



HOMESCHOOL QUICK REFERENCE

Can I homeschool my child?

- Yes. For independent homeschooling, a parent needs a high school diploma or equivalent; no teaching license is required. Attendance generally applies from 6 to under 18. A church-related umbrella school is another choice.

Can I choose what to teach?

- You choose your curriculum and subjects for independent homeschooling. Use materials suited to your child's learning level.

Can I choose my schedule?

- Independent homeschools provide at least 4 hours per day for 180 days each year. You choose the dates.

How do I get started?

- File initial intent with your resident district when beginning. In later years, file before the school year starts. Include your diploma/equivalent, required child/curriculum/schedule information, and guardianship proof if applicable. Vaccination proof is not required for independent registration.
- Keep daily attendance and send the year-end attendance record to the district.

Is testing required?

- Independent students test in grades 5, 7, and 9 using the permitted state or nationally normed assessment.
- For private testing, use an unrelated proctor. Provide results to the parent, district director/designee, and State Board. Keep grades and academic records; significant learning gaps can require consultation and additional testing.

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YOUR CURRICULUM & NEXT CHOICES

How Faith Schooling Makes It Easier

- [Faith Readers](#) supports K–5 reading and phonics; [Grammar Garden](#) supports language and writing; [Building Number Sense](#) provides K–5 mathematics.
- Use literacy and math materials and add other subjects to build a broad program. The [Homeschool Rhythm Builder](#) helps plan your 180-day calendar. Arrange the independent testing separately.

Other choices & helpful details

- Umbrella alternative: Enroll in a qualifying Category IV church-related school and follow its attendance, course, record, and testing policies instead of independent district intent. An accredited Category III online school is another enrollment choice.

Helpful tools for your family

- Start with your child’s current skills. [HARVEST](#) is a free parent-guided reading placement check. It helps plan lessons; it is not a state-required standardized test or certified evaluation.
- The [Homeschool Rhythm Builder](#) is a free weekly planning tool. Keep any legally required attendance or hour records separately.
- Select complementary resources for the other subjects your state requires. The linked literacy and math programs are not a complete science, social studies, history, health, or government curriculum.

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