

How to begin Homeschooling in Georgia



Step 1: Remove child from school

If your child is in public or private school, Withdraw child from school and be sure the school understands and document that your child will be home schooled on the withdrawal papers. If not enrolled in public or private school, move to Step two.

Step 2: Read and understand the Process

Read [Registering and Rules for Home School](#)

Also read this article called "[Homeschooling in Georgia](#)"

Step 3: Read and understand the laws

Read [Georgia State Laws](#) & [Testing and the Home School Law](#)

Step 4: Pick your homeschool name & File Declaration of intent



Choose a name your homeschool program to put on Declaration of Intent. Our homeschooling name is "Minds Of Purpose" (This step does not apply to those that will do the public school online)

Within 30 days of withdrawing your child or 30 after Starting a homeschooling program
Fill this Out Online [Home Study Program Declaration Of Intent](#) or the [Printable Declaration](#)



Print one Declaration of Intent out for your records and print one to keep in your purse/wallet.

Step 5: Keep Track

Keep Track of [attendance record](#) :



(Note: You no longer have to turn in attendance forms, but keep them for your record)



When filling out the dates for your homeschool On Declaration of Intent, be sure to give yourself a full 365 days, (i.e., Start date: Sept. 1 of the present year, until End Date: August 31 of the following year). This gives you the whole year to complete your 180 days.



If you are withdrawing your child from a public or private school during the school year, find out how many days of school your child has attended when you withdraw him/her and add on to that number. So if your child attended 80 of public school, you have 100 days to be accountable for homeschooling.

Step 6: Research Research Research!!

Research books, articles, blogs and more on homeschooling and join groups:

- [Homeschooling: The Teen Years](#)
- [A Family's Guide to Homeschooling](#)
- [How to Homeschool](#)
- [The Parent's Guide To Successful Homeschooling](#)
- [7 Secrets to Finding the Best Homeschool Curriculum](#)
- [Planning your Homeschool for spontaneous fun and creativity](#)



TIP: My favorite book sites to get books are

[Abebooks](#)

[Paperback Swap](#)

[Amazon](#)

[Thriftbooks](#)

Join GROUPS (Choose groups according to your needs)

On Facebook

[Gwinnett Homeschool Family Connection GROUP](#)

[Homeschool with Uhuru GROUP](#)

[Homeschooling with Pinterest GROUP](#)

[National Black Home Educators PAGE](#)

[Easy Peasy All-in-One Homeschool GROUP](#)



There may be an Easy Peasy group for your specific area, such as [Easy Peasy All-In-One Homeschool: Florida](#) or [Easy Peasy All-in-One Homeschool Kentucky](#). So do a Facebook search.

[FreeHomeschoolDeals.com PAGE](#)

[Atlanta Homeschool Cooperative PAGE](#)

[FREE U Homeschool Sharing Collective Group](#)

[HHOW Homeschool Connection PAGE](#)

[HHOW Homeschool Network](#)



You can also search Meetup.com and Yahoo Groups for your area.

Step 7: Find out Child's Learning Style and Teaching Style and Research it:

[Learning Styles Explained](#) see chart below

When you..	Visual	Auditory	Kinesthetic & Tactile
Spell	Do you try to see the word?	Do you sound out the word or use a phonetic approach?	Do you write the word down to find if it feels right?
Talk	Do you sparingly but dislike listening for too long? Do you favor words such as <i>see, picture, and imagine</i> ?	Do you enjoy listening but are impatient to talk? Do you use words such as <i>hear, tune, and think</i> ?	Do you gesture and use expressive movements? Do you use words such as <i>feel, touch, and hold</i> ?
Concentrate	Do you become distracted by untidiness or movement?	Do you become distracted by sounds or noises?	Do you become distracted by activity around you?
Meet someone again	Do you forget names but remember faces or remember where you met?	Do you forget faces but remember names or remember what you talked about?	Do you remember best what you did together?
Contact people on business	Do you prefer direct, face-to-face, personal meetings?	Do you prefer the telephone?	Do you talk with them while walking or participating in an activity?
Read	Do you like descriptive scenes or pause to imagine the actions?	Do you enjoy dialog and conversation or hear the characters talk?	Do you prefer action stories or are not a keen reader?
Do something new at work	Do you like to see demonstrations, diagrams, slides, or posters?	Do you prefer verbal instructions or talking about it with someone else?	Do you prefer to jump right in and try it?
Put something together	Do you look at the directions and the picture?		

[Traditional Learners & Learning Styles](#) see chart below



[Guide to Homeschooling Approaches and Curriculum \(and Everything\)](#)

[What is Your Teaching Style?](#) See Chart below

	Teacher's Role	Students' Role	Example Situation
Formal Authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Teacher gives all knowledge to students. Lecture -Content focused -Not concerned with relation with students or students relationship with each other 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Listen and ask for clarification however their primary role is listener or receiver of knowledge from teacher - Takes notes and follows along listening asking questions when unclear. 	The teacher explains and talks about the present perfect tense. Might even have handouts or write examples on the board. The teacher explains the rules and exceptions. Teacher explains common errors. The teacher does almost all of the talking and explaining. All knowledge and learning comes from what the teacher presents and explains.
Demonstrator/ Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Teacher is the model and demonstrator -Teacher centered -Coach and guide students -Show by example the process and help master tasks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Students observe the teacher as the model. -They practice what is shown by the teacher. -Students follow the example set by the teacher. 	The teacher is introducing vocabulary and tells several stories within which is expressed the vocabulary and how to use it correctly. The students then follow by using that information to mimic what was stated in pairs or in groups. The students use the teacher's language to produce and practice what was said by the teacher.
Facilitator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Teacher creates situation for students to practice what was taught -Student centered learning -Lessons focus on group activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Students responsible for seeking help from peers -Student learn according to their desire -Student centered activities for application knowledge 	The teacher explains the focus of the exercise and then divides the class into groups. Students are required to figure out what they should say in order to order food from a restaurant. Each student will take a different role and act out the scene. First they must work together and collaborate on what they will say and how each will act in the scene. In this situation students are forced to
Delegator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Learning takes place according student intuitive -Teacher acts as counselor or consultant - Student centered learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - individual students or groups are responsible for the learning - students have learn through own projects 	Students are given a project or activity that they must film. They have complete freedom to choose the length and focus of the project. The students will meet and work together based on their own motivation and desires. The teacher places responsibilities on the students for the completion of the project. Teacher is used as a consultant only.


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Step 9: Choose Curriculum

Order your free [Rainbow Resource Catalog](#)

Choose Curriculum best for you:


[Step-by-Step Guide for Choosing Curriculum](#)

[K 12](#)  This is an online Public school.

[Easy Peasy All-in- one High School](#)

[Kamali Academy](#)  Must be purchased

[Easy Peasy All-in-one Homeschool](#)

[Time4 Learning](#)  Must be purchased

[Free Online Homeschooling](#)

[Free Homeschooling Curriculum](#)

You can create your own....Call us to set up an appointment with our [Homeschool Consultant](#) on how to create your own Curriculum Starting at \$35

Step 10: Sign up for Teacher Discounts and Homeschool Educator Discounts

[Teacher Discounts and Home School Educator Discounts](#)

[Educator Discounts for Homeschoolers](#)

[10 Places you can get Discounts just because you Homeschool!](#)

[The Complete List of 81 Teacher Discounts](#)



This is when carrying a copy of the Declaration of Intent in your purse/wallet becomes handy.

Step 11: Congratulations, Welcome to homeschooling!!!

Welcome aboard!!! We are thrilled to have you as a homeschooling family. Check out our website to learn more about [HHOW Homeschool Connection](#), Our [Classes and Activities](#) , [Homeschool Consulting](#) and How to [Enroll in our Homeschool Connection](#).

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