

5-Steps to Start HOMESCHOOLING

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1. Know Your State's Laws - Each State has different requirements

To get you started here is a link to the Homeschool Legal Defense Association https://www.hslda.org. They keep up to date on all state homeschool laws and will have the necessary paperwork for you to submit to your local school to begin the homeschool process.

2. Find Your Student's Learning Style - Textbooks vs Computers

This is very critical because it will impact how you deliver the content to your student. Do they like working on a computer? Are they visual learners or do they like to hear the instruction from a person in front of them? Do they like to work at night or during the day? Remember each child learns in different ways.

3. Find Your Students Curriculum - There are lots of options but knowing your student's learning style will help

Based on your students grade level, and the answers that your student gave you in step 2 you should be able to narrow down your search. Some good resources for homeschool curriculum would be your state's homeschool association website and if you are looking high school curriculum don't forget to check out Citizen's High School.

4. Set Up Your Classroom - Create a comfortable, quiet learning area

Connecting with other homeschool families is beneficial to both the parent(s) and the students. It provides both the social interaction they crave as well as provides the parent(s) the ability to bounce ideas and obtain ideas and information about homeschooling their children. A great resource for connecting is Facebook and your state homeschool association website.

5. Connect with other Homeschool Parents - Networking works in business and homeschooling

Create an area where your student can focus on their learning either within the house, or even outside the house such as patio or library. The key here is the student needs to have a space that is separate from areas that he or she associates with play.