

# Frequently Asked Questions

## What exactly does it mean to Home School?

Home schooling is the process of providing education to your child at home or in a program that is not considered Private School or Public School.

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## Will a teacher or other staff visit my house to check our progress?

No. The parent is solely responsible for providing the student with the appropriate education and standardized testing when home schooling.

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## What is required for me to home school my child?

The State of Georgia requires parents to have a high school diploma or a GED to home school. You are required to provide at least 180 days of instruction with 4 ½ hours a day consisting of, but not limited to, reading, language arts, mathematics, social studies and science. Parents should obtain a Declaration of Intent to Utilize a Home Study Program and Monthly Attendance Records from the Board of Education home school office. Or download a copy from the home school website.

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## Will the Board of Education give me the curriculum or materials I need?

No. Parents are responsible for securing a curriculum or program for their child.

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## What about the CRCT? Will my child be allowed to take the CRCT at the school?

No. Parents will be responsible for securing a standardized test for their child. Please review # 5 on the Declaration of Intent to Utilize a Home Study Program.

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## Can my child participate in school activities or sports when home schooling?

No. At this time, the State of Georgia does not allow non-enrolled students to participate in school activities, programs or sports.

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## Do I have to use an accredited program?

No. You are not required to use an accredited program.

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## What do I need to do to begin home schooling?

First thing is to withdraw your child from the public school system. Second, call or visit the home school office at the Board of Education to get the appropriate forms.

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## What if I decide I want to enroll my child back in the public school system?

If you would like to transfer your child from home school to public school, please visit the school in your zone for enrollment procedures. Also, notify the home school office at the Board of Education that you will be returning to public school.

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## Will the school accept “work” or grades from our home school program?

The school will look at the progress the student made in home school and will follow validation procedures for enrollment. Please refer to the zoned school for more information.

