

HOPE Extension Services Department ESD AERC Services and Resources

ESD Membership Annual Cost:
HOPE Services: \$100 per family
Plus a one time, returnable damage and loss deposit: \$25 per student using the library
and/or AERC Services: \$100 per family (see separate info sheet for services and resources available)

HOPE Extension Services Department (ESD) is a partnership between HOPE International School and AERC (Asian Education Resource Consortium). AERC was formed in 2001 by a group of like-minded agencies and schools to support Kingdom Worker families serving throughout Asia. Through its staff and resources, AERC helps with the important task of meeting the educational needs of these families by assisting parents in educating their children where they live and work.

AERC Services and Resources:

- HOPE Extension Services Department library resourced by AERC
 - Review textbooks, curriculum, supplementary materials
 - Borrow general TCK and homeschool resources (issues, methods, philosophy, etc.)
 - Borrow supplemental resources and reading materials
 - Online catalogue
- HOPE Extension Services Department centre and activities:
 - Access to HOPE ESD air conditioned resource centre/room at HOPE South
 - Access to the outside play area at HOPE South (children must be supervised)
 - Participation in activities and workshops organised by ESD
- The AERC Connection monthly newsletter with lots of ideas and resources for homeschooling. To view past newsletters click on the links: [August 2015](#) [September 2015](#)
- A members only website and forum. You can visit their website [here](#).
- Testing services including:
 - Basic standardized tests
 - Specialized individual tests and some diagnostic testing
- Education consultation to provide:
 - Strategies to help with a learning struggle
 - Help in choosing or changing curriculum and input when evaluating education options
 - A listening ear for any education or TCK related issues
- Annual Family Educational Conference in Chiang Mai, Thailand:
 - AERC members receive discount on conference fee
 - Parent workshops and seminars - Teen and children's program
 - Discounted basic Testing for Children Ages 7-14 (grades 2-8)
 - Discounted Individual Academic Tests and Diagnostic tests administered by an educational psychologist to help identify specific learning issues
 - For information on the next AERC conference coming up in January 2016 click [here](#).