

Home Schooling General Information

Home education is recognized by section 3321.04 of the Ohio Revised Code and section 3301-34 of the Ohio Administrative Code. The parent or guardian must notify the superintendent of the Lake County Educational Service Center (not ODE) of his/her intent to home educate a child of compulsory school age. The notification must include specified informational items and assurances concerning the home education program, including a curriculum outline and a list of books or learning materials to be used for the year. Providing the appropriate information and assurances removes the responsibility of educating a child from the public school district of residence and places it with the parent/guardian. Some home-educating families find the information in Ohio's Academic Content Standards to be helpful for curriculum planning purposes. These standards can be found at:

<http://education.ohio.gov/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEPrimary.aspx?Page=2&TopicID=1695&TopicRelationsID=1696>.

For curriculum guidance around the state Academic Content Standards, parents can review the Standards Guides for Families:

<http://education.ohio.gov/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationID=1696&ContentID=14936&Content=56207>

In addition to the information and assurances, an annual assessment is required before the superintendent accepts notification of the intent to home educate during the next school year.

Home Education Organizations

Listed below are additional home schooling resources that may be helpful to you:

1. Ohio Home Educators Network (OHEN) – <http://www.ohiohomeeducators.net/>
2. Christian Home Educators of Ohio (CHEO) – <http://www.cheohome.org/>
3. Home Educators Cooperative Learning Community (HECLC) – <http://www.heclc.com/>

A list of additional home schooling organizations can be found at <http://www.h-i-o.org/orgs.php>