

# Local Organizations & Communities

## Co-ops & Networking

- **Arundel Christian Homeschool Cooperative (ACHC):** Focuses on building consistent friendships and offering fun electives from a biblical perspective.
  - **Contact:** [ACHCparents@gmail.com](mailto:ACHCparents@gmail.com).
- **MySchool:** A networking platform designed to help families find and learn alongside other homeschoolers in their immediate area.
  - **Website:** [myschoolathome.io](http://myschoolathome.io).

## Tutorials & Academic Services

Unlike co-ops, these groups typically hire private tutors to lead classes.

Organization	Educational Focus & Grade Level	Location
<b>ACTS</b>	Annapolis Classical Tutorial Service; Kinder through High School.	Annapolis area
<b>Cornerstone Tutorial</b>	Christian, non-denominational sessions for High School.	Pasadena, MD
<b>Chieftain Institute</b>	Courses for Middle and High School students.	Derwood, MD
<b>Unitas Classical</b>	K–8th grade using classical disciplines like memorization and logic.	Bowie, MD
<b>A to Z Education</b>	K–9th grade programming, including excursions and enrichment.	Consulting/Online

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# Enrichment: Sports, Arts, & Skills

## Athletics

- **Athletic Performance Inc (API):** Offers Homeschool PE (ages 6–14) and All-Sports developmental classes (ages 3–7).
  - **Location:** Gambrills, MD.
- **FCA Northern Maryland:** High school varsity-level sports (including soccer, football, and basketball) for those without a school team.
  - **Contact:** Tim Hines at 443-324-3914.
- **Chen Sports:** Competitive options for Baseball, Basketball, and Volleyball.
  - **Contact:** chensportsmd@gmail.com.

## The Arts & Communication

- **Classic Theatre Maryland:** Dedicated Shakespeare classes, acting skills (dialects, tap), and group outings.
    - **Website:** [classictheatremaryland.org](http://classictheatremaryland.org).
  - **Mike's Music:** A 6-week band program where students are placed in groups by age and skill for a live performance.
    - **Location:** Ellicott City, MD.
  - **NCFCA:** Competitive speech and debate through the National Christian Forensics and Communications Association.
  - **Institute for Cultural Communicators (ICC):** Leadership and communication skills with local chapters in Anne Arundel, Howard, and Baltimore counties.
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## Recommended Online Resources

- **Cathy Duffy Reviews:** The go-to source for detailed homeschool curriculum reviews.
- **Debra Bell's Online School:** Comprehensive virtual academic courses.
- **Sophia.org:** Online tools to supplement various subjects.
- **Squirrels at the Door:** Provides family-friendly newsletters and Bible stories.