.

When does the school year run?

Our school year runs **August through April**, meeting on Tuesdays for 28 weeks total — 14 weeks per semester. The exact start date will be confirmed once our facility is secured.

We also take community culture and conflict resolution seriously — with a clear, biblical process for when things get hard, and leadership that is committed to acting when action is needed.

We would love to meet you

If your family is interested in learning more about Prepare The Way, please attend our formal Information Night on **Tuesday, May 5**. Doors open at **5:00 pm** for a meet and greet with the Director, Board, and Vision Team. The presentation begins at **5:30 pm**. The whole family is welcome to attend.

To connect with us directly, visit **www.preparethewaycoop.com** or reach out to Celene after May 1.

Have more questions? Visit us at **www.preparethewaycoop.com** for more information — including our Community Belief Statement, scope and sequence, and other details about the program. You are also welcome to reach out to Celene directly after May 1.