

# 9 EASY STEPS TO START HOMESCHOOLING

## STEP 1: KNOW YOUR HOMESCHOOL LAW

Understanding your homeschooling laws is crucial as regulations vary by state in the US and internationally. Each state has its own educational laws, and it's important to be aware of them before starting your homeschooling journey. Similarly, if you reside outside the US, we advise reviewing both national and local homeschooling regulations.

## STEP 2: JOIN A HOMESCHOOL ORG

Backup is crucial for homeschooling families collaborating with professionals who may not support homeschooling. Homeschool organizations safeguard your rights, providing confidence and freedom to homeschool.

## STEP 3: PAPERWORK CONSIDERATIONS

Tracking progress is crucial in homeschooling, especially with individualized goals, testing records, therapy, and social aspects. Keeping records boosts confidence for both you and your child

## STEP 4: FIND YOUR CURRICULUM

Establishing scope and sequence for instruction is crucial, especially for children with unique learning needs. However, they often require modifications and accommodations to achieve their learning goals. Programs with multi-faceted, hands-on, or sensory dimensions provide parents flexibility in adapting instruction to their child's needs.

## STEP 5: KNOW THERAPY OPTIONS

Homeschoolers can access diverse therapy options based on location, their child's needs, and desired parent involvement. These include federal/state-funded programs, private insurance offerings, parent-provided services, and educational consulting assistance, available even internationally

## STEP 7: NEW EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

Transitioning from traditional schooling to a lifestyle of learning takes time. Families often spend weeks to months discovering new ways of learning together. They embark on field trips, play educational games, read books, and engage in various activities to explore effective learning methods for their family

## STEP 8: GO AT YOUR STUDENT'S PACE

Focus on gradual progress, not norms. Children experience periods of stagnant growth and sudden leaps. Tailor instruction to these fluctuations and assess progress regularly for optimal learning.

## STEP 9: CREATE A MISSION STATEMENT

In the midst of homeschooling challenges, like a child's struggles, illness, or life's unexpected twists, it's easy to lose sight of your path. Crafting a mission statement for your homeschool serves as a compass, guiding you back on course and reaffirming your reasons for choosing this journey.

